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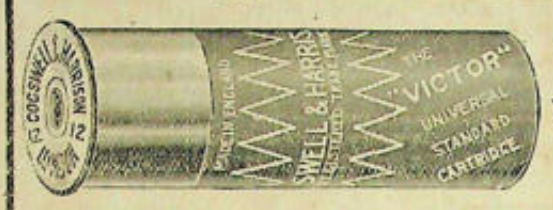

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PONY RACING IN AUSTRALIA.

THE abortive Bill for the Suppression of Gambling, which the New South Wales Government recently introduced and withdrew, has been the means of compelling attention to the extraordinary amount of pony racing in that State. During the present year pony racing, always popular, had received an additional stimulus by the creation of a new body formed to promote the sport in rivalry with the three existing clubs. Rivalry or competition brought about the natural results: stakes were increased, entry fees were cut down, more meetings were arranged, and in a word the owners of racing ponies and galloways found themselves in clover. For some years past, as we read in the *Sydney Mail*, there have been over 150 pony and galloway meetings per annum in the immediate neighbourhood of the capital: since the new competition has been instituted, the average has been nearly five meetings per week: and this increase, we are told, furnished to a great extent the motive for introducing the aforesaid bill for the suppression of gambling. These pony meetings, unless we are mistaken, are all proprietary: in other words they are run on business principles with the object of earning dividends: naturally every inducement is given to the people to patronise them, and among the inducements are increased facilities for betting with the bookmakers who live on the game.

Now we hold no brief for the anti-gambling brotherhood in Australia or anywhere else: but when we read of an average of nearly five pony race meetings a week, while within the Sydney district (forty mile radius) there are only sixteen days legitimate racing in the year, we are justified in joining hands with those who ask whether the business is not being heavily overdone: and if so much pony racing makes for the best interests of the horse in New South Wales. Let us not be understood to write in disparagement of the pony: we are too well aware of the merits of the stout small horse to think all pony racing mischievous; but when racing means running four or six furlongs under feather weights it means the encouragement of such "vile and paltry" horses as George II's act sought to make an end of 165 years ago. The most indulgent, moreover, cannot refuse to admit that four or five days' racing a week can hardly be wholesome for a working population: and Mr. Wade, the Attorney-General, cannot be considered to voice a policy of harsh repression when he informed a deputation of pony owners that the State Legislature proposed to limit the number of meetings by statute and refused sanction to more than seventy in the year. This excessive indulgence in pony racing is no good thing in itself and it is all the worse for that it has done a great deal to make an end of sport which brought horses of a much better class to the front. Prior to the advent of proprietary racing in the Sydney district, country clubs directed horse racing and were able to offer stakes which brought the patronage of owners of horses of good class. The proprietary, clubs proved too [illegible] the country clubs: frequent [illegible] cheapest lines took away th[illegible] once accorded the horse races [illegible] drawn and given to the pon[illegible] game fell the prey of itinerant [illegible]akers and their stakes speedil[illegible]

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Of all the States in the British Empire New South Wales is the one which can least afford to tolerate institutions which are detrimental to horse-breeding. She was the first State to make a name in the breeding industry and she retains her priority: under the circumstances it is not surprising that those who have at heart the best interests of the industry and the best interests of racing, were of one mind in approving the determination of the Government to take pony racing in hand and limit it. Australian State Governments have never adopted a narrow minded attitude towards racing: on the contrary, the value of the horse-breeding industry and the valuable part played therein by the Turf has been freely recognised as witness the policy of giving public land for race courses where such a measure seemed desirable, a tenderness for the interest was shown in that proviso which required the length of a pony course to be six furlongs only: the sharp turns on these courses have been a fruitful source of mishap in the past and a minimum of one mile would go far to ensure safer turns. This by the way: the bill is dead and what the next one in the same spirit may propose remains to be seen.

Vested interests are of course entitled to consideration and as there appear to be some 500 owners possessing 750 ponies in the Sydney district, so considerable a body may expect fair treatment. So far as the horse-breeding interests of the State are concerned, it would be no bad thing if, in the absence of a governing body, the Legislature were to take a leaf out of the book of 18th century Parliaments in England and lay down laws governing distances to be run and weights to be carried. The good pony—and by "good" we mean a pony that can carry weight and stay—is well worthy of encouragement: he is an animal whose production might with advantage be fostered in every country where horses are used. Were the New South Wales lawgivers to turn their attention to gradually mending instead of abruptly curtailing the sport of pony racing, they would have with them all men whose opinion is worth holding. The average pony run at these meetings is a weed with some thoroughbred blood in him who can carry the six or seven stone put on his back over a half mile course or less in wonderfully fast time: but he is good for nothing else. A code of rules which should prevent the racing of two-year ponies, fix the minimum distance at one mile and the minimum weight at say 8st. 7lbs., if gradually introduced by obliging proprietary executives to include an increasing number of such races in their programmes year by year, would benefit the horse-breeding, or least remove an objectionable feature and would incidentally do something to check excessive gaining. It is the number of races no less than the number of meetings which provides wagering facilities; and manifestly when the length of races is materially enhanced their number must be cut down. With half a dozen or more four furlong scurries in an afternoon the same ponies may be pulled out more than once: with as many races of useful distance it must be a good one the owner can send twice to the post on the same day. If the New South West Legislature takes upon itself to limit the number of days racing any club may hold in course of the year, there is no logical reason why it should not go farther and legislate in respect of distances and weights. We have nothing to say about the restrictions on betting: though it may be remarked that the totalisator which the New South Wales authorities regard with such pious horror has been found in countries where its use is legal to be productive of more good than harm to the morals of those whose moral welfare is a matter of concern to their lawgivers.

Early in his career Fred. Swindell used to make a book in Manchester. He had a wretched, battered, dirty, torn, worn ten-pound note, and he dealt with it in this manner. If any one won of him he tendered this note in payment.

"Oh! hang it, Fred. I can't take this for a tenner!" the recipient would protest.

"Why not, lad? I have taken it for a tenner, and thee mun do the same."

The man still held out, and Fred said, "If thee dunna like it, I'll change it for thee for a shilling."

"All right; here's the shilling."

For some time Fred. made a fine living by giving change for this ten-pound note. One day a man accepted the tenner without commend, and Fred. immediately gave him a shilling to get it back again. It is scarcely surprising that Mr. Swindell owned brewery companies, and won Cesarewitches and Cambridgeshires.

A youngster who saw a dachshund for the first time described it as "half a dog high and a dog and a half long."

Sporting Notes.

THE only event of much note to record in the Indian racing world this week is the meeting at Jubbulpore. There has been a sudden and important revival at this Central India station, and no less than four days' programmes were successfully carried out. The class of horses competing was by no means to be despised, as Mr. J. D. Scott swooped down from Dehra and made the competition uncommonly hot for the local stables. Duplex II, little one though he is, proved a trifle too speedy for any of his opponents and quite beyond the long arm of the handicapper. This meeting filled up a big gap in the Racing Calendar, and will no doubt continue on a prosperous career, now that so good a start has been effected. Details of the racing are given in the usual place.

There are many conflicting statements current anent the measurement of Blitzen. Since February last, it has been generally understood that her "pony" days were over; but recently it has been persistently stated that she will be re-measured. Whether the attempt to obtain a measurement is to be made or not, appearances at present point to her running in the open class.

Another persistent rumour is abroad respecting the demise of Barney Allen of "Camira" fame. On the other hand it is stated that the whilom bookmaker is following in the footsteps of Robert Sievier and editing a new sporting publication in Melbourne. Doubtless "the truth will out," but it often takes a considerable time in doing so.

The Tollygunge Club continues to enjoy good fortune in its racing career. Heavy cyclonic rain has put the course into good condition and entries have rolled in for five out of the six events figuring in the prospectus. The pony hurdle race has fallen through, but even should no substitute be arranged the programme is quite strong enough to provide a full afternoon's amusement. Of the six in the steeplechase Lady Gold stands out very prominently, while Lucifer, Eileen and Brown Moor are joining her old antagonists Fairy and Queen of Hearts in this sporting little contest. The Novice Stakes brings twelve into the handicapper's net, and of these Dalgai, Lucifer and Lord Chippendale are about the pick, exclusive of the new appearances, of which there is quite a handful.

The All-Comers' Cup has also been well supported and the handicapper should be able to make a good race out of it. The November Stakes for maiden horses has six only with three double entries, and the Buggy Stakes for ponies the same number, of which Blossom and Irish Boy are the only well-known public performers. With such good promise as this, the Executive may perhaps decide to include a few genuine racing events in the meeting advertised for the 17th November, which we understand is at present intended to consist for the most part of "Gymkhana" competitions.

The late rains may delay the opening of the Calcutta paperchasing season to some slight extent, but the drainage of the Ballygunge country is so mysterious a process that it is impossible to predict the date when any given locality will be dry enough to sustain a galloping horse. Taking the average of a number of years we can reckon on the first chase in the second week of December and there is no reason to suppose that the opening meet will be later than the third Friday in December this year. There will be any number of competitors for the Steeplechases and Cup this season. If Nevermore returns from Bangalore in good fettle he will stand first on the list on recent form, but there are two others that will run him very close. Lord Harry will take a deal of beating this year and Captain Holden is said to own another one equally good if not better than the bay. These horses have been in charge of Mr. J. D. Scott during their owner's absence on leave and have had the advantage of the splendid Dehra climate. Then there is Pretender, who is also said to have summered well to stand some chance of training on again this season. We have not yet seen what Mr. Hamilton's horse is really worth; but that he is, when fit and well, one of the very best horses in this class there can be no two opinions. Fusilier is perhaps the next best, if he qualifies for these races. His exhibition in the Monsoons is no criterion of his powers in a climate that suits him, and he was running very prominently in last year's Paperchase Cup, when he slipped up in a narrow lane about a mile from home, and was out of the race. Mr. Dudley Myers has purchased a nice little horse to replace Commerce, who carried him all through last season. Mr. Pugh will probably have something to move along upon, but its name has not as yet transpired. However it is as yet early to discuss the prospects of the paperchasing season, and another month may disclose a host of new-comers.

Entries for the Rawulpindi December Meeting close on the 6th instant.

Mr. W. H. Walmsley returned to Calcutta last week after his trip home. He is going strong and doubtless some of his stable will ere long be seen on the Calcutta course, where we hope they will render a good account of themselves.

Our Bangalore correspondent writes:—As regards the cup candidates, it may probably be said without much fear of contradiction that Mr. Apcar's two are doing the best work and are the most advanced in their preparation. Mallard indeed needed no preparation, he was thoroughly fit at Poona, where the weights allotted to him were mostly too big to accept. Fitzgrafton is looking a picture, a thoroughly refined equine aristocrat; indeed a more perfect specimen of a thorough-bred horse would be hard to find the world over. The work is being shoved into him, and there is quite clearly no doubt as to his soundness and capacity to stand it in the opinion of those who most certainly know him best. On Thursday last, he did an uncommonly good mile gallop, and finished as strong as possible in 1min. 56secs. This morning he galloped with Martinique, a wise move, for the horse has invariably galloped away from Dea, his former companion, and it may be doubted whether repeated beatings were good for the mare or whether they might not have the effect of making the horse take things too easily. Certainly he had no excuse for doing so to-day. Martinique, when in form, and she is about as good as she can be just now, will move almost as fast as anything owning four legs. She got off with a couple of lengths the best of the horse this morning, and fairly running him off his legs, got the six furlongs well ahead of him. But the time was 1min. 25secs. (on the sand), and although many and various remarks were made about the gallop, it need not cause Fitzgrafton's admirers any uneasiness. She had nothing on her back (Davis) and Thompson on the other did not work the last ounce of him. Nor is six furlongs the cup course. In short the horse is doing uncommonly well.

Long Tom is doing good long work, but has not really been asked to go yet. It is perhaps an open secret that a certain amount of care has to be taken of him. If he can be brought to the post sound and well he will very nearly win again, but it is excellent policy on Tom Ferguson's part not to overdo things within a couple of months still to go. He went round three times this morning, working alone, and on each occasion came home from the six-furlong post at about ten annas, evincing plenty of remaining powder at the finish. Munderah went round twice, in company with Olyntheus, and came the last half mile at a good bat, finishing half-a-dozen lengths to the good. There were those who said he was rolling a bit at the finish but I could not see it. He has been wearing bandages for the last couple of days; but I have the best authority for saying that this fact carries no significance with it. He knocked himself ever so slightly the other day, but no harm whatever was done and the bandages are merely a precaution. The Master did slow work only, and the same remark applies to Mallard and Contest.

Of the jumpers, Loch Lochie and Aberfoil did a fast school, the former leading all the way and jumping very freely, whereas Aberfail seemed to want a little driving. Decoration and Pennant were also going well, especially the former although he has been got out lately and these four should all do well in the big jump races at Calcutta.

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Airlock, the mare who has the reputation amongst the faculty here of being one of the fastest sprinters that ever left Australia, is at present slightly lame behind, but I understand that it is only a slight rick which will be all right in a day or so. Steinhager, the Irish colt, is still backward and can hardly be expected to be anything else. Oscar Dignum has several English horses here and a nutmeg or roan grey (Jolly Abbot I think is his name), seems likely to turn out useful, whilst Vespasia is also a promising mare. Thinking over things generally, to the names of the four jumpers above mentioned must be added those of Strathspey, Seclusion, Adviser and Henrique—all good class, and there seems to be no reason whatever why the jump races in Calcutta this season should not be really good.

Wishart will probably be the first to depart from here to Calcutta, and Ferguson the last. Murphy is unfortunately laid up with a go of fever, but it is much to be hoped that he will be all right before long. We have not too many really good riders here at present: native riding boys are getting a lot of work, and they are very apt to spoil the mouth and temper of a good horse. Of the rank and file of race-horses here it may be said that they are generally doing well. There was a "bite" in the air at 6-30 this morning which was the first taste of the cold weather, and as Pringle put it "the horses felt it even sooner than we did." There was a good deal of resultant playing up, but no real trouble notwithstanding the unwelcome presence of sundry pariah dogs on the course. There are two scions of the house of Ferguson doing riding work here and one of them steers the sedate Long Tom in his daily exercise. We are promised a Gymkhana meeting somewhere between the 7th and 10th proximo, and with this mixed-up *pôt pourri* of information, this week's notes may perhaps be concluded.

A special General Meeting of the members of the Madras Race Club will be held at the Gymkhana Pavilion at 6 P.M., on Tuesday, the 13th proximo, to consider matters relating to the Race Meetings to be held during the present racing reason and also the finances of the Club.

We are sorry to hear that racing in Madras is not likely to be particularly flourishing during the coming season, the Race Club's little hoard having been swallowed up in the Arbuthnot smash.

This week the Kaiser has been deer-stalking in the Rominten forests, and an amusing account of a day's sport is sent to an enterprising morning paper from its Berlin correspondent. "The first stag, rather an old one, was shot shortly after breakfast. . . . . Meantime, a thoroughly high-grade stag, with irregular sixteen-pointed antlers, was reported to be roaming in another section of the forest. The Kaiser jumped into his swiftest motor-car, accompanied by Admirals von Tirpitz and Mueller, and a little after two o'clock in the afternoon got within range of his prey, and with a splendidly-aimed shot through the vitals brought the stag to earth. He weighed 389lbs." The voice comes from Berlin, but the hand is the hand of Brother Jonathan. Only he would have the originality to refer to "a thoroughly high-grade stag."

The end of the Alpine season has been marked by one of the most disastrous accidents on record, four students at the University of Lausanne having fallen to death on the Plan-Nevé glacier, above Bex, in the Valais. Fresh snow had lately fallen, the climbers refused a guide, and they attempted a route which had never before been tried. It is said that these unfortunate young men, though extremely rash climbers, were by no means devoid of mountaineering experience: but this terrible accident is another illustration of the fact that Alpine disasters are becoming more and more common among the inhabitants of Switzerland and the neighbouring countries. Perhaps from their having the mountains always, so to speak, at their front doors, they are indisposed to regard any difficult ascent as a matter demanding care and caution. When a climber goes all the way from England, he is more readily disposed as a rule, to treat his pastime seriously.

A correspondent writes:—"Ryots in that part of the Wynaad which leads into the Nilgiris are again complaining of the depredations of wild elephants. Of late years the number of wild elephants in the Wynaad, Coimbatore, and South Canara forests have increased, presumably owing to the operation of the protection Act, and one result of the increase is that the elephants do much damage to the fields and gardens bordering on the forest. The peasantry try to scare away the beasts by burning fires near their fields, by beating drums, and by producing unearthly sounds with the aid of horns and conches, but the elephants seem to have got fairly well used to all these devices. In addition to being destructive to cultivation, the huge beasts are a danger to human life, and last year, according to a return published by the Madras Government, one person in South Canara and three persons in South Malabar were killed by wild elephants, while in the previous year seven persons lost their lives."

It is stated that there is to be opened in Regent Street an establishment which for sheer luxury is probably unique. Everything connected with it is of the very best—the wood fittings are of oak, the hangings and cushions of silk, the carpets of an Oriental richness, and the colour scheme a pure glistening white. Were it not for the window fittings it might be taken for the very latest thing in boudoirs. But in the window is a succession of miniature stalls—six in all. Each stall is about 3 feet high and about the same in breadth and depth. The partition between each is of brass, and is terminated by lion heads of the same metal. The stalls are painted white, hung with white silk curtains, and on the floor of each rests a white silk cushion. Across the front of each hangs a fine brass chain, and each has a miniature door at the back. These stalls are not, as might be supposed, for a new breed of miniature ponies some 2 feet high, but will be tenanted by "toy" dogs. The place is simply a "toy" dog shop, and it is safe to say that even priceless toy-terriers have never before had so luxurious a setting—at any rate, in public. In other parts of the shop will be found tiny chairs of oak, each with its silken cushion, for a pampered pet to lie on. At the door will be an attendant in full hunting costume, velvet cap, pink coat, and white breeches, whose business it will be to show the dogs off to customers, and between whiles take them for exercise in Regent Street.

The Poona racing season was brought to a close on Saturday last with the Twelth Extra Meeting. In spite of a general exodus to "fresh fields and pastures new" the card filled well, and the wind up of the season furnished a good afternoon's sport. The three closed races all filled, after a fashion, though the horse race only drew three starters.

It was a good race, however, the big impost of 11-13, added to an extra furlong in the distance just proving too much for the favourite. The other two closed events drew fields of eight and six respectively. In the former, the half mile, three candidates from Bleach's stable finishing first, second, and third.

Some additional excitement was lent to the proceedings by the vagaries of the starting gate, which now and then refused to go up at both ends simultaneously, with the result that several jockeys narrowly escaped hanging, and in the Final Plate, Trahan got what might have been a very nasty fall through his mount Sir Galahad getting caught in the ropes and turned clean over.

The starting machine in its present form is far from being a perfected invention, and there is a great opening for the genius who can devise some form of mechanism which will prove more reliable.

A big field turned out for the Goodbye Plate, which was won after a good race by Scimitar, with Vedas beaten by a head.

The Final Plate was regarded as a walk over for Vocalist, odds of 5-2 being freely laid on him, but he only just got home from Greenstone, who would probably have won, if he had not got away badly at the start.

The 7 furlongs for Arabs was won in very easy fashion by Remembrance, ridden by Kamad, who has had his full share of winning rides lately. Next week we shall publish the usual statistics of these meetings.

His Excellency the Viceroy's shooting party in Kashmir began operations on Saturday, Colonel A. E. Ward being in charge thereof and having under his experienced direction some 2,500 beaters. So far game has not been abundant, but on Monday a very fine bear was bagged, the animal falling to Lady Minto's rifle, a good shot at over 70 yards, bruin with his best pace on.

In cancellation of all previous lists Messrs. Manton and Company have just brought out their new gun-rifle and sporting goods catalogue. It is replete with attractions to the sportsman and causes, we fear, many a breach of the tenth commandment among those whose ideals are somewhat circumscribed by their purses. Still there is variety enough and sufficient range of prices in all conscience and it would be a difficult individual who could not find himself able to make his selection from this excellent catalogue.

A well-known counsel who is an enthusiastic devotee of horse-racing was handed a telegram while conducting a cross-examination. "Hullo!" he exclaimed as he read the contents. "So-and-so has won the Derby!" "Mr. X—," remarked the presiding judge severely, "it is very unseemly that in the course of solemn judicial proceedings, where a man's liberty and reputation are at stake, you should be talking of the winner of a horse race. Er—by the way does the telegram say what were second and third?"

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Little Mr. F. M. Blagden, the Harvard cox, has been talking since his return to America. The following account of an interview with the small man, which appeared in the *New York Herald* will doubtless prove of interest to English oarsmen :—

"In the first place," said Mr. Blagden, "you would find insurmountable opposition in England. The feeling among those that support and participate in the Henley regatta is decidedly against the admission of foreign crews. I talked with many English oarsmen during my visit and I received the distinct impression that they do not care to compete against outsiders.

"Of course, the Belgians will have to be admitted next year, having won at Henley this last season. But I have it on good authority that if an English crew wins the regatta next time foreign crews will be debarred thereafter. Rowing men and the public generally in Great Britain prefer to keep the affair strictly British.

"An occasional meeting between American and British crews on the Thames would meet with approval. But I do not believe that another American entry at Henley would be welcomed, and under no circumstances could any British crew be induced to compete in this country. If America should win the championship I cannot conceive of a crew from Great Britain coming here as challenger."

Mr. Blagden was asked if the visit of Harvard had not accomplished something toward dissipating the prejudice against foreign contestants, at least as far as America is concerned.

"I do not think so," replied Mr. Blagden. "The Vesper incident was not helpful in establishing a desire to admit contestants from this country. It created considerable antagonism for what was afterwards found to be a partly professional crew to race at Henley as American amateurs.

"The action, too, of the Cornell crew in 1895 has not been forgotten, and is even more a subject of remark than the Vesper affair. On that occasion the starting gun was fired before Leander was ready and Cornell rowed over the course alone. The Americans were technically in the right, but the English chose to regard the proceeding as unsportsmanlike. I could never detect much enthusiasm when possible future contests with Americans were spoken of in the presence of English oarsmen."

A German medical man publishes some interesting comparisons made at the Olympic Games respecting the size and stamina of the heart in the English, American, and German competitors respectively. Dr. Smith says that as soon as he examined, before the games, the hearts of the German sportsmen, he could prophesy that they would prove no formidable rivals. The size of the heart (says a Berlin correspondent of the *Globe*) was so abnormally great that in contests requiring strength, energy, and endurance, it was physically impossible that they should succeed. Results proved the truth of this forecast, and it is notable that the few German athletes who did win places were those in possession of the minimum-sized hearts.

In the American sportsmen the heart conditions were in striking contrast to those of the Germans. Many of the American athletes were found to possess hearts smaller in dimensions than the smallest heart ever measured in a German hospital. An invincible sprinter possessed the smallest heart among American competitors. A German-American athlete, rather significantly, was found to have the largest.

Among the Englishmen examined the heart was found to be slightly larger than that of the American although smaller than that shown by any other nation. A parallel case which occurred at the Games strikingly illustrated the difference in form between the English and the German athletes. In spite of an indisposition, a German athlete took part in a certain contest. Subsequent examination proved that his heart had increased at the end of the struggle to double its previous size. An Englishman, suffering from the same indisposition, returned from the contest as winner, and his heart had become smaller. The writer points out that by wrong system of training and injudicious living German athletes are doing much to cultivate heart and nerve complaints on a serious scale.

The gift of a silver challenge shield to the Jhansi Gymkhana by Sir Thomas Dewar, M.P., has resulted in the putting forth of the programme for a hockey tournament which it is proposed to hold between the 10th and 26th instant. The tournament is to be open to Jhansi, Nowgong, Agra, and Cawnpore, and is confined to Station Gymkhana Clubs, Native Regiments, and British regimental teams when the latter are composed entirely of officers. Entries close to-day.

The annual general meeting of the Calcutta Golf Club was held at the Club Pavilion on the Maidan on Friday evening last, when Mr. H. C. Begg, the retiring captain, presided over a fairly numerous assemblage of members. The accounts for the year 1905-06, which showed the handsome profit of Rs. 4,712-8-8 were duly passed, and the meeting then proceeded to elect the office-bearers for the coming season. Mr. Thomas Drimmie was unanimously elected captain of the club, a choice on which we congratulate both the members and himself. Messrs. A. E. Todd and B. Sinclair, to whom the Chairman gave well deserved eulogy for their past services, were re-elected Honorary Secretary and Honorary Treasurer respectively, and Messrs. T. R S. Mackenzie, Norman McLeod, F. H. Stewart and G. W. Walker were chosen by ballot to fill the rest of the places on the new committee. The meeting then terminated with the customary vote of thanks to the Chairman. The Club's annual tiffin and Opening Day competition will be held on Saturday next unless the recent cyclonic rain causes a postponement owing to the ground being unfit for play.

A very interesting item of golf news from home is the challenge issued by those two brilliant and promising young professionals George Duncan of the Timperley Club, and C. H. Mayo of Chipstead, to play any other two professionals a 72-hole foursome match for £50. It is not surprising that the challenge has found ready takers in Harry Vardon and Braid, and though a good game may be looked for, we fancy that the two members of the redoubted triumvirate will pull through pretty comfortably. Duncan has been coming on with giant strides lately and his victories over Braid and Taylor in the big "News of the World" Tournament stamp him as a golfer equal to the best, but well though Mayo has done since he came south, we can hardly class him as yet on a par with the other three.

Articles have been signed for a great Tennis Match between Punch Fairs and Peter Latham, who are to play the best of thirteen sets in the Prince's Club Court at Brighton, or elsewhere as may be arranged for £250 aside and the Championship of the World. Latham is a marvel, but youth must surely tell, and we feel inclined to back Fairs, though all interested in the *jeu des rois et roi des jeux* will admit that there can be very little in it, and some fine play and a very keen struggle may be confidently anticipated.

Messrs. Eroom and Company, of Calcutta, herald the return of the cold weather with the issue of a very nicely turned out catalogue of their specialities : it is so far their best effort in this direction and is something they may be proud of. As manufacturers of polo gear Messrs. Eroom stand pre-eminent, but their business as athletic outfitters, is a large one and much interesting detail in connection therewith will be found in this new catalogue.

The Actress : "Dear me ! I have lost the handbag containing all my diamonds. What shall I do ?"
Her manager : "Oh, don't make a fuss about a little thing like that."
The Actress : "But the handbag also contained a sovereign."
Her Manager : "Great Scott ! I'll telephone for a detective at once."

Lady (engaging servant): "We are all total abstainers, but I suppose you don't mind that ?" Servant : "Oh, no mum ; I've bin in a reformed drunkard's family before."

Describing the effects of a squall upon a canal boat a critic says : "When the gale was at its highest the unfortunate craft keeled to larboard, and the captain and another cask of whisky rolled overboard."

London Week by Week.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

Friday, 12th October 1906.

THE ravishing indiscretions of the Hohenlohe memoirs have furnished us with an inexhaustible topic of conversation this week. To Prince Alexander Hohenlohe, the Chancellor's second son, the world is told it owes these revelations, but the head of the family is made the Kaiser's whipping boy for the occasion. Rarely, if ever, have such disclosures been made concerning the highest State dignitaries of any country during the lifetime of a survivor : by these memoirs, we learn, how often rude and how extremely rude Bismarck was to the Emperor when the latter succeeded to the throne : how Bismarck endeavoured to make himself the sole channel of communication between other ministers and the throne : how he endeavoured to conduct German foreign policy entirely off his own bat with special reference to the Austrian alliance and Russian relations, matters in which the Kaiser's views were diametrically opposed to his own and how the Kaiser when he had dismissed the veteran pilot said he had had "a beastly time" with him. Four and a half columns more of revelations wired from Berlin this morning.

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Enquiring minds—there always are enquiring minds which probe deeper than others—want to be informed on one or two points. How, these ask, *could* such revelations have been made day after day in the *Deutsche Revue* and *Ueber Land und Meer* in open defiance of so strong a man as the Emperor, when it is borne in mind that these revelations show in high light the Kaiser's resolute loyalty to the Austrian alliance : and when it is remembered that His Majesty still makes much of that loyalty for high diplomatic reasons, why, oh why, should the Emperor be angry ? These enquiring persons affect to believe that His Majesty waved the memoirs into print with one hand, and now chastens the author's family *coram populo* with the other. The view of the enquiring minds may be right or wrong ; the accuracy or reverse of their diagnosis does nothing to detract from the delights of this banquet of scandal. Our only complaint is that no British diplomats or dignitaries were mixed up with the business.

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The fortuitous congregation of asses which represents nothing under the sun of Heaven but its own vanity is apparently determined to carry out its singularly silly idea of visiting Petersburg to present an address to the president of the late Duma. The remarkable assortment of political nobodies which composes the deputation have yielded so far as to ask that there shall be no public reception : but as the Russian authorities had come to a decision in the same sense a few days ago, the blushing modesty of last night's telegram loses something of its beauty. One rejoices, for the credit of the Indian Civil Service, to see that Mr. Mackenzie Smeaton has withdrawn from this fatuous "deputation" business and Mr. Rees strongly condemns it.

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The weather these last few days has been wofully close and muggy. On Monday afternoon we had one of the most extraordinarily sudden and violent storms of rain I have ever seen in this country. I happened to be in Conduit Street at the time, and so sudden was the deluge that three horses bolted at the first onset. You could see the splash literally racing along the street like a Burma monsoon shower : it was over in half a minute, but in those 30 seconds people who could not gain shelter were literally soaked through. Since Monday it has savoured more of August than mid-October : and apple blossoms were sent me from Ireland last Saturday to show the vagaries of the season.

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The autumn picture show season opened on Saturday with a particularly interesting exhibition in the Leicester Galleries. A one-man show, but as the one was Mr. Holman Hunt, and the pictures include examples of his style since 1850, there would hardly be room for another man's work. No attempt has been made to select only the best : some of the pictures indeed, such as "May Morning on Magdalen Tower" and the "Holy Innocents"

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(1885 : there are two similar pictures of different dates) show him at his worst : not a few of the works, it is evident even to the eye of the amateur critic, are flat failures : it is difficult to believe that the same hand painted these and such triumphs as "The Lady of Shalott" and "the Scapegoat."

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If you have not yet seen the Army Medical Report recently issued, there are some figures therein concerning the health of the troops in India which should interest you. Fever has decreased enormously. "The admissions for malaria were 321·1 per 1,000 in 1899 ; fell to 172 per 1,000 in 1904 ; and to 112·4 per. 1,000 in 1905." This reduction is attributed to the application of all the resources of modern sanitation, the destruction of undergrowth, the draining away of stagnant water, the employment of larvicides and liberal use of prophylactic quinine. Enteric has decreased also.

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The Dairy Show is "on" at the Agricultural Hall this week. I have not been there myself : wonderful and fearful as are the designs in butter, fair as are the dairymaids and sleek the cows, I find one Dairy Show pretty much like another and feel no yearning for the journey across London to Islington. I am told that the exhibits of milch goats, poultry and fancy pigeons are vastly in excess of those of previous years ; and they to whom Plymouth Brethren (or is it "Plymouth Rocks"?) Archangels, Pouters and Tumblers appeal, are enthusiastic. The really important part of the Dairy Show are the milking trials and the results of these the great B. P. properly prefer to obtain from its morning paper.

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The announcement of Madame Adelaide Ristori's death revived ancient memories among ancient playgoers. There be those whose standard of comparison "Ristori" ever was, and no doubt justly. She must have been a very extraordinary woman : she learned French that she might play a part in a piece of Legouvé : and she learned English in order to play Lady Macbeth. Lady Macbeth and Mary Stuart, the old hands say, were her greatest triumphs in London ; that was in the later fifties. She had no such formidable rival in England as Rachel in Paris, and her visits to London seem always to have been events of magnitude exceeding those of Bernhardt in our day. Born in 1820 she made her real beginning at the age of 14 and moved through her long life in a blaze of popularity and admiration.

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There is little to say about the theatres this week, and the only new thing in view for next week is Mr. Lewis Waller's production of a new Romantic Drama called "Robin Hood" at the Lyric. The "Belle of Mayfair" has reached her 200 performance at the Vaudeville and with Miss Phyllis Dare in the part of Julia Chaldicott instead of Miss Edna May (resigned as before reported by reason of the superior type given a fellow-actress on the bills) there seems no reason why she should not go on running for a couple of hundred nights more. Miss Dare had a great reception and she played a part that suits her perfectly in a fashion that fully justified the applause she earned. The new song which has been written for her with a chorus of lovers was a great success, but perhaps the most enthusiastically received new number is the song Miss Camille Clifford has : "Why I am called a Gibson Girl."

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Miss Edna May will next be seen on the stage in a new musical play, name unannounced, at a theatre not yet specified, "about the end of the year."

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The last time I saw Miss Geneviève Ward was, I think, at the Marquise in the revival of "Caste" at the Haymarket about four years ago. Miss Ward does not often appear on the boards nowadays : she would probably call herself a "back number :" but she is more than welcome when she comes out of her shell for she is far and away the finest tragic actress left to us. She is to have a part in "The Virgin Goddess," a new "verse play" by a new author (Mr. R. Bessier) to be put in the Adelphi bill about ten days hence—on Tuesday, 23rd to be exact. "The Winters Pale" and Miss Ellen Terry vacate His Majesty's on the 27th for the restoration of "Colonel Newcome." "He's Much to Blame" has justified the moderate opinions expressed concerning its merits and is to be withdrawn from Terry's very soon.

Mr. Bram Stoker's "Personal Reminiscences of Henry Irving" will be published on Saturday. I suppose there will be a run on the book which by the way appears on the anniversary of the actor's death.

The Alhambra has a very interesting cinematograph show just now : to wit scenes on an Atlantic whaler, wherein we are shown, as from the heaving boat, a whale plunging wildly on receipt of the harpoon and the gathering gulls ; then the whaler herself swims into our ken and a fresh series shows the crew making fast the dead whale alongside : anon the unsavoury business of cutting up with men in in sea boots sinking knee deep in the blubber. The accompanying music is very clever.

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I do not know what the "things" were to which the Rev. T. Colley referred in his lectures during last year's Church Congress week, as having been done at a *séance* held nearly 30 years ago : but he offered Mr. J. N. Maskelyne a sporting challenge which he backed up with £1,000 to do any one of these things "as a conjuror or professor of tricks illusionary and not as a spirit medium" at Mr. Colley's rectory or anywhere else. The challenge was given in April last and on Monday St. George's Hall saw Mr. Maskelyne's reply to it. The illusion was the "extrusion of spirit forms" from Mr. Maskelyne's ribs, apparently, and was sufficiently amazing. The medium (or conjuror) was held under the glare of a chandelier with electric lights ; while he discoursed in suitable vein, there appeared from his left side first a vapour, then a "spirit hand" and lastly grew out horizontally from Mr. Maskelyne's body, Miss Cassie Bruce, familiar enough to patrons of the Home of Mystery, who "materialised" from the now heavy cloud of vapour, moved down to the footlights and asked pathetically, Where she was? I do not know if the Rev. T. Colley was present : but he ought to hand over that £1,000 without demur.

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The Austrian exhibition at Earl's Court closed with a royal row on Saturday night : some scores of hooligans of the class that ought to know better, amused themselves by charging into the crowds and incidentally making havoc of the exhibits. The police were brought on the scene in force and there was a free fight before the gangs were broken up : they were composed, it is said, of medical students : of the Bob Sawyer type one concludes.

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The costly *Dreadnaught* has been put through her facings and her steam and manœuvring powers are reported to be all the nation could wish. The absence of vibration at all speeds, due presumably to the smooth working of the turbine engines was the subject of general remark. Her speed is the highest of any battleship afloat ; during the eight hours' "full power" trial at 23,600 horse power she made over 22 knots.

The County Council has been obliged to rescind its acceptance of offer of £55,000 a year for the Strand site which has lain so long vacant ; the promoters of the scheme for "Paris in London" having failed complete the deposit of one year's ground rent on the extended date agreed upon. Once more therefore the "Crescent site" is in the market.

The London Cabdrivers in meeting assembled have declared against the taxameter. Their spokesmen say that the instrument would place them at the mercy of "mean" people of whom there are only too many about. A mean person is one who pays the legal fare and no more. A gentleman one who pays the fare and twopence over ; a "juggins" one who pays more than a gentleman. So saith the cabmen's spokesman.

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The falling birth-rate in England and Wales is once more rousing attention. It has been falling for 30 years as witness these figures in 1876 to for 30 years as witness these figures in 1876 to every 10,000 of the population were born 3,630 babies. In 1904 birth registration began to every 10,000 were born only 2,790 babies, the lowest recorded since

The Collis Diamond Syndicate which sent out the S. S. *Xema* to discover the Treasure Island, held a meeting on Monday. The prohibition of the Cape Government concerning the Guano Islands disturbs the syndicate but little : Sir A. Muir Mackenzie stating that the exact location of the island was still a secret. Why the expedition wanted to get to work on the Guano Islands he did not explain. The steamer is to be brought home as a matter of economy, but the party of search remains in South Africa to await the permission of the Cape Government to get to work on that secret island. Treasure seekers in Tobermory Bay have done better : they have struck oil at last : 14 bronze guns have been located about the wreck of the *Admiral of Florencia* and two specie chests, one filled with gold and silver have been found in ten fathoms of water ; it only remains to get them up.

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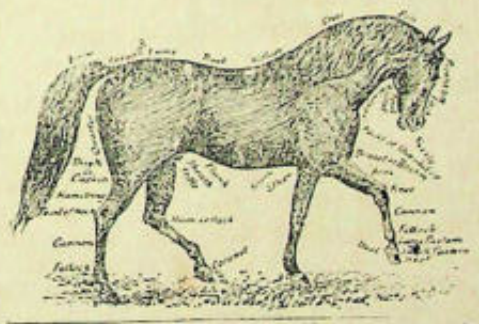

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SHOOTING ALONG THE CHEN-TANG RIVER.

THE schedule of our flying trip through China only allowed us five days in Hang-Chow, an interesting city of 700,000 inhabitants, so that it was with a feeling of revolt that I set out to present a letter of introduction which had been forced upon me at my departure from San Francisco. As is often the case, a most delightful surprise awaited me, and I have had many reasons to be glad I did not neglect presenting it. Instead of the severe and ancient personage the description of "prominent civil engineer" had led me to expect, I found a genial young Englishman who loved everything that bore the name of sport.

Before the meeting I had never looked upon China in the light of a hunting country, but after I had spent half an hour with my new acquaintance I began to wonder how it had ever escaped me. The tales he told me so kindled the sacred fires of Nimrod within me that I actually found myself formulating plans to stop for a few months in Hang-Chow. He told me anything from a snipe to a leopard could be found within twenty-five miles of town, and that bags of over a hundred head of assorted game were an every-day occurrence. I could not resist the temptation. I inquired whether it would not be possible to steal a glimpse of this promised land.

"Why, most assuredly," he said. "I only regret that engagements which won't bear postponing will prevent my going with you. I have an English speaking servant who is a wizard on game, though, and he can be your guide. There are a dozen guns for you to pick from in my den and as many dogs in the kennel. My junk is also at your disposal, and if you start this evening you can be back before midnight to-morrow. It will only take one day from your sight-seeing and I fancy you'll find it well worth your while."

I was so pleased at the prospect that I hardly realized the favour I was taking from a practical stranger, and I accepted the offer readily and eagerly.

Hang-Chow, capital of the Province of Che-Kiang, is built on the estuary of the Chen-tang River. This estuary is wide and navigable for a few miles above the city, but the river then narrows down to a muddy and shallow canal. Its course, from source to estuary, is marked by a broad marsh extending for several miles on either side of it. Beyond are undulating hills covered with thick brush and almost impenetrable woods. The locality is sparsely studded with tiny and primitive villages, but the inhabitants do not hunt, and except for the occasional invasion of some "foreign devil" the game is never disturbed and multiplies in peace.

My host showed me the course I was to follow on a detailed map, which he said I could take with me, and gave me all particulars. I was to sail up to a spot several miles beyond the little village of Bing-Yao, then go ashore, cross the marsh for water fowl, hunt the brush for pheasants and beat the woods for deer and wild boar, returning over the same route. He added a few valuable hints and I took my leave.

At the Hotel I found my wife awaiting me, and when she heard of the proposed trip she quietly announced that she intended to accompany me. I hazarded a few objections, but when Ah-Fu, my host's servant, arrived and assured me there would be every convenience for the lady I gave in.

The *Pilgrim*, my friend's junk, we found to be a typical Chinese houseboat, comfortable roomy and ugly; it measured about forty feet over all. In the stern were two cabins and a bathroom; in the centre a good-sized saloon, and in the bow a kitchen, a pantry and the crew's quarters. The boat was provided with a large sail, to be used whenever the wind allowed it, and a set of enormous sweeps for the coolies to row when sailing and towing were impossible.

We noticed signs of activity as we approached and no sooner were we on board than moorings were cast off and sail was hoisted to a fair and slashing breeze. Ah-Fu served us with an excellent dinner, once under way, and directly after it, having the morrow's work in view, we retired to our decidedly luxurious berths.

A gentle knock at the door cut short my dreams and someone announced that if I wanted to take advantage of the morning flight I'd have to be ready to start in half an hour. I was on my feet and dressed in a jiffy, and went to the saloon where my wife was already partaking of a smoking breakfast.

It was dark and quite cold when we mounted on deck. A faint mist overhung the marsh, giving it the appearance of a great sea of clouds; but above, the sky was clear and myriads of stars were twinkling. We jumped into the dingy and were rowed ashore. Here unexpected luxury awaited us. Two comfortable carrying chairs had been provided by our thoughtful guide and already stood on the bank with bearers beside them. Ah-Fu explained, smiling, that we must cross part of the marsh to take the best position, and that it would be dangerous for inexperienced people to attempt it in the dark, so he thought he'd better bring the chairs. I offered no kick, and after a perilous piece of navigation we were set down on a small knoll that occupied the centre of the swamp; the ground was fairly dry and covered with short reeds. As a measure of precaution my guide spread a heavy rug on the reeds, for me to stand upon, and depositing by me two guns and a box of cartridges he took himself and the chairs (with my wife still occupying hers) about a hundred yards away.

It was just beginning to dawn and the strange sounds of the waking marsh filled the air. Here the quack of a duck; there the whirr and splash of a rising bird; in the distance the screech of an eagle, the constant "scrip!" of the swooping snipe and the gabbling "honks" of a flock of geese. I knew them all of old and was only mystified by a short, hacking quack that I afterwards learned was the call of the swan.

As the east lightened I began to distinguish shadows against the sky and soon a whirr overhead caused me to turn sharply and fire, scoring my first kill. It was a beautiful swan, and I felt sorry I had shot it. I couldn't bear the idea of having stilled the life in the magnificent bird that lay fluttering at my feet.

At the noise of the shot my immediate neighbourhood became alive with the sound of many wings and the frightened calls of a hundred birds, and for three-quarters of an hour thereafter I enjoyed such shooting as is given to few. Though I did not fire again at a swan, there were geese, and duck of every description, to keep me busy.

When the flight began to let up my guide came over and suggested that we begin tramping, as we could do better, so we dispatched my wife and the chairs to the junk, instructing the carriers to follow us later and act as beaters.

The country around us was marshy and covered with reeds, except where a depression of the soil formed pools, ponds and lakes of open water. Beyond it ascended gradually and there were less reeds, but one met with great patches of canes, some up to one's waist, some rising to a height of ten and even twelve feet. Further on was undulating land covered with scrub and brush, and then the Ten Moo hills so dense in underbrush and stunted trees as to be almost impracticable.

The three dogs we had with us were well-bred pointers; Jack first, a four-year-old, and his two sons, Jack second and Laddy. I loosened Jack second as soon as the chairs had left us and started to cut the marsh diagonally. A brace of Wilson snipe, faultlessly pointed, were the first to come down on an easy double and Jack retrieved them nicely. Ah-Fu looked on disapprovingly and wondered at the foolishness of a white man wasting good cartridges on so small a prize when geese and swan were all round, but he was only a poor Chinaman and couldn't very well understand.

My next bird was a fat mallard, also pointed and retrieved by Jack, and I imagine few men have ever experienced the sensation of shooting duck over a pointing dog. It was certainly a novelty. After that I flushed duck, swan, geese, snipe, crane and many other varieties in quick succession, reaching dry land with full hands. I also saw several otter, but refrained from shooting them because of the dogs.

Upon reaching the brush Ah-Fu untied Jack First and Laddy and a few minutes later I was in the midst of the best pheasant shooting it was ever my good luck to experience. I had often helped to slaughter pheasants in the big drives held on European preserves and not enjoyed it, but here was thrilling sport, over the smartest of dogs, with a quantity of lively birds that seemed to be quite cunning enough to place a tree between themselves and the gun every time they rose. It was no easy shooting and I realized forcibly how much tail there is to a pheasant. In two or three cases I did not lead the bird enough, on quarter shots, and while a small cloud of feathers told me it was not a miss, my quarry went on, unchecked in its flight.

A couple of hours of the fastest possible work had loaded down the beaters and the dogs were tired, so I called a halt for lunch. This over we pushed inland and soon took the hills, where the ground became very troublesome. The underbrush, thick and tangled, rose to my chest, and there were rocks and holes underfoot, or if you followed the narrow paths roots and stones made you stumble at every step. It was an ugly jungle and Ah-Fu thought we'd better tie the dogs, as there were wild boar and leopards around us. He then signed to the beaters, who spread out fanshape behind me and they set in motion thrashing the bushes and emitting piercing little cries calculated to frighten the sitting game. Nor was it in vain. That stretch of matted undergrowth was the abode of several varieties of pheasant, of other birds very like a partridge, wild cats, civet cats, deer and wild boar, which we disturbed in our march. It was a terrible *embarras de choix*, but I knew what I wanted and I waited until a fine stag was jumped. He went to swell the bag and so did another handsome specimen that we found a few minutes later.

We were on board the *Pilgrim* by two o'clock, and a count of the bag showed 2 deer, 32 pheasants, 4 partridge, 1 swan, 4 geese, 41 duck of various kinds and 11 snipe, all by one gun in eight hours. That Christmas day is among my fondest hunting recollections.

H. R.

Doctor: "What? Troubled with sleeplessness? Eat something before going to bed."

Patient: "Why, doctor, you once told me never to eat anything before going to bed."

Doctor (with dignity), "Pooh, pooh! That was last January. Science has made enormous strides since then."

The first age of man is when he thinks about all the wicked things he is going to do. This is called "Innocence." The second age is when he does all the wicked things he has thought of in his childhood. This is called the "Prime of Life." The third age is when he repents of all the wicked things he has done. This is called "Dotage."

"I say, Mary, the bones in this bird are thicker than a whale's—just here the knife on them," said a young married man as he struggled to carve the first turkey his wife had cooked. "You must be against the shells, John," the wife remarked. "The shells?" "Yes, John; don't you remember that you asked me to stuff the turkey with oysters?"

Fishing.

RIVER AND LAKE FISHING IN INDIA.

VII.

IN my last article I emphasised the statement that a gaff or net should only be used for landing fish, as a last resource. My reasons for saying this are:—(1) that it is not easy in this country to train men to use these implements properly, (2) that even when properly used there is more likelihood of a mistake or accident occurring than when fish are landed by hand, and (3) that when such mistake or accident does occur you are more likely to lose your fish than when taking it out by hand. My objections to using a net are, that unless it is of unusual depth it is not suitable for landing large fish; that those hooks of the mount which are not fixed in the fish are liable to get caught in the net, and a desperate struggle on the part of the fish at this juncture is likely to result in the hook being torn out of his mouth, and in his making his escape; and that, do what you will, it is almost impossible to prevent your attendant, in the excitement of the moment, from raising the net with the handle more or less at a right angle to the bag, instead of in a line with it and at a right angle to the water, as he should do. The handle of a landing net is not built to suddenly lift up a weight of 20lbs. or more, depending at right angles from its extremity, and is very likely to break if an attempt is made to use it in this way.

A gaff, though less likely to cause disaster if a mistake be made, requires to be used rapidly and fairly accurately, to be effective. The best way of using it is to strike it into the side of the fish near the belly, between the gills and an imaginary line dropped from the dorsal fin perpendicularly downwards. There should be no pause when the gaff is struck home, or the fish may jump off it on feeling the steel.

The gaff should be sent in sharply, with a drawing movement towards the person using it, and this movement should be continuous until the fish is drawn ashore, which should be within a couple of seconds of the commencement of the stroke. When using a net, on the other hand, there should be no striking at the fish. A weight, say a twelve bore bullett, should always be fastened in the bottom of the bag, to keep it well down under water, and the best way of using it is to sink it under water and hold it motionless until the fisherman draws the exhausted fish slowly across the circular mouth, when the net should be raised quickly but quietly and the fish lifted out, with the handle and the bag of the net held perpendicularly in one straight line. There are, of course, occasions when it is impossible to shelve your fish so that he can be taken out by hand, and a net or gaff must then be used, but whichever method is adopted, one rule should always be observed, and that is, to get the fish well away from the water's edge, and for the person landing the fish to interpose himself between the water and the fish, at once.

Your attendant should be taught to stand where he will not be in the way of your bait as you swing it back for casting. Natives are very liable to stand where they run every chance of being hooked. Perhaps the easiest way of making them realise this is to swing your bait so that it will pass very close to them, and shout a warning at the same time. When they have had a few seemingly narrow escapes from being hooked, their own instincts of self-preservation will keep them out of danger, but unless you are fairly expert in casting, this method is liable to be rather more drastic in its effects than you intended. The safest place for the attendant is directly behind the fisherman, and close to him, and this also has the advantage of having practically only one figure showing on the bank instead of two. He should, of course, leave this position when you are playing a fish, and station himself, according to orders, at a convenient place for landing it. One of the hardest things to teach an untrained man is to keep his hands off the line, and the necessity for this should be explained to him before you commence fishing, and he should be warned again when the time approaches for landing a fish. One of the best men I ever met as an angler's henchman, was one Fakhroo, the son of the cooly contractor at Tangrote. He had been at the business for many years, and was never in the way, though always at hand when he was wanted. This man attended me during my fishing trip up the River Poonch, mentioned in a preceding article, and during the month he was with me I do not think he used either net or gaff half a dozen times, though I took about 150 mahseer of varying sizes during the trip. This was nearly twenty years ago and I have not met him since. I made a detailed record of the trip in the angler's book at the Tangrote dâk bungalow.

Never attempt to get the hooks out of your fish until you have killed or stunned him. If you neglect this precaution you are liable, if the fish makes a sudden movement, to find one of the hooks firmly imbedded in your hand, necessitating a painful use of the knife for its removal. The fish may be killed or stunned either by a blow on the back of the head at its junction with the body, with a stone, or by a smart blow on the side with the fist, a little behind the pectoral fin.

Before starting work again, examine every inch of your trace and mounts most carefully, to see that nothing has frayed, and that no hooks have had their points turned or blunted, and if any damage has been done, remove the damaged article, and substitute something fresh.

For some unaccountable reason, I have generally found myself successful when spinning from a ferry boat, when fishing rivers in the Hills. I noticed this particularly on the Beas River. I have often fished along seven or

eight miles of this river, and have hardly taken anything except when I crossed on a ferry boat, and let my spoon out about forty yards down stream. I offer you the tip for what it may be worth. I have also found it useful to try the backwater close to the bank, which will be found just below the rapid at the head of nearly every pool, very good fish often lie here, as the shoals of small fry utilise these backwaters largely in their migrations up stream.

Since writing my last article I have received letters from men who have recognised me by my *nom-de-plume*, asking for information as to the best method of casting a spoon, both from the bank and when wading. Hitherto I have purposely refrained from touching on this subject lest it might be thought I had gone unnecessarily into minor details, but as I am writing more for beginners than for experienced fishermen, I hope the latter will bear with me patiently while I say a few words on the matter.

If you are using a small flyspoon it can be thrown by the overhead cast in the same way as a fly, if you have room behind you to let it swing well back at some height from the ground. With a larger and heavier spoon, however, this method entails considerable strain on the rod, and its results are wanting in neatness and accuracy. The cast should then be made sideways, either from the right or left; either side is equally easy after a little practice. The advantages of a flexible rod are very obvious when making a long cast with a spoon, no brute force, or jerky motion, is necessary. Everything should be done gently and with a swing. The first cast should be quite a short one, say one and a half times the length of your rod. The rod should be gently swung back sideways until the bait has swung to the length of the line, a slight curve in the swing of the rod and then a gentle forward swing, will bring the bait forward without a jerk at the turning point. You will probably in the first few short casts make the forward swing too quickly or too powerfully, and your bait will then fly out to the full length of the line before touching the water, when the sudden check will jerk it back slightly and make it fall in with a noisy flop which may be heard half a mile away. When the spoon touches the water, which it should do with a taut line if the cast has been properly made, keep the top of the rod stationary for a moment, or if the current is very strong lower it for an instant, to allow the spoon to get a good grip of the water, keep the line fairly taut, and turn slowly so as to face your spoon as it spins down stream, keeping the rod at an angle of about 45 degrees. When the spoon comes to the bank, raise your top to bring it to the surface, pick it quietly off the water, and cast again. Do not lift it out sharply as this may be the moment when a fish takes it. After two or three casts to accustom you to the spring of your rod, more line can be let out by degrees, by pulling it off the reel and letting it hang between the reel and the first ring of the rod, just as you are about to commence the cast, holding it against the rod with the forefinger of the right hand to prevent its sliping and removing the pressure of the finger towards the end of the forward cast to allow it to run out. If you are using a reel with a fixed check, the line should be drawn in towards the end of a large cast and held in loops between the reel and the first ring with the thumb and forefinger of the left hand, the first loop being the largest and the others gradually decreasing in size, until you have a convenient length out at the end of your rod for casting. When the forward swing is well under weigh, the grip should be loosened for the moment, retaining hold of the rod with the other three fingers, when the loops will run out through the rings in regular succession. The first loop should never be large enough to touch the ground if fishing from the bank, or the water if wading.

If you are using a reel with a removable check such as a Malloch or a Silex, the slack can be wound up instead of gathered in loops, if you are using anything heavier than a fly spoon, and the line will then run out straight from the reel for a long cast after a little practice. For a beginner, or even for an old hand if trying a new rod, it is as well to practice casting on dry land with a weight attached to the line, or better still a spoon *without mounts*. If the mounts are left on they will get damaged, and the hooks will get blunted, by contact with the ground.

YUBA BILL.

Correspondence.

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SHOOTING QUERY.

TO THE EDITOR OF "THE INDIAN FIELD."

SIR,—I shall be much obliged if any one will inform me as to—

(1) The muzzle velocity.
(2) The muzzle energy.
(3) Trajectory of the ·350 (9 millimeter) Mannlicher Schonauer, and Mauser rifles firing a ·310 grain bullet.

OPORTET VIVERE.

BOMBAY, *24th October 1906.*

[We do not know of any Mannlicher Schonauer rifle of ·350 bore, shooting a ·310 grain bullet; but if, as we think, our correspondent refers to the ·350 Mauser, the muzzle velocity is 2,150ft. secs., the muzzle energy 3,200ft. lbs., the trajectory about 3 inches at 100 yards and the weight of bullet 310 grains—ED.]

THE PROPOSED INDIAN SWIMMING CHAMPIONSHIPS.

TO THE EDITOR OF "THE INDIAN FIELD."

SIR,—With reference to the Indian Swimming Championship races advocated in your issue of the 25th ultimo, may I suggest that they should be, if possible, held in conjunction with Lady Minto's fair in February. The Championship distances would, I presume, be 100 yards, 220 yards, 440 yards, and the half mile and mile. For these events the tank near the rink might be utilised; the length is roughly 120 yards and the breadth 75 yards; I don't know the depth. The ends, of course, would have to be boarded off square and the single length made either 110 yards or 55 yards—preferably the former.

I suggest the tank as the Calcutta Bath would scarcely hold a sufficient number of spectators to admit of the meeting being run without loss.

J. S. WATKINS.

CALCUTTA, *30th October 1906.*

[We fear our correspondent's suggestion is not likely to commend itself to those who may possibly be induced to take up this matter of Swimming Championships. They are likely to be too busy at that time of the year; during the swimming season they might find the time. The Calcutta Swimming Bath would hold quite as many spectators at Rs. 5 per head as would more than pay all expenses, while if the donors of Cups will only come forward the Championships might be easily started. But not in the cold weather and not at Lady Minto's *fête* we think.—ED.]

PASTE FISHING FOR MAHSEER.

TO THE EDITOR OF "THE INDIAN FIELD."

SIR,—I have been much interested in "Yuba Bill's" excellent letters on Indian fishing, and am quite in accord with all he says except as regards paste fishing for mahseer.

I do not consider the rough and ready system of having a bullet in paternoster form at the end of the trace, and attaching the hook dropper-wise above, at all equal to the plan I am about to describe.

The bottom of single gut a couple of yards in length, has an eyed hook at the end. A foot or fifteen inches above the hook is a single shot about B.B. size. There is a small spherical cork float, the size of a marble, or a trifle larger, with a hole through its centre through which the line goes. A peg of wood, or a piece of quill, keeps the float in any desired position with this arrangement, which is merely a modification of the tackle used for grayling fishing in English rivers, I had considerable success in various northern Indian streams.

The fishing is done in the eddies at the heads of pools, the float being set so that the paste and a foot or eighteen inches of gut are on the bottom. The single shot not being heavy and being at a considerable distance from the pellet of atta, the letter curls freely round in the circling eddy, while the little float shows at once when a fish takes.

I found this a most sporting way of catching small mahseer of from two to eight pounds, when the water was slightly clouded. I used the lightest of cane rods and fine gut.

On such gear these dashing little fish gave splendid sport. I never remained long in one place, for I found that the paste was taken very soon, or not at all.

Feeding fish very commonly wait in the eddies looking out for anything which is brought down by the stream. The paste follows practically the same course as loose particles of food, and therefore is very quickly seen by the fish.

Mahseer will also readily take a dead bait which is allowed to circle round the eddies much in the same way as the atta. When using dead bait I had no float or shot on the line, but the long shanked single hook, which was drawn into the vent with the help of a baiting needle till only the point showed outside, had a little lead wire wound round it to make the bait sink readily. This simple tackle was also successful in water which was too thick for spinning. I think both the above plans of fishing coloured water are far superior, and more sporting, than live baiting. Their special strong point is that they permit of one covering much more water, and so showing the bait to many more fish.

Lastly a word as to the atta, it should always be made out of flour containing a good percentage of gluten. Then if thoroughly kneaded and worked up it will be found to stay on the hook perfectly, without any necessity for adding cotton wool. In certain streams the mahseer are said to prefer paste coloured, just as they colour dough for roach fishing in England.

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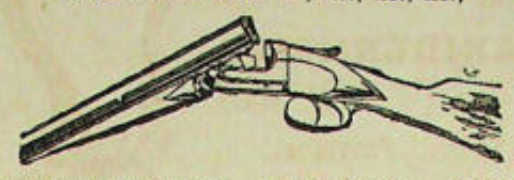

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„ Second „	„	8	
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Peshawar Autumn	First	1st November.
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Lucknow Autumn	Third	10th November.
Rangoon Autumn	Second	24th November.
Lucknow Autumn Army Cup	Final	10th November.
Lucknow Spring C. S. Cup	Fourth	1st December.
	Final	15th January.
Agra New Year	First	1st November
	Second	1st December.
	Third	21st December.
Rawalpindi	Second	6th November.
	Final	23th November.
Calcutta First Meeting	First	5th November.
	Second	4th December.
Calcutta Second Meeting	First	4th December.
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Tollygunge Steeplechases	First	5th November.
	Second	4th December.
	Second	1st December.
Lahore Xmas	Third	15th December.
Madras Xmas	First	1st December.
	Second	15th December.
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Saturday, 27th October 1906.

THE Poona racing season was brought to a close this afternoon when a programme of half-a-dozen events was run through, favourites winning four of the races. Details :—

WELTER CONSOLATION PLATE.—Winner Rs. 200, second Rs. 100, third Rs. 50. For Arabs 14 hands and under which have not won a flat race value Rs. 150 or over since 31st March 1906. 14 hands to carry 11st. W.I. ½ mile.

Capt. Price's b a h Hopeful, 11st. 11lb. Capt. Hopwood 1
Mr. Morrison's g a g Tigris, 10st. 5lbs. (car. 10st. 6lbs.) ... ... Major Brown 2
Col. Abud's b a h Musket, 10st. ... Mr. Raban 3
Mr. Gillies' b a h Saimoo, 9st. 11lbs. Mr. Willoughby 4
Also ran : Banjo, 10-3; Seamew, 10-8 (car. 10-9); Surhid, 10-2; and Shortprice, 8-12 (car. 9-3).

BETTING : 2 to 1 on Hopeful, 7 to 2 agst. Musket, 12 to 1 each Saimoo, Seamew, Tigris, and Surhid, and longer odds the others.

Won easily by three-quarters of a length ; a length dividing second and third. Time—55⅗secs.

THE FINAL WELTER PLATE.—Winner Rs. 200, second Rs. 100, third Rs. 50. A welter handicap for horses which have not won a flat race value Rs. 400 or over. 7 furlongs.

Mr. Willoughby's b aus g The Moachim, 10st. 7lbs. ... ... Owner 1
Mr. C. W. Lyon's br aus g The Earl, 11st. 1dlbs. ... ... Mr. Raban 2
Capt. West's ch aus g Cracksman, 9st. 11lbs. ... ... Mr. Passy 3

BETTING : 5 to 4 on The Earl, 5 to 4 The Moachim, and 6 to 1 Cracksman.

Won by a length and three quarters ; half a length between second and third. Time—1min. 37⅗secs.

THE GOOD-BYE PLATE.—Winner Rs. 200, second Rs. 100, third Rs. 50. A high weight handicap for Arabs 14 hands and under. 5 furlongs.

Mr. B. R. S's b a h Scimitar, 8st. ... Vining 1
Messrs. Goculdass and Nanji's ch a h Vedas, 8st. 7lbs. ... ... Robinson 2
Messrs. Mahomed Saif and Kapadia's b a h Settler, 7st. ... ... Melsom 3
Mr. Avasia's bl a h Sabig, 8st 9lbs. ... Ames 0
Also ran : Bandit II., 9-10 ; Vasco, 9-0 ; Osborne, 7-7 ; Plassey, 6-12 (car. 7-2) ; Shanwar, 6-10 (car. 7-0) ; and Turn of Luck, 6-10 (car. 7-7).

BETTING : 3 to 1 Scimitar, 7 to 2 agst. each Vedas and Plassey, 6 to 1 Settler, 7 to 1 Osborne, 8 to 1 and 15 to 1 the others.

Won by half a length ; three-quarters of a length between second and third. Time—1min. 8⅕secs.

THE FINAL PLATE.—Winner Rs. 500, second Rs. 200, third Rs. 100. For horses which have not won a flat race value Rs. 100 or over. W. A. and C. 5 furlongs.

Mr. Morris' br aus g Vocalist, 8st. 8lbs. ... Vining 1
Mr. North's b aus g Greenstone, 9st. ... Ames 2
Mr. G. K.'s br aus g Falstaff, 8st. 11lbs. ... Robinson 3
Mr. North's b e m Hermitage, 9st. ... A. Hoyt 4
Also ran : Sir Galahad, 7-10.

BETTING : 3 to 1 on Vocalist, 4 to 1 agst. Greenstone, 6 to 1 each Hermitage and Falstaff, and 10 to 1 Sir Galahad.

Won by a head ; two lengths between second and third. Time not taken.

ARAB CONSOLATION PLATE.—Winner Rs. 200, second Rs. 100, third Rs. 50. For Arabs which have not won a flat race value Rs. 100 or over. W. A. 7 furlongs.

Mr. Khimjee's b a h Remembrance, 7st. 5lbs. ... ... Kamad 1
Mr. Mahomed Saif's b a h Marvellous, 7st. 3lbs. ... ... A. Hoyt 2
Mr. Ready Money's b a h Mudlool, 8st. 11lbs. ... ... Ames 3
Mr. Rohman's b a h Archer, 8st. 5lbs. ... Markhan 4
Also ran : Kummar, 8-11 ; Bourbon, 8-5 ; and Canter, 8-5.

BETTING : 6 to 4 on Remembrance, 3 to 1 agst. Kummar, 5 to 1 Marvellous, and any price the others.

Won in a canter by a length and a half ; half a length between second and third. Time—1min. 42secs.

THE SUBALTERNS' HANDICAP.—Winner Rs. 200, second Rs. 100, third Rs 50. A welter handicap for Arabs which have not won flat arace value Rs. 200 or over, since 31st March 1906. 6 furlongs.

Major Leslie's g a h Letgo, 7st. 8lbs. ... Mr. Passy 1
Capt. Macswinney's b a g Milo, 9st.13lbs. Mr. Willoughby 2
Mr. Orr Paterson's g a h Mishall, 11st. 7lbs. Owner 3
Mr. Tayleur's b a h Whiteface, 11st Capt. Hopwood 0
Also ran : Tigris, 11-2 ; Martini, 9-8.

BETTING : 5 to 4 on Whiteface, 3 to 1 agst. Letgo, 6 to 1 each Mishall, Tigris, and Martini, and 10 to 1 Milo.

Won in a canter by five lengths ; half a length between second and third. Time—1min. 27secs.

JUBBULPORE AUTUMN MEETING.

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First Day, Tuesday, 23rd October 1906.

ALMOST emphatic affirmative must be given to the question as to whether this meeting opened successfully or not—if, indeed, any doubt ever existed as to how it would turn out after it was known who were engineering it. There were plenty of people, plenty of horses, a plethora of riding talent, large fields, good finishes, a capital course, full lotteries overnight—in short there was on hand everything that goes towards insuring a successfull race meeting. We append details :—

NERBUDDA HURDLE RACE.—Winner, Rs. 200 ; second, Rs. 50 ; third, Rs. 25. For Arabs and C.-B.'s 14-2 and under, others 14-1 and under. Arabs 14-2 to carry 10st. 7lbs., C.-B.'s 14-2 to carry 11st. 7lbs., others 14-1 to carry 12st. W. I. Penalties—Winners of a hurdle race value Rs. 150 or over, once 4lbs. ; twice 7lbs. ; oftener 10lbs. (not accumulative). 1 mile.

Major Logan-Home's ch w m Mary Jane, 11st. 12lbs. ... ... Mr. Abbay 1
Major Luther and Captain Grech's b w m Twinkle, 11st. 11lbs. .. ...Capt. Johnson 2
Mr. Johnstone's b s a g Young Rake, 11st. 5lbs. ... — ... Capt. Southey 3
Mr. Bailey's Dynamite, 11st. 11lbs. ... Mr. Durhan 0
Also ran : Gunboat 11-11 ; French Maid 10-13 ; Gibson Girl 10-6 ; Butterfly 11-11.

BETTING : Evens Twinkle, 6 to 4 agst Mary Jane, 3 to 1 Young Rake, 10 to 1 and 20 to 1 the others.

Led throughout and won with something in hand by a length and a half ; bad third. Time—2mins. 3⅘secs.

GOANADI HURDLE RACE—Winner, Rs. 200 ; second, Rs. 50 ; third, Rs. 25. For horses—W. A. and C. raised 2st. Penalties—Winners, once 7lbs. ; twice 10lbs. ; oftener 14lbs. (not accumulative). 1 mile.

Mr. Abbay's ch w g Daroji, 11st. ... Owner 1
Mr. Johnstone's b w g Hautboy, 11st. ... Capt. Johnson 2
Mr. Reynard's b w g Ruapchu, 11st. ... Owner 3
Also ran : Flyaway 11-0 ; Toreador 11-0 ; Virago 11-0 ; The Unit, 11-3.

BETTING : 6 to 4 agst. each Toreador and Daroji, 4 to 1 Hautboy, 6 to 1 Ruapchu, and 20 to 1 the others.

The winner got to the head of affairs after the first hurdle had been negotiated and followed by the two placed horses led to the finish winning by half a length, Hautboy beating Ruapchu by five lengths. Time—2mins. 0⅘sec.

PALACE PLATE.—Winner, Rs. 200 ; presented by Rajah Gokuldas ; second Rs. 50 ; third, Rs. 25. For Arabs and C.-B.'s 14-1 and under. Arabs 14-1 to carry 10st. 7lbs., C.-B.'s 14-1 to carry 11st. 7lbs. W. I. Penalties—Winners of a flat race value Rs. 150 or over, once 4lbs. ; twice 7lbs. ; oftener 10lbs. (not accumulative). 5 furlongs.

Mr. J. Scott's ch c b m Esmeralda, 11st. 8lbs. ... ... Capt. Barrett 1
Mr. Gwyther's g cb g Card Account, 10st. 11b. (car. 10st. 4lbs.) ... ... Capt. Johnson 2
Mr. Johnstone's g cb m Begum, 8st. 10lbs. Barrett 3
Also ran : Peeping Tom 9-12 ; Bosstan 8-5 ; Zager 10-11 ; Jul 10-0 ; K. C. 12-0 ; Hopeful 8-10 ; Bob Major 12-0.

BETTING : 7 to 2 on Esmeralda, 4 to 1 agst. each Card Account, K. C., Begum, 10 to 1 and 20 to 1 the others.

Begum led to the distance where Esmeralda forged a head and followed by Card Account won by two lengths with ease ; three lengths between second and third. Time—1min. 10secs.

C. P. COMMISSION CUP.—Winner, Rs. 500 ; presented by members of the C. P. Commission ; second, Rs. 100 ; third, Rs. 50. Closed to ponies which are the *bonâ-fide* property of Members of Government Services, Departments and Railways. For Arabs 14-1 and under. 14-1 to carry 10st. 9lbs. W. I. Penalties—Winners of a flat race value Rs. 150 or over, once 7lbs. ; twice 10lbs ; oftener 14lbs. Allowances—Ponies that have never won a flat race value Rs. 50 or over allowed 7lbs. 1 mile.

Mr. Fail's ch a g Chance, 9st. 4lbs. ... Owner 1
Major Upperton's g a g Catapult, 9st. 10lbs. ... ... Capt. Hughes 2
Mr. Cooke's ch a g Betty, 7st. 11lbs. (car. 7st. 12lbs.) ... ... Barrett 3
Also ran : Richard 9-10 (car. 9-11) ; Banzie 8-6 ; Saracen 10-1 (car. 10-4).

BETTING : 3 to 1 on Chance, 3 to 1 agst. Catapult, 4 to 1 Saracen, 10 to 1 the others.

Catapult and Betty showed out at the start and led them into the straight ; here Chance dispossessed Catapult of the lead and won by two lengths ; six lengths between second and third. Time—1min. 58secs.

CHIEF COMMISSIONER'S CUP.—Winner, Rs. 200 ; presented by the Hon'ble Mr. Miller, I.C.S. ; second, Rs. 50 ; third, Rs. 25. For ponies 14-2 and under, 14-2 to carry 12st. 7lbs. W. I. Allowances—Ponies that have never won a flat race value Rs. 500 or over, 7lbs., Rs. 200 or over, 14lbs., Rs. 50 or over, 21lbs. (not accumulative.) 5 furlongs.

Mr. Scott's b ch m Duplex II., 12st. 11lb. Capt. Barrett 1
Mr. Hallifax's g w m Black Pearl, 11st. 4lbs. ... ... Mr. Abbay 2
Mr. Macan's b w m Aileen, 9st. 13lbs. ... Capt. Hughes 3
Also ran : Nijam 10-2 ; Satanina 10-0 ; Small Scotch 10-11 ; Blue Bell 8-0 ; Quilt 7-12 ; Lady G. 8-12, (car. 9-0) ; Ben Hur 8-9 (car. 8-6) ; Chatterbox 10-0 (car. 10-3) ; Belle Olaff 9-9.

BETTING : 3 to 1 on Duplex, 5 to 1 agst. Aileen, 8 to 1 each Nijam, Small Scotch and Quilt, 10 to 1 and 15 to 1 the others.

A good race till the home turn where Duplex II. shot out and, drawing away, won anyhow by three-quarters of a length ; three length between second and third. Time—1min. 7secs.

GARRISON PLATE.—Winner, Rs. 200 ; second, Rs. 50 ; third, Rs. 25. For horses—W. A. and C. raised 2st. Allowance—Maidens allowed 7lbs. Penalties—Winners once 4lbs. ; twice 7lbs. ; oftener 10lbs. (not accumulative). 5 furlongs.

Mr. Reynard's b w g Vienard, 10st. 7lbs. ... Owner 1
Mr. Abbay's b w g Timour, 10st. 7lbs. ... Owner 2
Major Moore's br w g Half-a-Crown, 10st. 7lbs. ... ... Capt. Hughes 3
Also ran : Tightfit 10-7 ; Roseland 9-4.

BETTING : 5 to 4 agst. Tightfit, 2 to 1 each Vienard and Half-a-Crown, 5 to 1 Roseland, 6 to 1 Timour.

They raced throughout in the order in which they finished Vienard winning by three-quarters of a length ; seven lengths' between second and third. Time—1min. 7⅕secs.

Second Day, Wednesday, 24th October 1906.

Another good day. The handicapping was cleverly done and as a result we saw some good finishes and some interesting racing all through. Details :—

ARAB HANDICAP.—Winner, Rs. 200 ; second, Rs. 50 ; third, Rs. 25. A handicap for Arabs 14-2 and under. 1 mile

Major Upperton's g a g Catapult, 11st. 4lbs. ... ... Capt. Hughes 1
Capt. Southey's g a g Boostan, 9st. 12lbs. Owner 2
Capt. Mackenzie's g a g Richard, 10st. 4lbs. Mr. Durham 3
Also ran : Saracen 10-7.

Banzai (9-5) was also entered, but did not appear.

BETTING : 5 to 2 on Catapult, 3 to 1 agst. Richard, 4 to 1 Boostan, and 10 to 1 Saracen. In the lottery Catapult sold for Rs. 200, Richard for Rs. 95, and Boostan for Rs. 50.

Won by three lengths ; seven lengths between the second and third. Time—2mins.

THE BERARS HANDICAP.—Winner, Rs 200 ; second, Rs. 50 third, Rs. 25. A handicap for ponies 14-2 and under. 7 furlongs,

Mr. J. D. Scott's b cb m Duplex II., 12st. 7lbs. ... ... Capt. Barrett 1
Mr. Macan's b w m Aileen, 9st. 4lbs. (car. 9st. 5lbs.) ... . Capt. Hughes 2
Capt. Williams' ch w g Chatterbox, 9st. 2lbs. ... ... Barrett 0
Also ran : Black Pearl 11-4 ; French Maid 8-3 (car. 8-11) ; Merry Duchess 8-5 ; and Lady Viola 12-7.

BETTING : Evens Lady Viola, 6 to 4 agst. Duplex II., 3 to 1 Aileen, 4 to 1 Black Pearl, 8 to 1 Chatterbox, and 10 to 1 the others. In the lottery Mr. Scott's stable sold for Rs. 100, Chatterbox for Rs. 70, Aileen for Rs. 60, and Black Pearl for Rs. 45.

Won by a neck ; half a length between second and third. Time—1min. 37⅗secs.

JUBBULPORE GRAND NATIONAL.—Winner, Rs. 500 ; presented by the Calcutta Turf Club ; second, Rs. 100 ; third, Rs. 50. A steeplechase for horses. W. A. and C. raised 2st. 7lbs. About 1¼ miles.

Mr. Johnstone's b w g Hautboy, 11st. 6lbs. Capt. Johnston 1
Mr. Abbay's ch w g Daroji, 12st. 7lbs. ... Owner 2
Mr. Reynard's b w g Ruapchu, 11st. 7lbs. Toreador 3
Also ran : Florence 11-7 ; Toreador 11-7 (fell) ; and The Unit 11-10.

BETTING : Evens Daroji, 2 to 1 agst. Hautboy, 5 to 1 each Toreador and Ruapchu, 10 to 1 Florence, and 15 to 1 The Unit. In the two lotteries Daroji sold for Rs. 215 and Rs. 310, Hautboy for Rs. 115 and Rs. 100, Toreador for Rs. 55 and Rs. 50, and others for lesser sums.

Won by ten lengths ; fifteen lengths between the second and third. Time—3mins. 43⅘secs.

MARBLE ROCKS PLATE.—Winner, Rs. 200 ; second, Rs. 50 ; third, Rs. 25. A handicap for Arabs and C.-B.'s 14-1 and under, and others 14-0 and under, which are the *bonâ-fide* property of residents of the Central Provinces and the Berars from 1st September 1906. 6 furlongs.

Major Logan-Home's ch w m Belle Olaff, 11st. 4lbs. ... ... Capt. Hughes 1
Mr. Cooke's ch a g Betty, 7st. 7lbs. (car. 7st. 12lbs.) — ... ... Barrett 2
Major Moore's br c g Ben Hur, 9st. 4lbs. ... Mr. Inglis 3
Also ran : Lady G. 9-0 and Gibson Girl 7-7.

BETTING : 5 to 2 on Belle Olaff. 3 to 1 agst. each Ben Hur and Gibson Girl, and 10 to 1 the others. In the lottery Belle Olaff sold for Rs. 255, Ben Hur for Rs. 120, and the others for trifling sums.

Won by one and a half lengths ; six lengths between the second and third. Time—1min. 26⅘secs.

SEHORA PLATE.—Winner Rs. 200, second Rs. 50, third Rs. 25. A handicap for horses. 1 mile.

Major Moore's br w g Half-a-Crown, 11st. 4lbs. ... ... Capt. Hughes 1
Mr. Dunlop's b w g Flyaway, 10st. 7lbs. ... Mr. Durham 2
Capt. Ballantyne's br w m Vera, 10st. 2lbs. (car. 10st. 13lbs.) ... ... Owner 3

BETTING : 4 to 1 on Half-a-Crown, 3 to 1 agst. Flyaway, and 6 to 1 Vera. In the lottery Half-a-Crown sold for Rs. 335, Flyaway for Rs. 108, and Vera for Rs. 15.

Won by two lengths ; twenty lengths between the second and third. Time—1min. 57secs.

THE SELLING PLATE.—Winner Rs. 200, second Rs. 50, third Rs. 25. A selling race for Arabs and C.-B.'s 14-1 and under, others 14-1 and under. Ponies entered to be sold for Rs. 1,000. C.-B's 14-2 to carry 12st., Arabs 14-2 to carry 10st. 7lbs., others 14-1 to carry 12st. 10lbs. 5 furlongs.

Major Logan-Home's ch w m Mary Jane (Rs. 1,000), 12st. 7lbs. ... ... Capt. Hughes 1
Mr. D. J. Scott's ch w m Isola (Rs. 400), 9st. 4lbs. ... ... Fisher 2
Mr. Bayley's br w g Gunboat (Rs. 800), 11st. 8lbs. ... ... Capt. Henderson 3
Also ran : Speculation, (Rs. 800), 10-7 (car. 10-10) ; Jal (Rs. 600), 9-4 ; and Hopeful (Rs. 800), 8-0.

BETTING : 5 to 1 on Isola, 5 to 1 agst. Mary Jane, 4 to 1 Jal, and 10 to 1 the others. In the lottery Isola sold for Rs. 200, Mary Jane for Rs. 110, Jal for Rs. 55, and the others for lesser sums.

Won by a couple of lengths ; three lengths between the second and third. Time—1min. 11secs.

Mary Jane was bought for Rs. 1,300 by Mr. Scott ; no bid for Isola.

Third Day, Saturday, 27th October 1906.

Exceptionally good sport was indulged in this afternoon : favourites didn't have it quite all to themselves, The Dwarf Chase was interesting and unmarked by any mishap. The only inconvenience was connected with the accommodation for spectators, the present stand arrangements being quite inadequate, but we are led to hope that a certain local native gentleman of sporting proclivities and generous instincts may come to the rescue and provide what is required. Details :—

STEWARDS' PURSE.—Winner Rs. 200, second Rs. 50, third Rs. 25. A handicap for horses. 6 furlongs.

Mr. Reynard's b w g Vienard, 11st. 4lbs. Owner 1
Mr. J. D. Scott's b cb m Duplex II., 11st. 4lbs. ... ... Capt. Barrett 2
Major Moore's br w g Half-a-Crown, 11st. 3lbs. ... ... Capt. Hughes 3
Also ran : Daroji, 11-4 ; The Unit, 8-0.

BETTING : Evens Duplex II., 6 to 4 agst. Vienard, 5 to 1 each Daroji and Half-a-Crown, 10 to 1 The Unit.

LOTTERY : Rs. 570, Vienard sold for Rs. 100, Duplex II. Rs. 50 and Daroji Rs. 45, Half-a-Crown Rs. 30, The Unit Rs. 5.

Won by a length; three lengths between second and third. Time—1min. 20⅘secs.

CONSOLATION RACE.—Winner Rs. 200, second Rs. 50, third Rs. 25. A handicap for ponies that have run at the meeting and up to the time of starting have never won a flat race value Rs. 50 or over. 5 furlongs.

Capt. Goodfellow's b w m Bluebell, 8st. 11lb. Bennett 1
Mr. J. D. Scott's Lady Violet, 12st. 12lbs... Capt. Barrett 2
Mr. Macan's b w m Aileen, 9st. 4lbs. (car. 9st. 5lbs.) ... ... Capt. Hughes 3
Also ran: Merry Duchess, 6-7 (car. 7-6.); Dynamite, 6-0 (car. 7-3.); Banzai, 6-0 (car. 9-2)

BETTING: Evens Aileen, 2 to 1 agst. each Bluebell and Lady Violet, 15 to 1 the others.

LOTTERY: Rs. 530, Aileen sold for Rs. 115, Lady Violet Rs. 30, Bluebell, Rs. 20, others for lesser sums.

Won by a length; three lengths between second and third. Time—1min. 7secs.

DWARF STEEPLECHASE.—Winner Rs. 200, second Rs. 50, third Rs. 25. A handicap for ponies. About 1½ miles.

Mr. Hallifax's g w m Black Pearl, 11st. 8lbs. (car. 11st. 9lbs.) ... ... Mr. Abbay 1
Mr. J. D. Scott's ch w m Mary Jane, 11st. 8lbs. ... . Capt. Barrett 2
Mr. Johnstone's b s a g Young Rake, 10st. 6lbs. (car. 10st. 7lbs) ... Capt. Johnston 3
Also ran: Small Scotch, 11-4; Gunboat, 9-3 (car. 9-8.); French Maid, 8-10 (car. 9-3).

BETTING: 6 to 4 agst. each Mary Jane and Black Pearl, 2 to 1 Small Scotch, 6 to 1 Young Rake, 15 to 1 the others.

LOTTERY: Rs. 539, Black Pearl sold at Rs. 150, Mary Jane at Rs. 75, Small Scotch at Rs. 40, the others rifling sums.

Led all through and won by ten lengths; fifteen lengths between second and third. Time—3mins. 35secs.

HOWABAGH PLATE.—Winner Rs. 200, second Rs. 50, third Rs. 25. A handicap for ponies. 6 furlongs.

Mr. J. D. Scott's b cb m Duplex II., 12st. 7lbs. ... . Capt. Barrett 1
Major Logan-Home's ch w g Belle Olaff, 9st. (car. 9st. 2lbs.) ... ... Capt. Hughes 2
Capt. Williams' ch w g Chatterbox, 9st. ... Capt. Barrett 3
Also ran: Stanata, 7-12; Quilt, 7-7; and Nigam, 8-11.

BETTING: Evens Duplex II., 2 to 1 agst. each Chatterbox and Belle Olaff, 6 to 1 Nigam and 10 to 1 the others.

LOTTERY: Rs. 630, Belle Olaff sold for Rs. 90, Duplex II., Rs. 55, Chatterbox Rs. 45, and Nigam Rs. 25, others trifling sums.

Won by a length; half a length between second and third. Time—1min. 22⅘secs.

EASTERN PLATE.—Winner Rs. 200, second Rs. 50, third Rs. 25. A handicap for Arab and C.-B. ponies. ½ mile.

Mr. Johnstone's g cb m Begum, 7st. 11lbs. (car. 7st. 13lbs.) ... ... Barrett 1
Mr. J. D. Scott's ch cb m Esmeralda, 12st. 12lbs. ... ... Capt. Barrett 2
Mr. Gwyther's g cb m Card Account, 10st. (car. 10st. 3lbs.) ... ... Capt. Johnson 3
Mr. Johnstone's ch cb m Bob Major, 10st. 12lbs. ... ... Mr. Fail 0
Also ran: Catapult, 10-10 (car. 10-12); K. C., 10-0; Jal, 9-4; Eager, 9-4 (car. 10-13); Betty, 7-7; Hopeful, 7-0 (car. 8-0); Flashlight, 7-0 (car. 8-0).

BETTING: 2 to 1 on Esmeralda, 3 to 1 agst. each K. C. and Begum, 5 to 1 each Card Account and Catapult, 6 to 1 each Betty and Bob Major.

LOTTERY: Rs. 750, Esmeralda sold for Rs. 180, Betty Rs. 55, Catapult Rs. 50, Begum Rs. 35, Card Account Rs. 20, others lesser sums.

Won by a length and a half; a length between second and third. Time—59secs.

THE HOG HUNTER'S CUP—Winners Rs. 200, second Rs. 50, third Rs. 25. For *bonâ fide* hunters, pigstickers and chargers that have never won a flat race value Rs. 50 or over. C. W. 11st. 7lbs. 6 furlongs.

Mr. Abbay's b w g Timoor, 11st. 7lbs. ... Owner 1
Mr. Dunlop's b w g Flyaway, 11st. 7lbs. ... Mr. Durham 2
Mr. Reynard's b w g Ruapchu, 13st. 7lbs. Owner 3
Also ran: Boxer, 11-7; The Unit, 11-7; Vera, 11-7.

BETTING: 2 to 1 on Timoor, 2 to 1 agst. Ruapchu, 4 to 1 Flyaway, 8 to 1 Boxer, 10 to 1 the others.

LOTTERY: Rs. 720, Timoor sold for Rs. 245, Ruapchu Rs. 125, the others at nominal prices.

Won by two lengths; three lengths between second and third Time—1min. 24secs.

NURSERY PLATE.—For two-year fillies bred and owned by Raja Goculdass, Rai Bahadur Bullubdass and Kour Sahib Jewandass. C. W. 3 furlongs.

A mare named She, ridden by Mr. Reynard, beat five others by a length and a half. Time—43secs.

Extra Day, Monday, 29th October 1906.

Though a good many owners, particularly the Umballa, Delhi and Agra contingents, did not stay for the fourth day's racing, it was good enough to afford those who remained behind a full programme and good sport. Mr. Abbay was in great riding form, Mr. Cooke's Betty ran well, and might have captured two events had not the saddle slipped in the Arabian Derby. Details:—

BERAGHAT PURSE.

Mr. Cooke's ch a g Betty, 9st. 12lbs. ... Mr. Durham 1
Major Moore's br e g Ben Hur, 11st. 3lbs.... Capt. Hughes 2
Capt. Wilson's ch w g Speculation, 10st. 7lbs. ... ... Mr. Abbay 3
Also ran: Lady G., 10-7 (car. 10-13).

BETTING: 2 to 1 on Ben Hur, 6 to 4 agst. Betty, 5 to 1 the others.

A dead-heat; three lengths from Speculation. Time—1min. 25secs.

In the run off after the close of the race to the distance Betty drew away and won by three lengths. Time—1min. 25secs.

MIRGANJ PLATE.

Mr. Abbay's ch w g Daroji, 11st. ... Owner 1
Major Mooore's br w g Half-a-Crown, 11st. Capt. Hughes 2
Mr. Abbay's b w g Timoor, 10st. 7lbs. ... Mr. Inglis 3

BETTING: 5 to 2 on Daroji, 6 to 4 agst. Half-a-Crown, 3 to 1 Timoor.

Won by a short head; one and half lengths between second and third. Time—1min. 37⅘secs.

PONY CHASE.

Mr. Reynard's b w m Small Scotch, 12st. Mr. Abbay 1
Capt. Cotton's ch w m French Maid, 9st. 7lbs. ... ... Mr. Inglis 2
Mr. Bayley's b w g Dynamite, 9st. (car. 9st. 4lbs.) ... ... Mr. Durham 3
Also ran: Gunboat, 10-0 (car. 10-11) fell.

BETTING: 6 to 4 on Small Scotch, 2 to 1 agst. French Maid, 3 to 1 Gunboat, 6 to 1 Dynamite.

Won by a length; eight lengths between the second and third. Time—3mins. 44secs.

CHARGER RACE.

Major Wintour's Boner, 10st. (car. 10st. 11lb.) ... ... Capt. Hughes 1
Mr. Dunlop's Flyaway, 11st. 7lbs. ... Mr. Abbay 2
Mr. Durham's Florence, 9st. 7lbs. ... Owner 3
Also ran: Tightfit, 10-0; Vera, 9-0.

BETTING: Evens each Flyaway and Boner, 3 to 1 agst. Tightfit, 10 to 1 the others.

Won by two lengths; three lengths between second and third. Time—1min. 8⅘secs.

ALL-COMERS' STAKES.

Major Logan-Home's ch w m Belle Olaf, 11st. 5lbs. ... ... Mr. Abbay 1
Col. Berryman's sk w g Quilt, 7st. 7lbs. ... Mungra 2
Mr. Macan's b w m Aileen, 11st. 5lbs. ... Capt. Hughes 3
Also ran: Catapult, 7-7.

BETTING: Evens each Belle Olaf and Aileen, 3 to 1 agst Quilt, 10 to 1 Catapult.

Won by one and a half lengths; three lengths between second and third. Time—1min. 23secs.

ARABIAN DERBY.

Capt. Casson's b a h Eager, 10st. 4lbs. ... Capt. Hughes 1
Mr. Cooke's ch a g Betty, 10st. 4lbs. ... Mungra 2
Mr. Durham's g a h Peeping Tom, 8st. (car. 8st. 7lbs.) ... ... Native 3
Also ran: Richard, 9-0; Flashlight, 9-0; Banzai, 8-12 (car. 9st.).

BETTING: 2 to 1 on Eager, 2 to 1 agst. each Betty and Flashlight, 4 to 1 Richard, 10 to 1 the others.

Won by one and a half lengths; four lengths between second and third. Time—57secs.

KARACHI AUTUMN MEETING.

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LIEUT.-COL. C. H. ALEXANDER, R.G.A.
MAJOR F. POTTS, R.F.A.

Honorary Secretary:—J. ROME, ESQ.

First Day, Tuesday, 23rd October 1906.

THE Executive are to be congratulated on the good condition they had got the course into after the inundation earlier in the month and which caused a postponement of the meeting. The entries were encouraging and there was support from a strong Quetta contingent which included Captain O. Winter and his fairly extensive stable. There was a tolerably good attendance, good music by the Band of the 24th, a disabled bookmaker who cried the odds from an invalid chair, and sport of sufficiently good quality to please most tastes. Details:—

CLIFTON PLATE.—Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second, and Rs. 50 to the third. For C.-B. novices. 4 furlongs.

Capt. Wood's Lall, 9st. 2lbs. ... ... Lansdown 1
Capt. O. Winter's Mander, 9st. 11lbs. ... Owner 2
Mr. Mackenzie's George, 10st. 12lbs. 3

BETTING: 3 to 1 on Mander, 2 to 1 agst. Lal.

Won by three lengths. Time—57secs.

HYDERABAD STAKES.—Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second, and Rs. 50 to the third. For horses that have never won Rs. 200 since 31st March 1904. 6 furlongs.

Capt. O. Winter's M. B., 10st. 7lbs. ... Owner 1
Mr. Bosse's Dawn, 11st. 3lbs. ... Mr. Cooper 2
Mr. Kennedy's Anadney, 11st. 7lbs. ... Mr. Palmer 3

BETTING: Evens M. B., 6 to 4 on Dawn.

Won by a head. Time—1min. 22⅘secs.

Won on the post. An objection was lodged against M. B. for wrong weight, but was withdrawn.

PONY HURDLES.—Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second, and Rs. 50 to the third. For maiden Arab and C.-B.'s 14-2 and others 14-0. 1 mile over six flights.

Mr. Allen's Mazurka, 10st. 8lbs. Capt. Toogood 1
Mr. Dickinson's Pantglass, 11st. 6lbs. ... Mr. Monteith 2
Mr. Rome's Mischief, 11st. 4lbs. ... Lansdown 3
Also ran: Prince, 11-2

BETTING: 2 to 1 on Mazurka, 5 to 1 Pantglass.

Won by a head. Time—2mins. 7⅘secs.

TRIAL PLATE—Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second, and Rs. 50 to the third. For maiden C.-B.'s 14-1 and others 14-0. 4 furlongs.

Mr. Monteith's Gipsy, 9st. 3lbs. ... Lansdown 1
Major Pott's Little Beauty, 9st. 12lbs. ... Nama 2
Col. O'Donnell's Necklace, 10st. 13lbs. ... Capt. Day 3
Also ran: Chene, 9-6; Rosine, 10-2; Lady Disdain, 11-0; Ornis, 12-5; Agine, 10-10; George, 10-11.

BETTING: Evens Gipsy, 3 to 2 agst. Little Beauty, 5 to 1 Necklace.

Won by half a length; a length between second and third. Time—53⅘secs.

BEDOUIN PLATE.—Rs. 200, to the winner, Rs. 100, to the second, and Rs. 50 to the third. For Arabs, 14-1, Novices. 4 furlongs.

Mr. Rome's Plebeian, 11st. 4lbs. ... Nama 1
Mrs. Graham's Palladin, 9st. 11lbs. ... Capt. Winter 2
Mr. Mackenzie's Boreas, 9st. 8lbs. ... Owner 3
Also ran: Midas, 10-0; Lansdale, 11-1; Tevano, 9-8; Snowflake, 9-5; Courtier, 8-13.

BETTING: Evens Plebeian, 2 to 1 Palladin, 5 to 1 Boreas.

Won by half a length; a length and a half divided second and third. Time—56⅘secs.

DESERT PLATE.—Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second and Rs. 50 to the third. For maiden Arabs, 14-1. 7 furlongs.

Capt. Toogood's Malabar, 10st. 4lbs. ... Owner 1
Mr. Cooper's Little Red Rat, 10st. 11lbs. ... Owner 2
Major Moon's Gendarme, 9st. 12lbs. ... Capt. Winter 3
Also ran: Mick, 10-11; Robert the Devil, 10-9; Jacob 10-3; Mosumma, 9-12; Ghizree, 10-3.

BETTING: 2 to 1 on Malabar, 3 to 1 Little Red Rat, 5 to 1 Gendarme.

Won by one length; a bad third. Time—1min. 40⅘secs.

OPEN PLATE.—Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second, and Rs. 50 to the third. For C.-B.'s 14-2 and others 14-1 5 furlongs.

Major England's Ena, 10st. 11lbs. ... Mr. Cooper 1
Col. O'Donnel's Necklace, 9st. 6lbs. ... Bai Ram 2
Mr. Mulholland's Delight, 7st. 7lbs. ... Moongya 3
Also ran: Spot One, 10-12; Cadet, 10-7; Alchemist, 9-11; Maranta, 9-11; Who Cares, 8-2; Chene, 7-4.

BETTING: 2 to 1 on Delight, 2 to 1 agst. Ena, 6 to 1 Necklace.

Won by a length; two lengths between second and third. Time—2mins. 8secs.

Second Day, Thursday, 25th October 1906.

The handicapping of Mr. Kennyon was subject matter for commendation on all sides to-day, and as we had good fields out for most events the result was exceptionally good sport. Music and creature comforts by the Band and Officers of the 24th Regiment were prominent features of a very pleasant afternoon. The injured bookie was not *en evidence* to-day, the illadvised exertions of the previous day having necessitated the taking of a back seat; his penciller laid odds that were not generally appreciated. Details.

GHIZRI PLATE.—Rs. 200 to the winner. Rs. 100 to the second, and Rs. 50 to the third. For C.-B.'s. 6 furlongs.

Capt. O. Winter's Mander, 9st. 9lbs. ... Takur 1
Mr. Wood's Lall 2
Mr. Mackenzie's George ... ... Owner 3

BETTING: 6 to 4 on Mander, 5 to 2 on Lall.

In the first attempt they made a dead heat of it. In the run off they raced level till the straight when Mander drew out and won easily. Time—1min. 31secs.

NATIONAL FOR HORSES.—Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second, and Rs. 50 to the third. 1 mile.

Capt. O. Winter's M. P., 10st. 7lbs. ... Capt. Toogood 1
Mr. Kennedy's Ariadne, 10st. 5lbs. ... Lansdown 2
Mr. Bosse's Dawn, 10st. 12lbs. ... Nama 3

BETTING: 2 to 1 on M. P.

Won by one length; three lengths between second and third. Time—1min. 50⅘secs.

TALLY HO PLATE.—Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second, and Rs. 50 to the third. 1½ miles over 9 hurdles.

Mr. Rome's Mischief, 10st. 4lbs. ... Lansdown 1
Mr. Allen's Magarha, 10st. 8lbs. ... Capt. Toogood 2
Mr. Dickenson's Pantglass, ... Mr. Monteith 3
Also ran: Prince, 9-0; Cadet, 9-12.

BETTING: 2 to 1 agst. Mischief, evens each Magarha and Pantglass.

Won by two lengths; half a length between second and third.

THE HUB PLATE.—Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second, and Rs. 50 to the third. For C.-B's and Australians. 6 furlongs.

Mr. Monteith's Gipsy ... ... Lansdown 1
Mr. T. Smith's Lay Disdain, 9st. 7lbs. ... Hassan Khan 2
Col. O'Donnell's Necklace, 10st. 11lbs. ... Capt. Toogood 3
Also ran: Delight, 8-5; Chene, 8-3; George, 6-1; Rosine, 8-11 Agile 10-5.

BETTING: 2 to 1 on Gipsy, 2 to agst. Necklace, 5 to 1 the rest.

Won by a length; a length between second and third. Time—1min. 25secs.

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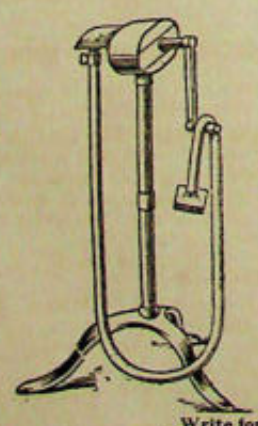

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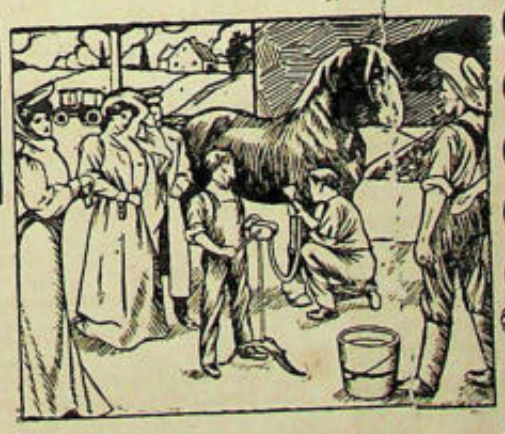

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THE SAHARA PLATE—Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second, and Rs. 50 to the third. For Arabs. 6 furlongs.

Mr. W. L. Graham's Palladin, 9st. 6lbs. ...	Lansdown	1
Mr. Mackenzie's Boreas, 9st. 3lbs. ...	.....	2
Mr. Fevison's Midas, 9st. — ...	Churchward	3

BETTING: 2 to 1 on Palladin, 2 to 1 Boreas, 6 to 1 Midas.

Won easily by six lengths; two lengths between second and third. Time—1min. 28⅘secs.

THE GULF PLATE.—For Arabs. 1 mile.

Mr. Cooper's Little Red Rat, 10st. 5lbs. ...	Lansdown	1
Capt. Toogood's Malabar, 10st. 7lbs. ...	Robertson	2
Major Moore's Gendarme, 9st. 2lbs. ...	Takur	3

Also ran: Plebeian, 10-10; Mosumma, 9-0; Ghizri, 8-7; Tacot, 8-7.

BETTING: 2 to 1 on Malabar, 2½ to 1 agst. Little Red Rat, 2 to 1 Plebeian.

Won by two lengths; a head between second and third. Time—1min. 57⅘secs.

KIMBERLEY PLATE—Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second, and Rs. 50 to the third. For C.-B.'s and Australians. 6 furlongs.

Capt. Toogood's Maranha, 9st. 5lbs. ...	Lansdown	1
Col. O'Donnell's Necklace, 10st. ...	Capt. Toogood	2
Capt. Day's Spot One, 10st. 2lbs. ...	Owner	3

Also ran: Alchemix, 9-2; Cadet, 11-0; Who Cares 7-12.

Won easily in the dusk of the twilight.

Third Day, Saturday, 27th October 1906.

The racing was brought to a conclusion this afternoon, there being another large attendance. Mrs. Younghusband was "At Home" and the Band of the 24th Regiment supplied the music. The racing was good, and was a fitting conclusion to a very successful meeting, mainly due to the efforts of Mr. Frank Rowe, the Honorary Secretary. Details:—

LYARI PLATE.—Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second, and Rs. 50 to the third. 6 furlongs.

Capt. Smith's Agile, 9st.	Lansdown	1
Capt. C. Winter's b cb m Cheric, 8st. 3lbs.	Thakur	2
Capt. O. Winter's b cb m Mander, 8st. ...	Hassan Khan	3

Also ran: George, 9-4; Times, 12-6.

BETTING: 2 to 1 on Cheric, 3 to 2 agst. Agile, 2 to 1 Mander.

Won by one and a half lengths; a head between second and third.

MANORA PLATE.—Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second, and Rs. 50 to the third. Handicap for Arabs. 6 furlongs.

Major Moore's g a p Gendarme, 8st. 9lbs.	Robinson	1
Capt. Toogood's b a h Malabar, 10st. 4lbs.	Owner	2
Capt. Smith's b a h Mosumma, 8st. 2lbs. ...	Moongya	3

Also ran: Little Red Rat, 10-5; Jacob, 8-10.

BETTING: Evens Little Red Rat, 2 to 1 agst. Malabar, 3 to 2 Gendarme.

Won by a length. Time—2mins. 47secs.

HIE OVER PLATE.—Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second, and Rs. 50 to the third. 1½ miles over 8 flight of hurdle.

Mr. Allen's b cb m Mazurka, 10st. 4lbs. ...	Capt. Toogood	1
Messrs. Richardson's and Mackenzie's b aus g Cadet, 9st.	Churchward	1
Mr. Rowe's dn aus g Mischief, 10st. 4lbs. ...	Lansdown	2

Also ran: Pierce, 8-7.

BETTING: Evens Mischief, 2 to 1 agst. Mazurka, 3 to 1 Cadet.

Won comfortably by two and a half lengths; bad third. Time—3mins. 12secs.

KEAMARI PLATE.—Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second, and Rs. 50 to the third. Handicap for all ponies. 6 furlongs.

Capt. Toogood's b e m Maranta, 10st. ...	Owner	1
Col. Dickenson's ch aus m Alchemix, 8st. 9lbs. — ...	Robertson	2
Capt. Day's b aus m Spot One, 10st. ...	Owner	3

Also ran: Cherie, 8-0.

BETTING: 2 to 1 on Maranta, 5 to 2 Alchemix, 3 to 1 Spot One.

Won in a canter; a length between second and third. Time—1min. 24⅕secs.

SCINDE PLATE.—Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second, and Rs. 50 to the third. Handicap for Arabs. 1 mile.

Mr. Graham's b a h Paladin, 9st. 12lbs. ...	Mr. Elsee	1
Mr. Rowe's b a p Plebian, 10st. 4lbs. ...	Lansdown	2
Mr. Mackenzie's ch a h Boreas, 9st. ...	Robertson	3

Also ran: Lawrence, 9-0; Midas, 9-4; Tarang, 8-0.

BETTING: 2 to 1 on Plebian, evens Paladin, 3 to 1 agst. Boreas.

Won by half a length; one and a half lengths between second and third. Time—2mins.

ARAB CONSOLATION.—4 furlongs.

Capt. Marriott's b a g Mick, 10st. 10lbs. ...	Capt. Toogood	1
Mr. Mackenzie's ch a h Ghizri, 9st 2lbs. ...	.....	Dead-
Capt. Smith's br a h Mosumma ...	Mr. Elsee	heat

BETTING: 2 to 1 on Mick. 2 to 1 Mosumma, 3 to 1 Ghizri.

Won in a canter. Time—55⅖secs.

FAREWELL PLATE.—Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second, and Rs. 50 to the third. 4 furlongs.

Mr. J. Smith and Capt. Winter's ch aus m Arina, 10st. 12lbs.	Robertson	1
Capt. Day's b aus m Spot One, 10st. ...	Owner	2
Mr. J. Smith's b aus m Lady Disdain, 9st. 9lbs. —	Norman	3

Also ran: Little Beauty, 9-7; Who Cares, 8-9; George, 11-0.

Won as she liked; one length between second and third. Time—54⅖secs.

RANGOON HUNT CLUB MEETING.

Starter:—MAJOR HARRISON.
Judge:—MR. H. P. TODD NAYLOR.
Clerk of the Scales:—MR. F. SUMMERS.

Saturday, 20th October 1906.

A VERY successful meeting, so every one said. The sport was distinctly above the average and there was quite a big gathering to witness it. The Devons supplied the music, the Kokine Club dispensed hospitality, there was a bookmaker and a tote. Details:—

POLO SCURRY—C. W. over 11st. ¼ mile. First and second prizes, cups.

Capt. Besley's Rocksand	Capt. Barnett	1
Mr. Todd Naylor's Dodo	Mr. Cullen	2
Mr. Phillips' Grey Lady	Owner	3

Also ran: Mr. Price's Little Mary (Mr. Oliver); Mr. Phillip's Confidence (Mr. Burke); Captain Barnett's Shoay Mintha (Mr. Pilcher); Captain Hammond's Alphonse (Mr. Price).

BETTING: 2 to 1 on Rocksand, 4 to 1 agst. Dodo, 6 to 1 Grey Lady, 10 to 1 each Confidence and Shoay Mintha, 20 to 1 the rest.

Won by two lengths; good third. Tote paid Rs. 3 over winner, and Rs. 3-8 and Rs. 7 for places.

STEEPLECHASE.—For horses under 14-3 and over 14-0; C. W. over 11st. For horses that have been paperchased in 1906. Prize—a cup. About 1½ miles over 11 fences.

Mrs. Lentaigne's Glen Ticca	Mr. Cullen	1
Mr. Smiles' Paleface	Owner	2

Also ran: Mr. Inglis's Duke (owner); Mr. Geo. Clifford's Count (Mr. W. Clifford); Mr. Biggwither's Shamrock (owner).

BETTING: 2 to 1 on Glen Ticca, 4 to 1 each agst. Paleface and Count, 10 to 1 Duke, 20 to 1 Shamrock.

Won by two and half a lengths from Paleface, the other three not completing the course. Tote paid Rs. 3 to win, and Rs. 3 and Rs. 5 for places.

STEEPLECHASE.—For ponies 13-0 and under. C. W. over 11st. For ponies paperchased in 1906. Prize—a cup. About 1½ miles over 9 fences.

Mr. Darwood's Doris	Owner	1
Mrs. Lentaigne's Benjamin	Mr. Cullen	2

Also ran: Mr. Wilmot's Nirvana (Mr. Burke); Mr. Donald's Russia (owner); Captain Moberly's Bullfinch (Mr. Phillips).

BETTING: 6 to 4 on Doris, evens Benjamin, 10 to 1 agst. Nirvana, 15 to 1 Bullfinch, 20 to 1 Russia.

Won by about three lengths. Tote paid Rs. 6 to win and Rs. 3-8 and Rs. 4 for places.

STEEPLECHASE.—For ponies over 13-0 and under 14 hands. C. W. over 11st. For ponies paperchased in 1906. About 1½ miles over 11 fences. First and second prizes, cups.

Mr. Rodger's Agnes ... —	Mr. Cullen	1
Mr. Lonsdale's Tarkan ...	Capt. Barnett	2
Mr. Macgregor's Terry ...	Mr. Hamilton	3
Major Penny's Norah	Owner	0

Also ran: Mr. Smith's Roaney (owner); Mr. Primrose Wells' Bunny (Mr. Phillips); Mr. Barraclough's Grey Lady (owner); Mr. Mackenzie's Blackie (owner).

BETTING: 6 to 4 on Tarkan, 6 to 4 agst. Agnes, 3 to 1 Norah, 6 to 1 Terry, 20 to 1 the rest.

Won by four lengths; two lengths between second and third. Tote paid Rs. 7, and Rs. 3-8 and Rs. 4 for places.

DISTANCE HANDICAP—Open to members of Gymkhana Club. Prizes: first a cup; second a cup; third a pewter. 1 mile.

Capt. Radcliffe's Kitty, 800 yards ...	Owner	1
Mr. Connell's Vera, 800 yards ...	Mr. Burke	2
Major Penny's Dandy	Owner	3

Also ran: Mr. Pilcher's Falstaff (scr.) (owner); Mr. Reiswitz's Fafner (100yds.) (owner); Mr. Polson's Picture, (150yds.) (Captain Barnett); Mr. Pullar's Lorna (200yds.) (owner); Mr. Smiles Paleface (200yds.) (owner); Mr. Dundas-Mouatt's Bessie (350yds.) (Mr. Hamilton); Mr. Lachlan's Alice (300yds.) (owner); Mr. Fulton's Miraroa (300yds.) (owner); Mr. Buckley's Shamrock (450yds.) (owner); Hon'ble R. A. Forbes-Sempill's Vice Versâ (450yds.) (Mr. Phillps); Mr Todd Naylor's Waif (700yds.) (Mr. Hepburn); Mr. Lentaigne's Ringdove (250 yds.) (Mr. Cullen); Mr. Silby's Mick (300yds.) (owner); Mr. Ludwig's Lilly (350yds.) (owner); Mr. McKeand's Chum (400yds.) (owner); Mr. C. H. Taylor's Black Bess (200yds) (owner); Mr. R. R. Macdonald's Lucy (300yds.) (owner); Mr. Colvin's Madras (400yds.) (owner); Mr. Harman's Placid Joe (450yds.) (owner); Mr. J. J. Anderson's Tommy (500yds.) (owner).

BETTING: 2 to 1 agst. Ringdove, 3 to 1 Picture, 5 to 1 Waif, 6 to 1 Lorna, 8 to 1 each Dandy, Vera and Kitty, 10 to 1 and 20 to 1 the rest.

Won by a length; two lengths between second and third. Tote paid Rs. 41 over winner, and Rs. 20, Rs. 6 and Rs. 12 over places.

Entries for Races.

TOLLYGUNGE CLUB.

GYMKHANA RACES.

Saturday, 3rd November 1906.

THE GANG-ON STAKES.

Mr. Pauntley's gr aus g Lucifer.
Mr. Ballantyne's ch aus m Fairy.
Dr. Hossack's ch aus m Lady Gold.
Mr. Pierson's ch aus m Queen of Hearts.
Mr. Wickham's ch aus m Eileen.
Mr. Prophit's br aus g Brownmoore.

THE NOVICE STAKES.

Mr. Mitchell's br aus g Agamemnon
Mr. Pauntley's gr aus g Lucifer.
Mr. Browne's b aus g Clumsy.
Mr. Westmacott's br aus g Harmony.
Mr. Turner's br aus g Bull's eye.
Mr. Beachcroft's b aus g Return.
Mr. Langham's ch aus g Salad Dressing.
Mr. Rees' b e h Lord Chippendale.
Mr. Dulcken's br aus m Dalgai.
Mr. Halliday's b aus g Beazon.
Mr. Muir's br aus g Mars.
Mr. James' b aus g Harry Lauder.

THE ALL-COMERS' CUP.

Mr. Roland's br aus g Oom Paul.
Mr. Banker's b aus m Queen of Gems.
Mr. MacLeod's b aus g Batanzos.
Mr. Kent's blk aus m Pylara.
Mr. Dass' rn aus g Lollipop.
Mr. Dass' b e m Miss Trenton.
Mr. Hagarty's br aus g Richmond.

THE NOVEMBER STAKES.

Mr. Mitchell's b aus g Agamemnon.
Mr. Ballantyne's b aus g Clodian.
Mr. Westmacott's br aus m Harmony.
Mr. Sandiland's b aus m Fatima.
Mr. Dulcken's br aus m Dalgai.
Mr. Curtis-Hayward's b aus m Sylvia.

THE BUGGY STAKES.

Mr. Gwen Wilson's blk aus m Kinloch.
Mr. Wickham's blk aus m Annie.
Mr. Schwerdfleger's gr aus g Blossom.
Mr. Muir's ch aus g Golden Star.
Mr. Pauntley's gr aus g Irish Boy.
Mr. Curtis-Hayward's ch aus m Lady Wilful.

Sport in England.

(FROM THE HOME PAPERS.)

LONDON, *Friday, 12th October 1906.*

THE TURF.

KEMPTON PARK.

THE racing army from Leicester was divided in its allegiance, the metropolitan brigade returning to join their *confrères* who had assisted at Folkestone, and bearing down in strong force on Kempton, where the best racing of the week was to be enjoyed. Thanks to the recent rains, the executive had not solely to rely upon their perfect system of irrigation from the well so happily discovered some years ago, and the going was as perfect as possible. The weather prognostications were not favourable, but a half-hearted sort of morning changed to a charming afternoon, and a goodly company graced the proceedings. The members' enclosure was well-filled, the fair sex as usual being strongly in evidence, and during the intervals the pretty paddock, a favourite rendezvous, was filled by an appreciative crowd. Tattersall's was crowded, and the road brigade made a brave show on the far side of the course, where the old-fashioned four-in-hands towered in old English state and dignity above the serried ranks of the motor-car. Details:—

IMPERIAL PRODUCE PLATE—Of 3,000sovs.; the nominator of the winner receives 200sovs., the nominator of the second 100sovs., the nominator of the third 50sovs., the owner of the second 200sovs., and the owner of the third 50sovs. out of the stakes; for two-year-olds; 6 furlongs, on the straight course.

Major E. Loder's ch c Galvani, by Laveno—Gallinaria, 9st. 11lb.	B. Dillon	1
Lord Derby's b Colt by Orme—St. Victorine, 9st. 11lb.	D. Maher	2
Mr. R. A. Brice's b f Order of Merit, by Collar—Lady Rayleigh, 8st. 4lbs. ...	B. Lynham	3
Mr. J. B. Joel's Portland Bay, 8st. 10lbs.	H. Randall	0
Lord Rosebery's Turpitude, 8st. 4lbs. ...	W. Halsey	0
Duke of Portland's Apponyi, 8st. 10lbs. ...	J. H. Martin	0
Mr. F. Taylor's Rabican, 8st. 3lbs. ...	Wm. Griggs	0
Mr. W. M. G. Singer's Filly by St. Serf—Great Dame, 8st. 7lbs.	O. Madden	0

(*Winner trained by Mr. P. P. Gilpin.*)

BETTING: 6 to 4 on Galvani, 4 to 1 agst. Turpitude, 9 to 1 St. Victorine, 20 to 1 others.

Won by a length and a half; four lengths between second and third.

COVENTRY PLATE (Handicap)—Of 500sovs.; second receives 50sovs.; 1 mile, on the Jubilee Course.

Capt. F. Forester's b g Golden Saint, by St. Angelo—Mouche d'Or, 4yrs., 7st. 2lbs. (car. 7st. 3lbs.)	W. Saxby	1
Sir R. W. Griffith's b f Charis, 4yrs., 7st. 3lbs.	F. Wootton	2
Miss E. Clinton's b f Snow Glory, 3yrs., 6st. 10lbs.	H. Watts	3
Mr. J. H. A. Marshall's St. Day, 5yrs., 7st. 4lbs.	Templeman	0
Lord Penrhyn's La Petite Dame, 5yrs., 7st. 8lbs. —	W. Higgs	0

(*Winner trained by Fallon.*)

BETTING: 13 to 8 agst. Golden Saint, 5 to 2 La Petite Dame, 5 to 1 each Charis and St. Day, and 10 to 1 Snow Glory.

Won by a length; two lengths divided second and third. St. Day was fourth, and La Petite Dame last.

RICHMOND PLATE (Handicap)—Of 500sovs.; second receives 50sovs.; 6 furlongs, on the Straight Course.

Mr. W. Raphael's br f Lovania, by Ayrshire—St. Louvaine, 3yrs., 6st. 11lbs....	F. Wootton	1
Capt. Greer's ch c Rocketter, 3yrs., 9st. ...	W. Higgs	2
Mr. C. H. Hannam's ch m Guigne, 6yrs., 7st. 7lbs.	Templeman	3
Sir E. Vincent's Cythera, 3yrs., 7st. ...	J. Plant	0
Sir R. W. B. Jardine's Marconigram, 3yrs., 7st. 6lbs.	H. Blades	0
Mr. G. A. Prentice's Dumbarton Castle, 6yrs., 8st 7lbs.	O. Madden	0
Mr. A. McMicking's Var, 3yrs., 7st. 6lbs. ...	C. Trigg	0
Sir H. Randall's Brother Bill, 4yrs., 8st. 8lbs.	H. Randall	0
Mr. A. James' Golden Gleam, 4yrs., 8st. 11lbs.	H. Jones	0
Mr. S. Hill Wood's Cyanean, 4yrs., 8st. 6lbs.	B. Lynham	0
Sir E. Cassell's Albert Hall, 3yrs., 7st. 8lbs.	J. H. Martin	0

(*Winner trained by D. Waugh.*)

BETTING: 3 to 1 agst. Dumbarton Castle, 5 to 1 Lovania, 7 to 1 each Golden Gleam and Rocketter, 100 to 12 Albert Hall, 10 to 1 each Marconigram and Brother Bill, and 100 to 8 each others (offered).

Won by a head; a length and a half divided second and third, Cythera was fourth, Marconigram fifth, Dumbarton Castle sixth Var seventh, Brother Bill eighth, and Albert Hall last.

A glance at the attendance at Kempton Park on Saturday, the 6th instant, showed how many representative folk had taken quarters up in Town again, as faces familiar as celebrated in the Senate and the Bar, the Sister Services, music, literature, art, or the drama met the eye at every turn. Society, too, was well represented, many titled supporters of the national sport coming down to see the Duke of York's Stakes, and as usual the fair sex was in strong evidence, its charming toilettes making the pretty paddock a thing of beauty. The executive are to be congratulated on a good muster, Tattersall's being crowded as usual, and now that the use of Westrumite is becoming so universal more motors than ever were on evidence. It must have been a treat to the jockeys to gallop over such turf, particularly after the parched plains of late, and less fortunate meetings may well envy Kempton's handy hydrant system, which would have saved the situation had not the recent rains arrived in the nick of time. The weather was gloriously genial for the season of year, fields panned out well, and finishes were close and exciting, and including the favourite's victory in the big race—and what a win it was!—the talent came back on pretty good terms with themselves. Details of the important races.

DUKE OF YORK STAKES (Handicap)—Of 2,000sovs. (1,800sovs. in specie and 200sovs. in plate or specie at the option of the winner); the owner of the second receives 200sovs., and of the third 100sovs. out of the stakes; 1 mile, on the Jubilee Course.

Mr. Sol Joel's b c Polymelus, by Cyllene—Maid Marion, 4yrs., 8st. 3lbs. ...	D. Maher	1
Mr. Lionel Robinson's b h Roseate Dawn, by Enthusiast—Honeydew, 5yrs., 9st.	W. Halsey	2
Mr. W. M. G. Singer's b g Kuroki, by Florizel II.—Great Dame, 4yrs., 8st. ...	O. Madden	3
Lord Coventry's b f Catapult, by Carbine—Marguerite II., 3yrs., 7st. 3lbs. (inc. 7lbs. ex.)	F. Wootton	4
Lord Michelham's b c Chestnut, by Persimmon—Sweet Story, 4yrs., 7st. 6lbs. ...	H. Robbins	5
Mr. J. Buchanan's ch c Golden Measure, by Florizel II.—Fairy Gold, 4yrs., 8st. 6lbs.	B. Lynham	6
Lord Dalmeny's b m Caravel, by Pioneer—Kendal Belle, 6yrs., 7st. 11lbs. ...	W. Higgs	7
Sir E. Cassel's b c Killeagh, by Killyleagh—What, 3yrs., 7st. 8lbs.	W. Griggs	8
Mr. J. B. Joel's ch g Dean Swift, by Childwick—Pasquil, 5yrs., 8st. 9lbs. ...	H. Randall	9
M. Ephrussi's ch m Champ d'Or, by War Dance—Eighteen Carat, 4yrs., 8st. 3lbs.	Ranech	10
Capt. Laing's b c Paddington, by Martagon—Padua, 3yrs., 6st. 10lbs. ...	E. Hardy	11
Mr. E. A. Wigan's b c Sarcelle, by Gallinule—Croceum, 3yrs., 7st. 10lbs. ...	G. M'Call	12

(*Winner trained by C. Peck.*)

BETTING: 7 to 4 agst. Polymelus, 5 to 1 Roseate Dawn, 9 to 1 each Kuroki and Chestnut, 10 to 1 Catapult, 100 to 8 Caravel, 100 to 7 Champ d'Or, 100 to 6 Sarcelle, and 20 to 1 others (offered).

The task of weighing out was accomplished in good time, and according to the numbers on the card the field, numbering a dozen, paraded. There was not much delay at the post, and to a good start Sarcelle was first to break the line, but was steadied. On setting down, Paddington came on in front of Catapult and Polymelus, with Sarcelle and Roseate Dawn next, well clear of Champ d'Or and Killeagh, while Golden Measure and Dean Swift, who began slowly, were struggling in the rear. In this order they ran till six furlongs from home, where Polymelus deprived Paddington of the lead, and Roseate Dawn went on third, in front of Catapult and Sarcelle; then at an interval came Caravel and Chestnut, with Kuroki next. Entering the straight, where Paddington gave way, Polymelus was a good two lengths in front of Roseate Dawn on the inside, with Catapult,

Caravel, and Chestnut next, and Kuroki improving his position on the outside. Thus early, however, the race was all over, as, though Kuroki made up ground at the finish, he could not catch Roscate Dawn, who, at the same time had no chance of overhauling Polymelus, the favourite cantering at his ease in the smoothest style, and gaining a ridiculously easy victory by five lengths; three lengths divided second and third Catapult was fourth, Chestnut fifth, Golden Measure sixth, Caravel seventh, Killeagh eighth, Dean Swift ninth, Champ d'Or tenth, and Sarcelle last. Time—1min 40⅘secs.

BRENTFORD PLATE (Selling Handicap)—Of 300sovs.; 1 mile, on the Jubilee Course.

Mr. W. H. Schwind's b h Kilteel, by Kilwarlin—Bright Star, aged, 8st. 5lbs. ...	W. Higgs	1
Mr C. Hibbert's b h Mulligatawny, 5yrs., 8st. 3lbs	C. Trigg	2
Mr. Imber's b f Esprit, 3yrs., 6st. 5lbs. ...	H. Watts	3
Mr. C. Levey's Fireman, aged, 8st. 11lb. ...	W. Saxby	0
Mr. H. G Bradford's Avenue, 3yrs., 7st. (car. 7st. 11lb.)	H. Robbins	0
Mr. F. R. Hunt's Exchequer, 6yrs., 9st. ...	W. Halsey	0
Mr. R. Wright's Ladiola, 3yrs., 8st. ...8	Walkington	0
Mr. H. Hirsch's Rizzio, 3yrs., 7st 10lbs. ...	G. McCall	0
Mr. W. Catling's Yalu, 5yrs., 7st. 7lbs. ...	H. Blades	0
Mr. W. Downes' Ivan, 5yrs, 7st ...	C. Escott	0
Sir W. Ingram's colt by St. Frusquin—Collessie, 3yrs., 6st.	F. Templeman	0

(*Winner trained by Owner.*)

BETTING: 4 to 1 agst. Mulligatawny, 6 to 1 Rizzio, 7 to 1 each Esprit, Exchequer, Kilteel, and Ivan, 8 to 1 Fireman, 10 to 1 Ladiola, and 100 to 8 each others (offered).

Won cleverly by half a length; Esprit was beaten a head for second place. Fireman was fourth, Avenue fifth, Exchequer sixth, and Ladiola last. The winner was bought in for 180 guineas.

RIVERMEAD HANDICAP—Of 200sovs., for three year olds; second receives 20sovs; 1 mile, on the Jubilee Course.

Mr. J. Gould's br f Impression, by Dinna Forget—Easter Shian, 7st. 2lbs ...	F. Wootton	1
Mr. H. M. Hartigan's b c Dafila, 6st. 12lbs.	P. Quinn	2
Mr. F. S. Watts' b f Sweet Rosalind, 7st. 11lb.	G. Duller	3
Mr. P. Gleeson's Detection, 8st. 4lbs. ...S.	Walkington	0
Lord Dalmoney's Maundy 8st. 5lbs. ...	W. Higgs	0
Mr. H. J. Hall's Grist to the Mill, 8st. ...	O. Madden	0
Capt. Weyland's Cofferdam, 7st. 5lbs. ...	J. Plant	0

(*Winner trained by G. S. Davies.*)

BETTING: Evens Maundy, 3 to 1 agst. Impression, 6 to 1 Dafila, 8 to 1 each Detection and Cofferdam, and 10 to 1 each others (offered).

Won easily by a length; four lengths between second and third. Detection was fourth, Maundy fifth, and Cofferdam last.

KEMPTON PARK NURSERY HANDICAP PLATE—Of 1,000sovs.; second receives 100sovs.; 5 furlongs, on straight course.

Mr. E. Dresden's ch c Galleot, by Ocean Wave—Salingale, 7st. 13lbs. ...	H. Randall	1
Major J. D. Edwards' b g Claretot, 7st. 4lbs.	H. Blades	2
Lord Derby's b Filly by Florizel II.—Alt Mark, 7st. 13lbs.	J. H. Martin	3
Mr. R. C. Dawson's Billidere, 8st. 7lbs. ...	H. Pike	0
Lord Westbury's Morla, 8st. 7lbs. ...	W. Higgs	0
Mr. W. Bass' colt by Collar—Wafer II., 7st. 9lbs.	O. Madden	0
Mr. P. Nelke's Skevening, 7st. 5lbs. ...	W. Saxby	0
Mr. C. Levy's Eagerness, 7st.	F. Wootton	0
Mr. P. Gleeson's Tozer, 8st. 6lbs. ...S.	Walkington	0
Sir M. Fitzgerlad's The Cherub, 8st. 5lbs.	S. Dillon	0
Mr. F. S. Watts' Topical Song, 7st. 5lbs. ...	C. Trigg	0
Sir H. Randall's Soliman's Way, 7st. 3lbs.	A. Templeman	0

(*Winner trained by C. Archer.*)

BETTING: 3 to 1 agst. Galleot, 7 to 2 Alt Mark filly, 9 to 1 Morla, 6 to 1 Skevening, 8 to 1 each Billidere, Tozer, and Wafe II. colt, and 100 to 8 each others (offered).

Won by a length and a half; a head divided second and third. Billidere was fourth, Morla fifth, Wafer II. colt, sixth, Skevening seventh, Eagerness eighth, Tozer ninth, and The Cherub last throughout.

NEWMARKET.

Rain, if not quite so opportune as anxious owners and trainers desired, came in time to save the situation at Newmarket, for what a Cesarewitch week it would have been had the Heath remained in the Sahara-like state of the "First October." So thankful for favours from the Clerk of the Weather, sportsmen addressed themselves to the situation. How readily the public responds to any reasonable concession was incontestably proved by the immensely increased number of passengers the reduced weekly first-class tickets issued by the Great Eastern Railway being in great demand. If the company could see their way to making some allowance to their third-class patrons, whose name would be legion under a similar advantage, and a train at a more conveniently later hour, there would be no complaints, as at the last meeting, of the paucity of the attendance. The service is so much improved, and people like to dine and sleep at homed It was an April-like morning in complexion and temperature the country looking fresh and green under a grey sky, but prepared for the worst regarded the chance of a wet day with equanimity. Details of the important races:—

CHAMPION STAKES—Of 1,000sovs., added to a swepstakes, of 50sovs. each for starters; second receives 150sovs. out of the stakes; A. F. 1¼ mile.

Mr. S. Joel's ch c Polymelus, by Cyllene—Maid Marian, 4yrs., 9st. ...	D. Maher	1
Mr W. Bass' ch f Gold Riach, 3yrs., 8st. 4lbs.	O. Madden	2

(*Winner trained by C. Peck.*)

BETTING: 5 to 1 on Polymelus.

Won pulling up by fifteen lengths. Time—2mins. 12⅕secs.

SUFFOLK NURSERY PLATE (Handicap)—Of 800sovs., for two year olds; second receives 50sovs. and the third 25sovs. out of the plate; Rous Course, 5 furlongs.

Sir E Cassel's b c Freeborn, by St Serf—Mother Seigel, 8st. 7lbs.	W. Halsey	1
Mr. Wm Clark's b c Linacre, 8st. 9lbs. ...	D. Maher	2
Mr. J. B. Thorneycroft's b f Erriff, 6st. 10lbs.	Walter Griggs	3
Sir E. Vincent's Angouleme, 7st. 11lbs. (car. 7st. 12lbs.)	O. Madden	0
Mr. E. Dresden's Galleot, 8st. 12lbs ...	H. Randall	0
Lord Villiers' Painted Lady, 7st. 8lbs. ...A.	Templeman	0
Mr. R. C. Dawson's Billidere, 8st. ...	H. Pike	0
Mr. A. Stedall's The Rialto, 6st. 11lbs. (car. 6st. 12lbs.)	C. Escott	0
Mr. Sol Joel's Gardenia II., 7st. 4lbs. ...	J. Howard	0
Mr. A. Wagg's Pericline, 7st. 12lbs. ...	J. H. Martin	0
Mr. R. Combe's Camashie, 7st. 3lbs. ...F.	Templeman	0
Duke of Devonshire's Acclaim, 9st. ...	W. Higgs	0
Sir H. Randall's Prince of Piedmont, 7st. 10st.	Wm. Griggs	0
Lord Howard de Walden's Kite High, 6st. 11lbs.	J. Plant	0

(*Winner trained by Hon'ble F. Lambton.*)

BETTING: 11 to 4 agst. Galleot, 4 to 1 Billidere, 6 to 1 Freeborn, 100 to 12 Linacre, 10 to 1 Acclaim, and 100 to 7 each others (offered).

Won by three-parts of a length; a length divided second and third. Angouleme (third best) was fourth, Galleot (running on close up) fifth, Painted Lady a good sixth, Billidere seventh, The Rialto eighth, Gardenia II. ninth, Pericline tenth, Camashie eleventh, and the easing up Acclaim and Prince of Piedmont the last pair. Time.—1min. 3⅘secs.

NEWMARKET OAKS—Of 550sovs.; second receives 50sovs. and third 25sovs. out of the race; for three year old fillies; last 1½ mile of the Cesarewitch Course.

Lord Derby's ch f Glasconbury, by Isinglass—Canterbury Pilgrim, 8st. 10lbs.	D. Maher	1
Duke of Portland's b f Quair, 8st. ...	J. H. Martin	2
Mr. W. R. Wyndham's ch f Nurang, 8st. 5lbs.	O. Madden	3

(*Winner trained by Hon'ble G. Lambton.*)

BETTING: 11 to 10 on Glasconbury, 5 to 2 agst. Quair, and 4 to 1 Nurang.

Won in smart fashion by half a length; a bad third. Time—3mins. 6⅕secs.

On Tuesday night another of those drenching showers that make themselves heard as well as felt put the finishing touches to the heath, which could well do with it, and her temporary exhibiton over, Nature, calm and serene, greeted the early birds yesterday morning with smiles. Hardly a breath of air was stirring; the light clouds, almost motionless in a pale blue sky, giving the sun such scope, that amidst the bricks and mortar it was as hot as July. Royal weather, indeed, on a Royal occasion, as His Majesty, always a welcome visitor to Newmarket, was present to see the Cesarewitch, his patronage attracting an enormous attendance. Stalwart William I'Anson was for the time a popular hero, and that he had a strong army of followers was evident to the experienced eye, as the stroll six abreast, with no idea that anybody else wanted a bit of the pavement, is a north-country failing. Traps of every description drove heavily freighted coursewards, motors glided meteor-like along the excellent Jockey Club road; while, as the specials rolled in, the crowd of pedestrians became denser. It was a brilliant company that greeted the King, the cream of our country's birth, beauty, and intellect, and the foreigner who wanted to know who's who in 1906 could have filled a small volume with celebrities. In Tattersall's there was little elbow room to spare, and the new outer enclosures were crammed, all Newmarket turning out to a man A slight haze brooded over the heath, through which the Ditch and the Plantation loomed in slumbrous fashion, a contrast to the feverish bustle and excitement raging in such close proximity. Details:—

CESAREWITCH STAKES.—A handicap of 25sovs. each, 10ft. with 500 added; the owner of the second horse receives 20sovs. and of the third 100sovs. out of the stakes. Cesarewitch Course. 2½ miles.

Mr. J. Hill's ch h Mintagon, by Martagon—Mimi, 5yrs., 7st.	C. Trigg	1
Mr. R. C. Thompson's br f Bibiani, by Childwick—Goldmine, 4yrs, 7st. 5lbs.	H. Blades	2
Mr. J. B. Joel's b c Royal Dream, by Persimmon—Rousseau's Dream, 3yrs., 6st. 7lbs. (car. 6st. 8lbs.)	C. Heckford	3
Mr. J. A. de Rothschild's br c Beppo, by Macco—Pitti, 3yrs., 8st. 6lbs. (inc. 10lbs. ex.)	H. Jones	4
Capt. J. Orr-Ewing's ch c Spate, by The Rush—Chemistry, 3yrs., 6st 7lbs. ...	J. Howard	0
Mr. W. M. G. Singer's b or br g Manaton, by Matchmaker—Lottie Hampton, 5yrs., 7st. 8lbs. (car. 7st. 10lbs.) ...	O. Madden	0
Lord Cholmondeley's b h Alderman, by Isinglass—Butterfly, 6yrs., 6st. ...	F. Wootton	0
Mr. F. Stroud's b c Speculor, by Pride—Speculatrix, 4yrs., 7st. 2lbs. ...	A. Flanagan	0
Mr. R. C. Dawson's b f Marliacea, by Martagon—Flitters, 4yrs., 6st. 8lbs. (car. 6st. 10lbs.)	P. Quinn	0
Mr. N. J. Wood's b m Whinbloom, by Galeazzo—Furzebush, 5yrs., 7st. 8lbs. A.	Templeman	0
Mr Imber's b h Sandboy, by Ravensbury—Sandblast, 5yrs., 8st. 5lbs. ...	D. Maher	0
Mr. J. Buchannan's ch c Noctuiform, by Multiform—La Notte, 4yrs., 8st. 4lbs.	W. Higgs	0
Mr. E. L Heinemann's ch c Achilles, by Avington—Ankles, 5yrs., 7st. 8lbs.	H Robbins	0
Mr. O. W. Rayner's ch c Feather Bed, by Ravensbury—Red of Roses, 4yrs., 8st. 2lbs. (inc. 10lbs. ex.)	J. W. East	0
Mr. R. J. Farquharson's ch m Nightfall, by Multiform—La Notte, 5yrs., 8st. 2lbs.	Walkington	0
Mr. R. Magill's b g Keenadan, by St. Aidan—Keen, 5yrs., 6st. 9lbs. .. F.	Templeman	0
Lord Harewood's ch c Banana, by Sainfoin—Zenana, 5yrs., 7st. 2lbs. (inc. 5lbs. ex.)	H. Pike	0
Major Eustace Loder's b m Hammerkop, by Gallinule—Concussion, 6yrs., 9st. 2lbs.	B. Dillon	0
Mr. L. de Rothschild's b h St. Amant, by St. Frusquin—Lady Loverule, 5yrs., 9st. 3lbs.	G. McCall	0
Lord Ellesmere's br c Winwick, by Childwick—Windlass, 4yrs., 7st, 3lbs.	W. Saxby	0
Lord Rosebery's ch m Catscradle, by St. Frusquin—Catriona, 5yrs., 7st. 3lbs. ...	J. Plant	0
Mr. W. R. Wyndham's b g Peter's Pride, by Desmond—Kendal, 5yrs., 6st. 8lbs.	C. Escott	0
Mr. J. S. Morrison's b h Firedrake, by Sheen—Flitaway, 5yrs., 6st ...	H. Watts	0
Mr. F. Gretton's b f Zelis, by Glenwood—Zorilla, 4yrs., 6st.	Jennings	0

(*Winner trained by W. I'Anson.*)

BETTING: 5 to 1 agst. Feather Bed, 6 to 1 Mintagon, 100 to 15 Bibiani, 100 to 9 Hammerkop, 100 to 8 Winwick, 100 to 7 Manaton, 100 to 6 each Royal Dream and Spate, 20 to 1 each Alderman, Beppo and Whinbloom, 25 to 1 Sandboy, 33 to 1 each Noctuiform, Speculor and St. Amant, 40 to 1 each Catscradle and Keenadan, 50 to 1 each Banana, Nightfall and Achilles, 66 to 1 each Fire Drake, Marliacea and Peter's Pride, and 100 to 1 Zelis.

[Place betting in proportion.]

With a general tendency to drag, the forty minutes' interval was not too big an allowance for an inspection of the twenty-four runners, and this was shown by the fact that the white flag was not hoisted till eighteen minutes past three, and the start took place twenty minutes after the advertised time. There were only three awkward ones at the post—Bibiani, Spate, and Zelis, the first named being the ringleader. It generally happens, however, that fractiousness pays its way, and Spate got off in front of his field, followed by Mintagon, Noctuiform, and Beppo, with Catscradle, Speculor, Royal Dream, and Sandboy in a cluster, whilst Feather Bed and Bibiani were last away, except Zelis, who, jumping off sideways, lost something like a couple of lengths. This order was preserved across Choke Jade, and making the turn at the Ditch gap on to the Flat. Winwick's fetlock gave way, and he dropped astern, falling a furlong from the Bushes. The field came into sight like a cavalry squadron, and here Spate increased his lead to six lengths from Mintagon. Noctuiform and Catscradle thus early gave way, and Beppo went on third from Royal Dream and Marliacea, with Mintagon, going great guns, next. At the entrance of the cords Mintagon deprived Spate of the lead, with Banana now going on third in front of Manaton and Royal Dream, whilst Bibiani began to come through her horses next, in advance of Beppo and Marliacea. Then at a slight interval lay Achilles, clear of Hammerkop and Sandboy, behind whom lay the retiring Noctuiform and Whinbloom, while Zelis was still last. Here Winwick fell. Nearing the Bushes, Mantagon had increased his lead to four lengths of Spate, whilst Manaton went on third, closely pursued by Bibiani, Royal Dream, and Beppo. Then, after a gap of some three lengths, lay Speculor, Marliacea, the moving up, staying on Alderman, Hammerkop, and Sandboy who handed Achilles, and behind these was the well beaten Noctuiform. Whinbloom, Feather Bed (nevermore prominent than this), Nightfall and Fire Drake. Coming down the hill, Manaton began to falter, as did Spate, and Bibiani took second place to Mintagon, whilst Beppo, plodding on was upsides with Royal Dream, the leading division having Alderman at their heels. A regular Yorkshire cheer thus early went up, as unless he fell down, the race was all over, and Trigg, just keeping Mintagon in his stride, sailed past the post six lengths in front of the other north-country champion, Bibiani, who beat Royal Dream by a length and a half. Close up came Beppo, ridden out fourth, Spate a moderate fifth, Manaton sixth, Alderman seventh; Speculor eighth, Marliacea (who broke down) ninth, Whinbloom tenth, Feather Bed eleventh, Noctuiform twelfth, Achilles thirteenth, Sandboy fourteenth, Nightfall fifteenth, Hammerkop sixteenth, Fire Drake seventeenth, Peter's Pride eighteenth, and Catscradle last except Zelis. Time—3mins. 56⅘secs.

CHEVELEY PARK STAKES—Of 300sovs., added to a sweepstakes of 20sovs. each; second receives 100sovs. and the third 50sovs.; Bretby Stakes Course, 6 furlongs.

Mr. W. Hall Walker's b f Witch Elm, by Orme—Cannie Lassie, 9st. 11lb.	B. Lynham	1
Lord Derby's b Filly by Florizel II.—Alt Mark, 8st. 10lbs.	D. Maher	2
Mr. W. M. G. Singer's b Filly by St. Serf—Great Dame, 8st. 10lbs. ...	O. Madden	3
Mr. J. Musker's Mission, 8st. 10lbs. ...	W. Halsey	0
Mr. J. A. de Rothschild's Marcolina, 8st. 10lbs.	J. H. Martin	0
Mr. Reid Walker's St Clare, 8st. 10lbs. ..	W. Higgs	0

(*Winner trained by W. Robinson.*)

BETTING: 5 to 4 on Witch Elm, 9 to 4 agst. Alt Mark filly, 8 to 1 St. Clare, and 100 to 8 each others.

Won easily by a length and a half; a similar distance separated second and third. Mission was fourth, and St. Clare last. Time—1min. 15⅘secs.

AUTUMN HANDICAP PLATE—Of 200sovs.; second receives 20sovs.; R.M. 1 mile.

Mr. F. S. Barnard's b c Kaffir Chief, by Raeburn—Ingonda, 4yrs., 7st. 5lbs. ...	J. Howard	1
Lorby Derby's b g Persinus, 4yrs., 8st. ...	J. H. Martin	2
Sir R. W. Griffith's b f Charis, 4yrs., 7st. 7lbs.	W. Griggs	3
Mr. H. Trimmer's Laurier, 5yrs., 8st 3lbs.	C. Escott	0
Mr. A. A. Gold's Chiltern, 3yrs., 5st. 11lbs.	F. Wootton	0
Mr. T. E. Liddiard's Succory, 3yrs., 8st. 5lbs.	B. Lynham	0
Mr. J. Hare's Uninsured, 6yrs., 8st. 2lbs. ...	C. Trigg	0
Mr. J. B. Joel's Waterflower, 3yrs., 7st. 11lbs.	C. Heckford	0
Mr. E. Foster's Rolandine, 3yrs., 5st. 9lbs.	F. Templeman	0

(*Winner trained by G. Chaloner.*)

BETTING: 7 to 4 agst. Kaffir Chief, 4 to 1 Chiltern, 9 to 2 Laurier, 5 to 1 Charis, 10 to 1 Persinus, and 100 to 8 each others (offered).

Won in hollow fashion by four lengths; a length divided second and third. Laurier was fourth, Chiltern fifth, Succory sixth, and Waterflower beaten off. Time—1min. 42⅕secs.

To-day the boisterous wind and leaden skies rendered the conditions for the concluding stage at headquarters less agreeable, but the rain held off. Honolulu had little difficulty in securing the Exning Handicap, for which she started equal favourite with Home Truth and Lovania, the latter occupying the position of runner-up. Jolly Jenny filly scored all the way in the Two-Year-Old Plate, to find subsequently a new owner in Mr. Larnach at 300 guineas. Details:—

THE WHIP—Ditch In (2 miles 118 yards.)

Lord Ellesmere's Kroonstand, by Kilwarlin—Sabra, 6yrs., 10st.	H. Toon	w.o.

(*Winner trained by J. Dawson.*)

THE EXNING HANDICAP—Of 300sovs., added to a sweepstakes of 5sovs. each for starters; second to receive 50sovs. Rous Course 5 furlongs.

Mr. G. A. Prentice's Honolulu, by Fitzsimon—Wise Girl, 3yrs, 7st. 10lbs. (car. 7st. 11lbs.)	O. Madden	1
Mr. W. Raphael's Lovania, 3yrs., 7st. 2lbs. (7lbs. ex.)	Wootton	2
Mr. J. Craig's Crescent, 3yrs., 6st. 8lbs. ...	Howard	3
Major Eustace Loder's Admirable Crichton, 3yrs., 8st. 12lbs.	B. Dillon	0
Mr. Ernest Dresden's Home Truth, 5yrs., 8st. 7lbs.	B. Lynham	0
Mr. H. J. Gibbs's Milford Lad, 5yrs., 8st. 2lbs.	G. McCall	0
Mr. A. McMicking's Love Song, 3yrs., 8st.	W. Higgs	0
Mrs. H. V Jackson's Barcelona Park, 3yrs., 7st. 9lbs.	Blades	0
Mr. A. H. Ruston's Early Bird, 6yrs., 7st. 4lbs.	Charters	0

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Mr. A Stedall's Scotch Mine, 3yrs., 6st. 7lbs. (car. 6st. 8lbs.) ... ... Heckford 0

(*Winner trained by J. Powney.*)

Won easily by a length and a half; a head between second and third. Home Truth was fourth, Early Bird fifth, Love Song sixth, and Milford Lad last.

THE MIDDLE PARK PLATE—Of 500sovs., added to a sweepstakes of 50sovs. each, 20ft. for two-years olds; second to receive 200sovs. and the third 100sovs. Bretby Stakes Course. 6 furlongs.

Major E. Loder's Galvani, by Laveno—Gallinaria, 9st. 3lbs.	B. Dillon	1
Capt. Green's Slieve Gallion, 9st. 3lbs. ...	W. Higg	2
Lord Rosebery's Traquair, 9st. 3lbs. ...	D Maher	3
Lord Harewood's Qu'Appelle, 9st. ...	J. H. Martin	0
Mr. J. Wallace's Gnome, 8st. 10lbs. ...	J. Jarvis	0

(*Winner trained by P. P. Gilpin.*)

Sportsman Prices.—4 to 1 on Slieve Gallion, 8 to 1 agst. Traquair, 10 to 1 Galvani, 100 to 8 Gnome, 33 to 1 Qu'Appelle (offered.)

Sporting Life—10 to 1 agst Galvani, 4 to 1 on Slieve Gallion, 100 to 12 Traquair.

Won by half a length; three lengths between second and third.

FOOTBALL.

ASSOCIATION RULES.

There is a curious similarity in the results on Saturday in the first and second division of the League and the Southern League. Ten matches were played in each, and six home wins were recorded in the respective Leagues, with three wins by visiting teams and one drawn game. The total tally of goals in the thirty games was larger than usual, chiefly due to the prolific scoring in the Southern League, 38 being credited to the twenty clubs in this competition, 30 to the Second Leaguers and 29 to the First Leaguers. The winners claimed 19 goals in the premier division of the League, the losers 8, and there were two in the drawn game; in the second division the winners scored 23, the losers 5, and the drawn game yielded 2, while in the Southern League 27 were credited to winning teams, 7 to losers, and 4 to the teams who provided the draw. A dozen of the sixty clubs failed to score, and this is a smaller percentage than usual.

The results in only three of the Southern League games were similar to the corresponding matches last season, New Brompton again winning at Northampton, Norwich City suffering their second defeat at Bristol, and Brentford once more going down at Upton Park before West Ham United, Watford, Swindon, and Southampton each gain a point, but Reading lose two, and Queen's Park Rangers two. In the League three results are merely a repetition of last season's form, Bury gain two points and Sheffield Wednesday and Derby County each one, but Sunderland and Blackburn Rovers both had 1905-6 victories converted into defeats. In League II. the results correspond with last season in three instances, Glossop and Blackpool each lose two points, Burton United lose one, and West Bromwich Albion and Bradford City both gain one.

The last unbeaten certificate in the Southern League has now been lost. After playing five matches in September without suffering defeat, Norwich City were beaten on Saturday at Bristol, where they also went under last season. There was no element of luck about the win of the Rovers, who, after an indifferent opening, have settled down to really good football. Southampton had an experience just the reverse to that which befell Norwich. Five games played in the opening month had not provided them with a win, two drawn games being the best that they could boast of, and they were nineteenth on the table. They went on the field against Millwall, at the Dell, in a do or die spirit, and their restless energy and determination, the outcome of sheer desperation, enabled them to win in convincing style. The Dockers were quite off their game. Another meritorious performance was that of New Brompton, at Northampton. The Bromptonians have not done so well as was expected, looking at their team on paper, and the 2 points garnered in at the Midland town are, therefore, all the more welcome. Congratulations to Brighton on their win at Reading.

There was only one surprising result in the four Southern League games played in London—the defeat of Queen's Park Rangers, at Park Royal, by Portsmouth. When the season opened I pointed out that, looking at the constitution of the club, Portsmouth should be formidable rivals to the top clubs, and their present record suggests the fulfilment of this prediction. They are only tow points behind Tottenham, with a couple of games in hand. The Rangers were beaten by a team that showed more skill and better conception of the finer points of the game. At Tottenham the Crystal Palace found the task allotted to them of greater magnitude than they could accomplish, but so well did they play that there should not have been a three goals margin at the finish. It was a fine sporting encounter, and the Palace are bound to become very popular if they continue to show the same spirit, and play such good football as at Tottenham on Saturday. The winners were up to their old-time standard, and are now going great guns. Fulham, short of Hamilton, the much-discussed centre, were in a happy mood against the robust, hard-working Leyton team, and West Ham delighted their supporters by the manner in which they ran out winners at Upton Park, especially as Brentford offered such strenuous opposition.

SOUTHERN LEAGUE TABLE.

The chief feature of the Southern League table is the respectable position occupied by some of the clubs which last season were always struggling in the neighbourhood of the bottom. Luton and Reading appear to have gone all to pieces. Result to date :—

		P.	W.	L.	D.	Goals For.	Agst	Pts.
Tottenham Hotspur	...	8	4	1	3	17	8	11
Fulham	...	8	3	1	4	12	10	10
Portsmouth	...	6	4	1	1	14	7	9
West Ham	...	7	4	2	1	15	10	9
Bristol Rovers	...	7	4	2	1	12	8	9
Brighton and Hove	...	6	3	1	2	11	7	8
Swindon	...	8	2	2	4	8	7	8
Millwall	...	7	3	3	1	12	12	7
Watford	...	7	2	2	3	8	9	7
Plymouth Argyle	...	7	3	3	1	12	15	7
Leyton	...	6	2	2	2	6	5	6
New Brompton	...	6	3	3	0	9	10	6
Brentford	...	6	3	3	0	9	10	6
Norwich City	..	6	1	1	4	9	10	6
Crystal Palace	...	7	2	3	2	9	10	6
Queen's Park Rangers	...	7	2	3	2	7	12	6
Southampton	...	6	1	3	2	10	9	4
Luton	...	6	1	3	2	4	13	4
Northampton	...	6	1	4	1	6	10	3
Reading	...	7	1	6	0	6	14	2

The Arsenal have gone to the top and the South is greatly delighted. Two circumstances brought about their elevation to the dazzling position they now fill—the defeat of Liverpool at Woolwich, and the triumph of Sheffield Wednesday over Aston Villa at Owlerton. Seven games have been played by Woolwich and these have yielded 11 points, while their goal record is in their favour by two to one. This is a clear gain of 4 points as compared with last year for a similar number of games, while the goal record is much better. It is earnestly hoped that the honour which the Arsenal have earned by merit will not be of an evanescent character, but it is certain they will not long retain it unless they revert to the form which they showed after the blunder at Bury. On Saturday they won, it is true, but they did not give a sparkling display, though their lack of cohesive methods was partly due to the robust but perfectly legitimate methods of the Liverpool defenders, who had apparently made up their minds to break up the machine-like movements of their opponents. They succeeded to a large extent and but for a strange blunder by Hardy who otherwise gave a most finished display the Arsenal would have only divided the spoils.

Keep a watchful eye on Bolton Wanderers. Their doings have had bestowed upon them scarcely the attention they deserve. They now have ten points from six matches, and are the only club in the three big leagues who have not lost a game. With a goal record of 13 to 5, and two wins and a draw, as the result of their three away matches, with a similar record for home games, they may well be on good terms with themselves Bristol City lost their first match on foreign soil, Everton winning by two clear goals, and Stoke, who had hoped to obtain two points, went under at home to Manchester United. Stoke, Middlesbrough and Blackburn Rovers have not yet won a game. Notts County lost their first game, Birmingham winning on their own ground, and another important result was the defeat of Newcastle United, at Bury, by the odd goal in five. One of the best performances of the day was the success of Sheffield United at Sunderland, and it was altogether unexpected particularly in view of their heavy defeat when they visited Bolton.

LEAGUE I. TABLE.

The League Table to date is appended :—

		P.	W.	L.	D.	Goals For.	Agst.	Pts.
Woolwich Arsenal	...	7	5	1	1	16	8	11
Aston Villa	...	8	5	2	1	17	10	11
Bolton Wanderers	...	6	4	0	2	13	5	10
Everton	...	8	4	2	2	19	9	10
Sheffield Wednesday	...	7	4	1	2	13	11	10
Newcastle United	...	7	4	2	1	18	12	9
Manchester United	...	7	3	1	3	10	7	9
Bury	...	8	2	2	4	15	13	8
Bristol City	...	7	2	2	3	12	9	7
Notts County	...	7	1	1	5	6	6	7
Sheffield United	...	6	3	2	1	9	10	7
Derby County	...	7	2	2	3	8	9	7
Sunderland	...	6	2	2	2	10	11	6
Birmingham	...	7	2	3	2	9	13	6
Preston North End	...	6	2	3	1	7	9	5
Manchester City	...	7	1	3	3	11	23	5
Liverpool	...	7	1	4	2	8	11	4
Stoke	...	8	0	5	3	5	13	3
Middlesbrough	...	6	0	4	2	6	12	2
Blackburn Rovers	...	6	0	5	1	5	16	1

Chelsea have not had a long period at the head of the table. They went to Nottingham on Saturday, and the Forest, who have recently shown a great revival of form, defeated the Metropolitans, who made a splendid but ineffectual struggle. The only undefeated side in the League are Hull City, who played for the first time Pearson, of Chelsea, at centre-forward, and he signalised his *début* by scoring three goals, all from E. G. Wright's centres. Clapton Orient were an easy second to West Bromwich, but the Throstles have not gone to the head of affairs, as Leicester Fosse defeated Wolverhampton Wanderers by two clear goals, and thus regain pride of place. Leeds City did well to beat Burton at the brewery town and Stockport astonished everbody by winning at Blackpool.

LEAGUE II. TABLE.

The League II. Table to date is appended, and it will be noticed that Blackpool have not yet won a game :—

		P.	W.	L.	D.	Goals For.	Agst.	Pts.
Leicester Fosse	...	7	5	1	1	11	4	11
West Bromwich Albion	...	7	5	2	0	17	5	10
Hull City	...	6	4	0	2	13	4	10
Chelsea	...	6	4	1	1	18	7	9
Notts Forest	...	7	4	2	1	14	9	9
Gainsborough Trinity	...	7	3	2	2	8	7	8
Lincoln City	...	7	3	3	2	12	12	8
Grimsby Town	...	7	3	3	1	11	10	7
Burslem Port Vale	...	7	3	3	1	14	15	7
Bradford City	...	7	2	2	3	9	11	7
Stockport County	...	6	2	2	2	9	7	6
Barnley	...	7	3	4	0	8	7	6
Clapton Orient	...	6	2	2	2	9	10	6
Wolverhampton Wands	...	7	2	3	2	7	11	6
Leeds City	...	7	1	2	4	6	12	6
Chesterfield	...	7	2	4	1	9	12	5
Burton United	...	7	1	4	2	6	13	4
Glossop	...	6	2	4	0	9	23	4
Blackpool	...	7	0	4	3	4	10	3
Barnsley	...	6	1	5	0	4	9	2

THE ISTHMIAN LEAGUE.

The Casuals played their second match in the Isthmian League on Saturday, and were altogether too strong for Ealing, who appear to have struck a very bad patch. Record to date :—

		P.	W.	L.	D.	Goals For.	Agst.	Pts.
London Caledonians		2	2	0	0	2	0	4
Ilford	...	2	2	0	0	6	0	4
Casuals	...	2	1	1	0	5	1	2
Clapton	...	2	1	1	0	4	1	2
Civil Service	...	3	1	2	0	1	5	2
Ealing	...	3	0	3	0	0	11	0

THE F. A. CUP.

There was an enormous number of matches in the first round of the qualifying competition of the F. A. Cup on Saturday, and many clubs not engaged in this competition were playing their ties in the first round of the Amateur Cup. It is most unfortunate that the dates clash because in numerous instances a club is entered for both, and this means a serious dislocation of fixtuses. Wisdom, however, is gained by experience, and it is understood that this is one of the points to which the Amatuer Cup Committee will direct their attention when they consider a new scheme of readjustment of details. Taking Saturday's F.A. Cup ties, one of the most remarkable results was the defeat of Cheshunt by Apsley, the Herts Cup holders, by 7 goals to love. This is inexplicable. Clapton had a very easy journey at Chelmsfold, being altogether too good for the Essex County town team, but another old-time amateur club in Marlow went under at Aylesbury. London Caledonians met Civil Service, and the result between these two Isthmian League Clubs was a win for the Scotsmen, who are a really good side this season.

RUGBY RULES.

THE SOUTH AFRICANS' TOUR.

FOURTH MATCH *vs.* DURHAM.—The first engagement of the South Africans in the North attracted a rare crowd to the West Hartlepool ground on Saturday. The many changes which had been made in the constitution of the Durham team since its first selection led most people to believe that the result would be another easy victory for the Colonials. But for the unfortunate injury to Neilson, however, the difference in the scores would probably have been exceedingly small. The hopes of the Durham supporters were raised to high pitch when within a few minutes of the start ball was sent out by Sivewright, and Taylor, Neilson, and Chapman raced away for the line. Neilson had just transferred to the latter when he was thrown heavily, and had to leave the field. It was a brilliant piece of work, and almost ended in a try. Short-handed as they now were, the Dunelmians continued to press for some minutes, and Taylor, securing from Knaggs, dropped a magnificent goal, though closely pressed by several opponents.

This, the first score registered against the Colonials since their arrival on our shores, was greeted with tumultous applause, but very little time elapsed before it was more than equalized by a fine try by Reid, to which Carolin easily added the major points. The play of the South African three-quarters was simply irresistible for the time being, and very soon Raaff in turn made his way across the Durham line, and Carolin effected another splendid conversion. Durham played up gamely after this second reverse, which seemed to indicate that they were in for a severe beating, and, thanks to the resourcefulness of Taylor, Sivewright, and Ellwood, they were able to stave off repeated attacks by the 'Springboks." The home forwards were more successful in getting the leather from the packs, but in wheeling and dribbling they could not hold their own against the big Colonials, and play was confined to the Durham half until Taylor, with a great kick, which reminded one of his best days, gave the visitors another turn on the defensive. Repeated efforts by the Africans to change the game were checked by the plucky play of the Durham halves, but weight told in the end, and Carolin was given possession in a position from which he dropped with unerring aim, and brought the visitors' total up to 14 points Durham again took the aggressive after the restart, and pressing the attack with surprising vigour, considering their inferiority in numbers and weight, were twice within close range of the visitor's citadel. The aspect was again quite changed, however, after a free kick in favour of the Colonials, and but for a grand clearance by Sivewright, it is probable that a further augmentation of the Africans' already substantial score would have resulted. At half-time the scores were :—

SOUTH AFRICANS ... 3 goals (1 dropped) (14 points)
DURHAM ... ... 1 dropped goal (4 points).

Durham made a capital start in the second half, holding the Colonials on the defensive until Loubser transferred with a long drop, and Stegmann and de Melker in turn were both almost over within two or three minutes, the smart tackling of the home backs just averting disaster on each occasion. "Scrum" after "scrum" took place close to the home goal-line and a score was looked for every moment, but at length Knaggs, whose play all through had been beyond all praise, cleared with a judicious drop into touch. Soon after this gallant player was brought down heavily, and for the moment it appeared that he would have to join Neilson in retirement, but he took his place again, amid cheers, and Durham were once more seen on the aggressive. The visitors, however, soon got going again, and once more Durham had a hard task to defend their line. One of the outstanding features of the game, however, was the keen tackling of the home backs, and the fine judgment displayed by their halves in particular, which defeated all the efforts of the Colonials during the earlier part of the second period. At length, however, as the result of a fine run by Marsburg, the Africans got clean away, and after a few exchanges Loubser ran over practically unopposed. The position for the kick was a difficult one and D. Morkel failed to add the goal points. The play became more open after this, and the Durhams, though still mostly engaged on the defensive, occasionally came very close to their opponents' line. When time was almost up, Stegmann added another try for the visitors, and Morkel converted. Result :—

SOUTH AFRICANS ... 4 goals (1 dropped), 1 try (22 points)
DURHAM ... ... 1 dropped goal (4 points).

TEAMS.

DURHAM.—Ellwood (Hartlepool Rovers), *back*; F. Chapman (Westoe), Heal (Hartlepool Rovers), N. C. Neilson (Sunderland), and Taylor (West Hartlepool), *three-quarter backs*; Knaggs and Sivewright (Hartlepool Rovers), *half-backs*; Carter and Boylen (Hartlepool Rovers), Moule (West Hartlepool), Hall (Westoe) Summerscles and Elliott (Durham City), Havelock (Hartlepool Boys) and Burrell (Winlaton Vulcan), *forwards*.

SOUTH AFRICANS.—A. F. Morsburg (Griqualand West), *back*; J. Loubser (Western Province), S. C. de Melker (Griqualand West), J. D Krige (Griqualand), and A. Stegmann (Western Province), *three-quarter backs*; H. W. Carolin and D. Mare (Western Province), *half-backs*; P. Rose (Western Province) (Captain), D. J. Brink (Western Province), W. C. Martheze (Griqualand West), H. G. Reid (Transvaal), W. S. Morkel (Transvaal) D. E T Morkel (Transvaal), W. A. Burger (Border), and J. W. F. Raaf (Griqualand (West), *forwards*.

THE GAME IN SCOTLAND.

The final for the Glasgow Cup monopolised the attention of football enthusiasts on Saturday. The Celts entered on the contest with a record which made them favourites. They had not lost a goal in any competition this season, and when the teams took the field at Ibrox there would be 40,000 spectators. When Sinclair was beaten shortly after the start, by Fairfoul, for the first time this season, the scene which followed reminded one of the enthusiasm of an international. The Third continued to display good form, and an exciting first half ended in their favour by 2 goals to 1. In the second half the Celts' combination told, and they eventually retired winners of a game which reflected great credit on their opponents, by 3 goals to 2. The gate and stands amounted to £1,081.

In the League competition Partick Thistle, failing to display the same good form they showed against the Rangers a week ago had to own defeat at Port Glasgow. The match at Aberdeen was notable for the grand display by the goalkeepers, and a draw reflected great credit on the visitors. Motherwell accounted for their county rivals easily by 3 to 0, while the Airdrieonians deserved to win by more than 1—0 against St. Mirren. Rombach played brilliantly at back for Airdrie. Clyde, as anticipated, proved too much for the disappointing Hibs at Shawfield. Morton did well at Dundee, and were not beaten till close on the finish, when the only goal of the match was scored by Dainty from a penalty.

The East of Scotland Shield final—Hearts *vs.* Leith Athletic—resulted in a narrow win for the Hearts by 1—0. The game was a very poor one, and was quite unworthy the clubs engaged; Results :—

SCOTTISH LEAGUE.—Division I.

Airdrieonians	... 1	St. Mirren	...	0
Dundee	... 1	Greenock Morton	...	0
Motherwell	... 3	Hamilton Academicals	...	0
Port Glasgow Athletic	... 1	Partick Thistle	...	0
Queen's Park	... 1	Kilmarnock	...	1
Clyde	... 3	Hibernians	...	1
Aberdeen	... 0	Falkirk	...	0

GLASGOW CUP.—Final.

Celtic ... 3 3rd Lanark ... 2

At Ibrox Park.

EAST OF SCOTLAND SHIELD.—Final.

Heart of Midlothian ... 1 Leith ... 0

At Edinburgh.

BOXING.

THE NATIONAL SPORTING CLUB.—The theatre at headquarters was well filled last evening, when an interesting entertainment was submitted to the members. Of the various bouts down for decision the one that claimed most attention was

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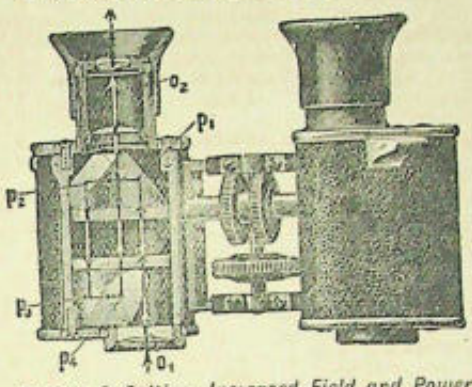

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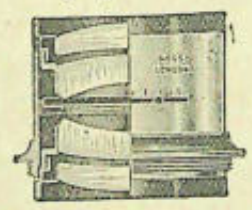

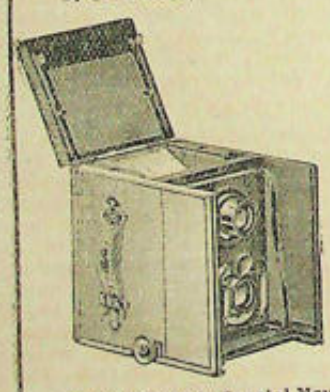

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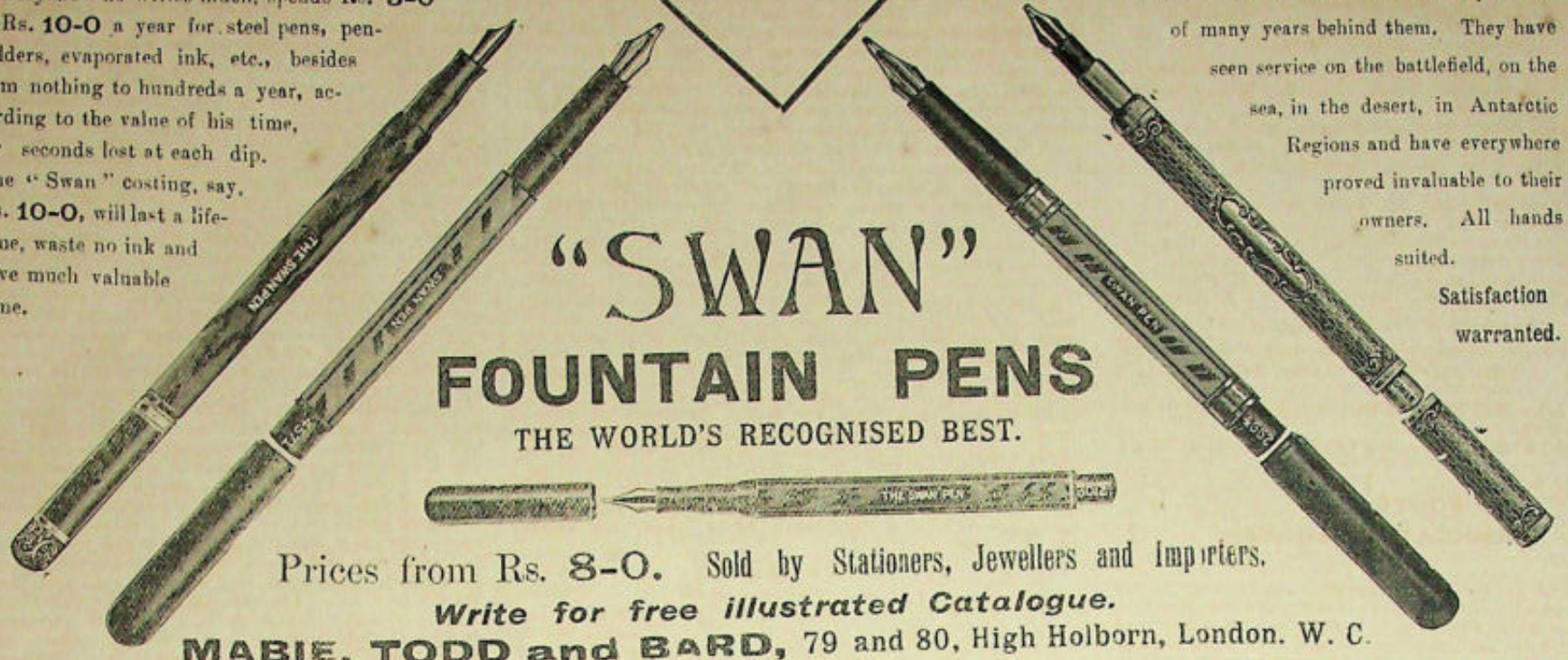

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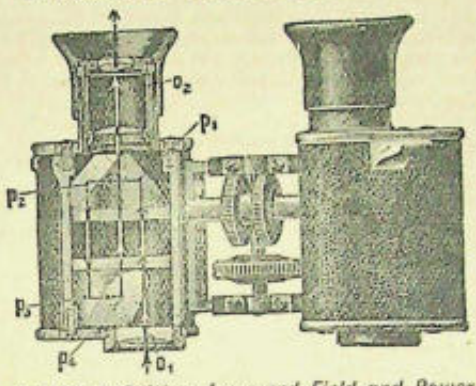

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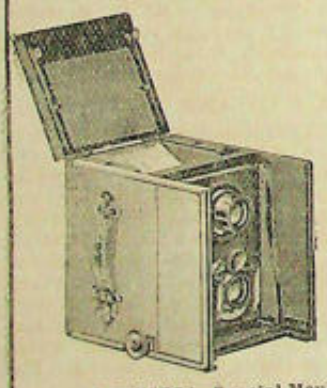

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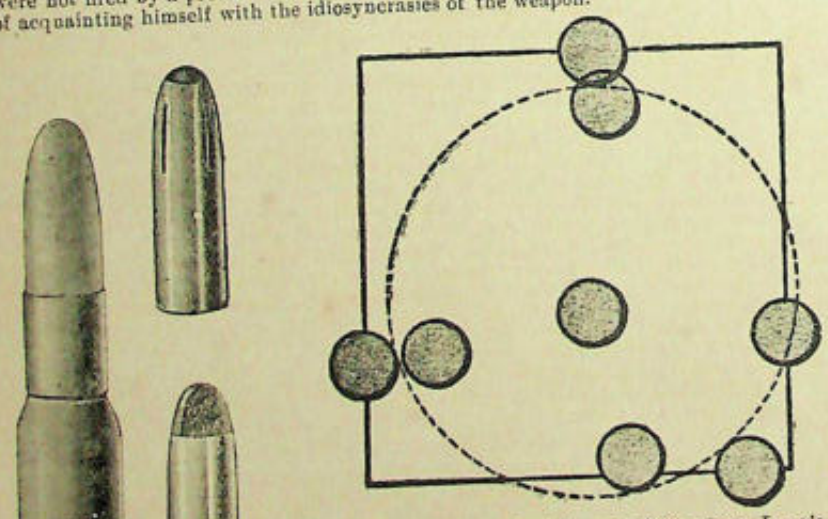

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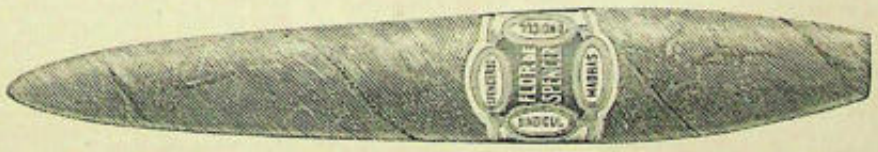

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three times in one week; yet this was actually accomplished by Lovejoy in the game, although the fact seems to have escaped the notice of the critics. In a break of 335 on Wednesday, the ex-amateur champion made 140 nursery cannons, thus beating his previous best of 103. This he eclipsed on Friday with a sequence of 146 when compiling his "record" of 453, the full break being made in the wonderfully fast time of twenty-four minutes. For a player in his third season as a professional this is indeed a marvellous performance, and it looks as if Lovejoy will fill the picture to an even greater extent than he did last season. It is earnestly to be hoped that his health will improve to allow of his doing so, for he is already a great favourite with the billard-loving public.

While Stevenson was captivating the Oldham public with his brilliant play his great friend and keen rival, C. Dawson, was presenting the reverse side of the picture at Bristol. The Huddersfielder was so obviously out of form all the week that it would be unfair to criticise at length his terribly poor show against Harverson. Without in any way seeking to detract from Harverson's big win, it is only doing Dawson common justice to state that he entered the game under great physical disadvantages. For four or five weeks prior to the match—his first of the season, by the way—Dawson was taking the waters at Harrogate under medical advice, and the change to London for a day or two, and then to Bristol, has undone all the benefit derived from his visit to the Yorkshire spa. To this fact may be wholly ascribed the Yorkshireman's very poor show, and, if I am not mistaken, Dawson will not be long in proving that he has lost none of his brilliancy and pluck. This much conceded, it was, nevertheless, an excellent performance on Harverson's part to score 1,890 points more than his opponents, and one from which the South African would derive keen enjoyment.

Writing of the match at Bristol reminds me that Harverson and Inman have as yet made no move to cover Dawson's deposits of £25, which have for some time been in the hands of the Editor of the *Sporting Life* to bind the matches about which there has been so much controversy. Harverson makes no secret of his conviction that Dawson cannot concede him the start. And the result at Bristol adds point to this from Harverson's point of view. What a splendid opportunity the South African has for "picking up" £50, and also a deal of glory, which cannot be measured by mere vulgar "£ s. d." Harverson is a lucky man to have an opportunity vouchsafed to few of his *confrères*. But is Harverson anxious to measure cues with the tough and determined little Yorkshireman for a stake of £50 or £100? Not a bit of it. He still refuses to cover Dawson's money, and as actions speak louder than words, Harverson's repeatedly-expressed anxiety to make the match places him in a very comical position.

Hunting.

DAYS AND DOINGS WITH A BOBBERY PACK.

I.

WHAT a crowd of memories the above heading brings to the mind! Days of intense enjoyment and doings of delight. Up long before dawn and out of the Cantonment before the short Indian twilight has broadened into day, perhaps having picked up a fellow sportsman on the road, we make our way to the appointed meeting place where the dogs have been sent either overnight or very early in the morning. Sometimes it has been convenient to ride out, sometimes to drive, less seldom to cycle and although there may sometimes be a disinclination to forego the several hours' sleep which could still be obtained, yet the pleasure of being up early, seeing the dawn break and hearing the many interesting sounds of awakening animal and bird life which is the reward of early rising, far outweighs any selfish thoughts of slothfulness. And that early morning meeting of Master and pack. What a pleasure it is! Each dog has its own distinctive manner of expressing delight. "Bob," the Poligar, staunch and stolid, quietly wags his tail; "Pup" shows all her teeth in a delighted grin; Old "Nelly," Bob's inseparable companion, in spite of her grizzled muzzle and twelve years of life, prances about like a puppy; "Paddy"—his name proclaims his origin, who has always to be led by himself or with one of the opposite sex owing to his incurable *penchant* for a fight—comes in for a special caress from the Master. He is a link with the old country and therefore, perhaps, more favoured than others. And so the memory runs back over many long years to the time when the pack was differently composed. Dogs, alas! are short lived in this country of so many speedy and fatal ailments to man and beast.

It is now sixteen years since the first nucleus of the Bobbery Pack was established. "Stag," a Persian hound; "Prince," an Australian; "Jupiter," country-bred greyhound and a faint hearted tackler who transmitted his failing to "Jingo," "Sloe" and others; "Simon," most courageous of Fox-terriers. These were the forerunners of dogs of varied breeds and colours. "Stag" and "Prince" it was who, on one memorable morning, pressed a doe chinkara hard for some two miles, running in a circle; and "Jupiter," who ran cunning, and making a fine effort at a well judged moment, managed to seize the gazelle at the loins and break its back with a single bite. It is astonishing how very easily deer and antelope are killed by dogs, and yet how tenacious of life they are when wounded by bullets. This feat has never been repeated by any of my dogs with an unwounded chinkara as the victim, but old "Nelly" when at her prime, alone and unaided, killed a healthy and full-grown doe antelope among the rocky ground to the east of Secunderabad. It appeared to get confused and "Nelly" cut it off, after a few minutes' coursing, and seized it by the neck, killing it instantaneously. She was half Persian, half Afghan, and a very handsome brindle. Poligar "Bob", before he came into my possession, earned undying fame by seizing a hyæna by the ear and holding it until the other dogs came up; how the beast was finally despatched history does not relate, probably with a hunting knife. A knife with a stout blade of not less than 6 inches in length should always be carried.

Beginning in the days of "Stag" and "Jupiter," "Prince" had to be destroyed as he took to killing sheep and goats: many a fine run after fox and jack is seen by the entries in the diary to have taken place in the vicinity of the Cantonment at which the writer was stationed long ago when the life of the soldier officer was less strenuous than it is now. Nothing to do after 10 o'clock on five: days of the week, and Sundays and Thursdays always free to think of it makes one long for the good old days. Jackals and foxes were numerous there, and though the country in some parts was much cut up by nullahs yet falls were few, and the hardy and nimble country-bred horses and ponies seldom came to grief. On most mornings a run of some kind was obtained, and the tale of "tails" ran well into the thirties for the period—March to September—when most of the hunting was done. During the cold weather the counter attraction of shooting gave the hunted animals a well-earned rest, a large number of them having been obliged on one day or another to run for their lives. There were some amusing incidents at times. On one occasion a small spaniel took up a line and ran it hard for a hundred yards, whimpering excitedly as he went. Suddenly he found himself face to face with a big dog jackal. But "Sammy" was a "nervy" little fellow, and quite equal to the tactical situation; he pretended that hunting hard on the tails of stray jackals was the last thing in the world he was thinking of; so aimlessly turned aside and lifted his leg against a bush in the most natural way possible. Seeing me on my horse the jack once more set off and valiant "Sam" was again hard on his heels. A blast on the whistle called up the scattered pack, and after an excellent run the jack was duly slain. Then there was the occasion when "Jingo" and "Sloe," the only dogs fit for work that day for some reason or other, were led a good two miles at top pace by a jackal with a quarter mile start. Eventually the dogs got on terms with him and a running fight ensued. Now "Jingo," now "Sloe" would grab at his quarters, retreating when the wicked row of shining teeth snapped viciously at them in return. Sometimes the pull at his rump would turn him over, but these faint-hearted children of "Jupiter," in spite of angry objurgations from their Master galloping at their heels, would fail to take advantage of the opportunity offered. So the running fight—if fight it could be called—went on, until at last both pursuers and pursued were absolutely exhausted and lay down a few yards apart, panting and unable to make any further efforts at attack or retreat. The jack was seen to be a good deal torn and bitten about the hind quarters and had to be killed as, if left, he might go mad and become a danger to human life. On riding up to him with stirrup iron slung ready, he managed to just keep out of reach and finally took refuge in a natural drain somewhat like the short tunnels rabbits are so fond of, but on a lesser scale. Dismounting I seized him by the tail, and hauling him out succeeded in applying the edge of the stirrup iron to the back of his skull before he could fix his teeth into my leg, at which he made a very creditable attempt. In fact I won by a very short head indeed—not more than half an inch between his snout and my thigh. It was unpleasant to have to slay, in this cold-blooded manner, an animal which had run so well and defended himself so gallantly, but it had to be done. "Jingo" and "Sloe" killed foxes very well indeed, but would never face a determined jack, and some of them are indeed most courageous. As is the case among all animals (and birds) they vary very much in personal characteristics. Some show no fight at all, some hide and run cunning, and others will make a stout resistence; and one—a gallant soul—actually faced round and attacked his pursuers, preferring to die bravely rather than be rolled over during ignominious retreat.

It has been my custom to open up animals killed by the dogs and note contents of the stomachs in order to ascertain their diet, and this has resulted in some interesting "finds." Half a mango —,with the stone swallowed whole, rats, lizards young birds, grass, scraps of refuse, potato peelings and the like, berries of the banyan tree, crabs, and frogs. Many animals were found to be quite empty and I dare say jackals often go home hungry after a night's wandering over many miles of country. The food of foxes was found to be much the same, in leaving out the mango refuse and berries and adding such delicacies as grasshoppers, locusts, beetles etc. And, of course, at the commencement of the rains, when the flying white ants appear in myriads, foxes, jackals, and innumerable birds have a tremendous beanfeast. I have myself seen a fox busily engaged in devouring the winged ants as they emerged in their countless thousands from a small hole in the ground. He was loth to leave the feast, and let me get quite close to him, as I had no dogs with me. This has been noticed by others. Jerdon, I think, mentions it and I recolleect to have read about it somewhere quite lately. Possibly in the Journal of the Bombay Natural History Society.

Jacks have, as a rule, less chance of escape from dogs than foxes. They are slower than most dogs, and for this reason it is always as well, if the jack is sighted by the rider before it is seen by the dogs (and this is what usually occurs) to let the animal have a good start. Three or four hundred yards is not too much, in fairly open country, to ensure a good run and equalise the chances of hunters and hunted. Foxes can usually take care of themselves pretty well, though, owing to their habit of crouching and trying by this means to escape notice, they are frequently "chopped." Some, however, are quite "professional" runners among their kind, and have on occasion gone clean away from fast hounds. It is really a gallant sight to see the little fox skate away with brush held straight behind him after having extended fast grey hounds to their best efforts for some two miles or so. This is due, without doubt, to foxes having a second wind, and once they have managed to evade capture until they get this second wind they stand a very good chance of escape. In such cases the hounds gradually drop from a canter to a walk and then, as the fox rapidly increases the distance, walk round and round in a state of utter exhaustion with heaving sides and far extended dripping tongues. Such defeats as these do not, however, affect their keenness on future occasions. It is only fair to the greyhounds to explain that the fox achieves such a victory only after having tired the dogs by many twistings and turnings, and narrow escapes. It is no very uncommon sight to see a fox jump over a dog's back, when hard pressed and necessity forces him to such dangerous efforts at freedom.

Wolves are somewhat met with, but I have only once had my pack with me at such a time. My attention was attracted by valiant "Sammy" bolting past me with ears laid back and tail well tucked away; and turning round I saw that a large wolf had sallied out from among the boulders on the on the rocky hill at the foot of which I was riding and had very nearly caught the little "Sam Paddy" was squaring up to the wolf in his indomitable way, and would have fared badly had I not raced my nimble pony up the rough ascent and put the beast to flight. Two more wolves were then discovered, and eventually these were got away into the open country. They cantered easily in front of me, the dogs not daring to tackle—'Paddy" being the only one I had at the time with any pretention to being a seizer—and again circled back to the rocks, where I left them. The wolf left on the hill while we took this litle excursion, barked exactly like a pariah dog. I could scarcely believe my ears, but there was no mistaking the source of the noise. For some time after this I carried a small hogspear, but never came across these wolves again. To spear a wolf is a feat of which one may well be proud, and it is seldom been achieved. In the autumn of 1891 I might have speared two wolves with ease had servants obeyed orders. Quite possibly the instructions were faulty, but the golden opportunity has gone, I fear never to return. This extract from my diary, written at the time, relates what occurred. 10th October 1891: "Servants went to the wrong village; in consequence, on arriving at the place, where I had told them to leave some men with my gun and spear, no one was to be seen. After waiting an hour in hopes they would appear I got on my pony and rode in the direction of the village where my tent had been sent. I saw two animals about half a mile away and on coming near found them to be wolves. I only had the cleaning rod of my gun with me—it had been left behind at my house—but rode at the animals in the hope that they would take the direction of camp. I easily ran into the wolves, which were so gorged with goat or buck that after the first few hundred yards they could scarcely raise a trot. They lay down in the "jowari" crops three or four times, and at last got to a big nullah and lay exhausted in the water, where I left them and galloped off to my camp for a spear. I got back to the place within an hour but failed to track the beasts owing to crops and hard ground. The dog wolf growled at me once or twice and once I just touched him with my cleaning rod as he jinked under my pony's nose." Such opportunities as this are indeed very rare. Hyænas are sometimes seen, but I have only met one in the open on one occasion, and had no dogs with me—only a ·310 Sharpshooter's club rifle. A friend with me was similarly armed, as we were riding out from Secunderabad to shoot black buck. I loaded my rifle as I galloped but failed to get on terms with the ungainly beast. My friend, better mounted, was soon on his tail, but unable to use the rifle as the horse pulling so violently, he was unable to load it. After two miles at top speed we had to give it up. And this morning of all others we had left our dogs behind.

Hares afford good sport and dogs are always keen and excited in their pursuit. They run straight and are very speedy. It is a change from the usual procedure to turn out 40 or 50 men as beaters and slip the dogs at hares only. As many as eight have been killed in a morning early in the rains in this manner and such outings were much enjoyed by the men, besides being good training for them, as they are made to control their excitement and retain proper intervals and keep touch in the scrub jungle. The Indian hare readily goes to ground, and it is very common for them to take refuge down one of the tunnels of a white ant heap. As cobras are also very partial to these ready-made and safe retreats, I have often wondered whether the hare may not have been worse frightened when inside than he was when hunted there by dogs ravenous for his blood. His expression would be something like that of the baby cotton tail "Raggylug" in Ernest Seton Thompson's charming book on animal life.

Escapes from snake bite are common, and it is rare to have a dog bitten, as instinct seems to tell most dogs that it were best not to tackle. I have only once had a dog bitten and that was in long grass and scrub jungle. The dog was a fox-terrier and belonged to a friend. It died in twenty minutes, the symptoms pointing to the snake having been a daboia. To come across snakes of all kinds is quite common; and in case of cobras and daboias it is always as well to dismount and kill; other snakes met with are mostly harmless, or not readily distinguishable as venomous. On one occasion a dog—half bred pointer—had a narrow escape. He was trotting along in front of me on a tank bund and suddenly jumped in the air to get over a snake. The snake, a big cobra, struck at him, and he saved himself by an extraordinary effort while in the air, making a second sort of wriggling jump which just took him clear of the wicked expanded hood. Having failed to get home the snake quickly disappeared in the grass. To return to the hares.

A hare once ran over 1,200 yards in a perfectly straight line and was killed by "Dinah," Arab greyhound, just as she reached cover. The soil was hard and sandy and the run was so remarkably straight, that we paced it and noted that the hare had not deviated more than a few feet from the straight line during the whole distance. "Dinah" was bought for Rs. 15 at the Arab stables in Bombay together with "Jack," a Persian hound for whom Rs. 20 was paid. Both were extremely fast, too fast indeed for general work; and had marvellous eye-sight. "Dinah" was a true Arab of the desert. Her hereditary ability to withstand thirst was extraordinary and even after severe runs in hot weather when all the other dogs would be greedily slaking their thirst, she never drank much, and often did not even lap the water; also her tongue never protruded to the same extent as that of other dogs. "Jack" had to be destroyed as he went completely blind—cataract of some kind—and "Dinah" never was the same after she produced a litter to Poligar "Bob." Only one of the six puppies lived and I have never seen "Pup's" equal. Pace, stamina, keenness, and the very best and good natured of bitches. Referring again to Poligar "Bob" brings to mind that beast Poligar "Jacky." Purchased from a syce of Horse Artillery for five rupees, he turned out to be a great character. His first exploit was on his entry into the pack when only nine or ten months old. A fox was put up and jinked a good deal, and at last ran round a rock right into "Jacky's" open jaw, which closed on him, the canine teeth being fixed into the back of his head. "Jacky" was nearly choked by the fox's nose sticking in his gullet, and Master had to pull open his jaws while "Dinah" removed the fox. After this "Jacky" was very keen and always a great tackler. He later on took to

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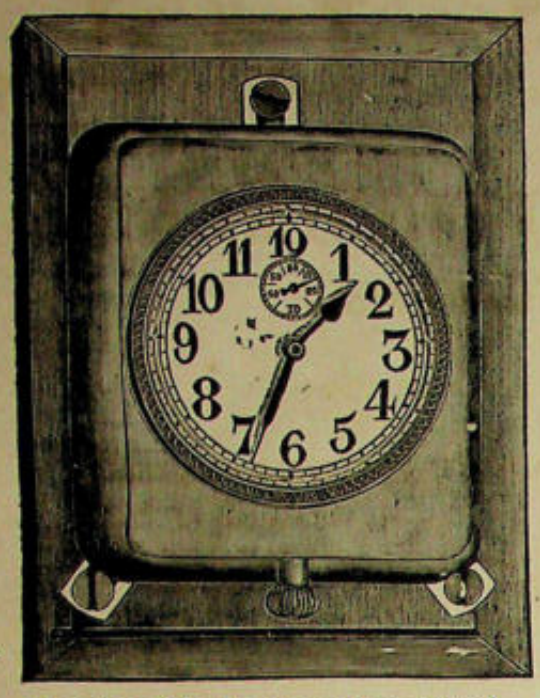

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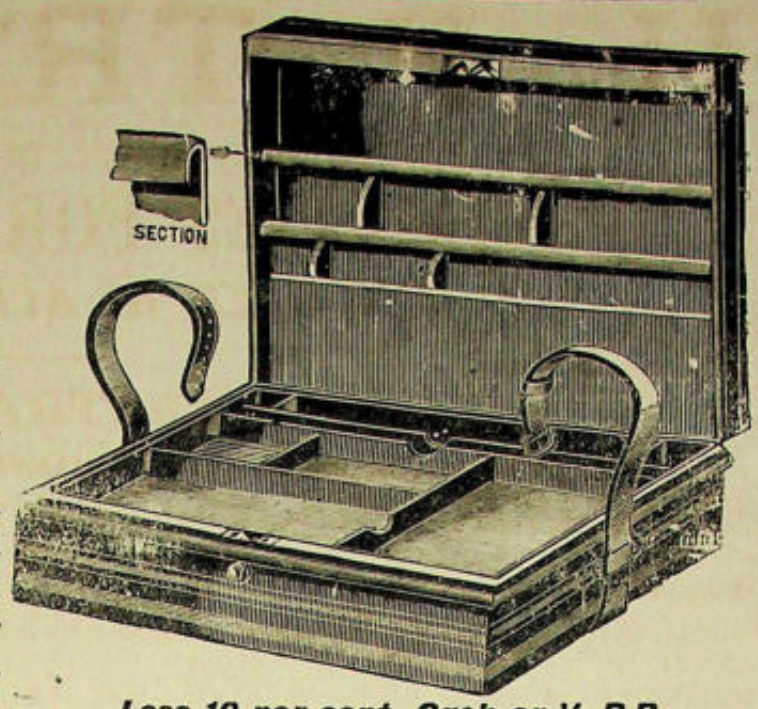

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harrying goats—being taught this by two beasts of Australian hounds belonging to a brother officer. Many a drubbing did he receive, and while I had him was just sufficiently obedient in this matter to save his life, as dogs which are incorrigible goat hunters must be shot or given away. They spoil the whole pleasure of hunting and are a terrible nuisance. "Jacky's" final exploit was to slay a village porker. I parted with him, and the rest of my pack, some two and a half years ago when going on furlough; he growled ferociously at my friendly advances when I met him in the road the other day. A curious thing about this dog is that he has the smell which is usually peculiar to hyænas; nothing will conceal it; no amount of washing is of any use; so he is banished from the house and lives in the stables. The lady who now owns him is, however, very fond of him in spite of this drawback, and indeed he is a very clown of a dog and always amusing even to look at. There are no better dogs for a Bobbery Pack than the Poligar. Good tacklers, not too fast, sound feet, splendid staying power and the best of constitutions. They came from the Poligar country in the Madura District of Southern India. Pure bred ones are quite hairless, with stiff rat like tails, and are difficult to procure. There are a good many half-bred ones round about Secunderabad. A cross-bred bull-terrier should be in every Bobbery Pack. I say cross-bred, because pure bred ones cannot stand the heat, and soon knock up on a hot morning. Dog "Tiger" was the best of this kind that I ever possessed. Fifty pounds in weight and with a head like a mastiff, he feared nothing and killed many a jack quite unaided. He died of jaundice, that disease so very common and fatal to dogs. Dogs of the bull-terrier class are always ferocious towards animals, though usually mild and good tempered towards human beings. They require therefore to be trained to habits of implicit obedience from their earliest puppyhood, or they become a nuisance to their owner and a terror to the community. Once they take to seizing cattle and donkeys it is quite impossible to break them of the habit. Some six or seven years ago a bitch of "Tiger's" description, which belonged to a brother officer, met her end from injuries inflicted by a wounded tiger which she had valourously tackled in thick cover, thus locating its position and enabling the sportsmen to crawl in and shoot the beast as it lay. This incident was related in the Journal of the Bombay Natural History Society at the time. No one dared approach the bungalow after dark when old "Sal" was about, and on several occasions she killed cattle and donkeys which strayed into the compound; and once she dragged a slain donkey on to the doorstep for her Master to see in the morning that she had faithfully done her duty during the night. It is on record that so long ago as the year 1670, a bull-dog owned by the chief of a factory on the West Coast of India slew a sacred cow, and the Brahman mob murdered every European in the place. The monument to John Best and seventeen Englishmen thus slain records that "They were sacrificed to the fury of a mad priesthood and an infuriated mob." (*Things Indian* by W. Crooke.) Such an occurrence is not impossible even now, so it is very necessary even for this reason alone, that dogs of the "seizer" type should be well trained and always in hand. Bunjara dogs are invaluable but seldom to be procured, as their owners, that most interesting nomad tribe of gipsy appearance and habits, will not readily part with them. These dogs hunt both by sight and scent and being fast and courageous are suitable for every description of hunting and coursing.

COOT.

(To be continued.)

Wheeling.

AUTOMOBILE NOTES FROM HOME.

LONDON, *Friday, 12th October* 1906.

THERE being but a few weeks now to the opening of the Motor Show at Olympia, many intending purchasers are already studying the various makes of cars which appear suited to their requirements, leaving the final choice to be made at the Show. Others who are already experienced motorists, wishing to get a new car for next season, are anxious to dispose of the one they are now using. The present is, therefore, a good time for the novice, who wisely chooses to commence his motoring career with a second-hand car, to acquire one that is in good running order. It is very important, however, that expert advice should be obtained when buying a car second-hand, and to have it examined by a qualified man who can judge its condition and point out any parts that need renewal. Apart from the mechanical details, special attention should be directed to the tyres, as it these are much worn the cost of putting them in good order will add considerably to the purchase price.

Bearing the above precautions in mind, there is always the chance of securing a good bargain. The owner in some cases is anxious to dispose of his car through having experienced continuous trouble from minor causes due to unskilful attention, or the cost of upkeep may be too great. Both these are difficulties which, by careful management, can be overcome. In the first place, it is not at all a difficult matter for anyone to master the few important details of a car's mechanism, and learn now to effect the necessary adjustments. With regard to the motor, these will be chiefly confined to the carburettor and ignition system. Considering the fuel consumption first, the manufacturers will give a nearly approximate mileage rate to the gallon of petrol; and starting from this basis, making allowance for any specially severe conditions that may occur, it is an easy matter to check the petrol consumption.

Occasional adjustments will be required to the carburettor and inlet valves, but the chief requirement is to keep them clean and use spirit of good quality. Similarly with the ignition the various parts need regular attention and cleaning to keep them in proper working order. Most firms issue very complete instructions with their cars, explaining each part and the method of adjustment. It is advisable, however, when the necessity arises for taking a part any portion of the driving mechanism, that the owner should secure assistance from a skilled mechanic, or preferably take his car to an engineer's shop for the job to be done. The foregoing remarks are intended to indicate that by taking an active interest in the upkeep of his car a motorist can considerably reduce running expenses and at the same time be free from wayside trouble due to carelessness.

The demand for small two seated cars appears to have diminished of late, and the popular light car is now from eight to ten horse-power, having accommodation for at least three passengers. The smaller single-cylinder cars have no doubt suffered in comparison with the development of tri-cars, which have greater speed and are now made so that the passengers are well protected against the weather. The small Rover car is one of the best of its class, but, as showing how closely the cost of these small vehicles has to be calculated, it is announced that the price will be raised, presumably because one hundred pounds, at which figure it has up till now been sold, does not return a sufficient margin of profit to the makers

The organisers of the race meeting at Blackpool to-day and to-morrow have overcome the opposition which sought an injunction to restrain them from holding the meeting. The course is probably the finest in the world for purely speed events, and it would not be surprising to see new records set up. Miss Dorothy Levitt will again drive a Napier racer, and among other notable competitors are A. Lee Guinness, with his 200 h. p. world's record Darracq; Sidney Girling; A. C. Edge, with a Napier; and Gabriel, on a De Dietrich. Whatever the weather conditions may be, it is certain that a large number of spectators will attend to see these big cars at top speed.

A Gymkhana was held last Saturday by the Southern Motor Club at Cheam. A splendid entry had been secured, and each event was strongly contested. A feature of the day was the success attained by owners of Wolseley and Siddeley cars, these makes between them securing 50 per cent. of the prizes.

Cricket.

CRICKET IN CALCUTTA.

CUSTOMS *vs.* TOWN CLUB "B."—Played on Saturday. Result —a draw. Score :—

CUSTOMS "B."

W. Hogan, b S. Gupta	25
V. Alexander, b Mookerji	18
J. Anderson, b Mookerji	16
J. Dempster, c Dutt, b Ghosh	34
C. Fredericks, l.-b.-w., b Mookerji	1
C. Adams, b Mookerji	16
O. Vaz, b Ghosh	11
C. Joseph, b Mookerji	2
H. Wood, c Bannerji, b Mookerji	1
V. Berkley, not out	18
W. Ogg, b Mookerji	1
Extra	1
Total	152

TOWN CLUB "B."

P. Bose, run out	8
C. Dutt, c Berkley, b Hogan	11
B. Mookerji, c Joseph, b Adams	55
H. Bannerji, l.-b.-w., b Hogan	0
M. Mitter, b Anderson	6
R. Ghosh, b Fredricks	4
S. Mookerji, b Fredricks	0
R. Hendry, b Fredricks	13
K. Dubash, c Vaz, b Fredricks	5
J. Mitter, not out	2
S. Gupta, not out	2
Extras	23
Total (for 9 wkts.*)	128

*Innings declared.

RANGERS *vs.* BURNS.—Played on the Rangers' ground on Saturday, the home team beating their opponents by 79 run. Templeton had a good deal to do with this result as will be seen by the appended scores.

RANGERS.

C. B. Warden, b Shuldham	12
P. C. Margrett, b Shuldham	2
G. Schumacher, c and b Shuldham	0
A. Hodges, not out	58
E. Templeton, hit wicket, b Avcil	13
G. Nugent, b Avcil	5
F. Lees, b Avcil	0
T. McCullough, c Shuldham, b Avcil	0
T. Davis, st. Dods, b Shuldham	28
R. Nicol, st Dods, b Thorpe	3
G. Alexander, c Shepherd, b Thorpe	6
Extras	4
Total	131

BURNS.

Anderson, b Templeton	0
Longley, c McCullough, b Lees	0
Ancil, b Templeton	0
McGregor Shepherd, b Lees	3
T. Shuldham, b Margrett	15
Dods, b Templeton	4
Thorpe, b Templeton	6
J. Freeman, c Hodges, b Lees	0
Medland, c Davis, b Margrett	5
Harrison, not out	5
Hind, b Templeton	2
Extras	15
Total	52

DALHOUSIE *vs.* HORNETS.—The Hornets were "all over" the Dals. last Saturday, giving them a most decisive beating by 109 runs and wickets to spare in a one innings game. Mabert and Rosser were in good bowling form and Rosser batted with effect. Beadle was the only one to make a stand against the onslaught of the Hornets. Score :—

DALHOUSIE.

F. Sharp, c Russell, b Rosser	1
J. Butland, b Rosser	0
J. Wickins, c Hudson, b Rosser	1
J. Tremble, b Mabert	2
H. McDougall, c Hart, b Mabert	0
J. Morrell, c Browne, b Mabert	1
H. Beadle, b Mabert	12
H. Ball, not out	0
T. Evans, b Mabert	0
J. Chaplin, b Rosser	2
W. Hodges, b Mabert	2
Extras	4
Total	25

HORNETS.

N. Hudson, b Wickins	12
G. W. Russell, c Chaplin, b Tremble	12
L. Vaillant, b Beadle	6
C. Hart, c Hodges, b Wickins	1
A. B. Rosser, not out	41
A. E. Cooper, l.-b.-w., b Wickins	13
E. DuCasse, b Butland	15
A. A. Brown, not out	19
B. A. Hollow, H. A. Bayley, E. S. Mabert	did not bat.
Extras	17
Total (for 6 wkts.*)	134

*Innings declared.

CALCUTTA C. C. *vs.* THE MILITARY.—This annual two days' match was this year the opening fixture of the new season on the C.C.C. ground in the Eden Gardens, and provided an interesting, though on the first day a very slow game, with an even draw as the result. Neither side was fully representative, and the Civilians especially were quite out of practice, or they might have won. The Club batted first, but thanks to the very accurate bowling of Lieutenant Salier, who should prove a great acquisition to the Northumberland Fusiliers' team, could only total 78 runs, of which Curtis Hayward contributed a useful and hard hit 31 and Pope a stylish 16, while Stewart was in forty minutes for 8 runs. Salier bowled 11 overs, and 7 maidens for 10 runs and four wickets, and five of the runs came from a fine leg hit by Bartholomew. The Military fared even worse, and were put out by Curtis Hayward, five wickets for 25 runs and Stewart four for fourteen runs, for a paltry 59. Calcutta lost Pope's wicket overnight for 10 runs, and Low and Bartholomew did not stay very long next morning, but Guise and Curtis Hayward made a prolonged stand, and were responsible, especially Guise, for some bright and vigorous cricket. Curtis Hayward was out first before lunch for a really good but not faultless 52, but after the interval Guise and Whiteway again got going, and it was not until 200 was on the board that Guise gave mid off an easy catch, and retired for an excellent innings of 82, at which point the innings was declared closed, Whiteway not out 37. The ground was now playing much faster, but though the few C. C. C. bowlers were tired and stiff, the Military had

no chance of getting the 220 runs required to win before time was called two hours later. Two wickets fell cheaply, but then Hill and Conner, of whom the latter played a very useful innings for his 78 not out, came to the rescue. Hill made his runs in taking style, and Major Burlton, who had been the only batsman to give trouble in the first innings, again scored freely on the leg side. Eventually stumps were drawn with the Military 50 runs behind and six wickets in hand. Full score and analysis.

CALCUTTA C. C.

1st Innings.		2nd Innings.	
J. D. Guise, l.-b.-w., b Lethbridge	7	c Fishbourne, b Major Burlton ...	89
H. V. Low, b Salier ...	3	b Humphings ...	13
C. M. Pope, b Connor ...	16	c and b Humphings ...	3
S. E. A. Whiteaway, c Burlton, b Salier	4	not out	27
C. P. Bartholomew, b Salier ...	6	b Salier	9
W. E. Bayley, b Salier ...	0	did not bat.	
F. H. Stewart (Capt.), b Humphings	8		
T. Curtis Hayward, b Connor	31	b Salier	52
J. P. Tredaway, c Fishbourne, b Humphings	2	did not bat.	
C. P. Lomax, not out ...	0		
G. Pickford, c Connor, b Humphings	0		
Byes ...	1	Byes ...	5
		Leg-byes ...	2
Total ...	78	Total (for 5 wickets)*	200

*Innings declared closed.

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

	1st Innings. O.	R.	M.	W.	2nd Innings. O.	R.	M.	W.
A. Lethbridge ...	10	22	1	1	8	35	0	0
E. L. Salier ...	11	10	7	4	18	54	5	2
Br. Humphings ...	7·3	26	1	3	15	65	2	2
Capt. Connor ...	6	19	1	2	—	—	—	—
Capt. Loveday ...					4	21	0	0
Major Fishbourne ...					3	15	0	0
Major Burlton ...					1	3	0	1

THE MILITARY.

1st Innings.		2nd Innings.	
Major Ainslie, c Whiteaway, b Stewart ...	1	c and b Stewart ...	0
Lieut. E. A. Breithaupt, b Curtis Hayward	0	c Pickford, b Stewart...	7
Capt. Connor, I.M.S., b Stewart	6	not out	78
Lieut. R. C. Hill, R.E., c Guise, b Curtis Hayward ...	6	b Guise	24
Major Burlton, c Pope, b Stewart ... — ...	21	c Tredaway, b Low ...	30
Lieut. E. L. Salier, c Pope, b Stewart	5	not out	14
Lieut. A. Lethbridge, c Lomax, b Pope	2	did not bat.	
Capt. Loveday, R.A., b Curtis Hayward	6		
Major Fishbourne (capt.) not out	5		
Lieut. W. Lilburne, c Pickford, b Curtis Hayward ...	0		
Br. Humphings, c Bartholomew, b Curtis Hayward ...	0		
Byes	5		
Leg-byes ...	2		
Total ...	59	Total ...	153

BOWLING ANLYSIS.

	1st Innings. O.	R.	M.	W.	2nd Innings. O.	R.	M.	W.
T. Curtis Hayward ...	14	25	2	5	13	43	2	0
F. H. Stewart ...	12	14	8	4	8	30	1	2
C. M. Pope... ...	4	13	1	1	5	26	0	0
J. D. Guise ...	1	0	1	0	7	20	0	1
H. V. Low					6	34	0	1

Guise bowled one no-ball.

NORTHUMBERLAND FUSILIERS *vs.* SPORTING UNION.—A very good game was played between these teams in their half day fixture last Saturday. The soldiers were without the services of some of their best; but this brought the elevens more together. The natives made 115—Gupta and Guha batting well; and the Fusiliers put on 116 for seven wickets and won. Score:—

SPORTING UNION.

N. Chowdry, b Wadsworth	12
P. Bannerji, b Wadsworth	2
G. Gupta, b Jenkins	44
S. K. Ghosal, c Disney, b Wadsworth ...	0
S. Ghosh, b Russell .. — ...	1
D. Sen, b Russell	0
N. Biswas, run out	3
C. Guha, not out	32
D. Bose, b Wadsworth	8
A. Ghosh, c Disney, b McCoy	3
P. Guha, c Disney, b McCoy ... — ...	0
Extras	10
Total	115

FUSILIERS.

Mr. Ovans, b Biswas	37
Pte. Russell, c Bannerji, b Bose... ...	6
Pte. Jenkins, c Chowdry, b Bose... ...	9
Pte. Adams, c Ghosh, b Bannerji ...	5
Bn. Master Moss, b Biswas	20
Mr. Ritson, not out	16
Pte. Disney, b Biswas	4
Pte. McCoy, b Biswas —	0
Pte. Smith, not out ... —	0
Pte. Wadsworth, C. Russell — did not bat.	
Extras ... — ...	7
Total (for 7 wkts.*) ...	116

*Innings declared.

CALEDONIANS *vs.* CUSTOMS.—The Caledonians sustained another defeat on Saturday last on their own ground. Their opponents were the Customs who brought a strong team. The visitors had first knock on a good fast wicket, and with such reliable bats as Jewell, Boo, McCready, Quiterio and Barlow, it was anticipated that they would compile a large score; but luck and some excellent bowling by Elliot and Chandler enabled the Caledonians to secure five of their best wickets for 25 runs. Then, however, Quiterio and Barlow got together and soon settled down, taking the score to 111 before the former was bowled by Christensen for a useful but lucky 47. Barlow in the meantime played beautiful cricket, but after Quiterio's dismissal could get no one to stay with him. The end came with the score 132, Barlow being 50 not out. Elliot and Chandler both bowled well, the former securing 4 wickets for 42 and the latter 3 wickets for 42.

Marsden again proved a thorn in the side of the home team, and with the assistance of Brown dismissed the lot for 50 runs, after as poor and half hearted an exhibition of batting as it is possible to imagine. Christensen's 15 was the only double figure score, included in which was a beautiful hit for six. The Caledonians thus lost the match by 82 runs, and from the exhibition they gave it seems unlikely that they will succeed in scoring a win at all unless the Simla contingent give them a very needful fillip. Marsden came out with the splendid analysis of 7 wickets for 13 and Brown 3 for 30. Score :—

CUSTOMS.

F. Harcourt, b Chandler	0
F. Jewell, b Elliot	4
S. Boo, b Elliot	1
A. McCready, c Greene, b Elliot	10
W. Hughes, b Chandler ... ... —	0
M. Quiterio, b Christensen	47
C. Barlow, not out	50
C. Marsden, run out	0
H. Barlow, run out	6
W. G. Brown, b Chandler	0
H. Vears, b Elliot	3
Extras ...	11
Total ...	132

CALEDONIANS.

1st Innings.		2nd Innings.	
W. Beer, c Quiterio, b Marsden	1		
H. Greene, l.-b.-w., b Brown ...	5	C. H. Barlow, b Harcourt	2
E. O. Elliot, c Brown, b Marsden	0		
J. B. Donnithorne, b Brown ...	8	not out	2
H. Chandler, c McCready, b Marsden	8	C. C. Barlow, b Harcourt	2
E. H. Christensen, b Marsden	15	C. H. Barlow, b Harcourt	2
W. Shevlin, c and b Marsden	0		
E. G. Durant, b Marsden ...	0		
J. F. Wilson, c Brown, b Marsden	0	b McCready ...	2
R. G. Wilton, b Brown ...	3	c Quiterio, b Mcready	4
J. H. Dimsdale, not out ...	3	b Quiterio ...	22
Extras ...	7	Extras ...	6
Total ...	50	Total ...	45

MR. DIMSDALE'S XI. *vs.* CALCUTTA TRAMWAY XI.—Appended are the scores in this match of which the Tramway men had the best :—

MR. J. H. DIMSDALE'S XI.

S. T. Megitt, c and b Elliot	0
J. F. Wilson, b Elliot	11
W. Shevlin, b Donnithorne	3
A. H. Green, b Elliot ... ... —	8
H. W. Beer, run out	6
E. G. Durant, c and b Elliot	0
H. Chandler, b Elliot	2
E. S. Behrend, c Standing, b Elliot — ...	28
J. H. Dimsdale, b Donnithorne	3
E. W. Pybus, c Sommerville, b Donnithorne ...	0
W. Monk, not out	0
Extras	6
Total ...	67

TRAMWAY.

C. Hayes, b Behrend	0
R. Standing, b Chandler	2
W. Whaley, b Chandler	4
H. Gantzer, b Chandler	4
E. O. Elliot, b Beer	26
J. Sommerville, c Green, b Behrend	0
J. H. Donnithorne, c Pybus, b Beer	35
R. J. Wilton, b Chandler	17
L. C. Mylne, b Chandler ... — ...	0
C. Kerver, not out	0
J. Gantzer, b Chandler	0
Extras	11
Total ...	99

CUSTOMS *vs.* ARYANS.—A half day match between these teams, played last Friday on the Customs ground, gave the home team a run away victory. Score :—

CUSTOMS.

C. Barlow, c Paul, b Bannerji ... — ...	13
F. Jewell, b Bannerji	29
S. Boo, c Bose, b Bannerji	59
A. McCready, c Bannerji, b Mukerji — ...	18
H. Barlow, b Mukerji	0
M. Quiterio, b Bannerji	11
F. Harcourt, not out —	12
W. Hughes, b Mukerji	1
C. Marsden, W. G. Brown, H. Vears, — did not bat.	
Extras	3
Total (for 7 wkts*)	146

*Innings declared.

ARYANS.

B. Mukerji, not out	51
O. Mazumdar, b Marsden	5
S. Mukerji, c Quiterio, b Brown ... ... —	6
S. Mitter, c Hughes, b Brown	0
D. Bose, b Brown	0
S. Bahaduri, l-b-w, b Brown	0
K. Bose, b Brown	4
B. Bannerji, run out	1
H. Mitter, b Brown	0
A. Paul, b Brown	0
N. Sen, c McCready, b Harcourt... ...	0
Extras	5
Total	72

HORNETS *vs.* HOWRAH UNITED.—A run away affair this was last Friday, when the Howrah men were outplayed all round and beaten by no less than 134 runs in a single innings game. Score :—

UNITED CLUB, HOWRAH.

J. Simpson, b Mabert	9
C. Linton, c Vaillant, b Bayley	3
W. Dyer, b Mabert	0
H. B. Anderson, b Bayley	0
S. McGregor Shepherd, c Hollow, b Bayley ...	0
P. Doran, l.-b.-w, b Mabert	1
F. Thorpe, c Rosser, b Mabert	0
J. Grey, c and b Bayley	0
W. Watkins, run out	0
A. Todman, c Hart, b Mabert	2
C. Ancombe, not out ... — ..	10
Extras	5
Total ...	30

HORNETS.

A. B. Rosser, b Grey	42
A. E. Cooper, b Dyer	44
B. A. Hollow, c and b Gray	6
H. A. Bayley, not out	52
E. S. Mabert, c Simpson, b Dyer	8
E. H. DuCasse, not out	5
A. A. Browne, c Dyer, b Thorpe	14
N. E. Hudson, L. Vaillant, J. C. Hart, N. Vincent — did not bat.	
Extras	12
Total (for 5 wkts*) ...	164

*Innings declared.

Y. M. C. A. *vs.* NORTHUMBERLAND FUSILIERS.—On Friday last the Young Men inflicted a substantial defeat on the men from the Fort, the vanquished unfortunately having to take the field much below their usual strength. Appended are scores :—

Y. M. C. A.

F. H. Reynolds, b Wadsworth	23
W. Price, b Wadsworth	16
T. Shuldham, c Adams, b Staples	19
A. M. Price, c Ritson, b Wadsworth	4
F. Knowles, c Marshall, b Wadsworth	0
J. Grant, b Staples	15
B. Thurlow, b Marshall	8
R. Horne, b Jenkins	0
P. Vanspall, c Wadsworth, b Jenkins	3
A. Maclean, c and b Jenkins	17
L. Foucar, not out	0
Extras ...	14
Total ...	119

FUSILIERS.

Pte. Russell, c W. Price, b Vanspall	18
Sergt. Wilkinson, b Vanspall	6
Pte. Jenkins, b Vanspall	2
Mr. Ovans, c and b Reynolds	5
Mr. Ritson, c Horne, b Reynolds	4
Pte. Adams, b Vanspall	21
Lce.-Corpl. Bourne, c Reynolds, b Vanspall ...	0
Mr. Staples, b Vanspall	0
Sergt. Marshall, c Thurlow, b Vanspall	0
Pte. C. Russell, b Reynolds	3
Lce.-Corpl. Wadsworth, not out	0
Extras ...	7
Total ...	66

BALLYGUNGE *vs.* ISHAPUR.—This game, on the Ballygunge ground last Saturday, resulted in a very easy win for the home team by an innings and 84 runs. Appended are the scores :—

BALLYGUNGE.

R. A. White, c Kirkby, b Stevens	60
A. C. Tatam, c Ingram, b Stevens	21
E. C. Cowdrey, b Stevens	9
H. J. Mytton, b Stevens	4
A. T. Wood, c Stales, b A. Jolley	40
F. N. Whiteley, not out	29
J. R. Coulthard, b A. Jolley	3
F. Gould, l.-b.-w., b Stales	10
J. O. K. Sim, b Stales	0
Warwick Smith, b Stales	2
A. N. Other, absent.	
Extras	8
Total ...	186

ISHAPUR.

1st Innings.		2nd Innings.	
Cooper, b Gould ...	0	c and b Whitley ...	4
Reeks, c Wood, b Gould ...	4	b Wood	18
S. Jolley, c Mytton, b Gould	4	b Cowdrey	0
Clark, b Gould ...	1	run out	1
Kirkby, b Gould ...	2	run out	10
Ingram, b Gould ...	0	c Mytton, b Gould ...	9
Stevens, b Wood ...	0	b Cowdrey	0
A. Jolley, not out ...	8	b Cowdrey	4
Stales, c Mytton, b Wood ...	10	c and b Coulthard ...	0
Croker, c Sim, b Gould ...	2	not out	1
Simpson, b Gould ...	0	b Gould	0
		Extras ...	24
Total ...	31	Total ...	71

BALLYGUNGE *vs.* CALEDONIANS.—On their own ground Ballygunge administered a severe defeat upon the Caledonians by 5 wickets. The match did not start till past 12 owing to the visitors' tardy arrival, indeed two of their team failed to put in an appearance at all, and they were forced to play Brown and Quiterio of the Customs. The Caledonians had first use of a wicket that was considerably affected by rain, and gave another poor exhibition of batting, Chandler's 52 and Christensen's 16 being the only double figures. Both batsmen had a good deal of luck, but Chandler in particular made some beautiful strokes. Before the bowling of Whitely and Gould the remainder of the team cut a sorry figure. Whitely secured 7 wickets for 33, and showed considerable judgment in mixing his bowling and placing his field. Gould and Pope had one wicket a piece.

Ballygunge made short work of the 98 runs set them to win, securing this total for the loss of 5 wickets. White and Horncastle opened the batting and both began to play with plenty of confidence. After taking the score to 24 White missed a straight one from Christensen and retired for 12, letting in Pope who cut the first ball he received into Brown's hands at point. It was a beautiful catch, and the Caledonians were fortunate in getting rid of this dangerous batsman so cheaply. Whitely was the next man, but was well caught by Durant at mid off for 2. Brown then bowled Horncastle, who had played sound and attractive cricket for 33. Mytton and Bayley then got together, the former hitting very hard. He was badly missed at mid off by Brown, but otherwise gave no chances. Brown found the way to Bayley's wicket and McCready and Mytton soon bit off the

runs. The match was spoilt in a great measure by the rain, a continual drizzle falling throughout the day. Christensen had 3 wickets for 45 and Brown 2 for 18. Score :—

CALEDONIANS.

E. O. Elliot, b Whiteley	1
H. Greene, b Gould	0
G. V. Wade, b Whiteley	3
H. Chandler, c Horncastle, b Whiteley	52
E. H. Christensen, b Whiteley	16
R. Byrne, c and b Whiteley	8
M. Quiterio, c Bayley, b Whiteley	3
E. G. Durant, b Whiteley	0
J. H. Dimsdale, c Eastgate, b Pope	4
J. F. Wilson, not out	3
W. G. Brown, run out	0
Extras	7
Total	97

BALLYGUNGE.

B. A. White, b Christensen	12
E. Horncastle, b Brown	33
C. M. Pope, c Brown, b Christensen	0
F. N. Whiteley, c Durant, b Christensen	2
H. F. Mytton, not out	34
W. E. Bayley, b Brown	13
R. H. McCrea, not out	7
G. F. Martin, F. Gould, A. W. Vick, C. C. T. Eastgate — did not bat.	
Extras	3
Total (for 5 wickets)*	104

*Innings declared.

CRICKET IN BANGALORE.

BANGALORE GYMKHANA *vs.* ESSEX REGIMENT.—Played on the 26th ultimo, the Gymkhana winning by 31 runs. Score :—

BANGALORE GYMKHANA.

Capt. Meldon, c Hyland, b Robinson	22
Capt. Hill, b Russell	21
Mr. Burmester, b Russell	0
Capt. Joicey, c Raleigh, b Copeland	27
Capt. Bridges, b Copeland	12
Mr. Astley, b Russell	2
Mr. Heffernan, b Hyland	7
Major Stephen, b Copeland	0
Capt. Standage, c Hyland, b White	4
Pile, b White	6
K. Pillay, not out	11
Extras	3
Total	115

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

	O.	R.	M.	W.
Russell	13	36	4	3
Hyland	7	19	0	1
Robinson	4	17	0	1
Copeland	5	14	0	3
Raleigh	4	9	1	0
Neale	1	3	0	0
Jacomb	2	12	0	0
White	2	2	0	2

ESSEX REGIMENT.

Mr. Raleigh, run out	0
Corpl. Copeland, b Hill	15
Corpl. Hyland, b Hill	0
Mr. Bowen, b Bridges	4
Capt. Jacomb, b Bridges	0
Corpl. Russell, c Meldon, b Hill	3
Corpl. Robinson, b Hill	2
Pte. Neale, not out	34
Pte. Butcher, b Bridges	4
Mr. White, b Bridges	1
Dr. Newnham, c Joicey, b Bridges	3
Extras	15
Total	81

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

	O.	R.	M.	W.
Bridges	11	38	3	5
Hill	11	24	3	4
Astley	3	4	1	0

Golf.

GOLF IN THE BRITISH ISLES.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

12th October 1906.

AMATEURS or Professionals? Which are the more interesting to the ordinary reader of Golf news?—decidedly the former, with the majority, who like to see how their friends are *dis*tinguishing or *ex*tinguishing themselves in their career as votaries of the now universally worshipped Goddess Golf. Therefore although the Pros. have certainly been attracting great attention of late, precedence and place must be given to the larger class of player, the Amateur, and where is he to be found, this unique animal, in larger numbers than at St. Andrews? "For where the carcase is, there will the eagles be gathered together," and of a truth there have been carcases in abundance lately to attract birds of prey to Mecca, in which place the autumn manœuvres have been in full swing. The old city is wonderfully interesting historically as well as golfily, for was not the ill-fated Mary, Queen of Scots, devoted to it and has *she* not immortalised it even more than the Royal and Ancient Game has done? The season of 1906 at St. Andrews has been a particularly busy one, especially during August and September, and the recent meeting to wind up proceedings attracted a larger field than usual, play too was of a higher standard, and those who took part included many celebrities, political and otherwise. Chief honours fell to Mr. Mansfield Hunter, who won the King William IV Medal, which is regarded as *the pièce de résistance* of this meeting, and although competition for this is limited to Members of the Royal and Ancient Club, it is well known and its temporary possession much coveted by all eligible golfers. Mr. Hunter has for many years been a conspicuous figure in the world of Golf; he is a barrister, and at present fills two important honorary posts, that of secretary to the Bar Golfing Society, and of the Oxford and Cambridge Society also. In the St. Andrews' Meeting, to which we must hark back, Mr. Leslie Balfour-Melville as Captain of the Club had the honour of driving the first ball off the tee, this is a time-honoured custom, which it would be as well, as far as possible, for other clubs to observe, the day was perfect and the large gallery fully expected low scoring would be the rule. For some time, however, as the players returned, the cards showed nothing better than 81, then Mr. Crawley-Boevey (why is it when, heaving this name, one is inevitably reminded of "Vanity Fair" and Becky Sharp?) came in with the score of 80, which gave him the Gold Medal, Mr. Robert Maxwell gave in 81, as did also Mr. C. K. Hutchinson, Mr. Edward Blackwell, Mr. J. A. Shaw, Mr. F. E. Dubs, Mr. J. J. Low, Mr. W. C. Henderson, whilst Messrs. J. E. Laidlay, and W. R. Cook returned 82. But the hero of the day, Mr. Mansfield Hunter, played remarkably steady golf, by which he compiled the excellent return of 78, which entitled him to the King William IV Medal. His figures were as appended, nothing brilliant, but only at one hole during the round did he take over a 5 Out: 4, 5, 4, 4, 5, 4, 5, 4, 4=39. In: 5, 3, 4, 4, 6, 4, 4, 5, 4, =39=78. It is no barren honour to win this Medal when such players as Hon'ble Evan Charteris, Hon'ble Denys Scott, Sir Henry Seton Karr, A. G. Barry, Horace Hutchinson failed to return scores within 5 strokes of the winners. Then too at Brunsfield the *Evening Times* Trophy has been attracting many Golfers, in fact a record entry of 82 CLUBS: last year the field of 72 couples necessitated an extra day's play, and this year, of course, the same time extension was necessary. Forty-six clubs drew byes in the first round and of those in the first round no less than 6 scratched. There are so many clubs in Bonnie Scotland that we need scarcely be surprised that a big tournament such as this should prove most attractive, when each club is represented by two players. Finally after "Coming through the Rye" St. Nicholas (Messrs. Robert Andrew, and Gordon Lockart) and Murrayfield (Messrs. J. L. Lawson and E. D. Simson) met to try conclusions. The Prestwick men had the best of things throughout the match; they stood 3 up at the turn and eventually secured the much-coveted trophy by 3 and 2 to play. The success of the winners was thoroughly well deserved, their play throughout was consistently steady, and in their very first heat they were pitted against the formidable St. Andrews' pair, Messrs. Walker and Aytoun; the whole match was a ding-dong tussle, and all square at the 18th tee, only a brilliant 3 then gave them a well-earned victory. In the next heats they had nothing very tough, with Uphall, and Blackford, and then against two men of the young school representing Glasgow Dundas they were taken to the 21st green. In the Semi-finals New Church, North. gave them no trouble, and the final has already been described, In one short week what a difference one sees at a popular golfing resort before and after a meeting. St. Andrews is now practically deserted: champions, ex-champions and future champions have with the swallows homeward flown, but there are still a few fine players left, and one of these has done a record. True he is *only* a professional, and his name is Jack Kirkaldy, who, when playing with Captain Percival, accomplished a wonderful 68—think of it. Foozlers and Foozleresses 68, at St. Andrews and this is how it was done.

Out: 4, 3, 3, 4, 4, 3, 4, 2, 4=31. In: 4, 3, 4, 6, 4, 5, 4, 4, 3=37=68.

Imagine nine holes in 31 and not one hole over 4 among them, a 6 at the unlucky 13th was a pity, but that and the 15th, requiring 5 were again the only numbers over 4.

From a very remarkable performance we must now regretfully turn to the well-trodden way of all flesh, which, in the person of the dreaded Reaper has deprived Ireland of a familiar figure on the greens of Dublin—Monsignor Molloy was fond of the game; he did not, because he *could* not devote much time to it, for his position in Ireland as a theologian and scientist claimed most of his days. Dr. Molloy was called "the patron saint of the Duffers," and each year some Foozler went home comforted and happy as temporary possessor of the Duffers' Cup. His death occurred very suddenly and unexpectedly and he is truly and really mourned by a large circle of friends, of which golfers form no small part. The Army Cup Tournament is over, no special flourish of trumpets marked its final onslaught, when the Black Watch met and defeated the Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders over the old course at St. Andrews. This competition drags on somewhat wearily during the spring and summer months, but those who are eligible to take part are keen and the enterprise, it must be borne in mind, is still very young.

BLACK WATCH.	holes.	A. AND S. HIGHLANDERS.	holes.
Capt. P. G. M. Skene	0	Mr. W. Henderson	1
Capt. Green	7	Capt. Glen Cunningham	0
Capt. Allen	0	Capt. N. Thomson	4
Capt. Walker	9	Capt. G. Scales	0
	16		5

Had the late and ever lamented "Freddy Tait" been one of the team of his old regiment (the Black Watch) the victory would in all probability have been an even more decisive one, but they would also perhaps have had to reckon with the 3rd Coldstream Guards, who gave the Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders a W. O. in the semi-final, consequent on sudden orders for foreign service; this regiment includes in its golfing team Mr. Cecil K. Hutchison (who has *not* left England) and Major the Earl of Lanesborough, both formidable players, and had they been able to play the issue of events might have been different.

It is perhaps a poor compliment to the great Professionals who gathered together at Hollinwell last week to give them the last few lines of these notes, but all the papers have been so full of the "News of the World" Tournament, that further comments would probably be stigmatised as "flat, stale, and unprofitable;" however, so great is the interest taken in the Annual Event, in which the stakes run into nearly £250 that a few words may be condoned even on a well-threshed out topic. During the year the Professionals belonging to this society hold qualifying competitions in the various divisions, the top players (the number varies in proportion to the size of the division) become eligible to compete in the Final Tournament held in October annually. This year Hollinwell in Notts was selected, the same green as the Ladies' Golf Union chose for their County Finals in June last; the course is long and decidedly good, but a few more bunkers to guard some of the greens would in the opinion of experts be an improvement. The draw was really rather unsatisfactory, for Vardon, A. Herd, Taylor and Braid, all came in the top half, but to the great surprise of the Golfing world Braid succumbed to George Duncan in the 1st round, Herd beat Vardon in the 2nd heat; Duncan knocked Taylor out in the 3rd round and was himself beaten by Herd in the penultimate heat, whilst the runner up, Mayo, had disposed of Oke Cawsey (at 21st hole) Reid and Rowland Jones. Everyone is glad that Herd has won, for he played undoubtedly the most consistent golf in the Tournament; he drove magnificently, putted with confidence, and his approaches were a treat to watch, whilst the runner up is one of the young school with plenty of time, plenty of assurance, and undoubted ability and years of play before him. Some very fine scores were accomplished during the matches, and surely this "News of the World" Tournament in a sight well worth watching, even if one has to travel many miles to see the Pros. perform. Golf looks so simple as *they* play it, and we know from experience how difficult it is as *we* play it.

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GOLF AT KARACHI.

THE PRITCHARD CUP.—This competition, a half-yearly one, was decided on the 17th ultimo, nineteen returning cards out of twenty-four entrants. The winner turned up in the form of W. Astell, who was lucky in his handicap, for his gross score [illegible] that of the scratch man and was the best done in the competition, awhile his handicap was 8. Scores :—

	Gross.	H'cap.	Nett.
H. W. Astell	43	8	35
C. V. M. Townsend	46	5	41
Capt. Bayley	51	10	41
J. M. Dame	52	10	42
J. McK. Davidson	43	scr.	43
W. H. Reid	47	4	43
F. L. Sprott	48	5	43
G. T. Lucas	50	7	43
A. Lucas	51	8	43
T. J. Stephen	51	8	43
B. H. M. Steven	47	2	45
Major Grace	49	4	45
R. T. Gibbs	53	8	45
E. Leo	57	12	45
W. U. Nicholas	54	7	47
J. Greig	56	8	48
A. F. Thorpe	54	5	49
R. C. Campbell	53	3	50
W. B. Robinson	65	6	59

THE CLUB'S "AT HOME."—On the 24th ultimo the club was "At Home" and there was quite a large and fashionable gathering, many of those present competing in the events which formed the afternoon's programme and details of which will be found below. The proceedings were enlivened by the music contributed by the Band of the South Wales Borderers. Details :—

Gentlemen's Driving.—Won by Mr. J. McK. Davidson, with a drive of 237½ feet. The second prize was won by Mr. W. U. Nicholas.

Gentlemen's Approaching.—Won by Colonel Beevor, 2nd prize was won by Mr. J. R. Creagh.

Ladies' Driving.—1st prize Mrs. Grace, with a drive of 144 feet, 2nd prize, Mrs. T. J. Stephen.

Ladies' Approaching.—1st prize Mrs. Dame, 2nd prize Miss Obetham.

Putting.—Affinity.—1st prizes Mrs. Hunter and Mr. Oswald, 2nd prizes Mrs. Grace and Mr. H. B. Sawyer.

Pagal Putting.—1st prizes Mrs. Day and Captain Day, 2nd prizes, Mrs Younghusband and Mr. W. U. Nicholas.

The prizes were presented by Mrs. Travers.

Sports.

LINCOLNSHIRE REGIMENT SPORTS.

THE regiment recently held its annual sports meeting at Kamptee. We append results :—

High Jump.—Sergt. Dr. Stephens, Lance-Corpl. Wilmore and Lance-Corpl. Topliss.

Long Jump.—Sergt. Dr Stephens, Pte. Appleyard and Lance-Corpl. Wilmore.

Putting the Shot.—Pte. Thorpe, Lance-Corpl. O'Neil and Pte. O'Connell

Hurdle Race.—Lance-Corpl. Topliss, Sergt. Dr. Stephens and Pte. Jennings.

1 Mile Race.—Lance-Corpl. Handsley, Pte. Cragg and Pte. Beal.

½ Mile Race.—Lance-Corpl. Handsley, Pte. Beal and Pte. Cragg.

Bn. 100 yards.—Lance-Corpl. Martin, Lance-Corpl. Handsley and Pte. Lomax.

Veterans Race.—Sergt. Dr Stephens, Corpl. Alde and Pte. Larder.

Obstacle Race.—Pte. Lomax, Pte. Smith and Pte. Jennings.

Relay Race.—"F" Company and "D" Company.

Cross Country 3 Miles.—"D" Company and "C" Company.

¼ Mile Race (Young Soldiers).—Pte. Dawson, Pte. Smith and Pte. Patience.

Tug-o'-War.—(Final) "H" beat "E" ("H" Company winning for the ninth year in succession).

THE 47TH FIELD BATTERY CENTENARY.

THIS battery celebrated its centenary by holding a well arranged sports meeting at Kirkee on Thursday, 25th ultimo. Details :—

Ring, Ball and Peg.—Driver Crick 1; Sergt Howe, 2; Gunner McGill, 3.

Hurdle Race.—Gunner Boak, 1; Gunner Gill, 2.

Shoeing (syces) Race.—Kanoo Sanoo, 1; Laximan Babaji, 2; Laximan Shiva, 3.

Tug-o'-War—Left Section 1.

Led Horse Jumping.—Driver Goorer, 1; Driver Finch, 2; Driver Crick, 3.

Menagerie Race.—Driver Astley's Monkey, 1; Gunner Sullivan's Pig, 2; Bombardier Barfield's Dog, 3.

Wrestling on Horse Back.—Driver Crick's team, 1; Corporal Bond's team, 2.

Quarter Mile Race.—Driver Shahdin, 1; Lascar Kasiaram, 2; Sheikh Bahadur, 3.

Tilting at the Bucket.—Bombardier McGill and Bombardier Bennett, 1; Driver Crick and Gunner Sulivan, 2; Gunners Burn and Jerms, 3.

Section Tent-Pegging.—Bombardier Camerons, 33rd Battery, 1; Corporal Calcott, 63rd Battery, 2.

Section Tent-Pegging with Sword.—Havaldar Ashmadalli, No. 4 Ammunition Column, 1.

Half Mile Race.—Corporal Wright, 93rd Highlanders, 1; Pte. Holloway, East Lancs, 2; Gunner Thompson, 33rd Battery, 3.

Potato Race (Mounted).—Band Corporal Beelchin, 1; Corporal Boatwright, 2.

Mop Fight.—Gunner Gaish and Gunner Byone, 1; Corporal Band, 2; Bombardier McGill, 3.

Individual Tent-Pegging.—Sergt.-Major Clarke, 33rd Battery, nominated by Mrs. Payne, 1; Sergt Bassett, 12th Battery, 2; Sergt. Shirt, 33rd Battery, 3.

Tug-o'-War (final). Left Section 1.

Tortoise Race.—Driver McClintock, 1; Driver O'Hara, 2; Gunner Campbell, 3.

Best Costume.—Driver Park as a Lady, 1; Driver O'Hara as a Bear, 2; Gunner Jones as a Highlander, 3.

Children's Race.—Tullott, 1; Ward, 2; Tullott, 3.

Sharp Pupil after being catechised concerning the power of Nature—"I know one thing Nature couldn't do!" Master (with great interest)—"Ah—and what is that?" Sharp Pupil—"Why she couldn't make your mouth any bigger without setting your ears back!" (Class ends abruptly.)

"Now, Pat," said a magistrate to an old offender, "what brought you here again?"

"Two policemen, sor," was the laconic reply.

"Drunk, I suppose?" queried the magistrate.

"Yes, sor," said Pat; "both av thim."

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The Horse.

THE TENNESSEE PACER.

THAT the breeding and developing of trotting and pacing horses has been of inestimable benefit to the country, will not be denied even by the casual observer. It has added its millions of material wealth to the country, and thousands of honest, hard-working men and women are now earning their living at the business. It is estimated that $100,000,000 is invested in the breeding of trotters and pacers in the United States, and this enormous sum is, perhaps, the best argument that can be offered to prove the wonderful growth and development of the breeding industry.

It is now no longer a matter of wonder or surprise among breeders that of two animals from the same parents one should be a trotter and the other a pacer. Those who have had actual experience and who have been close observers, seem now willing to admit that the prestige which the pacer holds to-day and the rapid strides he has made in gaining favour in the horse world, is but little short of marvelous.

Had a man predicted thirty years ago that the blood of the then despised little pacer would stand at the head of the great trotting interest of the world, he would have been laughed at; and yet, it has remained historically true and applying to all nations that where there have been no pacers, no trotters are found.

Isolated, as the pacer had been for centuries, an outcast and disgrace to the horse family, it is almost passing strange that this culprit, condemned to a life of drudgery, should now be brought out and exhibited to the public as an equal to the best. That an array of pacers could be brought out that would in makeup and gameness average up with a like number of trotters appears to have been a revelation to a great multitude of people and from the day when this knowledge was revealed to them the pacer has been given a fair show on his own merits.

Some maintain that the pace is an artificial and cultivated gait. Some relate the ancient story that the pacing instinct sprang from the Narragansett pacer—ship-wrecked in passage from Egypt to this country, brought ashore on the coast of Newfoundland, from whence he was taken to Narragansett Bay.

A writer on this subject finds amidst the ruins of the Parthenon—that magnificent temple erected to the goddess Minerva on the summit of the Acropolis in Athens—sculptured in high relief the heroes and defenders of Athens, mounted on horses all showing distinctly the pacing attitude. This he claims to be the first record of the pacer, and it is now over 2,330 years old. In 1678 when Athens was besieged by the Venetians, the Parthenon was hopelessly wrecked, and became the prey of devastators.

In order to preserve something of its works of art, says the writer, Lord Elgin, about the year 1800, brought to England portions of the frieze of the temple with other works of Phidias in marble. He sold them to the English Government and they are now preserved in the British Museum. Not only as a specimen of Greek art of the period, but as a historic record of the type and action of the Greek horses of that day, is this frieze a most interesting subject of study.

In the first half of the seventeenth century pacers were popular, and it is claimed were handled everywhere in England. In the second half of the eighteenth century not one could be found in all Britain. Who can say that during the period of Pericles in Athens that the pacer did not then attain to a high state of perfection?

In the absence of time records, and in the face of the fact that the pacer in his true, unmistakable pacing attitude, has been preserved and handed down to us in Pentellic marble, may be evidence that the rough little fellow retained his qualities through ages of neglect, until he was again taken up and given a chance about a quarter of a century ago.

It was in 1855 that the chestnut mare Pocahontas made her appearance on the turf. During the month of September of that year she made a pacing record of 2: 17½ to wagon, but, because she was a pacer, little ado was at the time made of it. She was bred to the trotting stallion Ethan Allen, and the produce, a filly foal that was a square trotter, and called Young Pocahontas, was sold as a five-year-old to Robert Bonner for $35,000.

The pacing record of Pocahontas stood until 1869, when Yankee Sam reduced it to 2: 16¼. Sleepy George clipped a second and a half from this record in 1878, and in 1879 Sleepy Tom gave it another setback when stopped hethe watch at 2: 12¼.

It was in the '70's about the time of the advent of the Hal family of Tennessee, with little Brown jug and Mattie Hunter, that the pacer began to be thought seriously of as a factor in horse development, although the speed and great blood lines of Pocahontas, James K. Polk and other noted pacers of an earlier period, it seems, should have foretold the possibilities that lay in the pacing gait.

Out of Tennessee—by what have been pleased to term chance, but in reality the legitimate product of scientific breeding, soil, climate and grass—came the first horse to go a mile in two minutes or better, thereby accomplishing a feat, almost without price and without effort, as it were, that the millionaires of horsedom had strived for in vain. From an obscure family of saddle horses, bred for no other purpose and with never a thought of fame on the race-course—taken literally, as in the instance of Little Brown Jug, from the plough—comes this unpretentious family of horses that so richly deserves to be perpetuated in history.

It is a remarkable statement, to say the least of it, that thirty years ago this family of horses, now known throughout the length and breadth of the land wherever speed and endurance has won the plaudits of the people, lived only as servants of the stubble and the plough, or the trusted guardian of the family turn-out, ambling through the country byways with their rollicking load of happy school children. More remarkable still is the fact that this great distinct family of horses, nearly all of them, are sons, daughters or descendants of one horse—a roan, known in Tennessee as Gibson's Tom Hal.

Captain Thomas Gibson, at that time a resident of Maury county, and now secretary of the Nashville, Chattanooga and St. Louis Railway Library, first reclaimed him from obscurity and made it possible for his greatness to be recognized by bringing him to his home in Maury county, Tenn.

The greatness of this family of horses will be at once understood and appreciated when we recall some of the world records held by them: First horse to go a mile in harness in two minutes, Star Pointer 1: 59¼. Fastest heat in a race, stallion, Star Pointer 2: 00¼. Fastest green performer (1905), Walter Direct 2: 05¾. Fastest four-year-old mare, The Maid 2: 05¼. Fastest three consecutive heats in a race, Star Pointer 2: 02¼, 2: 03¼, 2: 03¾. Fastest mile in a race to wagon, Angus Pointer 2: 04½. Fastest first heat in a race, The Maid 2: 05¾. Fastest team, Direct Hal and Prince Direct 2: 05½, Fastest three heats in race wagon, to Angus Pointer 2: 06¼, 2: 04¼, 2: 05¼. Fastest green performer, stallion, Direct Hal 2: 04¼. Fastest team in a race, Charley B. and Bobby Hal 2: 13. Fastest pacing team, Amateur trials, Prince Direct and Morning Star 2: 06.

It was, as we have said, in the 70's that the star of the lateral-gaited horse began to shine, when no feature of a race meeting, perhaps, so enthused the crowd as the announcement of races to be participated in by the "Big Four"—Mattie Hunter 2: 12¼, then being queen of the lot, and the first great Hal mare to attract the attention of the world. Blind Tom, Lucy and Rowdy Boy were the other stars that shone in this galary, until later Little Brown Jug 2: 11¼. Brown Hal 2: 12½, Hal Pointer, Robert J. Direct, Joe Patchen, John R. Gentry and many others followed in rapid succession.

In 1881 Little Brown Jug made his record of 2: 11¼. In October, 1884, the bay gelding Johnson set the record at 2: 06¼, where it remained until 1891, when the little black horse Direct carried it on down to 2: 06½. Up to this date all records were made to the high-wheeled sulky. In 1892 the gelding Mascot, hitched to a bikesulky, reduced the record to 2: 01, and from then on toward the close of the century, Robert J. John R. Gentry, Joe Patchen and Star Pointer began to bring the pacing record to the two-minute mark, until in August 1897, Star Pointer clipped a second and a quarter off the record made by John R. Gentry 2:00½, in September 1896, placing the record at 1: 59¼, being the first to reach and cross the charmed two-minute mark.

The achievements and development of the pacer after the advent of the Hals and swift tribe of trotting-bred pacers—beautifully gaited, true striding race horses—was marked in the extreme. The old "side-wheeler" had become a thing of the past, and his more worthy descendants had taken his place.

It matters not now to the honest, sturdy pacer whether his pedigree "takes to the woods on the first cross;" whether he is by "Junebug," dam "Grasshopper;" whether he had all he could do in the ages past to keep out of the way of the "missing link," and thus save himself from drudgery; or "whether he was developed in Trojan wars as carved on the frieze of Grecian temples, the fact remains the same, that to-day he is here by a large majority." The woods of Tennessee and Kentucky are full of them. His coming to the front has been his own work, but quick work when once the people had found out his merit, and the number of sheckels he could rake into their coffers. He has accomplished this, too, with no apparent detriment or injury to his more aristocratic brother, the trotter, only repaying the many snubs he has received from his friends, by persistently refusing to stay behind in the procession. He will keep his nose a few seconds beyond the trotting record, and it now appears that he is destined to do this for many years to come before his grievances against his brother have been wiped out.

In Tennessee and Kentucky the pacer has always been given a warm welcome, and since his accomplishments on the race-course for the past fifteen years, his popularity has steadily increased, until now, even if desired, it would be impossible to eliminate him from the light harness breeding world. His stakes and purses have grown with each year more rich and tempting; the smoothness of his gait has rapidly approached perfection, and his honest endeavours on the race track have won for him friends.

It has been said, and truthfully, that "the student who attempts to trace the development of the pacer in Tennessee and Kentucky is lost in a maze of thoroughbred blood and 'native stock;' that the 'pacing-bred' pacer of to-day is simply a mixture of the old ambling pacer of Europe—whatever he was—and the thoroughbred; and that this thorough blood has been as good, if not better, than that in old Messenger himself."

It was the thoroughbred blood which undoubtedly gave to the Hals the staying power so characteristic of the family. Star Pointer is an inbred Hal, crossed again and again in the thoroughbred blood.

Old Tom Hal and two of his noted sons, which were full brothers—Little Brown Jug 2: 11½, and Brown Hal 2: 12¼—were each of them at one time owned by O N. Fry of Mooresville Tenn. Brown Hal was sold to Major Campbell Brown of Ewell, Farm, Spring Hill, Tenn., for $600. Little Brown Jug, as the story goes, was sold by Mr. Fry to a darkey for $65, who was tending a crop with him, and who, failing to pay Mr. Fry the purchase money, had to give him up. Brown jug was unhitched from the plow by Mr. Fry and carried to his home, where he was afterwards put in training, later making his record of 2: 11¼, which made him famous, and which placed in the ascendency the star of the later-gaited horse. The name and fame of Brown Hal, both as a race horse and as a sire, is known to horsemen everywhere—the first of his get to go into the 2: 20 list being the mare Susie Brown.

Concerning the breeding of pacers, what is regarded among breeders as perhaps the most astonishing thing about this amalgamation is the "very small per cent of pacing blood it requires to leaven the thoroughbred loaf." A pacing sire bred to a running mare and that offspring bred to another running mare, and so on for several generations, will end with the last, as with the first, in getting a "saddler." These "saddlers" are numerous throughout Kentucky and Tennessee, and possess the distinguishing characteristic of the true saddle horse as set forth by Charles Ralley of Lexington, namely, a certain elasticity and springiness about him at whatever gait he is going, which makes it possible for horse and rider to respond to each other's movements and become, as it were, one. By comparison the ordinary horse seems hard and dead under you. Without elasticity there connot be perfect harmony between horse and rider, and a cold-blooded horse does not possess this quality.

Continuing, Mr. Railey says: "In conformation and in action there is not so much difference between the saddle-horse and the harness-horse as many persons suppose there is. Indeed, some of the best saddle-horses I have known were almost equally good in harness. Both the saddle-horse and harness-horse must have quality or firmness of fiber. A graceful top line, with the crup high and the tail well set and well carried, is an essential to one as to the other."

The future can only be judged by the past and the present, and with that in view, to those who have had actual experience and who have watched with interest the progress made by the pacer in the past; the prestige he holds to-day and the rapid strides he is making to gain in the estimation of the horse world, his outlook for the future must be gratifying indeed.

The Naturalist.

STRAY NOTES.

A VIENNESE scientist has spent several years in studying the dying moments of various reptiles, and has published some interesting data on the subject. He notes that reptiles die nearly always between nightfall and midnight, only occasionally between midnight and morning, and but rarely in daylight. Most reptiles seem aware of their approaching death, seeking out particular places and there awaiting the end, while those whose lives are spent underground come to the surface before death. Many reptiles, such as snakes, chameleons, crocodiles, and turtles, show the approach of death in their faces, a peculiar and unmistakeable expression coming into their eyes.

There is a bird in California called the road-runner, which is carefully protected, because, like the secretary bird of India, it destroys venomous snakes. The road-runner is partial to the flesh of the rattlesnake, and has a most ingenious mode of destroying it without danger to itself. Here is the account of an eye-witness: The bird first attacted the snake's attention, causing it to coil and take a defensive attitude, and then it quickly and skilfully surrounded the coil with a sort of hedge of the common spiny cactus. When all was ready, it tempted the rattler to make a strike, which proved immediately fatal to the miserable reptile, for, in striking, the snake hit against the hedge of cactus, and in its writhing became covered from head to tail with the barbed tenacious joints. In this condition it was an easy prey for the wary road-runner. The bird, after picking at the snake's brain, was seen to carefully strip the body of its horrible, spiny winding-sheet, and afterwards deliberately make a meal of it.

The origin of the pearl in the shell of the oyster or other bivalve or mollusc has been the object of a considerable amount of investigation and speculation. Among the more recent studies of the subject may be noted those of M. Seurat, recorded in the "Comptes Rendus." This naturalist finds that in pearl oysters from the Gambia lagoons, in the South Pacific, the pearls are due to a small worm—a sort of tape-worm. In cists on the body and mantle of the oyster he has found true pearls surrounding a nucleus which he has shown to be one of these worms. Like other tape-worms, this one concerned in the production of pearls requires a second host in which to complete its development. And M. Seurat considers that the ray is the second host in this case. For he has found in the spiral intestines of this fish small tape-worms, which he regards as the adult form of the larval worm of the pearl oyster. The view has been held that the pearl is a secretion formed, as it were, in self-defence for the surrounding and isolation of an injurious foreign body. If M. Seurat's views are correct, however, the pearl would rather appear to be a protection to the worm, and to bear to it somewhat the same relation as the oak-gall does to the gall-fly. When the epicurean ray swallows its oysters, the pearls would be dissolved in its digestive juices—as Cleopatra's pearl was dissolved in vinegar—and the worm set free to become a tape-worm in its new host. M. Seurat notes the curious fact that the fish seems to prefer those pearl oysters in which the shell has been riddled by a species of boring sponge.

Is there a language of animals? After putting this question, a contributor to "Cosmos" (Paris)—Mr. C. de Kirwan—answers, "That depends." If you mean by "language" sounds conveying certain sensations, desires, and impressions, animals certainly speak. If you mean articulate words capable of conveying ideas in the proper acceptation of the word, they as certainly do not. He goes on to say.

"Language...is of two kinds. The first is purely of the senses, expressing only impressions, sensations, appetites, and passions, and consists solely of inarticulate sounds, cries of different natures, and gestures of all sorts. This kind of language, which represents no thought, no idea, and still less any reasoning process, exists incontestably among animals, and is common to them and man.

"This confusion in the meaning of the word 'language' has led scientists...to defend the untenable opinion that animals have an intellect of the same kind, though of less degree than that of man...

"The late Father Carbonelle, in his 'Confines of Science and Philosophy,' has given a remarkable description of this language of pure sense—cries of joy or of fright, joyous shouts, sighs of sadness or grief, various movements of the wings in birds, waggings of the tail in dogs, etc., and, in man, the play of feature instinctive movements, and monosyllabic exclamations.

"The essential and fundamental difference between this language of the senses and spoken language is that the former, because it represents no idea, implies no conversation. So animals do not talk with one another, and if all the Garners and naturalists of the world observe all the gorillas, chimpanzees, and orangs of the Dark Continent, they will never surprise them in a single conversation. They will be able to notice certain cries and gestures, more or less varied, corresponding to the impressions, sensations, and passions of all this monkey tribe; just as they might observe the same with any other class of animals.

"As a recent writer well says...'To have a real language there must be judgment and reason, founded, at least implicitly, on an abstract and universal concept,' not an instinctive judgment without freedom...like that of the kid which, seeing the wolf, decides to run away, as St. Thomas says, but a free, conscious, and reasoned judgment.

"The articulate word, which alone constitutes real language, may be replaced with gestures, with signs (by deaf-mutes, for example) just as it is put into certain characters in hand-writing; but these characters, signs, and gestures correspond in this case to ideas, not merely to the phenomena of pure sensation.

"We may recall the failure of the learned English scientist, Sir John Lubbock, who in spite of several months of daily practise, followed out with unalterable patience, could not... 'to his great surprise,' teach his dog to read.

"The same result awaits all attempts to decipher and note the alleged language of monkeys."

Many English names of birds have an unsuspected ancestry, exhibiting interesting changes through past years, romantic as well as historical, says a writer in "Outing."

The word owl (or, as it was formerly ule) is derived from the Latin word ulula—an owl. This was probably from the bird's cry, and hence is remotely related to our word howl. Hawk comes from the root haf, meaning to take or seize: Turtle, as used in turtle-dove, is from the Latin turtur, the repetition being supposed to resemble the cooing of a dove. Curassow—properly Curacao bird—takes its name from the island north of Venezuela. Quail, through many and various spellings, can be traced to quackel and other forms, derived from the note of the bird. Condor is from a Peruvian word, cuntur; and cormorant resolves into the Latin words corvus marinus, literally a sea crow.

Egret has passed through such forms as egran and hiron, and thus merges into heron, which in turn has evolved from higera, cregyr, and other gutturals, given in fancied imitation of the cry of the bird. Shrike too, from the Icelandic shrikja, is so called from the harsh cry.

Many words are lost in antiquity. Thus we know that ibis goes back through the Greek tongue to the old Egyptian; but no one knows where the first Pharaoh got it. As far back as legends reach, swallow, with various spellings, signifies the long-winged bird which we know so well. Sparrow comes from the root of spurn, meaning to kick or quiver; why we know not.

Eagle, egle, aigle, aquia, take us to the Latin aquila, from a word meaning brown, or dark coloured. Pelican is from a Greek word with similar meaning, but also confused with a term meaning woodpecker, which goes direct to a Sanskrit word, paraqu, meaning a battle-axe. Pigeon (to which widgeon is related) is from the Latin pipio, a young chirping bird. Dove is obscure in its various spellings—duve, dufa, due, dubo—but literally means a diver, perhaps from the bobbing of the bird's head.

Thrush and throstle (and even the Russian drodzu) are from the Latin turdus. Etymology throws no light upon lark and tern, and the first meaning of loon from loom is for ever lost to us. Grebe is from krib or cribyn—a comb or crest. Trogon is Greek, meaning to gnaw or chew.

Cockatoo harks back to the Hindoo kakatua, from the bird's cry. The root of swan is a mystery, unless it was connected in some way with the Sanskrit svan and the Latin sonare—sound. Goose, gos, gas, gans (and Latin) anser, has its stem also in gander and gannet. Goshawk is from a wrong diminutive of goose. Fowl from fugl, flugl, meant originally to fly. Duck is literally a ducker, one who ducks or dives. Grouse is from some such word as griesche, from the Latin griseus, meaning grey. With partridge we must stop at the Latin perdix.

The origin of ptarmigan is unknown, but it should rightly be written tarmigan, the p having been added by some officious person, who wrongly supposed the word to be of Greek derivation. Pheasant is pure Greek, meaning the Phasian bird, that being the name of a river in Calchis along whose banks the birds were numerous. Plover is interestingly derived from the Latin pluviarius because these birds appeared in Italy during the rainy season.

Snipe is from snippers or snapper—one who snaps up. Sanderling is a remarkable word, showing the use of two diminutives. Crane is from Latin grus, by way of cranich, trana, garan, gerue. Jay, which in other languages is gayo and gaya, is so called from its bright plumage. Crow is from the same root as croak. Raven through raben, raaf, etc., like owl and crow, is from the guttural cry. Finch, formerly fink and pink, is from the call-note of the male English chaffinch.

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GAME AND PREVENTION LAWS IN THE STATES.

OUR American cousins are not given to doing things by halves; and having once convinced themselves that the big and other game animals of their country were in danger of extermination from excessive and indiscriminate shooting, or by the introduction of noxious creatures from abroad, they have not been long in framing and putting into execution protective and preventive laws which appear thoroughly well adapted for their purpose, and are already leading to results of a highly satisfactory nature. It is not our present purpose to review either the legislation as a whole, or the collective results of this legislation, for an account of which our readers may consult three pamphlets, by Mr. T. S. Palmer, issued by the U. S. Agricultural Department, under the respective titles of "Game Preservation in 1905," "Federal Game Protection—a five years' retrospect," and "Game Protection in 1906." On the contrary, we shall merely select some of what appear to us to be the more interesting items in these reports. And here it may be mentioned that under the elastic title of game-protection the author of these pamphlets makes mention of the legislation regulating the importation into the states of mammals and birds of all kinds, other than those imported expressly and exclusively for food.

Such birds and mammals can be introduced into the country only by means of special permits, for obtaining which every facility is granted where the creatures for which they are wanted are in every way unobjectionable. During the five years ending with June 1905, no less than 1,563 of such permits were issued, thereby allowing the introduction into the United States of 2,841 mammals, 185,765 birds, other than canaries, and the enormous total of 819,970 songsters of the latter species. In addition to these, over 7,000 eggs of game-birds were admitted during the same period for breeding purposes. On the other hand, the introduction of species of either mammals or birds held to be injurious is sternly prohibited; so sternly, indeed, that but few attempts are made to evade the law. Nevertheless, it is recorded that endeavours were made to land a few specimens of blue tits, coal-tits, starlings, mungooses, and likewise quite a number of flying-foxes. All these were, however, promptly vetoed. The prohibition of starlings is extremely significant, if taken in connection with the efforts constantly made by fervid bird-protectionists in England to prove that the enormous flocks of these birds now to be met with in the country are beneficial rather than injurious to the horticulturist and the agriculturist.

In view of past experiences in the West Indies, the American authorities are terribly "down" on the mungoose. Out of seven specimens brought to the country, six were promptly killed at their respective ports of arrival; but the seventh was successfully smuggled into California, where, however, it lived but a short time. The only living specimens known to be in the States are those in the Zoological Gardens at Philadelphia and Washington, where they are carefully kept under lock and key. Of the four-and-fifty flying-foxes, two brought to San Francisco in 1903 were there and then destroyed

while the remainder, which arrived all together in New York the previous year, were promptly reshipped to Hamburg.

Justification for such strict prohibitive laws is afforded, in the case of the mungoose, by the fear that if it once obtained a foothold in the Southern United States, "it would probably repeat its record in Jamaica, and exterminate quail, grouse, and other ground-nesting birds, destroy poultry, and otherwise do immense damage. In short, it would in all probability become the worst pest that could be introduced into the country.....In the strict enforcement of this law lies the protection of the United States in future from the repetition of such a costly experiment as the introduction of the English sparrow, and from the danger of acclimatization of the mungoose or other pests capable of doing immense damage."

As regards the results effected by the laws for the protection of the wild game—both furred and feathered—of the country, these seem, on the whole, to be highly satisfactory, and to show that there is ground for abundant hope for the future of the fauna. Deer (by which we presume the white-tailed species and the mule-deer are meant) appear to have maintained their normal numbers in most districts, and in some localities, such as the Adirondacks and parts of Pennsylvania, have actually increased, some idea of the numbers in which these ruminants still exist is afforded by the statement that during the past year no less than 6,799 were carried out of Maine by rail, while in Vermont 495 were killed during the six days that shooting is permitted, and 3,310 were entrained in Ontario. In New Jersey the experiment of restocking a portion of the country which had been shot out is proving successful.

Moose, again, are increasing in Wyoming, and apparently not diminishing in Maine whence 253 were shipped during the year under review. The wapiti ("elk") liberated in the Adirondacks are thriving, while those in Wyoming have maintained their normal number, notwithstanding the fact that nearly 800 were killed during the season. On the other hand it is sad to learn that prong-horn antelope are doing badly in Wyoming, one of their main strongholds, where about a couple of hundred are reported to have been slain in the course of the past year. It is added that the herd in the Green River Valley, believed to be one of the largest in the United States, will soon dwindle to insignificant proportions unless prompt and efficient measures are taken for its protection. Much more satisfactory is the news that the herd of wild bison near the head of Pelican Creek, in the Yellowstone, now numbers about thirty individuals.

The herd of so-called tame bison in the Yellowstone which, when started in 1902, comprised eighteen cows and a couple of bulls, now numbers forty-four, inclusive of three wild calves caught in the park. The degree of tameness to which the bison have reached is not recorded, but it is stated that the prongbuck, bighorn sheep, and white-tailed deer in the park have become, as the result of being regularly fed during the last two or three winters, excessively tame, so that many of them come near the buildings, and even on the parade-ground of the Fort.

Prong-horn antelope in the park are stated to number about fifteen hundred, while the herd of bighorn sheep is estimated at a hundred head; beavers are increasing, and, white-tailed deer, wapiti, and black bears abound. The wapiti are by far the most numerous of the big game, so numerous indeed that it is impossible to hazard even a guess at their number. During the summer they find abundant food, but in winter probably about half the number leave the park to seek better feeding-grounds in the adjacent States at lower altitudes. It is added that the experience of the last ten years in the Yellowstone demonstrates how easily the big game of the west may be saved from extermination if Congress will but sanction the conversion of certain parts of the forest-reserves into game-sanctuaries.

Certain areas, in addition to the Yellowstone, have indeed been already devoted to this purpose. The Wichita preserve in Oklahoma includes, for instance, 57,000 acres, and although this area is only a fraction of that of the Yellowstone, the reserve has great possibilities as a sanctuary for bison, wapiti, white-tailed deer, and prong-horn, to say nothing of game-birds of various kinds. Reference may also be made to the herd of the small San Joaquin race of wapiti recently establised in the Sequoia National Park, California. These wapiti, which had for some years been protected on a private ranch in California, formerly abounded in the southern part of the San Joaquin Valley, but had become reduced to less than one hundred and fifty head. In 1904 an unsuccessful attempt was made to capture the herd by driving it into a corral, but in the autumn of 1905 about a score of individuals were caught and safely transferred to their new quarters, where it is hoped that they will increase, and thus maintain the dwarf southern race (for it is not, as Americans suppose, a species) of the wapiti for many years to come.

In addition to the number of big game reserves in the States, there are several sanctuaries where birds of various kinds are secure from the egg-collector and the plume-hunter. The best known of these sanctuaries is Pelican Island, in the Indian River, Florida, at no great distance from the city of Sebastian. Little more than a mud flat, with only a few mangroves, two or three cabbage plams, and patches of tall grass dotted over its area of four acres, it has for many years been the sole breeding-place on the east coast of Florida of the brown pelican, of which the colony was originally immense. Previous, however, to 1901, when vigorous protective measures were taken, the colony was in serious danger of extermination, plume-hunters destroying the adult birds for their quills, then in fashion for ladies' hats, while collectors carried away the eggs by the hundred. One of the latter gentry who visited the island in the spring of 1894 has, indeed, acknowledged that in about an hour he collected some 125 clutches, which must have represented a very considerable proportion of the eggs then in the nests. Even tourists frequently did considerable mischief by shooting at the unfortunate pelicans simply for the reason that they afforded a good mark, or by driving them from their nests, thus exposing the callow offspring to the scorching, and often fatal, rays of the sun. All this has been changed by the new *régime*.

"For several seasons," runs the report, "the birds have bred free from molestation, and the colony is now in a flourishing condition. The island has been visited by naturalists, who have made careful studies of the birds; data never before available are being collected regarding their food, moulting and nesting habits, and the reservation is fast becoming a point of interest for visitors and students of nature, who are attracted by the exceptional opportunities afforded for observing the birds and studying their habits."

Having once determined (fortunately before it was too late) that protection for birds and animals was imperative, unless the native fauna was to be exterminated, Brother Jonathan has taken up the mater in real earnest and in a manner showing that he intends to see it through.

Special Telegrams.

THE MELBOURNE CUP.

(From Our Own Corespondent.)

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Sporting Notes.

We publish elsewhere the first entries for the four big events of the Calcutta Races and have to acknowledge our indebtedness to the Secretary of the C. T. C. for having placed them at our disposal.

In all cases the entries are more numerous than those of last year. Twenty-one are down for the Trials as against seventeen; nineteen for the Viceroy's Cup as against sixteen last year; and eighteen for the Grand National which at the first time of asking last year drew fourteen, and the Grand Annual has attracted the very satisfactory entry of eighteen. The list has reached us too late to admit of analysis in this number, we shall deal with it fully in our next; meanwhile our readers will find food for reflection and matter for speculation on perusing what is set before them to-day.

The Calcutta training track was not opened on the 5th November as anticipated owing to the heavy rain of the preceding week, and most of the Bangalore and other up-country stables are delaying their move to head-quarters in consequence. Wishart's is the only important string as yet in evidence, but fresh arrivals will no doubt be forthcoming daily during next week. The most important units in the Hastings stable are Blitzen and The Master, the latter being mentioned as a probable starter in the Cup. Mercedes, Stepaway, Warstripe, and Mornine with Mr. Holme's Santa Maria and Anna Mulloch are also in this stable, as well as last year's paperchase cup winner, Nevermore Mr. Galstaun's Poona string has arrived in charge of Tingey and Robinson has also been in Calcutta during the week. The owner of Long Tom has now built a fine range of stables in Circular Road considerably nearer the course than his present location off Lansdowne Road, and large enough to accommodate his ever-growing string.

The programme of the Bombay Races shows a further advance on that of last year, and by raising the stakes of the Byculla Club Cup Handicap, the executive can now offer two ten-thousand rupee handicaps at this meeting. These prizes should attract all the Viceroy's Cup and open handicap horses competing at the Calcutta meeting.

It is necessary to report the following notice in the last C. T. C. *Calendar*, being a further, and apparently the final, step in the Chump case.

Notice.

The Stewards having considered certain betting transactions at the Monsoon Meetings 1906 decide that W. Scott (also known as W. Scott Harding) representing the firm of Chas. Harding at the above meetings be warned off.

(By Order),
James Hutchison,
Secy., C.T.C.

Windy, the much talked about "entrance fail" for the Measurers' Competition has been purchased by Mr. Galstaun, and the reported price, Rs. 12,000, is a further commentary on the folly of dividing horses into two classes by the 14-2 standard.

The Tollygunge Club brought off a fairly successful Meeting last Saturday, but the final downpour on the preceding Friday made the course decidedly greasy and unpleasant. The Steeplechase had to be abandoned and accidents occurred in two races. In the first race for ponies Dr. Hossack's new paper-chaser slipped and stumbled at the bend for home and most unhappily broke its leg. His owner escaped uninjured, but is entitled to all sympathy for the loss of his fine pony at the very commencement of the season. In the Novice Stakes, the

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favourite Lucifer, slipped and fell at the same place, bringing down Salad Dressing, but fortunately without any serious effect beyond the inevitable loss to backers. Taking Lucifer's subsequent performance later in the afternoon as a criterion it seems, however, that Mars, the ultimate winner, would have won the race, fall or no fall. The result of this very high weight handicap was not a success, as only one of the top weights accepted and the field was reduced to five starters.

The open race gave much better sport and three or four of them seemed to be well in it at the distance. Eventually, however, the light-weighted Queen of Gems drew out and won in a very decided fashion, so much so that her connections were glad to back her to beat Lollipop at level weights. The challenge resulted in a match over 6 furlongs, which was run off at the close of the programme. Mr. Galstaun on Queen of Gems had no difficulty in defeating Lollipop and the latter's victory at the Monsoon Meetings seem more than ever a marvel.

The Steeplechase having been converted into a seven-furlong flat race, Queen of Hearts gave her owner a comfortable winning ride, Fairy just getting into second place by a head from Lucifer. Mr. Pierson's mare is a real good bit of stuff and should beat more "hunters" than beat her out paperchasing, or even over Tollygunge. It is true that she beat nothing of much merit on Saturday, but on the other hand she was hardly extended at all at any point in the race.

The pony race in which Glenekin fell was won handsomely by Mr. Evers on Lady George, after riding a patient race in the wake of Knock Out the public fancy. The Pony Buggy Stakes resulted in a tussle between Golden Star and Blossom, but the latter was not seen to great advantage, when it came to close quarters. The Fatherland took a heavy fall in the Ring over Mr. Schwertfeiger's mount, but he will no doubt make another effort to get his own back. After all nothing but practice can make perfect, and it is as a practice ground that these gymkhana meetings are approved by that section of their supporters, who do not frequent the betting ring.

Messrs. Milton and Company must have been gratified at Saturday's results. In the first race Knock Out, who ran second, was one of their selling, and they also sold Mars, who won the Novice Stakes and Golden Star, who won the Buggy Stakes. In the All-Comers' Cup the winner, Queen of Gems, was stabled and trained at their place, and the two placed horses, Batanzos and Lollipop, had both passed through their stables.

The following items figure in the prospectus of the final gymkhana fixed for Saturday, the 17th instant. As anticipated the programme is of a variegated nature; the lighter vein being supplied by a Portly Stakes for 12-stone pedestrians and a four furlongs Recruits' Race for first-year men in the Calcutta Light Horse.

The Jumping Competition is open to horses and ponies and will probably take a big slice out of the afternoon, so that the executive will have their work cut out to keep up to time. Then there is an open race for all ponies 14-2 and under, distance, five furlongs. The Farewell Stakes for horses that have never won Rs. 500 is over the same distance; the attraction probably being the spectacular effect obtainable of a start from the mile post. The six-furlong post is very badly placed in this respect and seven furlongs necessitates a start amongst the crowd.

The number of *Black* and *White* to hand by the last English mail has a photo of Lieutenant-Colonel J. Desaraj Urs, of Southern India racing fame. In the accompanying letter press he is described as "the most successful racing man in India, whose colours have finished first at all the chief meetings." The enterprising Colonel has certainly won a good many races and has had some measure of success at most of our big meetings; but the names of a dozen more successful racing men than he will readily occur to our readers. His best horse, far and away, was game old Leonidas who captured the Viceroy's Cup in 1897, the Turf Club Cup in 1897 and 1898, the Cooch Behar Cup in 1897, and the Madras Governor's Cup in 1904.

The 39th Central India Horse won the Indore Polo Tournament on Saturday, beating Bhopal in the final as will be seen from our report.

Possibly there may be among our readers those who cultivate a pretty taste in gastronomics; to such the following may be of interest:—"Some of the dishes at a City banquet this week included twenty turkeys, each boned and stuffed, an ox tongue, truffles, and sausage-meat; twenty-four dozen boned larks, stuffed with Pyfleet native oysters; and some fifteen brace of pheasants, the finest the market could produce. The boned larks are a particular delicacy. They are stuffed only with the finest oysters, and each oyster has its beard removed, so that only the choicest part is used."

The illustrated papers received by this week's English mail give us some idea of how the angry French sportsman sets to work when things don't please him. Some further particulars of the extraordinary scenes on the Longchamps course, when the place was wrecked and three hundred persons injured, may be of interest: we extract the following from the London *Sportsman*. "Longchamps racecourse was wrecked this afternoon by an infuriated mob, whose passions were aroused by a fiasco at the start of the third race on the card. Three hundred persons were injured. Two men are reported to have been killed, and several of the injured are in a precarious condition.

The favourite, Storm, and half of the other horses entered were left at the post when the signal to start was given. Five of the remainder went on with the race, but the others who started with them pulled up and returned to the starting post. The jockeys who got away pushed forward their mounts despite the hoots and booing of the people, and carried the race to a finish. A rank outsider naturally came in an easy winner, but the judge had no choice but to declare the win, and as the notice bell rang to proclaim "All well," the crowd suddenly surged round the judge's box and howled for the race to be called off. The occupants of the grand stand and the reserved enclosure were just as excited as the mob on the heath, and swarmed round the horses as they walked back to the weighing paddock to weigh in. Amid angry shouts hundreds of men raced away across the course to the office of the *pari-mutuel*. The police on duty, aided by the company of infantry always on duty at the races, together with a half squadron of mounted Republican Guards, endeavoured to stem the movement, but were swept away by the now infuriated mob. Many women in the path of the rush were either ruthlessly pushed aside or thrown down and trampled upon by the rioters. The mob, armed with chairs from the enclosure, and palings hastily ripped off the paddock fences, fought savagely to get at the betting booths and weighing-room. The betting booths upon the field number some hundreds, little wooden huts of the flimsiest description. The clerks inside them fastened their doors. It did not take long for someone in the crowd to suggest firing the booths. This idea was immediately put into operation. The clerks inside cried aloud for help, and when their positions became untenable, owing either to the smoke and flames or to the huts being partially wrecked, they had no option but to attempt the impossible task of saving themselves and the money entrusted to them from the maddened thousands by whom they were surrounded. At the sight of the boxes containing the money the mob made a rush, and in a twinkling cash and notes were strewn all about. People fought like maniacs to get a share of the plunder.

By this time the betting booths were blazing furiously. Some of the cashiers managed to make their way to the chief betting room; most of them not only lost all their takings but were half done to death as well. It is known that at least £20,000 is missing, and if the further accounts can ever be made up it is probable that the losses will be found to be much heavier.

Urgent messages were telephoned to police headquarters for assistance. The troops from Curbevoie barracks were upon the scene within and hour of the first outbreak, but they hesitated to use their weapons, and without them they were practically powerless. The Puteaux Fire Brigade galloped up within a few minutes of receiving the call. The mob cut the traces of the horses and caused them to stampede, several people being knocked down and badly injured. The hose was cut to pieces and the fire engine damaged. Shortly after this, M. Lepine, Prefect of Police, hurried upon the scene, and there being nothing else for it M. Lepine directed the Guards to charge. They did so, but they could make little headway against the rioters, who clubbed the soldiers mercilessly, and even attempted to set fire to their uniforms. Until the further reinforcements telephoned for arrived, the authorities had to content themselves with guarding the enclosure and saving the main stands and the presidential box from destruction. In this they were successful, although three times smoke was seen to rise from the weighing rings and flames burst out from the stables. Owners, trainers, and jockeys had an anxious time in getting away the many valuable horses. Fortunately, the mob was too intent upon pillaging the betting booths to give heed to the horses, and all the animals were safely got out and hurried away by a back road. Two motor fire engines arrived at full speed from Paris, and losing no time in getting to work soon extinguished the few minor outbreaks, smouldering rather than burning, within the enclosure.

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Out in the open, however, matters were very different. Not a single betting booth escaped destruction. A huge bonfire was made of the judge's box, winning post, course railings, tickets, and everything else that could he got at. One gang seized a four-wheeled cab that could not be got away in time, and after releasing the horse threw the vehicle bodily into the flames. The restaurant also blazed furiously, where men and a few women, heedless of the flames, struggled to get at the casks of wine and spirits.

The first disorder happened soon after three o'clock, and it was not until half-past five that there was a sufficient force of military on the ground to suppress the disorder. At that hour, five hundred infantry arrived at the double, and clubbing their rifles advanced in a line four deep, and ruthlessly swept the rioters off the field. The mob fought stubbornly, but could not stand against the rush of the military. Scores of persons were borne away by the ambulance detachment. The racecourse by now was dotted with heaps of smouldering ruins. Nothing remained standing on the field, while in the enclosure chairs and seats were smashed to match-wood, the planking of the grand stand was ripped away, windows riddled, flower beds ruined, and stables and weighing-in rooms wrecked. Torn bank notes, money, shreds of elaborate costumes, battered hats, torn frock coats, and broken umbrellas and walking-sticks lying about the place were an eloquent testimony to the severity of the struggle.

The damage to the racecourse property alone must amount to thousands of pounds, without counting the huge sums lost through the raid on the *pari-mutuel*. The wounded include several police and mounted guards, several of whom are suffering from stabs and bullet wounds, and two are reported to have died. There were very few arrests, the mob in almost every case effecting a rescue whenever the police succeeded in making a capture. The occurrence is unprecedented in French racing history. There have been several minor disorders, but never anything like to-day's affair."

The programme of the Chittagong Races is advertised in to-day's paper : the dates are the 11th and 13th December and first entries close on the 1st idem. We hope the efforts of the executive will attract owners from the tea districts and Eastern Bengal.

Details of the recent Handicap Polo Tournament, held at Lucknow, appear among our Polo news to-day.

A correspondent writes in connection with the proposal to hold a big polo tournament in Agra during the Amir's visit :—"Major Lecky, of the Indian Polo Association, is now seeking votes from the different regiments and other teams that are interested, as to whether Agra or Calcutta is to be the *cenue* of the Championship Polo Tournament this year. Under any circumstances there is every prospect of a big tournament at Agra during the durbar week, distinct from the small one advertised for December, and if the votes are in favour of the championship being played at Agra it will behove the Calcutta Turf Club to organize a separate tournament at Calcutta, where a splendid ground has been arranged. It is hoped that polo teams from various Native States, such as Jodhpore, Alwar, Bikanir, Kishengarh and Bhopal, whose Chiefs will be present, may come forward and compete at Agra. It is also hoped that the famous Golconda team may be induced to attend."

It is Lord Minto's desire to witness a tournament on the same scale and lines as that held during the Delhi Durbar for cups presented by Lord Curzon. Lord Minto proposes to offer similar cups if the tournament can be arranged. The Championship Polo Tournament will be held as arranged in Calcutta, but if the two tournaments are held so close together it is not improbable one of them may suffer. It behoves the Calcutta Committee to make strenuous efforts to indûce all teams proposing to compete at Agra to attend the Calcutta tournay as well."

Our Bangalore correspondent writes :—The Cup candidates here are all well and doing good work. Taking them in order Long Tom is never absent from the track and though he has not yet been called upon to do any really important time gallops, he goes round morning after morning, generally twice, and always finishes at a strong pace. This morning (3rd November) he came home at about ten annas from the seven-furlong post and was galloping like a lion at the finish. The big gelding never takes anything out of himself by unnecessary pulling about, indeed he is so confidential that to see him when trotting, he might be described as an old gentleman's mount. Should he be brought to the post fit and well, and if anyone can do this Tom Ferguson can, I shall look to see him repeat his last year's triumph. There is nothing to add to what has already been written about Munderah. The horse is much better than he was last year, and very well. He is bound to run well, but other things being equal I doubt whether he will ever beat Long Tom. And in this opinion I am supported by very competent authority indeed.

Nothing can be added also to last week's remarks about Mallard. He never does a gallop but is always in slow and steady work which is indeed all he needs at present for he is almost fit to go to the post to-day. Fitzgrafton had a dose of physic at the beginning of the week and was not seen on the track for some days, but on Friday and Saturday he cantered round once looking bright and well. It is necessary to qualify to some extent my remarks as to Steinhagger. I said that he could hardly be got fit in time for the big race, but he is coming on very steadily and as he left England fit and well and has still nearly two months in front of him there is no reason why he should not after all be brought to the post at the top of his form. Whether that form is good enough to beat the crack Australians mentioned above, or to win the Viceroy's Cup is doubtful and personally I do not think so. Of the jumpers Lock Lockie is jumping beautifully and going very freely, but Pennant appears to want a lot of driving and was regularly rib-roasted at every fence during a fast school on Thursday morning. Decoration and Aberfoil went half a mile over three fences this morning, both jumping well and travelling at a great rate, but Decoration as usual led the other a long way. He is a "grate leppar intoirely."

Another from Ferguson's stable did a fair half mile gallop this morning, a second under even time being clocked, but I do not think that this sister to Kipling will ever be really first class. Colonel Desaraj Urs, will visit Calcutta with two horses (Red Coral and Trenton) and two ponies (Lucretia and Minimus). The latter is very full of himself and very well, but it may be doubted if he is quite the pony he was. He has had a lot of knocking about and I well remember seeing him present 73lbs (!) to the speedy Beccles in Mysore and win in a tight finish. On that occasion he supported no less than 12st. 10lbs., a cruel weight for a pony. Lucretia is a sweet tempered little mare and will always try, but the pony class on your side will probably be too good for her. Trenton, like Minimus, seems to me not quite the horse he was, but he too is very light-hearted and rumour saith that when, in the absence of a riding boy his, veteran trainer lately steered him round the course, that veteran trainer had his hands quite full. *Eheu fugaces.* That same trainer was once probably the leading jockey in India.

The usual odds and ends paragraph must close the week's racing letter. Airlock has got over her lameness is quite sound again and in steady work. Ballark is doing slow work. There is a certain English chestnut pony called Miss Hobson which is said to be going to do huge things bye and bye, but at present she is only doing slow work. Certainly she is a good one to look at. Dignum's new English importations are doing heaps of work, but some of them are giving trouble. Jolly Monk and Vespasia are probably the best of them ; the former by the way a grand son of Hermit, will sooner or later win a good race or two. Also by the way, it may be noted that there are two or three "good old have beens" doing tum-tum duty here at present. Watson drives Malta and Stand Off in his gig and Mr. Apcar presented old Severity to Mr. Donne, the Bangalore Race Secretary, who may often be seen tooling the old horse down to the course. Very happy the old horses seem, too, and as they stand in the gigs one can imagine their pitying their younger comrades who go out to be excited and raced and physicked and generally worried. It is quite possible that a race horse may enjoy a race, but I douot if he enjoys his training. I know I did not when I used to have to train for Henley more years ago than I like to think about.

There was some good fun at a little Gymkhana race meeting on the 3rd instant when fields were fair and in some instances good. It was pleasant to see Mr. Strickland, who has just returned from home, again riding, and he won a couple of races. Mr. Hannington's new purchases from Tom Ferguson's stable, King's Mirror and Advance were considerably too good for their company. Advance jumps well and King's Mirror, albeit a baby at present, shows much promise and will be heard of in much more important racing in the future.

The old grey horse Acetine, well remembered in Calcutta as an unlucky performer who had a wonderful faculty for *nearly* getting there, has recently distinguished himself by winning the Governor's Cup at the Singapore Races. This was his second attempt ; on the first, last year, he was badly beaten by Essington. This time with the light impost of 8st. 7lbs. he managed to *quite* get there : Rapid Pilgrim and Rutland filled the situations.

The Poona racing season just closed began on the 28th July and ran on without interruption till the 27th ultimo. There were twelve extras, one closed meeting and seven days of the big meeting, in all twenty days of good sport, details of which have been published in these columns from week to week. It only now remains to conclude the record with the usual statistics. The tables of "Form at a Glance" will be found among our Turf news and below we give the other details relating to jockey, owners, and trainers. *Facile princeps* among the riding talent stands that redoubtable horseman J. Robinson. He wears well ; it seems a very long time since we first saw him ride for the late Maharajah of Durbhunga—a quarter of a century ago it must be—yet he continues to lead. At these meetings he had 92 mounts, rode 21 winners, 20 seconds and 15 thirds. The next on the list is Williams, whose 51 rides produced 15 wins, 7 seconds and 3 thirds. A. Hoyt, whose position on the list is fourth, had nearly as many mounts as Robinson, three less in fact, yet his wins total but 11. At the head of the G. R. contingent stands Mr. Deane, with the Hon'ble. D. Bingham a good second.

The gentleman who races under the *nom de course* of "Mr. R. R. S."—how fond they are of these bewildering letter combinations on the other side of India—was the most successfull owner both in number of wins and in amount of stakes. He is followed, *longo intervallo*, by M. Goculdas and A. Nanji, but before this well-known stable come the Kour Saheb of Patiala and Mr. Galstaun by reason of their larger money total. Mr. Galstaun was the only Calcutta owner to make any show, the Hon. Mr. Apcar and Mr. W. H. Walmsley having but a win each.

JOCKEYS.

Name.	Wins.	Second.	Third.	Unplaced.	Total.
Robinson	31	20	15	36	92
Williams	15	7	3	26	51
Evans ... –	14	8	13	27	62
A. Hoyt	11	14	4	60	89
Kamad	10	8	7	34	59
Southall	8	9	7	26	50
Vining	5	6	8	24	42
Oomer Khan ...	4	3	...	21	28
Taylor	4	2	3	19	28
Heeroo	3	4	7	52	68
Melsom	3	5	5	53	66
Forster	3	3	2	12	20
Bray	2	3	2	15	22
O'Brien	2	1	3	19	27
Bond	2	1	1	1	5
Robertson	2	...	...	5	7
Ames	1	4	7	22	34
P. Morrison ...	1	2		3	6
Barrett	1	...	2	3	6
Thomas	1	...	2	2	5
Majeed	1	...	...	5	6
Manley	..	1	4	17	22
Deeble	...	1	3	2	6
Fisher	...	1	2	11	14
Trahan	...	1	2	10	13
Johnson	...	1	1	2	4
C B. Mahomed ...	...	1	...	16	17
Coomber ... –	–	1	...	10	11
Kuhn	...	1	..	9	10

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Kunai	...	...	2	8	10
Dhondee	...	...	1	10	11
Davis	...	...	1	6	7
Bennett	...	...	...	24	24
Ittal	...	...	...	10	10
Brown	...	...	...	5	5
Kanoo ...	...	...	...	3	3
Hazak	...	...	...	3	3
Goonda	...	...	...	2	2
Nama	...	...	...	2	2
Murphy ...	...	...	...	2	2
Moosa	...	...	...	1	1
Weatherall ...	...	...	...	1	1
Shunker	...	...	...	1	1
Esoof	...	...	...	1	1
Sheetan Singh ...	...	...	...	1	1

GENTLEMEN RIDERS.

Name	Wins.	Second.	Third.	Unplaced.	Total.
Mr. Deane	4	6	3	9	22
Hon. D. Bingham ...	3	2	2	11	18
Capt. Meynell ...	2	4	1	6	13
Mr. Passy	2	1	2	10	15
Mr. W. Williams ...	2	1	2	3	8
Mr. J. G. Willoughby ...	1	2	...	5	8
Mr. Fischer ...	1	...	2	3	7
Capt. Dent	1	1	2	1	5
Mr. Reynard ...	1	...	4	7	12
Capt. Hopwood ...	1	...	1	2	4
Mr. R. Forbes ...	1	...	...	...	1
Mr. H. T. Raban ...	...	1	1	1	3
Capt. West	...	1	...	3	4
Capt. Leighton ...	...	1	...	1	2
Capt. Wright ...	...	1	...	1	2
Capt. Gregory ...	...	1	...	1	2
Major Wogan Brown ...	...	1	...	...	1
Major Stack ...	...	...	1	1	2
Mr. W. Orr Paterson ...	...	...	1	...	1
Mr. Phillips ...	...	...	...	6	6
Mr. Gourlie ...	...	...	...	4	4
Mr. Cooper	...	...	...	2	2
Mr. O. C. Herbert ...	...	...	...	1	1
Major Baynes ...	...	...	...	1	1
Capt. Hewlett ...	...	...	...	1	1
Mr. Mortimer ...	...	...	...	1	1
Mr. Hodgson ...	...	...	...	1	1

OWNERS.

Name.	Net Rs.	Wins.
Mr. R. R. S.	17,105	18
H. H. Kour Sahib of Patiala	10,095	3
Mr. J. C. Galstaun	8,940	8
Messrs. M. Goculdas and A. Nanji ...	7,170	9
Mr. J. B.	6,860	1
Mr. North	5,245	4
Mr. Kelso	3,880	5
Mr. R. D. Sethna	3,715	1
Mr. Ali bin Talib	2,930	1
Mr. Morison	2,910	3
Hon. H. Thelluson	1,910	1
Messrs. Goculdas, Nanji, and Hon A. Hill Trevor	1,845	2
Aga S. Shah	1,740	3
Mr. E. C. Ramshaw	1,560	1
Mr. C. E. Reynard	1,560	1
Mr. P. S. Avasia	1,560	2
Mr. J. Morris	1,455	2
Hon. Mr. A. A. Apcar	1,360	1
Mr. A. Razak	1,360	1
Mr. Jawad Mahomed	1,360	1
Aga Farukh Shah	1,360	3
H. H. Aga Khan and Aga S. Shah ...	1,165	2
Capt. Dent	1,160	2
Mr. W. H. Walmsley	970	1
Mr. A. A. Jones	960	1
Mr. A. M. Mahomed	880	1
Capt. H. D. McNeile	865	3
Messrs. Meyer and Green	680	1
Mr. Mulraz Khatau	675	2
Mr. Vaid	675	2
Mr. D. Runchordass	570	3
Capt. B. E. P. Leighton	485	1
Mr. G. K.	485	1
Mr. A. N. Dass	485	1
Capt. Marchant	485	1
Mr. W. Orr Paterson	380	2
Mr. Haggard	380	2
Mr. M. H. Ebrahim	380	2
Mr. A. M. Bushari	380	2
Mr. M. A. Khan	380	2
Mr. W. Williams	380	2
Mr. A. S. Oomer	380	2
Mr. J. Baldevi	190	1
Mr. N. J. Jacob	190	1
Mr. S. N. Mahomed	190	1
Mr. A. K. Readymoney	190	1
Mr. M. R. K. Hodgson ...	190	1
Mr. Abdul Gany	190	1
Messrs. Wood and Badger	190	1
Mr. C. Murray	190	1
Messrs. A. M. Ahmed and S. A. Wahed ...	190	1
Mr. F. Murray	190	1
Mr. Gourlie	190	1
Mr. G. P. de Saone	190	1
Mr. R. R. Forbes	190	1
Mr. Murdoch	190	1
Messrs. G. S. Mahomed, A. A. Saif and L. K. Kapadia	190	1
Mr. C. E. Tayleur	190	1
Hon. A. Hill Trevor	190	1
Mr. Syed Dayar	190	1
Mr. C. W. Lyons	190	1
Mr. Haji Ali Shabag	190	1
Mr. A. M. Ameer	190	1
Mr. Dawood Essack	190	1
Capt. Price	190	1
Mr. Willoughby	190	1
Mr. D. L. Khimjee	190	1
Major Leslie	190	1

Mr. John Enright, the British champion salmon-fly caster, easily won the New York Anglers' Club open tournament in Central Park on Saturday, the 6th ultimo. With an 18 feet rod he made a magnificent cast of 148 feet 6 inches The American record was 147 feet. Only two American anglers ventured to compete. R. C. Leonard came nearest with 137 feet. In an exhibition cast with a 14 feet rod, he cast 126 feet, beating his own world's record by 6 feet. A large crowd of anglers gave enthusiastic cheers for the world's champion.

A colossal enterprise for the preservation of big game is being undertaken in New Brunswick, where a syndicate of a hundred American plutocrats has obtained a lease of all the lands of the New Brunswick Railway Company. The area to be enclosed is 1,700,000 acres, and over £20,000 will be spent in its development. A splendid club-house is to be erected, a corps of guides organised, a chain of hunting camps will be established, and boats and launches will be provided for fishermen. The district is noted for its big game, moose and caribou deer and black bear being found in abundance.

The big reticulated python at the London Zoological Gardens has just caused great joy to its keepers by consenting to eat a goat after many months of voluntary fasting. Since September, 1905, the python has taken two meals, which, considering its remarkably temperate habits, is considered fairly good. The beautiful creature, which is always the centre of interest at the reptile-house, measures 25 feet in length, and is the largest snake in captivity in the world. In spite of its enormous size, however, it is, in the matter of food, one of the cheapest inhabitants of the gardens. Its average time between meals is six months, but it often fasts for eight months, and once, in spite of continual tempting, it refused food for ten months, and appeared none the worse for it. The meal is always the same—a live goat. Anything smaller is despised, and it is certain that the python would starve to death sooner than eat a rabbit. Having broken its fast, the snake began a protracted bath. It entered its tank and coiled itself comfortably in one end of it, with just the tip of its nose appearing above the surface of the water. Past experience has proved that it will remain in that position, probably without uncoiling a fold, for about four months. The temperature of the water is kept at 90 degrees, and the fact of the snake resorting to its tank is a sign that winter is at hand.

The uses to which the destructive dogfish can be put are manifold. It is only quite recently that the campaign in favour of its use as food was started, when it was shown that this fish, hitherto looked upon as utterly useless, was after all something of a delicacy. Now its usefulness as a crop-fertiliser has been demonstrated, and it seems as though the two uses of the fish will conflict. Dead dogfish can be converted into guano, and two dogfish reduction works in Nova Scotia have been turning out a coarse fertiliser material known as "fish scrap" by the ton. Thus a profitable industry has arisen for the fishermen, who are able to do a good business in supplying these works with dogfish. But the question has since arisen whether it is not wasteful to use so admirable a food as the dogfish has proved itself for the purpose of fertilisation. Altogether, the situation is a pretty one. At all events, one fact is prominent; the dogfish, hitherto despised as a destructive and useless creature, offers at least two means of being utilised by humanity.

Anyone who has noticed how rapidly and easily the domestic cat will revert to wildness if left to find for itself, will understand how genuine a pest are those cats which infest some of the London parks. The cat, unlike the dog, has lost little or none of its original aptitude for savage life, and is at need almost as clever a hunter as it was before association with mankind overlaid the creature with a thin—a very thin—veneer of domesticity. There are in London thousands of homeless cats, but they are for the most part thoroughly capable of supporting themselves; and a lost cat is rarely or never reduced to the pitiful circumstances in which the lost dog speedily finds himself. In the parks of London these vagrant cats have their happy hunting grounds, and they are frequently responsible for serious losses in the way of valuable waterfowl. The keepers are engaged in a relentless war against the depredators, but short of the use of a shot gun it seems unlikely that much can be done against so wary and active a creature as a cat that has learned how to live the simple life.

A London contemporary is thankful to learn that someone at last has been found willing—and apparently able—to cope with that abominable nuisance the blue-bottle, to say nothing of the house-fly and similar pests. This summer particularly has been a busy one for insects, which have abounded in some districts to such an extent that they have really been a serious nuisance. The

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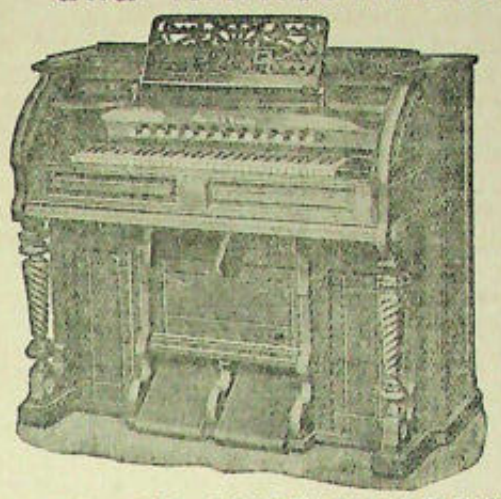

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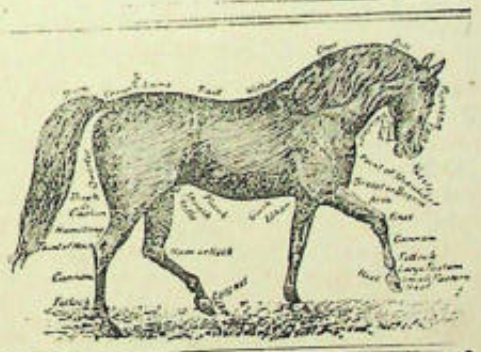

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Messrs. Rodda and Company have favoured us with a copy of their catalogue for the season 1906-1907. Sportsmen will find much to interest them in this well turned out publication.

Athletic Notes.

CONGRATULATIONS to Mr. C. Ismay, who was married on Wednesday, the 31st ultimo, to Miss Grace McBean. The Calcutta Cathedral was thronged by well-known people, prominent among them being a very large number of local representative sportsmen, athletes, and G.R's. Mr. Ismay is, perhaps, one of the best examples of a good "all-round man" to be found in Bengal at the moment: at hockey, football, polo and bicycle polo he is a real "don," on the running path he has shown us some brilliant form; he can ride more than a bit, holds a gun straight and would have made a good oar if he had only stuck to it. Here's the best of good luck to him and his better half, may the day be far distant when he takes a back seat in matters sporting.

The match card of the Calcutta Cricket Club includes three very interesting fixtures for Xmas week :—

Dec. 24th, 25th, 26th	Calcutta C.C. *vs.* The Behar Wanderers.
Dec. 27th, 28th	Bombay Presidency *vs.* Behar Wanderers.
Dec. 29th, 31st, Jan. 1st	Calcutta C.C. *vs.* Bombay Gymkhana.

The South Africans beat Glamorgan, who had no less than eleven Welsh Internationals playing for them, by 6 points to 3; a rather narrower margin of victory than usual. They also beat Gloster last week by 23 points to nothing.

At a Special General Meeting of the Calcutta Cricket Club held at the Turf Club on the 31st ultimo, with 17 members present, and the Hon'ble Mr. A. A. Apcar, Chairman, the new rules, as passed at the Special General Meetings of the 5th and 9th October, were confirmed.

The principal alterations were the election of a President and Vice-President; also a Captain and Vice-Captain of the Club to be elected at the Annual General Meeting. The latter in former years was elected for each match by the Committee.

That instead of each member as heretofore paying an annual subscription of Rs. 50, members will now come under four different headings, *viz.*, Honorary Members, Rs. 25 per annum; Cricket Members, Rs. 40; Tennis, Rs. 40; Members playing both games, 50. The Meeting was followed by the Annual General Meeting, to pass the accounts and elect officers for the coming season. Under the new rules the Hon'ble Mr. A. A. Apcar was elected *President of the Club*; Mr. Collins, *Vice-President*; Mr. F. H. Stewart, *Captain*; Mr. H. V. Low, *Vice-Captain*; Mr. C. M. Pope, *Honorary Secretary*; Mr. J. M. LeCocq, *Honorary Treasurer*; Messrs. T. Curtis-Hayward and H. V. Low, *Members of the Committee*.

The Chairman then proposed a vote of thanks to Messrs. Tassie and LeCocq for all the work they had done in connection with the framing of the new rules. The Meeting altogether passed off very successfully and closed with a hearty vote of thanks to the Chair.

The St. Xavier's College Annual Sports are fixed for Saturday, the 17th instant, and will be held, as usual, in the College grounds, Park Street. The programme is timed to begin at 3 o'clock, the Volunteer band will be on hand, distinguished patronage is expected, the parents will muster in force and their offspring may be depended on to do the rest. The general public, outside parents, and those connected with the College, are cordially invited to come and see how school sports can be run.

The Calcutta Football Club Meeting on Wednesday last was fairly well attended and was presided over by Mr. Frank Carter. The election of office-bearers gave the following satisfactory result :—*President*, Mr. F. W. Carter (re-elected); *Vice-President*, Mr. G. Pickford; *Rugby Captain*, Mr. Heilgers; *Hockey Captain*, Mr. McCaw; *Ground Secretary* Mr. Mackenzie (re-elected); *Treasurer*, Mr. Barnes; *Association Secretary*, Mr. Reid. The selection of the Association Captain was held over.

The accounts were passed and certain changes in the rules were adopted.

A proposal to support the Referees' Association found very general acceptance and the meeting decided to enter an Association team for the tournament to be held in connection with Lady Minto's *fête*. Also it was decided at that time to play off, with the West Ridings, the tie which resulted in their meeting in the final of the Madras Rugby tournament. A hockey tournament in connection with the *fête* was also proposed and found support.

Owing to the sodden state of the ground after the recent heavy rain no cricket matches of any importance were played in Calcutta last Saturday.

Seven teams entered for the Upper Burma Association Football Championship at Mandalay; the final resolved itself into a struggle between the East Yorks from Maymyo and the King's Own from Shwebo, the East Yorks winning an exciting game by two goals to one.

We learn from the report by the Directors of the Norwich Union Life Insurance Society to the 98th Annual General Meeting, held on Thursday, the 7th day of June, 1906 that the Directors made the following very satisfactory statement of the Society's operations during the year ending 31st December, 1905.

In reporting the result of the year's operations the Directors desire to call attention to a slight alteration in the method of presenting the figures. Leasehold and Capital Redemption Insurance (*i.e.*, the insurance of fixed sums payable at specified dates, and having no reference to the duration of life), introduced by the Society in 1890 for the convenience of some of its clients—and now forming an important part of the yearly business of most of the leading offices—has during 1905 taken so large a development that the Directors have decided for the future to report the results separately.

The Proposals received during the year numbered 5,846 for £3,601,233, of which 574 for £317,334 were declined or not completed, while 5,272 Policies were issued insuring £3,283,899, and carrying New Premiums of £149,544. It will be remembered that the New Business of 1904 was the largest ever transacted by the Society, but the above figures exceed those of 1904 by £249,962 in sums insured, and £16,565 in New Premiums.

In addition to the above, the Society received the sum of £50,926 1s. 2d. as Premiums for Leasehold and Capital Redemption Policies completed during the year.

The income of the year was £1,116,163 0s. 2d., and the expenditure (including a provision for every outstanding claim) £577,106 11s. 6d. The difference £539,056 8s. 8d. (of which £454,247 4s. 6d. arises on the "Assurance Fund," and £84,809 4s. 2d. on the "Annuity Fund") constitutes the increase in the Funds, which at the close of the year amounted to £6,087,868 6s. 10d. The Interest Dividends, etc., received during the year amounted to £242,981 5s. 0d. Including a profit of £4,763 12s. 8d. on Securities realised, the net return on the mean Funds, including all unproductive Assets, was £4 5s. 4d. per cent., after deduction of income tax.

During the year 552 Policies became claims by death, and 87 by survivance, the total amount payable by the Society in respect thereof being £272,715 18s. 3d., exclusive of £52,114 0s. 5d. of Bonus Additions. These amounts have been shown by the usual Mortality Investigation to be less than the amount expected by £84,980.

Few men played more practical jokes on the cricket field than the late Tom Lockyer. During 1867 he took part in a match at Broadwater, near Godalming, between the United South of England Eleven and Eighteen of Ealing.

Among the players for England was the late Julius Cæsar. When he and Lockyer met there was a great deal of chaff exchanged, and the last-named eventually offered to bet his opponent that he would not succeed in scoring more than forty runs. Of course the challenge did not pass unheeded, and the sum agreed upon was soon deposited with the umpire.

When Julius went in to bat there was quite a buzz of excitement, for the news of the wager had spread. In such fine form was the All-England player that in a comparatively short time he had added forty to the score. Then "over" was called, and the successful batsman smiled at Lockyer as he passed.

By no means disconcerted was this worthy gentleman, however, and he calmly took his place behind the wicket. The first ball passed the batsman and sped on to the wicketkeeper. Hastily turning to Jupp, who was at long-stop, Tom called out, "Now, Juppy!" implying, of course, that the ball had gone on to the player mentioned. No sooner, however, had Julius started to run than a shout proclaimed something was wrong, and, hastily turning, the too-confident batsman had the mortification of seeing the bails lying on the ground. In this manner Lockyer won his bet, and had the laugh, which was the thing he most cared for, against Julius.

London Week by Week.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

Friday, 19th October 1906.

MR. HALDANE'S method of dealing with the officers whose conduct was the subject of investigation by the War Stores Commission, has been accorded a mixed reception. The soldiers do not like the departure from tradition involved by dispensing with the court-martial which, say they, would give accused a chance. Some critics think the stick has been applied too freely, while others hold opinions just the reverse: but there seems to be much unanimity on one point :—to wit that to name a score of men (all but one warrant officers or non-commissioned) and say "In the following cases no action will be taken," is not playing the game. I cannot say I take this view myself. Of course it leaves a black mark against the men, but if the "not proven" of a Scots court be a fair verdict so also is this of Mr. Haldane's. The conduct of the men was shown to be open to grave suspicion, they failed to clear themselves and though misconduct could not be brought fully home to them it would have been a grave error of leniency to whitewash the whole crowd.

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Colonel Morgan's case excites commiseration: after long service, earning his C.B. and D.S.O. to be called upon to retire is indeed a melancholy close of his career. No doubt his good record was taken into consideration; had it been otherwise the induction of his brother into the contract business must have brought upon him worse results. The *Times*, mindful of good monies wrenched from its pocket in the name of damages for slander by the jury at Mr. Justice Laurances' instance, exhibits a chastened satisfaction at this verdict of the Secretary for War: and really one cannot be surprised. The moral for the *Times* is that there are cases in which it is as expensive to be right at the wrong time as it is to be wrong at the right time. Concerning Colonel Hammit there is nothing to be said: he admitted that, demoralised as he supposed by the atmosphere of South Africa, he took a bribe: he had nothing else to expect than what he received. Of course the gang of shady civilian contractors escape: there is no reason why they should do otherwise, *pace* the papers, who cry for a burnt offering in the shape of contractors. The contractor has no duty towards the public purse save to dig what he can out of it. Why blame him if he labour in his vocation?

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It was a painful scene that followed the issue of the War Office decision on Tuesday at Aldershot. The warrant officers and non-commissioned affected were paraded before the Adjutant of the A.S.C. and the sentences were read out. Those sentenced to dismissal from the Army were first reduced to the ranks, whereby they forfeit all decorations won for good service or on active service. The civilian mind inclines to the view that medals and the like might be left in the culprits' possession. To assume an extreme case it would seem unfair to deprive a man of the V.C. he had been awarded "for valour" because he had been guilty of corruption, though it is perfectly in accord with the fitness of things to dock him of awards gained by good service on other respects.

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Prince Alexander Hohenlohe's resignation of the presidency of Upper Alsace promptly followed his Emperor's reproachful telegram. Eloquent testimony is forthcoming as to the value of that telegram for advertising purposes: a leading Berlin bookseller sold only 22 copies of the memoirs on the strength of the sensational extracts published in *Ueber Land und Meer*, but within a few hours of publication of the Imperial telegram he booked orders for 125 copies. The first edition of 10,000 copies was speedily sold out. Query; will German officialdom permit the publication of another edition?

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The discussion concerning "Publishers and the Public,"—more accurately "Publishers and the Times Book Club" continues to rage with unabating fury. A still small voice crept into the debate asking where the author comes in? And, indeed, strange as it may seem, the fount of the book and the book business in all its branches has been strangely overlooked. Mr. Hall Caine with that rare public spirit—or talent for self advertisement ('tis hard to discriminate between the two)—came forth on Monday, aided by the *Daily Mail* with a proposal to publish the *Bondman* play at *2s. 6d.*: and issued a statement which showed how cost of production and profit would be divided. His aim is to prove that a *6s.* book can be produced for *2s. 6d.*; but some brute has pointed out that the book Mr. Caine proposes to bestow upon the world

is not half the size of a 6*s.* book, that it is not new and that the binder can't possibly bind it at the price allowed him. Some people are so hard to please, but Mr. Caine has got a good advertisement.

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At the last moment the silly trip to Petersburg to express sympathy with the Duma was abandoned at the eleventh hour: the information that it had been given up came from Petersburg which is no more than one might expect. The zenith of ignorance and audacity has been reached by politicians in Moscow who telegraphed to the King on the subject. It is reported that a Russian deputation is coming to London to thank the Committee which organised the abortive trip: really to try and engineer its dispatch. More trouble is anticipated over this performance, but it is doubtful whether any will arise: these active pioneers of Anglo-Russian friendship are too few and too definitely repudiated by their respective nations and Governments to be capable of creating the mildest of diplomatic incidents.

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I referred last week to Mr. Sydney Webb's *Times'* article on "Physical Degeneracy or Race Suicide." This week he contributes another containing evidence more intimate and more startling than the first. There is little room to question his conclusion that the limitation of families is deliberate. The gravest feature of the case is that such limitation is practised by the thrifty and decent classes who will not face family responsibilities beyond the measure of their means: while the unthrifty and irresponsible which our precious political system does so much to pamper and encourage continue to be prolific. The situation is far too complex to justify Mr. Webb of his simple conclusions still less of his proposed remedies; but it is one that "gives furiously to think." In the first place we have to be sure that the empire wants the 20,000 babies per annum who are not born. There was greater need of them when we had Australia and Canada to populate. True, there is ample space for our surplus population in those regions still, and South Africa calls aloud for Britishers to come in. Mr. Webb appears to think that the "urbanization" of the people which has been so marked during that last generation has little to do with the decreased birth-rate; but this the man in the street may venture to doubt.

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One item of evidence in proof of the prevalence nowadays of small families, not cited by Mr. Webb, is forthcoming, I think, in the numberless large houses now standing empty in the West End of London and the huge increase of small flats. Big houses, the agents say, will not let at any price, while dwellings, suitable for childless couples or very small families, flats or otherwise, are still in demand. Flats have been increasing faster than the demand, as witness the fall in the rents asked.

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The plans for the remodelling of the Mall and Processional Road—the eastern section of the same—at Charing Cross have been completed and published. A triple archway is to be built joining new buildings appropriated to the Admiralty: and an imaginary line drawn from the middle of the central arch passes through the statue of Charles I. and ends practically in the centre of the West Strand. The result should be very imposing, and worthy of the situation. The only difficulty in the way is a dispute between the L. C. C. and the Office of Works as to paying the cost of removing three houses at Charing Cross. It is a pity that this unwonted access of economy on the L. C. C.'s part were not more often and more appropriately displayed.

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On the first might of "the Amateur Socialist" at the Criterion on Saturday, one had almost the feeling that it was the Court Theatre. The play has much the flavour of some of the Vedrenne-Barker ventures, a likeness which is accounted for by the fact that it was first seen in London under the auspices of the Stage Society, when it was known as "Windmills." A better title, to my mind, than the present one, but perhaps hardly definite enough for the larger public to which it is now meant to appeal. The Amateur Socialist is a Baronet, Sir Hubert Pennefeather, and he has taken up Socialism as he might anti-vivisection, or theosophy, or vegetarianism or any other ism that happened to strike his fancy with the sort of volatile and voluble enthusiasm which is the essence of amateurism. He is a fool but a well-bred, good natured fool, and, as played by Mr. Eric Lewis, a most amusing one. No one can take him seriously; the Magistrate—a personal friend—before whom he is taken for inciting to disorder in Hyde Park, conspires with the Police Inspector to "judge the case according to the evidence tendered." In consequence Pennefeather leaves the Court without a stain on his character, though the case against him is of the clearest. The amateur socialist rewards this leniency by threatening to expose his treatment during the episode as another proof of the venality of justice, but is easily deterred when Moberly appeals to his friendliness and gratitude. The Magistrate himself is exceedingly well played by Mr. Perceval Stevens, but perhaps second honours must go to Mr. Dagnall for his performance of Inspector Bott which was intensely funny. There is a subsidiary love-interest, but it does nothing to strengthen the interest which resides almost entirely in the three characters mentioned.

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The tale of Robin Hood and Maid Marian played by Mr. Lewis Waller and Miss Millard with all the accompaniments that suggest themselves to the seasoned play-goer as appropriate to a romance of that date—forest scenery, castle battlements, archers, longbowman, disguises, surprises, hair-breadth escapes, love scenes, the final triumph of the hero over his kingly oppressor; such was the fare offered at the Lyric on Wednesday in "Robin Hood" which Messrs. Hamilton and Devereux frankly entitle a Romance and highly palatable did it seem to the audience assembled. Truth to tell there was nothing very new, but the whole business went so briskly, the dialogue was so forcible and to the point, the incidents so well linked together, and the actors and actresses worked with such unfailing enthusiasm, that once caught in the stream the audience was bound to be carried along to the end, when they rewarded all concerned with tremendous enthusiasm. Mr. Lewis Waller is amazingly popular; and yet it is not amazing, for he can gauge almost to a hair's breadth the taste of those whom long and assiduous effort he has made his "public." And it is always wholesome fare he offers, if lacking in the refinements of flavour which best please some palates. So all honour to him.

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There is some discontent with the authorities at Covent Gardenfor that they have chosen to raise the prices on "Melba" nights this autumn season. Various correspondents complain that they are debarred from hearing her; thousands who would do so if at any rate gallery prices were left at their normal 1*s.* 6*d.* instead of 2*s.* 6*d.* I have little sympathy with such complaints. If Melba is so well worth hearing, and that cannot be denied, let those who would hear her go to one less so-called "musical comedy." I suppose gallery *habitués* see more plays in the year than do any other theatre-goers, except perhaps the habitual frequenters of stalls. They can well afford it. At any rate hundreds are turned away nightly who evidently are obviously anxious to pay the half crown. And this being so why should not the half-crown charge be retained; Melba's notes are golden in more senses than one, and prices must be arranged accordingly.

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A new musical infant phenomenon has been let loose on London. Pepito Arriola, the ten-year-old Spanish pianist, appeared at the Albert Hall on Sunday with the London Symphony Orchestra and played Beethoven's C minor concerto to the amazement of the experts who declare that the only way to judge this prodigy is by the standard applicable to adults: inasmuch as he is not only so remarkable a child but a remarkable musician. The difficulty under which the mere amateur labours is to pitch the correct standard of judgment for infant phenomena: he can tell that the child plays admirably; but it is difficult to say exactly how much better than an ordinary good child player. The gulf between the great pianist and the first-class amateur is far easier to measure.

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The explosion in the Wingate Coal Mine, in county Durham, on Sunday night, which cost the lives of 26 men was the first which has occurred during the 65 years the colliery has been worked. The cause of the explosion is not yet known, but is supposed to have been brought about by the blasting operations which were in progress a mile from the bottom of the shaft. After-damp was the immediate cause of the deaths, but as usually happens in such disasters there were heavy falls of roof which, with the gases, hindered the work of rescue.

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Winchester Cathedral is in a much more parlous state than was originally supposed. It will require some £46,000 or £47,000 to put the building in a stable condition: of this about £21,500 has been given or promised and towards raising the balance it is proposed to hold a "pageant" in 1908: a pageant is better than a bazaar; that is the most that can be said for it.

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Mrs. Lewis Hill, widow of the opulent money-lender known as Sam Lewis, who had married Captain Hill a few years ago, died on Saturday. Her death sets free the large sums allotted by the testator to various charities amounting to about a million and fifty thousand pounds.

The new system of giving the police means of access to closed offices, warehouses, etc., in the city should save a good many broken locks in cases of fire. As from 1st November occupiers will be able to place their keys in the custody of the police when their premises are closed, paying a small annual fee for the privilege.

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The latest bird immigrant to London is a kingfisher which was seen on the Serpentine last Saturday. One can understand the bird's remaining there, but under what impulse did he cross the gulf of houses that lay between his more natural habitat and the park?

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The prospects for the winter are not bright. Every workhouse in London is full to overflowing and the proportion of able-bodied male paupers is said to be very large. Heartless people connect the circumstance with the abolition of "labour tests" which means comfortable idleness at the ratepayers' expense. I doubt if the heartless people are far wrong.

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At the inquiry of the Commission which is considering the Policeman and His Ways, yesterday an ex-cabman ex-street bookmaker gave evidence to the effect that for some years he had subsidized policemen at £1 a week to overlook and ignore his proceedings. The admission has created quite a sensation.

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AN EXCITING INCIDENT.

IT is some years since the incidents I am going to relate occurred. It was during the hot weather months and I remember it was a particularly close and sultry night. Three of us were sitting outside, enjoying our after-dinner smoke and the little fresh air there was, the night being beautifully clear and the moon at its full. Among the various sounds, that broke the stillness of the night, was the distant cry of *Pheó, Pheó*, repeated at intervals.

While listening it seemed to us that this call of the jackals was getting nearer and nearer, and F., suddenly exclaimed, "why not go out and see if there is really a leopard about, we have often heard of jackals thus serenading leopards, but have never seen it ourselves." After some little persuasion on the part of F. we decided to go.

Having armed ourselves with sundry weapons, we sallied forth, escorted by a couple of peons with spears. It was now evident, that this cry of *Pheó* repeated at every few minutes was getting nearer and nearer; it would cease perhaps altogether and when next heard was much closer. We were now on a broadish road, that led from one end of the district to the other. On the left hand side of the road, was a high ridge, on which stood a line of small villages, while on the right was some low-lying land in which there was a still little water. On both sides of this road and at intervals of some thirty or forty feet, stood some big leafy trees, their shade rendering part of the road gloomy and dark. When last heard, the *Pheó* could not have been more then a quarter of a mile or so away. We advanced taking advantage as much as possible of the shade thrown by the trees. The jackals had now entirely stopped calling and we were wondering what the next move would be, when we were suddenly startled by the furious barking of dogs from what appeared to be a cluster of huts, distant some 500 yards. We were now all attention and with finger on trigger took our stand behind some of the biggers trees and anxiously a waited further developments. We had waited for perhaps fifteen minutes, when suddenly a couple of jackals raced past us and going a short distance began howling with redoubled vigour all the while looking towards the hamlet, where the dogs were still barking. We came to the conclusion that the leopard had either seen or winded us and had gone along the ridge instead of following the road.

One of our henchman, who knew the country well, said that, if we made our way forward quickly, we could intercept the leopard, as he would have to go through an open piece of ground which formed a gap between the eastern and western parts of the two villages. Taking advantage as much as possible of the shade thrown by the trees, we were not long in getting to the gap mentioned, and one of our men getting behind a hedge, looked out for our quarry. The barking of the dogs was taken up nearer to our position, while the jackals, ceased began howlign anew. We had not to wait very long, when from directly in front of us a huge leopard walked out of the gloom, the brute, who looked truly monstrous, appeared almost black in the uncertain light. After going a short distance he pulled up and began looking round evidently feeling that every thing was not quite right. He could not have been more than a hundred yards off, much too far to risk a shot especially in the uncertain light of the moon. To our surprise, the brute walked leisurely towards us; he had evidently

not detected our presence. When some twenty paces off, we let drive together and the next instant the leopard was among us. He had evidently charged at the smoke and though mortally wounded knocked over one of our men, Bishroop Sing. In the *melee* it was almost impossible to fire : F. hit the leopard over the head with the butt of his gun ; this had the effect of making him let go his hold of Bishroop Sing, only to seize F. by the calf and knock him over. Fortunately the brute was nearly done for, by this time, so he could not do much damage and the little life he had still left in him, was soon knocked out of him by the *lathi* of our other attended and so finished a exciting bit of adventure. F.'s mauling was not serious as the leopard was in *extremis*, when he made his last attack ; but Bishroop Sing, had been very roughly handled and he was three months in hospital before he was able to move about again. When we first fired at the leopard, two of us were loaded with ball cartridge while D., who had slugs in his gun, appears to have done the most damage, two of these slugs had perforated the leopard's lungs while others had scarified the brute's head and neck. There can be no doubt, that at close quarters slugs are very deadly missles and are far more reliable for night shooting than ball. The leopard was a male and measured 7 feet 2 inches.

JACK.

Fishing.

WHERE THE JEWFISH WANDERS.

SEVERAL months ago, long before the fearful disaster, which so lately scarred fair California had fallen on San Francisco, the writer, seated at his desk in Los Angeles, wrote that his story of the Jewfish, the great black sea bass of the South Coast must come second hand —in short that he had never dallied with the huge, dark-skinned fellows which "the deep, unfathomed caves of ocean bear."

Since that time all this has changed. The author of these sparse lines has done the Cæsar act—i. e., he "came and saw and conquered" the Jewfish and by the same token, his respect for the huge finned fellow is in no whit increased. The Jewfish is as game as a sculpin, as much of a fighter as a stingaree, and but little more use than a horned toad.

But, and here lies the rub, it is something, when you are sojourning at Catalina, to come into the pretty little harbott with the flag flying from the masthead of your launch, and in the bottom a 300-pound mass of flesh and bone which you have conquered with a light rod and line. Behind it all there is ever the chance that you will break a record—that you will set a new mark for enthusiasts in things piscatorial to shoot at, and that your name will go down in history as one of the masters of the gentle art, sadly de-Waltonized on the high seas by many who seek only the fish they may get.

I have described Catalina, the magic Isle dreamland of the West, but no one can ever do justice to her boatmen —some of them, that is, for there are others that are the worst that ever guided boat over green sea. But than these few toproachers there are none better, and on that day when we headed for the black bass grounds I was so fortunate as to secure one of these, in whose veins seems to flow the blood of the Montezumas.

None can handle a rowboat as can he; few there are who can best him in running before the storm or into the teeth of it in a power boat. Indeed he is almost as good as old George of San Pedro. Notice, I said almost, for the brown man never can equal the white man in any game that has been invented since time began.

Now, the Jewfish is a dweller in deep water a lover of the rocks that lie many fathoms down in the clear, green ocean—in short, a wanderer among the dark places of the sea's depth, and for him and his kind we knew we should have to go well out from the sheltering shore of the little island.

A strong fresh inshore breeze was blowing as we left Avalon, and with the launch's nose pointed up the channel we were compelled to beat directly into the teeth of the wind. Straight ahead we ploughed, once clear of Sugar Loaf, the white foam curling away from the little boat's bows, as, with increased speed, we made for the broad streak of deep water wherein we hoped to find our lordly quarry.

One mile, two miles, three miles, mayhap four, went by. Then the engine slowed down, out went the drag, and from the bait pit in the bottom of the boat came a two-pound mackerel. A whitefish would have been better, according to the boatman, but whitefish did we not have and mackerel were plentiful, so lacking what we wanted we took what we had.

My outfit was a light yellowtail rod of fourteen ounces without the reel, and a No. 21 Cuttyhunk line. On the end was a 20-inch wire leader, and on the end of that one large hook, fastened directly to the leader by its strong eye. No swell was ever yet invented fit for use on these big fellows, and the small chains affected by some fishermen as leaders for deep-sea work are at best makeshifts which are continually kinking and occasionally sawing the line in two.

The best leader for this work to my mind, is the one long thread of piano wire—and such a one I had. Midway down it was a swivel, and it was bent into the main line with another swivel, so that I had little to fear from fouling, so long as I kept my line reasonably tight.

The hook was the regular black bass hook, which any reputable tackle dealer will sell to you without the naming of number or other identification. I go thus specifically into detail because there may be those of my readers who, as summer wanes, may care to go after this game themselves, and a word in time may save them trouble and loss of fish as well.

The mackerel bait, being dead, was stuck on the hook carelessly ; indeed, there seems to be little need for skill in baiting a hook for a Jewfish, at least none such as is necessary when fishing for yellowtail or for white sea bass.

A sinker, which ran off some four or five feet from the place where the leader joined the line, and which weighed not less than six ounces, was one of the things I failed to mention when describing the outfit. This arrangement permitted the bait to swing clear of all interference, while the lump of lead held the line true in the water.

No need for the far-reaching cast of the surf fisherman here. Gently I tossed the lure over the stern of the launch, now rising and falling with each gentle swell that rolled in round the northern end of the Magic Isle. Slowly it sank—down, down, down, until the blue of the fish merged with the shadows of the sea's depths and only the few feet of running line remained in sight.

Below us, so the boatman said, was a rocky ledge. To this from the boat's keel was not less than 150 feet. How deep the abyss sheered off from the edge of the submarine cliff he did not know ; he had never attempted to fathom it. On my reel was 1000 feet of line, or possibly half a hundred feet less, as some had been cut from the fresh spool for testing purposes. At every hundred feet it is my habit to wrap the line with a very fine red silk thread, tying the marker securely. This does not interfere with the running of the line, and it is of very great aid at times when a big fish of uncertain strength and running power is hooked.

Accordingly I let the line run beyond the first 200-foot marks, and was surprised that it did not stop there, where the ledge should have caught it, according to my boatman's measurements. On down it went, and I paid out another hundred feet. Still it did not stop, so I threw on the leather brake and held the bait, rather heavy at this depth, as nearly stationary as I could.

Nothing happened. Half an hour passed. Still no message from the other end of the line. Then I reeled in and put my lure over on the other side of the boat, where I felt that the water was less deep. Another half hour was spent here with no results. Then the boatman suggested that we pull up and work out into still deeper water there to try our luck afresh. By this time the breeze had died down and the sea was quite smooth.

Out almost around the end of the island we moved, the screw slowly beating the water into a milky foam, my line trailing behind principally for the very good reason that I was too lazy to reel it in. Fact is I was a bit sore on all the Jewfishes because one of their number had not taken the bait I offered so freely, and I didn't really believe that there was another black sea bass this side of Japan anyway.

And then, along about the time when I began to long for the Budweiser hydrant over at Avalon, my pipe went out, and I was rudely waked up. This is the way it all happened.

Seated carelessly across the stern of the launch, one leg half way around the rudder post, the other trailing over the stern, I was paying as little attention as possible to the line, when, slowly and deliberately, I felt the tip of my pole go down. With it there came a steady tug. "Bunch of seaweed," says I to myself. "There goes my bait."

But it wasn't. I lifted the tip of my rod ever so little, let the line run from the reel a moment, and then laid on the brake with none too gentle a hand. Instantly over that fine thread of Cuttyhunk came the peculiar throb of the hooked fish. In an instant I was on my feet and over into the pit of the launch. "I've got him." I cried to the boatman. With the words the engine stopped, the little craft swung round, and the fight was on.

Peculiar fight it was, too, for neither the boatman nor I knew what I had hooked, I thought it must be a shark, for no one ever heard of a Jewfish seizing a moving lure. What the swarthy man at the wheel thought I cannot say—he kept his thoughts and his advice to himself, one of the attributes which makes of him a good boatman and a good companion on a fishing cruise.

I gave my unknown quarry a gentle lift with the hook, he came up a bit ; I gave him another dig with the barb, and he sounded. Down, down, and yet further down he went. Might as well try to stop an express train. I threw in the brake, gently ; the rod tip bent to the water, and I had to give him his head. Five of the red threads ran off the spool ere he slowed up in his downward course. And he went straight to the bottom of the sea, too, no sidewise trips for him.

There he stayed while I tried all the tricks I knew to dislodge him. Up and down and around I spun that rod, trying to get a grip on him that would start something doing down there in the depths. At last I settled upon steady nagging, Five minutes of this gained me a few feet of line. I was getting him up, that was a certainty, but the progress was very slow.

I got into a sort of habit of doing the jerking act until it grew tiresome, and I laid back on the rod for one good lift, which should start him, if such a feat were possible. I threw all my weight into the blow, trusting the rod and the line and the leader to distribute it, and—keeled over, almost into the bottom of the boat. He had beaten me at my own game and was coming up to meet me.

With a rush a dark body rose almost to the surface, some thirty or forty feet from the launch, then turned away in a straight line and began to run. I gave him the line I had gained until we got in motion ; then we followed him, cut clear around the point of the island into the open sea and the deep water where his kind love to dwell—for the brief glimpse vouchsafed me in that upward rush and dizzying turn was of a Jewfish.

From that time on it was a slow fight, merely a question of endurance and skill. And, as usual, the man in the boat held the winning hand. Gradually he gave up. Shorter became his rushes. He began those time-honored bass tactics of lying still and moving his great head from side to side rapidly, like a man striking sidewise with a sledge. On a man's arms this is the most wearing game that was ever invented. Twice I was tempted to cut the line and let him go ; then I would get new courage from the thought that he must be a monster—300 pounds at least—and I went at him again.

Slowly I brought him alongside, a black mass of fish flesh, with none of the sheen of the yellowtail or the bonita or even the white sea bass about his dingy hide. Indeed, he looked the creature that he was, a dweller in the depths where the light of day seldom penetrated, and where great bulk rather than activity was the essential of long life.

In his mouth the hook was firmly set ; he was well nigh worn out with the long strain of keeping his mouth open beneath the water, and yet it was all I could do to hold him level while the boatman set the gaff into his side. Then we lifted him into the boat. Three-hundred-pounder, nothing ! If he weighed 150 pounds he was overweight. And here, all the time, I thought I was fighting a record fish. When we got to Avalon he weighed just 127 pounds, if I remember correctly—at any rate, I know he was a long way under 150 pounds.

Then and there I said to myself : "How do these fishermen catch their 300-pounders on light line and with a rod ?" I had fought that fish for almost two hours, and I was thoroughly tired out, but there had been no sport in it, nothing but hard work, and I have been sorry many a time since that I did not let the black fellow go when I had once won the victory by bringing him alongside. I am sure I should do it were the opportunity ever to present itself again.

That night we ate some of him, but he was as poor meat as I ever ate anywhere, and he was cooked by a man who knows the preparation of fish from A to Izzard, too. Don't ever be persuaded to buy black sea bass in the market, and don't lug your catch home from the pier ; my word for it, the best Jewfish ever caught is not fit food for anything but a shark or a seagull.

The black sea bass is one of the most regular of fishes in its visits to the South Coast, It may be said to be fairly dependable, for on the same month of this year and last year and the year before, it has made its first appearance, and, in all probability, will do so on the same month of next year. As has been said, it is a frequenter of deep waters, of the banks of the west coast of Santa Catalina and Santa Barbara Islands, particularly. Here it is found in great numbers at the proper season of the year, and, I am told that some few remain there the year round. These deep waters off the open seashore of the island chain are most wonderfully filled with all manner of game fishes, and among the long list no one is more often brought into Avalon than the black sea bass, of varying size. For the most part those that are taken in the channel do not range above 200 pounds—by far the greater number are less—and almost all are taken on hand lines.

Outside, in the open sea, however, there are to be found the big three and four hundred-pounders. Indeed, I have seen one or two of these fish, when the mackerel or the whitefish were running well, which could not have weighed less than six or seven hundred pounds. I have no knowledge, however, of any these big fellows being taken, even on a handline, and, as nets are never drawn on that side of the island, the handline is about the only way the monsters could be brought in.

By no means am I ready to believe that the man lives who can take a fish of 400 pounds' weight on rod and reel and bring it in. Those of 250 and 300 pounds have been so caught, or at least the claim has been made for their lucky captors, that they were taken in this manner, but, for my part, much as I have fished at Avalon, I have never seen one of more than 180 pounds even hooked, let alone fought to the death.

The food of the Jewfish is, as has been said, made up of fish of from one to four or five pounds in weight, or larger. Rarely do these great hogs of the sea disturb the small swimmers. I have seen one of the great bass moving through a school of anchovies and the little fish barely moved out of his way. A yellowtail or a bonita, or a barracuda would have created the direst alarm in their ranks ; there would have been wild flight in every direction, with the usual result of a lane of anchovy heads and tails floating on the sea to show where the predatory fish had passed.

The Jewfish is said, also, to be very fond of young squids, but young squids are mighty uncertain in their appearance, and there are so many other fish that are fond of young squid that it is doubtful if many are offered by coast anglers to tempt the worthless Jewfish from his cave in the depths.

But, all in all, the black sea bass is an interesting fellow, even though he does not offer unusual attractions to the man who fishes for sport alone, especially after the angler has taken one of the big creatures on rod and line. He gets (or at least I did) his fill of work without the modicum of sport which is the crowning reward of every real fisherman, whether he cast his lure for the speckled trout or the king of the sea fishes, the lithe-bodied tuna of the Southern California ocean.—*Western Field.*

They were volunteers, and a supposed wounded man was taken into the ambulance tent.

"What is he suffering from ?" demanded the surgeon.

"Severe scalp wound and insensibility," he was told.

"And what have you done ?"

"Given him brandy-and-water."

"How could you expect an insensible man to swallow brandy-and-water ?"

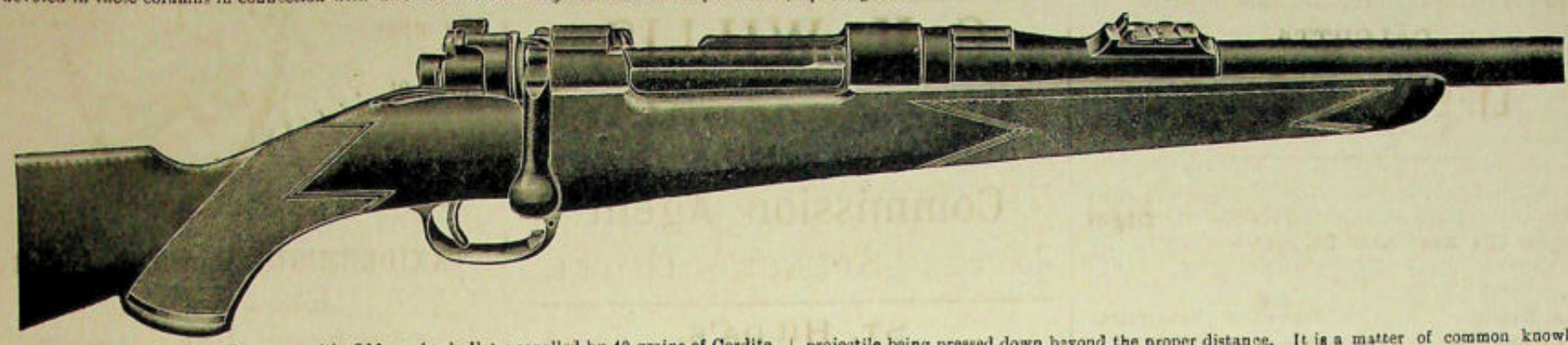
"Please, sir, he asked for it.

Shooting.

LANG'S LOW PRESSURE H. V. EXPRESSES.

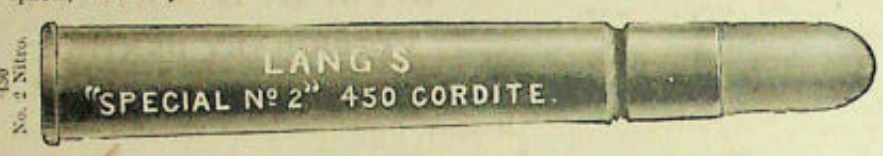
SPECIAL FOR "THE INDIAN FIELD."

MESSRS. JOSEPH LANG AND SON, LD., of 102, New Bond Street, London, W. some little time ago, added to their extensive variety of Express rifles, two new sizes chambered for the No. 2 ·450 and No. 2 ·360 Cordite cartridges. To the former some attention has already been devoted in these columns in connection with discussions concerning the influence on pressures of high temperature. The latter, more recently introduced, possesses features of additional interest. The No. 2 ·360 Express is a weapon designed to combine the extremely high velocity of a military small bore with the low pressures, and great striking energy appropriate to a sporting rifle.



The ordinary Lang ·360 Express, with 300 grain bullet propelled by 40 grains of Cordite, gives a velocity of 1,875 foot seconds, with striking energy of 2,450 ft. lbs. In the No. 2 ·360, the powder charge is increased to 55 grains, and the weight of bullet to 320 grains, the velocity going up to 2,150 ft. seconds, and the striking energy to 3,280 ft. lbs. The pressure developed by the No. 2 cartridge is approximately 14·7 tons, nearly three-quarters of a ton less than is given with the 40-grain charge. Thus in the No. 2 ·360, the 2,060 ft. seconds velocity of the ·303 cartridge is well exceeded, but instead of a pressure of 16 tons, only 14·7 is produced, although the bullet is heavier, and the trajectory flatter, than with the service ammunition.

As the illustrations clearly show, the No. 2, Express cartridges provide materially increased powder spaces, and they are also rimmed beneath the bullet, to obviate any possibility of the projectile being pressed down beyond the proper distance. It is a matter of common knowledge that if by any mischance, a bullet is inserted too far in the case, the pressure on firing will be materially increased. It follows, that by enlarging the powder space, pressure is lowered, while velocity is lowered too. In the No. 2 ·360 a material increase in the capacity of the case serves the purpose of reducing pressure, while a relatively small addition to the Cordite charge restores the loss of velocity. In the more powerful No. 2 ·450, the velocity of the ordinary ·450 high velocity Express is maintained, but with the No. 2 ·360, an improved velocity accompanies the lowered pressure. In both cases decreased gravimetric density of loading—more space for the powder—brings about the result.









The difficulty hitherto attending the importation and use of ·303 rifles and the subsequent prohibition have done something to increase the popularity of the ·360 H. V. Cordite Expresses, and the ·360 giving at once better ballistic results than the service calibre, with the advantage of a larger bullet and very materially increased striking energy is well calculated to fulfil every requirement in the shooting of deer, and the heavier forms of non-dangerous game. These advantages are attained with a pressure so low that the most extreme effects of high temperature leave a more than ample margin of safety, and reduce even the liability to jamming, by distortion or sticking of the case, to a minimum. The "Tropical charge" for the No 2 ·360, is 3 grains less of Cordite, to give the same velocity at 120° F. as is given by the full charge at 60° F., but in practice, the increase of pressure even in long continued heat does not seem to be appreciable in the way of increased recoil or disturbance of aim.

The No. 2 ·360 Lang rifles are made both double and single, and in either case, they shoot with extreme accuracy and handle well. The high velocity insures, of course, great flatness of trajectory, so decreasing errors of elevation due to misjudgment of distance. The double rifles are constructed either with side or body locks, and the single rifles are of a recently improved falling block type, very strong and particularly free from any liability to jam. In addition to the No. 2 ·450 and ·360 Messrs. Lang have for many years past made both double and single Expresses chambered for ordinary high velocity cartridges of any recognised calibre from ·256 to ·600 bore. Prices range from about 65 guineas for the double side lock Expresses to 20 guineas for single falling block, or 27 guineas for double, under lever back-actioned hammer rifles, plain but sound, and excellent arms of their kind.

In conclusion, it is pleasant to find that the firm of Lang, the first to introduce the drop-down breach-loader into England, have, of late, distinguished themselves in the production of weapons, embodying the most modern improvements, while fully maintaining the standards of workmanship associated with London productions of the best type.

Correspondence.

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The writer's name and address are required with every communication.
Letters and enquiries from anonymous correspondents will not receive attention.
Under no circumstances are questions answered by post.
Correspondents whose questions remain unanswered will please understand that we are unable to give them the information asked for.

PASTE BAITING FOR MAHSEER.

TO THE EDITOR OF "THE INDIAN FIELD."

SIR,—Will you allow me through your columns to thank "Fleur-de-Lys" for his kindly mention of my articles on "River and Lake Fishing in India," in his letter published in your issue of the 1st November.

I shall certainly try his tip for paste baiting for mahseer on the first opportunity, and I quite agree with him that his method is more sporting than live baiting, and also than the method mentioned in my Article No. 5, but when I suggested the latter method, I had in view fishing in a strong current, when the bait required to be anchored by a rather heavy weight, to prevent it from being carried into the bank.

As regards his method of using a dead bait, I should have thought that the lead wire wound round the hook would have torn the vent and made an unsightly wound, but as he vouches for it I shall try this method also, and hope to give an account of the results of both systems, in your paper, after giving them a fair trial.

MUSSOORIE, 3rd November 1906. YUBA BILL.

SHOOTING ROUND BHIM TAL.

TO THE EDITOR OF "THE INDIAN FIELD."

SIR,—Fishermen who visit Bhim Tal can, if it be late enough in the season, occasionally give the mahseer a rest, and roam the wooded hills with a gun, instead of fishing the lakes. Certainly one gets but few shots, for the Kalije are hard to get out of the bramble-choked ravines; still they are there, and one may bag a few with perseverance. There is a good nala for pheasants, about a mile beyond the end of the lake, down the ghat road to Kathgodam: it is to the right as we go down. Also about a thousand feet up the hill behind this glen, there is a grassy plateau where a covey of chukor may often be found.

A stream runs out of Bhim Tal lake, near the Dâk Bungalow; for some distance it flows along a cultivated valley towards Naukuchia, but eventually turns to the right through a rift in the hill side, and tumbles into that deep ravine along the edge of which the ghat road from Kathgodam winds the last part of its way. By crossing this stream about a mile along the Naukuchia road and climbing the slope beyond, one arrives at a series of bluffs overlooking the great gorge above referred to. Here there are numbers of small woods nestling in the depression between successive hillocks. All these hold Kalije. Besides pheasants there are a fair number of kakur, so that it is well to take along a rifle as well as a gun. One can work round this semi-circle of bluffs right up to Naukuchia Tal. There, among the woods surrounding the lake, pheasants are to be found, while a deep boggy glen on the far side of the tal is a favourite haunt of wild pig. Once when walking through some stubble fields above Naukuchia I put up grey quail, and bagged one of them. Occasionally duck and teal visit these hills tarns. In 1904 I used constantly to see a pair of teal when fishing Naukuchia.

Among the high cliffs above the little bungalow there are still some gooral, while I have known of two serow being shot not far from the lake.

At the back of Bhim Tal dâk bungalow there is a lofty hill: on its slopes are a fair number of Kalije and a covey or two of chukor. Near the summit there are grassy glades amid the woods, where one may occasionally get a chance at kakur in the evenings. The top of this hill is, however, 2,000 feet above Bhim Tal, and a stiff climb. Round the back of this high ridge there is an extremely pretty woodland road leading to Dhari; you get at it by going up the Naini Tal path for some distance and then turning to the right. Three miles down the Dhari road a good sized stream is reached, and among the bushes near its banks are a good many pheasants.

Round about Bhim Tal there are a few hares. The best way of discovering their haunts is to look carefully about dusk wherever good grass is found near bushes, when the hares, if there are any, will be seen sitting out.

The head of Sath Tal is a good place for green kokla pigeons. When fishing this lake I used sometimes to take a gun and would often get several shots about 5 o'clock, at which time the pigeons used generally to make their appearance. Among the cliffs high above Sath Tal are some gooral, while pheasants are found in the woods close to the lake. Occasional bears and panthers visit the Bhim Tal district, but are so few and far between that a sportsman must be very lucky, as well as persevering, to get a shot. The scenery of Kumaon is extremely pretty, and it is a pleasure to clamber amid its wooded hills, even though the shots obtained may be few and results meagre. Anyone who cares to visit Bhim Tal solely for the shooting, could not do better than take short leave in the cold weather. The climate then is delightfully bracing, and sport is at its best. In the winter the cattle come down towards the plains, and so the hill tops of Kumaon are left to the gooral and kakur. These animals are therefore more numerous then, and one need not go so far to seek them. Also the leaves are off the trees, and it becomes much easier to beat up the Kalije, than earlier in the year when the cover is thicker.

FLEUR-DE-LYS.

"THE" UNDERCLOTHING FOR INDIA.

An announcement on page iii among our advertisements to-day tells us something about Dr. Lahmann's Cottonwool Underclothing. A mail or two ago we received samples of this material, and as we have always in our thirty years' residence in India preached the gospel of "cotton next the skin"—and practised it too—we were immediately interested in the subject and commend it to the thoughtful consideration of our readers.

Dr. Lahmann's principal objection to animal wool as a material for underwear, is its paramagnetic irritation of the skin, which it gradually blunts by constant over-excitement—so much so, that it finally ceases altogether to respond to the minor excitements of air, water, cold, etc., except by an increasing condition of lameness and consequent decreased capacity of resisting disease.

The robust, he maintains, may find that he can wear animal wool next to him without apparent harm except a suspicious susceptibility to the changes of temperature. To the delicate and to children, however, as well as to those with a tendency to rheumatism, the effect is much more serious, and may even lead to skin paralysis.

I have often occasion, says Dr. Lahmann, in my Sanatorium, to treat old wool-invalids—that is, people of general poor health and physique who cannot get rid of some obstinate complaint, be it skin disease, or chronic catarrh, or nervous debility, notwithstanding their having always been clothed in animal wool—or rather because of it. They cannot bear anything—no air, sun, water or steam baths, not to mention the healing wet packs, and only regain their physical capacity after having discarded their woollen underclothing and become used to my cottonwool underwear.

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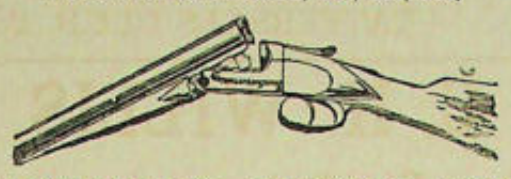

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Rangoon Third Extra ..	..	17	
Lucknow Autumn ..	..	20, 22 & 24	63
Madras Skittle Gymkhana ..	Dec.	1	
Rangoon Autumn ..	..	1, 4 & 6	
Tezpur ..	..	4, 6 & 8	
Calcutta First Extra ..	..	1	
„ Second „ ..	..	8	
„ Third „ ..	..	15	
Rangoon Fourth Extra ..	..	8	
Chittagong ..	..	11 & 13	
Rawalpindi ..	..	13 & 15	270
Peshawar Autumn ..	..	19 & 21	
Calcutta First Meeting ..	..	22, 26, 29 & 31	
Lahore Xmas, ..	..	26, 28 & 31	
Madras Xmas ..	..	24, 26 & 28	292
Bhamo ..	..	27 & 29	
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Calcutta Second Meeting ..	..	12, 15 & 19	
Calcutta Fourth Extra ..	..	26	
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	Third ..	..	10th December.
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	Second ..	..	12th December.
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Rawalpindi ..	Final ..	..	29th November.
Calcutta First Meeting ..	Second	..	4th December.
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Mr. Johnston's b aus m Alice, 9st. 3lbs. ...	Melsom	3

Also ran : Cosy Corner, 9-12 ; and Merry, 7-5.

Betting : 6 to 4 on Black Swan, 6 to 1 agst. Fabius, 4 to 1 Alice, 6 to 1 Cosy Corner, and 10 to 1 Merry.

A straggling start, of which Black Swan got the best and led them for a quarter of a mile when Fabius came alongside and shortly had the lead which was kept to the end, the verdict being two lengths and three lengths. Time—52⅘secs.

Northern Grand Military—Rs. 1,000. Rs. 700 to the winner, Rs. 200 to the second, and Rs. 100 to the third. For horses maidens on the flat, over hurdles and over a chase course at the time of entry, which are *bona fide* and unconditionally the property of British Officers in His Majesty's Army on full pay. To be ridden by the same or G. R.'s qualified under Rule 68, C. W. A. C raised 2st. 7lbs. Penalties.—Winners of flat races, hurdle races or steeplechases value Rs. 50 or over, once 4lbs., twice 8lbs., oftener 12lbs. Winner, of flat races, hurdle races or steeplechases value Rs 200 or over, after entry 4lbs. in addition. 2 miles over steeplechase course.

Mr. Gibbs' b e m Nell Gwynne, 11st. 10lbs.	Owner	1
Mr. Beaumont's ch aus g Wales, 11st. 10lbs.	Owner	2
Capt. Milvain's ch aus g Bannamoor, 11st. 10lbs.	Mr. Reynard	3
Mr. Norton's Gay Lad, 11st. 10lbs. ...	Owner	0

Also ran : Breeze, 12-0 (fell) ; Zanzean, 11-10 ; Impolita, 11-10 car. 12-8 (fell) ; and Bosworth, 11-10 (fell).

Betting : Evens on Wales, 2 to 1 agst. Breeze, 3 to 1 Nell Gwynne, and 10 to 1 any others.

They were shown the way by Bosworth to the water jump. Here Impolita came down and Nell Gwynne was shortly afterwards seen to be leading with Wales and Bosworth dropped back to third place. At the fourth fence down came Bosworth and Breeze (the latter badly injured) and Nell Gwynne continuing in front, and going very strong, won by three lengths ; bad third.

The Royal Plate.—Rs. 350. Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second, and Rs. 50 to the third. For maiden Arab ponies 14-1 and under. 14-1 to carry 10st. 7lbs. W. I. Penalties—Winner of flat races value Rs. 50 over, once 4lbs., twice 8lbs., ftener 12lbs. 5 furlongs.

Mr. Williams' b a g Pasha, 10st. 12lbs. ...	Owner	1
Capt. Stores' ch a h Cracker II., 8st. 7lbs.	Melsom	2
Capt. Grech's b e g Hailfellow, 10st. 7lbs.	Firth	3

Also ran : Itifaq, 10-11 ; Cinque Ports, 9-11 ; Peninsular II., 9-5 ; and Mooslat, 8-12.

Betting : 2 to 1 agst. Cinque Ports, 4 to 1 each Pasha and Mooslat, and 6 to 1 the others

Hailfellow led them to the 3 furlongs at which point he was displaced first by Pasha next by Cracker, and in this position they finished ; Pasha, just managing to stall off Cracker's rush, won by a head ; a length between second and third. Time—1min. 9⅘secs.

The Club Plate.—Rs. 350. Rs 200 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second, and Rs. 50 to the third. For maiden horses, W. A. and C. Penalties—Winner of a flat race value Rs. 50 or over once 4lbs., twice 8lbs., oftener 12lbs. 5 furlongs.

Mr. Bell's ch e m Miss Stone, 9st. 3lbs ...	Firth	1
H. H. the Kour Sahib of Patiala's ch e g Berzak, 9st.	Southall	2
Messrs. Wood and Badger's b aus g Bell-topper, 9st. 8lbs. (car. 9st. 7lbs.) ...	Bray	3

Betting : 2 to 1 on Miss Stone, and 3 to 1 agst. each others. Led from pillar to post and won by a head ; two and a half lengths between second and third. Time—1min.

Second Day, Saturday, 3rd November 1906.

Good racing, on the whole, was provided to-day, though there was some grumbling at the burdens allotted to the top weighters, many considering that they had been unduly flattered by the handicapper. Spain and Fabius were the only winning favourites ; Pasha's win in the Autumn Plate was a good sterling performance and has found him many new friends for the Army Cup. The two Rs. 1,000 races were well contested, the struggle between Rifleman II and Tom in the Jorrocks Plate being particularly fine. Details :—

Brownstown Plate.—Rs. 1,000. Rs. 700 to the winner, Rs. 200 to the second, and Rs. 100 to the third. A high weight handicap for Arab ponies 14-1 and under. 6 furlongs.

Major Williamson's b a h Jeddah, 7st. 12lbs.	Melsom	1
H. H. the Kour Sahib of Patiala's b a h Mooslat, 7st. 7lbs. (car. 7st. 11½lbs.) ...	Southall	2
Messrs. Wood and Badger's b a h Sheik, 9st 13lbs.	Bray	3

Also ran : Highflag, 7-8.

Betting : Evens Highflag, 5 to 2 agst. Sheik, 3 to 1 Jeddah and 4 to 1 Mooslat.

Jeddah and Sheik were ahead soon after they got off, but the latter was displaced by Mooslat at the distance, and Jeddah continuing won by three lengths ; a length between second and third. Time—1min. 24secs.

Produce Plate.—Rs. 350. Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second, and Rs. 50 to the third. For C.-B. ponies 14-1 and under that have never won a flat race value Rs. 50 or over. 14-1 to carry 10-7. W. I. 4 furlongs.

Sirdar Jewan Singh's rn cb g Recall Silver, 10st. 4lbs.	Firth	1
Mr. J. D. Scott's b cb m Lady Wheeler, 10st. 2lbs.	Hon. J. D Bingham	2
H. H. the Kour Sahib of Patiala's b cb m Happy-Go-Lucky, 7st. 13lbs. ...	Southall	3

Also ran Bakhtyar, 10-7 ; Nugget, 9-2.

Betting : 2 to 1 agst. each Bakhtyar and Lady Wheeler, 3 to 1 Happy-Go-Lucky, 4 to 1 Recall Silver, and 10 to 1 Nugget.

The winner was soon showing the way and got the verdict by three lengths with perfect ease ; a length and a half between second and third. Time—55⅕secs.

JORROCKS PLATE.—Rs. 1,000. Rs. 700 to the winner, Rs. 200 to the second, and Rs. 100 to the third. A welter handicap for Arab and C.-B. ponies 14-2 and under and other ponies 14-1 and under that have not won hurdle races or steeplechases value Rs. 50 or over amounting in the aggregate to Rs. 1,500 or over since 31st March, 1904. 1½ miles over 6 flights of hurdles.

Capt. Milvain's b aus g Rifleman II, 8st. 6lbs. (car. 8st. 7lbs.) ... ... Bond 1
Capt. Linton's ch ch h Tom, 8st. 5lbs. ... Hoyt 2
Major Luther and Captain Grech's b aus m Twinkle, 11st. 12lbs. ... ...Capt. Johnson 3
Also ran: Irish, 11-12 (fell); and Dollar, 10-4.

BETTING: 5 to 4 agst. Irish, 2 to 1 Twinkle, 4 to 1 Rifleman, 5 to 1 Tom, and 10 to 1 Dollar.

Dollar gave them a lead over the first jump, but was soon displaced by Rifleman II who with Tom and Twinkle led from the other two, Irish falling later on. This order was preserved to the end. Rifleman II winning by a head, after a capital finish; two lengths between second and third. Time—30⅘secs.

AUTUMN PLATE.—Rs. 350. Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second, and Rs. 50 to the third. A high weight handicap for maiden Arab ponies 14-1 and under. 1,000 yards.

Mr. Williams' b a g Pasha, 9st. 13lbs. (car. 10st.) .. .. Owner 1
Capt. Grech's b a g Hailfellow, 9st. 7lbs. Firth 2
Major Popham Young's br a h Itifaq, 8st. 7lbs. ... ... Barrett 3
Also ran: Secunder, 10-6; Cinque Ports, 8-9; Cracker II, 8-0; Machine Gun, 7-5; and Gold II, 7-4.

BETTING: 2 to 1 agst. Secunder, 3 to 1 each Pacha and Hailfellow, 4 to 1 Cinque Ports, 6 to 1 Machine Gun, and 10 to 1 the others.

Secunder and Hailfellow led till two furlongs from home where Pacha went up to them and a furlong later getting to the front stayed there to the end winning by half a length; a head between second and third. Time—1min. 3⅘secs.

CORINTHIAN PLATE—Rs. 350. A welter handicap for horses which have started in a steeplechase or hurdle race, and which are unconditionally and *bonâ fide* the property of Officers in His Majesty's Army on full pay. To be ridden by the same, or G. R.'s qualified under Rule 68. 2 miles.

Capt. Milvain's ch e g Spain, 9-1, 7lbs. Hon. J. D. Bingham 1
Messrs. Wood and Badger's b aus g Belltopper, 10st. 7lbs. (car. 10st 8lbs.) ...Mr. Tomkinson 2
Mr. Charrington's ch aus g Senator, 13st. 7lbs. .. .. Owner 3

BETTING: Evens Spain, 5 to 1 agst. Senator, and 4 to 1 Belltopper.

They were shown the way first by Spain, then by Senator; but the former with Belltopper in attendance shot out again and won rather easily by a length; five lengths between second and third. Time—3mins. 45secs.

PUNJAB PLATE.—Rs. 350. Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second, and Rs. 50 to the third. A welter handicap for maiden Arab and C.-B. ponies 14-2 and under and other maiden ponies 14-1 and under. 1,000 yards.

Major Popham Young's b e h Fabius, 7st. 4lbs. ... ... Hoyt 1
Messrs. Wilson and Jolliffe's b aus m Lady Knight, 9st. 12lbs. ... .. Barrett 2
Sirdar Jewan Singh's ch aus m Blackspot, 7st. 4lbs. .. .. Melsom 3
Also ran: Kathleen, 11-12; and Wild Rose, late Heliades, 7-12.

BETTING: 2 to 1 agst. Fabius, 3 to 1 each Kathleen, Lady Knight, and Blackspot, and 6 to 1 Wild Rose.

The heavily weighted Kathleen ran well for a couple of furlongs and then the effort died away and Lady Knight took up the running. She in turn had to make room for Fabius, who won by a neck; a length between second and third. Time—60secs.

Third Day, Monday, 5th November 1906.

The meeting wound up with good enough sport and enough grumbling to satisfy most people. The handicapper's efforts were not popular in certain quarters and, as a natural consequence, the pen was drawn through names that might have figured on the card, and fields were here and there a bit thin. Messrs. Wood and Badger had a couple of good wins with Belltopper and Rifleman II., the last-named, who jumped like a stag and showed a fine dash of foot, carrying off the Grand Stand Plate with Bond as his pilot. The Butler earned another bracket and Senator and Lady Night did better than on the day before. Details:—

BREEDERS' PLATE.—Rs. 350. Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second, and Rs. 50 to the third. A high weight handicap for Arab and C.-B. ponies 14-1 and under. 1 mile.

Mr. Butler's b cb h The Butler, 10st. 7lbs. Barrett 1
Mr. Kennedy's b cb m Adelina, 8st 5lbs. Melsom } Dead
Capt. Hill's g a h Cinque Ports, 7st. (car. 7st. 3½lbs.) Bechan } heat.
Also ran: Tom, 9-7; and K. C. 9 5 (car. 9-6).

BETTING: 6 to 4 on The Butler, 4 to 1 agst. Tom, 5 to 1 each K. C. and others.

Adelina was quickest away, but was gradually overhauled by The Butler, who won by three-quarters of a length; dead heat for second place. Time—1min. 54⅘secs.

SIBHIND PLATE.—Rs. 350 Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second, and Rs. 50 to the third. A welter handicap for horses. 7 furlongs.

Messrs. Wood and Badger's b aus g Belltopper, 9st. 11lbs. ... ... Bray 1
H. H. the Kour Sahib of Patiala's ch e g Berzak, 10st. .. .. Southall 2
Mr. Reynard's b aus g Vienard, 10st. 4lbs. ... ... Hon. D. Bingham 3
Also ran: Trendle, 11-0.

BETTING: 6 to 4 on Vienard, 2 to 1 agst. Berzak, 4 to 1 Belltopper, and 8 to 1 Trendle.

A pretty race: all together till the half mile, where Belltopper showed out and followed by Berzak won by a couple of lengths; three-quarters of a length between second and third. Time—1min. 34⅕secs.

PLODDERS' CHASE.—Rs. 350. Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second and Rs. 50 to the third. A welter handicap for horses *bonâ fide* and unconditionally the property of Officers of His Majesty's Forces on full pay. To be ridden by the same or G. R.'s qualified under Rule 68. 2¼ miles over chase course.

Mr. Charrington's ch aus g Senator, 12st. Owner 1
Major Crawley's b aus g Pactolus, 11st. 7lbs. (car. 11st. 8lbs.) ... ... Mr. Reynard 2
Mr. Gibbs' b Irish m Nell Gwynne, 10st. 9lbs. ... ... Owner 3

BETTING: 6 to 4 on Nell Gwynne, 2 to 1 agst. Senator, and 3 to 1 Pactolus.

Nell Gwynne and Pactolus were in front till the water was left behind when Pactolus took up the running; at the 7 furlongs Senator got level and drawing away won by three lengths; six lengths between second and third. Time—5mins. 35secs.

GRAND STAND PLATE.—Rs. 1,000. Rs. 700 to the winner, Rs. 200 to the second, and Rs. 100 to the third. A welter handicap for Arab and C.-B. ponies 14-2 and under and other ponies 14-1 and under that have not won steeplechases and hurdle races value Rs. 50 or over amounting in the aggregate to Rs. 2,000 or over since 31st March, 1904. 2 miles over chase course.

Capt. Milvain's b aus g Rifleman, II 8st. 6lbs. (car. 8st. 7lbs.). ... ... Bond 1
Capt. Bennet's b aus m Pinfire, 8st. 12lbs. (car. 9st. 6lbs). ... ... Owner 2
Messrs. Wilson and Jolliffe's br aus g Dollar 9st. 9lbs. ... ... Hoyt 3
Also ran: Twinkle, 11-6.

BETTING: 5 to 4 agst. Rifleman, 2 to 1 Dollar, 3 to 1 Pinfire, and 4 to 1 Twinkle.

Rifleman II was in front all the journey and fencing faultlessly won as he liked by half a dozen lengths; bad third. Time—4mins. 52secs.

FAREWELL PLATE.—Rs. 350. Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs 100 to the second, and Rs. 50 to the third. A high weight handicap for Arab ponies 14-1 and under. 4 furlongs.

Messrs Wood and Badger's b a h Sheik, 9st. 7lbs. ... ... Bray 1
Capt. Barrett's b a h Peninsular II, 7st. 12lbs. ... ... Bechan 2
Mr. Williams' b a g Pasha, 10st. 7lbs ... Owner 3
Capt. Marriott's b a h Wily, 8st. 11lbs. Bond 0
Also ran: Hailfellow 9-7 Jeddah, 8-7; Surkhab, 8-2; Mooslat, 7-4; and Gold II. 6-11 (car. 7-0).

BETTING: 2 to 1 agst. Jeddah, 3 to 1 Pasha, 4 to 1 each Hailfellow, Sheik, Surkhab, Peninsular and Mooslat, and 6 to 1 the others.

Led throughout and won by two and a half lengths; two lengths between the second and third.

RECOVERY PLATE.—Rs. 350. Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second and Rs. 50 to the third. A welter handicap for English and Australasian ponies and for all Arab and C.-B. ponies 14-1 and under that have started at this meeting and have not won a race of any description. 3 furlongs.

Messrs. Wilson and Joliffe's b aus m Lady Knight, 11st. 4lbs. ... ... Barrett 1
Mr. Jenkins' br cb m Wildrose (late Heliades), 8st. 6lbs ... .. Melsom 2
Capt. Forsyth's ch aus m Esslemont, 7st. 11b. (car. 7st. 4lbs.) ... .. Bechan 3
Also ran: Labby Gown, 7-6.

BETTING: Evens Wildrose, 6 to 4 agst. Lady Knight, 3 to 1 Labby Gown, and 6 to 1 Esslemont.

At the quarter mile Lady Knight left the others and won by two lengths; three lengths between second and third. Time—37⅖secs.

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Hon. Secy.:—J. M. Turner, Esq.

Saturday, 3rd November 1906.

THE gymkhana this afternoon attracted a big gathering to the Tollygunge Club grounds. The course was on the soft side and there were three spills during the afernoon, Glenken, who came down in the Pony Purse, breaking his leg and having to be destroyed. The racing is dealt with in our Sporting Notes, results are appended.

THE PONY PURSE.—A Handicap Flat Race for all Ponies 14-2 and under. 5 furlongs.

Mr. A. Levetus' blk or br aus m Lady George, 9st. 3lbs. ... ... Mr. Evers 1
Mr. J. D. West's b aus g Knock Out, 9st. 7lbs. ... ... Mr. Deakin 2
Mr. G. Hilliard's d aus g Sun Flower, 9st. 12lbs. ... ... Owner 3
Mr. J. M. Turner's br aus g Bull's Eye, 11st. 7lbs. ... ... Mr. Pugh 4
Dr. Hossack's b aus g Glenken, 11st. ... Owner *fell*

BETTING: 6 to 4 each agst. Knock Out and Lady George, 4 to 1 Bull's Eye, 6 to 1 Sun Flower, and 12 to 1 Glenken.

Totalisator paid Rs. 15 to win; Rs. 6 and Rs. 6 for places.

Won in a canter by one and-a-half lengths; same distance between second and third. Glenken fell at the turn and broke his leg.

THE NOVICE STAKES.—A Handicap Flat Race for Houses that have never won a race of any description value Rs. 45. 6 furlongs.

Mr. M. W. Muir's br aug g Mars, 10st. 7lbs. ... ... Mr. Evers 1
Mr. F. L. Halliday's b aus g Brazen, 10st. 11lbs .. .. Mr. Gordon 2
Mr. E. A. Beecheroft's b aus g Return, 9st. (dec 7lbs.). ... ... Mr. Maunder 3
Mr. Pauntley's gr aus g Lucifer, 12st. 7lbs. Owner *fell*
Mr. S. C. Langham's ch aus g Salad Dressing, 10st. 4lbs., (dec. 2lbs.) ... Owner *fell*

BETTING: 5 to 4 on Lucifer, 6 to 4 agst. Mars, 4 to 1 Brazen, 6 to 1 Salad Dressing, and 8 to 1 Return.

Totalisator paid Rs 15 to win; Rs. 7 and for Rs. 12 places.

Won easily by two and-a-half lengths; three lengths between the second and third. Lucifer and Salad Dressing fell at the turn.

THE ALL COMERS' CUP.—A Handicap Flat Race for all Horses 6 furlongs.

Mr. H. P. Banker's b aus m Queen of Gems, 8st 7lbs. ... .. Native 1
Mr. E. L. MacLeod's b aus g Batanzos, 10st 6lbs. ... ... Mr. R. Pugh 2
Mr. A. N. Dass' br m aus g Lollipop, 9st. .Mr. Evers 3
Mr. Roland's br aus g Oom Paul, 10st, 8lbs. ... ... Mr. Galstaun 4
Mr. J. Hagarty's br aus g Richmond, 10st. 4lbs. ... ... Major Peacocke 0
Mr. A. N. Dass' b e m Miss Trenton, 8st. (dec. 2lbs.) ... ... Mr. Maunder 0

BETTING: 2 to 1 agst. Oom Paul, 3 to 1 each Batanzos, Lollipop and Queen of Gems, and 10 to 1 the rest.

Totalisator paid Rs. 17 to win; Rs. 11 and Rs. 16 for places.

Won by a length; one and-a-half length between the second and third.

THE NOVEMBER STAKES.—A Handicap Flat Race for Maiden Horses. 1 mile.

Mr. T. Curtis Hayward's b aus m Sylvia, 11st. 5lbs. .. .. Mr. Turner 1
Mr. H. R. Sandiland's b aus m Fatima 8st (dec. 12lbs.) ... ... Mr. Evers 2
Mr. G. C. Dulcken's br aus m Dalgai, 10st. 12lbs. ... ... Mr. Gordon 3
Mr. J. G. Ballantyne's b aus g Clodian, 11st. 7lbs ... ... Owner 4
Mr. W. O. Rees' b e g Lord Chippendale, 11st. 5lbs. ... ... Owner 0
Mr. R. Westmacott's br aus m Harmony, 8st. (dec. 7lbs.) .. ... Owner 0

BETTING: Evens Fatima, 3 to 1 each agst. Sylvia and Dalgai, 8 to 1 Lord Chippendale, and 10 to 1 the rest.

Totalisator paid Rs. 19 to win; Rs. 9 and Rs. 8 for places.

Won easily by a length; three lengths between the second and third; a head between third and fourth.

THE BUGGY STAKES.—A Handicap Flat Race for all Ponies 14-2 and under that have been regularly driven up to date. 4 furlongs.

Mr. M. W Muir's ch aus g Golden Star, 11st. 5lbs. ... ... Mr. Turner 1
Mr. H. Schwerdtfeger's gr aus g Blossom, 11st. 7lbs. ... ... Owner 2
Mr. T. Curtis-Hayward's ch aus Lady Wilful, 10st. 7lbs. ... ... Mr. Pugh 3
Mr. W. G. Wickham's blk aus m Annie, 9st 6lbs. ... ... Mr. Antram 4
Mr. H. Given-Wilson's ch aus m Kinlock, 9st 12lbs. ... . Mr. Westmacott 0

BETTING: 2 to 1 each agst. Blossom, Lady Wilful and Golden Star, 6 to 1 Annie, and 10 to 1 Kinlock.

Totalisator paid Rs. 20 to win; Rs. 10 and Rs. 11 for places.

Won easily by three lengths; four lengths between the second and third.

THE GANG ON STAKES.—A Handicap Flat Race for Horses that have never won a race of any description value Rs. 500 or over. About 7 furlongs.

Mr. H. K. Pierson's ch aus g Queen of Hearts 11st. 9lbs ... ... Owner 1
Mr. J. G. Ballantyne's ch aus m Fairy, 10st 10lbs. ... ... Owner 2
Mr. Pauntley's gr aus g Lucifer, 10st. 8lbs. Owner 3

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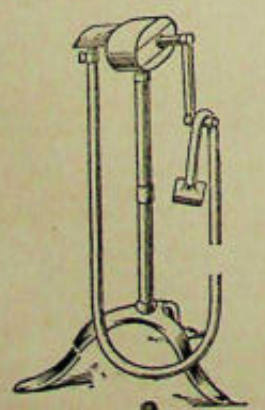

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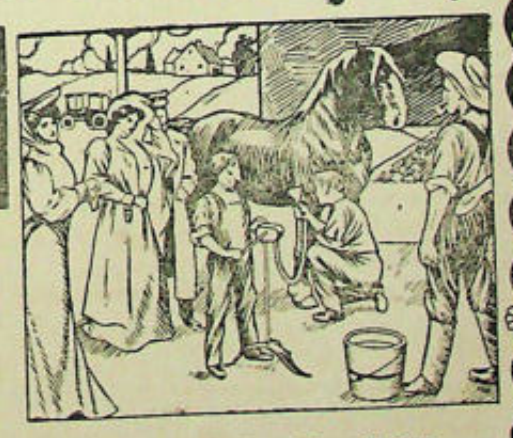

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BETTING: Evens Queen of Hearts, 2 to 1 agst. Fairy, 3 to 1 Lucifer, 4 to 1 Brazen, and 6 to 1 Eileen.
Totalisator paid Rs 10 to win; Rs. 7 and Rs. 35 for places.
Won by three lengths; a head between second and third.

A MATCH.—Rs 49. 6 furlongs.
Mr. H. P. Banker's b aus m Queen of Gems, 8st. 7lbs. ... ... Mr. Galstaun 1
Mr. A. N. Das' bk rn aus g Lollipop, 8st. 7lbs. ... ... Mr. Evers 2
BETTING: 6 to 4 on Queen of Gems, evens Lollipop.
Won easily by half a length.

BANGALORE GYMKHANA RACES

A VERY bright little Gymkhana meeting took place in Bangalore on the 3rd instant. The 14th Hussars' band played an excellent selection of music, and Colonel O'Brien and his officers were "At Home" to their friends. Details:—

THE ARAB POLO SCURRY.—For *bona-fide* Arab Polo Ponies 2½ furlongs.
Col. Conolly's br a h Manser, 11st. ... Mr. Spinks 1
Mr. T. G. Strickland's ch a h Baronet, 12st. 7lbs. ... ... Owner 2
Mr. H. Carnes' g a g The Cat, 11st. 7lbs. 3
Capt. Dennistoun's b a g Tioba, 11st. 10lbs. Owner 0
Totalisator paid Rs. 4-6.
Won comfortably by a length; three lengths between second and third. Time—34½secs.

THE CURZON PLATE FOR PONIES.—6 furlongs.
Mr. A. G. Gwyer's g aus g Piscator, 10st. 13lbs. ... Major Barnard 1
30th Lancers' g aus g Bahadur, 10st. 13lbs. Mr. Walker 2
Capt. J. B. Walker's b aus g Tom Tucker, 10st. 13lbs. ... ... Mr. Bruce 3
Major E. J. Tickell's bk aus g Blackbird, 10st. 13lbs. ... ... Owner 0
Totalisator paid Rs 5-2.
Won in the last fifty yards by three quarters of a length, a length and a half between second and third.

MATCH OF RS. 100 A SIDE 3 furlongs.
Mr. A. G. Gwyer's b cb g Tam Ring, 10st. 9½lbs. ... ... Major Barnard 1
Mr. R. J. W. Heale's b cb m Little Mary, 10st. 9½lbs. ... ... Mr. Spinks 2
Totalisator paid Rs. 3.
Won in a canter by a length. Time—43⅗secs.

THE JACK HUNTERS' CHASE.—For horses. 1¼ mile over S. C.
Mr. P. Hannygton's b aus g Advance, 11st. 9lbs. ... ... Owner 1
Mr. C. W. Spinks' b aus g The Gander, 11st. 7lbs. ... ... Owner 2
Major A. E. Barnard's br aus g Mosquito, 11st. 7lbs. ... ... Owner 3
Mr. H. Cornes' b aus g Boris, 11st. 10lbs. ... Owner 0
Totalisator paid Rs. 3 3.
Won as he liked by a length and a half. Time—3 mins. 14 seconds.

THE STAND PLATE.—For Horses. 5 furlongs.
Mr. P. Hannygton's ch aus g King's Mirror, 11st. ... .Mr. Strickland 1
Capt. H. L. Mundy's br aus g Coriclan, 11st. ... ... Mr. Burnester 2
Mr. A. G. Gwyer's b aus g David, 11st. Major Barnard 3
Maj. C. B. Tottenham's br aus g Midnight, 11st. ... ... Owner 0
Mr. R. J. W. Heale's b ch m Little Mary, 11st. ... ... Mr. Spinks 0
Mr. C. W. Spinks' br aus g Sandyford 11st. .. ... Capt. Dennistoun 0
Maj. E. J. Tickell's b aus g Fil-Fil 11st. 2lbs. ... ... Owner 0
Mr. S. Mewburn's bk aus g Forthos 11st. ... Owner 0
Capt. The Hon. H. E. Joicey's b aus g Achilles 11st. 1lb. ... ... Owner 0
Totalisator paid Rs. 4.
Won easily by 3 lengths; same between second and third. Time—1min. 12secs.

THE OPEN POLO SCURRY.—For all *bona fide* polo ponies except Arabs. 2½ furlongs.
Mr. A. G. Gwyer's b cb g Tam Ring, 12st. 7lbs. ... .Major Barnard 1
Major R. H. Hayes' ch aus g Bushranger, 11st. ... ... Major Tottenham 2
Mr. C. W. Spinks' ch aus g Red Prince, 11st. ... ... Capt. Dennistoun 3
Mr. C. W. Spinks' b aus m Princess, 11st. Owner 0
Mr. G. H. Raleigh's b aus g Wallaroo, 11st. Owner 0
Totalisator returned money.
Won in a canter by two lengths. No time taken.

THE BEDOUIN STAKES.—For Arab Ponies 14-1. 6 furlongs.
Mr. T. G. Strickland's ch a h Baronet, 12st. 2lbs. ... ... Owner 1
Mr. H. Maydwell's b a g Mr. Bumble, 9st. 7lbs. ... ... Mr. Pile 2
Capt. H. A. L. Mundy's b a g Shrapnel, 11st. 4lbs. ... ...Mr. Burnester 3
Mr. H. Cornes' br a h Brown Bat, 10st. 9lbs. ... ... Owner 0
The totalisator paid a quarter on the amount staked.
Run in the dark. Baronet won as he liked, but no time was taken.

MEERUT OPEN GYMKHANA.

Saturday, 27th October, 1906.

THE Gymkhana meeting this afternoon was most successful and good racing and excellent finishes were witnessed. Details:—

PONY HURDLES.—A handicap for all ponies. R. C.
Capt. Charley's Hermes, 11st. 4lbs. ... Owner 1
Capt. Bannerman's Turnstile, 10st. 4lbs. ... Mr. Anderson 2
Mr. Adams' Little Mary, 10st.... ... Mr. Platt 3
Also ran: Powta, 9-4.
BETTING: 3 to 1 on the winner.
Won by two lengths.

HORSE HURDLES.—1¼ miles.
Capt. Bennett's Precarious, 11st. ... Owner 1
Mr. Goodman's Aureole, 11st ... ... Capt. Charley 2
Capt. Bannerman's Anvil, 10st. 2lbs. ... Anderson 3
Also ran: Birralee, 11-0; King Pin, 11-0; Lord D. 11-0; Steelpen, 1-2; Rissaldar, 1-2; Foundling, 9-7.
BETTING: 3 to 1 agst. the winner. Won by two lengths.

ARAB SCURRY.—For all Arab ponies 14-1 and under. Ponies 14-1 to carry 11st. W. I. Winners of Rs. 200. 7lbs. extra. 3 furlongs.
Capt. Bennett's Pardon, 10st. 2lbs. ... Owner 1
Mr. Mellor's P. G., 10st. 11lbs.... ... Mr. Higgon 2
Mr. Platt's Grey Lancer, 10st. 8lbs. ... Owner 3
Also ran: Burlingham, 11-0; Walker, 10-8.
BETTING: Evens the winner.
Won by a short head.

HORSE HANDICAP CHASE.—For all maiden horses. R. C.
Mr. Beaumont's Wales, 12st. 7lbs. ... Owner 1
Mr. Platt's Starlight, 9st. 7lbs. ... Owner 2
Capt. Bennett's Pinfire, 10st. ... ... Owner 3
Also ran: Reform, 10-4; Cake Walk, 9-7.
BETTING: 6 to 4 on the winner.
Won by a length.

DISTANCE SELLING HANDICAP.—For all ponies and horses. Horses entered to be sold for Rs. 500. "Scratch" 30 yards. allowed for every 50 rupees under; catch weights 11st. 5 furlongs.
Mr. Higgon's Revival (Rs. 150), 210 yards, 11st. Owner 1
N. Sultan Mahomed's Baby (Rs. 300). 120 yards, 11st. ... ... Capt. Bennett 2
Mr. Bryant's Richmond (Rs. 500), scratch, 11st. Owner 3
Also ran: Kitty (Rs. 300), 120 yards, 11-0.
BETTING: 3 to 1 on the winner.
Won by ten lengths.

OPEN HANDICAP.—A handicap for all ponies 14-1 and under. ½ mile.
Capt. Forsyth's Esslemont, 10st. 11lbs. ... Mr. Bryant 1
Capt. Bennett's Pardon, 8st. 7lbs. ... Baichan 2
Capt. Bannerman's Bounty, 10st. 11lbs. ... Mr. Anderson 3
Also ran: Jimmy, 11-7; Elmas, 9-0.
BETTING: 2 to 1 agst. the winner.
Won by three lengths.

POONA RACES AND STEEPLECHASES.

FORM AT A GLANCE.

FLAT RACES.

Race.	Date.	Distance.	First.	Second.	Third.	Unplaced.	Verdict.	Time.
The First Newcomers' Plate ...	28-7-06	5 f.	Scimitar 8-0 ...	Shanwar 8-9 ...	Shabib 7-11 ...	Silver Stream 7-7, Honey 8-3, Moslat 7-12, Gaucho 7-5, Adham 7-13, Mudlool 7-12, Solicitor 7-8, Grey Falcon 7-4, Fangh-a-Ballagh 7-2, Colonel 7-3	2 l.	1-10
The Midget Plate	"	5 f.	Calcutta 8-7 ...	Settler 8-12 ...	Darby 9-4 ...	Salawar 9-5, Clever Boy 9-1, Young Nero 8-12	2½ l.	1-10
The Second Newcomers' Plate ...	"	5 f.	Malik 8-2 ...	Wadi 8-11 ...	Burhan 8-11 ...	Nooman 8-8, Machine Gun 9-1, Sir Lawrence 8-12, Nowar 8-11, Durvan 8-8, Hero 8-8, One Pie 8-6, Ireland 8-0, Royal Red 7-8	½ l.	1-11⅘
The Summer Plate (Hcp.) ...	"	7 f.	Primerole 9-5 ...	Admiral Crichton 7-5 ...	Clynder 8-7 ...	Testwood 9-3, Tubal Cain 8-4, Flotsam 7-7	½ l. after D.H.	1-34
The Arabian Plate	"	7 f.	Almas 8-7 ...	Shaffy 7-4 ...	Recruit 7-7 ...	Forath 8-13, St. Gris 9-8, Obara 9-2, Royal 9-2, Peculiar 9-2, Hookham 8-6, Multiform 8-6, Dublin 8-5, Mariner 8-1, Robinhood 7-11, Galopin 7-2 ...	¾ l.	1-41
The July Plate	"	5 f.	Balayeuse 9-4 ...	Virbala 8-2 ...	Freelance 9-8 ...	Child Adopted 8-4, Baritone 9-3, Vienard 9-4, Rossi 9-4, Susan 7-13, Indabba 7-11...	4 l.	1-4⅘
The Arab Pony Trial Plate ...	"	6 f.	Oriental 8-8 ...	Sir Jamal 7-13 ...	Bay Middleton 9-0	Vasco 8-8, Bandit II. 9-6, Sugger 8-2, Ashroff 8-2, Young Gazelle 7-12, Hilai 7-1	½ l.	1-25
The Novice Plate	"	½ m.	Mishall 10-9 ...	Khooshab 10-13 ..	Cyprus 9-11 ...	Martini 9-6, Little Gallant 10-8, Milo 10-8, Once More 9-10, Philip 9-8 ...	1¼ l.	57⅘
The Lilliput Trial Plate ...	4-8-06	5 f.	Darby 8-2 ...	Bay Middleton 9-12	Oriental 9-6 ...	Mint 9-0, Gold Belt 8-8, Young Gazelle 8-8, Clever Boy 7-13, Sahoon 7-13 Ystana 7-7, Silver Stream 7-5	2 l.	1-9
The August Plate	"	6 f.	Primerole 9-1 ...	Lamrock 9-1 ...	Applause 9-1 ...	Gambooda 8-1	1 l.	1-18
The Arab Trial Plate ...	"	1 m.	False Start 8-4 ...	Peculiar 8-9 ...	Young Kohinoor 8-4	Monsoon 8-3, Tachreet 9-8, Young Cardigan 8-9, Wait-a-While 8-2, Vasco 8-4, Summah 8-10, Young Kaiser 8-3, Canal 6-9, Galopin 7-0 ...	1 l.	1-55⅕
The Karli Plate	"	6 f.	Ashroff 9-0 ...	Calcutta 8-2 ...	Caravan 8-6 ...	Turn of Luck 9-0, Dilerjung 9-6, Raol, 8-6, Milo 8-11, Salawai 8-9, Sugger 8-8, Settler 8-2, Advocate-General 8-2	1¼ l.	1-24
Selling Plate	"	½ m.	Magnacharta 7-12	Foxhall 8-1 ..	Thunderstorm 7-9	Redlips 7-13, Saimoo 7-11, ...	1½ l.	53⅘
The Welter Plate	"	5 f.	Swiftsure 10-7 ...	White Heather 10-4	Edie 10-7 ...	Breeze 10-1, Pactolus 10-2, Ruapehu 10-9, Archipelago 10-4, M. P. 10-10, Enderby 10-7, Scandal 10-2	2½ l.	1-4⅘
The First Little Beginners' Plate	11-8-06	½ m.	Namdar 8-0 ...	Moslat 8-3 ...	Nagashi 7-10 ...	Royal Red 8-6, Ireland 8-6, Shabib, 8-3, Solicitor 8-0, Chotee Begum 7-10, Fangh a Ballagh 7-8, Golden Hill 6-8	¾ l.	55⅘
The Second Little Beginners' Plate	"	½ m.	Muzeade 8-4 ...	Shanwar 9-2 ...	Sabah 8-0 ...	Gaucho 8-3, One Pie 8-13, Scimitar 8-13, Newadi 8-3, Silver Stream 8-0 ..	1 l.	54⅘
The Midsummer Plate (Hcp.) ..	"	5 f.	Killua 8-12 ...	Nat Gould 8-4 ...	Diakkaway 8-7 ...	Regio 9-13, Dulcimer 9-9, Dormant 9-4, Manlock 9-1, Thomond 8-9, Baritone 7-10, Gunner 7-6, Falstaff 7-8, Armida 8-1, Indabba 7-7	¾ l.	1-2
The Hopeful Plate	"	6 f.	Dublin 8-8 ...	Cardiff 8-1 ...	Multiform 8-9 ...	Jahandar 8-9, Forath 8-13, Swordsman 8-6, Nooman 8-1, Wadi 8-1, Recruit 7-11, Shaffy 7-8	2½ l.	1-23⅕
The Monsoon Plate ...	"	1 m.	Sainte Marquise 9-4	Admiral Crichton 8-8 ...	Applause 9-1 ...	Insurrection 9-6, Presbyterian 8-8, Caroline 8-4	¼ l.	1-46⅕
The Tallgaon Plate (Hcp.) ...	"	6 f.	Tachreet 9-8 ..	Bay Middleton 9-10	Young Cardigan 7-12.	Sir Jamal 8-5, Hermit 9-3, Rose 8-4, Grey Fox 8-1, Panala II. 7-12, Lomond 7-7, Nainava 7-9, Mishall 7-2, Chiragh 6-8	½ l.	1-24
The Amateur Plate ...	"	5 f.	Tartan 9-11 ...	Nurse Kitty 11-11	Fitima 9-5 ...	Small Scotch 11-7, Susan 11-2, Syren 11-1, Ben Hur 8-12	2½ l. after D. H.	1-7⅘
The First Consolation Plate ...	18-8-06	5 f.	Sabah 7-2 ...	Advocate-General 8-1 ...	Sahoon 7-11 ...	Sherali 8-2, Royal Red 7-9, Ireland 7-8, Adham 7-5, Shabib 7-2, Andry 7-2, Chootee Begum 6-13, Colonel 6-8	1 l.	1-11⅕
The Second Consolation Plate ...	"	5 f.	Wadi 8-6 ...	Cardiff 8-6 ...	Nooman 8-3 ...	Burhan 8-6, Raol 8-9, Retreat 8-6, Mariner 8-3, Durvan 8-3, Doulatyar 7-9, Breechloader 7-8	1¼ l	1-10
The Old Stand Plate (Hcp.) ...	"	1 m.	Lamrock 8-3 ...	Testwood 8-13 ...	Clynder 8-0 ...	Resident 7-0, Sainte Marquise 8-11, Trenayr 8-3, Shotover 8-5, Lord Boyne 8-4, Our State 8-4, Gambara 8-4, Tubal Cain 7-6	1¼ l.	1-46⅘

FLAT RACES—*contd.*

Race.	Date.	Distance.	First.	Second.	Third.	Unplaced.	Verdict.	Time.
The Lanowli Plate (Hcp.) ...	18-8-06	1 m.	Bendigo 8-8 ...	Ajax 7-11 ...	Young Cardigan 7-3.	Bay Middleton 8-4 Precious 9-12, Skylark 9-1, Tachreet 8-7, Mooreed 8-4, Sobeil 8-0, Kummar 7-7, Bandit II. 7-12, Obara 7-8	¾ l.	1-56
The Pony Plate (Hcp.) ...	,,	6 f.	Comeback 8-10 ..	Matalgia 8-13 ...	Gun Metal 8-6 ...	Mandeville 8-12, Russley Rose 9-13, Filbert 7-10, Indabba 7-6, Judy 7-11, Tete a Tete 6-8	¾ l.	1-18
The Midget Plate (Hcp.) ...	,,	6 f	Mint 8-5 ...	Panala II. 7-12 ...	Whirlwind 7-2 ..	Zurriff 8-11, Hermit 9-5, Grey Fox 8-4, Napoleon 7-5, My Mistake 7-4 ...	¾ l.	1-25¼
The Arab Welter Plate ...	,,	5 f.	Dilerjung 10-7 ...	Little Gallant 10-0	Pasha 10-2 ...	Lomond 9-11, Backaway 10-4, Mishall 9-10, Little Red Rat 9-9, Milo 9-8, Tigris 9-12	1 l.	1-12
The First Lilliput Consolation Plate	23-8-06	¼ m.	Sahoon 8-4 ...	Gancho 8-1 ...	Nagashi 7-6 ...	Advocate-General 8-7, Eclipse 8-4, Waddler 8-1, Solicitor 7-12, Mudlool 7-12, Silver Stream 7-12, Ariff 7-3	1¼ l.	54¾
The Second Lilliput Consolation Plate	,,	¼ m.	Sherali 8-10 ...	Dhaman 8-4 ...	Moslat 8-1 ...	Grey Falcon 7-9, Royal Red 8-1, Salbook 7-12, Andry 7-12, Golden Hill 6-11	3 l.	54¼
The First Arab Consolation Plate	,,	7 f.	Young Kaiser 8-12	Recruit 7-7 ...	Advocate-General 8-7 ...	Ireland 7-7, Monsoon 8-12, Mariner 8-1, Archer 7-12	2 l.	1-42¾
The Hadapsur Plate (Hcp.) ...	,,	7 f.	Hermit 8-12 ...	Bandit II. 8-3 ...	Young Cardigan. 8-0	Zurriff 8-1, Arabistan 8-10, Kour Sahib 8-5, Panala II. 7-9, Omar 7-6, Grey Fox 7-3	1¼ l.	1-39¼
The Second Arab Consolation Plate	,,	7 f.	Nooman 8-1 ...	Cardiff 8-1 ...	Scarlet 6-11 ...	Old Coin 8-10, Swordsman 8-6, Manar 8-1, Thunderbolt 7-12	¾ l.	1-42¾
The Selling Plate	,,	5 f.	Gum 8-4 ...	Fando 7-12 ...	Baritone 7-13 ...	Caroline 8-1, Presbyterian 8-4, Armida 7-11 Gamboola 7-6	1¼ l.	1-4
The Service Plate ...	,,	6 f.	Swiftsure 10-11...	White Heather 10-7	Vienard 11-5 ...	Dumbbell 11-11, Archipelago 10-5	1¼ l.	1-21
The First Beginners' Plate ...	25-8-06	6 f.	Wadi 9-1 ...	Nooman 8-12 ...	Burhan 8-8 ...	Gold Belt 8-9, Shanwar 8-6, Khurdie 8-5, Sabah 7-11, Royal Red 7-10 ...	1 l.	1-25
The Second Beginners' Plate ...	,,	6 f.	Jahandar 9-1 ...	Malik 8-6 ...	Mooslat 7-13 ...	Mudlool 7-12, Sir Lawrence 8-9, Cardiff 8-8, One Pie 8-3, Namdar 8-0, Adham 7-7, Grey Falcon 7-1	1¼ l.	1-25
The Sydney Plate (Hcp.) ...	,,	7 f.	Matalgia 9-0 ...	Comeback 9-10 ...	Wakeful 9-2 ...	Filbert 7-0, Little Admiral 8-0	1¼ l.	1-34
The All Horse Plate (Hcp.) ...	,,	1 m.	Clynder 7-9 ...	Nat Gould 8-1 ...	Resident 6-12 ...	Royalist 8-10, Cherson 9-11, Killua 8-13, Dulcimer 8-8, Lord Boyne 8-0 ...	2 l.	1-47
The Khandala Plate (Hcp.) ...	,,	1¼ m.	Precious 9-12 ...	Panala II. 8-0 ...	Young Cardigan 7-9	Sobeil 8-0, Laffy 9-0, Egypt 8-13, Bendigo 8-12, Mooreed 8-9, Ajax 8-8, False Start 8-0, Sandow 7-11, Sweet William 7-0, Surhan 6-7 ...	2 l	2-26¾
The Losers' Handicap ...	,,	6 f.	Balayeuse 9-0 ...	Insurrection 8-4...	Child Adopted 7-12	Kamlata 8-6, Trenayr 9-10, Greenstone 8-5, Caroline 8-1, Falstaff 7-3, Fando 7-7	¾ l.	1-17¾
The Club Plate (Hcp.) ...	,,	6 f.	Nurse Kitty 10-3	Tartan 10-1 ...	Recovery 12-7 ...	Small Scotch 10-2, Daphne 11-0, Susan 9-9	2 l.	1-21¾
The Arab Polo Pony Plate ..	30-8-06	3 f.	Pasha 10-7 ...	Moltke 10-7 ...	Acorn 10-7 ...	Grey Lance 10-7, Philip 10-7	2½ l.	41¾
The Novice Plate	,,	5 f.	Little Gallant 11-1	Booby 10-6 ...	Don Juan 10-3 ...	Khooshab 10-10, Nowar 10-12 (disq.), Martini 9-5 ... — ...	¾ l.	1-11¾
The Pony Plate (Hcp.) ...	,,	6 f.	Susan 9-8 ...	Recovery 12-7 ...	Nurse Kitty 11-7	Daphne 10-3, Small Scotch 9-11	2½ l.	1-23¾
The Horse Welter Plate (Hcp.)	,,	6 f.	White Heather 12-0	Breeze 10-4 ...	Vienard 11-12 ...	Philmore 10-2, Statesman 10-0, Archipelago 10-3, Scandal 9-8	1¼ l.	1-22¾
The Arab Welter Plate (Hcp.) ...	,,	7 f.	Lomond 10-9 ...	St. Gris 10-11 ...	Mishall 10-5 ...	Breakaway 10-7, Humpty Dumpty 11-1, Milo 10-0, Surhan 9-10, Cyprus 9-9	¾ l.	1-46¾
The All Pony Polo Plate ...	,,	3 f.	Forget-me-not 12-7	Moonstone ...11-7	Fanchette 11-7 ...	Verdant 11-7, Syren 11-7, Firebrand 11-7, Peggy 10-7	2 l.	39
The Pony Consolation Plate (Hcp.)	1-9-06	5 f.	Mandeville 7-11...	Gun Metal 8-6 ...	Signorina 10-7 ...	Russley Rose 9-2, Chippy Norton 9-3, Quick Remedy 7-1, Judy 7-1 ...	¾ l.	1-3¾
The Small Winners' Plate ...	,,	6 f.	Scimitar 8-13 ...	Nagashi 7-8 ...	Mooslat 8-3 ...	Calcutta 9-0, Salawar 9-5, Sabig 9-2, Caravan 9-2 Shanwar 9-2, Muzeade 8-11, Musket 8-10, Sahoon 8-10, Ireland 8-6, Bourbon 8-6, Mudlool 8-0, Colonel 7-5	2½ l.	1 26¾
The Chinchwad Plate ...	,,	1 m.	Peculiar 9-0 ...	Young Kohinoor 8-12 ...	Nusser 9-3 ...	Multiform 8-5, St. Gris 9-6, Royal 9-1, Makhool 9-0, Witness II. 8-9, Sugger 8-5, Robin Hood 7-1, Remembrance 6-13, Scarlet 6-9	1¼ l.	1-56
The New Lawn Plate (Hcp.) ...	,,	6 f.	Killua 8-12 ...	Dulcimer 8-11 ...	Primerole 8-9 ...	Royalist 8-6 Amyas 9-13, Trenayr 8-3, Adelaide 8-2, Gambara 8-4, Apology 8-0, Spirea 8-0, Rustile 7-3, Jubilant 6-12, Kamlata 7-1	nk.	1-15¾
A Trial Plate	,,	5 f.	White Heather 8-12	Sainfoin 9-3 ...	Armida 8-7 ...	Hermitage 8-7, Berzak 8-2	1¾ l.	1-4¾
The Karjat Plate (Hcp.) ...	,,	5 f.	Bay Middleton 9-11	Sheik 7-11 ...	Poniard 6-12 ...	Omar 8-13, Ashroff 8-11, Rose 8-10, Girgistan 8-4, Whiteface 8-2, Highborn 8-1, Napoleon 7-2	1 l.	1-8¾
A Welter Handicap ...	,,	7 f.	Edie 9-13 ...	Corrie Roy 11-12	The Moachim 10-9	Vienard 11-4, Bell Topper 10-11, Archipelago 9-11, The Unit 9-8, Benson 9-6	¾ l.	1-36¾
The Lilliputs	8-9-06	¼ m.	Bay Middleton 9-12	Scimitar 7-8 ...	Muzeade 7-0 ...	Sabig 8-3, Rose 9-0, Zuriff 9-2, Ptarmigan 8-4, Young Gazelle 8-2, Sahoon 8-0, Dhaman 8-1, Darby 8-0, Musket 7-11, Andry 7-10	hd.	53
H.H. the First Aga Khan's Commemoration Plate ...	,,	1¼ m.	Precious 9-3 ...	Young Cardigan 8-5	Peculiar 8-6 ...	Hampstead 8-6, Egypt 9-1, Soheil 9-0, Bendigo 8-12, Hadhur 8-6, Young Kaiser 8-6, Rummah 8-5 Young Kohinoor 8-1, Recruit 7-0	1¼ l.	2-25¾
The Trial Plate	,,	1 m.	Cherson 8-10 ...	Ballark 7-9 ...	Killua 8-0 ...	Royalist 8-7, Prince Lyon 9-0, Amyas 8-7, Trenayr 8-1, Testwood 8-0 ...	¾ l.	1-44¾
The Maiden Plate	,,	7 f.	False Start 9-0 ...	Osborne 8-11 ...	Monib Pasha 8-5	Witness II. 9-0, Sheik 9-7, Ashroff 9-3, Court Martial 9-3, Wadi 8-11, Kour Saheb 8-11, Cardiff 8-11, Settler 7-1	Sht. hd.	1-40¾
The New Plate	,,	5 f.	Gun Metal 8-8 ..	Signorina 10-0 ...	Comeback 8-11 ...	Chippy Norton 8-8, Little Admiral 9-0, Ceres 8-11, Judy 8-8, Welsh Love 8-1	¾ l.	1-3¾
The Arab Pony Derby ...	13-9-06	6 f.	Scimitar 8-2 ...	Calcutta 8-2 ...	Gazelle 8-6 ...	Settler 7-10, Creditor 9-1, Sabig 8-11, Darby 8-8, Mooslat 8-5, Shanwar 8-5, Andry 8-2, Nagashi 7-10	5 l.	1-24
The Pony Plate	,,	5 f.	Killua 7-12 ...	Killeevan 8-0 ...	Adelaide 7-12 ...	Dormant, 7-12, Cossack 8-10, Manlock 8-2, Amyas 8-2, Epitome 7-6, Terence 6-7	nk.	1-2¾
The Poona Derby	,,	1¼ m.	Hampstead 8-12	Young Kohinoor 8-7	Peculiar 8-12 ...	Eed 8-11, Makhool 8-12, Rummah 8-9, Ajax 8-8, Shaffy 6-8	hd.	2-56¾
The Criterion	,,	7 f.	Ballark 8-7 ...	Primerole 9-0 ...	Balayeuse 8-7 ...	Insurrection 9-4, Applause 9-3, Trenayr 8-11	nk.	1-29¾
The Dealers' Plate	,,	1 m.	Young Cardigan 8-12 ..	Tachreet 9-2 ...	Oriental 8-10 ...	Sir Jamal 7-3, Zurriff 8-6, Panala II. 7-10, Little Joker 7-5	3 l.	1-55
The Wanowrie Plate ...	15-9-06	6 f.	Bay Middleton 9-4	Little Joker 7-6...	Tachreet 9-4 ...	Hermit 9-0, Oriental 8-12, Ashroff 8-10, Osborne 8-8, Zurriff 8-8, Ptarmigan 7-12, Young Gazelle 7-8, Sir Jamal 7-5	¾ l.	1-22¾
The Western India Stakes (Hcp.)	,,	1¼ m.	Signorina 9-1 ...	Testwood 7-12 ...	Ballark 8-8 ...	Chassepot 8-7, Prince Lyon 9-5, Royalist 8-8, Trenton 8-6, Lamrock 8-3, Seclusion 8-2, Primerole 8-1, Clynder 7-13, Dirty Boy 7-12, Lord Boyne 7-10, Apology 7-5, Shotover 7-0	2½ l.	2-11¼
The Bedouin Plate (Hcp.) ...	,,	1 m.	Precious 10-5 ...	Young Kaiser 7-12	Bandit II. 7-10 ...	Moonib Pasha 7-3, Bendigo 9-6, Skylark 9-3, Young Cardigan 8-13, Hampstead 8-11, Soheil 8-9, Dublin 8-5, Arabistan 8-0, Sandow 7-10, Rummah 7-13, St. Gris 7-8, King Cobweb 7-6, Makhool 7-4, Scarlet 6-7 ...	3 l.	1-54¾
The Autumn Plate (Hcp.) ...	,,	6 f.	Ballayeuse 8-9 ...	Jubilant 7-4 ...	Flotsam 7-7 ...	Resident 7-12, Killeevan 10-0, Adelaide 9-0, Dormant 8-9, Rustile 8-2, Metal Maid 8-2, Lady of Quality 7-0, Vienard 7-0	nk.	1-15¾
The International Plate (Hcp.)	,,	6 f.	Matalgia 8-6 ...	Gun Metal 8-8 ...	Minimus 8-6 ...	Wakeful 8-9, Russley Rose 8-8, Mandeville 8-2, Koko 7-9	¾ l.	1-15¾
The Breeders' Plate ...	19-9-06	5 f.	Lady of Quality 9-9	Philmore 8-10 ...	.....	....	nk.	1-6¾
The Naval and Military Plate...	,,	6 f.	Nowar 10-4 ...	Little Gallant 11-2	Lomond 10-9 ...	Musket 9-9, Pasha 11-4, Booby 10-3, Tigris 10-6, Martini 9-1	1¼ l.	1-26¾
The Dealers' New Plate ...	,,	7 f.	Rummah 8-12 ...	Ireland 7-8 ...	The Ranger 8-11	Sadie 8-1, Retreat 7-13, Sir Lawrence 7-13, Bourbon 7-8, Darin 7-6 ...	1¼ l.	1-4

FLAT RACES—*concld.*

Race.	Date.	Distance.	First.	Second.	Third.	Unplaced.	Verdict.	Time.
The Selling Plate (Hcp.) ...	19-9-06	5 f.	Presbyterian 8-10	Rustile 9-2 ...	Baritone 8-1 ...	Resident 8-12, Gum 9-12, Freelance 9-6, Gambooda 8-10, Fando 8-7, Rossi 7-12, Armida 7-3, Vienard 6-10	¾ l.	1-3
The Home Bred Plate (Hcp.) ...	22-9-06	7 f.	Philmore 8-6 ...	.....	.....	.....	W.O.	...
The Lawn Plate (Hcp.) ...	,,	6 f.	Witness II. 8-4 ...	Omar 8-8 ...	Tachreet 10-1 ...	Eed 9-0 False Start 9-7, Hermit 9-7, Osborne 8-9, Ashroff 8-9, Little Joker 8-6, Zurriff 8-4, Grijistan 7-13, Ptarmigan 7-6	1¼ l.	1-24
The Stewards' Purse (Hcp.) ...	,,	1¼ m.	Apology 8-2 ...	Admiral Crichton 6-12 ...	Our State 8-4 ...	Lamrock 9-3, Testwood 9-10, Lord Boyne 8-8, Transvaal 7-11, Insurrection 7-8, Tubal Cain 7-12, Resident 7-0	½ l.	2-12¾
The Governor's Cup (Hcp.) ...	,,	R. C. and dist.	Sandow 6-13 ...	Mooreed 8-0 ...	Ajax 6-12 ...	Egypt 8-3, Precious 9-12, Skylark 8-5, Berlin 7-12, Hadhur 7-10, Young Cardigan 7-9, Soheil 7-11, Peculiar 7-4, Panala II. 7-4, Bandit II. 7-9, Young Kaiser 8-1, Young Kohinoor 7-5, St. Gris 6-12, Moonib Pasha 6-7, King Cobweb 6-10, Mishall 7-7	1 l.	3-10¾
The Ganeshkhind Plate (Hcp.)	,,	6 f.	Killua 9-7 ...	Clynder 7-8 ...	Dulcimer 9-2 ...	Adelaide 7-5, Royalist 8-5, Manlock 8-3, Nat Gould 7-9, Flotsam 6-10 ...	2 l.	1-16
The Colonial Plate (Hcp.) ...	,,	1 m.	Matalgia 9-13 ...	Wakeful 9-4 ...	Minimus 9-6 ...	Recovery 6-13, Mandeville 8-7, Koko 7-9	¾ l.	1-48¾
The Lilliput Handicap ..	,,	5 f.	Mint 8-10 ...	Bay Middleton 10-5.	Zurriff 7-12 ...	Scimitar 8-4, Young Gazelle 7-13, Whiteface 7-7, Plassey 7-7, Sabig 7-8, Musket 6-13, Napoleon 6-9	hd.	1-8
The Stand Plate (Hcp.) •	,,	1 m.	Our State 7-6 ...	Admiral Crichton 6-10.	Seclusion 7-12. ...	Clynder 7-7, Mallard 9-13, Killua 9-6, Dulcimer 8-5, Royalist 8-0, Lord Boyne 7-3	¼ l.	1-44¾
The Desert Handicap ...	,,	1 m.	Hermit 9-2 ...	Moonib Pasha 7-7	Sir Jamal 7-4 ...	Zurriff 7-6, Mooreed 9-10, Tachreet 9-7, Young Cardigan 9-6, Eed 9-3, Bandit II. 8-5, Arabistran 8-1, Little Joker 7-13, My Mistake 7-0 ...	¾ l.	1-54¾
The Paddock Plate (Hcp.) ...	,,	5 f.	Metal Maid 8-6 ...	Rustile 8-10 ...	Balaycuse 9-9 ...	Jubilant 7-12, Adelaide 9-12, Ballark 9-5, Presbyterian 9-1, Epitome 8-13, Gum 8-11, Spirea 8-6, Terence 7-2	1 l.	1-3
The All Pony Plate (Hcp.) ...	,,	5 f.	Matalgia 9-1 ...	Gun Metal 9-7 ...	Koko 7-13 ...	Wakeful 8-11, Minimus 8-8, Mandeville 8-7, Chippy Norton 7-12, Little Admiral 7-2	nk.	1-3¼
The Ghorpuri Plate (Hcp.) ...	29-9-06	6 f.	Hermit 9-5 ...	Little Joker 7-9...	Bay Middleton 10-3	Zurriff 7-5, Oriental 8-12, Mint 8-11	1 l.	1-23
The September Plate (Hcp.) ...	,,	6 f.	Killua 10-3 ...	Jubilant 6-11 ...	Presbyterian 8-1	Dulcimer 9-1, Balayeuse 8-6, Adelaide 7-10, Nat Gould 7-7, Resident 7-7, Flotsam 6-12	1 l.	1-16
The Turf Club Cup (Hcp.) ...	,,	1½ m.	Ajax 7-12 ...	Hampstead 8-1 ...	Soheil 7-12 ...	Mooreed 9-1, Precious 10-3, Egypt 8-10, Skylark 8-8, Sandow 8-7, Berlin 7-9, Young Kaiser 7-11, Bandit II. 7-6, Panala II. 7-3, King Cobweb 6-12, Moonib Pasha 6-13, Sweet William 6-12	½ l.	2-52
The Aga Khan's Cup (Hcp.) ...	,,	1½ m.	Lamrock 7-11 ...	Seclusion 7-12 ...	Trenton 7-12 ...	Shotover 6-8, Prince Lyon 9-5, Ballark 8-12, Testwood 8-1, Apology 7-13, Sainte Marquise 8-0, Dirty Boy 7-9, Lord Boyne 7-0, Insurrection 7-7 ...	nk.	2-38
The Idar Plate (Hcp.) ...	,,	6 f.	Grey Falcon 7-5...	Scimitar 9-12 ...	Mariner 7-2 ...	Ireland 8-1, Nowar 9-1, Sadic 8-3, Canter 8-2, Mudlool 8-0, Retreat 7-11, Royal Red 7-8, Bourbon 6-13, Solicitor 6-8	5 l.	1-21¾
The Kirkee Plate (Hcp.) ...	,,	5 f.	Hermit 9-3 ...	Omar 8-6 ...	Young Gazelle 7-10	Whiteface 7-0, Tachreet 9-10, False Start 9-1, William Rufus 7-12, Rose 7-12, Osborne 7-10, Sheik 7-10, Turn of Luck 7-0, Cardiff 6-7	hd.	1-8
A Maiden Plate (Hcp.) ...	6-10-06	6 f.	Settler 7-12 ...	Caravan 8-1 ...	Shanwar 7-1 ...	Poniard 8-0, Young Kohinoor 9-2, Calcutta 8-5, Wadi 8-3, Turn of Luck 8-1, Surhid 7-13, Sugger 7-12, Nooman 7-10, Redlips 7-4	hd.	1-23¾
A Consolation Plate (Hcp.) ...	,,	5 f.	Presbyterian 8-7	Metal Maid 9-2 (D.H.) Spirea 7-12	.....	Gum 8-6, Cossack 9-13, Harpist 8-13, Epitome 8-4, Freelance 8-1, Resident 7-1, Jubilant 6-13	¾ l.	1-2¾
The Arab Consolation Plate (Hcp.)	,,	1 m.	Bandit II. 8-1 ...	Rummah 7-11 ...	Makhool 7-7 ...	Peculiar 8-9, Skylark 9-5, Mooreed 9-0, Young Kaiser 8-6, Eed 8-4, Dublin 7-12, Shella 7-11, Panala II. 7-9, Sir Jamal 7-5, Robin Hood 6-8 ...	1 l.	1-51¾
The Arab Welter Plate (Hcp.)...	,,	6 f.	Pasha 10-8 ...	Mishall 10-3 ...	Breakaway 10-1...	Lomond 11-0, Little Gallant 11-4, Surhan 9-9	5 l.	1-24¾
The October Plate Handicap ...	,,	1 m.	Admiral Crichton 7-8 ...	Edie 6-13 ...	Tubal Cain 7-1 ...	Testwood 9-3, Applause 9-0, Shotover 8-7 ... — ...	2 l.	1-46¾
A Selling Plate	,,	¼ m.	Whiteface 7-9 ...	Sabig 8-1 ...	Napoleon 7-10 ...	Court Martial 8-1, Waddler 8-3, Gazette 7-7, Faugh-a-Ballagh 7-5 ...	1½ l.	53¼
The First Arab Pony Consolation Plate	13.10-06	5 f.	Advocate-General 8-2 ...	Cardiff 8-11 ...	Mudlool 7-12 ...	Gaucho 7-10, Raol 9-1, Mariner 8-8, Surhid 8-5, Young Nero 8-5, Dhaman 7-13, Ariff 6-13, Hobart 6-9	2 l.	1-8¾
The Second Arab Pony Consolation Plate	,,	5 f.	Sadic 8-6 ...	Nagashi 7-1 ...	Burhan 8-11 ...	Royal Red 8-1, Milo 9-0, Recruit 8-11, Lama 8-0, Adham 7-10, Shabib 7-9, Solicitor 7-7, Golden Hill 6-13	¾ l.	1-9¾
The Lilliput Handicap ...	,,	6 f.	Grey Falcon 7-6	Zurriff 8-4 ...	Young Gazelle 8-3	Settler 8-0, Little Joker 9-0, Darby 8 6	½ l.	1-22¾
The Visitors' Plate (Hcp.) ...	,,	6 f.	Admiral Crichton 8-4 ...	Presbyterian 9-3	Gum 8-2 ...	Balayeuse 8-12, Harpist 8-10, Applause 8-7, Spirea 7-8	nk.	1-15
The Bedouin Handicap ...	,,	1¼ m.	Peculiar 7-10 ...	King Cobweb 7-1	Hampstead 8-7 ...	Mooreed 8-10, Young Cardigan 8-0, Arabistan 7-7	¾ l.	2 23¾
A Welter Plate (Hcp.) ...	,,	6 f.	The Earl 11-2 ...	The Moachim 10-9	Nell Gwynne 9-11	....	¾ l.	1-19¾
A Nursery Plate (Hcp.) ...	,,	5 f.	Nooman 7-6. ...	Cardiff 7-8 ...	Antica 7-10 ...	Sabah 7-1, Vedas 9-12, Malik 8-4, Wadi 8-1, Shanwar 7-8, Muzeade 7-7, Sir Lawrence 7-5	¼ l.	1-8¾
The Arab Selling Plate ...	17-10-06	6 f.	Poniard 7-7 ...	Napoleon 8-2 ...	My Mistake 7-9	Darin 7-2	6 l.	1-24¾
The Lanowli Handicap ...	,,	6 f.	Mint 8-13 ...	Bandit II. 9-12 ...	Osborne 8-1 ...	Sir Jamal, 8-3, Panala II. 8-5, Mishall 7-11	¾ l.	1-24½
The Nursery Handicap ...	,,	6 f.	Shanwar 8-1 ...	Scimitar 9-10 ...	Nooman 9-0 ...	Recruit 7-12, Nagashi 7-2	¾ l.	1-23¾
The Kirkee Handicap ...	,,	1 m.	Young Kohinoor 8-13 ...	Makool 8-7 ...	Wait-a-while 7-13	Moonib Pasha 7-11, Hadhur 9-10, Vasco 9-3, Little Gallant 7-6, Manar 7-3, Archer 7-2	3 l.	1-55
The Midget Handicap ...	,,	5 f.	Sabig 8-7 ..	Settler 9-0 ...	Sabah 7-5 ...	Sherali 9-3, Caravan 8-6, Salawar 8-2, Mudlool 7-12	1½ l.	1-9
The Losers' Plate (Hcp.) ...	,,	6 f.	Rustile 8-2 ...	Applause 8-10 ...	Hermitage 6-7 ...	....	1¼ l.	1-17¾
The First Small Arab Consolation Plate	20-10-06	½ m.	Burhan 8-11 ...	Silver Stream 7-8	Mudlool 7-11 ...	Colonel 7-2, Young Nero 8-5, Lama 7-13, Faugh a Ballagh 7-1 ...	nk.	55
The Second Small Arab Consolation Plate	,,	½ m.	Cardiff 8-11 ...	Gaucho 7-10 ...	Raol 9-0 ...	Angler 7-10, Retreat 8-11, Darvan 8-8, Salbook 7-8	3 l.	55
The Khandala Handicap ...	,,	1 m.	King Cobweb 7-11	Peculiar 8-8 ...	Makhool 7-9 ...	Rummah 8-3, Moored 8-10, False Start 8-6, Young Kohinoor 8-5, Oriental 8-1, Panala II. 7-8	¾ l.	1-53¼
The Lingfield Plate (Hcp.) ...	,,	1 m.	Apology 8-12 ...	Admiral Crichton 8-10.	Balayeuse 8-5 ...	....	hd.	1-44¾
The New Comers' Handicap ...	,,	7 f.	Swordsman 7-6 ...	Multiform 8-9 ...	Wadi 7-13 ...	Sadic 8-6, Dublin 9-12, Darin 7-6, Manar 7-4, Marvellous 6-12 ...	nk.	1-40
The Club Plate	,,	6 f.	Mishall 10-8 ...	Milo 10-6 ...	.....	....	3 l.	1-26
The Auction Plate	,,	5 f.	Sabig 8-4 ...	Poniard 7-6 ...	Zurriff 7-3 —	Napoleon 7-12, My Mistake 7-6	1¾ l.	1-8¼
The Welter Consolation Plate ...	27-10-06	¼ m.	Hopeful 11-1 ...	Tigris 10-6 ...	Musket 10-0 ...	Saimoo 9-11, Banjo 10-3, Seamew 10-9, Surhid 10-2, Short Price 9-3 ...	¾ l	55¾
The Final Welter Plate (Hcp.)	,,	7 f.	The Moachim 10-7	The Earl 11-13 ...	Cracksman 9-11...	....	1¾ l.	1-37¾
The Goodbye Plate (Hcp.) ...	,,	5 f.	Scimitar 8-0 ...	Vedas 8-7 ...	Settler 7-0 ...	Sabig 8-9, Bandit II. 9-10, Vasco 9-0, Osborne 7-7, Plassy 7-2, Shanwar 7-0, Turn of Luck 7-7	¼ l.	1-8¼
The Final Plate	,,	5 f.	Vocalist 8-8 ...	Greenstone 9-0 ...	Falstaff 8-11 ...	Hermitage 9-0, Sir Galabad 7-10	hd.	.....
The Arab Consolation Plate ...	,,	7 f.	Remembrance 7-3	Marvellous 7-3 ...	Mudlool 8-11 ...	Archer 8-5, Kummar 8-11, Bourbon 8-5, Canter 8-5	1¼ l.	1-42
The Subalterns Handicap ...	,,	6 f.	Let Go 10-8 ...	Milo 9-13 ...	Mishall 11-7 ...	Whiteface 11-0, St. Gris 11-2, Martini 9-9	5 l.	1-27

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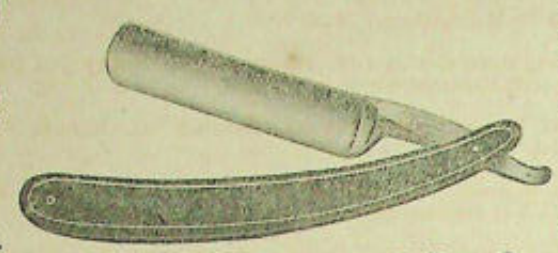

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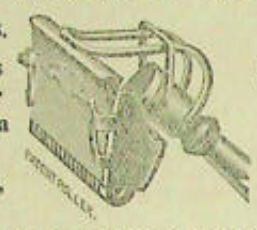

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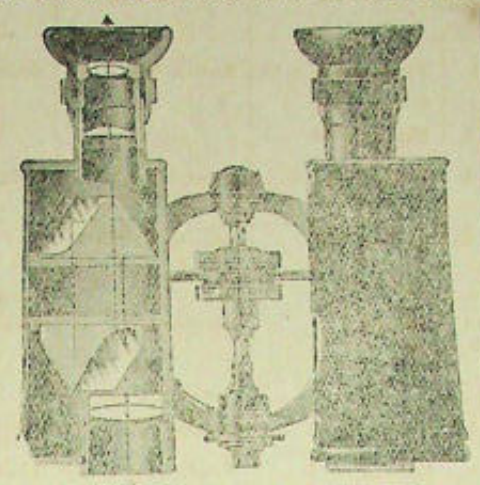

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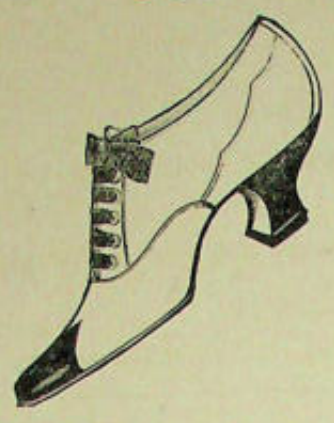

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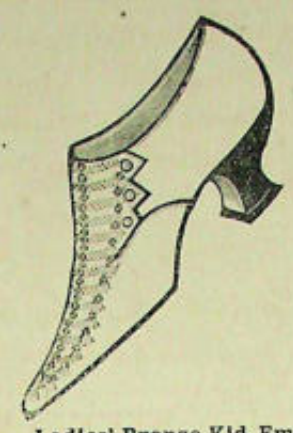

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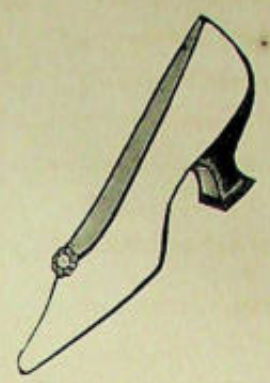

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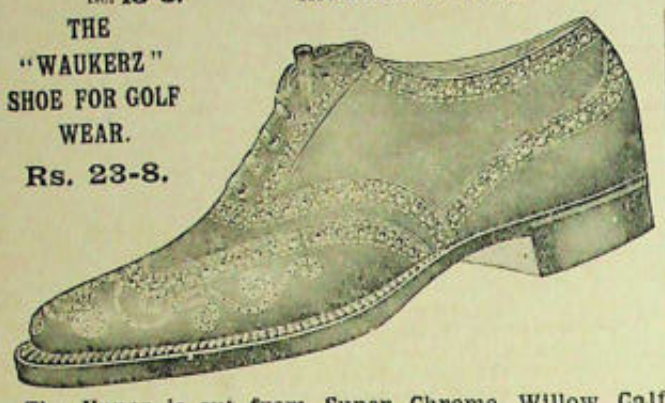

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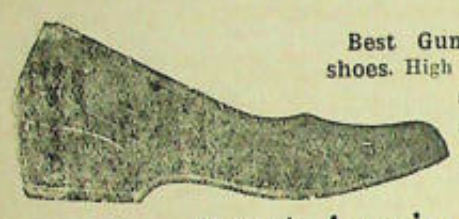

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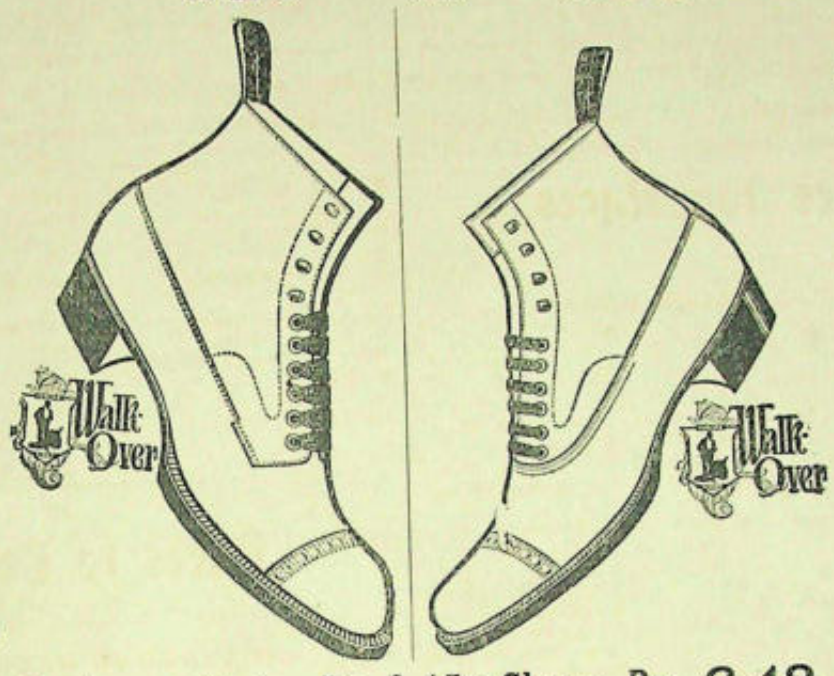

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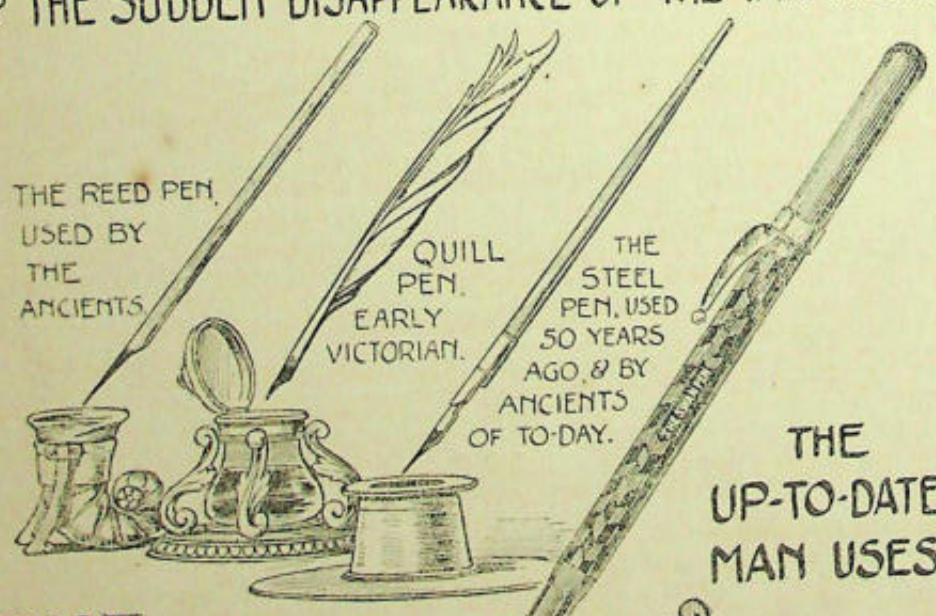

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The Hurdle Plate	4-8-06	1¼ m.	Last Post 10-0 ...	Freelance 10-0 ...	The Moachim 10-7	Bell Topper 11-11, Rossi 10-7	3 l.	2-29
The Tally Ho Plate (Hcp.) ...	18-8-06	1¼ m.	White Heather 10-3	The Moachim 10-9	Freelance 10-0 ...	....	1¼ l.	2-31⅘
The Hurdle Plate (Hcp.) ...	30-8-06	1¼ m.	The Moachim 11-10	Cracksman 11-1...	Enderby 10-5 ...	The Unit 10-5	4 l.	2-35
The Yerrowda Plate ...	8-9-07	R. C.	Corrie Roy 9-7 ...	Thomond 10-5 ...	Madeira 10-0 ...	White Heather 9-7	2 l.	3-10⅘
The Kharakwasla Plate (Hcp.)...	13-9-06	R. C. and Dist.	Nurse Kitty 10-4	Lucretia 9-2 ...	Olga 10-0 ...	Footlight 10-9, Key West 11-7, Small Scotch 9-8	¾ l.	3-14
The Poona Grand Annual (Hcp.)	15-9-06	2 m.	Greenstone 9-7 ...	Thomond 12-3 ...	Corrie Roy 11 11	Strathspey 10-12, Madeira 10-8, White Heather 10-0, The Moachim 9-8, Nell Gwynne 9-0	1½ l.	3-50⅘
The Bhamburda Plate (Hcp.) ...	27-9-06	1¼ m.	Footlight 10-3 ...	Olga 9-9	Small Scotch 8-12	Nurse Kitty 11-0, Lucretia 9-6	½ l.	3-29⅕
The Deccan Plate (Hcp.) ...	29-9-06	1¼ m.	Greenstone 10-5...	Nell Gwynne 8-0	Madeira 11-0 ...	Corrie Roy 11-6, Thomond 12-5, The Moachim 9-10	1½ l.	3-21⅘

STEEPLECHASES.

Race.	Date.	Distance.	First.	Second.	Third.	Unplaced.	Verdict.	Time.
The Pony Champion Chase (Hcp.)	19-9-06	1m. 7f.	Small Scotch 8-7	Key West 11-1 ...	Lucretia 9-1 ...	....	1 l.	1-4
The Poona Grand National (Hcp.)	,,	2m. 1f.	Madeira 10-0 ...	The Moachim 9-1	Nell Gwynne 9-5	Corrie Roy 12-7, Pactolus 11-5, Strathspey 10-11, Ruapehu 9-4... ...	2¼ l.	4-25⅕

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THE TRIALS.

H. H. the Kour Sahib of Patiala's ... ... b aus h ... Cherson.
Lt.-Col. J. Desaraj Urs' ... b aus g ... Red Coral by Nautilus—Eothan.
H. H. the Maharajah of Mysore's ... ... br aus h ... Munderah.
Mr. A. N. Dass' ... ... b aus h ... Trencherman.
Mr. J. B.'s ... ... b aus m ... Signorina.
Mr. E. L. F. de Soysa's ... b e h ... Footprint by Marco—Fracas.
Hon. Mr. A. A. Apcar's ... b aus h ... Fitzgrafton by Grafton—Olive Branch.
Mr. E. J. Marshall's ... b aus g ... Camira.
Mr. J. C. Galstaun's ... br aus g ... Long Tom.
Mr. J. C. Galstaun's ... br aus g ... Prince Lyon.
Mr. J. C. Galstaun's ... b e m ... Paddy's Darling by Enthusiast—Maranta.
Mr. R. S. Hart's ... ... ch aus h ... Contest.
Mr. Maxwell's ... ... br aus h ... The Master by Projectile—Housemaid.
Mr. Holmes' ... ... bk e m ... Annamulloch.
Mr. J. D. Scott's ... ... br cb g ... Saloon.
Mr. J. D. Scott's ... ... ch e m ... Amplify.
Messrs. Hudson and Butler's ... bk or br e m Blitzen.
Mr. Charles' .. ... b e c ... Steinhager.
Mr. Charles' ... ... b e h ... Rosanule.
Mr. North's ... ... b or br e g... Clear Artist by Velasquez—Simplify.
Mr. Dartmoor's ... ... ch e g ... Sacristan II.

THE VICEROY'S CUP.

H. H. the Kour Sahib of Patiala's br aus g ... Lamrock.
H. H. the Kour Sahib of Patiala's ... ... b aus h ... Cherson.
H. H. the Maharajah of Mysore's ... ... br aus h ... Munderah.
Mr. J. B's ... ... b aus m ... Signorina.
Mr. E. L. F. de Soysa's ... b e h ... Footprint.
Hon. Mr. A. A. Apcar's ... b aus h ... Mallaid.
Hon. Mr. A. A. Apcar's ... b aus h ... Fitzgrafton.
Mr. E. J. Marshall's ... b aus g ... Kipling.
Mr. J. C. Galstaun's ... br aus g ... Long Tom.
Mr. J. C. Galstaun's ... b e m ... Paddy's Darling.
Mr. R. S. Hart's.. ... ch aus h ... Contest.
Mr. Maxwell's ... ... br aus h ... The Master.
Mr. J. D. Scott's ... ... ch e m ... Amplify.
Mr. J. D. Scott's ... ... br b g ... Saloon
Mr. S. Margrett's ... ... b aus g ... Spero by Grafton—Esperance.
Mr. Charles' ... ... b e h ... Rosanule.
Mr. North's ... ... b or br e g Clear Artist.
Mr. Dartmoor's ... ... ch e g ... Sacristan II.
Mr. Charles' .. ... b e c .. Steinhager by Count Schomberg—Benedictine.

THE GRAND ANNUAL.

Mr. J. G. Ballantyne's .. b aus g ... Clodian by Pharamond—Alma.
Mr. K. B. Tomkinson's ... b aus g ... Spark.
Capt. H. D. McNeile's ... ch e g ... White Heather.
Hon. Mr. A. A. Apcar's ... ch aus m ... Nak Our.
Hon. Mr. A. A. Apcar's ... ch aus m ... Seclusion.
Mr. Alec's ... ... b aus g ... Lord D.
Mr. E. J. Marshall's b aus g .. Kipling.
Mr. R. S. Hart's .. .. b aus g .. Decoration.
Mr. R. S. Hart's ... ... b aus g ... Loch Lochie.
Mr. R. S. Hart's ... .. br aus g ... Pennant.
Mr. J. C. Galstaun's ... br aus g ... Hoop Iron.
Mr. Holmes' .. ... b e m ... Santa Maria.
Mr. S. Margrett's... ... b aus g ... Spero.
Messrs. Wood and Badger's ... br e g ... Thomond.
Mr. North's ... ... b aus g ... Greenstone.
Mr. Locke's ... .. ch aus g ... Baron II.
Mr. Locke's ... ... b aus g ... Look Out.
Messrs. Jones and Pugh's ... b aus g ... Olynthus.

THE INDIAN GRAND NATIONAL.

H. H. the Kour Sahib of Patiala's ... ... br aus g ... Lamrock.
Mrs. Fraser Nash's ... bk aus g ... Scotch Thistle.
Capt. H. D. McNeile's .. ch e g ... White Heather by Stern Chase—Heather Bell.
Mr. Beaumont's ... ... ch aus g ... Wales.
Messrs. Jones and Pugh's ... b aus g .. Olynthus.
Hon. Mr. A. A. Apcar's ... ch aus m ... Seclusion.
Mr. Alec's ... ... b aus g ... Lord D.
Mr. E. J. Marshall's ... b aus g ... Kipling.
Mr. R. S. Hart's ... ... b aus g ... Decoration.
Mr. R. S. Hart's ... ... br aus g ... Pennant.
Mr. R. S. Hart's ... ... b aus g ... Loch Lochie.
Mr. R. S Hart's ... ... b or b aus g Aberfoyle by Abergyle—Mabel.
Mr. J. C. Galstaun's ... br aus g ... Hoop Iron.
Mr. S. Margrett's ... .. b aus g ... Spero.
Messrs. Wood and Badger's ... br e g ... Thomond.
Mr. North's ... ... b aus g ... Greenstone.
Mr. Locke's ... ... b aus g ... Look Out.
Mr. Locke's ... ... b aus g ... Baron II.

Races to Come.

CHITTAGONG RACES, 1906.

(Under C. T. C. Rules of Racing.)

STEWARDS.

F. P. DIXON, ESQ., I.C.S. | C. ROUTH, ESQ.
M. E. NIGEL JONES, ESQ. | R. K. MULLICK, ESQ., I.C.S.
R. SNEYD HUTCHINSON, ESQ. | J. BROWN, ESQ.

Hony. Secys.— R. SNEYD HUTCHINSON, ESQ. / B. K. MULLICK, ESQ., I.C.S.

First Day, Tuesday, 11th December.

THE DACCA PURSE.—Rs. 200 to the winner, and Rs. 50 to the second. For polo ponies 14-1 and under. English and Australasian ponies 14-1 to carry 11st 7lbs., C.-B. ponies 14-1 to carry 10st., Arab ponies 14-1 to carry 9st. W. I. Penalties—Winners after 31st March 1904 of a flat race, value Rs. 200 or over, once 7lbs; oftener 14lbs. Entrance—10 A. M., 10th December, Rs. 15. 3 furlongs.

THE PAHARTALI PURSE.—Rs. 200 to the winner and Rs. 50 to the second. For maiden ponies 14-1 and under. English and Australasian ponies 14-1 to carry 11st., C.-B. ponies 14-1 to carry 10st., Arab ponies 14-1 to carry 9st. W. I. Penalties—Winners once 7lbs.; oftener 14lbs. Entrance—1st December, Rs. 10; 10 A. M., 10th December, Rs. 20. ¼ mile.

THE CHITTAGONG PURSE.—Rs. 500 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second, Rs. 50 to the third. For ponies 13-3 and under. English and Australasian ponies 13-3 to carry 10st. 7lbs., C.-B. ponies 13-3 to carry 9st. 2lbs., Arab ponies 13-3 to carry 8st. 10lbs. W. I. Allowances—Maidens allowed 7lbs. Entrance—1st December, Rs. 20; 10 A. M, 10th December, Rs. 30. 1,000 yards.

THE DOWLING CUP.—A Cup, value Rs. 200, presented by Mr. A. F. Dowling to the winner, and Rs. 50 to the second. For maiden ponies 14-1 and under, the property of residents of Chittagong District. English and Australasian ponies 14-1 to carry 11st., C.-B. ponies 14-1 to carry 10st., Arab ponies 14-1 to carry 9st. 7lbs. W. I. Entrance—10 A. M., 10th December, Rs. 10. 5 furlongs.

THE COMILLA PURSE.—Rs. 350 to the winner, Rs. 75 to the second, and Rs. 25 to the third. For maiden ponies 13-3 and under. English and Australasian ponies 13-3 to carry 11st. 7lbs., C.-B. ponies 13-3 to carry 10st. 2lbs., Arab ponies 13-3 to carry 9st. 10lbs. W. I. Entrance—1st December, Rs. 15; 10 A. M., 10th December, Rs. 20. ¼ mile.

THE CACHAR PURSE.—Rs. 350 to the winner, Rs. 75 to the second, and Rs. 25 to the third. Handicap for ponies 13-3 and under. Entrance—1st December, Rs. 15; 10 A. M., 10th December, Rs. 20. 6 furlongs.

Second Day, Thursday, 13th December.

THE RANGAMATI HANDICAP.—Rs. 200 to the winner and Rs. 50 to the second. Handicap for ponies that have played in the Tipperah Cup. Polo Tournament, 1906. Entrance—10 A. M., 12th December, Rs. 10. Acceptance, Rs. 5. ¼ mile.

THE CHANDPUR HANDICAP.—Rs. 350 to the winner, Rs. 75 to the second, and Rs. 25 to the third. Handicap for ponies 14-1 and under, the property of residents of Eastern Bengal and Assam. Entrance—1st December, Rs. 10; 10 A. M., 12th December, Rs. 20. Acceptance Rs. 10. ¼ mile.

THE KORNAFULI HANDICAP.—Rs. 500 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second, and Rs. 50 to the third. Handicap for ponies 13-3 and under Entrance—1st December, Rs. 15; 10 A. M., 12th December, Rs. 25. Acceptance, Rs. 10. 5 furlongs.

THE TIPPERAH HANDICAP—Rs. 350 to the winner, Rs. 75 to the second, Rs. and 25 to the third. Handicap for ponies 14-1 and under. Entrance—1st. December, Rs. 10; 10 A.M., 12th December, Rs. 20. Acceptance Rs. 10. 8 furlongs.

THE KODALA HANDICAP—Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 50 to the second, and Rs. 25 to the third. Handicap for ponies that have never won a flat race value Rs. 50 or over, the property of residents of Chittagong. Entrance—10 A.M., 12th December, Rs. 10. Acceptance, Rs. 5. 1,000 yards.

THE DEMAGIRI HANDICAP.—Rs. 350 to the winner, Rs. 75 to the second, and Rs. 25 to the third. Handicap for ponies 13-3 and under that did not win a race the first day. Entrance—1st December, Rs. 10; 10 A.M., 12th December, Rs. 20. Acceptance, Rs. 10. 6 furlongs.

GENERAL CONDITIONS.

1. All entrance money goes to the Fund, subject to Rule 139.
2. In the event of a walk-over, only half the added money will be given under Rule 140.
3. Starting declarations for races other than handicaps, which must include riders, colours, and weights to be carried must be lodged in the Honorary Secretary's box, by 12 noon, on the 10th December, and those for handicaps at 7 P.M., the day before the race, and must be accompanied by the jockey's fee for a losing mount, if not already paid.
4. Entries must be accompanied by a remittance for the full amount of such entries, otherwise they will be declined.
5. C. T. C., W. I. T. C., Dibrugarh, Cachar, Shillong, Dacca, Tezpore, Jorhat and Chittagong certificates of height will be accepted.
6. In the event of there being less than six entries for any race, such race may be declared void.

NOTICE.

1. Chittagong is 24 hours' journey from Sealdah (Calcutta) *via* Goalundo and Chandpur.
2. Application for accommodation for visitors should be sent to the Honorary Secretary, Chittagong Club, not later than the 25th November 1906.
3. Stabling for horses and accommodation for owners, jockeys and bookmakers will be arranged for on notice being given to the Honorary Secretary not later than 30th November 1906.
4. Ponies and first and second class passengers will be carried at special reduced rates on the Assam-Bengal Railway.

A Polo tournament will be held during the meeting for the Tipperah Challenge Cup, and a purse of Rs. 1,000 to the winning team.

For conditions apply to—

THE HONORARY SECRETARY,
Chittagong Races, Chittagong.

Ponies.

C. T. C. Measurements.

LAHORE.

The following ponies were classed, aged and measured at Lahore on 12th October 1906 by the Official Measurer :—

Name.	*Description.*	*Owner.*	*Age.*	*Height.*	*Period.*
Dear Oh ...	b cb m	Capt. Rivett Carnac	6	14-0¼	For life.
Turrah ...	b a g	...Capt. Rivett Carnac	Aged	14-1	For life.

RAWALPINDI.

The following ponies were classed, aged and measured at Rawalpindi on 15th and 16th October 1906 by the Official Measurer :—

Cock O'th' North ...	b a g	Lieut.-Col. Pringle A.V.C. ...	Aged	14-0	For life.
Freckles ...	flb gr a g	Lieut. E. C. Webb	Aged	14-1	For life.
Gretna Green ...	ch cb m	Lieut.-Col Pringle A.V.C. ...	4	14-2	31st March, 1907.
Hallow'een	b cb m	Lieut.-Col. Pringle, A. V. C.	4	14-2	31st March 1907.
Labbidor...	b cb h	.. Mr. J. Lee ...	Aged	13-2½	For life.
Lally ...	ch cb g	XI K. E. O. L. ...	5	14-1½	31st March 1907.
Ringshine	ch cb m	Col. Davison ...	Aged	14-2	For life.
Sapphira...	gr cb m	Mr. Sidney Smith	Aged	14-1½	For life.
Torbaz ...	bk a g...	Capt Holdick ...	Aged	14-0½	For life.
Witchcraft	b cb m	Capt. Campion ...	Aged	14-1½	For life.

CALCUTTA.

The following ponies were classed, aged and measured at Calcutta, on 22nd October 1906 by the Official Measurer :—

Bellringer	ch aus g	Mr. L. J. Oakley...	Aged	13-3½	For life.
Iron Bell...	dk gr aus g	Mr. O. M. D. Bell	4	13-3½	31st March 1907.
Lhassa ...	br cb h	Mr. L. J. Oakley...	Aged	11-3½	For life.
Pencil ...	b aus m	Mr. J. Bundock ..	6	13-3	For life.
Table Napkin	b aus g	Mr. L. J. Oakley...	6	14-0	For life.

The following ponies were classed, aged and measured at Calcutta on 27th October 1906, by the Official Measurer :—

Lady Smith	ch e m	Mr. R. Sheepshanks	Aged	14-1	For life.
Puck ...	ch aus g	Mr. R. B. Lamotte	5	12-3½	31st March 1907.
Starlight II	b aus g	H. H. Maharaja of Cooch Behar ...	Aged	13-3½	For life.
Swift ...	dk b or br e m	Mr. R. Sheepshanks	Aged	14-1	For life.

Sport in England.

(From the Home Papers.)

London, *Friday, 19th October 1906.*

THE TURF.

NEWMARKET.

ALL Friday morning the signals of departure were being sounded by the rolling of heavily-laden vehicles, which despatched their baggage at the station, while the more scantily filled specials denoted a smaller attendance to finish with, and though following the King's example society stuck to its guns, the attendance showed a great falling off in the further enclosures. In a sporting sense, perhaps, it was as well that this should have been the case, as if it was bad to read of the downfall of a popular idol, it was sadder far to see the *fait accompli*, when Slieve Gallion added another to the two year old surprises of the year by losing his laurels in a miserably inadequate field for the Middle Park Plate, and still further complicating the vexed question of which is the best two year old of what may prove a very moderate and open year.

Exning Handicap—Of 300sovs.; second receives 50sovs.; Rous Course (5 furlongs.)

Mr. G. A. Prentice's b g Honolulu, by Fitz-Simon—Wise Girl, 3yrs., 7st. 10lbs. (car. 7st. 11lbs.)	O. Madden	1
Mr. W. Raphael's br f Lovania, 3yrs., 7st. 2lbs.	F. Wootton	2
Mr. J. Craig's b c Crescent, 3yrs., 6st 8lbs.	J. Howard	3
Mr. E. Dresden's Home Truth, 5yrs., 8st. 7lbs.	B. Lynham	0
Mr. A. H. Buston's Early Bird, 3yrs., 7st. 9lbs.	E. Charters	0
Mr. A. McMicking's Love Song, 3yrs., 8st.	W. Higgs	0
Mr. A. Steadall's Scotch Mine, 3yrs., 6st. 7lbs. (car. 6st. 8lbs.)	C. Heckford	0
Mrs. H. V. Jackson's Barcelona Park, 5yrs., 7st. 9lbs.	H. Blades	0
Major Eustace Loder's Admirable Crichton, 3yrs., 8st. 12lbs.	B. Dillon	0
Mr. H. J. Gibb's Milford Lad, 5yrs., 8st. 2lbs.	G. McCall	0

(*Winner trained by J. Pouncy.*)

Betting: 3 to 1 each agst. Home Truth, Lovania, and Honolulu, 8 to 1 Love Song, and 100 to 8 each the others (offered).

Won cleverly by a length and a half; a head divided second and third. Time—59⅘secs

Alington Plate—Of 500sovs.; for two year olds; second receives 50sovs. and the third 25sovs.; Bretby Stakes Course (6 furlongs.)

Col. E. W. Baird's b c Woolwinder, by Martagon—St. Windeline, 8st. 7lbs. ...	F. Rickaby	1
Duke of Devonshire's ch c Hillsprite, 8st. 7lbs.	W. Higgs	2
Mr. E. Dresden's ch c Galleot, 9st. 5lbs. ...	B. Lynham	3
Mr. J. Reiss' Allargue, 9st.	D. Maher	0
Capt. J. G. R. Homfray's Asian, 8st. 7lbs.	W. Halsey	0
Sir E. Vincent's Angouleme, 8st. 7lbs. ...	C. Trigg	0
Mr. H. J. King's St. Petersburg, 8st. 7lbs.	H. Jones	0
Mr. L. Robinson's Xinc, 8st. 7lbs. ...	G. McCall	0
Mr. J. B. Joel's Glass Doll, 8st. 11lbs. ...	H. Randall	0
Major E. Loder's Baltinglass, 8st. 7lbs. ...	B. Dillon	0
Lord Cadogan's Scintilla, 8st. 4lbs. ...	J. H. Martin	0
Lord Londenderry's Peepshow II., 8st. 4lbs.	O. Madden	0

(*Winner trained by H. Enoch.*)

Betting: 13 to 8 agst. Hillsprite, 4 to 1 Woolwinder, 5 to 1 Asian, 7 to 1 Glass Doll 10 to 1 each Galleot and Allargue, and 100 to 8 each others (offered.)

Won easily by a couple of lengths; a head between second and third. Time—1min. 14⅖secs.

Middle Park Plate.—Of 500sovs, added to a sweepstakes of 30sovs. each; second receives 200sovs., and the third 100sovs.; Bretby Stakes Course (6 furlongs.)

Major E. Loder's ch c Galvani, by Laveno—Gallinaria, 9st. 3lbs. ...	B. Dillon	1
Capt. Greer's br or bl c Slieve Gallion, by Gallinule—Reclusion, 9st. 3lbs. ...	W. Higgs	2
Lord Rosebery's ch c Fraquair, by Ayrshire—Chelandry, 9st. 3lbs. ...	D. Maher	3
Lord Harewoods's Qu.'Appelle, 9st. ...	J. H. Martin	0
Mr. J. Wallace's Gnome, 8st. 10lbs. ...	J. Jarvis	0

(*Winner trained by P. P. Gilpin.*)

Betting: 4 to 1 on Slieve Gallion, 100 to 12 agst. Traquair, 10 to 1 Galvani, 100 to 8 Gnome, 33 to 1 Qu'Appelle (offered.)

Won a beautifully-ridden race by half a length; three lengths divided second and third. Gnome was last. Time—1min. 13⅖secs.

GATWICK.

The introduction of highly valuable stakes, which at first sight would seem to guarantee the opposition of the *creme de la creme*, has hitherto failed in that respect, possibly because the very antagonism of the top sawyers frightens away the opposition, and the liberality of the Gatwick executive in founding a five thousand pounder has not yet met with the need it deserves. On the other hand, the presence on the card of a race of such importance is a sure draw. The weather on Tuesday was not promising, rain-clouds packing across the weald, and now and again the rain degenerating into a sea fret made shelter desirable, but a good all-round attendance did justice to the occasion.

Gatwick Stakes—Of 5,000sovs., owner of second receives 750sovs., and third 300sovs., nominator of winner 200sovs., nominator of second 100sovs., and nominator of third 50sovs., 1¼ mile.

Lord Derby's b c Bridge of Canny, by Love Wisely—Santa Brigida, 3yrs., 8st. 11lb. (car. 8st. 2lbs.)	D. Maher	1
Mr. J. B. Joel's br c Prince William, by Bill of Portland—La Vierge, 3yrs., 8st. 7lbs.	W. Halsey	2
Lord Derby's b g Persinus, by Matchmaker—Polynesia, 4yrs., 8st. 9lbs. ...	J. H. Martin	3
Mr. M. Fitzgerald's Seanchuidhe, 3yrs., 7st. 11b.	C. Heckford	0
Mr. W. Bass' Colt by Bill of Portland—Recall, 3yrs., 7st. 7lbs.	A. Templeman	0
Mr. W. B. Purefoy's The Drover, 4yrs., 7st. 5lbs.	C. Trigg	0

(*Winner trained by Hon'ble G. Lambton.*)

Betting: 7 to 4 on Prince William, 7 to 4 agst. Bridge of Canny, 25 to 1 The Drover, 66 to 1 the others (offered.)

Won with the greatest ease by four lengths; three lengths divided second and third.

Horley Handicap—Of 300sovs.; second receive 30sovs., and third 20sovs. 2 miles.

Mr. W. R. Wyndham's b g Peter's Pride, by Desmond—Kendal Green, 5yrs., 7st. 7lbs	J. H. Martin	1
Lord Derby's br f Gourd, 4yrs., 7st. 11b. ...	F. Wootton	2
Mr. J. W. Larnach's b f Persister, 3yrs., 6st.	J. Howard	3
Mr. W. Bass' King Duncan, 4yrs., 8st. 12lbs.	O. Madden	0
Mr. G. Faber's Galapas, 5yrs., 7st. 11lbs. ...	W. Higgs	0
Mr. C. Bewicke's Bonar, 4yrs., 6st. 3lbs. ...	H. Watts	0

(*Winner trained by H. Sadler.*)

Betting: 11 to 10 on Gourd, 5 to 1 agst. King Duncan, 6 to 1 each Peter's Pride and Galapas, and 10 to 1 each others (offered.)

Won by a neck; six lengths divided second and third. King Duncan was fourth, Galapas fifth, and Bonar last.

Crawter Nursery Handicap—Of 200sovs.; second receives 20sovs. 6 furlongs.

Mr. W. Grieve's b c Precentor, by Sainfoin—Choir, 6st 10lbs.	J. Plant	1
Mr. J. Morrow's br f Cannon Ball, 7st. 11lbs.	A. McCall	2
Mr. R. Sherwood's b f Desca, 7st. 3lbs. ...	Walter Griggs	3
Lord Alington's Grab, 7st. 6lbs. ...	C. Escott	0
Mr. P. Nelke's Hill Climber, 7st. 2lbs. ...	F. Wootton	0
Mr. Hare's Sandy Bay, 6st. 11lbs. ...	H. Watts	0
Mr. C. J. Merry's Auf, 7st. 3lbs. ...	C. Trigg	0
Mr. G. A. Prentice's filly by Wildfowler—Lachine, 6st. 7lbs.	J. Howard	0
Mr. J. S. Morrison's Drusus, 7st. 13lbs. ...	H. Stokes	0
Mr. B. McCreery's Paso Robles, 7st. 11lbs.	H. Pike	0
Col. H. T. Fenwick's Tansor, 7st. 9lbs.	A. Templeman	0
Mr. W. P. Dare's Sailor Lady, 7st. 4lbs. ...	C. Heckford	0
Mr. J. Buchanan's Sandy Hook, 7st. 7lbs. ...	H. Blades	0

(*Winner trained by Owner.*)

Betting: 100 to 30 each agst. Desca and Hill Climber, 8 to 1 Cannon Ball, 10 to 1 each Drusus, Precentor, Paso, Robles, and Sandy Bay, and 100 to 7 each others (offered.)

Won a fine race by half a length; three-quarters of a length divided second and third.

Another threatening morning gave way to a fine afternoon, the sun shining pleasantly, after a copious night's rain. However, in April-like fashion, heavy showers that sent everyone to cover despoiled the sun's sway, doing the course any amount of good. A capital service of trains put on by the L. B. and S. C. Railway was duly appreciated by a strong clientele, and all round the attendance on Wednesday was an excellent one, and though recent drought had thinned the ranks of runners, fields panned out fairly well.

Surrey Stakes—Of 2,500sovs.; second receives 300sovs., and third 200sovs., nominator of winner 150sovs., nominator of second 75sovs., and nominator of third 25sovs. 7 furlongs, straight.

Mr. D. Symons' b c Crusader, by Eager—Angelina, 3yrs., 7st. 13lbs. ...	W. Higgs	1
Mr. L. Neumann's b c Nero, 3yrs., 8st. 5lbs.	A. Templeman	2
Mr. W. B. Purefoy's ch c Lally, 3yrs., 9st. 11b.	B. Dillon	3
Lord Derby's Victorious, 3yrs., 9st. 2lbs. ...	D. Maher	0
Mr. A. James' St. Savin, 2yrs., 7st. 6lbs. ...	R. Jones	0
Sir E. Cassel's Albert Hall, 3yrs., 8st. 11lbs.	W. Halsey	0

(*Winner trained by R. G. Sherrard.*)

Betting: 5 to 4 on Lally, 9 to 2 each Crusader and Nero, 100 to 7 Victorious, 25 to 1 Albert Hall, and 100 to 1 St. Savin (offered.)

Won easily at the finish by a length and a half; two lengths divided second and third.

County Nursery Handicap—Of 300sovs.; second receives 30sovs. and third 20sovs. 7 furlongs.

Mr. R. Wootton's b c Nemours, by Bushey Park—St. Bees, 6st. 8lbs.	F. Wootton	1
Mr. E. F. Schiff's ch f Mimosa, 8st. 5lbs. ...	G. McCall	2
Mr. T. Corn's ch c Romney, 7st. 9lbs. (car. 7st. 10lbs.)	W. Higgs	3
Mr. A. P. Cunliffe's K.C.B., 7st. 9lbs. ...	C. Escott	0
Mr. C. Levy's Termagant, 7st. ...	C. Heckford	0
Mr. O. Meyer's colt by Florizel II.—Limasol, 7st. 12lbs.	W. Saxby	0

(*Winner trained by Owner.*)

Betting: 11 to 8 agst. Nemours, 9 to 4 Mimosa, 4 to 1 K.C.B., 10 to 1 each others (offered.)

Won cleverly by half a length; three lengths divided second and third.

Charlwood Handicap—Of 200sovs.; second receives 20sovs. and third 10sovs. 5 furlongs.

Mr. J. Buchanan's br f Fairy Story, by Bill of Portland—Sweet Story, 3yrs., 7st. 3lbs.	H. Blades	1
Mr. E. Christie Miller's br g The De'il, aged, 6st. 10lbs. (car. 6st. 11lbs.) ...	C. Escott	2
Mr. B. Ellam's b h Mouraviff, 6yrs., 7st. 13lbs.	J. Plant	3
Lord Dalmeny's Deal, 4yrs., 8st 5lbs. ...	W. Higgs	0
Mr. R. Wootton's Harcourt, 3yrs., 7st. 11b.	F. Wootton	0
Mr. E. Carr's Amelia, 3yrs., 6st. 12lbs. ...	E. Piper	0
Mr. H. J. King's Light o' Day, 3yrs., 7st. 6lbs.	C. Trigg	0
Mr. P. Nelke's St. Luke, aged, 8st. 9lbs. ...	D. Maher	0
Mr. A. McMicking's Love Song, 3yrs., 8st. 7lbs.	O. Madden	0
Miss Clinton's Snow Glory, 3yrs., 8st. 4lbs.	A. Templeman	0
Mr. J. Craig's Mirida, 3yrs., 6st. 13lbs. ...	H. Watts	0
Mr. G. Bird's filly by Misselthrush—Empress Frederick, 3yrs., 6st. 8lbs. ...	J. Howard	0

(*Winner trained by Major Edwards.*)

Betting: 7 to 2 each agst. St. Luke and Harcourt, 5 to 1 each Deal and The De'il, 7 to 1 Love Song, 10 to 1 each Snow Glory and Light o' Day, and 100 to 7 each others (offered.)

Won by a head; the same distance divided second and third.

SANDOWN PARK.

Despite a dull morning, the specials from Waterloo yesterday were early crowded, and the promise of a grand attendance was borne out, the new half-crown and the revived seven-and-sixpenny enclosures, in which the accommodation is now perfectly up to date, being crowded. Many of the principal patrons of racing were present in the club enclosure, and, braving the chance of a wetting, the fair sex, as usual, showed in strong force. The rain had freshened up the course, which along the far side was almost heavy going, the hoofs cutting deep marks, and to this fact may be attributed the slow time of the big race, perhaps the slowest on record.

Temple Handicap—Of 300sovs.; second receives 25sovs. 5 furlongs.

Mr. E. Dresden's b g Home Truth, by Veracity—Squabble, 5yrs., 8st. 5lbs. ...	D. Maher	1
Capt. Greer's ch c Rocketter, 3yrs., 9st. ...	W. Higgs	2
Mr. C. Hibbert's b f My May, 4yrs., 6st. 11lbs.	W. Hives	3
Mr. P. Nelke's Winnie K., 3yrs., 7st. 3lbs.	W. Saxby	0
Mr. R. H. Storey's Otherwise, 5yrs., 8st. 4lbs.	H. Randall	0
Mr. F. B. Hunt's Ardeer, aged, 8st. 4lbs.	W. Halsey	0
Mr. H. S. Goodson's St. Trumpet, 4yrs., 6st. 8lbs. —	H. Watts	0
Mr. A. Stedall's Gold Coin, 3yrs., 7st. 3lbs.	C. Escott	0
Mr. R. Wootton's Harcourt, 3yrs., 6st. 9lbs.	F. Wootton	0
Mr. C. Hibbert's Snowflight, 4yrs., 7st. 12lbs.	C. Trigg	0
Mr. D. Clarke's Sweet Mary, 3yrs., 7st. 9lbs.	G. McCall	0
Mr. B. Ellam's Mouraviff, 6yrs., 7st. 11b. ...	J. Plant	0
Mr. T. Worton's Scrambler, 4yrs., 6st. 5lbs.	J. Howard	0

(*Winner trained by C. Archer.*)

Betting: 2 to 1 agst. Rocketter, 5 to 2 Home Truth, 100 to 12 Ardeer, 10 to 1 Harcourt, 100 to 8 each Sweet Mary, Snowflight, Otherwise, Mouraviff, and Scrambler, and 100 to 7 each others (offered.)

Won cleverly at the finish by a length and a half; four lengths divided second and third.

Sandown Three-Year-Old Produce Stakes—Of 5,000 sovs.; the breeder of the winner receives 300sovs., breeder and owner of the second each 200sovs., and breeder and owner of the third each 100sovs. About 1 mile and 5 furlongs.

Lord Derby's b f Keystone II., by Persimmon—Lock and Key, 9st. 7lbs. ...	D. Maher	1
Duke of Portland's b c Wombwell, by Isinglass—Mrs. Butterwick, 9st. 7lbs.	H. Jones	2
Mr. J. B. Joel's br c Prince William, by Bill of Portland—La Vierge, 9st. 7lbs.	W. Higgs	3
Lord Derby's Galsconbury, 9st. 11b. ...	J. H. Martin	0

(*Winner trained by Hon'ble G. Lambton.*)

Betting: 4 to 1 on Keystone II., 5 to 1 agst. Prince William 100 to 8 Wombwell, 25 to 1 Glasconbury.

Won in a canter by a length and a half; four lengths separated second and third. Time—3mins. 10⅖secs.

Orleans Nursery Handicap—Of 300sovs.; second receives 25sovs. 5 furlongs.

Mr. A. Stedall's ch c The Rialto, by Uncle Mac—Bardella, 7st. 12lbs. ...	C. Escott	1
Mr. A. P. Cunliffe's ch gelding by Amphion, Dam by Kendal—Dissipation, 7st. 11lbs.	G. McCall	2
Lord Wolverton's b c Performance, 9st.	H. Jones	3
Mr. R. B. Dobell's Billy the Verger, 7st. 2lbs.	C. Trigg	0
Duke of Devonshire's Varra Weel, 9st. ...	W. Higgs	0
Mr. H. S. Goodson's Folies Bergeres, 7st. 5lbs	H. Watts	0
Mr. P. Nelke's Relish, 8st. 5lbs. ...	D. Maher	0
Mr. J. Buchanan's Kentof, 7st. 11lbs. ...	H. Blades	0
Mr. M. Griffith's filly by The Tartar—Addio, 7st. 11lbs.	H. Pike	0

(*Winner trained by A. Sadler, junior.*)

Betting: 7 to 4 agt. Amphion gelding, 4 to 1 Billy the Verger, 9 to 2 Varra Weel, 6 to 1 Relish, 8 to 1 The Rialto, 10 to 1 Addio filly, and 100 to 8 each others (offered.)

Won by a head; two lengths divided second and third.

Coombe Autumn Plate—Of 300sovs.; second receives 25 sovs. About 1½ miles.

His Majesty's ch g Cheverel, by Persimmon—Cheveronny, 3yrs., 8st. 9lbs. ..	H. Jones	1
Mr. R. C. Dawson's ch g Carnegie, 5yrs., 8st. 11lbs. —	P Quinn	2
Mr. J. H. Locke's b c Guy Middleton, 4yrs., 9st.	H. Randall	3
Sir E. Vincent's Black Auster, 3yrs., 8st. ...	O. Madden	0

(*Winner trained by R. Marsh.*)

Betting: 2 to 1 on Carnegie, 3 to 1 agst. Cheverel, 10 to 1 Black Auster, and 20 to 1 Guy Middleton (offered.)

Won by a length; a length and a half divided second and third.

FOOTBALL ASSOCIATION RULES.

The scoring in the big Leagues was on Saturday again on the generous side, and this is particularly true of the Second Division of the League, the ten games yielding forty-one goals. In the Southern League twenty-nine goals was the sum total scored by the twenty clubs engaged and in the First Division of the League the aggregate was one less. In the S. L. only four home teams won outright, two visiting teams captured the full quota of points for which the sides were contending, and in four instances honours were divided. In the League six home clubs were successful, the brace of points were captured in three instances by visitors, and one game was drawn. In the Second Division the ten games were brought to a definite conclusion, and in nine of them the visiting team went under, West Bromwich being the only successful club playing on foreign soil.

There was a wonderful difference in Southern League results as compared with the corresponding games last season. New Brompton, Norwich City, and Watford each gained a couple of points, and West Ham, Reading, Plymouth Argyle, Brentford, and Fulham one each. Sheffield Wednesday was the only club in the First Division of the League to show a gain of two points as compared with last year, but Stoke, Newcastle United, Everton, and Aston Villa are a point to the good. In the Second Division, West Bromwich and Burnley are two points better than last year, losses having been converted into wins, and Hull and Clapton Orient have each credited themselves with a point improvement as compared with 1905-6.

The Southern League.

The most surprising happening in the Southern League was the defeat at home of Brighton by Watford by three clear goals. There is no accounting for football happenings, but looking at the previous performances of the respective clubs this season, the match seemed a certainty for Brighton. Watford, however, rose to the occasion, and won on their merits. Queen's Park Rangers returned defeated from New Brompton, and the West Londoners are now slipping down the table at an alarming rate, while their goal record is most unsatisfactory. The team has not done so well as it should have done, but it will come on yet, its present form not being a fair reflex of the ability of the players. Luton seem bent on going from bad to worse. Last season with practically the same side they went off the mark in fine style, but to date they have won only one of the seven games played, and they have scored a less number of goals than any other side engaged in the tourney, while Plymouth Argyle alone equals them in the number of goals given away. The defeat of the Strawplaiters on their own ground by Norwich City by three goals to one was a great disappointment to the supporters of the Beds team.

With the exception of Queen's Park Rangers all the London clubs participating in S. L. matches escaped defeat. Millwall and West Ham, who were in opposition, shared the points, and it is pleasing to be able to record the fact that the expected bitterness of feeling did not manifest itself in the play. The partisans of the teams were certainly excited and here and there disputes as to the merits of the rivals were conducted with a fierceness and an energy which led to an exchange of blows. All's well that ends well, and as no real damage was done there is nothing to complain about. Crystal Palace just got the better of a keen struggle with the much-improved Swindon team, and Leyton further enhanced the good opinion which has been formed concerning them by defeating Southampton by the odd goal in five. At Brentford the home team showed so much grit and determination that they led at one time by a couple of goals, but Tottenham, as is usual with them, improved as the game went on, and finished up all square, but the equalising goal appeared from the Press box to have a stong flavour of off-side about it. It is pleasing to note that V. J. Woodward is right on top of his form, and there will not be any need to look beyond him when the Internationals come along. Fulham accomplished one of their best performances of the season in playing Portsmouth to a draw at Fratton Park, and still more remarkable was the sharing of points by Northampton with Plymouth, at Plymouth. Reading awoke from their lethargy, and by beating Bristol by the only goal scored, won their second game of the season

It will be observed from the subjoined table that there is not an undefeated team in the League, and that they have all earned winning brackets. Seven of the clubs have goal records whose debit column overshadows the credit side.

	P.	W.	L.	D.	Goals For.	Goals Agst.	Pts.
Tottenham Hotspur ...	9	4	1	4	19	10	12
Fulham	9	3	1	5	12	10	11
Portsmouth	7	4	1	2	14	7	10
West Ham United ...	8	4	2	2	16	11	10
Bristol Rovers ...	8	4	3	1	12	9	9
Watford	8	3	2	3	11	9	9
Leyton ...	7	3	2	2	9	7	8
Brighton and Hove Albion	7	3	2	2	11	10	8
Norwich City ..	7	2	1	4	12	11	8
New Brompton ...	7	4	3	0	11	11	8
Crystal Palace ...	8	3	3	2	12	12	8
Millwall	8	3	3	2	13	13	8
Swindon Town ...	9	2	3	4	10	10	8
Plymouth Argyle ...	8	3	3	2	13	16	8
Brentford	7	3	3	1	11	12	7
Queen's Park Rangers ...	8	2	4	2	8	14	6
Southampton ...	7	1	4	2	12	12	4
Luton Town	7	1	4	2	15	16	4
Northampton ...	7	1	4	2	7	11	4
Reading	8	2	6	0	7	14	4

League I.

A brilliant struggle for the leadership of the First Division of the League is now in progress, and so far honours rest with Woolwich Arsenal, whose convincing win at Bristol against their whilom Second League rivals has enabled them to retain pride of place. It is a dizzy eminence to reach, and it involves tremendous anxiety, but the spirit that animates the Reds is of the order which is likely to keep them in the neighbourhood of the top, even if they do not retain their present place. Relatively they are in a better position than Aston Villa, who equal them on points, for they have played a game less, but Bolton Wanderers, who are a point behind, have a game in hand. There are various other clubs well in the running, and it looks uncommonly like being one of the most fierce and prolonged struggles the league has ever furnished. This all makes for the good of the game. Referring to the clubs at the other end of the table, it is with satisfaction one notes that Stoke have at length won a match, but Middlesbrough and Blackburn have not yet done so, and Liverpool have only once earned two points in an afternoon.

Comment has already been made on the game in which, for the first time in football history, two Southern teams were engaged in a struggle in the First Division of the League, and next to the great win by Woolwich, the most meritorious performance must be credited to Sheffield Wednesday, who went to Liverpool and beat the champions on their own ground. The other successful side on foreign soil was Everton, who scored the only goal at Nottingham, and this gave them victory over Notts County. Manchester United have not been seen to advantage at Clayton this season, and it was a disappointing effort on their part to obtain only 1 point from the visit of Blackburn Rovers, this being the only drawn game of the afternoon. It has taken Stoke a long time to put up a winning score, and they did not have anything to spare in their bout with Derby. The Villa won comfortably enough against Bury, and Preston got the better of the luckless Middlesbrough team in the most prolific scoring game of the day. Sunderland made a keen fight of it at Bolton, the Wanderers scraping home by a goal to love, but at Newcastle the United were always the masters of Manchester City.

League I. Table to date is appended :—

	P.	W.	L.	D.	Goals For	Goals Agst.	Pts.
Woolwich Arsenal ...	8	6	1	1	19	9	13
Aston Villa	9	6	2	1	20	11	13
Bolton Wanderers ...	7	5	0	2	14	5	12
Sheffield Wednesday ...	8	5	1	2	15	12	12
Everton ...	9	5	2	2	20	9	12
Newcastle United ...	8	5	2	1	20	12	11
Manchester United ...	8	3	1	4	11	8	10
Sheffield United ...	7	4	2	1	11	10	9
Bury	9	2	3	4	16	16	8
Bristol City	8	2	3	3	13	12	7
Preston North End ...	7	3	3	1	11	11	7
Notts County ...	8	1	2	5	6	7	7
Derby County ...	8	2	3	3	9	11	7
Sunderland ... —	7	2	3	2	10	12	6
Birmingham	8	2	4	2	9	15	6
Manchester City ...	8	1	4	3	11	22	5
Stoke ... —	9	1	5	3	7	14	5
Liverpool	8	1	5	2	9	13	4
Middlesbrough ...	7	0	5	2	8	16	2
Blackburn Rovers ...	7	0	5	2	6	17	2

League II.

Saturday's games have caused a complete alteration in the appearance of the second division table. Hull City, who are in a position of splendid isolation as the only team in the tournament who have not yet been defeated, have gone to the head of affairs for the first time, but only because of a superior goal average over West Bromwich Albion, who have been marked out from the beginning of the season by the cognoscenti as a most likely team for promotion. And now Hull City have thrust themselves forward, and must be taken seriously into account as strong rivals to the aspirations of Leicester Fosse, Chelsea, and other clubs with high hopes, even though their performances to date are the reverse of flattering. The deposition of the Fosse from the first place in the table was brought about by Clapton Orient, who defeated the Midland team by a goal to love. The home side did not have the best of matters on the run of the play, but the defence was so stout that the visitors were unable to pierce it, and they were much chagrined at their defeat. Chelsea got home all right at Stamford Bridge against Lincoln City, and Wolverhampton Wanderers simplified matters for the leading quartette by defeating the Forest at the Molineux Grounds. Hull had no difficulty in beating Blackpool, and the other results are very much as anticipated.

The table of results to date in the Second Division of the League is subjoined :—

	P.	W.	L.	D.	Goals For	Goals Agst.	Pts.
Hull	7	5	0	2	16	4	12
West Bromwich Albion ...	8	6	2	0	21	6	12
Chelsea ...	7	5	1	1	20	7	11
Leicester Fosse ...	8	5	2	1	11	5	11
Notts Forest ...	8	4	3	1	14	11	9
Burnley	8	4	4	0	14	7	8
Clapton Orient ...	7	3	2	2	9	10	8
Stockport County ...	7	3	2	2	11	8	8
Gainsborough Trinity ...	8	3	3	2	10	11	8
Lincoln City ...	8	3	3	2	12	14	8
Wolverhampton Wands ...	8	3	3	2	9	11	8
Leeds City	8	2	2	4	10	15	8
Grimsby Town ...	8	3	4	1	14	14	7
Burslem Port Vale ...	8	3	4	1	14	21	7
Bradford City ...	8	2	3	3	10	13	7
Glossop	7	3	4	0	12	24	6
Chesterfield	8	2	5	1	10	15	5
Barnsley	7	2	5	0	10	10	4
Burton United ...	8	1	5	2	7	19	4
Blackpool	8	0	5	3	4	13	3

IMPORTANT RESULTS.

Amateur Cup.

(Qualifying Competition.—First Round).

Chesham Town ...	3	Chesham Generals ...	3
Ipswich Town (h) ...	9	Kirkley	0
Lowestoft (h)	3	Leiston	0
Redhill (h)	3	Kingston	2
Dunstable Rangers ...	3	Apsley	0
King's Lynn (h) ...	3	Yarmouth	1
Cromer	2	Norwich Church (h) ...	1
Richmond Association ...	5	Scots Guards (h) ...	2
Eastbourne (h) ...	9	Newhaven	2
London Caledonians ...	3	Finchley (h)	2
Slough (h)	3	Maidenhead — ...	2
Barnet Alston ...	3	Hoddesdon (h)	0
Guards' Depot ...	2	Wimbledon (h)... ...	1
Enfield (h)	2	Bowes Park ...	1
Worthing (h)	3	Shoreham .. —	1
Hove Park	7	Horsham (h)	1
Lincoln Regiment ...	7	Alton (h)	0
Wycombe Wanderers ...	3	Aylesbury United (h) ...	2
Uxbridge	3	Staines (h)	1
Harwich and Parkeston (h)	3	Colchester Town ...	0
Bromley (h)	4	Dartford	1
Reading Amateurs ...	3	Windsor and Eton ...	1
G. W. Railway (h) ...	5	Olympic	3
Nunhead	4	Lee (h)	1
Shepherd's Bush (h) ...	3	Marcians	0

Ordinary Matches.

Hampstead	1	Crouch End Vampires (h) ...	0
Townley Park (h) ...	2	Old Westminsters ...	0
West Hampstead (h) ...	4	Upton Park	0
Clove	6	Alleyn	1
Woodford	2	Summertown (h) ...	0
Gravesend (h)	4	Swanscombe	0
Burnt Ash	1	Lee Reserves (h) ...	0
Ramsgate (h) — ...	2	St. John's Guild ...	1
Alleyn (h)	0	Old Tollingtonians ...	0
Holborn Circus ...	2	Shepherd's Bush United ..	0
Guards' Depot	2	Wimbledon	1
Wimbledon Reserves ...	4	Surbiton Rangers ...	1
Old Tollingtonians (A) ...	3	Alleyn (A)	2
Trinity C.L.B.	5	St. Andrew's	1
Ravensbourne	4	Heron	0
Southall	6	Oxford	3
Hampstead (B) —	10	Brentwood Rovers (A) (h)	1
Trojans	6	Marlborough	5
Sutton Court Reserves ...	2	Marlborough	1
Regent	9	Marlborough	0
Croydon (h)	1	Old Malvernians ...	1
London and Paris Exchange	2	St. Andrew's	1
City of Westminster ...	2	Woodward Albion ...	2
1st C.B.K.R.R. ...	12	Centenary Athletic ...	0
Springfield College Old Boys	5	G. W. R. Reserves (h) ...	0
Townley Park Reserves ...	2	Dulwich St. Barnabas ...	1
Pembertonians ...	3	Crystal Palace Eng. School	0
Foot's Cray	6	London Caledonians Res. ...	0
Ramsgate St. George's ...	3	South-Eastern College ...	0
Beckenham Rovers ...	5	Catford Southend Reserves	0
Highgate	6	Grove House	0
London Devonians (h) ...	13	Morley College	0
Cheshunt Reserves ...	1	Old Bancroftians ...	1
London Devonian Reserves	1	Stoics	0
Old Wilsonians ...	2	Gresham	1
Acton Emeriti ...	8	Old Berkhampstedians ...	1
City Albion (h) ...	2	Crownfield	2
Old Colfeians (h) ...	3	Old Citizens Reserves ...	1
Occident	4	Forest Gate (h) ...	0
Vulcan	3	Harrow United (h) ...	2
Glyn's Bank	2	Manchester & Liverpool Bk.	0
Hampstead Reserves ...	4	Old Aldenhamians ...	0
Old Finchleians ...	5	Hampstead (A) ...	2
Old Externes	2	Old Collegians	0
Old Foresthillians ...	9	Guildhall	2
Minerva	2	Polytechnic	2
London & County Bank III.	3	Dulwich Grove Reserves ...	1
Beckenham Rovers (h) ...	5	Catford Southend Reserves	1
African Bank (h) ...	6	Old Roans	2
Plumstead	5	Orpington (h)	1
Newportonians ...	1	Muswell Hill (h) ...	

RUGBY RULES.

THE SOUTH AFRICANS' TOUR.

Match *v.* Yorkshire.—The South Africans at Headingley, Leeds, gained their sixth successive victory, beating what was regarded as a very strong Yorkshire team by the substantial margin of 54 points to *nil*, the Colonials' record now standing at 188 points to 4. The result was a big disappointment to the 11,000 odd people who, despite the heavy downfall of hail just prior to the game, assembled on the ground, the receipts amounting to £360.

The South Africans, who arrived in Leeds on Friday afternoon, were not quite at full strength. They left out such clever players as Krige and Loubeser and this materially enhanced the merit of their victory. The ground, too, was all against their style of play. The recent heavy rains had made the turf heavy, and after the first few minutes the ball was very greasy. Perhaps this accounted to a large extent for the number of mistakes the visitors made in fielding—mistakes which, with smarter opponents, might have had serious consequences. Then again the wing men were rather uncertain in the taking of passes, while the fault, which we have pointed out before of tackling too high, was again in evidence.

Substantial as the margin of victory was, the display of the South Africans was not convincing, Yorkshiremen freely admit that they are a fine side, but the general opinion is that they are not quite as good as the New Zealanders. They lack the individual brilliancy of the men from "down under," and the front rank has not that knack of gaining possession in the scrum that distinguished the "All Blacks." Saturday's game with Yorkshire may be quoted as an illustration. It was fast and interesting throughout, but though they were heavier and speedier, the Colonial forwards did not have matters all their own way. The Yorkshire pack strove manfully from start to finish. They tackled well and got a fair share of the ball. They were cleverer with their feet in what few rushes there were, and if it had depended on the forwards the match would have been an extremely close one. But behind the pack matters were altogether different. There was no comparison, either individually or collectively. The Colonials did pretty much as they liked, and if their fielding and passing had been cleaner they would have won by a much larger margin. Carolin was the pick of the halves, while Hirsch was in great form at centre. Melker was somewhat erratic, and J. Le Roux, is a long way from being a Loubser. The forwards, fast though they undoubtedly are, did not create the good impression that had been expected, and they will have to improve if they are to hold their own with the picked eights of England, Ireland, Scotland, and Wales.

As far as the Yorkshiremen were concerned, their display was disappointing. They adopted altogether wrong tactics, being content to rely entirely upon the kick-and-rush game instead of trying to open out the play, as the South Africans did. As far as they were concerned there was only one decent round of passing in the whole game. The blame for defeat must not be laid upon the forwards. Led by Knox and Green, the pack shone throughout, holding their own in the tight mauls, and frequently breaking away finely with the ball at their toes. They also got a full share of possession and tackled well. But the backs were dreadfully weak, with the exception of Partis and Fisher, who did a tremendous lot of work in creditable fashion. The tackling of the rest was also bad, while even with the wind the kicking lacked power and direction.

The story of the game can be briefly told. Playing with a powerful wind at their back, the Yorkshire forwards quickly settled down, and for the first ten minutes they had all the better of the game. When the South Africans found their feet, however, they quickly got to the other end, and Yorkshire being penalised, Carolin kicked an easy goal. The next ten minutes produced three tries. Some good passing left Stegmann in possession, and he easily beat the defence, for Carolin to kick a good goal. Morkell burst over after some forward play; and Stegmann, after missing one fine opening by failing to take a good pass, got over a second time, after a capital run. In each case Carolin missed the kick at goal. Before the interval P. Le Roux and Carolin added further tries, and the latter added a goal. When the teams crossed over the South Africans led by 22 points to *nil*.

The second half was much more even. The Colonials opened the scoring within three minutes, Carolin kicking another penalty goal. Yorkshire retaliated with some fine forward work, which was nullified by blundering on the part of the backs, and after passing by Carolin and Dobbin, the ball went to Hirsch. The crack Colonial centre put on top speed, and after running nearly half the length of the field, scored a really brilliant try, Carolin failing to add the goal. Martheze was the next to get over, and then Yorkshire had a long spell on the attack. Partis, with a grand kick, placed the ball in touch at the visitors' line, and from the next scrummage Orton, the Harrogate wing three-quarter, had a grand chance of being the first to cross the Colonials' line. He was close to the crease, and had no one near him when he received a fine pass from Steinthal. Had he taken it nothing could have prevented, him from scoring, but to the surprise of everybody he unaccountably dropped the ball, and the chance was gone.

Before the close Carolin scored again for the South Africans, and the end came with the result :—

	Pts.
South Africans, 4 goals (2 penalty goals 6 tries) ...	34
Yorkshire	0

The following were the teams :—

South Africans.—A. Burmeister ; A Stegmann, S. C. de Melker J. J. Hirsch, and J. Le Roux ; H. W. Carolin and F. Dobbin ; P. Roos, W. S. Morkel, A. F. Burdett, P. A. Le Roux, J. N. E. Raaff, W. C. Martheze, H. G. Reid, and W. A. Millar.

Yorkshire.—R. Partis (Hull and East Riding) ; J. L. Fisher (Hull and East Riding), A. S. Pickering (Harrogate), F. E. Steinthal (Ilkley), and A. Orton (Harrogate) ; T. A. Godby (Ilkley) and H. Willey (Sheffield) ; J. Green (captain) (Skipton), J. A. Ritson (Hull and East Riding), T. M. Lofthouse (Hull and East Riding), E. Ibbotson (Headingley), R. Duckett (Skipton), H. Ibbotson (Castleford), W. Knox (Skipton), and S. N. Yeadon (Headingley).

The referee was Mr. A. O. Jones, the Notts cricketer.

Match *v.* Devon.—To Devon as a county and E. W. Roberts as an individual belong the honour of first crossing the South Africans' line during their English tour. Such a scene of enthusiasm has never previously been witnessed, when the 20,000 spectators rose *en masse* and cheered the Dartmouth Naval Collegian on his success.

The Rectory Field, Devonport, was filled to its utmost an hour before the start and a heavy downpour of rain made the ground slippery and the ball greasy. When the Colonials started Devon had to face a brilliant sun. The opening kick was well returned by Peters, and play settled near the centre line. The Devon forwards showed their mettle in scrums, and the ball came often to Jago and Peters; but they were badly supported by the three-quarters, who, although grand defenders, were not keen attackers. The visitors made ground with smart work in the loose, and gained a footing in Devon quarters, where Peters were penalised, and Douglas Morkel landed three points. The County played vigorously, but were again penalised, and Morkel kicked another goal. Devon were determined, and good work by Roberts took them to the Colonials' "twenty-five" where Williams crossed from a pass of Jago's, but greatly to the disappointment of the spectators, a five yards scrum was ordered. Marsburg with a huge punt, transferred play to the Devon line, and Stegmann crossed with an unconverted try. Devon played, with renewed vigour, and again invaded the Africans' quarters where Dobbin infringed the off-side rule, and Lillicrap opened Devon's scoring with a penalty goal. Within a couple of minutes Dobbin increased the visitors' lead by wriggling over with an unconverted try under the bar. It was nearing the interval before Roberts scored his historical try far out, and the teams crossed over with the score :—

	Pts.
South Africans (2 penalty goals 2 tries) ...	13
Devon (1 penalty goal 1 try)	6

Devon opened the second half in a sensational manner. Working close to the Colonials' line by fine loose forward work, the ball rolled dead when Scott was within a few inches of it. The Westerners quickly returned, and Peters was hauled over by Marsburg within a yard of the line. At this period the Devonians overran the Colonials, who for a considerable time were penned to their own "twenty-five." Only the grand defensive work of Hirsch, Krige, and Marsburg kept Devon from scoring. Scott was hurled to touch close to the corner flag, and

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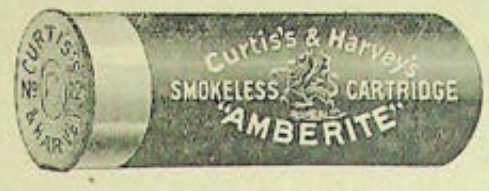

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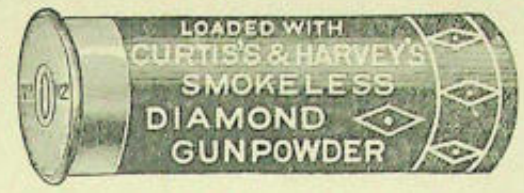

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Peters missed dropping a goal by inches. Bad play on the part of Lillicrap and De Smidt let Dobbin through with the easiest of tries and Douglas Morkel added the extra points. This was the first time in the half that the Colonials had invaded Devon's "twenty-five." The County were quickly attacking again, and the downfall of the visitors' line looked imminent, Roberts being all but over again when grassed by Hirsch. Devon's display was glorious, as they beat the South Africans in the tight and overshadowed them at half. The pace was terrific, and Loubser brought welcome relief to the Colonals by a long punt to touch. From this they went away in loose order, and after a scramble Martheze ran over with another try, which Douglas Morkel again majorised. The score does not represent the game by any means, Devon being in no way so inferior as it makes the County appear. Result :—

	Pts.
South Africans (2 goals, 2 penalty goal, 2 tries) ..	22
Devon (1 penalty goal, 1 try)	6

Devon.—F. J. Lillicrap (Devon Albion), *back*; A. J. R. Roberts (Exeter), D. G. Schulz (Dartmouth College), Lieutenant De Smidt (Plymouth), and F. S. Scott (Bristol), *three-quarters*; R. Jago (Devon Albion) and J. Peters (Plymouth), *halves*; E. W. Roberts (Dartmouth College) (captain), S. G. Williams (Devon Albion), W. Mills (Devon Albion), J. Cummings (Devon Albion), T. S. Kelly (Exeter), G. D. Roberts (Exeter), Lieutenant Dix and G. Farr (Torquay Athletic).

South Africans.—A. F. Marshburg (Griqualand West), *back*; J. D. Krige (Western Province), J. Loubser (Western Province), J. G. Hirsch (Eastern Province), and A. Stegmann (Western Province), *three-quarters*; H. W. Carolin (Western Province) and F. H. Dobbin (Griqualand West) *half-backs*; P. Roos (Western Province) (captain), W. A. Burger (Burder), P. A. Le Roux (Western Province), D. J. Brink (Western Province), W. C. Martheze (Griqualand West) J. W. E. Raaff (Griqualand West), W. S. Morkel (Transvaal), and D. F. T. Morkel (Transvaal).

Referee: Mr. Williams.

LONDON SCOTTISH *vs.* HARLEQUINS.—The London Scots gained a richly deserved victory over the Harlequins, at Richmond Athletic Ground, on Saturday. Their success possessed extra merit from the fact that after twenty minutes they lost A. G. Greig, their full back, who had a bone broken in his left forearm, and thenceforth played only fourteen men. At the time of this misfortune the Scots had the lead. They played so well afterwards that they were never in danger of being beaten. They clung to their early advantage with fine energy: their resolution, their resource when beset with danger was truly admirable. Primarily the victory was due to the superiority of the forwards—forwards worthy to be awarded a first class certificate, they were so good. The rush, the dash, the splendid dribbling powers of class Scottish forwards has always been a theme for admiration.

The play can be shortly dealt with. Winning their way from the start, the Scottish forwards soon forced the game into the "Quins' "25." An attempt by one of the visitors to run across the field was promptly foiled, the player being brought down underneath his own posts. The Scots quickly fastened on to this advantage. The ball was heeled out, and Walter slipped across with a try which Geddes converted. After a temporary burst by the Harlequins' pack, led by R. O. C. Ward, which ended in Walter touching down, Greig was hurt in stopping a further rush and retired. He was afterwards examined and reported to have broken a bone in his left forearm. This accident caused Wade to go full back, the Scottish relying on three three-quarters. For some minutes they were pressed, but a characteristic burst changed the *scene*, and Young rushed over, Geddes again converting. Subsequently the Harlequins had the better of the play, and ultimately J. Birkett made a long run, in which Stoop joined, and from the latter's transfer Lyon ran in very favourably for Lambert to improve. Thus at the interval the Scots' lead had been reduced to 5 points. For the second half the home team adopted a seven pack, J. R. Simson being drafted into the three-quarter line. Aided by a freshening wind, the Scots set up some hot attacks, Scott, Purves, and E. Simson each getting within an ace of scoring. Finally Bailey was at fault, allowing himself to be collared close to the line. From the ensuing "scrum" E. Simson feinted and passed out for P. Munro to get in. This time Geddes failed to improve. The Scottish resisted all efforts of the Harlequins to break through, and ultimately the visitors suffered their first defeat this season by two goals and a try to a goal (13 points to 5).

BLACKHEATH *vs.* OLD MERCHANT TAYLORS.—There was little of an exhilarating character about this match at Blackheath on Saturday, except the weather, which was seasonable and bright. The club had a weak team in the field. Parsons was absent for the first quarter of an hour, Barratt (O.M.T.) was off for a similar period owing to an injury to his head. There were half a dozen other minor accidents and consequent stoppages, and the All Blacks' game, which Blackheath endeavoured to follow in the formation of the players on the field, did not work at all well. Probably one or two were resting in view of the Newport match on Saturday next, but however that may be, although the O.M.T. were not at full strength, they had fully three-fourths of the game, and ought to have won by a goodly margin. Of course there were times when both sides showed some of their well-known dash, but play was chiefly of the scrambling nature and by no means a good advertisement for the Rugby code. The visitors had the best of the opening, and in five minutes Raphael was almost over in the corner, Limpenny saving somewhat smartly. Play continued dangerously near the home line for some time, but at length Robson gained considerable ground for the club, aided by Finlinson and Turner. Raphael checked them, and the O. M. T. forwards got the best of a pack. A nice pass out by Barratt saw Bull lose a chance through faulty picking up, but the visitors continued the pressure, Hanhart once leading the front rank in a lengthy dribble. Then the O. M. T. three-quarters passed right across. Raphael only being pulled down a yard from the line, the ball having just previously been worked to the centre by Turner. A free kick greatly relieved the club, though directly after they were found hotly defending again. A fine run by Robson was neutralised by pretty passing between Cockell and his three-quarter backs, while a little later Robson was away again, Lee checking him and kicking out, though the visitors' line had a narrow escape. The half-back was not long in repeating his performance, and seemed a certain scorer in the corner until he was forced over the line by Cockell. Then some determined work on the part of the Club front division was equally well responded to by the eight on the other side, and after the home three-quarters have given a glimpse of their old time brilliance, passing very neatly, and ended again by Raphael, the O. M. T. once more assumed the upper hand and maintained it almost until the cross-over. The last mentioned player essayed a shot at goal from a mark, though it was a weak effort, and at the interval there was a blank sheet.

Blackheath opened the second period strongly, the forwards, headed by Cave, almost getting over in the second minute, while Turner also showed up prominently. However, the Taylors finally checked them in equally good style, though it must be said that Lee did not shine at back, seldom picking up cleanly. Robson missed a penalty goal by a few inches, and a nice bout of open play followed, in which both sets of forwards did fairly well in turn. Gradually the O.M.T. gained ground, Cockell putting in a lot of hard work, as did Barningham at this point. Limpenny stopped an almost sure try, and then a fine bout of passing was shown by the visiting half and three-quarter backs, all of whom handled in turn before Finlinson managed to intercept. Cockell, however, at length scored a well-earned try for the Taylors, working his way from a pack through the opposition in clever style. Lee failed at the place kick. Cockell was almost over again immediately after, and the play was pretty much one-sided until some ten minutes from time, when the club woke up. Meanwhile a penalty kick at goal for the visitors from a good position just failed. Parsons and Cave were chiefly instrumental in giving Blackheath the advantage at last, and after Robson had missed a penalty kick Finlinson crossed the line five minutes before the end. It was a capital try and very neatly obtained. Robson failed at goal and the result was a draw of 3 points each. All through the contest the visiting half-backs had the better of the "five-eighths" system, though of course with a full team the new style may have worked out better. Harrison could give a long start to the full back on the other side, and but for his continual watchfulness the Taylors would have claimed a victory.

OXFORD FRESHMEN'S MATCH.

Fine weather was associated with the Freshmen's trial yesterday, and there was a large attendance. The sides were captained by W. W. Hoskin and C. J. Gardiner (Trinity), and the only alteration from the published list was that Bowring (Exeter and Rugby) gave way to Blencowe (Queen's and St. Edward's). A capital game resulted. During the first half the play was very even, the score at the interval being 8 points all. The stripes, however, were a man short most of the game, Shirley having to be carried off soon after the start. For some time after the resumption Humphreys, one of their halves, was also disabled.

In the second half the Whites for a time held their own, but the passing of the Stripes' three-quarters was frequently very fine, and the Whites were beaten by 3 goals and 2 tries (21 points) to 1 placed goal, 1 penalty goal, and 2 tries (14 points). Page was by far the best of the wing three-quarters. Williamson and Gotley were the best of the halves, and forward Blencowe, Bieu, and Evers were perhaps the pick. The tries for the winners were scored by Page, Gardiner (2), Birchall, and Hammond, and for the other side by Tarr, Hoskin, and Gurner, Blencowe kicking the penalty goal.

Mr. C. J. Gardiner's Side (Colours).—T. W. Heale (St. Edward's School and Brasenose); S. M. Morgan (Marlborough and Keble), H. H. Vassall (Bedford Grammar School and Keble), J. R. Birchall (Denstone and Queen's), and E. Page (Bromsgrove and Keble); A. L. H. Gotley (Tonbridge and Brasenose) and L. Humphreys (Llandovery and Jesus), E. V. R. Bieu (St. Paul's and Balliol), A. V. Shirley (Rugby and Exeter), H. P. V. Townend (King's School, Canterbury, and St. John's, R. W. Evers (Rugby and Queen's), E. G. Lester (All Hallows, Honiton, and University), F. G. L. Scott (King's School, Canterbury, and Merton), G. H. Hammond (Leeds Grammar School and St. John's), and C. J. Gardiner (Trinity).

Mr. W. W. Hoskin's Side (Whites).—E. Walker (St. Bees and Queen's), R. W. Jesson (Sherborne and Merton), F. M. Tarr (Uppingham and University), G. Cunningham (Fettes and Magdalen), and W. Wood's (St. Paul's and Merton); H. H. Williamson (St. Andrew's, South Africa, and Trinity) and J. L. Mounsey (Edinburgh Academy and University); L. C. Blencowe (St. Edward's and Queen's), A. C. Houlder (Tonbridge and Brasenose), C. Gurner (Merchant Taylors and Oriel), O. V. Parry Jones (Sherborne and Magdalen), A. G. Mullins (St. Andrew's, South Africa, and Keble), H. F. Sawbridge (Haileybury and University), H. R. L. Lawrence (Wellington and Christchurch), and W. W. Hoskin (Trinity).

CAMBRIDGE FRESHMEN'S MATCH.

Quite an array of exceptionally fine players were unearthed yesterday. T. A. Godby (Loretto and Magdalene), although well-known in Yorkshire, surprised everyone by the manner in which he picked up and passed out to his three-quarters. Both the backs were good as were the three-quarters, A. E. Beecroft, C. C. G. Wright, H. Inglis, and H. W. Malcolm. In the open J. G. Sherburn and R. S. Kennedy were conspicuous, as were N. C. Smith, F. T. C. Young, and H. L. Macnaughton for the Colours. The match was rather a runaway victory for the Colours by 6 goals 4 tries to 2 tries. During the opening half Inglis, Ashcroft, Young, and Guy scored tries for the Colours, one of which was converted by Smith. The only try obtained for the Whites was that of Hemmant's. After the interval the Whites held upper hand for a while, and Terleaven secured a very good unconverted try; but the Colours came again, and Inglis (twice), Beecroft, Gimson, Guy, and Macnaughton crossed the line, Harris (three times), Smith, and Godby adding the major points. Colours won by 42 points to 6.

B. C. Harris' Side (Colours).—G. M. Jardine (Marlborough and Clare); A. E. Beecroft (The Leys and Christ's), C. C. G. Wright (Tonbridge and Pembroke), H. Inglis (Dulwich and King's) and H. Guy (Clifton and Queens); T. A. Godby (Loretto and Magdalene) and A. H. Ashcroft (Birkenhead and Caius); B. G. Harris (captain) (Pembroke), N. C. Smith (Loretto and Pembroke), G. V. Carey (Eastbourne College and Caius), C. Gimson (Oundle and Emmanuel), F. T. C. Young (Merchiston and Pembroke), B. P. Muff (Uppingham and Clare), H. L. Macnaughton (Loretto and Pembroke), and V. R. Garrett (Rugby and Pembroke).

J. W. Alexander's Side (Whites).—A. B. Salmon (Denstone and Selwyn); M. Hemmant (Tonbridge and Pembroke), P. Gibb (Rugby and Emmanuel), H. W. Malcolm (Glenalmond and Clare), and N. C. Scholfield (Liverpool College and Trinity); R. B. Firth (Dulwich and King's) and V. Treleaven (Private and St. John's); J. W. Alexander (capt) (Clare), J. C. Sherburn (Uppingham and Trinity Hall), R. S. Kennedy (Tonbridge and Christ's), J. W. Dew (Tonbridge and Clare), F. C. J. Tudaberry (Dulwich and King's,) S. Thomson (Merchiston and Clare), F. D. Purser (Uppingham and Trinity), and A. T. Miller (Bedford Grammar and Caius).

	Pts.		Pts.
South Africans ...	34	Yorkshire (h)	
Blackheath (h) ...	3	Old Merchant Taylors ...	8
Liverpool (h)... ...	29	Richmond	3
London Scottish (h) ...	13	Harlequins	0
United Services (h) ...	24	London Welsh ...	
London Irish (h) ...	12	St. Thomas' Hospital ...	
Rosslyn Park (h) ...	11	Marlborough Nomads ...	0
Cardiff (h)	3	Newport	3
Swansea	11	Llanelly (h)	8
Pontypool	2	Devon Albion (h) ...	0
Guy's Hospital (h) ...	25	Catford Bridge ...	
Old Alleynians (h) ...	16	Old Blues	1
London Hospital (h) ...	19	Civil Service	3
St. Bart's Hospital (h) ...	35	Upper Clapton ...	0
Streatham (h) ...	36	L. and W.	0
Lennox (h)	6	R. M. C.	5
Northampton (h) ...	38	Rugby	0
Sale (h)	8	Birkenhead Park ...	6
African Banks ...	24	Brighton (h)	3
Moseley (h)	29	West Riding Regiment ...	15
Leicester	0	Bristol	0
Edinburgh Academicals (h)	11	Galashiels	0
Glasgow High School ...	3	Edinburgh University (h)	0
Exeter	6	Bridgwater Albion (h) ...	3
Nottingham (h) ...	13	Old Edwardians ...	6
Old Leysians	8	Bedford (h)	6
Penarth	17	Clifton (h)	6
Corentry (h)... ...	46	Burton ... —	3
Bridgwater	5	R. N. E. College (h) ...	0
U. C. S. Old Boys (one short)	11	R. N. C. I. (Greenwich) (h)	6
Sutton (h)	16	Ealing	10
Twickenham	9	Westcombe Park ...	9
Old Whitgiftians (h) ...	16	Surbiton	0
London Devonians ...	34	Saracens	0
Charing Cross Hospital ...	44	Wasps II	5
L. C. C.	9	Wasps (h)	6
African Banks (A) (h) ...	30	H. A. C.	3
Park House (h) ...	3	Customs Sports ...	8
Bridgend (h)... ...	3	Neath	0
Lydney	3	Bath (h)	8
Torquay (h)	6	Plymouth	3
Gloucester (h) ...	18	Penylan	0
Bedford Grammar School (h)	24	Blackheath (A) ...	0
Cinderford (h) ...	99	Carton United ...	0
Cheltenham (h) ...	11	Handsworth	5
Sidcup	6	Old Dunstonians (h) ...	0
Darnall (Sheffield) (h) ...	8	Oldham	0
Glasgow Academicals (h)...	19	West of Scotland ...	0
Chartered Bank of India (h)	13	Park House (A) ...	9
Sheffied (h	8	Wakefield	8
Haileybury Wanderers ...	25	Norwood	0
Mill Hill School ...	19	U. C. S.	8
Mill Hill School II ...	43	U. C. S.	0
Mill Hill School III ...	122	U. C. S.	0
Ilford Wanderers (h) ..	16	Hammersmith ...	3
Guy's Hospital (A) ...	9	Catford Bridge (A) ...	0
Old Whitgiftians II ...	18	Streatham (A) ...	6
City Albion	3	Leytonstone (B) ...	0
Beckenham	16	B. M. A. (h)	9

BOXING.

NATIONAL SPORTING CLUB.—Members and friends who found their way to headquarters last night, were treated to some excellent sport. Mr. Bettinson again introduced plenty of variety into his programme, and with all the boxers on the "level," the business was interesting throughout. The semi-finals of the Middle-weight Novices' Competition commenced last Thursday having been decided Alf Vango of Bethnal Green, and Jack Roberts, of St. Luke's, faced each other for a six-round go. Roberts must not be confounded with the Drury Lane representative of that name who is also known at the Broadstairs Pet. With Vango he took some liberties in the first round, and striking one as the better boxer, was a good favourite at the first call of time. Vango, however, stuck to his work, and in the fourth round a somewhat unexpected right hand won him the bout. Bill Palmer, of St. Luke's, and Seaman Mercer had a really fine set-to. Although only lasting four rounds, the affair was brimful of good, hard hitting, and exceptionally exciting owing to the wounderful way in which Mercer, when in trouble, recovered. Palmer took such a long lead in the first round that Mercer was a 5 to 1 chance when they stood up for the second. From here Mercer had many bad times, but his gameness and persistent attack caused Palmer to go weak in the fourth round. A supreme effort on the part of Palmer was successful before the next call of time, and Mercer had to retire beaten, but anything but disgraced. J. Holt, of Kentish Town, was quite outclassed and beaten in two rounds by Albert Wheeler, of St. Luke's, and following the usual interval the chief event of the evening was put on. This was a fifteen-round contest between Seaman Hayes and Young Sharkey, of Notting Hill. The last-named, who first made his mark by winning a novices' competition a little while back, defeated, in succession, the brothers Jameson, of Wandsworth, while the last appearance of Hayes at headquarters was in a loosing match with Spike Robson, of Newcastle. The Notting Hill youth has filled out considerably of late, but, though as tall, he was not so heavy or so muscular as the sailor. The bout was one of the best ever fought in the club. Sharkey had the speed of his opponent, but Hayes, strong and sturdy, set at naught the punishment given him. For five rounds the business was rather rough, but always highly interesting. Here a severe warning from the referee brought about a great improvement, and Hayes served by his strength and stamina, won a great battle early in the ninth round. The final of the novices' event fell to Pearce, who put out the favourite, Michell, of Rushden, last Thursday.

Mr. John H. Douglas was once more in office as referee; Mr. E. Zerega took the times, and Mr. Bettison, as M. C.

PEDESTRIANISM.

POLYTECHNIC H. WALKING CHAMPIONSHIP.—Twenty-eight competed on Saturday, at Pinner, in the Poly H. ten miles walking championship on the road, and with only a few exceptions all finished. In places the roads were a little heavy, and perhaps this accounted for the fact that the champion's time was 1¼mins. slower than that of last year, when the course was exactly the same. Butler, the London to Brighton record holder, was, of course, generally expected to win, and having been successful on two previous occasions, he had only to score now to make the "Ben Davies" challenge cup his own property. Displaying good form, and being always in front, he triumphed fairly easily. Both Jacobs, who was third last year, and Bland also walked well. The latter showed improved pace, and secured the sealed handicap, decided in conjunction with the level race. At the half distance Butler's time was 38mins. 28secs., and Jacob's 40mins. 10secs. Result:—

Posn in Ch'ship.	Name.	Net Time. h. m. s.	Start m. s.	H'cap Time. h. m. s.	Posn. in H'cap.
1	J. Butler	1 19 3	Scr.	1 19 3	7
2	F. Jacob	1 22 21	5 0	1 17 21	4
3	F. Bland	1 23 24	12 30	1 11 4	1
4	G. W. Sims	1 26 9	12 30	1 13 39	2
5	C. M. Sampson	1 26 56	13 0	1 13 56	3
6	W. W. Hawkes	1 27 55	7 30	1 20 25	8
7	W. Endean	1 30 51	9 30	1 21 25	11
8	J. C. Ball	1 31 6	8 0	1 23 6	15
9	T. H. Askew	1 31 24	10 15	1 21 5	10

Officials:—Starter and referee, Ben Davies; judges, H. W. Venn, R. W. Gale, D. Prosser, C. J. Pratt, W. M. Barnard, and J. M. Andrew (Honorary Secretary); timekeepers, C. J. Pratt and W. M. Barnard; handicapper, C. Lee.

Hunting.

THE "GORDON'S HORSE" HOUNDS.

WE have been suffering from the waning season, and what with high crops and dry winds it has been almost impossible to hunt. But on the 1st of November we completed the season with a really good day. Meeting at the 5th milestone on the Dumber Road, "to finish the season," only a small field met the Master, but these were rewarded for their pluck and early rising. Mr. Gledstanes threw off to the South of the road and hounds spoke to a line almost at once.

They ran pretty hard, parallel with the road and in a westerly direction for about ten minutes and then their heads went up and not a hound could stoop. A longish check ensued, and it was not until we had crossed the road that two or three hounds feathered on a bit of open ground. They were palpably hunting something but would not commit themselves by speaking to it. However the line was carried showly through a couple of casuarina topes and then scent again failed, but casting forward the Master hit off the line and the pack then ran fast for nearly fifteen minutes and broke from scent to view as the jack entered a large ragi field. This ragi temporarily saved him, for hounds could not keep their view, but it was a curious sight to see both jack and hounds bounding in the ragi like a herd of buck. However he was more or less in view for half a mile and then got a fresh start owing to a sharp left-handed turn and scent lying badly. It improved, however, as hounds gradually hunted up to him and they eventually pulled him down after a run of about forty minutes. The distance covered was probably more than five miles. It was significant of a last day that there was no lady out to receive the brush. The pack has hunted 50 days and has killed 9½ brace of jack and one fox. They are now for sale and are well worthy of the notice of M. J. H.'s.

"SOAPEY SPONGE."

DAYS AND DOINGS WITH A BOBBERY PACK.

II.

(Concluded from page 19.)

THE best, and also the most pleasant time of the year for hunting, it should perhaps be termed coursing, is during the early part of the rains before the grass gets too long and the cover too thick. The fresh feel of the air and the tinge of green all over the country side is a most extraordinary relief after the stifling heat of the previous three or four months. Butterflies are to be seen in daily increasing numbers; where formerly was parched and arid soil all sorts of wild flowers spring up as if by magic; birds are busy feasting on the many insects swarming in the air; crows and kites are greedily chasing and devouring the lovely spider-like insects with scarlet plush coats which are crawling over the ground in all directions, and if these are as good to eat as they are beautiful in colour and appearance they must indeed be delicious morsels. A skylark rises from the field close by and soars towards the blue with an outburst of carolling song, higher and higher he goes, singing gaily, until he reaches the limit, makes several efforts to rise still higher, but fails; and then with outspread wings he slowly descends to the earth, and we realize how very like our sweet English skylark he is. And so, with keen observation noting the doings of birds and butterflies, the while keeping a roving eye on the country in front, the morning passes in real enjoyment and joy of living. Horses and dogs feel the change as much as their master, and throwing off the lassitude which has held them during the hot weather, show by their frisking and gambollings how pleased they are that the season of soft grass and cool weather has once more returned.

An animal is sighted in the distance, and discovered after careful scrutiny to be a jackal sneaking homewards to the scrub jungle two miles to the north, so quietly trotting along we lessen the distance to about 400 yards and then start galloping hard, at the same time calling up the dogs by a loud blast on the whistle. The jack has been suspicious of our movements for some time, and is at once away as hard as he can go. The dogs come in from all directions, converging to a point ahead of the galloping horse, as they know their master is invariably to be trusted. Soon the fastest among them gets a sight of the jack in front, and this seems to redouble her efforts and she rapidly gains on the stout varmint before her. He knows every inch of the country and heads for some nullahs and broken ground among which he hopes to throw off the panting crew now hard at his heels. Greyhounds, hunting entirely by sight, are soon at fault when their quarry disappears from view and it is at such times that the skill, experience, and hard riding of their master is so invaluable to them. It is only by hard and judicious galloping that a horse or pony can, in rough and broken country, keep close enough to the jackal or fox to enable the dogs to be put on to the line he has taken, and the success of a pack is largely dependent on the ability of the Master. In the case now in mind the dogs are soon put right and another gallant jack is gathered to his fathers, his mask and brush being consigned to the bag strung at the saddle for the purpose.

It is marvellous what reckless riding the fast pursuit of animals induces. I can call to mind one memorable morning, when a friend and myself galloped after a jack, in the endeavour to put the dogs on to him, over the top of a rocky hill across several stone quarries, and down a steep and jungly slope on the opposite side. The jack was extremely fast and we failed to get the hounds to see him and had to abandon the chase. A lady was out with us, a nervous rider, so we quietly made our way towards the place from which we started some two miles back, and were positively astonished at the places we had galloped over, and could not attempt to cross them at a walk. In one place my pony had tried to stop at a perpendicular drop in the sheet rock, but unable to do so had been obliged to drop some 6 feet on to a slippery surface down which he slithered for some yards before regaining his equilibrium, when he was again urged on his mad career. Truly fortune favours the reckless rider.

I have said little about horses and ponies. Every man has his own choice, which must be guided by his weight and inches. For light-weight men—riding 11st. 7lbs. and under—nothing can be better than the Arab or good class of country-bred. Moderately heavy weights can hunt on exceptionally large country-bred horses, but must usually ride Australian animals. Very big horses are not suited to the kind of hunting, or coursing, of which I have endeavoured to give a faithful picture. The Master must be mounted on a handy, quick, and speedy animal or the dogs will lose many animals they would otherwise secure.

It has always been a matter of astonishment to me how very few care to turn out in the early morning for a gallop with the dogs. For many years I have hunted almost alone and have seldom been able to induce brother officers to join me with any regularity. Any excuse has been good enough:—"up late last night" "haven't had a Europe morning for months," and so on. And this abandonment of the healthy outdoor sports of hunting, shooting, and fishing, has become more marked during the last few years. Perhaps it is owing to the large increase of work which the professional soldier-officer has to cope with in these days of undoubtedly increased efficiency; but still there is always Sunday, and occasional off-days during the week, even during the drill season and yet little shooting or hunting is done by the greater number. Where there are packs of fox-hounds more riders appear, but it is only the few who are really keen that are regular in attendance. As was remarked in a report of the opening meet of the Poona Hunt the other day; "The large contingent of photograph hunters disappeared as soon as the annual photograph had been taken, never to be seen again during the remainder of the season." The changed conditions of modern warfare, brought about mainly by the advance in the perfection of long range rifles and artillery, call to a much greater extent than formerly for those very qualities of individual initiative in cases where the mind has to be made up at a moment's notice; personal skill in management of horse and weapons; ability to live a life in the open; care of horses; forethought in making arrangements in order to carry the sport to a successful conclusion; all of which soldierly attainments are engendered and fostered by experience in hunting, riding, and shooting. No training is so good for the ready facing of energencies; the knowledge and study of varied country; the habit of grasping the situation and acting with instant decision. There is no physical exercise to equal that of the sportsman, especially in this climate, where a strong incentive to be up and doing is often necessary. Polo is good, but not equal to the varied exercise and health-giving conditions of sport. Long tramps, skilful stalks, good shooting, to see and not be seen, to be able to ride at speed over any kind of ground; all these tend to good mind, good eye, good muscle; and it is these very qualities the modern soldier has to possess in an increased degree. To be successful in sport demands qualities of manliness, and hardihood, quickness of eyesight, and ability to take advantage of cover and of the formation of the ground whether on horseback or on foot; patience in the attainment of an object; and keenness of observation, all of which must be posessed by him who would be a successful soldier. There can be no question as to the sportsman being, as a rule, a better soldier than the Officer, all too common, who never leaves the Cantonment, except on a Field day, does not know the country, even in the vicinity of the station, and has not developed any of these qualities which have been mentioned, and which are latent in most Britons. This has been a lengthy digression from "Days and Doings", but is clearly connected with my subject, and the matter gives food for serious reflection.

A few remarks on the care and treatment of our doggy friends in sickness and in health are not out of place, and the methods evolved by experience may be justifiably inflicted on the reader. First of all comes the dog-boy and his training. Catch him young, and take pains to teach him his work. Pass over no neglect of care and attention to his duties. Hold a daily inspection of all the dogs to see that they have been well groomed and freed of all ticks. Impress on him that all hurts—even of the most trivial kind—must be brought to notice, the reason for this being the quick and insidious manner in which sores and abrasions get fly-blown. Keep always ready for use a saturated solution of boracic acid lotion for cuts and wounds and phenyle and permanganate of potash as a kennel disinfectant. Provide the dog-boy with an efficient pair of tweezers for removal of thorns and ticks. A mixture of camphor and turpentine—not too much of the latter as it is an irritant—has been found the best for speedy removal of maggots from a fly-blown sore. Use it with a glass syringe. A weak solution of alum and water is good for watery eyes. Keep a surgical pocket knife with two blades, one straight and one curved, also forceps, suture needles, and silk. A pint or two of good castor oil, and we have mentioned all the ordinary remedies and appliances necessary. For canker in the ear, a not uncommon, and extremely painful complaint, fomentation of the back of the ears gentle syringing with warm water, and then internal application of a few drops of subacetate of lead and glycerine, in equal parts, has been found a sure remedy, except in long-neglected cases. The treatment of dogs for general diseases and ailments much resembles that of human beings. When a dog shows signs of sickness a dose of castor oil and immediate regimen of liquid diet is a safe procedure in every case until a correct diagnosis can be made. Quinine and Calomel are medicines which must be cautiously used, as both have a most powerful effect on the dog. As with ourselves, so with our canine companions, a judicious administration of stimulants in the shape of whisky, brandy, or sherry, has been the means of saving many a sick dog's life. Dogs in hard work should be fed abundantly on a nutritious diet. "Atta" chupattees broken up in buffalo milk, the same in sheep's head broth—not beef broth as it is too heating—with green vegetables; Atta chappattees in milk, or rice in milk, and once a week a dinner of boiled sheep's head and liver. These are all excellent diets, and should be given in turn, the diet being changed directly the dogs show any signs of having tired of it. Plenty of bones are of course necessary, and should be distributed after the soft food is finished. When meat is given, and it ought not to be supplied more than once a week, it should be cooked and not raw. Attend to feet and claws (remove all dew claws, even from old dogs), never take a dog out hunting if he shows any disinclination to go, it is a sure sign that he is not well. It must be added that warmth and quiet are necessary to the treatment of a sick dog. Keep the kennel scrupulously clean and free of ticks and flies, and provide the animals with comfortable benches. A great deal more could be said but space does not permit.

To write of my Bobbery Pack has been a pleasure, but the narrative must be brought to an end, for fear that it may become burdensome to readers who possibly are not so enthusiastic as the narrator whose hunting days are, unfortunately, cut short and who will never again enjoy "good hunting" except in the memories of the past; having to be consoled with the philosophical conviction that once the inevitable has been acceded to there are few pleasures to equal those contained in reflections on events and incidents of days of enjoyment, which are gone, never to return.

COOT.

Polo.

THE INDORE TOURNAMENT.

CARABINIERS 2ND TEAM *vs.* BHOPAL.—This game opened the tournament on the 29th ultimo. The Carabiniers were no match for their opponents, whose combination and clean hitting were features of their play. Bhopal opened with a minor point and scored two goals in each of the first two periods, a goal and 2 subs. in the third, and a goal and 4 subs. in the fourth. The fifth chukker produced two goals and a minor point in favour of Bhopal who, continuing to hold the upper hand, eventually ran out victorious by 11 goals and 14 subs. to *nil*. Teams.—

BHOPAL.		CARABINIERS II.	
Ghulam Hussain	1	Mr. N. E. Gore Langton	1
Capt. Abdul Wahed	2	Mr. J. N. Kidd	2
Capt. Imtiaz Ali	3	Mr. S. W. Webster	3
Capt. Ellwood (*back.*)		Capt. K. T. Ridpath (*back.*)	

Umpires:—Captain Ross and Mr. Hoare.

BHOPAL *vs.* SKINNER'S HORSE.—These teams put up a most exciting game on the 1st instant, Bhopal eventually winning by a single point.

First Chukker.—Bhopal had rather the best of the exchanges; no score.

Second Chukker.—Bhopal scored a goal, but from a penalty, shortly after, the cavalry hit a subsidiary. *Score:* Bhopal 1 goal, Skinner's Horse 1 sub.

Third Chukker.—Bhopal hit a goal and Cosker replied with a similar score for the cavalry. Bhopal put on a subsidiary. *Score:* Bhopal 2 goals, 1 sub., Skinner's Horse 1 goal 1 sub.

Fourth Chukker.—A minor point to Bhopal, was followed by fast up and down play. A foul against Bhopal but nothing resulted from the penalty. Skinner's Horse scored a subsidiary before the close. *Score:* Bhopal 2 goals 2 subs., Skinner's Horse 1 goal 2 subs.

Fifth Chukker.—The Cavalry hit a goal, thereby equalising. Bhopal played hard and scoring a goal took the lead again. *Score:* Bhopal 3 goals 2 subs., Skinner's Horse 2 goals 2 subs.

Sixth Chukker.—Fast up and down play. A foul against Bhopal let in the cavalry who once more drew level with a goal. *Score:* Bhopal 3 goals 2 subs., Skinner's Horse 3 goals 2 subs.

Seventh Chukker.—Thirty seconds were left but there was no further score. The game was then continued and Bhopal hitting a subsidiary gained a victory by 3 goals 3 subs to 3 goals 2 subs. Teams:—

BHOPAL.		SKINNER'S HORSE.	
Ghulam Hussain	1	Mr R. W. Manderson	1
Capt. Abdul Wahed	2	Mr G. T. Vander Gucht	2
Capt. Imtiaz Ali	3	Mr. V. A. Cosker	3
Capt. Ellwood (*back.*)		Capt. E. C. W. Conway Gordon (*back.*)	

Umpires:—Major Hare and Captain Campbell Ross.

39TH CENTRAL INDIA HORSE *vs.* RUTLAM.—Played on the 1st instant, Rutlam being defeated by 5 goals and 1 sub., to 2 goals and 1 sub.

First Chukker.—No score.

Second Chukker.—The C. I. Horse hit a goal and Rutlam obtained a minor point.

Third Chukker.—The 39th pressed and scored a goal. *Score:* C. I. Horse 2 goals, Rutlam 1 sub.

Fourth Chukker.—Play had been rather sticky thus far but this period was faster. The 39th hit a goal and a subsidiary. A penalty enabled Rutlam to score, the Raja hitting a goal. But the 39th put through again before the close. *Score:* C. I. Horse 4 goals 1 sub., Rutlam 1 goal 1 sub.

Fifth Chukker.—Both teams attacked and each scored a goal. *Score:* C. I. Horse 5 goals 1 sub., Rutlam 2 goals 1 sub.

Sixth Chukker.—No score; the C. I. Horse winning as stated. Teams.—

C. I. HORSE.		RUTLAM.	
Capt. A. B Eckford	1	Kuar Anan Singh	1
Bahadur Khan	2	Rattanji	2
Capt. A. Hewlett	3	Kuar Amar Singh	3
Mr. D. Le G. Pitcher, (*back.*)		H. H. The Rajah of Rutlam (*back.*)	

Umpires:—Col. Leader and Captain Watson.

FINAL.

39TH C. I. HORSE *vs.* BHOPAL.—The final provided an excellent game which was eventually won by the C. I. Horse. H. H the Maharajah congratulated the winners and Mrs. Daly gave away the prizes at the conclusion of the game.

First Chukker.—The 39th attacked immediately and Eckford hit a goal. Bhopal were repulsed and the cavalry obtained two more goals, their opponents putting through on one occasion. *Score:* C. I. Horse 3 goals, Bhopal 1 goal.

Second Chukker.—The cavalry pressed but Bhopal managed to get away and scored a subsidiary. *Score:* C. I Horse 3 goals, Bhopal 1 goal 1 sub.

Third Chukker.—Bhopal attacked but there was no score.

Fourth Chukker.—Bhopal playing hard followed up a subsidiary with a goal. Fast play closed the chukker—a penalty against Bhopal bearing no result. *Score:* C. I. Horse. 3 goals, Bhopal 2 goals 2 sub.

Fifth Chukker.—Both teams made great efforts to score. A foul against Bhopal enabled the 39th to add a goal to their score, whereat Bhopal played with renewed vigour and put on a goal and a minor point. *Score:* C. I. Horse 4 goals, Bhopal 3 goals 3 subs.

Sixth Chukker.—Ghulam Husain fouled Hewlett and fell; and the 39th were awarded a penalty hit; there was no further scoring, however. *Final score:* C. I. Horse 4 goals; Bhopal 3 goals 3 sub. Teams as before.

LUCKNOW HANDICAP TOURNAMENT.

First Day.

FIRST TIES.

THE first ties in the above Tournament were played off on Monday the 29th October on the Mahomed Bagh ground. Twelve teams have entered. The Tournament is on the same lines as last year, the winners being the team which secures most goals in the three matches during the week. Teams handicapped to concede goals are required to make them before they score. Thus a team having to concede 5 goals must make 5 goals before they score at all, the score being the number of goals made in excess of the handicap :—

ROYAL DRAGOONS "C." *vs.* 6TH CAVALRY.

Lieut. Turner }	Lieut. Craige
Lieut. Hudson }	Lieut. Craster
Lieut. Miles	Lieut. Slacke
Col. DeLisle	Major Grimston
Lieut. Houston	Minus 9 goals
Minus 14 goals	

Umpire:—Capt. Leighton.

The Royals who were conceding five goals, scored three goals to their opponents' *nil*, neither side having reached their handicap, the game at the close stood :6th Cavalry, plus O.

ROYAL DRAGOONS "A." *vs.* 24TH PUNJABIS "B."

Lieut. Chapman	Major Climo
Capt. Godman	Lieut Sinkinson
Capt. Hamilton Russell	Lieut. Leslie Smith
Lieut. Pike	Lieut. Trevor }
Minus 18 goals	Lieut. Haig }
	Minus 3 goals

Umpire:—Lieut. Tomkinson.

The Royals had to make 18 goals before they began to score. They succeeded in hitting six goals to one by the Punjabis. *Score:* Punjabis plus 1.

OXFORD L. I. "A." *vs.* 24TH PUNJABIS "A."

Lieut. Beaufort	Lieut. Edwards
Lieut. Stephens	Lieut. Cook Young
Capt. Bayley	Lieut. Skipwith
Lieut. Blewitt	Lieut. Menteth
Minus 3 goals	Minus 8 goals

Umpire:—Lieut. Miles.

The Punjabis, who conceded five goals, were on the offensive almost throughout, and made five goals. They thus succeeded in making up their handicap, but had not begun to score.

ROYAL DRAGOONS "B." *vs.* REMNANTS.

Lieut. Atkinson	Lieut MacCullagh
Capt. Leighton	Lieut Jones Vaughan
Lieut. Lambert	Lieut. Sandbach
Lieut. Tomkinson	Lieut. Graeme }
Minus 13 goals	Lieut. Coote }
	Minus 0

Umpire:—Lieut. Norland.

The Royals had to concede 13 goals. They made their total up to 10, and were thus 3 goals short of their handicap. The Remnants did not score.

DURHAM LIGHT INFANTRY *vs.* CASUALS.

Capt. Mathews	Lieut. Steel
Major Blake	Lieut. Beaumont
Lieut. Festing	Lieut. Benton
Col. Mansel	Lieut MacCaw
Minus 5 goals	Minus 4 goals

Umpire:—Major Climo.

The Durhams owed one goal. They scored six goals, to one by the Casuals. *Score:* Durhams, 4 up.

CIVILIANS *vs.* OXFORD L. I. "B."

Mr. Wahl	Capt. Henley
Mr. Sullivan	Lieut. Higgins
Mr. Scott	Lieut. Annesley
Mr. Naylor	Lieut. Morlands
Mr. Atkinson	
Minus 6 goals	Minus. 7 goals

Umpire:—Lieut. Lambert.

The Oxfords conceded one goal. The Civilians made two goals to one goal by the Oxfords. *Score:* Civilians plus 2.

Second Day.

SECOND TIES.

The handicaps were framed to a nicety on the second day of Polo Tournament on Wednesday the 31st October, and there was a noticeable improvement in the play of the teams. The idea of the tournament is to give the officers of the garrison a week's polo and to encourage goal-getting by having a number of games each day. Forty goals were scored in the six games, of which 26 were contributed by the three teams of the Royal Dragoons.

REMNANTS *vs.* 24TH PUNJABIS "B."

Lieut. MacCullagh	Major Climo
Lieut. Jones	Lieut. Sinkinson
Lieut. Vaughan	Lieut. Leslie Smith
Lieut. Sandbach	Lieut. Trevor
Lieut. Graeme	Lieut. Haig
Lieut. Coote	

Umpire:—Lieutenant Pike. The 24th Punjabis were minus 3 goals.

The Punjabis soon made up their handicap and at the close had scored 7 goals, thus winning by 4.

24TH PUNJABIS "A" *vs.* 6TH CAVALRY.

Lieut. Edwards	Lieut. Craigie
Lieut. Cook Young	Lieut. Craster
Lieut. Skipwith	Lieut. Slake
Lieut. Menteth	Major Grimston

Umpire:—Lieutenant Miles. The 6th Cavalry were minus one goal.

The Punjabis scored 3 goals to their opponents' one. *Score:* Punjabis: Plus 3.

OXFORD LIGHT INFANTRY "A" *vs.* ROYAL DRAGOONS "B."

Lieut. Beaufort	Lieut. Atkinson
Lieut. Stephens	Capt. Leighton
Capt. Bayley	Lieut. Lambert
Lieut. Blewitt	Lieut. Tomkinson

Umpire:—Col. de Lisle. The Royals were minus 10 goals.

The Royals obtained their 10 goals, and were unlucky in not scoring again. Both sides were thus level.

CASUALS *vs.* ROYAL DRAGOONS "C."

Lieut. Steel	Lieut. Turner
Lieut. Beaumont	Lieut. Hudson
Lieut. Benton	Lieut. Miles
Lieut MacCaw	Col. de Lisle
	Lieut. Houston

Umpire:—Capt. Godman. The Royals were minus 10 goals.

This was also a fast scoring game and had the Royals taken advantage of several openings in the first *Chukker* they would undoubtedly have passed their handicap. As it was the halt sounded first as they had made their 10th goal. The game thus ended in a draw.

OXFORD LIGHT INFANTRY "B" *vs.* ROYAL DRAGOONS "A."

Capt. Henley	Lieut. Chapman
Lieut. Higging	Capt. Godman
Lieut. Annesley	Capt. Hamilton Russell
Lieut. Morland	Lieut. Pike

Umpire:—Lieut. Craigie. The Royals were minus 11 goals.

The Royals scored six goals and were thus 5 short of their handicap. The result was a wash-out.

CIVILIANS *vs.* DURHAM LIGHT INFANTRY.

Mr. Wahl	Capt. Mathews
Mr. Sullivan	Major Blake
Mr. Scott	Lieut. Festing
Mr. Naylor	Col. Mansel
Mr. Atkinson	

Umpire:—Capt. Bayley. The Civilians were minus one goal.

The final score was Durhams 1 goal and Civilians two. The teams were thus level.

THE FINALS.

The Tournament came to a successful close on Friday, the 2nd instant, with a victory for the Royal Dragoons "B" team, who were 9 goals up and thus beat the 24th Punjabis "B" team by a single goal. The Royals played a great game, Captain Leighton and Lieutenant Tomkinson being conspicuous for the winners. As a memento of the occasion silver cigarette cases, bearing the inscription "Lucknow Handicap Polo Tournament," will be presented to each member of the winning team. The attendance was not large owing to the counter attraction at Umballa. Among those present were Lady Locke Elliot, Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Porter, Colonel and Mrs. de Lisle, and Mr. Cruickshank.

OXFORD LIGHT INFANTRY "B" *vs.* CASUALS.

Capt. Henley	Lieut. Steel
Lieut. Higgins	Lieut. Beaumont
Lieut. Annesley	Lieut. Benton
Lieut. Morland	Lieut. MacCaw

Umpire:—Lieutenant Tomkinson. The Oxfords were minus 3 goals.

The Oxfords scored 7 goals to 1 by their opponents. They were thus plus 2, which was their score for the tournament.

24TH PUNJABIS "A" *vs.* CIVILIANS.

Lieut. Edward	Mr. Wahl
Lieut. Cook	Mr. Sullivan
Lieut. Young	Mr. Scott
Lieut. Skipwith	Mr. Naylor
Lieut. Monteth	Mr. Atkinson

Umpire:—Captain Godman. The Punjabis were minus 2 goals.

The Civilians made 4 goals to *nil*, and were therefore plus 2. Result for the tournament: plus 4.

ROYAL DRAGOONS "C" *vs.* ROYAL DRAGOONS "A."

Lieut. Turner	Lieut. Chapman
Lieut. Hudson	Capt. Godman
Lieut. Miles	Capt. Hamilton
Col. de Lisle	Capt. Russell
Lieut. Houston	Lieut. Pike

Umpire:—Lieutenant Tomkinson. The Royals "A" were minus 4 goals.

The Royal Dragoons "A" made 3 goals to 1 by "C." The latter were one up, their score for the tournament.

DURHAM LIGHT INFANTRY *vs.* 24TH PUNJABIS "B."

Capt. Mathews	Major Climo
Major Blake	Lieut. Sinkinson
Lieut. Festing	Lieut. Leslie Smith
Col. Mansel	Lieut. Trevor
	Lieut. Haig

Umpire:—Lieutenant Tomkinson. The Durhams were minus 2 goals.

First up and down play in the first *chukker* but no score. In the second the Punjabis made 2 goals, and in the third each side made a goal. There was no further change. *Score:* Punjabis, plus 3. Final result: Punjabis, plus 8.

ROYAL DRAGOONS "B" *vs.* 6TH BENGAL CAVALRY.

Lieut. Atkinson	Capt. Craigie
Capt. Leighton	Lieut. Slacke
Lieut Lambert	Capt. McNeile
Lieut. Tomkinson	Lieut. Hodgson

Umpire:—Captain Morland. The Royals were minus 4 goals.

Fourteen goals were scored by the Royals, who won the game and the tournament. Final result: Royals "B" plus 9.

Captain McNeill and Lieutenant Hodgson played for the Cavalry in the absence of two of their team.

OXFORD LIGHT INFANTRY "A" *vs.* REMNANTS.

Lieut. Beaufort	Lieut. MacCullagh
Lieut. Stephens	Lieut. Jones Vaughan
Capt. Bayley	Lieut. Sandbach
Lieut. Blewitt	Lieut. Graeme
	Lieut. Coote

Umpire:—Major Climo. The Oxfords were minus 3 goals.

The Oxfords made 4 goals to 1 by their opponents. The game was a draw.

Cricket.

CRICKET IN CALCUTTA.

THE SPORTING UNION C.C.

We are indebted to the Honorary Secretary of the Club for their season's fixture card.

Dates.	Clubs.	Ground.	Time.
Oct. 18th	Northumberland Fusiliers, C.C., (Regimentte am) ...	Home.	11 A.M.
,, 20th	Caledonia C.C., ...	Away.	11 A.M.
,, 28th	Old Xaverians C C., ...	Away.	11 A.M.
Nov. 3rd	Telegraph C.C., ...	Away.	11 A.M.
,, 4th	Maharaja Nattore's Team, ...	Home.	11 A.M.
,, 10th	Caledonia C.C., ...	Away.	2 P.M.
,, 11th	Howrah Sporting Club., ...	Away.	11 A.M.
,, 17th	Presidency College C.C., ...	Away.	11 A.M.
,, 18th	Hornets C.C., ...	Home.	11 A.M.
,, 24th	Town Club	Away.	11 A.M.
,, 25th	Burn and Co. C.C., ...	Home	11 A.M.
Dec. 9th	Calcutta Cricket Club., ...	Home.	11 A.M.
,, 15th	Aryan Club., ...	Home.	11 A.M.
,, 16th	United Club, Howrah. ...	Away.	2 P.M.
,, 26th	Town Club, ...	Home.	11 A.M.
,, 27th	Y.M.C.A. C.C., ...	Home.	11 A.M.
,, 29th	Customs A C., ...	Away.	1 P.M.
,, 31st	Hornets A.C., ...	Away.	11 A.M.
Jan. 1st	Mahomedan S C., ...	Home.	11 A.M.
,, 5th	Presidency College., ...	Home.	11 A.M.
,, 6th	5th Maharaja Nattore's Team.	Home.	11 A.M.
,, 12th	Aryan Club., ...	Home.	11 A.M.
,, 13th	Presidency College C.C., ...	Away.	11 A.M.
,, 18th	Caledonia C.C., ...	Home.	11 A.M.
,, 19th	Y.M.C.A. C.C, ...	Away.	11 A.M.
,, 27th	Calcutta Cricket Club., ...	Away.	1 P.M.
Feb. 2nd	Medical College C.C, ...	Home.	11 A.M.
,, 3rd	Telegraph C.C., ...	Home.	11 A.M.
,, 10th	Bangabasi S.C., ...	Home.	11 A.M.
,, 16th	Howrah Sporting Club., ...	Away.	11 A.M.
,, 17th	Dalhousie C.C., ...	Away.	2 P.M.
	Inter Club., ...	Home.	11 A.M.

CRICKET AT LAHORE.

LAHORE *vs.* FEROZEPORE.—Played on the 26th and 27th ultimo, Ferozepore being defeated by an innings and 220 runs. Score.—

LAHORE.

E. L. French, b Muir	15
Capt. G. Lang, retired	101
P. E. Collen, c Bedwell, b Clemson	27
V. Short, b Trench	10
Capt. Ross, c Bedwell, b Jukes	70
C. Farquhar, c Muir, b Jukes	17
Capt. L. S. Browne, b Bedwell	5
E. Kirke, c Jukes, Ransome	66
R. E. Grosvenor, b McPherson	13
C. R. Gover, c and b Ransome	40
W. A. F. Jones, not out	0
Extras	46
Total ...	410

FEROZEPORE.

	1st Innings.		2nd Innings.	
A. H. Muir, c and b Browne	8	b Short ...	...	15
Capt. L. C. Hope, b Ross ...	38	c Collen ...	...	26
Capt. E. T. Bedwell, b Browne	2	b Lang ...	...	4
Capt. R. C. Harbottle, c Ross, b Lang	12	b Short ...	...	16
W. Clemson, b Ross ...	3	b Lang ...	...	4
A. L. Ransome, b Lang ...	0	b Lang ...	...	2
C. F. Trench, b Lang ...	0	run out ...	...	3
A. R. M. Roe, b Ross ...	14	b Collen ...	...	2
A. B. McPherson, not out ...	3	c Browne b Short	...	14
A. H. Jukes, run out ...	2	b Grosvenor	...	9
M. Wace, b Ross	0	not out ...	...	7
Extras ...	0	Extras	...	7
Total ...	82	Total	...	109

CRICKET AT AGRA.

AGRA *vs.* 15TH HUSSARS.—This two days' match resulted in a win for Agra by six wickets. Score :—

15TH HUSSARS.

	1st Innings.		2nd Innings.	
Corpl. Durant, l-b-w, b Mantell	1	l-b w, b Mantell ...	...	30
Sergt. Sharpe, b Webb Bowen	0	Webb Bowen ...	...	11
Mr. Arnott, b Webb Bowen	2	c Mr. Lloyd b, Waters		31
Maj. Hodgson, b Mantell,	3	c and b Webb Bowen...		18
Mr. Charrington, c Mr. Lloyd b, Mantell	0	b Mantell ...	...	3
Mr. Muir, b Webb Bowen ...	19	s Venables, Waters	...	59
Maj. Bramwell, b Webb Bowen	0	run out ...	...	39
Mr. Curtis, b Webb Bowen ...	18	b Waters ...	...	5
Mr. Godman, b Major Lloyd	22	c Smallwood, b Waters		10
Corpl. Allan, not out ...	0	not out ...	...	4
Corpl. Clayton, b Clayton, ...	4	b Waters ...	...	8
Extras ...	11	Extra ...	...	9
Total ...	80	Total	...	255

AGRA.

	1st Innings.		2nd Innings.	
Mr. Ferard, b Sharpe ...	27	l-b-w, b Sharpe	...	1
Capt. Waters, b Allan ...	1	not out ...	...	73
Mr. Venables, c Sharpe, b Allan	0	b Clayton	...	61
Maj. Lloyd, b Hodgson ...	11	c Arnott, b Sharpe	...	11
Maj. Smallwood, c Charrington b Clayton	20	b Allan ...	...	1
Mr. Gwyther, b Sharpe ...	7			
Mr. Lloyd, b Sharpe ...	9			
Mr. Webb Bowen, b Sharpe	5	did not bat.		
Mr. Mackenzie c Durand b Sharpe	39			
Pte. Gallagher, not out ...	40			
Maj. Mantell, b Sharpe ...	0			
Extras ...	21	Extras		21
Total ...	180	Total		174

CRICKET IN MADRAS.

MADRAS C.C. *vs.* PICKWICK CLUB.—Played on the 27th ultimo ending in a draw. Score :—

M.C.C.

A. H. Harrison, c Varadarajulu, b Jayaraj	...	52
E. G. Howlett, c Somasundram, b Kupuswamy	...	2
Comd. Vines, c Varadarajulu, b Kupuswamy	...	0
H. D. Taylor, b Kupuswamy	...	12
R. Simpson, c sub., b Chellapillay ...	...	37
C. T. Mullins, run out	...	10
J. G. Smith, not out	...	10
F. Hall-Wright, not out	...	0
G. J. Jerdein ... } did not bat.		
P. J. Elsworthy ... }		
Major Bonham-Carter ... }		
Extras ...	...	2
Total	...	125

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

	O.	R.	M.	W.
Kupuswamy	11	33	1	3
Seshagiri	10	36	1	0
Varadarajulu	8	29	1	0
Chellapillay	4	13	0	1
Jayaraj	4	12	1	1

PICKWICK CLUB.

Baghavalu, not out	...	36
Somasundaram, c Carter, b Harrison ...	...	10
Varadarajulu, not out	...	17
J. Jayaraj ... } did not bat.		
P. Chellapillay Rao ... }		
Kupuswamy ... }		
Parthasarthy ... }		
Seshagiri Rao ... }		
Balasubbarayulu ... }		
Raghava Rao ... }		
Extras ...	...	3
Total	...	66

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

	O.	R.	M.	W.
Howlett	7	15	2	0
Harrison	12	20	5	1
Taylor	3	11	0	0
Elsworthy	4	12	1	0
Mullins	2	5	0	0

Golf.

GOLF IN CALCUTTA.

CALCUTTA GOLF CLUBS' OPENING DAY.—Saturday last was the opening day of this old club's annual season on the maidan, and was probably the most successful in all its long history. There was a record attendance at the preliminary tiffin to which about 130 members, sat down under the presidency of the new captain, Mr. T. Drimmie, whose submission of the customary toasts of the "King-Emperor" and "continued success to the Calcutta Golf Club" was commendably brief. Then followed the usual photograph, and then came the nine holes competition over either course which also must have furnished very nearly a record in the way of high scoring. The ground was in very bad order after the recent heavy rain, and was very badly cut up by hoof marks, while the putting greens were also decidedly untrue. This being so, it was not surprising to find very few returns sent in, with 48 as the best score; this was retained by Messrs. Mitchell-Innes, Mann and Mackenzie, who accordingly tied for the senior prize, while that for the Duffers was secured with the utmost ease by Mr. C. C. Morgan with a score of 47—7=40. The following are the few returns made :—

	Total	Hcp.	Results.
Alex. Mann	46	scr.	46
T. Mackenzie	46	scr.	46
N. Mitchell-Innes	47	scr.	47
B. Sinclair	47	scr.	49
T. Drimmie	49	scr.	49
F. H. Stewart	49	scr.	49
O. Pym	53	scr.	53
E. H. Townend	55	2	53
G. S. Hannah ...			
DUFFER SCORES.			
C. C. Morgan	47	7	40
M. R. Quin	50	4	46
J. A. Dykes	53	7	46
F. E. McEwan	54	7	47
D. Hynd	54	3½	50½
T. P. Stewart	66	5½	60½

GOLF IN MADRAS.

SURGEON-GENERAL BENSON'S PRIZE.—A large number of players turned out to compete for this prize at Guindy on the 27th ultimo. The competition was a 12 holes handicap against Bogey. The results being as follows :—

Mr. C. Morrison	2 down.
Mr. J. M. Brown	3 down.
Mr. F. M. Robinson	4 down.
Mr. A. M. Urquhart	5 down.
Mr. C. L. Bidie	5 down.
Mr. E. P. Corlett	5 down.
Mr. G. W. Talbot	5 down.
Captain Bedfern	5 down.
Mr. C. E. Ross	6 down.

The rest did not return cards.

Shows.

SIND HORSE SHOW.

Monday, 29th October 1906.

THE horse show held to-day was a great success, good entries, good class and the untiring efforts of Captain Watling all going towards the desired result. The Commissioner in Sind and Mrs. Younghusband were "At Home", and the prizes were given away at the close of the meeting by Mrs. Younghusband. Results.—

CLASS I. (*a*)—CHARGERS.—Over 14 hands 2 inches.

1 Capt. Lawrence's Pitcher; 2 Col. Kelly's Columbine; 3 Col. Travers' Bess.

Five Entries.

CLASS I. (*b*)—CHARGERS.—Between 13-3 and 14-2 inclusive.

1 Major Cobbams, Napper Tandy; 2 Major Casson's Rupert; 3 Lt.-Col. Travers' Rufus.

Four Entries.

CLASS II.—POLO PONIES.

1 Mr. Graham's Gentleman; 2 Mr. Llewellyn's Unis; 3 Capt. Brewis' Lady Grizelle.

Thirteen Entries.

CLASS III. (*a*)—HACKS, HORSES.—Gentlemen's.

1 Mr. E. A. Miller's Gent; 2 Col. Kelly's Columbine; 3 Capt. Winter's M. P.

Eight Entries.

CLASS III. (*b*)—HACKS, HORSES.—LADIES'.

1. Mr. E. A. Miller's Gent; 2 Mrs. Graham's Pride; 3 Lieut.-Col. J. de B. Travers' Bess.

CLASS IV. (*a*)—HACKS, PONIES, GENTLEMEN'S.

1. Major Cobham's Napper Tandy; 2 Mr. Elgee's Federation; 3 Major Casson's Rupert.

Twenty-eight Entries.

CLASS IV. (*b*)—HACKS, PONIES—LADIES'.

1. Capt. Winter's Who Cares; 2 Mr. Rome's Mischief; 3. Mrs. Northern's Pierrot.

Eight Entries.

CLASS V. (*a*)—HARNESS AND TURN-OUT—2 Wheels.

1. Mr. W. Graham's Turn-out; 2 Mr. E. A. Miller's Turn-out; 3 Mrs. Maule Cole's Turn-out.

Thirteen Entries.

CLASS V. (*b*)—HARNESS AND TURN-OUT—4 Wheels.

1 Mr. A. D. Younghusband's Turn-out; 2 Mr. Issardas Asanmal's Turn-out; 3 Mr. Wadhumal Oodharam's Turn-out.

Four Entries.

CLASS VI (*a*)—JUMPING COMPETITION—Horses.

1. Mr. Boase's Dawn; 2 Mr. L. B. Stephens' Sweet William; 3 Major Buckle's Br. W. M.

Nine Entries.

CLASS VI. (*b*)—JUMPING COMPETITION—Ponies.

1. Mr. Rome's Mischief; 2 Mr. Steuart's Janet; 3 Messrs. E. G. Mackenzie and G. G. Richardson's Cadet.

Eleven Entries

CLASS VII—DRAUGHT HORSES, R.F.A.

9 Pairs from 29th Field Battery, R.F.A.

1 Driver Milne; 2 Driver Gleeson; 3 Driver Newman.

CLASS VIII—RIDING HORSES, R.F.A.

17 entries from 29th Field Battery, R.F.A.

1 Sergt. Mowbray; 2 Sergt. Gallop; 3 Driver Bishop.

CLASS IX—POLICE HORSES.

1 Sawar Lalla Pershad; 2 Sawar Jan Mahomed Shah; 3 Daffadar Maffid Khan.

CLASS X—JUMPING FOR R. F. A. HORSES.

13 entries from 29th Field Battery, R. F. A.

1 Sergt. Whittaker 2; Driver Bishop; 3 Sergt. Gallop.

CLASS XI. (*a*)—GOVERNMENT PACK MULES.

(Train of three.)

1 Driver Roota, 30th Mule, Corps; 2 Driver Shaki Mahomed 30th Mule Corps.

CLASS XI. (*b*)—GOVERNMENT DRAUGHT MULES.

1 Driver Akbar Shah, 30th Mule Corps; 2 Driver Fakir Mahomed, 39th Mule Cadre.

CLASS XII—BEST HORSE IN THE SHOW.

Won easily by Captain Winter's M. P.

CLASS XII—BEST PONY IN THE SHOW.

Mr. Elgee's Federation.

The Story Teller.

A NATIVE DAN LENO.

SOME years ago my husband and I were visiting a district at the back of beyond where ladies were but few, and consequently the *nowker logue* had it pretty much their own way. We were stopping with Mr.—— commonly known as "Truthful James" that Christmas, and planters from near and far had been asked to participate in the convivialities of the evening. Now "Truthful," as our host was generally called, was one of those men who had everything of the best—in his own estimation. His ponies, picked up for half what other men gave, were the best in the station, his trap second to none, his cigars irreproachable, and his garden the best paying; but above all his head servant Abdul Kassim was, a paragon of paragons. Though he was a Christian this rascal was, according to his master, sober, truthful, trustworthy to the uttermost, industrious, seeking but to further his master's interests with singleness of heart, with a singularly good taste in pants and ties, passing intelligent, there was hardly a matter on which "Truthful" did not consult his advice. Respectful and humble despite his manifold good qualities, but above all he was ignorant of English. "Truthful" had a deep antipathy to his servants knowing English, ever since an English-knowing syce some years ago had repeated some little playful nothings "Truthful" had been saying during a drive with a married lady.

Well on the night in question the guests were all assembled awaiting the momentous announcement that dinner was served, but the moments flew by and despite several successive orders to hurry up, half an hour had passed still no dinner. So "Truthful" asked his assistant to step round to the *bawarchi khana* and see what was the cause of the delay. He soon returned and beckoned one or two of the guests to come out, they returned convulsed with laughter and took out some others, evidently there was a huge joke on somewhere, and being the only lady present I asked to be allowed to share it. Being made to promise to keep quiet despite anything we saw, we were conducted behind the servants' quarters from where we could see the little bare courtyard which was between the kitchen and the butler's own quarters, and there we saw a sight. Lighted up partly from the glare of the kitchen window, which was supplemented by one or two hurricane lanterns, sat a circle of servants, most of them puffing away at cigars. It was easy to see that they had all been well primed with liquor, and if any proof were needed it was supplied by a couple of half empty whisky bottles which flanked a "dead marine" that had once held port gave's it. In the centre of the circle strutted Abdul Kassim, "Truthfulls" paragon servant, just then he was singing our host's pet comic song, singing it not only in English, but doing so precisely as "Truthful" himself sang it; every tone, every gesture was a most faithful and ludicrous caricature of his master; he kept his black audience in ecstasy. After the song, having refreshed himself with a pull at one of the whisky bottles, he collared the *masalchi* boy and sitting him on a *mora* in the centre and calling him "Miss Clarcesha" "(Truthful" was afterwards induced to confess his *fiancés* name was Clarissa), gave a fairly faithful representation of how his saheb obtained unto himself a wife. The whole was done in English which the scamp was not supposed to know, but accompanied by a running commentary in Hindustani which was absolutely killing. Dan Leno himself could not have excelled it. "Truthful," however, could contain himself no longer and burst upon the little circle like several hundred pounds of dynamite; they fled cackling like a bevy of jungle fowl, when a wild cat jumps amongst them; and I know now where Tommy Worser Hall got a lot of swear words from, for he spent a year with "Truthful" once. As for the dinner, it was not such a failure after all, the cook having kept sober, but the serving at it might have been better. After dinner Abdul Kassim, who had been run to earth in an old godown (the country was too tigerish for natives to care to roam about after dark) and under threat of being immediately hung, drawn and quartered, was made to go thr[illegible] which included caricatures of more sam[illegible]. When however, the wretch prefaced a re[illegible] now I am night punkah wallah" I discreetly withdrew.

J. J.

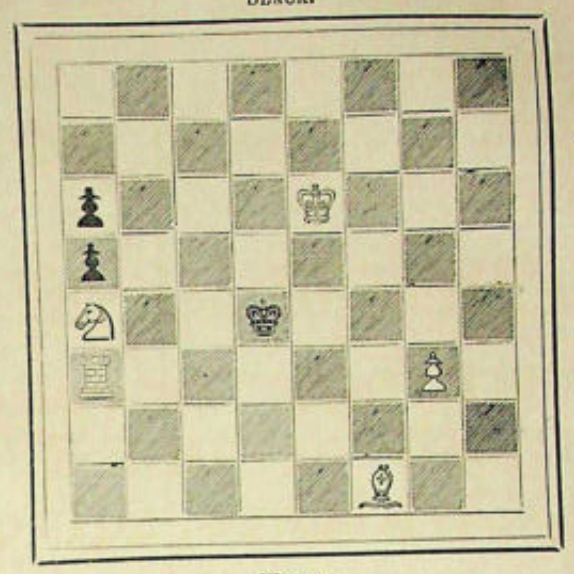
Chess.

Solution to Problem No. 379.

WHITE.	BLACK.
1. R. to K 6	1. P. to Q 3 (best)
2. B. to K 5 (ch)	2. P. takes B
3. B. to K 4	3. P. takes B
4. R. to Q 6 mate.	

Problem No. 380.

BLACK.



WHITE.

White to play and mate in four moves.

Game.

WHITE.	BLACK.
1. P. to K 4	1. P. to K 4
2. P. to K B 4	2. P. takes P
3. Kt. to K B 3	3. P. to K Kt 4
4. P. to K R 4	4. P. to Kt 5
5. Kt. to K 5	5. P. to K R 4
6. B. to Q B 4	6. Kt. to K R 3
7. P. to Q 4	7. P. to Q 3
8. Kt. to Q 3	8. Kt. to Q B 3
9. P. to Q B 3	9. Q to K 2
10. Q. to K 2	10. B. to Q 2
11. B. takes K B P	11. Castles. (Q side)
12. Q. Kt to Q 2	12. K. B to Kt 2
13. P. to K Kt 3	13. Q. R to K sq
14. P. to Q Kt 4	14. P. to K B 4
15. P. to K 5	15. P. takes P
16. P. takes P	16. Kt. takes P
17. Kt. takes Kt	17. B. takes Kt
18. B. takes B	18. Q. takes B
19. Q. takes Q	19. R. takes Q ch
20. K. to B 2	20. B. to K sq
21. R. to K sq	21. B. to B 3
22. R. takes R	22. R. takes R.
23. R. to K sq	23. R. takes R
24. K. takes R	24. K. to Q 2
25. K. to B 2	25. P. to Q Kt 3
26. K. to K 3	26. K. to K 2
27. K. to B 4	27. K. to B 3
28. Kt. to Kt 3	28. B. to Q 2
29. Kt. to Q 4	29. P. to Q B 3
30. P. to Q R 3	30. P. to B 4
31. P. takes P	31. P. takes P
32. B. to Kt 3	32. B. to B 4
33. Kt. to B 2	33. B. to K sq
34. Kt. to K 3	34. B. to Q 2
35. B. to B 4	35. B. to K 3
36. Kt. to Q 5 ch	36. B. takes Kt
37. B. takes B	37. K. to K 2
38. B. to B 4	38. K. to B 3
39. B. to Q 5	39. K. to K 2

Drawn.

Cards.

BRIDGE.

Solution to Problem No. 14.

B SHOULD lead the queen of trumps, followed by the king of diamonds. If A led from weakness in spades, the game can only be saved by two rounds of diamonds. And assuming that he led from queen, knave, 10, or queen, knave, 9, it is still essential to lead the diamond instead of returning spades, for Z may hold ace of diamonds, with king twice guarded in clubs, and in that case the ace must be taken out of his hand before he clears clubs. If Z holds both ace and queen of diamonds, the game is gone, as he will, of course, finesse in diamonds and clubs. The object of leading the king is to ensure a second lead through Z if he does not put on the ace. If, for instance, he holds ace, knave, 10, a small diamond led by B would lose the game.

Bridge Problem No. 15.

A and B are partners against Y and Z. Score :—Love all. Z deals and leaves it to Y, who declares no trumps, Y's and Z's hands are as follows :—

Y's Hand (Dummy.)

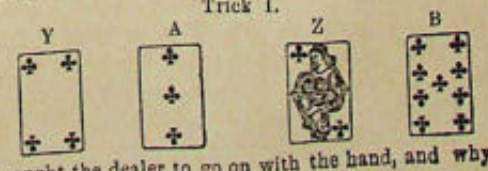
Hearts: Ace Knave, 9.
Diamonds: Ace, 3, 2.
Clubs: Ace, King, 8, 6, 5, 4.
Spades: 3.

Z's Hand (Dealer.)

Hearts: 8, 6,
Diamonds: Queen, Knave, 8, 7.
Clubs: Queen, 2.
Spades: Queen, Knave, 10, 4, 2.

The first trick is as follows :

Trick 1.



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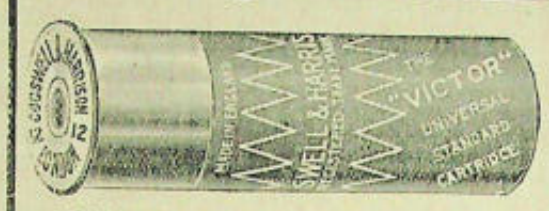

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THE RESTRICTIONS ON SPORTING RIFLES.

THE Government of India having forbidden the importation of ·303 and ·450 rifles, irrespective of the calibre of their chambers and action: and of all ammunition capable of being used in these weapons: the Home Government has called the attention of English gunmakers to this order and the trade in these weapons will be summarily stopped. The step is dictated by motives of "high policy" and these will, perhaps, be loyally recognised by the sportsmen who will suffer from the prohibition. It is to be observed that reservation is made as regards ammunition in favor of persons already in lawful possession of rifles of the prescribed calibres, but the business of procuring ammunition will probably prove troublesome enough to induce the owners of such weapons to change them for others to which the prohibition does not apply. Cordite does not keep well in this climate and the sportsman cannot venture to keep a supply on hand if he wish his cartridges to be reliable; and thus necessity arises for the frequent purchase of small quantities, each purchase being effected after compliance with formalities, necessary no doubt, but sure to be tedious and troublesome. The importation of the ·303 had already been stopped and no doubt most of those who required a rifle which combines long range and accuracy with flat trajectory have sought refuge in other bores. The prohibition of the ·450 will be regretted, for in its day there was no more popular, and deservedly popular, rifle than the express of that calibre: and in spite of the introduction of improved small bores it holds its own in the favour of very many experienced shots at the present day.

Sport has generally led the way in adopting new rifles as the history of firearms shows us, and very properly. It is a serious matter to change the weapon of a nation's army and the military authorities have always displayed more caution than they generally receive credit for in making a change. The ·303 was very fully proven on dangerous game in both Africa and India before it was made the weapon of the army: even as the flintlock had established itself in the favour of English sportsmen some years before William III's ministers thought well to replace the old firelock with the improved contrivance. Of the four small bores most in use, the ·256, ·303, ·360, and 375, the second has been found by far the most satisfactory so far: it was the happy mean and as such the great gunmakers, Westley Richards conspicuously, have devoted greater attention to perfecting it than perhaps they have devoted to the other calibres. The prohibition now established will necessarily compel their attention to rifles of calibre not affected by the regulation and we should indeed be very blind to the achievements of gunmakers in the past if we thought that their ingenuity would be unequal to the task of devising substitutes.

Meantime no doubt two rifles will be required to do the work heretofore done by one. He who does not care to face dangerous game with so light a tool as the ·256 will fall back upon the ·500 express or heavier weapon, atoning for want of velocity by smashing power. Not every man cares to

depend upon the small bore when tiger or leopard is the quarry to be faced : we have known men of great experience who admitted that the weight of the heavier rifle gave them a confidence they felt was lacking when the smaller bore was taken in hand. Another point in the same connection. The comparative lightness of the ·303 has always been urged in its favour ; and any man who is in the habit of carrying his own rifle (as he ought to do from dawn to day's end) can appreciate this quality : but of late years, shooting men whose experience entitles their views to respectful hearing have been asking whether the endeavour to reduce weight has not been overdone : whether the charge of powder, too, has not been suffered to outgrow the practical limit, the two defects combining to supply a far more than necessary or desirable kick. "Felix" in a recent issue of *Bailey's Magazine* gave it as his opinion in unmistakeable language that rifles are built without sufficient weight of metal. There can be no doubt but that there is much to be said in support of his view. The acceptance gained by modern small bore rifles, may have had something to do with it, but whatever the promoting cause, gunmakers of late years have spared no endeavour to build their rifles as light as skill can do it compatibly with safety and efficiency. If "Felix" be right in his contention and rifles ought to be built with greater weight of metal, one of the arguments, and not the least, in favour of the small bore disappears. There remains its wonderful superiority in flatness of trajectory and high penetration, but these qualities are not peculiar to the ·303 ; they attach in varying degree to small bore rifles of other calibres. As regards the smashing power which makes the weapon so valuable this is a quality attaching less to the rifle itself than to the make of bullet used with it. The copper-capped bullet made by Westley Richards gives extraordinary results with the ·303, combining as it does the requisite degree of penetration with the expanding power essential in a small bore bullet. But though its merits have been proved in the ·303 and it is by use and good report more or less identified with that calibre, we fail to understand why the same make of projectile should not be used with equal success in, let us say, the ·360 or ·375.

The gunmaker and the sportsman may be headed off by a government order in one direction ; but restrictions only serve to quicken ingenuity and divert it into new channels ; and we shall be much surprised if, ere long, we do not hear of the application of established or new principles to rifles which are not open to objection on the score of military policy. The small bores would never have attained to their present celebrity had gunmaking ingenuity rested content with perfection of the weapon itself and that only. In considering the merits of any rifle we must weigh with them the ammunition, more especially the type of bullet we are going to use with it. The ·303 with the nickel-jacketed bullet would give distinctly unsatisfactory results, for example, on thin skinned game of high vitality : it would be quite possible, we apprehend, to put a dozen such projectiles clean through a tiger without inflicting a wound at all likely to be fatal. Without the ingeniously contrived bullets which can be depended upon to expand, where the other would drill its way clean through, the ·303 as a sporting weapon would be of small account. The prohibition of this or any other specified calibre will cause inconvenience and loss : but both inconvenience and loss will, we are persuaded, be but temporary if sufficiently troublesome and annoying. The sportsman's experience and the gunmaker's ingenuity between them may be depended on to repair the inconvenience and that without loss of time. And while we regret the necessity which has compelled an unpalatable order we console ourselves with the reflection that the gunmaker has proved himself equal to difficulties which have arisen before and may be relied upon to do so again.

A cricket match was arranged between two regiments stationed in a country town. One of the umpires was a petty officer whose acquaintance with the game was very slight, but he asked for the post, and for some time everything went well. It was arranged that there should be five balls to the over, and after four balls had been sent up, the fifth was a wide.

"Wide—over !" called out the umpire.

On being remonstrated with, and the affair explained, the officer saw his mistake. With true military promptitude he turned to the players. "As you were !" he loudly called out and the game proceeded once more.

Special Telegrams.

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(From Our Own Corespondent.)

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London, *Monday, 12th November 1906.*

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1898	Lord Derby's Alt Mark	...	3	7	0	J. T. Sloan	... 10
1899	Mr. Fairie's Chubb	...	4	7	12	K. Cannon	... 16
1900	Mr. J. D. Wardell's Fabulist		3	6	0	T. Broom	... 18
1901	Mr. T. S. Jay's Floriform	...	3	7	6	O. Madden	... 15
1902	Mr. Alexander's Throwaway	...	3	7	1	F. W. Hardy	13
1903	Mr. Baird Hay's Palmy Days		3	6	9	T. Heppell	... 14
1904	Capt. Bewicke's Wild Lad	...	4	6	1	W. Saxby	... 22
1905	Mr. Lindemere's St. Wulfram		3	7	1	A. Templeman	13

Sporting Notes.

THE Calcutta training track really did open last Friday, and was at once occupied by the eight or ten trainers already in town, Messrs. Apcar and Galstaun, and Wishart's strings being the most important stables at work. Mr. Dartmoor's horses, notably Sacristan II., Amyas and Lady Metal, were also at work, and Bradshaw was exercising some of this string. Next week we hope to give a full list of horses working on the track, and by that time there will be a certain amount of serious work to record.

The Tollygunge Club races, to be held on Saturday next, have filled better than ever, but the class of horses engaged is so diversified that the Handicapper must have had a veritable puzzle to arrive at an allotment of weights that will produce any sort of competition. It is difficult to see how Stepaway, Recoil and Energy can lose their respective races at any weights their owners care to run them under. The minor events have also drawn plenty of starters and the afternoon should be well and pleasantly filled. The course has been well harrowed and the going should be very fair.

The proposal to alter the definition of a "Maiden" in the C. T. C. Rules of Racing is not likely to meet with unqualified approval. Shortly, the suggested change is to cut out of the maiden class all winners of races of more than fifty rupees in value, doing away altogether with the existing two-hundred rupee limit. This is a direct blow at the two-hundred rupee mofussil meeting. It is probably argued that this class of meeting does not at present flourish and need not be considered, but legislation of this kind certainly tends to stamp out the embers of a fire, that might at any moment be rekindled. As an immediate instance we have only to look at the splendid meeting held last month at Jubbulpore. Racing, above all in the Indian mofussil, is not everywhere supported by owners, who can afford to disregard the value of stakes. They must see their way to paying a proportion of travelling and stable expenses before they can be induced to train their horses immense distances to compete at local meetings. The two-hundred rupee stake affords just such an opportunity, which forty-nine rupees obviously does not do.

The success of the little meetings at the Tollygunge Club this season has perhaps encouraged the foster fathers of this scheme to bring it to a head. But entries at these gymkhanas are drawn from what is practically an unlimited source of supply, and by the constant efforts and vigilance of an energetic and influential Honorary Secretary. It does not follow that up-country meetings can or will imitate the success of the Tollygunge Club with forty-nine-rupee races ; indeed the balance of probabilities seems all the other way. It is true that the two-hundred rupee stake has disappeared from the Calcutta course, but again the enormous public support forthcoming in Calcutta itself even at the Monsoon meetings has no prototype in the mofussil and it is not easy for the Stewards of proposed meets in up-country stations to launch out into the ambitious programmes which have proved a success at the big back-end meetings in the metropolis. Two-hundred rupee stakes have been found to be the happy medium which brings Stewards and owners together and some very strong arguments must be advanced in favour of any scheme to hamper the struggles of this class of meeting before it can gain the support of racing men. The Stewards have given long notice of the meeting which is to be held on 9th December to discuss the question, and it is to be hoped that mofussil racing will be strongly represented; if it is not so the opinion of mofussil Stewards should be sought in writing before the amendment is passed by the Calcutta members. The reduction in fees of unfledged native jockeys to Rs. 25 winning and Rs. 12-8 losing mounts will meet with the unqualified approbation of everyone except those most nearly concerned.

The first entries for the Calcutta Races and Tollygunge Steeplechases total an increase on last year's figure, but are not astonishingly large. The hurdle races show a marked decline in favour and the Burdwan Cup has drawn but twelve entries in nine separate interests, and unless the second and final entry lists provide some additions these fields will probably dwindle away to a minimum. Otherwise prospects look rosier than ever and every indication points to a record season's racing.

The eighteen competitors in the Viceroy's Cup are the first to claim notice. Eight of these are newcomers to the Calcutta course and can only be criticized on hearsay and book form, the latter being only an assurance of what a horse was able to do before his owners were content to part with him and before he tackled the distresses of our Indian climate. English and Australian form is very interesting as a topic of conversation, but nothing can delete the obvious advantage held by the live donkey over the dead lion.

Taking the Englishmen first, Steinhager, Mr. Charles' son of Count Schomberg, has run exclusively in Ireland and has not been knocked about. In the last season as a three-year-old he won two £300 races over two miles, on the second occasion carrying 9 stone, and these two victories bring him well into line with most of the horses in this year's list. This horse, like Long Tom, Boabdil and others, has been reported to be amiss, but these rumours may be noted without alarm and registered for consideration about the first week in December. Footprint, the Ceylon representative, ran with great vigour for two seasons in England and ran second in Ceylon to Prince Lyon and again to Dalkeith, only succeeding in annexing the Governor's Cup after the departure of Mr. Farquharson's horses. Paddy's Darling, a three-year-old mare by Enthusiast, has done smart work over five and six furlongs, but has yet to show that she can stay a longer distance. Rosanule, the stable companion of Steinhager, raced during five seasons in England and Ireland, winning two small races over a mile at the Curragh and Leopardstown just before changing hands. This horse is a son of Gallinule, now, thanks to the successes of Pretty Polly and Spearmint at the head of the list of English winning sires. Clear Artist by Velasquez—Simplify, won two good races over 1½ miles in England during 1906, and cannot be by any means a slow coach when in good health and spirits.

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The new arrivals from Australia are Fitzgrafton, Spero and The Master. The last named has been kept busy since his infancy, and as a four-year-old has quite a good record behind him, though he was unlucky in being so many times beaten into second place. He will run in very popular colours and if good wishes could help him along, "Mr. Maxwell's" horse would be in front all the way in the big race. Spero, a Grafton gelding, belonging to Mr. Steve Margrett, has also a long record with a couple of wins to brighten it up, but his form points rather to the Trials than to the longer race.

Fitzgrafton has been through four seasons in Australia, but has evidently not been knocked about: he is a nice little horse to look at and his record is such that it will be very difficult for the hardworking tipster to go past him if he reaches the post in galloping trim. Undoubtedly Mr. Apcar's new one and Steinhager are the pick of the new arrivals at this stage of the proceedings.

Of the horses known on Indian courses Lamrock has little claim to consideration in this company, and Cherson is said to have broken down lamentably at Poona. Signorina's record is so brilliant that no one could be surprised to see her run well in the big race, but her programme is a heavy one, and she will probably be better employed in the shorter races when not occupied in running rings round her fellow "ponies." Contest has hitherto been a disappointing performer, even over his own distance, a mile, and must have improved out of knowledge to attract backers in this race.

Amplify, Mr. J. D. Scott's beautiful English mare, was laid up all last season and her best form has always been over a mile or thereabouts and is another whose name looks better among the entries for the Trials. Saloon, of the same stable, is another miler, and this little country-bred may be expected to do great things this season over that distance.

Sacristan II did wonders last season and looks none the worse for all his hard work. He is yet another member of the sprinting section of the entrants and has still to show cup form. This brings to an end the series of sixteen new-comers and the two last, and at the moment the best, are Munderah and Long Tom.

The former ran a good third to Long Tom and Great Scot in last year's Cup and appeared to be an improving horse, but immediately retired to the fastnesses of Mysore, whence he has recently emerged, to create an excellent impression on the critics frequenting the Bangalore race-course. He has already been backed by numbers of enthusiasts and is somewhere near the head of the present list of quotations. Long Tom is reported a "*lame 'un*," but the big gelding has a way of hobbling round the track in his slow work which is quite remarkable enough to give rise to a bagful of such rumours. Last year he went to the post without having been asked to give that final gallop against the clock which knocks out so many good horses on the Calcutta track. It is greatly in his favour that he is still in Ferguson's careful hands, but it would not be surprising to see his best gallop put in early one morning "when no one is thinking of any such thing," rather than when the colours are up in the big fight.

There are two notable absentees from the list, Boabdil and Kipling. The reports as to the former's indisposition are very persistent and hard to discredit. The fame of Kipling has been noised vigorously for weeks past, and it is highly probable that he will re-appear in the later entries.

In the International Pony Plate Signorina stands out very significantly, but there are some very smart ponies among the remaining eleven entries. Mr. Galstaun's big English gelding Silphoe, who won with such ease in the Monsoons, is amongst the number and also Mr. Myers' Meg, of whom so much was thought at the beginning of last season. Miss Hopson, another break down, does not appear, but is in steady training and may be heard of later on. In England she was a most notable flier.

The Tollygunge entries are good to look upon at present, but many of the eighteen Grand National entries may be reserved for their engagements on the flat, such as Lamrock, Kipling, and Spero. Some of Mr. Hart's quartette may change hands before the jump meetings and so increase the competition. Decoration is the star of the whole party, but Pennant is also a real good performer. Olynthus, perhaps the next best to Decoration according to the book. He will be in good hands, and is to be ridden by Mr. Pugh, who knows the quickest way over the Tollygunge course as well as anybody. Greenstone was expected to do great things last year and Mr. Locke's pair cannot be entirely di-regarded. Hitherto Look Out has been a fixture at Lucknow, owing to his rooted antipathy to railway boxes. The truth is that they are not made big enough to suit this long-necked son of Gozo. The pony chases are not very promising, but now that the military events are done with, there may be room for more of the local hunter class events; appearances point to the probability of obtaining plenty of takers for *handicap* races in both horse and pony classes.

We thank our old friends Messrs G. F. Kellner and Company for a copy of their latest catalogue and price list. The cover is a novelty and the design artistic and striking, the contents whet the appetite and stimulate what dear old Fred Maccabe in one of his inimitable sketches used to call the "drinkitite." One notes, on turning over the pages, that all the firm's specialities are to the fore, at intervals are to be found novelties, and most satisfactory it is to find that the very special efforts made by the firm for nearly two years have resulted in a large increase in the list of proprietary wines, provisions, particularly the latter. Anything labelled "Kellners" is good enough for most of us for it is a guarantee of high quality and purity. This departure is all the more comforting when one recollects the Chicago horrors that made the majority of people adopt "gang warily" for their motto whenever tinned stores loomed before them. We congratulate Messrs. G. F. Kellner and Company on the evidence their catalogue gives of not only the desire but the ability to keep well abreast of the times in the business which has made their name famous throughout this vast peninsula.

Subject to confirmation by the Calcutta Turf Club, the dates of the Lucknow Spring Meeting have been fixed for the 2nd, 4th and 6th February next. The Stewards this year have adopted the principle of consulting owners and trainers in framing the programme for the meeting. By taking this step they will have the benefit of the views of those most closely concerned and will be able to retain features which are sound and which meet with general approval and to eliminate those which experience has shown to be unpopular.

The events comprising the programme of the Lucknow Autumn Meeting to be held on the 20th, 22nd and 24th instant, have filled well, and there is every prospect of excellent racing during the week. Bookmakers should be fully represented, as a very large number of applications have been received. The Stewards laid down a rule that there were to be eight entries in flat races and six in steeplechases and these conditions have been complied with, except in the case of the Chutter Munzil Plate. There were thirty entries for the Army Cup, of which some five or six have since been scratched. All the horses engaged in the meeting have arrived and are in full training. It is not generally known that Lucknow is very popular with owners on account of its climate and the excellence of the grass and water. Owners bring their animals here to recruit after they have been completely exhausted with hard work and bad food at the bigger training centres, and the majority of owners prefer to train for a small stake in Lucknow than for a large one in Calcutta or Poona.

The race-course is one of the finest in India, and the only drawback from the standpoint of the racing public is the grand stand, which requires to be replaced by a new one built on scientific lines. The stand instead of being at an angle of 35 degrees is parallel to the course, a fact which prevents a great number of people from witnessing the races. It is awkwardly made, and the steep slope which leads up to it is most inconvenient for ladies. This in itself is sufficient reason for a new stand, but when it is added that the accommodation is altogether inadequate during the big meetings, the case for a new grand stand has been made out.

The advent of the new Lieutenant-Governor is expected to give a great impetus to racing. Mr. Hewett is an old Steward of the Calcutta Turf Club, and will no doubt take a practical interest in racing here. The prominent position which Lucknow racing holds at present is mainly due to the efforts of Major-General Sir E. Locke Elliot, the Senior Steward, who has done all he possibly could to further Turf interests.

The Army Cup will be run for on Thursday next, the 22nd instant. The weights and such betting as there is are given below:—

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6 „ 1 „		Honey	... 9	2
8 „ 1 „		Sublime	9	5
8 „ 1 „		Lomond	... 9	11
12 „ 1 „		Mishall	... 10	9
12 „ 1 „		Peninsular	... 9	8
15 „ 1 „		Milo	... 10	9
20 „ 1 „		Obara ... ... -	... 11	7
20 „ 1 „		Korban	... 11	1
20 „ 1 „		Ittiaq ... ... -	... 11	1
20 „ 1 „		Fizzer	11	12
20 „ 1 „		Sarhid	... 10	9
20 „ 1 „		Seamew	... 10	6
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20 „ 1 „		Nijidi	... 10	6
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20 „ 1 „	Harmony	... ...	... 9 8
20 „ 1 „	Boostan	... ...	... 9 8
20 „ 1 „	Mist ...	... ...	... 9 5
20 „ 1 „	Suspender	... ...	... 9 5
20 „ 1 „	Martini	... ...	... 9 2

First and second entries for the Rawalpindi December Meeting appear in our paper to-day: final entries close on the 29th instant.

A full report of the Umballa Horse Show is published by us to-day. It is long since this station held a show; but if the recent effort is to be taken as an earnest of what may follow, we should say the show has every chance of becoming a popular annual fixture. It was distinctly well run and the quality of the exhibits was high.

At a general meeting of the Lahore Hunt held at the Gymkhana, the Hon'ble Mr. Justice Reid presiding, the following officers were elected for the ensuing season:—Master, Mr. C. P. Marten; Deputy Master, Mr. F. R. Teesdale; Honorary Secretary, Mr. S. M. Robinson; Committee, Major Sullivan, Captain A. Smith, Mr. C. Bevan Petman and Mr. A. L. Danson. The monthly subscription for a Native Infantry regiment was fixed at Rs. 50.

The following rule was added to the rules of the Hunt:—

"The Committee are empowered to charge residents of Lahore civil station and cantonment, who are not members of the Hunt, and visitors, a cap of Rs. 5 for each meet attended. Provided that visitors coming in for Christmas week may be charged a cap of Rs. 10 for the week."

The Lahore Hunt season opened auspiciously on the 4th instant. To the remnants of last season's pack have been added seven couple of hounds imported from England and these latter on their first public appearance behaved uncommonly well—indeed prospects of good sport this season seem fairly well assured. The programme, as at present arranged, promises us two days a week with an extra day during Xmas. The opening meet was at the Kennels when the Master was met by a field of over thirty, among whom one was glad to see several fair horsewomen. On the other side of the canal, after a look through the *bajra* crops, a grove was drawn and after a long wait the jack was started and headed for Ferozepore: but he was lost at the railway line after a short run. A *bajra* field was tried on the way home, a jack was found and eventually killed near the Ferozepore road. All in the hunt were pleased and the working of the hounds was generally admired.

Dr. J. H. B. Martin, of horse-dentistry renown, who has just returned to Calcutta from an extended tour in the N.-W. P., can always be found at Messrs. Milton and Co.'s stables.

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Scott on the arrival of a son and heir on the 7th instant.

In a recent issue we published some details regarding Messrs. Westley Richards' "New Wind-Gauge Sight Slide." Since then we are in receipt of blocks illustrating the patent and, as the invention is, we take it, of considerable interest to many of our readers, we reproduce the article this time with illustrations, which give a complete idea of the slide and its working.

With the starting of the Calcutta Kennel Club interest in canine matters in this Presidency has been aroused. In conversation with some dog owners the other day it struck us that the average man's knowledge of kennel technicalities is a bit shaky; we therefore give farther on a chapter on technical terms, which we think will be read with interest and perhaps profit by some. It was compiled years ago by "John Brown" one of the founders of the N. I. K. A., but will bear reproduction we think.

We publish in this issue, following our usual custom, the complete performances of half the horses engaged in the Viceroy's Cup: the rest we shall give next week.

Colonel G. H. Bull, I. M. S., the well-known Western India sportsman, was handling a dog the other day and got bitten. The dog having developed hydrophobia the Colonel is now undergoing treatment at the Pasteur Institute, Kasauli.

We much regret that in last issue, owing to a stupid bungle a block illustrating a Mauser-Rigby rifle found a place in the article relating to Messrs. Joseph Lang and Son's "Low Pressure H. V. Expresses." We will not trouble our readers with an explanation as to how this occurred, such things do happen now and then in spite of all ordinary precautions; but we will try and find some slight consolation in the reflection that after all the presence of the woodcut does not in any way affect the sense of the letterpress. Our apologies are also due to Messrs. Lang and Rigby and are tendered herewith.

The old firm of Champion and Company are coming out to Calcutta in the *Macedonia* and will be found in their accustomed "Caboose." at the First Extra.

His Excellency the Viceroy and party had a fine duck-shoot near Srinagar on the 8th instant. The bag was a record—1,400 for a dozen guns the Hokarsar jhil alone producing 828. Lord Francis Scott, A.-D.-C., got 163 to his own gun and the Viceroy was a good second.

Messrs. P. Orr and Sons, of Madras, Rangoon and Colombo, have kindly sent us a copy of their latest catalogue. Everything that is rich and rare, useful and ornamental in silver, gold and precious stones seems to be depicted and priced therein. The sportsman has by no means been forgotten; he will find his requirements catered for and his tastes carefully considered on many a page of this excellently turned out book.

On account of the high price of diamonds, coloured gems, such as pink and green tourmalines, peridots, amethysts, etc., are now greatly used by jewellers in making up brooches, necklets and ornaments of different kinds. These gems, when judiciously blended with other coloured stones or pearls, make very pretty and effective ornaments, and have lately become very fashionable. Amethysts especially are great favourites, and the effect produced with these gems in combination with others is extremely pretty. We notice several patterns of the now fashionable drop earrings, hair slides, brooches and necklets made up with these pretty stones. Messss. P. Orr and Sons' catalogue contains an immense selection of other kinds of ornaments ranging in price from a few rupees to thousands. There are special sections devoted to watches and clocks, silver fancy goods, such as toilet requisites, mirrors, cigar boxes and cases, and a host of other pretty articles suitable for Xmas, New Year, and Birthday presents. The Electro-plate and Table Silver Section contains a very fine assortment of useful articles and should be a great help to people wishing to select wedding presents.

We would draw the attention of Secretaries of race and gymkhana meetings to the splendid assortment of silver cups and bowls, illustrations of which are printed from very fine half-tone blocks. Copies of this catalogue are sent absolutely free of all charges to all parts of India, but as the designs are entirely European, it is not intended for and would be quite useless to native gentlemen.

Some account of the doings of Rangoon paper-chasers may interest Calcutta readers; they will find it further on.

Delhi sportsmen have, one notes with pleasure, combined to promote their common interests. A gymkhana club has been started and fortnightly gymkhanas are being arranged. It is also on the cards that the old sporting glories of the ancient capital will be revived and that the Delhi Race Meeting will arise Rip Van Winkle like after its many years' sleep.

The publisher's better-half has a horror of telegrams, and when an orange-coloured missive was placed in her hands the other day she looked ready to faint. After examining the envelope carefully, she opened it.

"*Sprained ankle; have gone to hospital*," she read.

"Thank goodness it's no worse," commented the good lady.

"I was afraid he was goingto bring someone home to dinner."

Athletic Notes.

THE Rangoon Boat Club annual regatta is fixed for the 15th proximo and from all accounts there are to be gay doings on the Lake. There will probably be four crews in for the Challenge Fours—Military, Government, Mounted Volunteers, and Bulloch's. The Volunteers are to be stroked by H. R. Pilcher, erstwhile a jolly young waterman on the Kidderpore Canal what time the Calcutta Rowing Club was considerably more alive than it can be at the moment; number three is a Clare College man and a hefty withal; bow and two are useful, so that we expect to find this crew thereabouts at the finish. Bulloch's crew are very strong, and, as they have been rowing together for something like four years, Wet bob they will assuredly render a just account of themselves with a grand challenge man and an old Etonian "wet bob" in the boat. Singapore is sending up a team of cricketers and may possibly be able to manage a four for the Challenge Cup. Altogether Rangoon has made up its mind to have a good time next month.

An athletic innovation was carried out at Poona on Saturday, the 10th instant, when a five miles cross country race open to teams from British Regiments was successfully engineered. The prizes were Rs. 200, and Rs. 50 and the course was stiff enough to try to its utmost the stamina and speed of the runners. Lance-Corporal J. Wright, of the 93rd Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders, did the fastest time and his team won, the Connaught Rangers' "A" team coming in a good second; their "B" team was third, the Royal Scots fourth and the East Lancashires last. Lance-Corporal Wright is a grand performer and is well known on most Indian running tracks, including Calcutta, where for some years he has figured brilliantly.

A deplorable, and we grieve to say a fatal, accident attended this competition. Lieutenant J. Fraser Grahame, of the East Lancashire Regiment, was following his men on horse back, his horse came down at a water jump, Mr. Grahame was picked up unconscious and died two hours later in hospital.

The M.C.C. cricket team has started from New Zealand, and, as a purely amateur combination, ought to be assured of a very good time and plenty of good sport all round: but the side cannot be regarded as a very strong one, and we should honestly not be greatly surprised if it comes to considerable grief in the three representative matches against Combined New Zealand, though the latter's form in past years has not been anything very remarkable. The English team is composed as follows:—Captain E. G. Wynyard (Hampshire), Messrs. C. E. de Trafford (Leicestershire), P. R. Johnson (Somersetshire), G. H. Simpson Hayward and W. B. Burns (Worcestershire), J. W. H. T. Douglas (Essex), G. T Branston (Oxford University and Notts), W. J. H. Carwen (Oxford University), P R May (Cambridge University and Surrey), C. C. Page (Cambridge University and Middlesex), W. P. Harrison, junior (Middlesex), R. H. Fox (M.C.C.), A. A. Torrens (Harrow) and N. C. Tufnell (Eton). Fox, if we mistake not, kept wicket for Oxford University some years ago, and Tufnell, the young Etonian, who did well at Lord's last year against Harrow, will presumably be his understudy. It will be interesting to see if Simpson Hayward's lobs are anything like as successful "down under" as they were throughout India, when he was touring out here with the Authentics in 1902-03.

Mr. R. H. Spooner, the famous Lancashire and All-England batsman, has been recently in Ceylon, and has been interviewed by the *Times of Ceylon* on the subject of the past first-class cricket season, without, however, his finding anything specially new to say about it apparently, though it is good to read the praise which he bestows on the Lancashire wicket-keeper, Mr. W. Findlay, who is undoubtedly one of the best. Mr. Spooner is expected to prolong his tour throughout India and Burmah and we hope sincerely that when he comes to Calcutta he will find time for one or two game, of cricket in the Eden Gardens, and that Calcutta cricket lovers may have an example of run-makings as they should be made, by perhaps the most brilliant exponent of that art now playing.

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THE "Springboks" tackled Oxford on Wednesday, the 7th instant, and beat them by twenty-four points to three.

We congratulate Messrs. Murray and Co., Ld., of Lucknow, on the 104th edition of their catalogue and thank them for the copy they have sent us. It is one of the most "general" lists issued in this country, for in it one finds almost everything connected with the household—provisions, wines, sporting, stable and athletic gear, furniture and fittings, travellers' requisites—in short, something, and practically everything, one can want to temper the bitterness of life in the East in these degenerate days.

What has long since become a household word in Calcutta, the Columbia Rink, has once again raised its mammoth head in our midst. This year on a fresh site, the location of which will, later on, enable it to form not one of the least attractive features of Lady Minto's *fête*. Last Friday night, on the occasion of the opening of the Rink for this season, there could not have been fewer than over a thousand—performers and spectators—present, so that there can be no doubt that this, one of our most fascinating cold weather recreations is going to be as popular as it ever has been under the able management of its energetic and genial proprietor, whom the Calcutta public is glad to welcome back once more, so successfully does he cater for its amusement. The floor is all that can be desired, and there are literally thousands of pairs of skates to select from, for purchase, or on hire; while the usual "sessions" have been arranged, so that novices and the "kiddies" may disport themselves with the minimum of danger and inconvenience to past masters in the art. Taken as a recreation, roller skating is certainly one *par excellence*, answering as it does all the requirements of the word—it is healthful, entertaining and invigorating. To those to whom the burden of the flesh has not yet become a weariness, we say "Try roller skating and you will grow plump;" while to those less fortunate ones, whose physical condition resembles that of Hamlet, "fat and scant of breath," we would say "Skate and you will grow slender!"

London Week by Week.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

Friday, 26th October 1906.

THE attitude of the Press towards the Admiralty scheme for the redistribution of the Fleet varies from enthusiasm through phases of guarded approval to frank suspicion. The mere man in the street cannot succeed in reading into the detailed announcement which appeared on Tuesday anything but strategic motives: there does not seem to be any provision in it for what the present Government calls economy; and yet—why was the date of Parliament's reassemblage selected for the publication of this document if it has "no political significance"? On the face of it, the new "Home Fleet" scheme would appear to require more men than are now employed; since various ships now in the reserve are to receive full crews, while others are to be given nucleus crews to keep engines and guns, etc., in order. I suppose we shall know what the new move really means before long.

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The Channel Tunnel scheme is being revived. It has been worked out in Paris and awaits the sanction of the British Parliament, which I hope it will not get. According to the plan laid before the City of London International and Commercial Association it would be 34 miles long following several curves to keep in the chalk strata: the average depth below the sea bed would be about 200 feet and the French end would join the Northern railway between Boulogne and Calais. The general plan is that of the tube: two lines each in its own tunnel and electric traction.

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The Times Book Club battle with the Publishers rages mightily. On Saturday I received a circular letter asking me not to apply at the Book Club for works published by five firms, Macmillans, Alston Rivers, Geo. Bell, Constable and E. Arnold; nor for "net books" issued by Smith Elder. With the circular was a pamphlet setting out the *Times'* grievance which, in a word, is that it, through its book club, wishes to sell books secondhand, as soon as and at any price it pleases, and the publishers object on the ground that the sale of books nominally secondhand but really good as new interferes unfairly with their trade. I don't suppose the rights and wrongs of the case would interest you: truth to tell, though interested not a little in books myself I find it hard to place my sympathies. I have been "done" by one publisher and have had hard work to get my money out of others, so bear the faternity no very good will. On the other hand, I cannot help eyeing askance the endeavour of the *Times* to obtain control of the book trade by American methods. It seems to me the exchange of King Log for King Stork.

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The features of the week's fight have been a lucid and well reasoned letter from Mr. Rudyard Kipling which was submitted to the Manager of the Book Club before publication that his reply might appear in the same issue: and a long letter from Mr. Bernard Shaw. Mr. Kipling's defence of publishers' methods is necessarily tinged with personal feeling; it is common knowledge that the *Times* had a dispute with Macmillans about the price of "Puck of Pook's Hill;" and when the publishers refused to give the *Times* the terms it wanted, the *Times* reduced its order for 5,000 copies to 2,000: a proceeding which naturally struck direct at the author's royalties. Meantime I want to read Sir Frank Swettenham's remarkable book on Malaya, which has been issued by one of the recalcitrant publishers. I am afraid I must beg the *Times* to put its principles in its pocket for the nonce and carry out its promise to get me any book I want.

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The women who are endeavouring to obtain the franchise by proving their unfitness to be at large, have been much in evidence this week. Those of them who have not already been excluded from the precincts for their share in the gallery uproar, assembled in the Central Hall on Tuesday and got up a row at short notice. The programme, which had evidently been rehearsed, was for one woman to scream "Votes for Women!" and so forth, from a chair, while another reformer waved a red banner, the rank-and-file closing round them to shriek in chorus and, as long as might be, keep off the police. After such a scene as might be expected the police dragged and carried the women out of doors: they were taken to Westminster Police Court after another attempt to hold a "meeting" in the street. Their idea of a meeting is to climb railings and shriek: this produces the natural result of a crowd and there is the "meeting."

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Mr. Horace Smith was unsympathetic. He refused to let any of the ten reformers air her views and would not even make martyrs of them preferring the mean alternative of ordering each to find security in £5 to keep the peace for six months. This method of dealing with the business gave great offence—there is not even a decent advertisement in being bound over and the ten apostles screamed with one voice: the envitable red banner was produced from somewhere and waved from the dock to an accompaniment of shrieks. The police gently but firmly bundled them out and for the moment the Reform movement was over. Once outside the court-room some genius discovered the back door to the coveted martyrdom. If they refused to find security as ordered the magistrate must lock them up. This move was adopted with acclamation (shrieks): and the eager martyrs faced about, anxious for the dock again. The meanness of Mr. Horace Smith was not exhausted: he had the ten brought in one by one, and isolation had a curiously sobering effect on the majority. Each reformer was urged to accept the very mild precautionary penalty laid on her: and each heroically refused. Wherefore was each allotted two months in default to—I presume—her satisfaction. The majority of these misguided females are factory hands and the like: one is sorry to see people like Mrs. Cobden Saunderson in that gallery.

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The Lord Mayor elect, Sir W. Treloar, whose name we outside people connect with carpets, was presented to the Lord Chancellor on Tuesday at the House of Lords with the usual ceremonies, the sheriffs, Aldermen and all civic dignitaries in chains and fur being in attendance. Sir William Treloar well deserves the distinction he is to enjoy: it was he who brought about the widening of Ludgate Hill and secured the opening of the Guildhall loan collection of pictures on Sunday: but of recent years he has been identified with what is called the Cripple's Christmas Hamper movement, a very kindly charity which has been well supported. The Lord Chancellor having expressed the King's approval, the assembled magnates had a drink. In ceremonial language "the Loving Cup was passed round" and the business was at an end.

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Mr. St. John Hankin's "Dramatic Sequels" in *Punch* were in my mind when I went to the Court Matinée on Tuesday: and I suppose expectation was pitched too high. At any rate "The Charity that Began at Home" disappointed me: there is too much talk, too little incident, and a curious lack of backbone: the piece "mizzles" out like any musical comedy. Lady Denison is a lady whose notion of

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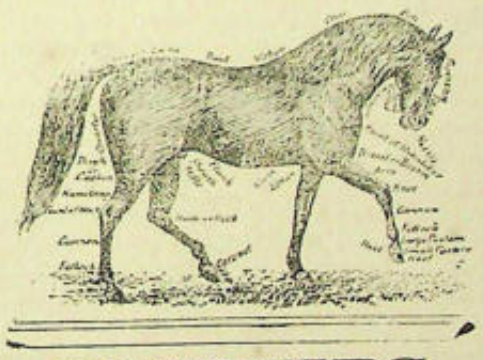

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charity is to fill her home with guests who for various reasons nobody else will have within their doors. There is General Bonser, the most unutterable of bores: Mr. Firket, a sort of fourth rate commission agent "picked up" by Lady Denison in an underground railway carriage, where he had tried to induce her to order something at 30 per cent. discount—he misspends his life trying to sell things at 30 per cent. discount to people who don't want them: there is Hugh Verreker, who left the army under a cloud: and Miss Triggs, the sensitive, tearful, depressing nuisance of an unsuccessful governess. A more intolerable lot of people—bar Verreker—charity never got together. Lady Denison engages her servants on similar principles and a nice lot they are: we could have spared the unsavoury intrigue of the butler and the lady's maid. The talk of the people makes the play: the rivalry of Basil Hylton, founder of the Church of Humanity, and Verreker for the hand of Margery Denison is all the plot. Hylton is a sententious humbug and I was not surprised that Margery preferred Verreker for all his peculation of men's funds. Verreker is cheerful and amusing, if unprincipled: and when in his native candour he disclosed to his fellow guests Lady Denison's motive for inviting them (!) and they all left in a huff, one felt he had done something worthy of our regard.

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The play cannot be called a success. Had it stopped at the end of Act III where Margery accepts Verreker, one would have written it down as bright and amusing if "thin" in plot: but Act IV, which serves no purpose, is a mistake and the piece would gain by its total excision. Mr. Dennis Eadie was capital as the insufferable old bore, and Mr. Edmund Gwenn was the pushing, hide-bound commission agent to the life. Miss Agnes Thomas as the governess was very excellent and of Miss May Martyn's Margery I can only say she was much too good for her (stage) company. The minor parts were particularly well played.

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Mr. Rudolf Besier's "The Virgin Goddess" was given at the Adelphi on Tuesday. It is a three-act play compounded of Greek tragedy and Shakespearian tragedy: but it is vigorous, full of action and interesting; and if the blank verse in which it is written is sometimes a little too blank, why the managerial blue pencils or abhorred shears can surely do all that is needful in this respect. The scene of all three acts is laid in the court-yard of the Temple of Artemis, in Artis. King Cresphontes is a monarch whose character smacks strongly of noncomformist radicalism: his weak rule has provoked rebellion of tributary states and when the enemy is at the gates of Artis and the Artesians (?) demand to be led forth, Cresphontes declines to lead; has a previous engagement of a ceremonial character in the Temple. His Queen Althia forthwith sends massengers for Hœphestion, the King's brother, whom Cresphontes had banished in a spasm of jealousy for which there was sound reason. Queen Althia loves Hœphestion and he, her. Hœphestion comes with such celerity that I was forced to conclude he has not obeyed the sentence of banishment but was hiding somewhere round the corner. Althia bids him slay the King, who has meantime yielded all the money demands, and lead the Arteseans against the foe. He does so. Then a priestess comes to warn Hœphestion that no success can attend a leader who slew for the sake of a guilty love. Althia herself admits her motive in urging the slaughter of the King, and eventually recognising that the only way to save Artis is to submit to death herself she hails Hœphestion into the Temple and there falls by his hand. No sooner has he killed her than the enemy stricken by the gods takes flight without waiting for Hœphestion's attack.

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Mr. Oscar Ashe played Hœphestion and did it admirably, the part being one that suits him to perfection. His was distinctly a powerful performance. Miss Lily Brayton was excellent as the Queen and made her as acceptable as was possible. I did not refer to Cleito in my sketch of the play: she is the King's mother: of course she is the stimulating power in procuring Althea's death, but she has very little to do. What she had to do Miss Geneviève Ward did with dignity and point. Mr. Alfred Brydone was as weak and vacillating a King as could be wished

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The suspension of Messrs. P. Macfadyen and Company, bankers and merchants, London, Agents of Messrs. Arbuthnot, of Madras, on Saturday, was followed by the suicide of the head of the firm, Mr. Patrick Macfadyen. The inquest revealed that on Saturday morning Mr. Macfadyen received a wire from Messrs. Arbuthnot saying they could not remit and must stop payment on Monday. On receipt of this message it would seem Mr. Macfadyen went to Old Street station on the City and South London Electric Railway, walked into the tunnel and met his death under the approaching train. Nothing is yet known of the assets and liabilities of the firm.

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The Royal Commission on the Metropolitan Police continues to plough its way through an increasing mass of evidence brought to show that constables are addicted to ill-usage of prisoners against whom they may bear a grudge. Without attributing to the police the tongue and temper of angels when their human sensibilities are aroused by the misapplication of hob-nailed boots, it must be confessed that many of the witnesses who have come forward to give testimony are the reverse of credible: one man who did so on Wednesday had to acknowledge eight convictions, during the last fourteen years, for thefts and burglary under different aliases. Not on such evidence—though admittedly expert—is public confidence in Bobby likely to be shaken. As regards the constable's attitude towards that dangerous criminal, the street bookmaker, the case seems to be different. More sensational stories of systematic bribery and organised arrangement between police and "bookie" have been made public.

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A curious application granted in chambers by Mr. Justice Bargrave Dean last week was before him again on Wednesday. At the instance of Mr. Charles O'Heir's or Hare's mother an injunction was granted restraining him from marriage with a Miss Ethel Darlington on the ground that the young man is insane and that a petition in lunacy was about to be filed in respect of him. Mr. O'Heir or Hare possesses large property and Miss Darlington is penniless; moreover, her counsel said "she had left her family and was anxious to get married." The Judge refused to set aside the injunction pending the hearing of the lunacy petition: a proceeding which appears to me consonant with common sense. One can't help suspecting that there is a something a bit fishy about that young woman's anxiety to get married under the peculiar circumstances.

ONLOOKER.

Review.

ANOTHER COOKERY BOOK.*

"SHALOT," whom one may reasonably suppose to be a person as well acquainted with his Shakespeare, as with the gentle culinary art—so aptly and merrily does he intersperse his little addition to household literature with quotations from the all-knowing bard—has earned the gratitude of every *memsahib* by the publication of a little volume entitled "Things for the Cook" (the very title of which, by the way, may be found in "Romeo and Juliet") in two parts, one in English, the other in Hindustani. The *memsahib*, therefore, ever fruitful in excuses for her own shortcomings in dealings with the *bawarchi*, cannot now complain that she "can't make the cook understand," for after purchasing a copy of "Things for the Cook, she just hands Sharabi Bux Part II. in Hindustani, and refers him, for instance, to page 89, where in her own Part I, she finds a concisely worded recipe for *Baba au Rhum*. This *bawarchi* reads, marks, and learns, while "The Brute" at tiffin that day inwardly digests, remarking, "Devilish nice pudding that! the cook must be improving."

In "Shalot's" introductory note there is expressed much wisdom, and we quite agree with him when he says "perfectly plain cookery is suitable only for England, where plain food is of the best; but in India, where meat is poverty-stricken and vegetables are tasteless, spices and flavouring are a necessity. If good cookery is required in India, the housekeeper must not grudge the essentials—cream, butter or oil, bacon and ham, lemons, herbs, Dutch cheese, wines and liqueurs. Garlic and onions are of course indispensable." "Do not beat up the yolk of an egg in milk and call it cream; do not substitute tongue and call it ham." In his preface he is equally sagacious when he remarks that "out of the heart truly, as King Solomon said, are the issues of life; but the heart, however noble, is served by the stomach; and how, if the stomach be not well treated by the cook?" While if the housekeeper "prudent" or "perplexed," would only take to heart the advice that she dart not scornful glances upon Nabi Bukhsh's *khab*, but treat the varlet kindly, using him after her own honour and dignity, remembering that should every man receive his desert, who should 'scape whipping! Remembering also that the health and happiness of herself and of those most dear to her are somewhat in his hands, there might be fewer opportunities of ructions below stairs, less chances of indigestion above!

The volume has no pretensions to the place of a Mrs. Beeton or a Brillat Savarin in the domestic affections, but it is full of nice recipes, all sound and thoroughly practical, and makes the weary housekeeper pine for an intelligent native cook who will set them before us, as they are given, innocent of his own variations.

* *Things for the Cook* (in English and Hindustani) by "Shalot." Calcutta: Thacker, Spink and Company. 1906

GUNS, GUNNERS AND GUNNING.*

THERE are many sportsmen, who, though in possession of one or more shot guns, are supremely ignorant of the various processes and tests through which the weapon has passed before it is fit for sale. We regret to say that there is seemingly a large class of gunners who are also equally unconscious of the etiquette and deportment required in the field including the malicious habit of unnecessarily exposing the lives of others to danger. Frequently such lessons are learned too late, to prevent an accident, perhaps fatal, and the sportsman will retain to the end of his days the regret that he had not been given a helping hand by some kind friend, or (for the latter is not always forthcoming) acquired the rigid rules of shooting through the medium of some sound book. The author of "A Dissertation upon guns and shooting" in placing his work before the sporting public has two main objects in view, *viz.*, the supreme importance of a thorough knowledge of the principles of the art of shooting, and best means of acquiring proficiency, and secondly, the correct conduct in general of a gunner when he is among the birds. We consider that both these purposes have been attained in a manner that will pleasantly instruct the reader without boring him, and keep him interested in the volume from cover to cover.

The book is divided into two portions. Part I is a treatise on "guns and ammunition," and Part II is devoted to "shooting." The writer commences by explaining the evolution of the gun from the rough to the finished article, a special chapter being devoted to the art of barrel-making. The various types of guns are discussed, including the single-trigger mechanism, and the serious difficulties encountered by the original inventors in its perfection. The views expressed on the choice and purchase of a shot gun are undeniably rational—a new medium-graded weapon, which should, of course, be fitted, is infinitely preferable, at any price, to a second hand highest-class firearm. The problem of suitable charges, both of powder and shot, and the size of the latter is treated at some length, and the advice offered regarding constant changes in the propellant is well worthy of being strictly borne in mind. The great importance that wadding bears to the shooting of a gun is clearly expressed, and some curious experiments in this connection are mentioned. We are thankful to say that we have not yet had the misfortune to rub shoulders with the crank, who uses cork dust, linseed meal and canary seed, in place of the Field system of wadding. Yet apparently he has been known in the shooting world, and perhaps still exists. The question of caps is one that receives its full amount of attention, and a most interesting plate representing the vagaries of the flashes of various cap explosions is produced. Patterns and Penetration, and the subject of recoil are also expounded. The process of gun fitting is fully exemplified and the chapter allotted to it is the result of special research and experience in this line and is therefore worthy of a careful study. The Master Eye is amply explained, and the plates relating to this matter are particularly clear.

We will now pass on to Part II.

The query that has been put so often before, *viz.*, "How can I learn to shoot straight? is aptly and alliteratively answered in five words: *viz.*, Perseverance, Patience, Practice Perfect, Paraphernalia. To those who have visited one of the first-class Shooting Schools that have sprung up in recent years in the suburbs of London Chapter I will tend to recall many pleasurable moments among the "clays." To the many who are content to purchase a weapon by post, and expect miraculous results, we cannot give more straightforward advice than to read this Chapter through from beginning to end and proceed at the first opportunity to one of these schools, and if the fascination of breaking the rocketter's from the High Tower does not take a firm grip on the gunner, it will shew that his heart is not in his pastime. As regards the contents of the second chapter our advice to one and all is to read, re-read *and remember* what is expressed therein. It was only a short time ago that we had cause to quote the lines from *Punch* anent carelessness with firearms:—

Never, never let your gun
Pointed be at any one;
Though it may unloaded be
Matters not the least to me.

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It twixt you and neighbouring gun
Bird may fly or beast may run
Let thus maxim 'ere be thine
Follow not across the line.

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Stops and beaters oft unseen
Lurk behind some leafy green;
Calm and steady always be:
Never shoot where you don't see.

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The sentiments expressed are the same, they cannot be brought to notice too frequently.

Some excellent advice is offered concerning the safe and unsafe methods of carrying a shot gun in the field. We notice, however, that no mention is made of the position familiarly known in Military circles as the "Port." Of course if the muzzle be lowered when the gun is being thus carried, the lives of those on the shooter's left hand are endangered, but otherwise this pose is perfectly safe, and is frequently adopted in the East when in pursuit of snipe. When shooting the "long-bills" it is clearly impossible to carry the gun over the shoulder. If the gunner moves with the muzzle of his gun pointed well forward and at the ground, it will receive all the splashings raised at every step. In case of a stumble or a slip, which is a not an uncommon occurrence, the muzzle will either have to be raised with a jerk or else it will become embedded in the mud. On the other hand if the weapon be at the "Port," *i.e.*, held diagonally across the chest with the muzzle pointing skywards, in the event of a stumble the right hand is ready for immediate action, and the firearm can still be kept pointing skywards. The chapter on dogs will appeal strongly to the lovers of our canine allies. Useful hints are given in relation to four-footed and two-legged enemies. The pages devoted to partridges, pheasants, grouse, ground game, wild-fowl, etc., contain much interesting information. The volume is one of great utility, and is filled with pleasant reading matter presented in an agreeable style; we can recommend it to our readers without reservation. The plates are distinctly good and the four illustrations by J. G. Millais form an attractive feature of the book.

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Shikar.

A SOLITARY SNIPE.

MUCH of the glory has departed from Kangra Valley shooting during recent years. Four thousand gun licenses in a limited area have practically cleared the more accessible portion of those varieties of game whose flesh in the pot gives value for powder and shot. Fortunately for the tea planter there are a couple of birds the calculating shikari will not or cannot shoot. These are the woodcock and solitary snipe. The former, without being plentiful, is still to be found by those who know its haunts in sufficient numbers for the table. The latter—in the absence from our district of such fearful wild fowl as a solitary bison or a rogue elephant—is our solitary prize in the shooting line.

In the course of fifteen years fooling about with a gun, chiefly after 3 P.M., I have shot perhaps a couple of dozen solitary snipe, and missed as many more, for they are easier to miss than to hit. Last year I got a couple on one day out of one swamp—the only occasion when I found them in practice contradict their name. This year have bagged one, but the other—well that is the subject of my story.

I always like to have a succession of cock ripening in my larders, and yesterday having ate my way down to my last couple, I strolled out an hour and a half before sunset to replenish my stock. I have seven cock preserves, spread over an area of about twenty miles by two, which I visit in succession. It is the local custom for the woodcock in the abstract to fill up in the concrete the hunt in which you have shot the late occupant. As in a tea garden a new manager takes the place of the departing one, so in these thickets you may depend upon four or five relays of birds in a season, provided you take care to shoot it empty every ten days or a fortnight. But if you greedily rush to save up a bag for a certain distant date, you will be assuredly sold. For you will no more find five or six managers bossing it in one tea garden at the same moment than five or six cock congregated in one preserve. The bird is a non-gregarious one here, and I shrewdly suspect the cock in possession keeps all others out of it; for you seldom find more than a brace, in many spots only one, unless there is a heavy fall of snow on the mountains just behind us, when an extra couple may be driven down by stress of weather for a few days.

One of the advantages of being resident in a locality, and employing permanent labour, is that you can select your beaters and train them. I have a squad of eight boys, whose plantation pay of Rs. 3-8-0 per mensem is augmented by eight annas shooting allowance. They are as sharp and eager for sport as any English schoolboy out after partridge in September, and under much better control. They have learnt to subdue erratic impulses, and never dash forward to grab when a bird falls. And I can honestly say I have not had a single occasion to shoot any of my boys for spoiling sport, at least not intentionally.

My squad knows every cock ground as well as I do myself, and when I canter up to the scene of action I find them drawn up to attention and ready to rout out the home staying old cock that ever laid low and kept dark. Thus yesterday, when I reached my nearest and favourite *khud*, I found my eight youngsters as hopeful as myself of its being recocked, since my last visit ten days previously, when I hit upon an innocent stranger, who was evidently not in touch with his lodgings, for instead of sticking to the thicket where he had a decent chance of dodging me, he got out at a back door and made for a newly sprouted barley field on the hill side above, when I literally kicked him up with my foot in the open, and got him as easily as I might a hedge side dove.

The ground I had to shoot is situated in a gorge which runs down from the mountains, with a small hill river flowing through its centre. Two miles up this gorge the upper range rises sheer to an elevation of fourteen thousand feet or so, with its summit crowned with snow nine months out of the twelve. Where the river debouches into the valley, its bed broadens out to about a couple of hundred yards, hemmed in with sloping cliffs on either side, and down the sides of these cliffs and along their base, skirting the river, are swampy thickets. This is the haunt of the cock. At midday he suns himself on the cliff, towards evening he comes down to feed in the marshy land below.

There is only one way of shooting this ground, and that is to scramble along the river bed which is filled with huge rocks and slippery round boulders, whilst the body of the beaters line the cliff top and fire volleys of stones into the thickets below them and a couple at the bottom tap the lower jungle, intersected in many places with enormous black rocks, some of them as big as a suburban villa. The cock never flies far; it is fifty yards up or down the nullah at utmost. If you can get a clear shot at him he is as easy as an owl to bowl over. But if he can dodge you behind a rock, or through a clump of trees, you do not realise how easy it is to miss him till you have done so.

I was lucky yesterday, for I had not beaten half way up the ground before a cock rose up before my nose, allowing me just time to grass him comfortably before his companion broke cover and gave me an equally easy shot. Within half an hour of leaving my bungalow I had the necessary couple for my larder, and might have gone home contented. But the sun was still above the cliff, and so I signalled to my boys to continue the beat, not with any idea of getting another cock, for I felt sure there were none left, but on the offchance of bagging a stray kolsa, and to pass the time until by a reasonable exertion I could feel I had earned my ante-dinner peg.

Somehow I have always found it is when you are not very keen that something to make you keen turns up. So it was now, for just as I got to the top of the cock ground there came a cry of *chaha! chaha!* and looking round I saw, or thought I saw, a glimse of a solitary snipe scudding down the nullah.

Now, as a matter of mere satisfaction in local sport, I would any day sacrifice a couple of cock in the *bowarchi khana* for a chance at a solitary snipe in the bush. I am vain enough to adorn my shooting cap with the feathers of these two bipeds, and whilst I have 83 of the former, dating from 1st January 1897, I have only three of the latter; so when I saw this grey ghost of a thing scooting off just about the limit of range I blazed away two barrels at him, and then girded up my loins and slithered over the slippery rocks to see where he settled, if he was not off altogether.

He cut into the cliff side just about where I had begun my beat, and as the wind was blowing down the gorge, I sent my beaters round to rouse him up from below, whilst I stationed myself under the shelter of a big boulder to catch him as he came up nullah again. The solitary snipe is more cunning than the woodcock, and has six times the speed. Let him once hear the bang-bang of a gun behind him, and the shot ringing in his direction, and my experience is that he packs up his duds and goes to Australia.

Well so far as this fellow was concerned I circumvented him all right. My squad worked well away down below him before they began their beat again. But meanwhile the sun had sunk behind the late western cliff, although it was yet half an hour to sunset, and down in the river bed the light grew grey and uncertain.

The solitary snipe flies low and fleetly. He charges on his way head down like a bull; his approximation in colour to the ground he skims over is in a great measure his safeguard. He never soars into the welken like his brother, the common or paddy field snipe, and relies more upon speed than dodging for escape. Thus it happened when the shouts of my beaters gave me warning he was coming, that I failed to see him until he saw me, which was when he skimmed the boulder and was standing under and about three feet of the muzzle of my gun. I was so taken aback at his impudence that I banged off both barrels at him at a distance, which would have qualified him for a jumping frog if I had only got the focus. As it was, I did not, and to my intense disgust he whished off up nullah, and then, to my surprise, settled in the place from which he had been first flushed, noting which I determined to bring him to bag if I had to do it by moonlight.

My beaters, while preserving that respectful demeanour due to the presence of their paymaster, were yet, I felt by instinct, passing pitying remarks on my prowess. One day when my bag-boy dropped the cartridges into a river I took occasion to tell him that each shot cost me $1\frac{3}{4}$ annas and that he had spoiled a dozen. As this sum represented a day's pay for each beater, I have often thought they had more respect for the cartridge than the bird it bagged. And now I had so to speak, blazed off four beaters at a beast of a bird, which, if it was gorged to the gullet, could hardly weigh more than a chittack. This to the thrifty Hindu soul was a sad waste of money, and had I canvassed my squad they would have deplored and condemned my extravagance more than my inexpertness.

I looked at matters from a broader and less sordid view. That I should have clean missed this solitary snipe four times was bad enough; but that I should give in and go home leaving him untouched in a known spot was not to be dreamt of. I had marked him down very carefully, and taking three boys with me I proceeded to walk him up. I made carefully for the spot, too carefully this time, for he allowed us to pass and then broke down wind again from behind us. I had just time to honour him with another two gun salute and to see him unaccountably fly fifty yards and flop down on the middle of a reach of stones in the river bed, and yet without any appearance of having been wounded.

With a sullen doggedness I rammed two more cartridges into my gun and prepared to have another go at this wily impertinent brute that had escaped about 1,800 number eight shot, and then coolly squatted in the open. When I reached the stones I looked for him to rise, but he did no such thing. I walked up and down lengthways and traverse ways, making enough noise over the slippery stones to rouse the dead which I began to flatter myself he was at last. So I set my boys to search for his corpse in amongst the crevices of the round stones, whilst I stood on the largest and directed their efforts. The light was getting very bad, and for at least five minutes they searched frutlessly. Then suddenly the bird flushed up from under the very stone on which I was standing, and made straight for the eastern cliff. I threw up my gun, missed him magnificently with my right barrel, and dropped him with my left in the very centre of the thorniest thickest thicket.

Then I lit a cheroot, and assuming a bravado air of having shot him on purpose, I gave orders for the quarry to be brought to me.

One would have thought after so much trouble in slaying him, he might have come to hand without any further bother. But on the contrary the bird that had eluded about a quarter of a lakh of shot in life seemed likely to elude me altogether in death. My eight boys pierced the thicket like mungooses, honeycombing rotten thatch roof after maggots. And every moment it was getting darker and darker. It came to stimulating their endeavours with the offer of a pecuniary reward to him who should hit upon the defunct snipe. Presently there came a deputation to borrow a box of matches! I chucked over my Tandstickors, wondering whether they had ever been used before for the purpose of searching for a dead solitary snipe in the middle of a Himalayan jungle! A jubilee illumination on a small scale followed, and then came a shout of triumph and Gainda, the boss of the squad came running up with a wisp of feathers in his hand, and a peculiar look in his face.

He laid them at my feet—all that remained of the elusive grey-wing thing that had glinted away unscathed from seven shots, and succumbeed to the eighth (more out of weariness, I felt, than intention) and had hopelessly spoilt my average for the next week's shooting.

And what think you it was! My feelings can be better imagined than described when I confess in so many bold words, the brute was not solitary at all, but just a common or garden jack snipe.

At first I would not believe my eyes. I buoyed myself up with a hope that he might, nay he must, be a solitary jack: something extremely rare and worth stuffing and glass casing I made a show of examining him supercritically, and gave it as my opinion that he was a new and hitherto undiscovered species. But unfortunately for this pleasant theory I had half-a-dozen jacks hanging up in the verandah of my bungalow, and when I got home I had them in and examined my victim side by side with them under the light of my reading lamp; and then, as a last chance, I had a go at Jerdon. But it was no good. Devil a bit of difference was there between my solitary jack and the six other jacks I had shot in our nearest jheel, fourteen miles away down valley.

But what the Dickens was this isolated jack snipe doing five thousand feet or more above sea level, and in a woodcock thicket? I knew a jack had lots of cheek; but I confess I did not believe him capable of hoaxing a Christian into the belief that he was *Gallinago solitaria*, when *Gallinago gallinula* was all he could legitimately aspire to be.

H. C.

Fishing.

CAPTURING TURTLE.

ONE of the most favoured spots frequented by turtle is, or used to be, the desolate island of Ascension in the South Atlantic, a barren volcanic patch belonging to Britain, and because used exclusively as a naval depôt, entered upon the books of the Admiralty as one of Her Majesty's ships. An enormous number of turtle were annually "turned" there, and preserved in a small lagoon from shipment to shipment. It was my pleasant privilege to assist at one of these turnings, and I bear a very vivid recollection of the game. Crouched low behind an immense boulder one evening about eight, we could hear a hollow reverberating murmur of the mighty surf outside, suggesting sleepily irresistible force. A dazzling wreath of snowy foam, gleaming like burnished silver, fringed the quiet stretch of glittering sand, which, gently sloping upward and landward, was bounded by gloomy bastions of black lava. Beyond that shining semi-circle of glowing white lay the sombre blue-black bosom of the quiet little bay now heaving gently as that of a sleeping child. Hither and thither threading its inscrutable depths, glided spectrally broad tracks of greenish light, vivid, yet ever brightening and fading as if of living flame. Presently there emerged from the retreating smother of spume a creeping something of no very definite shape, under the glamour of the molten moonlight, but making an odd shuffling progress inland, and becoming more recognisable as it rose. Another, and yet another, and still more arrived as the shining tracks converged shorewards. At last the dark shapes came near enough for a novice to know them for turtle. Soon the first-comers reached their limit, and began the work for which they had come. Each massive reptile, by an indescribable motion of its fore flippers, delved into the yielding grit, throwing the spoil behind it and upward withal until it was enveloped in a misty halo of shining sand. Then the whole beach was alive with the toiling Chelones and their male attendants, who shuffled about, emitting curious noises, but whether of encouragement or affection this deponent sayeth not.

Divers of them came from far—so far that none who have not witnessed the swift cleaving of their true element by these ungaily monsters would believe how the wide sweep of these eager flippers devours the fleeting leagues. In a short time many of the delving turtles had sunk below the level of the surrounding sand, while some had ceased their digging and commenced to deposit their eggs. Suddenly we rushed upon them, and for some minutes the swarming beach was apparently a scene of wild confusion. Really, the plan of attack was well ordered; and when the first scurry was over nearly all the visitors were to be seen wrong side up, waving their flippers deprecatingly. In less than half an hour the loneliness was again regnant, all the victims having been towed off through a gap in the rocks to a spacious spoilarium in the lagoon behind, there to await their transit to the goal of most good things, London town.

Another way practised most successfully by the amphibious Kanaka of Polynesia is to slip noiselessly into the water, and diving beneath the turtle, grasp the hind-flippers with crossed hands. One swift and dexterous twist places the prize on his back, in which helpless, position he is kept with ease upon the surface until the canoe arrives, and he is transferred to it. Among the coral reefs of the Friendly Islands turtle-fishing is a highly favoured form of sport, and when the reptiles are surprised among the tortuous shallow channels between the reefs or in the almost landlocked lagoons, they rarely escape. Here it is usual for the fisherman to spring upon the turtle's back and, clutching the fore edge of the shell with both hands, to hang on it until his prize is exhausted and speedily brought to the surface.

But of all the fashions of securing this much-hunted creature, that followed by the ingenious fisher-folk of the Chinese littoral bears away the palm. Most voyagers in tropical seas are acquainted with a peculiar fish, *E. remora*, known generally by the trivial name of the "sucker." The distinguishing characteristic of this fish is laziness. Unwilling to exert itself overmuch in the pursuit of food, it has developed an arrangement on the back of its head exactly like the corrugated sole of a tennis shoe, and as artificial in appearance as if made and fitted by the hand of man. When the sucker finds itself in the vicinity of any large floating body, such as a ship, a shark, or a piece of flotsam, whose neighbourhood seems to promise an abundance of food, it attaches itself firmly thereto by means of this curious contrivance, which permits it to eat, breathe, and perform all necessary functions while being carried about without any exertion on its part. It can attach and detach itself instantaneously, and holds so firmly that a direct backward pull cannot dislodge it without injury to the fish. The Chinese, who have successfully trained the cormorant and the otter to fish for them, have taken the *remora* in hand with the happiest results. Several good sized specimens having been caught, small iron rings are fitted to their tails, to which are attached long, slender, but very strong lines. Thus equipped, the fishermen set out, and when a basking turtle

is seen, two or three of the suckers are slipped over board. Should they turn and stick to the bottom of the sampan, they are carefully detached by being pushed forward with the inevitable bamboo, and started on the search again. At last they attach themselves to the supine turtle. Then the fishermen haul in the lines, against which gentle suasion the hapless Chelone struggles in vain. Once on board the lugger, the useful *remora* is detached, and is at once ready for use again.

KASHMIR TROUT FISHERIES.

ON the 1st November the Viceroy, while moving from his camp at Dachigam to his camp at Sungam, stopped on the way and visited the trout hatcheries at Harwan. The Kashmir Durbar has for some years been experimenting with a view to introducing brown trout and rainbow trout into Kashmir waters. The idea originated owing to a liberal offer of the Duke of Bedford to provide the ova from England. For some time the experiment was carried out by Mr. Frank Mitchell privately, and the success which has eventually been obtained is practically due to his pertinacity and the enthusiasm which he has displayed in the experiment. At first the ova were hatched out in Srinagar itself, but this was found unsatisfactory and it was difficult to obtain a copious and constant supply of pure water. In 1900 the experiment was tried in one of the small canals leading out of the Harwan stream. Misfortune, however, continued to dog the footsteps of the experimentors as large quantities of *débris* were brought down and the whole of the hatchery enclosure was swept away.

In the winter of 1901 the Durbar, after some persuasion, agreed to make one last attempt and a final supply of brown trout was brought over from England. It was found that the rainbow trout ova could not stand the long journey by tank from the sea board.

Mr. Mitchell then, with the permission of the Durbar, constructed hatcheries and tanks just above the Harwan Reservoir. He placed them at a fine spring, as he had found that spring water was more suitable owing to its purity than river water. These trout hatched out very well, and at last the promise of a really favourable result seemed certain. Once more, however, he was doomed to misfortune. For in 1903 came the great abnormal flood and the river burst into the hatcheries and carried all away. However, by this time the trout were big enough and able to look after themselves, and the only result of the flood was to distribute them into the Harwan nullahs and Dhal Lake. Here they have continued to thrive wonderfully, and within four years of the start trout weighing 9 lbs. have been caught with the rod, and the Viceroy had the pleasure of seeing and eating a male trout weighing 12½lbs. and measuring 27 inches from nose to tail and with a girth of 18 inches.

The Trout Prospering.

The Hapwan stream and Dhal lake as well as the stream leading into the latter are now all very well stocked, and the Achabal stream has been stocked this year. What is of the greatest importance is that it is found that after three years the trout are breeding freely, and Mr. Mitchell has, with the assistance of the Durbar, constructed a very good hatchery safe from all possible floods. The hatchery is placed near two springs giving a very good supply of water, and there are tanks above for the young fish and below for the breeding fish. The Viceregal party were much interested to see these latter at their morning meal, beautiful specimens weighing 10lbs. jumping right out of the water for the food thrown to them. They were also much interested to see how they were sorted according to age and size. Mr. Mitchell has lately been home to England, visiting all the hatcheries there, and getting the benefit of all the latest ideas and experiments, and now that he has once more come back he has trained a staff of Kashmiris, who are able to carry out his instructions so that the fertilisation of ova is now carried out by artificial means with entirely satisfactory results.

The undertaking has now passed from the experimental stage, and in a few years the rivers of Kashmir will be stocked by British brown trout, and as in the short space of four years they have attained the size of 12½lbs. we may confidently hope that they will grow to a very large size, and that trout of 20lbs. will be as common as they are in New Zealand. These trout at present take the small fly spoon and phantom bait according to the season, and take best when the river is high and the snow water is coming down, when, of course, the mahseer are out of the question. It is hoped that those interested in pisciculture and also the authorities will not lose the great opportunity that the devotion of Mr. Mitchell and the public enterprise of the Kashmir Durbar has afforded them of stocking the hill streams of Upper India, such as those of Simla and Nainj Tal, with a fish that not only affords the noblest of sports but provides a food supply of the highest quality to that part of India which it is most difficult to provide with fish at present.—*Pioneer*.

Shooting.

A NEW WIND-GAUGE SIGHT SLIDE.

For the Lee-Enfield and Metford Service Pattern Leaf.

THE new wind-gauge slide submitted to us by Messrs. Westley Richards and Co., of London and Birmingham, is sanctioned by the British National Rifle Association, being designed expressly for use with the ordinary Service Lee-Enfield Tangent. Now that the principle of wind-gauge sights is accepted by the Military authorities, many patterns of moveable slides have been introduced. The one adopted by the War Office for attachment to the present sights, consists of the well-known dove-tailed slide which is pushed upon by thumb and finger in order to move it to the right or left.

Messrs. Westley Richards' Sight has many claims to recognition as a thoroughly effective wind-gauge slide. By turning the milled head the bar slide is moved across and thus fine adjustment can be readily obtained. The scale or divisions are marked on the left hand side of the slide bar, and the slide itself is formed as a pointer to indicate the amount of lateral movement that has been given.



Fig. 1.

The slide is also fitted with Westley Richards' Patent Micrometer arrangement, the wheel or head is divided into three parts, and into each of these three parts or notches a spring at the back of the slide snicks as the wheel or head is turned. The screw is cut 50 threads to the inch, and each division of the head gives 150th of an inch representing 1 inch for each 100 yards range. At every one-third turn the snick of the spring into the notch on the wheel conveys audibly and to the touch the amount of wind-gauge allowance registered without troubling the shooter to read the scale referred to.

The slide when attached to the leaf fits well and does not wear loose. There are only two main parts of simple construction. The price of each slide is 9/6d., a very reasonable figure for such a perfect wind-guage appliance. To attach this slide to the ordinary service leaf it is first necessary to remove the cap or top.

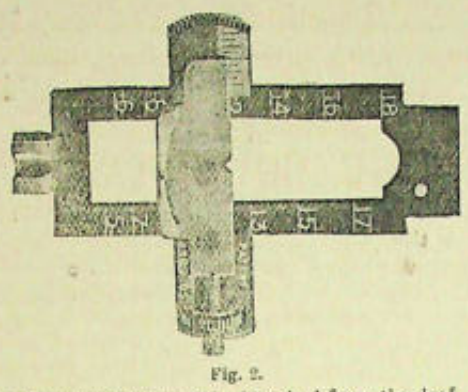

Fig. 2.

Figure 1 represents the slide detached from the leaf.
Figure 2 attached to the leaf.

Messrs. Westley Richards and Co., have also brought to our notice a new Military Back-sight, Lee-Enfield Service Pattern, which can be readily attached by any shooter to the bed of its service pattern rifle. The slide which is made upon the wind-gauge principle before described, is connected to work with a screw fitted at the side of the tangent leaf. This screw B is for the purpose of elevating the slide in correcting elevation, and so forms a Vernier, thus rendering superfluous a separate Vernier usually carried by the shooter in order to attain fine adjustment at sight elevation. It will be seen that the sight leaf is divided on the right hand side with a Vernier scale, each division representing 150th of an inch for each 100 yards.

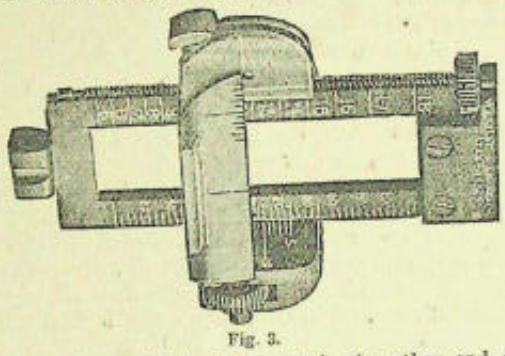

Fig. 3.

The slide is provided with a catch, the other end of this catch is screwed or threaded for engagement with the thread of the elevator screw. By pressing upon the catch this catch is released from the screw and so the slide is permitted to move up and down the tangent by hand in the ordinary way. For obtaining fine adjustment the elevating screw is turned, and by engagement with a slide catch moves the slide up or down in the same way as would be done on the ordinary sight if a separate Vernier were used.

This Vernier Elevating Sight Leaf in combination with the Wind-gauge Micrometer Slide, makes an effective form of sighting apparatus for match shooting.

Figure 3 represents the Vernier Elevating Sight and Wind-gauge Adjustment complete. The price is from 25/- to 30/- each complete ready for attachment to the Service bed

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THE PROPOSED INDIAN SWIMMING CHAMPIONSHIPS.

TO THE EDITOR OF "THE INDIAN FIELD."

SIR,—I am glad to notice that you have so promptly taken up my suggestion regarding an all India Swimming Championship, and hope the Committee of the Calcutta Swimming Club will put the matter through successfully. The summer months would, I think, be found more suitable in every way and the events could be decided in the Calcutta baths.

I hope your sporting offer of a cup will be followed by a few more.

CECIL A. FLOWER.

BANGALORE, *7th November 1906*.

LEAKS IN CANOES.

TO THE EDITOR OF "THE INDIAN FIELD."

SIR,—Can you give me a simple recipe for stopping a leak in a canoe? I have an old Canadian canoe that I want to make watertight if I can.

C. R. M.

[Bicycle cement is first-rate stuff for this job. Melt and rub the cement well in, have a small streak of cement over the crack or joint. For mending a hole take a piece of canvas large enough to cover the hole, with about one inch lap all round. With a hot iron or stone smear over the patch with a good coat of rubber cement, also smear round the edges of the hole; then heat the patch quite hot and press it in place. Then smear over the whole with cement, using the hot iron or stone. The cement will harden in a short time, when it will require no further looking after This is for emergencies. To fix a hole permanently it should be cut out square or oblong, with slightly bevelled edges: then neatly fit a piece of wood to the hole, smear the edges of the piece as well as the edges of the hole with rubber cement; have it quite warm, then press the piece in place.—ED.]

SHOOTING AROUND RAWAL PINDI.

TO THE EDITOR OF "THE INDIAN FIELD."

SIR,—In a huge station like Rawal Pindi shooters are many, and except in the case of quail shooting, one has to work hard to find game in this much-scoured district. Grey quail are collected into selected cover with the help of call birds, as I have described in another letter. Provided one has enough call birds, and it is the right season, one is certain of plenty of shooting. There is a nice jheel at Khanna, 6 miles from Pindi, and at certain times of the year one can combine snipe and quail shooting on the same day. Referring to my notes I find that a friend and self got 15 brace of quail and seven couple of snipe, one day in April at Khanna; while another day in the same month we had 10½ couple of snipe, and 1 quail. On another day I wandered along the river Karang, going up stream from Khanna, and got a curious mixed bag of 3 duck, 7 plover (2 of which were golden), 1 painted snipe 1 moorhen, 2 coots, 1 rail, 1 cabraboya, 1 turtle, and 1 Russel's viper. A truly strange mixture. The turtle's neck I cut with a rook rifle; the big lizzard I shot with No. 8 as he was swimming across the river. The shot which killed the 2 golden plover killed six snippets as well!

The blue rock which is so numerous, and held in such low esteem elsewhere, is rather rare about Pindi. I used to find small clonies in the huge ravines beyond the Ridge, and near Sohan Keep and it was very good fun stalking them with a rook rifle in the evenings, when they sit warming themselves in the rays of the setting sun on ledges in the clay cliffs. They were so wild that I seldom bagged more than two in an evening. At Hassan Abdal, midway between Rawal Pindi and Attock there are a fair number of blue rocks, which live among the cliffs along the River Chiblat. It is a good plan to take a rifle when fishing this stream, as pretty shots are constantly offering themselves. In the winter Hassan Abdal is quite a good place for duck: there are also a few very wild chink still left among the hills.

One of my favourite Pindi shooting grounds was the table land above the Sohan near Murgha One day there I got a quail, two brace of seesee partridges and a hare. Hares and partridges are, however, scarce: there are a few of the latter in the rough ground between the Leh and Karang rivers, near where these tributaries join the Sohan. The Rawal Pindi Park, in which all shooting is forbidden, acts as a sanctuary, and there are several coveys of seesee there.

The persevering sportsman who will take the trouble to explore the Sohan and Karang rivers, will come across duck and teal: and as Seesee come down to drink in the evenings the river bank is a likely find for these birds. The walking will, however, be very hard, and shots few: but who minds that if he is keen? At Khanna we used to combine quail shooting with mahseer fishing. The call birds were put out the night before, and we used to drive out taking 100 cartridges each. Our idea was that 100 cartridges were quite as many as any man could wish to fire away at quail in one morning. Our cartridges having all gone, we used to walk two miles down the Karang, to where there were some good pools, and fish. If the water was thick we used floats and atta. If the river was clear we fished with fly spoon. The Karang was an uncertain stream: but one day we had 59 brace of quail between two of us, and one of our mahseer was 4¼ lbs.

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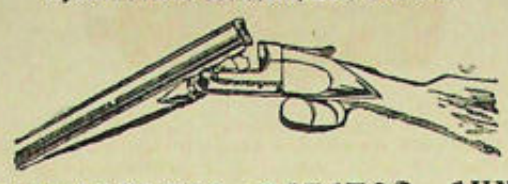

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Tezpur	..	4, 6 & 8	
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Chittagong	..	11 & 13	
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	Second ..	..	2nd January.
Tollygunge Steeplechases ..	Second ..	..	4th December.
Bhamo	First ..	..	25th December.
	Second ..	..	27th December.
Lahore Xmas	Second ..	..	1st December.
	Third ..	..	15th December.
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Mr. Torrens's g bb m Sein Pu, 6st. 9lbs. (car. 8st. 2lbs.)	Ba Shain	0
Ko Chan Aye's b bb g Sine Maung, 7st. 13lbs.	Bah Nyun	0
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Mr. J. Moment's b aus m Atalanta, 9st. ...	Po Mut	2
Ko Pe Lan's b aus m Thein Byan, 8st. 2lbs.	Mahomed	3
Mr. Abdool Wahab's d aus m Zernigar, 8st. 4lbs.	Oomer	0
Mr. I. Tilly's ch aus g Rownuck, 9st. ...	Abdul	0
Mahomed Allauddin's b aus g Estamboul, 8st. 7lbs. (car. 8st. 9lbs.)	.....	0
Mr. J. P. Paul's ch aus m You Mai, 8st....	Ba Nyun	0

Tote paid Rs. 7 to win; Rs. 9 and 13 for places.

Betting: 3 to 1 on Hla Mai, 4 to 1 agst. Rownuck and Atalanta, 6 to 1 Estamboul and Zerniger.

Won by four lengths easily; twenty lengths between second and third. Time—1min. 10secs.

First Medium Plate.—Rs. 199 to the winner, Rs. 50 to the second, and Rs. 25 to the third. A flat race for English and Australasian maiden ponies 13-2 and under; 13-2 to carry 9st. 7lbs. W. I., griffins allowed a stone. About 5 furlongs.

Mr. B. N. Burjorjee's ch aus m Satina, 9st. 4lbs.	Clarke	1
Mr. Bell's ch e m Money Box, 9st. 7lbs. ...	Mr. Cullen	2
Mr. C. Pearson's br aus g Rhymer, 9st. 7lbs.	Mr. Watson	3
Col. Frenchman's ch e m Vibrona, 9st. 11lb.	Bhoota Khan	0
Mr. C. White's b aus m Rags, 8st. 12lbs. ...	Morrison	0
Mr. Y. C. Ariff's ch aus m Shazady, 8st. 6lbs.	N. Mohamed	0

Tote paid Rs. 15 to win; Rs. 8 and Rs. 16 for places.

Betting: Evens Satina, 5 to 4 agst. Vibrona, 2 to 1 Rhymer, 3 to 1 Money Box, 4 to 1 Shazady.

Won by four lengths easily; two lengths dividing second and, third. Time—1min. 10½secs.

First Trial Plate.—Rs. 199 to the winner, Rs. 50 to the second, and Rs. 25 to the third. For maiden Burman ponies 13-0¼ and under; 13-0¼ to carry 9st. W. I. About 5 furlongs.

Mr. E. A. Foy's ig bb m Velvet, 8st. 10lbs. (car. 8st. 12lbs.)	Hyder	1
Mr. Maung Thin's ch bb m Hla Nyun, 7st.	Po Khai	2
Mr. Burjorjee's b bb m Juno, 8st. 10lbs.	Clarke	3
Mr. Mills' b bb m Dawdling Jane, 9st. ...	Boota Khan	0
Mg. Po Yee's bk bb g Jury, 8st. 12lbs. (car. 8st. 13lbs.)	Mg. Glay	0
Mr. George's g bb g Sein Myet Lone, 8st. 12lbs.	Chit Pe	0

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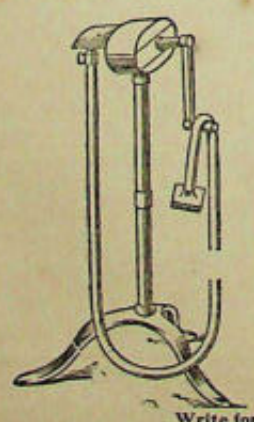

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Mr. W. H. Kluseman's b bb m Ruby, 8st. 10lbs. ... ... Oomer 0
Mr. E. A. Foy's b bb g Kya Bwa, 8st. 10lbs. ... ... Mahomed 0
Tote paid Rs. 10 to win ; Rs. 6 and 5 for places.
BETTING : 6 to 4 on Velvet, 2 to 1 agst. Juno, each 4 to 1 Jury and Hla Nun, 6 to 1 Kya Bwa, 10 to 1 the rest.
Won by a length ; a neck between second and third. Time—1min. 15⅕secs.

FIRST ROADSTER PLATE—Rs. 199 to the winner, Rs. 50 to the second, and Rs. 25 to the third. A flat race for maiden griffin ponies, 14-0 and under ; 14-0 to carry 9st. 7lbs. W. I. About ¼ mile.

Mr. George's b aus m Josephine, 9st. 11lb.... Williams 1
Mr. G. H. Bell's br aus m Wee Lassie, 7st. 8lbs. ... ... Po Kai 2
Mr. Kane's b aus m Ring Dove, 9st. 7lbs. ... Mr. Cullen 3
Miss Adamson's b aus m Planet ... Oomer 0
Maung Thu Wah's br aus m Thein Daw, 8st. 9lbs. ... ... Mg. Glay 0
Mr. George's b aus m Necklace, 9st. 7lbs. ... Tu Paw 0
Major Penny's b aus m Norah, 9st. 4lbs. ... Morrison 0
Mr. John's b aus m Bettie, 9st. 11b. ... Bah Nyuh 0
Mr. Burjorjee's b aus m Pansy, 7st. 11lbs. (car. 8st. 7lbs.) ... ... Clarke 0
Mr. S. Williams' b aus m Naughty Girl, 6st. 10lbs. (car. 6st. 13lbs.) ... Gunga 0

Tote paid Rs. 10 to win ; and Rs 5, 7 and 8 for places.
BETTING : 6 to 4 agst. Josephine, 3 to 1 Wee Lassie, 4 to 1 each Thein Daw and Ring Dove, 7 to 1 Planet, 15 to 1 Norah 20 to 1 the rest.
Won by a length ; two lengths between second and third. Josephine's jockey was 2lbs. over-weight, but she was awarded the race by the stewards. Time—55secs.

FIRST GIANT PLATE.—Rs. 199 to the winner, Rs. 50 to the second, and Rs. 25 to the third. A flat race for English and Australasian ponies 14-0 and under ; 14-0 to carry 9st. W. I. With penalties and allowances. About 6 furlongs.

Mr. R. Powell's b aus m La France, 9st. 4lbs. ... ... Williams 1
Mr. S. Williams' b aus m Jiffy, 8st. 12lbs. Po Mut 2
Mr. Mills' br e g Golconda, 8st. 8lbs. ... Boota Singh 3
Mr. B. N Burjorjee's b aus m Curlew, 7st. 13lbs. (car. 8st 9lbs.) ... ... Clarke 0
Mr. Bevill's br aus m Wattle Blossom, 9st. Ensoof 0
Mr. Y. C Ariff's br aus m Edith, 6st. 12lbs. (car. 6st. 13lbs.) ... ... Mahomed 0
Mr. John's br aus g Darketh, 7st. 7lbs. ... Bah Nyun 0
Major Penny's br aus g Rex, 7st. 7lbs. ... Po Khai 0
Mr. L. Chin Tsong's b aus m The Bride, 7st. 5lbs. (car. 7st. 6lbs.) ... ... Kyaw Zan Oo 0

Tote paid Rs. 9 to win ; Rs. 8, Rs. 47, and Rs. 11 for places.
BETTING : 6 to 4 on La France, 2 to 1 agst. Rex, 4 to 1 Golconda, 6 to 1 each Jiffy, Curlew and Wattle Blossom, and 7 to 1 The Bride.
Won by half a length ; a length between second and third, and a head between third and fourth. No time taken.

FIRST SELLING PLATE.—Rs. 400 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second, and Rs. 50 to the third For Burma-breds, 13-0½ and unde. Entered to be sold for Rs. 500. 13-0½ to carry 9st. 7lbs. W. I. 7lbs. allowed for each Rs. 100 below Rs. 500. About ½ mile.

Mr. McDonnell's b bb m Tsain Chai, (Rs. 400), 9st.... ... ... Oomer 1
Mr. I. Tilly's g bb g Myadoung, (Rs. 400), 7st. 4lbs. (car. 7st. 6lbs.) ... ... Abdool 2
Maung Po Thain's b bb m Goolandam, (Rs. 500), 9st. 3lbs. ... ... Hyder 3
Maung Po Thain's ch bb g Kya Dan, (Rs. 400) 8st. 8lbs. (car. 8st. 10lbs.) .. Po Mut 0
Maung Ohn Maung's d bb m Aye Chit, (Rs. 400), 7st. 6lbs. ... .. Po Khay 0

Tote paid Rs. 6 over winner, and Rs. 5 and Rs. 106 for places.
BETTING : 2 to 1 on Tsain Chai, 5 to 2 agst. Goolandam, 10 to 1 the rest.
Won easily by four lengths ; one length between second and third. The winner was sold by auction after the race, and was bought by Mr. George for Rs. 575.

MEERUT ELEVENTH OPEN GYMKHANA.

Thursday, 8th November, 1906.

A rather sparse gallery watched the discussion of this interesting card ; all conditions made for good sport and some of the results, notably Saglavi's win in the Meerut Plate, 1000yards, were very good. Details :—

PONY HURDLE HANDICAP.—A handicap for all ponies. R.C.

Capt. Bennett's br aus m Pinfire, 11st. 9lbs. ... ... Owner 1
Capt. Charley's ch ag Hermes, 10st. 7lbs. .. Owner 2
Mr. Adam's ch aus m Little Mary, 9st. 2lbs. Mr. Platt 3

BETTING : 5 to 2 on Pinfire, 6 to 4 agst. Hermes, 4 to 1 Little Mary.
Won easily by two lengths ; a bad third. Time—3mins. 20⅖secs.

HORSE HURDLE HANDICAP.—A handicap for all horses. R. C.

Capt. Bennett's b aus g Precarious, 10st. 11lbs. ... ... Owner 1
Mr. Rhodes' b aus g Brigadier, 10st. ... Owner 2
Mr. Platt's b aus g Starlight, 9st ... Owner 3

BETTING : 3 to 1 on Precarious, 3 to 1 agst. Starlight, 4 to 1 Brigadier.
Won by a length ; a bad third. Time—2min. 58⅗secs.

A MATCH.—Rs. 30 each side. 1,000 yards.

Mr. Newton's b aus g Jimmy, 10st. ... Mr. Platt 1
N. Sultan Mahomed's rn aus g Grig, 9st. ... Purson 2

BETTING : 2 to 1 on Jimmy, 6 to 4 on Grig.
Won by a length ; Time—1min. 2⅖secs.

NOVICE RACE.—For Arabs and C.-B.'s 14-1 and under that have never won Gymkhana races. 14-1 to carry 10st. W. I. 2½ furlongs.

N. Sultan Mahomed's b cb m Baby, 10st. 2lbs. ... ... Capt. Bennett 1
Major Cameron's ch a h Gunner, 10st. 10lbs. ... ... Mr. Bryant 2
L. Manohar Lall's b cb m Gazelle, 9st. ... Kanhai 3

Also ran : No Chance, 11-3 ; Gold Ring, 9-7 ; Queen Eliza 9-4.
BETTING : 6 to 4 agst. Gunner, 2 to 1 each No Chance and Baby, 5 to 1 the others.
Won by four lengths ; the same between the second and third.

THE MEERUT PLATE.—A handicap for maiden Arab and C.-B. ponies 14-1 and under. 1,000 yards.

Col. Brown's g a p Saglavi, 8st. 9lbs. ... Baichan 1
Capt. F. Bennett's ch a h Pardon, 10st. 2lbs. ... ... Owner 2
Col. Beaver's ch a g Breadalbane, 9st. ... Native 3

BETTING : 2 to 1 agst. Saglavi, evens Pardon, 6 to 4 Breadalbane.
Won by a head. Time—1min. 5secs.

THE OPEN HANDICAP.—A handicap for all ponies 14-1 and under. R. C.

Mr. Adams' g a h Clontarf, 7st. 8lbs. ... Baichan 1
L. Manohar Lall's b lk e m La Belle, 11st. 8lbs. ... ... Bryant 2
Mr. Lanyon's b a g Powta, 9st. 7lbs. ... Mr. Studdy 3
Also ran : Duckling, 10-9.

BETTING : 2 to 1 on La Belle, evens Powta, 2 to 1 agst. Powta 4 to 1 Duckling.
Won by six lengths ; a poor third. Time—3mins. 25secs.

RAILWAY PLATE.—For horses that have never won a race of any description, and for all maiden ponies. Horses catch-weights 11st, English and Australian ponies, catchweights 10st, other ponies, catchweights 9st. 3½ furlongs.

Capt. Forsyth's ch aus g Esslemont, 10st. Mr. Bryant 1
N. Sultan Mahomed's rn aus g Grig, 10st.... Mr. Platt 2
Mr. Bryant's b aus g Doubtful, 11st. ... Baichan 3

Also ran : No Chance.
BETTING 2 to 1 on each Esslemont, Doubtful and Grig, 5 to 1 agst. No Chance.
Won easily by four lengths. Time—47⅖secs.

MEERUT AUTUMN MEETING 1906

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First Day, Saturday, 10th November 1906.

IN spite of the rather half-hearted response accorded to the executive's efforts by out station owners and some whose stables usually figure at this meeting, the races to-day were very far from lacking in interest. Fields were, it must be admitted, rather on the small side ; but the actual racing was of good class. Take for instance the finish in the Beginners' Plate, in which Mubarak Bakht, that heavily weighted C. B, beat such good class as Cosy Corner and Alice by four and seven lengths respectively. There was a very good struggle for first place in the Nauchandi Plate when Aureole, whose chances were not considered at all good, was landed a clever winner from Gambetta an odds on favourite. Details :—

PONY HURDLE HANDICAP.—Value Rs. 350. Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second, and Rs. 50 to the third A handicap for Arab and C.-B. ponies 14-2 and under, and other ponies 14-1 and under, that have never won a steeplechase or hurdle race value Rs. 500 or over. About 1¾ mile over 8 flights of hurdles

Capt. Bennett's b aus m Pin Fire, 10st. 7lbs. ... ... Owner 1
Major Butler and Capt. Grech's Invincible, 11st. 7lbs. ... ... Capt. Johnson 2
Mr. Johnston's b sa g Young Rake, 10st. 11b. ... ... Bond 3

BETTING : Evens Pin Fire, 2 to 1 agst. each of the others.
The order of going at the start was—Pinfire, Young Rake and Invincible and this was maintained till the three furlongs where the two latter changed places and in that order they finished, the verdict being a neck and five lengths. Time—3mins. 40⅖secs.

KENSINGTON PARK PLATE.—Value Rs. 350. Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second, and Rs. 50 to the third. For maiden Arab and C.-B. ponies 14-2 and under, and other maiden ponies 14-1 and under, that have not won flat races value Rs. 50 or over, amounting in aggregate to Rs. 1,000 or over. C.-B.' s14-2 to carry 10st. 4lbs. Arabs 14-2 to carry 9st., other 14-1 to carry 10st. 7lbs.

Col. Beaver's ch aus g Singa, 10st. 1lbs. ... Capt. Barrett 1
Sirdar Jewan Singh's ch aus m Black Spot, 10st. 7lbs. ... ... Hugh 2
Messrs. Wilson and Jolliffe's br aus m Lady Knight, 12st. ... ... Barrett 3

BETTING : Evens Lady Knight, 6 to 4 agst. Singa, 3 to 1 Black Spot.
Lady Knight made the running to the distance where she fell back and let up Singa who followed by Black Spot won by a bare neck ; a length between second and third. Time—1min. 8⅗secs.

BEGINNERS' PLATE.—Value Rs. 350. Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second, and Rs. 50 to the third. For Arab and C.-B. ponies 14-2 and under, and other ponies 14-1 and under, that have never won a flat race value Rs. 50 or over. C.-B.'s 14-2 to carry 11st 8lbs., Arabs 14-2 to carry 10st. 8lbs., others 14-1 to carry 11st. 12lbs. W. I. ¼ mile.

Sirdar Jewan Singh's b cb g Mubarak Bakht, 11st. 2lbs. ... ... Hoyt 1
Capt. Milvain's b e m Cosy Corner, 11st. 3lbs. ... ... Hon. D. Bingham 2
Mr. Johnstone's b aus m Alice, 10st. 8lbs. Capt. Johnson 3

Also ran : Naughty Girl, 9-0.
BETTING : 6 to 4 each agst. Cosy Corner and Mubarak Bakht, 3 to 1 Alice, and 6 to 1 Naughty Girl.
Mobarak Bakht lay last till they neared the distance where he began to overhaul Naughty Girl who had shot her bolt and getting ahead after stalling off Cosy Corner's challenge sailed in a winner by four lengths ; three lengths between second and third. Time—53⅘secs.

ARAB PLATE.—(New Race).

Col. Brown's gr a h Suglavi, 7st. 13lbs. ... Southall 1
Capt. Bennett's Pardon, 10st. 7lbs. ... Melsom 2
Major Popham Young's b a h Surkhab, 9st. Hoyt 3

Mr. Mellor's Harmony, 8st. 8lbs. ... Bechan 4
Also ran : P. G., 10-10 ; The Ranger, 10-7 ; Wily, 10-1 ; Breadaldane, 9-9 ; Leicester, 9-6.
BETTING : 2 to 1 agst. Wily, 3 to 1 each Harmony and Suglavi, 6 to 1 the others.
First Leicester then Harmony led, but after the distance there was a general transposition. Pardon and Surkhab passed Harmony and Suglavi overhauled them in turn and won by a length ; a neck between second and third. Time—54⅖secs.

MAIDEN RACE.—Value Rs. 350. Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second, and Rs. 50 to the third. For maiden Arab and C.-B. ponies 14-1 and under, and other maiden ponies 14-0 and under that have not won flat races value Rs. 50 or over amounting in aggregate to Rs. 1,000 or over. C.-B.'s 14-1 to carry 10st. Arabs 14-1 to carry 8st. 7lbs. others 14-1 to carry 10st. 7lbs. W. I. 1,000 yards.

Col. Beaver's ch aus g Felix, 9st. 6lbs. ... Bechan 1
Lalla Rudham Chund's bk cb h Black Prince, 8st. 4lbs. ... ... Hoyt 2
Mr. Johnstone's g ch m Begum, 8st. 2lbs ... Barrett 3

Also ran : Grail, 9-6.
BETTING : 6 to 4 on Felix, 2 to 1 agst. Begum, 6 to 1 Black Prince, 10 to 1 Grail.
To the distance Begum and Black Prince were in front ; here Felix displaced them and Black Prince went in pursuit of him but could not get level. Won by two lengths ; three-quarters of a length between second and third. Time—1min. 2⅖secs.

NAUCHANDI PLATE.—Value Rs. 350. Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second, and Rs. 50 to the third. For maiden horses. W. A and C. raised 2lbs. To be ridden by G. R.s or Licensed Jockeys. 6 furlongs.

Mr. Goodman's Aureole, 11st. 6lbs. Hon. D. Cingham 1
Col. Beaver's b aus g Gambetta, 10st. 10lbs. Capt. Barrett 2
Mr. Austin's b aus g Birrabe, 11st 3lbs. Bechan 3

Also ran : Precarious, 10-10.
BETTING : 2 to 1 on Gambetta, 3 to 1 agst. Birrabe, 6 to 1 each the others.
Precious made play with Gambetta next, but Aureole got abreast of Precious at the half mile and shaking Gambetta off won by a length ; two lengths between second and third. Time—1min. 24⅕secs.

Entries for Races.

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FIRST ENTRIES.

SECOND EXTRA MEETING.

Saturday, 8th December 1906.

THE MAIDEN HORSE PLATE.—7 furlongs.

Mr. A. N. Dass' b e m Child Adopted.
Mr. A. N. Dass' ch e m Carnival.
Mr. J. B's ch aus g Curfew.
Mr. A. L. Butler's b e m Stepaway.
Mr. J. C. Galstaun's b e g Craigendarrie.
Mr. J. C. Galstaun's b e g Silphoe.
Mr. W. Griffith's ch aus m Palas
Mr. D. B. Myers' bk br e c Black Duke.
Mr. D. B. Myers' b aus g Bon-Bon (aged).
Mr. R. B. Lamotte's b aus g Tattoo.
Mrs. A. Grosser's b e m Merry Elsie.
Mrs. A. Grosser's b aus g Cyril.
Mr. W. Moran's b aus g Trenayr.
Mr. H. V. Low's or aus m Olive Lee.
Mr. J. M. Rodocanachi's br or bk e m Downland.
Mr. G. H. L. Mackenzie's br e m Colina.
Mr. G. B. Deakin's ch e m Meadow Saffron.
Messrs. Wood and Badger's n e g Squire Alfred.
Messrs. Wood and Badger's br e f Mother Goose.
Hon. Mr. A. A. Apcar's br aus m Dea.
Mr. O. M. D. Bell's br aus h Mount Dane.

Final entries close 3rd December.

FIRST MEETING.

First Day, Saturday, 22nd December.

BURDWAN CUP.—R. C. and a distance over seven flights of hurdles.

Mrs. Fraser Nash's bk aus g Scotch Thistle.
Messrs. Jones and Pugh's b aus g Olynthus.
Hon. Mr. A. A. Apcar's ch aus m Seclusion.
Mr. E. J. Marshall's b aus g Kipling.
Mr. J. C. Galstaun's b aus g Hoop Iron.
Mr. Spooner Hart's b aus g Decoration.
Mr. Spooner Hart's b aus g Loch Lochie.
Mr. Spooner Hart's b aus g Penuant.
Mr. Holmes' b e m Santa Maria.
Messrs. Wood and Badger's br e g Thomond.
Mr. Locke's b aus g Look Out
Mr. Locke's ch aus g Baron II.

THE TRIALS.—1 mile.

H. H. Kour Sahib of Patiala's b aus h Cherson.
Lieut-Col. J. Desaraj Urs' b aus g Red Coral.
H. H. Mah. of Mysore's br aus h Munderah.
Mr. A. N. Dass' b aus h Trencherman.
Mr. J. B.'s b aus m Signorina
Mr. E. L. F. DeSoysa's b e h Footprint.
Hon. Mr. A. A. Apcar's b aus h Fitzgrafton.
Mr. J. C. Galstaun's b r aus g Long Tom.
Mr. J. C. Galstaun's br aus g Prince Lyon.
Mr. J. C. Galstaun's b e m Paddy's Darling.
Mr. Spooner Hart' ch aus h Contest.
Mr. Maxwell's br aus h The Master.
Mr. Holmes' bk e m Annamulloch.
Mr. J. D. Scott's br c h g Saloon.
Mr. J. D. Scott's ch e m Amplify.
Messrs. Hudson and Butler's bk or br e m Blitzen.
Mr. Charles' b e c Steinhager.
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H. H. Mah. of Cooch Behar's bk aus m Matin Bell.
H. H. Mah. of Cooch Behar's ch aus m Coin II.
Mr. B. N. Burjorjee's b aus m Curlew
Mr. W. Griffith's br aus m Mayroid.
Mr. F. Potter's bk or bk aus m Flo.
Mr. J. D. Scott's b aus g Wal.
Mr. Bunting's b e h Son of a Gun.
Mr. Dartmoor's b aus m Vanity Fair.
Thakur Sripal Singh's br aus m Plover.

THE INTERNATIONAL PONY PLATE.—7 furlongs.

Lieut.-Col. J. Desaraj Urs' b aus g Minimus.
Mr. J. B.'s b aus m Signorina.
Mr. E. C. Ramshaw's br aus m Wakeful.
Mr. J. C. Galstaun's b aus h Matalgia.
Mr. J. C. Galstaun's b e g Silphoe.
Mr. J. D. Scott's bk or br aus m Lady Avon.
Mr. J. D. Scott's b aus g Duplex II.
Mr. Bunting's b e m Lady Vera.
Mr. Bunting's gr e m Lady Grey II.
Mr. D. B. Myers' ch aus m Meg.
Mr. Field's b aus m Solace.

THE PADDOCK PLATE.—1½ mile.

Capt. H. D. McNeile's ch e g White Heather.
Mr. A. N. Dass' b e m Clynder.
Capt. Farquharson's br e m Nightingale.
Mr. P. B. Avasia's br e g Testwood.
Mr. Charles' b aus g Refuge Bay
Hon. Mr. A. A. Apcar's bk aus g Ballark.
Hon. Mr. A. A. Apcar's ch aus m Nak Our.
Mr. Alec's b aus g Lord D.
Mr. E. J. Marshall's ch e g Galley Slave.
Mr. J. C. Galstaun's b aus g Our State.
Mr. J. C. Galstaun's bk e g Dirty Boy.
Mr. J. C. Galstaun't b nth am g Riverside II.
Mr. J. C. Galstaun's b e h Applause.
Mr. J. C. Galstaun's br e m Sainte Marquise.
Mr. Spooner Hart's b aus m Jacquelin.
Mr. Holmes' b e m Santa Maria.
Mr. W. Griffiths' ch aus m Palas.
Mr. J. D. Scott's b aus m Massachusette.
Mr D. B. Myers' b aus g Bon Bon.
Mr. D. B. Myers' gr e e Jolly Abbot.
Mrs. A. Grosser's b e m Merry Elsie.
Mrs. A. Grosser's b aus g Cyril.
Mr. O. M. D. Bell's b aus c Mount Dane.
Mr. O. M. D Bell's br. aus g Jackeroo.
Mr. W. Moran's aus g Trenayr.
Mr. W. Moran' bk aus g Lord Boyne.
Mr. G. H. L. MacKenzie's br e m Colina.
Mr. A. L. Butler s b e m. Stepaway.
Mr. Field's b e g Nirvana.
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Mr. Charles' b e h Rosanule.
Mr. W. H. Walmsley's ch e m Seamander.
Mr. W. H. Walmsley's b e g Jack Sheppard.
Mr. G. B. Deakin s ch e g Beaunero.
Mr. Dartmoor's b e g Bundook.

Second Day, Wednesday, 26th December.

PONY HURDLE HANDICAP.—2 miles over eight flights of hurdles.

H. H. Kour Sahib of Patiala's b e m Nurse Kitty.
Mr. M. R. K. Hodgson's ch aus g Tartan.
Mr. F. G. Evers' ch aus g Brangs.
Lieut-Col. J. Desaraj Urs' ch aus m Lucretia.
Mr. A. N. Dass' ch aus g Pineal.
Mr. W. H. Walmsley's br aus m Footlight.
Mr. J. C. Galstaun's br aus g Whitefoot.
Mr. J. D. Scott's b sth afrb Pat C.
Mr. J. D. Scott's ch aus m Mary Jane.
Messrs. Wood and Badger's ch aus g Curfew Bell.
Col. P. K. L. Beaver's ch aus m Little Dolly.
Thakur Sripal Singh's b aus g Nigam.

THE VICEROY'S CUP.—1¼ miles.

H. H. Kour Sahib of Patiala's br aus g Lamrock.
H. H. Kour Sahib of Patiala's b aus h Cherson.
H. H. Mah. of Mysore's br aus h Munderah.
Mr. J. B.'s b aus m Signorina.
Mr. E. L. F. DeSoysa's b e h Footprint.
Hon. Mr. A. A. Apcar's b aus h Mallard.
Hon. Mr. A. A. Apcar's b aus h Fitzgrafton.
Mr. E. J. Marshall's b aus g Kipling.
Mr. J. C. Galstaun's br aus g Long Tom.
Mr. J. C. Galstaun's b e m Paddy's Darling.
Mr. Spooner Hart's ch aus h Contest.
Mr. Maxwell's br aus h The Master.
Mr. J. D. Scott's ch e m Amplify.
Mr J. D. Scott's br ch g Saloon.
Mr. S. Margrett's b aus g Spero.
Mr. Charles' b e h Rosanule.
Mr. North's b or br e g Clear Artist
Mr. Dartmoor's ch e g Sacristan II.
Mr. Charles' b e c Steinhager.

THE CALCUTTA PLATE.—7 furlongs.

H. H. Kour Sahib of Patiala's b aus h Cherson.
Lieut-Col. J. Desaraj Urs' b aus g Red Coral.
Mr. A. N. Dass' b e m Clynder.
Mr. A. N. Dass' b e m Child Adopted.
Capt. Farquharson's br e m Au Fait.
Hon. Mr. A. A. Apcar's bk aus m Airloch.
Hon. Mr. A. A. Apcar's br aus m Martinique.
Hon. Mr. A. A. Apcar's br aus m Dea.
Mr. G. K's b aus m Jubilant.
Mr. E. J. Marshall's br e g Master Charlie.
Mr. J. C. Galstaun's b e g ure Gold.
Mr. J. C. Galstaun's br e m Killeevan.
Mr. J. C. Galstaun's bk aus g Dulcimer.
Mr. J. C. Galstaun's b e m Paddy's Darling.
Mr. J. C Galstaun's br aus g Prince Lyon.
Mr. Spooner Hart's ch aus h Contest.
Mr. Maxwell's br aus h The Master.
Mr. Holmes' bk e m Annamulloch.
Mr. J. D. Scott's b aus g Massachusetts.
Mr. D. B. Myers' gr e c Jolly Abbot.
Mrs. A. Grosser's b aus g Cyril.
Mr. O. M. D. Bell's br aus g Jackeroo.
Mr. O. M. D. Bell's b aus g Botha.
Mr. W. Moran's b aus g Trenayr.
Messrs. Hudson and Butler's bk or br e m Blitzen.
Messrs. Hudson and Butler's bk or br e m Mercedes.
Mr. Field's b e g Nirvana.
Mr. Stead's ch or br aus f Palindrome.
Messrs Wood and Badger's ch e g Sermon.
Messrs. Wood and Badger's br e f Ferndown.
Mr. Charles' b e g Pendred.
Mr. G. B. Deakin's ch e m Meadow Saffron.
Mr. Dartmoor's ch e g Sacristan II.
Mr. Dartmoor's ch aus g Amyas.
Mr. Dartmoor's b aus m Lady Metal.
Thakur Sripal Singh's b aus g Flotsam.
Mr. E. L. F. DeSoysa's b e h Footprint.

THE DEALERS' PLATE.—6 furlongs.

Mr. A. N. Dass' b aus g Mullson.
Mr. J. B.'s ch aus g Curfew.
Hon. Mr. A. A. Apcar's ch aus g Terence.
Mr. J. C. Galstaun's br aus g Windy.
Mr. S. F. Reynold's b aus g Coronet.
Mr. Maxwell's br aus m Musette.
Mr. S. Margrett's b aus g Spero.
Mr. S. Margrett's b aus g St. Michael.
Mr. R. B Lamotte's br aus g Tattoo.
Mr. R. B. Lamotte's b aus g Prince Moorefield.
Mrs. A. Grosser's br aus g Swindle.
Mr. O. M. D. Bell's br aus g Dramatic.
Mr. O. M. D. Bell's br aus g Jackeroo.
Mr. O. M. D. Bell's b aus g Botha.
Mr. W. Moran's bk aus g Mallinyook.
Mr. H. V. Low's br aus m Olive Lee.
Mr. H. V. Low's b or br aus Vinolla.
Mr. J. S. Love's b aus g Tycannah.
Mr. H. E. Smith's b aus m Wake-Up.
Mr. Griffiths' ch aus m Palas.

THE ECLIPSE PONY PLATE.—7 furlongs.

H. H. Maharaja of Cooch Behar's ch aus m Coin II.
H. H. Maharaja of Cooch Behar's bk aus m Matin Bell.
Mr. B. N. Burjorjee's b aus m Curlew.
Mr. B. N. Burjorjee's br aus m Lorette.
Mr. G. K.'s ch aus m Veera.
Mr. J. C. Galstaun's b aus m Circus Girl.
Mr. J. C. Galstaun's ch aus m Claribell.
Mr. F. Potter's br or bk aus m Flo.
Mr. J. D. Scott's b aus g Wal.
Mr. Bunting's b e h Son of a Gun.
Mr. D. B. Myers' ch aus m Meg.
Mr. R. D. Coggan's br aus g Ivanhoe II.
Thakur Sripal Singh's b aus g S. S.

THE PAVILION PLATE.—R. C.

H. H. Kour Sahib of Patiala's br aus g Lamrock.
Lieut.-Col. J. Desaraj Urs' b aus g Trenton.
Mr. A. N. Dass' b e g Insurrection.
Mr. E. L. F. DeSoysa's b e h Footprint.
Capt. Farquharson's br e m Nightingale.
Mr. P. B. Avasia's br e g Testwood.
Mr. Charles' b aus g Refuge Bay.
Mr. Cecil's ch e m Cingalee.
Hon. Mr. A. A. Apcar's ch aus m Seclusion.
Hon. Mr. A. A. Apcar's bk aus g Ballark.
Hon. Mr. A. A. Apcar's ch aus m Nak Our.
Mr. Alec's b aus g Lord D.
Mr. E. J. Marshall's br e g Master Charlie.
Mr. J. C. Galstaun's b aus g Our State.
Mr. J. C. Galstaun's br e m Sainte Marquise.
Mr. J. C. Galstaun's b nth am g Riverside II.
Mr. J. C. Galstaun's bk e g Dirty Boy.
Mr. J. C. Galstaun's br e g Hande'illian.
Mr. Holmes' b e m Santa Maria.
Mr. J. D. Scott's b aus g Massachusetts.
Mr. B. B.'s b e m Bouquet.
Mr. D. B. Myers' bk or br e c Black Duke.
Mr. D. B. Myers' gr e c Jolly Abbott.
Mr. D. B. Myer's ch aus m Bon-Bon.
Mrs. A. Grosser's b e m Merry Elsie.
Mrs. A. Grosser's b aus g Cyril.
Mr. O. M. D. Bell's br aus h Mount Dane.
Mr. W. Moran's bk aus g Lord Boyne.
Mr. A. L. Butler's b e m Stepaway.
Mr. Field's b e g The Chump.
Messrs. Wood and Badger's b e g Squire Alfred.
Messrs. Wood and Badger's br e f Mother Goose.
Messrs. Wood and Badger's br e g Thomond.
Mr. Charles' b e c Steinhager.
Mr. G. B. Deakin's ch e g Beaunero.
Mr. Dartmoor's b e g Bundook.
Mr. E. J. Marshall's b aus g Kipling.

Third Day, Saturday, 29th December.

THE GRAND ANNUAL.—2 miles over eight flights of hurdles.

Mr. J. C. Ballantyne's b aus g Clodian.
Mr. K. R. Tomkinson's b aus g Spark.
Capt. H. D. McNeile's ch e g White Heather
Messrs. Jones and Pugh's b aus g Olynthus.
Hon. Mr. A. A. Apcar's ch aus m Nak Our.
Hon. Mr. A. A. Apcar's ch aus m Seclusion.
Mr. Alec's b aus g Lord D.
Mr. Spooner Hart's b aus g Decoration.
Mr. Spooner Hart's b aus g Loch Lochiel.
Mr. Spooner Hart's br aus g Pennant.
Mr. J. C. Galstaun's br aus g Hoop Iron.
Mr. Holmes' b e m Santa Maria.
Mr. S. Margrett's b aus g Spero.
Messrs. Wood and Badger's br e g Thomond.
Mr. North's b aus g Greenstone.
Mr. Locke's ch aus g Baron II.
Mr. Locke's b aus g Look Out.

THE COOCH BEHAR CUP.—1¼ mile.

Lieut.-Col. J. Desaraj Urs' b aus g Trenton.
H. H. Mah. of Mysore's br aus h Munderah.
Mr. A. N. Dass' b aus h Trencherman.
Mr. A. N. Dass' b e m Clynder.
Mr. J. B.'s aus m Signorina.
Mr. E. L. F. DeSoysa's b e h Footprint.
Mr. P. B. Avasia's br e g Testwood.
Hon. Mr. A. A. Apcar's b aus h Mallard.
Hon. Mr. A. A. Apcar's b aus h Fitzgrafton.
Mr. Spooner Hart's ch aus h Contest.
Mr. Spooner Hart's b aus m Jacquelin.
Mr. J. C. Galstaun's br aus g Prince Lyon.
Mr. J. C. Galstaun's br aus g Long Tom.
Mr. J. C. Galstaun's b e m Paddy's Darling.
Mr. J. C. Galstaun's bk aus g Dulcimer.
Mr. J. C. Galstaun's b e g Pure Gold.
Mr. J. C. Galstaun's b aus g Our State.
Mr. Maxwell's b aus h The Master.
Mr. E. J. Marshall's br e g Master Charlie.
Mr. J. D. Scott's ch e m Amplify.
Mr. J. D. Scott's bk br aus m Lady Avon.
Mr. J. D. Scott's br ch g Saloon.
Mr. J. D Scott's b e m Honest Lady.
Mr. J. B.'s ch aus m Leda.
Mrs. A. Grosser's b e m Merry Elsie.
Mrs. A. Grosser's b aus g Cyril.
Messrs. Hudson and Butler's bk or br e m Blitzen.
Mr. Stead's br or ch aus m Palindrome.
Mr. Charles' b e c Steinhager.
Mr. Charles' b e h Rosanule.
Mr. Dartmoor's ch e g Sacristan II.
H. H. Kour Sahib of Patiala's b aus h Cherson.

THE SANDOWN PARK PLATE.—5 furlongs.

H. H. Kour Sahib of Patiala's b aus h Cherson.
Mr. A. N. Dass' b e m Clynder.
Mr. P. B. Avasia's b aus g Dormant.
Mr. P. B. Avasia' ch e g Presbyterian.
Capt. Farquharson's br e m Au Fait.
Col. P. K. L. Beaver's b aus g Manlock.
Hon. Mr. A. A. Apcar's bk aus m Airlock.
Hon. Mr. A. A. Apcar's br aus m Martinique.
Hon. Mr. A. A. Apcar's br aus m Dea.
Mr. E. J. Marshall's b aus g Camira.
Mr. J. C. Galstaun's bk aus g Dulcimer.
Mr. J. C. Galstaun's br e m Killeevan.
Mr. J. C. Galstaun's b e m Paddy's Darling.
Mr. J. C. Galstaun's ch e m Diakkaway.
Mr. Maxwell's br aus m Musette.
Mr. Holmes' bk e m Annamulloch.
Mr. F. Potter's b aus m Projecture.
Mr. J. D. Scott's ch e m Amplify.
Messrs. Hudson and Butler's bk or br e m Mercedes.
Mr. Field's b e g Nirvana.
Messrs. Wood and Badger's ch e g Sermon.
Messrs. Wood and Badger's br e f Ferndown.
Mr. Dartmoor's ch e g Sacristan II.
Mr. Dartmoor's ch aus g Amyas.
Mr. Dartmoor's b aus m Lady Metal.

THE LAWN PLATE.—6 furlongs.

Capt. H. D. McNeile's ch e g White Heather.
Lieut.-Col. J. Desaraj Urs' b aus g Red Coral.
Mr. A. N. Dass' b aus g Mulison.
Mr. E. C. Ramshaw's b aus m Wakeful.
Mr. J. B.'s ch aus g Curfew.
Capt. Farquharson's br e m Nightingale.
Mr. P. B. Avasia's ch e g Presbyterian.
Mr. Charles' ch e m Miss Hopson.
Mr. Charles' bk aus g Foy.
Hon. Mr. A. A. Apcar's bk aus g Ballark.
Hon. Mr. A. A. Apcar's b aus m Dea.
Mr. G. K.'s b aus m Jubilant.
Mr. E. J. Marshall's ch e g Galley Slave.
Mr. J. C. Galstaun's br em Killeevan.
Mr. J. C. Galstataun's br aus m Windy.
Mr. J. C. Galstaun's ch aus m Rustile.
Mr. J. C. Galstaun's b aus g Gum.
Mr. Spooner Hart's b aus m Jacquelin.
Mr. Maxwell's br aus m Musette.
Mr. W. Griffith's ch aus m Palas.
Mr. J. D. Scott's b e m Honest Lady.
Mr. D. B. Myers' gr e c Jolly Abbot.
Mr. D. B. Myers' b e m Vespasia.
Mr. W. Moran's bk aus g Mallinyook.
Messrs. Hudson and Butler's bk or br e m Mercedes.
Mr. Field's b e g Nirvana.
Mr. Field's b e m The Chump.
Mr. J. A. Manning's ch aus g Loyal.
Mr. J. S. Love's b aus g Tycannah.
Messrs. Wood and Badger's br e f Ferndown.
Messrs. Wood and Badger's ch e f Dunsinane.
Mr. Charles' b e h Rosanule.
Mr. Charles' b e g Pendred.
Mr. W. H. Walmsley's ch e m Seamander.
Mr. G. B. Deakin's ch e m Meadow Saffron.
Mr. G. B. Deakin's b e f Sea Spray.
Mr. Dartmoor's b aust m Lady Metal.
Thakur Singh's b aus g Flotsam.

THE GUNNY MEAH CUP.—R. C.

Lieut.-Col. J. Desaraj Urs' bk aus g Minimus.
Mr. A. N. Dass' ch aus g Pineal.
Mr. J. B.'s b aus m Signorina.
Mr. E. C. Ramshaw's br aus m Wakeful.
Mr. W. H. Walmsley's br aus m Footlight.
Col. Beaver's ch e g Jolly Roger.
Mr. J. C. Galstaun's b aus h Matalgia.
Mr. J. C. Galstaun's b e g Silphoe.
Mr. J. C. Galstaun's b aus g White Foot.
Mr. J. D. Scott's b aus g Duplex II.
Mr. J. D. Scott's ch aus m Yardley.
Mr J. D. Scott's b sth afr h Pat C.
Mr. J. D. Scott's ch aus h Yankee Boy.
Mr. J. D. Scott's bk br aus m Lady Avon.
Mr. Bunting's b e m Lady Vera.
Mr. Bunting's gr e m Lady Grey II.
Mr. O. M. D. Bell's br e m Psalm.
Mr. Field's b aus m Solace.
Mr. Stead's b aus m Belle Cole.
Messrs Wood and Badger's ch aus g Curfew Bell.
Thakur Sripal Singh's b aus g Nigam.

THE STAND PLATE.—6 furlongs.

H. H. Mah. of Cooch Behar's bk aus m Matin Bell.
H. H. Mah. of Cooch Behar's ch aus m Coin II.
Mr. B. N. Burjorjee's br aus m Lorette.
Mr. B. N. Burjorjee's b aus m Curlew.
Mr. G. K.'s ch aus m Veera.
Mr. J. C. Galstaun's b aus m Circus Girl.
Mr. J. C. Galstaun's ch aus m Claribell.
Mr. W. Griffith's br aus m Mayroid.
Mr. F. Potter's br bk aus m Flo.
Mr. J. D. Scott's b aus g Wal.
Mr. J. D. Scott's ch e m Esmeralda.
Mr. Bunting's b e h Son of a Gun.
Mr. R. D. Coggan's br aus g Ivanhoe II.
Mr. Dartmoor's b aus m Vanity Fair.
Thakur Sripal Singh's br aus m Plover.
Thakur Sripal Singh's br aus g S. S.

Fourth Day, Monday, 31st December.

THE MACPHERSON CUP.—Leger Course (1 mile 6 furlongs 132 yards.)

Mr. E. J. Marshall's br e g Master Charlie.
H. H. Kour Sahib of Patiala's br aus g Lamrock.
Lieut.-Col. J. Desaraj Urs' b aus g Trenton.
H. H. Mah. of Myore's br aus h Munderah.
Mr. A. N. Dass' b e g Insurrection.
Mr. J. B.'s b aus m Signorina.
Mr. E. L. F. DeSoysa's b e h Footprint.
Mr. P. B. Avasia's br e g Testwood.
Mr. Cecil's ch e m Cingalee.
Hon. Mr. A. A. Apcar's b aus h Mallard.
Hon. Mr. A. A. Apcar's b aus h Fitzgrafton.
Hon. Mr. A. A. Apcar's ch aus m Seclusion.
Mr. J. C. Galstaun's br aus g Long Tom.
Mr. J. C. Galstaun's b aus g Our State.
Mr J. C. Galstaun's bk e g Dirty Boy.
Mr. J. C. Galstaun's br e m Sainte Marquise.
Mr. Maxwell's br aus h The Master.
Mr. J. D. Scott's ch e m Amplify.
Mr. B. B.'s ch aus m Leda.
Mr. Charles' b e c Steinhager.
Mr. Charles' b e h Rosanule.

CHOWRINGHEE PLATE.—6 furlongs.

H. H. Kour Sahib of Patiala's b aus h Cherson.
Mr. A. N. Dass' b e m Clynder.
Mr. A. N. Dass' ch e m Carnival.
Mr. P. B. Avasia's ch e g Presbyterian.
Capt Farquharson's br e m Au Fait.
Col. P. K. L. Beaver's b aus g Manlock.
Hon. Mr. A. A. Apcar's bk aus m Airlock.
Hon. Mr. A. A. Apcar's br aus m Martinique.
Hon. Mr A. A. Apcar's br aus m Dea.
Mr. G. K.'s b aus m Jubilant.
Mr. E. J. Marshall's b aus g Camira.
Mr. Spooner Hart's ch aus h Contest.
Mr. J. C. Galstaun's br e m Killeevan.
Mr. J. C. Galstaun's br aus g Prince Lyon.
Mr. J. C. Galstaun's b e m Paddy's Darling.
Mr. J. C. Galstaun's bk aus g Dulcimer.
Mr. J. C. Galstaun's ch e m Diaksaway.
Mr. Maxwell's br aus h The Master.
Mr. Holmes' bk e m Annamulloch.
Mr. J. D. Scott's ch e m Amplify.
Mr. J. D Scott's br bk aus m Lady Avon.
Mr. D. B. Myers' gr e c Jolly Abbot.
Mr. D. B. Myers' b e m Vespasia.
Messrs. Hudson and Butler's bk or br e m Blitzen.

Messrs. Hudson and Butler's bk or br e m Mercedes.
Mr. Field's b e g Nirvana.
Mr. Stead's br or ch aus m Palindrome.
Messrs. Wood and Badger's ch e g Sermon.
Messrs. Wood and Badger's br e f Ferndown.
Mr. Charles' b e g Pendred.
Mr. Dartmoor's b aus m Lady Metal.
Mr. Dartmoor's ch e g Sacristan II.
Mr. Dartmoor's ch aus g Amyas.
Thakur Sripal Singh's b aus g Flotsam.

INNOVATION HANDICAP.—1 mile.

Lieut-Col. J. Desaraj Urs' b aus g Minimus.
Mr. J. B.'s b aus m Signorina.
Mr. E. C. Ramshaw's br aus m Wakeful.
Mr. Charles' ch e m Miss Hopson.
Col. P. K. L. Beaver's ch e g Jolly Roger.
Mr. J. C. Galstaun's b aus h Matalgia.
Mr. J. C. Galstaun's b e g Silphoe.
Mr. J. D. Scott's bk br aus m Lady Avon.
Mr. J. D. Scott's ch aus h Yankee Boy.
Mr. J. D. Scott's b aus g Duplex II.
Mr. Bunting's gr e m Lady Grey II.
Mr. Bunting's b e m Lady Vera.
Mr. D. B. Myers' ch aus m Meg.
Mr. O. M. D. Bell's br e m Psalm.
Messrs. Rodocanachi and Mackenzie's br aus g Bubble.
Mr. Field's b aus m Solace.
Mr. Stead's b aus m Belle Cole.
Thakur Sripal Singh's b aus g Nigam.

PONY HANDICAP.—1 mile.

H. H. Mah. of Cooch Behar's ch aus m Coin II.
H. H. Mah. of Cooch Behar's bk aus m Matin Bell.
Mr. A. N. Dass' b aus m Rezia.
Mr. B. N. Burjorjee's b aus m Curlew.
Mr. B. N. Burjorjee's br aus m Lorette.
Mr. G. K.'s ch aus m Veera.
Mr. J. C. Galstaun's b aus m Circus Girl.
Mr. J. C. Galstaun's ch aus m Claribel.
Mr. F. Potter's br bk aus m Flo.
Mr. J. D. Scott's b aust g Wal.
Mr. Bunting's b e h Son of a Gun.
Mr. R. D. Coggan's br aus g Ivanhoe II.
Thakur Sripal Singh's b aus g S. S.
Thakur Sripal Singh's br aus m Plover.

THE NEW YEAR PLATE.—R. C.

Mr. A. N. Dass' b e m Child Adopted.
Mr. A. N. Dass' b aus h Trencherman.
Mr. J. B's ch aus g Curfew.
Capt. Farquharson's br e m Nightingale.
Mr. P. R. Avasia's br e g Testwood.
Mr. Charles' b aus g Refuge Bay.
Hon. Mr. A. A. Apcar's bk aus g Ballark.
Hon. Mr. A. A. Apcar's ch aus m Nak Our.
Mr. Alec's b aus g Lord D.
Mr. J. C. Glastaun's b aus g Our State.
Mr. J. C. Galstaun's bk e g Dirty Boy.
Mr. J. C. Galstaun's b nth am g Riverside II.
Mr. J. C. Galstaun's br e m Sainte Marquise.
Mr. J. C. Galstaun's b e h Applause.
Mr. J. C. Galstaun's br e g Hande'ilian.
Mr. J. Holmes' b e m Santa Maria.
Mr. W. Griffiths' ch aus m Pallas.
Mr. J. D. Scott's b aus g Massachusetts.
Mr. J. D. Scott's b e m Honest Lady.
Mr. B. B's ch aus m Leda.
Mr. B. B's b e m Bouquet.
Mr. D. B. Myers' bk or br e c Black Duke.
Mrs. A. Grosser's b e m Merry Elsie.
Mrs. A. Grosser's b aus g Cyril.
Mr. O. M. D. Bell's br aus h Mount Dane.
Mr. W. Moran's bk aus m Lord Boyne.
Mr. Stead's b aus m Belle Cole, 14-1½.
Mr. J. A. Manning's b aus g Bucentaur.
Messrs. Wood and Badger's br e f Mother Goose.
Messrs. Wood and Badger's b e g Squire Alfred.
Mr. Charles' b e h Rosanule.
Mr. W. H. Walmsley's ch e m Scamander.
Mr. W. H. Walmsley's b e g Jack Sheppard.
Mr. G. B. Deakin's ch e g Beaunero.
Mr. Dartmoor's b e g Bundook.
Mr. E. J. Marshall's ch e g Galley Slave.

Final entries close 4th December.

TOLLYGUNGE STEEPLECHASES, 1907.

First Day, Tuesday, 1st January.

THE TRIAL CHASE PLATE.—About 2½ miles.

Mr. K. R. Tomkinson's b aus g Spark.
Mr. J. G. Ballantyne's b aus g Hodian.
Mr. W. T. Miles ch aus g Senator.
Mr. Beaumont's ch aus g Wales.
Mr. R. A. C. Pugh's gr aus g Watchfire.
Hon. Mr. A. A. Apcar's br aus g Henrique.
Hon. Mr. A. A. Apcar's b aus g Strathspey.
Mr. Alec's b aus g Lord D.
Mr. Spooner Hart's b aus g Loch Lochie.
Mr. Spooner Hart's b aus g Pennant.
Mr. J. C. Galstaun's b aus g Rustler.
Mr. J. C. Galstaun's b aus g Hoop Iron.
Mr. S. F. Reynolds' b aus g Coronet.
Mr. S. F. Reynolds' b aus g Adviser.
Mr. R. B. Lamotte's b aus g Tattoo.
Mr. Locke's b aus g Look Out.

THE PONY STEEPLECHASE.—About 2½ miles.

Mr. M. R. K. Hodgson's ch aus g Tartan.
Mr. W. H. Walmsley's br aus m Footlight.
Mr. J. D. Scott's bk aus m Mary Jane.
Mr. J. D. Scott's b sth afr h Pat C.
Messrs. Wood and Badger's ch aus g Curfew Bell.
Col. P. K. L. Beaver's ch aus m Little Dolly.

THE INDIAN GRAND NATIONAL.—About 3 miles.

H. H. Kour Sahib of Patiala's br aus g Lamrock.
Mrs. Fraser Nash's bk aus g Scotch Thistle.
Capt. H. D. McNeile's ch e g White Heather.
Mr. Beaumont's ch aus g Wales.
Messrs. Jones and Pugh's b aus g Olynthus.
Hon. Mr. A. A. Apcar's ch aus m Seclusion.
Mr. Alec's b aus g Lord D.
Mr. E. J. Marshall's b aus g Kipling.
Mr. Spooner Hart's b aus g Decoration.
Mr. Spooner Hart's b aus g Pennant.
Mr. Spooner Hart's b aus g Loch Lochie.
Mr. Spooner Hart's b or br aus g Aberfoyle.
Mr. J. C. Galstaun's b aus g Hoop Iron.
Mr. S. Margrett's b aus g Spero.
Messrs. Wood and Badger's br e g Thomond.
Mr. North's b aus g Greenstone.
Mr. Locke's b aus g Look Out.
Mr. Locke's ch aus g Baron II.

Final entries close 4th December.

Second Day, Saturday, 5th January.

THE TOLLYGUNGE PLATE.—About 3 miles.

Mrs. Fraser Nash's bk aus g Scotch Thistle.
Mr. W. T. Miles' ch aus g Senator.
Mr. Beaumont's ch aus g Wales.
Messrs. Jones and Pugh's b aus g Olynthus.
Hon. Mr. A. A. Apcar's ch aus m Seclusion.
Mr. Alec's b aus g Lord D.
Mr. E. J. Marshall's b aus g Kipling.
Mr. Spooner Hart's b aus g Decoration.
Mr. Spooner Hart's b aus g Pennant.
Mr. Spooner Hart's b aus g Loch Lochie.
Mr. Spooner Hart's b or br aus g Aberfoyle.
Mr. J. C. Galstaun's b aus g Hoop Iron.
Mr. J. C. Galstaun's b aus g Rustler.
Mr. J. C. Galstaun's b aus g Hoop Iron.
Mr. J. C. Galstaun's b aus g Rustler.
Messrs. Wood and Badger's br e g Thomond.
Mr. North's b aus g Greenstone.
Mr. Locke's b aus g Look Out.
Mr. Locke's ch aus g Baron II.

THE PONY HANDICAP STEEPLECHASE.—About 2½ miles.

Mr. M. R. K. Hodgson's ch aus g Tartan.
Mr. T. G. Evers' ch aus g Branga.
Mr. W. H. Walmsley's br aus g Footlight.
Mr. J. C. Galstaun's b aus g Whitefoot.
Mr. A. N. Dass' b aus g Pineal.
Mr. J. D. Scott's ch aus m Mary Jane.
Mr. J. D. Scott's b sth afr h Pat C.
Messrs. Wood and Badger's ch aus g Curfew Bell.
Col. P. K. L. Beaver's ch aus m Little Dolly.
Mr. Locke's b aus g Gladstone.

THE SUBURBAN PLATE.—About 2½ miles.

Mr. K. R. Tomkinson's b aus g Spark.
Mrs. Fraser Nash's bk aus g Scotch Thistle.
Capt. H. D. McNeile's ch e g White Heather.
Mr. Beaumont's ch aus g Wales.
Mr. R. A. C. Pugh's gr aus g Watchfire.
Hon. Mr. A. A. Apcar's ch aus m Seclusion.
Hon. Mr. A. A. Apcar's br aus g Henrique.
Hon. Mr. A. A. Apcar's bk aus g Strathspey.
Mr. Alec's b aus g Lord D.
Mr. J. C. Galstaun's b aus g Hoop Iron.
Mr. J. C. Galstaun's b aus g Rustler.
Mr. Spooner Hart's b aus g Pennant.
Mr. Spooner Hart's b aus g Loch Lochie.
Mr. S. F. Reynolds' b aus g Coronet.
Mr. S. F. Reynolds' b aus g Adviser.
Mr. R. B. Lamotte's br aus g Tattoo.
Messrs. Wood and Badger's br e g Thomond.
Mr. Locke's b aus g Look Out.

Final entries close 1st January.

LUCKNOW AUTUMN MEETING.

THE ARMY CUP.—7 furlongs.

FIRST ENTRIES CLOSED 1ST MAY 1906.

1	Mr. O. H. Stanley's	b a g	Korban, 14-0½.
2	Capt. F. W. Barrett's	b a g	Peninsular II., 13-2½.
3	Capt. Holden's	b a g	Killerman, 13-3½.
4	Capt. Holden's	g a h	Marengo, 13-3½.
5	Mr. M. R. K. Hodgson's	g a g	Seamew, 13-3½.
6	Capt. J. B. Southey's	g a g	Boostan, 13-2½.
7	Capt. J. McSwiney's	b a g	Milo, 14-0.
8	Major Stisted's	b a h	Imperialist, 13-3½.
9	Major Stisted's	ch a h	Sublime, 13-2½.
10	Major Young's	br a g	Itifaq, 14-0½.
11	Major Young's	b a h	Surkhab, 13-3½.
12	Capt. J. W. Jeffrey's	ch a g	Nijidi, 13-3½
13	Mr. M. E. Lloyd's	b a g	Suspender, 13-2½.
14	Capt. Hill's	g a h	Cinque Ports, 13-3½.
15	Capt. S. D. Price's	g a h	Silver Prince, 13-3.
16	Hon'ble D. Bingham's	g a g	Otara, 14-1.
17	Capt. J. H. M. Davies'	g a h	Lomond, 13-3.
18	Capt. J. H. M. Davies'	g a h	Honey, 13-2½.
19	Mr. G. F. Mellen's	b a g	Harmony, 13-2½.
20	Mr. R. Beaumont's	ch a h	Dilerjung, 13-3.
21	Col. Abud's	b a h	Martini, 13-2½.
22	Mr. Thornton's	g a g	Mist, 13-2½.

SECOND ENTRIES CLOSED 2ND JULY.

23	Capt. T. W. Howard's	ch a h	Promise, 13-3½.
24	Mr. Orr Paterson's	g a h	Mishall, 14-0.
25	Mr. Orr Paterson's	b a h	Surnid, 14-0.
26	Col. Leake's	g a h	Russia, 13-2½.
27	Mr. Alston's	g a g	Fizzer, 14-0½.

THIRD ENTRIES CLOSED 1ST SEPTEMBER

28	Mr. E. W. Williams'	b a g	Pasha, 14-0.
29	Mr. C. F. Cooper's	ch a g	Little Red Rat, 13-3.

FINAL ENTRIES CLOSED AT 12 P.M., 10TH NOVEMBER.

30	Mr. Greenway's	g a h	Cut Off, 14-1.

First Day, Tuesday 20th November.

THE PONY HURDLES.—1½ miles over 6 flights.

10	Mr. Hodgson's	ch a g	Tartan.
11	Messrs. Goculdas and Nanjee's	b a m	Olga.
12	M. J. D. Scott's	ch a m	Mary Jane.

THE TRIAL PLATE.—5 furlongs.

10	Mr. Ramshaw's	ch e k m	Lady of Quality.
11	Mr. J. B.'s	ch a g	Curfew.
12	Mr. Deakin's	ch e m	Meadow Saffron.
13	Mr. Main's	br a h	Baritone.
14	Thakur Sripal Singh's	b a g	Flotsam.
15	Mr. J. D. Scott's	br a m	Sweet Sound.

THE DESERT PLATE.—5 furlongs.

14	Mr. Johnstone's	ch a h	Ranger.
15	Mr. Avasia's	bk a h	Sabig.
16	Mr. J. D. Scott's	gr a h	Bahar.

THE MEDIUM PLATE.—½ mile.

13	H. H. The Maharaja of Cooch Behar's	ch a m	Coin II.
14	Mr. North's	bk a m	Careless.
15	Mr. Forbes'	b a m	Forget-me-not.
16	Mr. Mohun's	bk ch p	Black Prince.

THE CLUB PLATE.—6 furlongs.

7	Mr. Johnstone's	b a m	Alice.
8	Mr. J. D. Scott's	b a g	Wal.

THE NOVICE PLATE.—½ mile.

12	Thakur Sripal Singh's	gr a h	White Rose.
13	Mr. North's	b a h	Colonel.
14	Mr. Murray's	gr a h	German Gold.

THE CANTONMENT PLATE.—1,000 yards.

7	Mr. Walmsley's	br a m	Footlight.
8	Mr. Bass's	br e m	Filbert.
9	Capt. Maynell and Capt. Creig's	ch e m	Recovery.
10	H. H. The Koer Sahib of Patiala's	ch a h	Red Shot.
11	Mr. J. D. Scott's	ch a h	Yankee Boy.

THE MILITARY CHASE.—About 2½ miles.

10	Major Eustace Crawley's	br a m	Trendle.
11	Capt. Bennett's	b a g	Precarious.
12	Mr. Tomkinson's	b a g	Spark.

Second Day, Thursday, 22nd November.

THE ARMY CUP.—7 furlongs.

30	Mr. Greenway's	gr a h	Cut Off.

THE ARAB HANDICAP.—1,000 yards.

15	Mr. Avasia's	bk a h	Sabig.
16	Mr. J. D. Scott's	gr a h	Bahar.

THE NOVEMBER PLATE.—6 furlongs.

12	Mr. Deakin's	ch e m	Meadow Saffron.
13	Mr. J. D. Scott's	b e m	Honest Lady.

THE CHUTTER MUNZIL PLATE.—6 furlongs.

6	Mr. Johnstone's	b a m	Alice.
7	Mr. J. D. Scott's	c a g	Wal.

N.B.—Race falls through.

THE HANDICAP PONY CHASE.—R. C. About 2 miles.

8	Messrs. Goculdas and Nanjee's	b a m	Olga.
9	Mr. J. D. Scott's	ch a m	Mary Jane.

THE GIANT PONY HANDICAP.—5 furlongs.

11	Mr. Bunting's	b e m	Lady Vera.
12	Mr. Bunting's	g e m	Lady Grey III.
13	Capt. Maynell and Capt. Creig's	ch e m	Recovery.
14	Mr. J. D. Scott's	ch a h	Yankee Boy.

THE STEWADS' PLATE.—5 furlongs.

8	H. H. The Maharaja of Cooch Behar's	bl a m	Matin Bell.
9	Mr. Bass's	br e m	Filbert.
10	H. H. The Koer Sahib of Patiala's	ch a h	Red Shot.
11	Mr. J. D. Scott's	ch a h	Yankee Boy.

Third Day, Saturday, 24th November.

THE DESSERT HANDICAP.—1¼ miles.

10	Mr. Johnstone's	ch a h	Ranger.
11	Mr. Greenway's	gr a h	Cut Off.

THE ALUM BAGH PLATE.—5 furlongs.

14	Mr. Avasia's	bk a h	Sabig.
15	Mr. J. D. Scott's	gr a h	Bahar.

THE CORINTHIAN PLATE.—¼ mile.

16	Thakur Sripal Singh's	gr a h	White Rose.
17	Mr. North's	b a h	Colonel.
18	Mr. Murray's	ch a g	Sahoon
18	Mr. J. D. Scott's	b a g	Secunder.

THE FAREWELL PLATE.—6 furlongs

8	Mr. Deakin's	ch e m	Meadow Saffron.
9	Mr. Main's	br a h	Baritone.
10	Mr. J. D. Scott's	b a m	Honest Lady.

THE LAWS PLATE.—7 furlongs.

9	Mr. O. W. Paterson's	gr a h	Mishall.
10	Capt. Davies'	gr a h	Lomond.

THE LUCKNOW CHASE.—About 2½ miles.

11	Maj. Eustace Crawley's	br a m	Trendle.
12	Mr. Johnstone's	br a g	Hautboy.
13	Capt. Bennett's	b a g	Precarious.
14	Mr. Tomkinson's	b a g	Spark.

THE LUCKNOW PLATE.—6 furlongs.

11	Mr. Bass's	br e m	Filbert.
12	Capt. Maynell and Capt. Creig's	ch e m	Recovery.
13	Mr. Forbes'	b a m	Forget-me-not.
14	H. H. The Koer Sahib of Patiala's	ch a h	Red Shot.
15	Mr. J. D. Scott's	ch a h	Yankee Boy.

LUCKNOW, *11th November 1906.*

J. H. ENSOR, Major, *Secretary, Lucknow Races.*

TOLLYGUNGE CLUB GYMKHANA RACES.

Saturday, 17th November 1906.

FAREWELL HANDICAP.—1 mile.

Mr. A. L. Butler's b e m Stepaway, 11-12.
Mr. T. Curtis Hayward's b aus m Sylvia, 10-4.
Mr. H. K. Pierson's ch aus m Queen of Hearts, 9-10.
Mr. Cowper's br aus g Jacinth, 9-4.
Mr. W. M. Muir's br aus g Mars, 8-10.
Mr. J. Mitchell's br aus g Agamemnon, 8-0.
Mr. E. W. Antram's br aus m Myrene, 8-0.
Mrs. Ballard's br aus m Tacore, 8-0.
Mr. Holmes' ch aus g Nevermore.

OPEN PONY RACE.—5 furlongs.

Mr. J. C. Galstaun's b aus g Whitefoot, 14-2, 11-5.
Mr. H. P. Banker's b aus g Nevermiss, 14-2, 10-10.
Mrs. John Gregory's c aus m Picture, 14-2, 10-10.
Mr. J. C. Galstaun's ch aus m Ping Pong, 14-2½, 10-3.
Mr. Holmes' b aus m Energy, 14-0½, 9-5.
Mr. A. Donald's b aus g Optimist, 14-1½, 9-0.
Mr. A. N. Dass' ch aus g Pineal, 14-1½, 8-6.
Mr. M. W. Muir's ch aus g Golden Star, 14-0½, 8-0.

PONY STAKES.—1 mile.

Capt. H. R. Sandiland's b aus m Fatima, 14-2, 11-6.
Mr. M. Turner's b aus g Bull's-eye, 14-2, 11-0.
Mr. Cowper's b aus g Envious, 14-1½, 10-9.
Mr. J. D. West's b aus m Knockout, 14-0½, 10-0.
Mr. H. Hilliard's crm aus m Sunflower, 14-0½, 10-0.
Mr. M. W. Muir's ch aus g Golden Star, 14-0½, 9-11.

RECRUITS RACE.—4 furlongs.

Mr. J. B. Hampson's b aus g Slogan.
Mr. E. A. Beachcroft's b aus g Return.
Mr. T. N. O'Donoghue's b aus m Durra Billie (sic).
Mr. W. P. Daniel's br aus m Sarah.
Mr. J. G. N. Stephen's ch aus m Mary Ann.
Mr. W. M. Egerton's br aus m Jane.
Mr. T. T. Radmore's Toastrack.

GRIFFIN STAKES.—6 furlongs.

Mr. R. G. Farquharson's b aus g Recoil, 12-0.
Mr. Harry Jones' blk aus g Dreadnought, 11-9.
Mr. Archie Birkmyre's ch em Lady Fox, 11-0.
Mr. Archie Birkmyre's ch e g Ah Noo, 11-0.
Mr. W. O. Rees' b e g Lord Chippendale, 10-12.
Mr. A. C. Dulcken's b aus m Dalgal, 10-8.
Mr. G. Harvey's b aus g Smoke, 10-4.
Mr. Pauntley's br aus g Lucifer, 10-2.
——— Sheila, 10 0.
Mr. J. Graves' b aus g Emigrant, 9-12.
Mr. G. Justager's br aus g Romulus, 9-12.
Mr. C. M. Atkinson's b aus g Dongai, 9-7.
Mr. C. Anninos' b aus g Mentor, 9-7.
Mr. J. Mitchell's b aus g Agamemnon, 9-0.
Mr. F. L. Halliday's b aus g Brazen, 8-7.
Mr. S. C. Langham's ch aus g Salad Dressing, 8-7.

JUMPING COMPETITION.

Mr. E. W. Collin's Kildare.
Mr. T. Curtis Hayward's Lady Wilful.
Mr. E. A. Woodhouse's Moonray.
Mr. G. Arn ld's Florence.
Mr. A. G. H. Macpherson's Biccaton.
Mr. A. Levetus' Jorrocks.
Mr. J. G. Ballantyne's Fairy.
Major Enderby's Bargo.
Dr. W. C Hossack's Lady Gold.
Mr. Holmes' Nevermore.
Mr. W. O. Rees' Turk.
Mr. G. Harvey's J. R.
Mr. R. A. C. Pugh's Cymmeran.
Mr. Archie Birkmyre's Lady Fox.
Mr. Archie Birkmyre's Ah Noo.

RAWALPINDI DECEMBER MEETING.

TO BE HELD ON

13th and 15th December, 1906.

List of 1st and 2nd Entries closed on 6th November 1906.

First Day.

THE NOVICE PLATE—½ mile.

1	Mr. J. Lee's ...	... b cb g	... Mendicant.
2	Mr G. O'Hara's	... b cb m	... Challenger.
3	Col. R. Pringle's	... b cb m	... Ailsa Craig.
4	Mr. T. Kennedy's	... blk cb g	... Blackrock.
5	Mr. C. H. Landey's	... b cb m	Doreen.
6	Capt. E. Campion's	... b cb m	... Witchcraft.
7	Mr. H. P. Chaplin's	... b cb m	... Duchess.

SECOND ENTRIES.

8	Mr. Douglas' ...	... b cb m	... Artful.
9	Mr. U. C. Sandys'	... b cb m	... Adjusting Screw.

THE NOVICE ARAB PLATE—5 furlongs.

1	Mr. M. Vigors'	... b a h	... Tournay.
2	Capt. D. A. Carden's	... b a g	... Bulbul.
3	Capt A. S. Toogood's	... ch a g	... Broome
4	Col. R. Pringle's	... b a g	... Cock o'th' North.
5	Capt. E. C. Lloyd's	... g a g	... Manchester.
6	Mr. T Kennedy's	g a g	... Hoosainee.

SECOND ENTRIES.

7	Mr. E. W. Williams'	... ch a h	... Lohengrin.
8	Mr. Mulholland's	... b a g	... Tarang.

THE OPEN PLATE.—1 mile.

1	Capt. A S. Toogood's	.. b e m	... Maranta.
2	Messrs. Wilson and Jolliffe's	br aus h	... Dollar.
3	Mr. G. O'Hara's	... b aus m	... Margaret.
4	Messrs. Douglas and Mulholland's ...	... br e m	... Sago.
5	Capt. E. C. Lloyd's	ch aus m	... Frivolity.
6	Mr. Smith's ..	... ch aus m	... Arima.
7	Capt. E. Campion's	... b aus m	... Pride II.
8	Mr. H. P. Chaplin's	... b aus m	... Moonstone.

SECOND ENTRIES.

9	Mr. Sydney Smith's	... br e m	... May Queen.

THE STEEPLE CHASE.—about 2½ miles.

1	Mr. O. M. Dykes	... b aus g	... Ace of Hearts.
2	Capt. R Price's	... b aus g	... Monte.
3	Mr. W O. Gibbs'	... b e m	... Nell Gwynne.
4	Mr. E. W. Williams'	... b aus g	... Breeze.
5	Sir J. P. Milbankes	... br aus g	... Harold.

SECOND ENTRIES.

6	Capt. Campion and Mr. White's ...	... blk e g	... Devil's Dance.

THE DESERT PLATE.—6 furlongs.

1	Capt. D. A. Carden's	.. b a g	.. Bulbul.
2	Messrs Wilson and Jolliffe's	gr a h	... High Flag.
3	Mr. Mulholland's	... g a h	... Gray Friar II.
4	Mr. E. W. Williams'	... b a g	... Pasha.
5	E. W. Williams'	... gr a g	... Avatar.
6	Mr. T. Kennedy's	... ch a h	... Marsh.
7	Mr. Sydney Smith's	... b a h	... Palmy Days.
8	Mr. Sydney Smith's	... g a g	... Canopus.
9	Captain O. Winter's	... b a h	... Whirlwind.
10	Mr. E C. Webb's	... g a g	... Freckles.
11	Sir J. P. Milbanke's	... br a g	... Marquis II.

SECOND ENTRIES.

12	Capt. A. S. Toogood's	... b a h	... Malabar.
13	Mr. W. Graham's	... b a h	... Moonib Pasha.
14	Mr. W Graham's	... b a h	... Paladin.
15	Col. C. T. McM. Kavanagh's	g a h	... Money Spinner

THE MAIDEN PLATE.—5 furlongs.

1	Mr. G. O'Hara's	... b cb m	... Challenger.
2	Mr. P. N. Butler's	... b cb h	... The butler.
3	Mr. C. H. Landey's	... b cb m	... Doreen.
4	Capt. C. B Winter's	... b cb m	... Cherie
5	Messrs. Winter s	... ch cb m	... Who Cares.
6	Mr. H. P. Chaplin's	... b cb m	... Duchess.

SECOND ENTRIES.

7	Col. F. G. Delamain's	... b cb m	... Damosel.

Second Day.

THE PONY HURDLES.—1½ mile (over 6 flights.)

1	Capt. A. S. Toogood's	... b cb m	... Beauty II.
2	Col R. Pringle's	... b cb m	... Ailsa Craig.
3	Mr E. W. Williams'	... ch a h	... Lohengrin.
4	Mr. E W. Williams'	... b a g	... Pasha.
5	Mr. Sydney Smith's	... b cb m	... Sweetheart.

SECOND ENTRIES.

6	Mr. Sydney Smith's	... b cb m	... Shamrock.
7	Capt. J. H. Morgan's	... ch a h	... Brennan.

THE STEEPLE CHASE HANDICAP.—2½ miles.

1	Mr. O. M. Dyke's	... b aus g	... Ace of Hearts.
2	Capt. R. Price's	... b aus g	... Monte.
3	Mr. W. O. Gibbs'	... b e m	... Nell Gwynne (late Suldhu.)
4	Mr. E. W. Williams'	... b aus g	... Breeze.
5	Sir J. P. Milbanke's	... br aus g	... Harold.

SECOND ENTRIES.—*Nil.*

THE GHABIAL PLATE.—1½ mile.

1	Capt. D. A. Carden's	... b a g	... Bulbul.
2	Capt. A. S. Toogood's	... b e m	... Maranta.
3	Mr. Mulholland's	... b aus m	... Windsor Belle.
4	Col. R. Pringle's	... b cb m	... Maggie Lauder.

SECOND ENTRIES.

5	Mr. W. Graham's	... b a h	... Moonib Pasha.

THE SOHAN PLATE.—R. C.

1	Messrs Wilson and Jolliffe's	gr a h	— High Flag.
2	Mr. Mulholand's	... g a h	... Grey Friar II.
	Col. R. Pringle's	... b a g	... Cock o'th' North.
	Mr. E. W. Williams'	... b a g	.. Pasha.
	Mr. T. Kennedy's	... ch a h	... Marsh.
	Mr. Sydney Smith's	... b a h	.. Palmy Days.
7	Capt. O. Winter's	... b a h	... Whirlwind.
8	Mr. E. C. Webb's	... g a g	... Freckles.
9	Sir J. P. Milbanke's	... br a g	... Marquis II.

2ND ENTRIES.

10	Capt. A. S. Toogood's	... b a h	... Malabar.
11	Mr. W. Graham's	... b a h	... Moonib Pasha.
12	Mr. W. Graham's	... b a h	.. Paladin.
13	Col C. T. McM. Kavanagh's	g a h	... Money Spinner.
14	Major Popham Young's	... br a g	... Itifaq.

THE OPEN HANDICAP.—7 Furlongs.

1	Capt. A. S. Toogood's	.. b e m	... Maranta.
2	Messrs Wilson and Jolliffe's	br aus h	... Dollar.
3	Mr. G. O'Hara's	... b aus m	... Margaret.
4	Messrs Douglas and Mulholland's ...	... br e m	... Sago.
5	Capt. E. C. Lloyd's	... ch aus m	... Frivolity.
6	Mr. T Kennedy's	... b a s m	... Irish.
7	Mr. Smith's ...	... ch aus m	... Arima.
8	Capt. E. Campion's	... b aus m	... Pride II.
9	Mr. H P. Chaplin's	... b aus m	... Moonstone.

2ND ENTRIES.—*Nil.*

THE NOVICE HANDICAP.—½ mile.

1	Mr. J. Lee s ...	... b cb g	... Mendicant.
2	Mr. G. O Hara s	... b cb m	... Challenger.
3	Col. R. Pringle's	... b cb m	... Ailsa Craig.
4	Mr. T. Kennedy's	... blk cb g	... Blackrock.
5	Mr. C. H. Landey's	... b cb m	... Doreen.
6	Capt. E. Campion's	... b cb m	... Witchcraft.
7	Mr. H. P. Caplin's	... b cb m	... Duchess.

SECOND ENTRIES.

8	Mr. Douglas ...	... b cb m	... Artful.

THE NOVICE ARAB HANDICAP.—5 Furlongs.

1	Mr. M. Vigors' ..	... b a h	... Tournay.
2	Capt. A. S. Toogood's	... ch a g	... Broome.
3	Col. R. Pringle's	... b a g	... Cock o'th' North.
4	Capt. E. C. Lloyd's	... g a g	... Manchester.
5	Mr. T. Kennedy's	... g a g	.. Hoosainee.

2ND ENTRIES.

6	Mr. E. W. Williams'	... ch a h	... Lohengrin.
7	Mr. Mulholland's	.. b a g	... Tarang.

N. B.— Final Entries close on 20th November 1906.

E. CAMPION, CAPTAIN.
Honorary Secretary,
Rawalpindi Races.

Ponies.

C. T. C. Measurements.

CALCUTTA.

The following ponies were classed, aged and measured, at Calcutta, on 12th November 1906, by the Official Measurer :—

Name.	*Description.*	*Owner.*	*Age.*	*Height.*	*Period.*
Gilder	gr aus g	Messrs. Powell Bros.	Aged.	13-2½	For life.
Goughey	b sth am g	Mr Latham Hamilton ...	6	14-1	For life.
Reprieve	br e g	Capt. W. B. Rennie	5	13-3½	31st March 1907.
Tattler	b aus g	Mr. J. D. Marshall	5	14-0½	31st March 1907.
Tokani	ch e m	Capt. W. B. Rennie	5	14-1	31st March 1907.

Sport in England.

(FROM THE HOME PAPERS.)

LONDON, *Friday, 26th October 1906.*

THE TURF.

SANDOWN PARK.

WHILE a change in the wind towards the North had a more seasonable tinge in it, it banished the clouds that challenged sunshine on Thursday, and gave us a much more enjoyable day. Though the prog amme was of a more even decription, the attendance showed an improvement on the first days,' many prominent patrons being again present in the club stand, and the crowds in the further rings attested to the popularity of the meeting. The going was again excellent, and with no fears of a breakdown, the various stables came out strong, and good fields were the order of the day.

PARK SELLING PLATE—Of 200sovs., second receives 5sovs. 1 mile.

Mr. F R. Hunt's br h Exchequer, by Florizel II—Ways and Means, 6yrs., 8st. 7lbs.	W. Halsey	1
Mr. L. Robinson's ch h Glenamoy, 5yrs. 9st.	D. Maher	2
Mr. J. B. Joel's b f Crystal Flower, 3yrs. 7st. 11lbs. (car. 7st. 12lbs.) ...	H. Randall	3
Mr. H. Barnato's Don Diego, 3yrs. 8st. ...	W. Griggs	0
Mr. C. Hibbert's Mulligatawny, 5yrs, 8st. 7lbs	C. Trigg	0
Mr. R. J. Farquharson's Snowberry, aged, 8st. 4lbs	S. Walkington	0
Mr. J. C. Sullivan's B. M., 3yrs, 8st. ...	W. Higgs	0

(*Winner trained by Owner.*)

BETTING : 11 to 10 agst. Glenamoy, 9 to 2 Crystal Flower, 7 to 1 Snowberry, and 10 to 1 each the others (offered).

Won easily by four lengths ; three lengths divided second and third. Winner was bought in for 170gs.

GREAT SAPLING PLATE —Of 1,000sovs ; second receives 100sovs. and third 50sovs ; for two year olds ; 5 furlongs.

Baron de Forest's b f Beliatrix, by Melton—Minera, 8st. 2lbs. ...	D Maher	1
Sir E. Vincent's br g Auber, by Islington—Umbrosa, 9st. 5lbs.	C. Trigg	2
Mr. E. Dresden s ch c Galleot, by Ocean Wave—Galingale, 9st. 6lbs. ...	B. Lynham	3
Sir R. W. B. Jardine's Downshire, 8st. 5lbs.	H. Randall	0
Mr. W. Bass' Colt by Sir Edgar—Maggie Stuart 8st. 5lbs.	W. Halsey	0
Lord Westbury's Poker, 8st. 2 bs. ...	H. Pike	0
Mr. W. M. G. M. Singer's, Colt by Wolf's Crag—Poppy, 8st 5lb.	O. Madden	0
Mr. J. S. Sullivan's Colt by Winkfield—Wedding Cake, 8st. 5 bs	W. Higgs	0

(*Winner trained by G. Blackwell*).

BETTING : Evens Bellatrix 5 to 1 agst. Galleot 5 to 1 Auber, 8 to 1 Poker 100 to 8 others the (offered)

Won by three-quarters of a length ; while Galleot was beaten two lengths for second place.

WHEATSHEAF HANDICAP—Of 50sovs., second receives 500sovs. 1¼ mile.

Mr. H. Escott's b p Cadwal, by Martagon—Imogene, 4yrs., 6st. 10lbs. ...	C. Escott	1
Col. R. Kincaid Smith's b g Succour, 3yrs., 8st. 3lbs.	H. Randall	2
Lord Michelham's b c Chestnut, 4yrs., 8st.	W. Higgs	3
Mr. G. A. Prentice's Hong Kong, 5yrs., 7st. 5lbs. (car 7st 8lbs.)	F. Scourse	0
Mr. R. Wootton's Fabric, 5yrs., 6st. 7lbs. ..	F. Wootton	0
Mr. J. F. Appleyard's Given Up, 5yrs., 7st 10lbs. ... ...A.	Templeman	0
Mr. R. J. Farquharson's Dalkeith, aged, 8st. 7lbs. ... ... S.	Walkington	0
Mr F. Alexander's Bitter, 5yrs. 8st. 8lbs.	B. Lynham	0
Mr. F. Pennard's Monkshead, 6yrs., 8st. 3lbs.	C. Trigg	0
Mr. C. S. Newton's Round Dance, 3yrs., 7st. 12lbs.	O. Madden	0
Mr A. Stedall's Kolo, 3yrs. 6st. 11lbs.	J. Howard	0
Mr. J. Corlett's Let Go the Painter, 4yrs., 6st. 7lbs.	J. Plant	0

(*Winner trained by Owner.*)

BETTING : 5 to 2 agst. Chestnut, 100 to 30 Succour, 4 to 1 Hong Kong, 100 to 12 Given Up, 10 to 1 each Round Dance and Bitters, 100 to 8 each Monkshead, Kolo, Cadwal, and Let Go, the Painter, and 100 to 7 each the others (Offered).

Won cleverly by a neck ; a length and a half divided second and third.

That variety is charming was proved at Sandown on Saturday by the strong leaven amongst a big holiday attendance of the regular habitués of the Turf, the business side of which was present more with a view to dealings on the Chambridgeshire than attracted by the sport over sticks. What a number of horses must be trained and in training for the jumping game was also shown, as fields were too big for practical purposes, and more than half the competitors, for all the chance they had, would have been better at home getting fit for the busy season that commences the week after Manchester. However, one significant fact remains, that moderate as the quality was not one fall marred the pleasures of the afternoon's sport, which commanded a wonderfully fine attendance, and the executive, who work so hard to please their patrons, must have been satisfied, while a glorious afternoon succeeded a foggy morning, and the going was simply perfection.

NURBITON HANDICAP HURDLE RACE.—Of 200 sovs. second receives 10 sovs ; 2 miles.

Mr. H. M. Hartigan's ch c Domino, by Jeddah—Rondino, 4yrs. 12st. 7lbs. ...	T. Moran	1
Mr. F. C. G. Menzies' ch c Alyth, 4yrs. 11st. 7lbs.	T. Dunn	2
Mr. F. A. White's b h St. Anselm, 5yrs., 11st. 3lbs.	A. Birch	3
Mr. C. Hibbert's Savernake, 4yrs., 11st. 3lbs. ... ... J.	Nightingall	0
Mr. H. Ponas' Morning Glass, aged. 11st. 4lbs.	E. Driscoll	0
Mr. P. Muldoon's True as Steel, 4yrs., 10st. 4lbs.	J. McKenna	0
Mr. T Clyde's Sachem, 5yrs., 12st. 6lbs. ...	J. O' Brien	0
Mr. W. S. Breechin's Little Sprout, 5yrs., 11st. 12lbs.	F. Mason	0
Mr. R. Bratch's Silver Tyne, 5yrs., 11st. 10lbs.	T. Knight	0
Mr. G. Edwardes' Eteocles, aged., 11-t. 7lbs.	P. Cowley	0
Capt. M. Weyland's Sea Gal, 5yrs., 11st. 3lbs.	W. Taylor	0
Mr. R. C. McKerrow's St. Emilion, 6yrs., 11st 2lbs.	E. Hampton	0
Mr. J. Hare's The King, 4yrs., 10st. 13lbs.	J. Hare	0
Mr. C. Downes' Ivan 5yrs., 10st. 8lbs. ...	A. Kenny	0
Mr. G. P. Huntley's Australasia, 4yrs., 10st 5lbs. ... ...C.	Templeman	0
Mr. S. Loates' Queenscliff, 4yrs., 10st. 3lbs.	F. Brown	0

(*Winner trained by F. Hartigan.*)

BETTING : 3 to 1 agst. Alyth. 100 to 30 Little Sprout, 7 to 2 St. Anselm, 6 to 1 Savernake, and 100 to 8 each the others (offered).

Won by an easy length ; a head between second and third. An objection to the winner on the grounds of bumping and boring was overruled.

PARK HANDICAP STEEPLE CHASE—Of 200sovs., second receives 10sovs. 3 miles.

Capt. N. Money's ch g Cissy's Revel, by Gay Reveller—Cissy, 6yrs, 10st. 9lbs....	T. Moran	1
Mr G. Johnstone's b g Fetlar's Pride, 5yrs, 10st. 9lbs.	E. Driscoll	2
Lord Sefton's b g Canter Home, aged, 10st. 9lbs. ... ... C.	Templeman	3
Mr T. F. Smith's Hailgate, aged, 10st. ...	G. Fitton	0
Mr. S. G. Sheppard's Denmark, 5yrs, 10st. 4lbs.	T. Dunn	0
Col. A. E. Whitaker's Relenta, aged, 10st. 5lbs. ... ...Mr.	A. Gordon	0
Mr. T Clyde's Dathi aged, 12st. 7lbs. ...	J. O'Brien	0
Mr. C. Hibbert's Mahratta aged, 11st. 3lbs.	J. Nightingall	0
Mr. J. Carlin's MacSweeny, aged, 10st. 12lbs.	J. Conway	0
Mr. J. W. Philipps' Irish Bride, 4yrs, 10st. 3lbs.	I. Anthony	0
Mr. Adam Scott's St. Levan, aged, 10st. 3lbs. (car. 10st. 8lbs.)	Owner	0

(*Winner trained by F. Hartigan.*)

BETTING : 5 to 2 agst. Fetlar's Pride, 4 to 1 Irish Bride, 9 to 2 Canter Home, 5 to 1 Cissy's Revel, 7 to 1 Dathi, and 10 to 1 each the others.

Won from a tired field by six lengths ; four lengths separated second and third.

NEWMARKET.

Thanks to the excellent facilities offered by the Great Eastern Railway, Newmarket is now in the category of home meetings, and the well-patronised specials attest to the popularity of weekly tickets. The falling off on Tuesday was principally noticeable in the further enclosures, as the welcome presence of the King assured a brilliant gathering of the upper ten, which well filled the club enclosure and as usual the motor brigade was in great strength, the roads being in grand order thoughout the country, while the Heath has never given more springy going.

CRITERION STAKES—Of 30sovs. each, with 200sovs. added ; second receives 100sovs. Bretby Stakes Course. 6 furlongs.

Mr. W. Hall Walker's ch c Polar star, by Pioneer—Go On, 9st. 4lbs. ...	B. Lynham	1
Major E. Loder's ch c Galvani, by Laveno—Galinaria, 9st. 4lbs.	B. Dillon	2
Duke of Westminster's b c Dusty Miller, by St. Frusquin—Rydal, 8st. 8lbs. ...	H. Jones	3
Mr. L de Rothchild's Sequin, 8st. 8lbs. ...	G. McCall	0

(*Winner rained by W. Robinson.*)

BETTING : 11 to 8 on Polar Star, 5 to 4 agst. Galvani, 20 to 1 Dusty Miller, 100 to 1 Sequin (offered).

Won in magnificent style by a couple of lengths ; a similar distance separated second and third. Time—1min. 11⅘secs.

RUTLAND HANDICAP—Of 500sovs. second receives 50sovs last 1¼ mile of the Cesarewitch Course.

Mr. G. A. Prentice's br h Hongkong, by Queen's Birthday—Merry Wife, 5yrs., 7st. 2lbs. (car. 7st. 3lbs.)	C. Trigg	1
Lord Harewood's ch c Banana, 4yrs., 7st. 3lbs.	W. Saxby	2
Mr. L. Robinson's b m Laveuse, 5yrs., 7st. 13lbs.	O. Madden	3
Lord Derby's Gourd, 4yrs., 6st. 9lbs. ...	E. Lancaster	0
Mr. A. Stedall's Olitzka, 3yrs., 6st. .	J. Howard	0
Lord Rosebury's Vasco, 4yrs., 7st. 11b. ...	J. Plant	0
Mr. G. Faber's Mountain Rose, 6yrs., 7st. 7lbs. (car. 7st. 9lbs.)	W. Higgs	0
Mr. H. J. King's Whistling Crow, 6yrs. 7st. 10lbs.	R. Jones	0
Mr. C. Hibbert's gelding by Tarporley—Aminte, 3yrs., 6st.	H. Watts	0

(Winner trained by J. Powney.)

BETTING: 5 to 4 agst. Hongkong, 6 to 1 Laveuse, 7 to 1 Banana, 8 to 1 each Mountain Rose and Gourd, and 100 to 8 each of the others (offered).

Won in canter by four lengths; six lengths divided second and third. Time—2mins. 33⅘.

LIMEKILN STAKES.—Of 25sovs each, with 500sovs. added; second receives 100sovs., and the third saves stake; A. F. 1¼ mile.

Mr. J. L. Dugdale's br c Crathorne, by Donovan—Lady Lena, 3yrs. 8st. 8lbs.	D. Maher	1
Mr. F. Alexander's b c Chuckaway, 4yrs., 9st.	B. Lynham	2
Mr. W. M. G. Singer's b c Challacombe, 4yrs. 10st.	O. Madden	3

(Winner trained by G. Edwards.)

BETTING: 13 to 8 on Chuckaway, 3 to 1 agst. Crathorne, 4 to 1 Challacombe.

Won by a length and a half; a neck divided second and third.

The fact that Newmarket rejoiced in the welcome presence of the King ensured a goodly muster of society, on Wednesday most of the notabilities of the national sport being present to greet His Majesty, and as usual on these occasions, the fair sex was numerously represented. Tattersall's is always full, and the professional element, as usual, stuck to their guns, but the farther enclosures allowed more elbow room. The going was in fine order, the weather pleasantly seasonable, and racing excellent, apart from the supreme interest of the Cambridgeshire.

MOULTON STAKES.—Of 20sovs. each, with 200sovs. added, for two year olds; second receives 50sovs; Rous Course. 5 furlongs.

Mr. A. P. Cunliffe's br f Silver Heeled by Florizel II—Game Chick, 7st. 11lbs.	G. McCall	1
Mr. E. Dresden's ch c Galleot, 9st. 11b. ...	D. Maher	2
His Majesty's br c Slim Lad, 8st. ...	W. Halsey	3
Mr. J. B. Joel's Earlston, 9st. 11b. ...	H. Randall	0
Capt. J. G. R. Homfray's Asian, 8st. 3lbs.	W. Higgs	0
Mr. C. S. Newton's Gillie Callum, 8st. ...	O. Madden	0
Mr. P. P. Gilpin's filly by Laveno—Solop, 8st.	W. Griggs	0

(Winner trained by Fallom.)

BETTING: 7 to 4 agst. Silver Heeled, 3 to 1 Galleot, 4 to 1 Earlston, 6 to 1 Slim Lad, 8 to 1 Salop filly, and 10 to 1 each the others (offered).

Won somewhat easily by a neck; three-parts of a length divided second and third. Earlston was fourth. Asian fifth, and Salop fily last. Time—1min. 1⅘sec.

CAMBRIDGESHIRE STAKES—A handicap of 25sovs. each, 10ft with 500sovs. added, and 100sovs. for the second; third saves his stake; New Cambridgeshire Course (last mile and a furlong of A.F.)

Mr. Sol Joel's ch c Polymelus, by Cyllene—Maid Marian, 4yrs., 8st. 10lbs (inc. 10lbs. ex.)	D. Maher	1
Mr. F. S. Barnard's b g Kaffir Chief, by Raeburn—Ingonda, 4yrs., 6st. 10lbs. ...	J. Howard	2
Mr. G. Faber's ch c Malua, by Marco—Harem, 3yrs., 6st.	O. Madden	3
Miss. H. V. Jackson's b c Velocity, by Speed—Ballast, 4yrs., 9st. 2lbs. ...	H. Jones	4
Mr. J. B. Joel's ch g Dean Swift, by Childwick—Pasquil, 5yrs., 8st. 6lbs. ...	H. Randall	5
Capt. J. Orr-Ewing's ch c Spate, by The Rush—Chemistry, 3yrs., 6st. 10lbs. ...	H. Watts	6
M. Caillault's ch c Camisard, by The Bard—La Carmagnole, 4yrs., 7st. ...	Quinn	7
Mr. H. Trimmer's b h Laurier, by Bentworth—Filepa, 5yrs., 7st. 3lbs. ...	C. Escott	8
Mr. F. Stroud's br m Sweet Katie, by St. Simonmimi—Katie Dougal, 5yrs., 7st. 11lbs.	C. Trigg	9
Count L. de Molke-Hvitfeldt's ch c Ganelon II by Lauzun—La Jota, 3yrs. 8st.	Ransch	10
Mr. L. de Rothschild's b c St. Amant, by St. Frusquin—Lady Loverule, 5yrs., 9st. 2lbs.	M. Cannon	11
Lord Howard de Walden's b c His Eminence, by Royal Hampton—Altesse, 3yrs., 7st. 7lbs.	W. Higgs	12
Mr. W. M. G. Singer's b br h Manaton, by Matchmaker—Lottie Hampton, 5yrs., 7st. 6lbs.	F. Wootton	13
Mr. W. Dunne's b or br c Earla Mor, by Desmond—Weeping Ash, 5yrs., 9st. ...	B. Dillon	14
Mr. A. Bailey's b g Ireland, by Wolf's Crag—Isola, 5yrs., 7st. 12lbs. .	W. Griggs	0
Lord Hamilton of Dalzell's br c Cherry Ripe, by Cherry Tree—Fine Lady, 4yrs., 7st. 10lbs	G. McCall	0
Mr. T. E. Liddiard's br c Succory, by Symington—Bimetalism, 3yrs. 7st. 5lbs.	J. Plant	0
Mr. R. C. Thompson's br f Bibiani, by Childwick—Goldmine, 4yrs., 7st. ...	H. Blades	0
Mr. W. R. Wyndham's b c Farasi, by Desmond—Molly Morgan, 3yrs., 6st. 9lbs.	C. Heckford	0
Mr. J. Barrow's b c Gallinago, by Gallirule—Vertegrez, 4yrs., 6st. 6lbs. ...	F. Templeman	0

(Winner trained by C. Peck.)

BETTING: 11 to 10 agst. Polymelus 10 to 1 Kaffir Chief, 100 to 9 Sweet Katie, 100 to 8 Spate, 100 to 7 Velocity, 20 to 1 each Ganelon II, Manaton and Farasi, 25 to 1 each His Eminence and Bibiani, 33 to 1 Laurier, 50 to 1 the others (offered.)

The easiest winner the race has, perhaps, seen, as he could not help winning by three lengths. Kaffir Chief beat Malua a neck for second place, after a race to the bitter end. About a length and a half away Velocity was fourth, Dean Swift fifth, Spate sixth, Camisard seventh, Laurier (ran well) eighth, Sweet Katie (never dangerous) ninth, Ganelon II tenth, St. Amant eleventh, His Eminence twelfth, Manaton thirteenth, Earla Mor next, and the last pair were Bibiani and Succory, the latter being the absolute whipper-in. Time.—1min.52⅘secs.

NEW NURSERY LATE.—Of 300sovs, Rous Course. 5 furlongs.

Capt. M. Hughes' b c Southannan, by Florizel II—Queen's Wake, 7st. 6lbs....	J. Plant	1
Mr. H. E. Beddington's ch g Tui, 7st. 12lbs.	H. Randall	2
Mr. F. C. G. Menzies b g The Spider, 7st. 7lbs.	H. Watts	3
Mr. J. B. Thorneycroft's Erriff, 6st. 12lbs....	Walter Griggs	0
Mr. J. Reiss' Allargue. 7st. 8lbs. (car. 7st. 9lbs).	W. Higgs	0
Sir E. Cassel's Freeborn, 9st.	W. Halsey	0
Mr. W. C. B. Beaumont's Candelabra, 6st. 11lbs.	J. Howard	0
Mr. L. E. B. Homan's Laverna, 7st. 3lbs. ...	C. Heckford	0
Sir. H. Randall's Prince of Piedmont, 7st. 7lbs.	C. Trigg	0
Mr. P. Nelke's Relish, 7st. 3lbs. (car. 7st. 4lbs.)	W. Saxby	0
Duke of Devonshire's Rosalind, 7ft. 11b. ...	F. Wootton	0
Mr. E. Barlow's Rathbury, 6st 13lbs. ...	P. Quinn	0
Mr. A. E. Bowen's Particolour, 6st. 12lbs.	C. Escott	0

(Winner trained by Davies.)

BETTING: 11 to 4 each agst. Southannan and Tui, 6 to 1 Allargue, 7 to 1 Freeborn, 10 to 1 each Rosalind and Laverna, and 100 to 8 each the others (offered).

Won by a head; two lengths divided second and third. Time—1min. 1sec.

The mud, wet, and discomfort at the finish of the Cambridgeshire proved too much of a good thing for hundreds of visitors who departed with no intention of returning, but the comparative few who remained were treated to another clear bright day following on a white frost, a startling change between sunset and sunrise. Melted by the sunshine, a heavy dew sparkled on the Heath, which soon lost its surface-bone, and returned to splendid order. Gossip circled round the easy victory of Polymelus and the big coup supposed to have been engineered on four continents. Rumour had it that the sound of the stable-commissioner's voice had gone out to all lands, but a big sum nowadays takes a lot of "placing" anywhere. We missed the crush in Tattersall's and the public enclosures, but another representative muster of the titled and landed classes assembled to meet the King.

RICHMOND NURSERY HANDICAP.—Of 500sovs., Brethy Stakes Course 6 furlongs.

Mr. W. Clarke's ch f Meadow Rue, by Saintfoin—Lily of the Valley, 7st. 2lbs.	F. Wootton	1
Mr. L. E. B. Homan's b g Venetian Lad, 6st. 11lbs.	H. Watts	2
Mr. A. Wagg's ch c Pericline, 7st. 3lbs. ...	J. Plant	3
Mr. E. Dresden's Simontura, 7st. 9lbs. ...	J. H. Martin	0
His Majesty's Osella, 7st. 11lbs. ...	R. Jones	0
Sir E. Cassell's filly by Lesterlin—Politesse, 6st. 11lbs	C. Heckford	0
Mr. G. Miller's Cannon Ball, 7st. 8lbs. ...	C. Escott	0
Lord Rosebery's Turpitude, 8st. 11lbs. (car. 8st 4lbs..)	D. Maher	0
Mr. J. B. Thorneycroft's Camlarg, 6st. 4lbs.	Maynard	0

(Winner trained by J. Brewer.)

BETTING: 2 to 1 agst. Meadow Rue, 4 to 1 each Turpitude and Osella, 6 to 1 Simontura, 10 to 1 Cannon Ball, and 100 to 7 each the others (offered).

Won in a canter by a length and a half; two lengths divided second and third. Time—1min. 15⅘secs.

DEWHURST PLATE.—Of 300sovs, added to a sweepstakes of 25sovs. each; second to receive 100sovs., last 7 furlongs of R.M.

Mr W. Raphael's b c My Pet II., by Perth—Lily Mary, 9st. 2lbs.	O'Madden	1
Mr. D. Faber's b c Candahar, by Ayrshire—Lady Candahar, 8st. 13lbs. ...	D. Maher	2
Major E. Loder's b c Baltinglass, by Isinglass—Sibola, 8st. 9lbs. ...	B. Dillon	3
Lord Wolverton's Larig, 8st. 9lbs. ...	H. Jones	0
Mr. L. de Rothschild's Sequin, 8st. 9lbs. ...	G. McCall	0

(Winner trained by D. Waugh.)

BETTING: 9 to 4 on My Pet II., 100 to 30 agst. Candahar, 10 to 1 Larig, 20 to 1 each others (offered).

Won by two lengths; three lengths divided second and third. Sequin was last. Time—1min 29⅘secs.

JOCKEY CLUB CUP—Of 500sovs., (a cup value—sovs. and the remainder in specie), added to a sweepstakes of 20sovs., each, second receives 50sovs., Cesarewitch Course. 2½ miles.

Mr. Sol Joel's ch h Bachelor's Button, by Winkfield—Milady, aged, 9st. 2lbs. ..	D. Maher	1
Mr. E. L. Heinemann's ch c Achilles, 3yrs., 7st. 12lbs.	W. Higgs	2

(Winner trained by C. Peck.)

BETTING: 13 to 8 on Bachelor's Button.

Won in a canter by five lengths. Time—4mins. 3⅘secs.

FOOTBALL ASSOCIATION RULES.

Except in the First Division of the League the goal scoring was not satisfactory on Saturday. The ten games in the premier division of the League yielded 41 goals, a similar number of games in the Second Division produced only 28 goals, while nine Southern League games produced a beggarly crop of 20. To enter into details, in League 1, eight home teams won and two lost, four teams failed to score, the winning teams scored 32 goals and the losers only nine. In the Second Division there were six home wins, three home losses, and one drawn game. Five teams failed to net the ball in a legitimate manner, 22 goals were obtained by the winning teams, only 4 by the nine losing clubs, and there were 2 in the drawn game. In the Southern League visiting clubs did not have a rosy time, as only one home team went under, six won on their own ground, and two games were drawn. Seven of the eighteen teams failed to score, the seven losing sides totalled only 3 goals between them, there were 2 in the drawn games and 15 went to the credit of the winning clubs.

SOUTHERN LEAGUE.

Bristol Rovers were second in the Southern League table on Saturday morning, their unexpected win over West Ham at Boleyn Castle last Monday having carried them above Fulham, as their goal record was better. They were expected to go to the top of the table when their match with Luton was over, as the Strawplaiters had been doing so wretchedly that, on form, they had not the ghost of a chance at Bristol. It is the unexpected that happens in football, and there has not been anything more surprising in the S. L this season than the defeat of the Rovers on their own ground by the club actually last in the table. Early in the season Luton shared the honours at Fulham, and now they have conferred a great benefit on the Cottagers by their remarkable performance at Bristol. It demonstrates the equality of the clubs as nothing else could do when the twentieth on the list is able to capture both points on foreign soil from the team that is second. As Fulham on the same afternoon beat New Brompton by two goals to one, the Cottagers once more advance to No 1 in the table, a position they occupied so steadily for the greater part of last season. Fulham did not give one of their best displays, but this was due rather less to their lack of skill than to the bustling, go-ahead methods of New Brompton who have a team that should enable them to figure prominently in the tourney this season. Fulham have now played one more game than Tottenham, and have a single point lead several other clubs being well in the running.

Everybody will welcome the improvement in the Southampton team, as exemplified by their victory at the Dell over the powerful Portsmouth side by two clear goals. There is extremely keen rivalry between these clubs, and probably there are no games the Sotonians are more desirous of winning than those against the Pompeys. Last year the latter earned the points both at Fratton park and Southampton, and the home team's win on Saturday was all the sweeter because it had in it the element of a sporting revenge. Norwich City gave further evidence of their strength by beating the useful Crystal Palace team, and Swindon have got in the leading batch by their win over Brentford. West Ham gave no quarter to Leyton, whose goal average is now on the wrong side, but Queen's Park Rangers allowed Plymouth Argyle to draw with them at Park Royal, and thus drop a point as compared with last year's result. Both the Rangers and Brentford are in the last half dozen, and this is not at all satisfactory. Watford followed up their brilliant win at Brighton by a narrow victory at Cassio-road over Reading, and the latter now drop down to the foot of the table, where they will not remain long if they reproduce the form which gave them wins overy Bristol Rovers and Brentford. Northampton are a curious team, for, after playing a drawn game at Plymouth, they are able to only draw at home with Brighton, who the previous week were beaten by three clear goals on the Hove ground. Football form really defies analysis:—

The S. L. table to date now reads:—

	P.	W.	L	D	Goals For.	Agst	Pts.
Fulham ...	10	4	1	5	14	11	13
Tottenham Hotspur	9	4	1	4	19	10	12
West Ham United	10	5	3	2	19	12	12
Watford ...	9	4	2	3	12	9	11
Bristol Rovers	10	5	4	1	13	10	11
Portsmouth ...	8	4	2	2	14	9	10
Norwich City	8	3	1	4	16	13	10
Swindon Town	10	3	3	4	12	10	10
Brighton and Hove Albion	8	3	2	3	12	11	9
Plymouth Argyle	9	3	3	3	13	16	9
Millwall ...	8	3	3	2	13	13	8
New Brompton	8	4	4	0	12	13	8
Leyton ...	8	3	3	2	9	10	8
Crystal Palace	9	3	4	2	14	16	8
Brentford	8	3	4	1	11	14	7
Queen's Park Rangers	9	2	4	3	8	14	7
Southampton	8	2	4	2	14	12	6
Luton Town ...	8	2	4	2	16	16	6
Northampton	8	1	4	3	8	12	5
Reading ...	9	2	7	0	7	15	4

LEAGUE I

At one of period the game on Saturday at Woolwich it did not appear unlikely that the honours would go to Notts County, who this season are a very difficult side to beat. Prior to the match under notice the teams had met four times in the League, and 5 of the 8 points for which they had contended had gone to the Midlanders, who, however, had failed to score in their last three matches, and owed their position in the table more to their sturdy defenders than to the forwards, who had scored only a half-dozen goals in eight matches. On the other hand, the Arsenal had been scoring most consistently, and expert opinion ran in the direction of another triumph for the Gunners, whose doings have aroused extraordinary enthusiasm in the district. While Notts had to regret the absence of Jones, their Welsh centre-forward, the Arsenal were at full strength, Sands being back again to lead the team. The more finished football was certainly shown by the home side, but they ran up against a powerful, robust defence, and goals were not plentiful. The stubbornness with which the halves and backs contested every yard of ground was worth witnessing, and though there has been this season, and will be again, much prettier football at the Manor Field, there will not be more dogged defensive work than was shown by the Notts men on Saturday. It almost prevailed, but not quite, success being denied the Arsenal until the closing moments, when all opposition was borne down, and Coleman put a seal on his previous untiring efforts by obtaining a clever goal. It was a dramatic finish.

Saturday was not a joyous day for some of the top-weights, Aston Villa, who won 4—1 against Manchester City last March, were at Hyde-road in search of points, and if they needed encouragement, they might have found it in the fact that in seven previous successive home engagements neither of the Manchester teams had registered a win. There is an end to everything, we are told, except Wigmore-street, and the City, who have had a heart-breaking experience this season, beat the Villans by 4—2. It was by a similar score that Bolton Wanderers, who went to Birmingham with an escutcheon untarnished by defeat, were beaten by the ex-Heathens, and thus dropped a couple of points as compared with last season. Everton are now going strongly, and history only repeated itself in 2 points accruing to them from the Sheffield United match, for the junior Blades have not won at Goodison Park since 1899. Manchester United cut a poor figure at Sunderland, the Wearsiders being easily masters of the situation, but Liverpool furnished the surprise of the afternoon by going to Bury, and, with a reconstructed front rank, winning by three goals to one, a result they failed to compass last season when they won the championship. Middlesborough go from bad to worse, Newcastle having no difficulty in annexing both points at Ayresome Park and the Ironopolis team have not yet won a match, nor will they do so until the forwards show more finish in the neighbourhood of goal. Blackburn Rovers found themselves on the winning side for the first time this season, Stoke being the victims, and Derby County gave their best display to date against Preston North End, who had a fruitless journey to the railway centre. Sheffield Wednesday, right on top of their form, inflicted a clear three goals defeat on Bristol City, whose recent performances leave something to be desired.

The table of results to date is appended:—

	P.	W.	L.	D.	Goals For	Agst.	Pts.
Woolwich Arsenal ...	9	7	1	1	20	9	15
Sheffield Wednesday ...	9	6	1	2	18	12	14
Everton ...	10	6	2	2	24	11	14
Newcastle United ...	9	6	2	1	23	12	13
Aston Villa ...	10	6	3	1	22	15	13
Bolton Wanderers ...	8	5	1	2	16	9	12
Manchester United ...	9	3	2	4	12	12	10
Sheffield United ...	8	4	3	1	13	14	9
Derby County ...	9	3	3	3	12	11	9
Sunderland ...	8	3	3	2	14	13	8
Birmingham ...	9	3	4	2	13	17	8
Bury ...	10	2	4	4	17	19	8
Preston North End ...	8	3	4	1	11	14	7
Bristol City ...	9	2	4	3	13	15	7
Notts County ...	9	1	3	5	6	8	7
Manchester City ...	9	2	4	3	15	27	7
Liverpool ...	9	2	5	2	12	14	6
Stoke ...	10	1	6	3	8	17	5
Blackburn Rovers ...	8	1	5	2	9	18	4
Middlesbrough ...	8	0	6	2	8	19	2

LEAGUE II

The leading clubs in the Second Division had a sorry time on Saturday, with the exception of Leicester Fosse, who were at home to Glossborough Trinity, and won by 3—1. The home team scored all their goals in the first half, and it was well that they were in shooting form at this stage of the game. West Bromwich Albion last season beat Stockport County by a margin of two goals at the Hawthorns, but on Saturday they could not do any better than divide the points. On the run of the play they were much the better side, but only goals count, and as each netted the ball once the Throstles had to be content with a draw. There is no mistaking the earnestness of the intention of the Albion to climb back into the first Division, but they cannot afford to allow moderate clubs like Stockport County to take points away. Hull City, after playing seven matches without defeat, met their Waterloo at Bradford on

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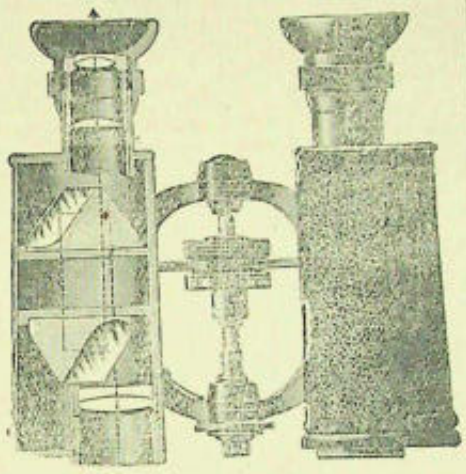

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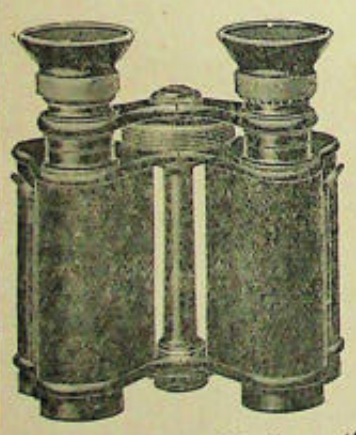

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Saturday. The reverse was the narrow one of a goal to love, but that was all that was necessary. It was scored in the second half, and the delight of the supporters of the heavy woollen centre team was unrestrained when the ball was put into the net. Hull expected to do better than they did, and, compared with last season, they dropped 2 points, for they then won by two clear goals. The effect of the present result on Hull's position has been to depose them from the leadership, and they are now third in the table.

When Chelsea visited Burton in 1905-6 in search of points they captured both by the convincing score of 4—2, while at home they were successful 3—0. Prior to Saturday the United had won only one game, and their goal record was the worst in the League. And yet they come along with a win and seriously jeopardise Chelsea's chances of success in the bitter struggle for entrance to the upper division. Chelsea should have won. They led at half time but then got a bit slack, and they had to pay the price by returning empty handed from a visit that was expected to yield them the full quota of points. Their metropolitan colleagues were outplayed at Nottingham, the Forest being at the top of their game, and their dash and accuracy near goal are reflected in the 4—0 score. Unfortunately there were many incidents of a regrettable character and two of the Orient players were ordered off the field, but the visitors are confident that the referee cannot justify his actions which they claim were not warranted by what occurred. After their disastrous start the ex-First Leaguers have recovered splendidly, and with Wolverhampton also in a match-winning vein there is no lack of combatants for the places of honour at the top of the table. The Wolves put up a fine performance in defeating Lincoln City at Lincoln by four goals to love, and Leeds City and Burnley created mild surprises by winning at Burslem and Chesterfield respectively. Grimsby did not have anything to spare in their match against Barnsley and the Fishermen are not playing well enough at present to cause anxiety to the leaders.

League II. table to date shows that West Bromwich are ahead on goal average.

	P.	W.	L.	D.	Goals. For	Agst.	Pts.
West Bromwich Albion ...	9	6	2	1	22	7	13
Leicester Fosse ...	9	6	2	1	14	6	13
Hull City ...	8	5	1	2	16	5	12
Chelsea ...	8	5	2	1	21	9	11
Notts Forest ...	9	5	3	1	18	11	11
Burnley ...	9	5	4	0	15	7	10
Wolverhampton Wands ...	9	4	3	2	13	11	10
Leeds City ...	9	3	2	4	12	16	10
Stockport County ...	8	3	2	3	12	9	9
Grimsby Town ...	9	4	4	1	15	14	9
Bradford City ...	9	3	3	3	11	13	9
Clapton Orient ...	8	3	3	2	9	14	8
Gainsborough Trinity ...	9	3	4	2	11	14	8

	P.	W.	L.	D.	Goals. For	Agst.	Pts.
Lincoln City ...	9	3	4	2	12	18	8
Burslem Port Vale ...	9	3	5	1	15	23	7
Glossop	8	3	5	0	13	28	6
Burton United ...	9	2	5	2	9	20	6
Chesterfield	9	2	6	1	10	16	5
Blackpool	9	1	5	3	8	14	5
Barnsley	8	2	6	0	10	11	4

THE F. A. CUP.

The qualifying competition of the F. A. Cup was advanced another stage on Saturday, and results down South were very much as anticipated. It was a good performance for Clapham to knock out Redhill by 3—1, at Redhill, and Hitchin were altogether too good at home for Kettering, the latter being defeated by 5 clear goals. Chelmsford won by a similar score against Leigh Ramblers, but the heaviest scoring of the afternoon was at Tunbridge Wells, where the Rangers smothered Hove Park by 10 goals to love. Shepherd's Bush just got home in a hard game with Hounslow, and the London Caledonians were able to claim victory over Page Green Old Boys by only the odd goal in 5. Apsley, who caused a mild sensation by the manner in which they disposed of Cheshunt in the previous round, knocked out Finchley by three clear goals, and Chesham Town got the better of a high scoring match agst. Maidenhead Norfolkians. Those old-time rivals, Clapton and

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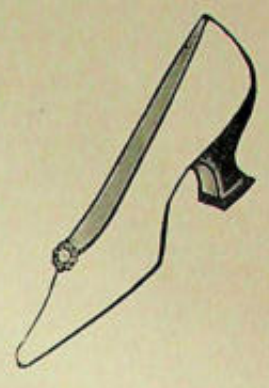

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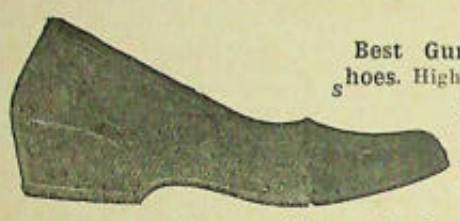

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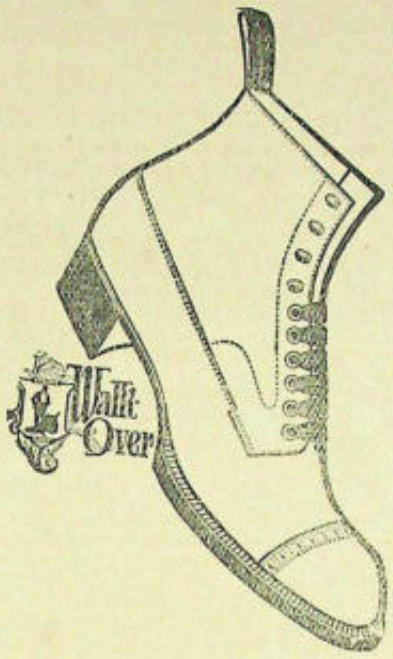

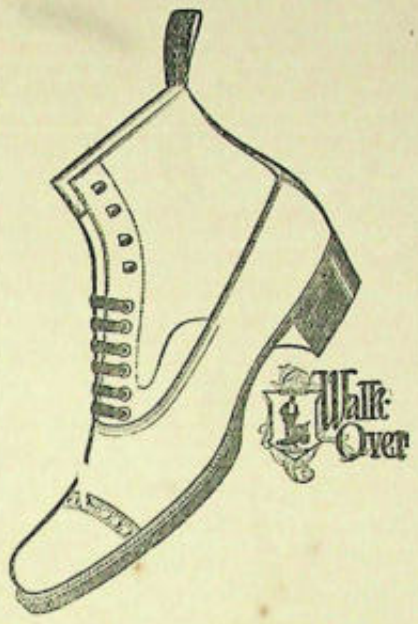

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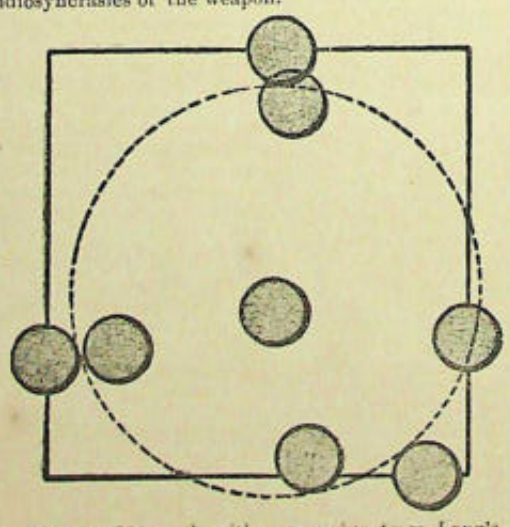

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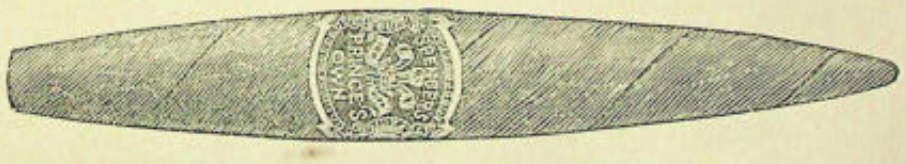

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Upton Park, were in opposition, and the former won comfortably enough, while Leytonstone had no difficulty in entering the next round at the expense of Woodford. The draw for the third round will be made to-morrow afternoon at 104, High Holborn, and the ties will be played on 3rd November.

RUGBY RULES.

SOUTH AFRICANS' TOUR.

MATCH *vs.* SOMERSET.—There was an attendance of about 5,000 at Taunton's new enclosure on Saturday for the Colonials' game against Somerset. The South Africans won, of course; but their display was woefully short of that which they had given earlier in the week against Devon. Their weakness in loose forward rushing and dribbling, which has been noticed before, was accentuated, sometimes to a painful degree. It is true that for the whole of the game, except five minutes, they were a man short, W. S. Morkel having to leave the scrum in order to take the injured Burmeister's place at full back. But the rest of the pack, though they laboured with fierce energy very largely lost their heads by the very stress of their own eagerness.

Somerset started, but by a penalty and some high kicking the visitors pressed. The home forwards, however, quickly showed themselves the better pack in the loose, and very early in the game they settled down to keeping the ball at their toes as much as possible. They came down upon Burmeister in a body and completely swamped the backs, Burmeister and W. S. Morkel being left stretched on the field before the burst was stopped near the Colonial line. The back had to be helped off the field, and did not re-appear, his place being taken by W. S. Morkel. For a time the visitors showed no sign of their loss, and, getting the better of touch-line play, they reached a spot just in front of the home goal. There they were almost immediately awarded a penalty, and Mare put the ball over the bar. The Somerset forwards now began to assert a more definite superiority in the loose, and it took a remarkable effort by Mare to stop them. The Colonials tried to open out the game, but their transfers were very wild, until in the third bout they came out brilliantly, Loubser darting over with a fine try, after the whole line had handled, in lightning style Mare goaled. Somerset tried their hand at imitation, but though the effort had merit, Mead was brought down by Krige with a determined tackle, Loubser just later defying all efforts to grass him until four men had their hands on him. Sorely pressed by the home forwards, Morkel resorted to a flying kick which luckily found touch; but the Somerset front men were keeping the game well in hand, and several times made up for weaknesses behind. They were pressing warmly when a penalty was given them, but Thomas missed in a good position. Thanks to Loubser, the Africans got out, but Kirk headed a dribble which was the prelude to the hottest attack of the half. The defence was not of the best, but speed told its tale, the home men being unable to move far when handling. Just on half-time Le Roux shone with a fine, swerving run, and after his forwards had once or twice shown that they could heel, Burger dropped over with a try. The kick failed. Half-time:—

	Pts.
South Africans (1g. 1pg. 1t.)	11
Somerset	0

Passing between Penny and Larcombe, and another dribble by Kirk, put Somerset on the offensive as soon as the second half started. Morkel had his kick charged down close under goal, and a big tussle followed near the line. The Colonials were there penalised, but Thomas spoilt the easiest possible shot. In the loose forward play which lasted most of the half the home men were having all the better of it, and were in foreign ground most of the time, frequently hovering within a few yards of the line for minutes together, and giving a couple of penalties in their eagerness to score. Loubser treated the crowd to a wonderful run through his opponents, but Thomas intercepted his pass, and in a terrific burst the home front brigade went over the African line, only, however, to be called back to scrum. Pinning their opponents tightly in the corner, the Somerset scrummagers let the ball out to Penny, and the latter gave to Mead in an excellent position. But he let Morkel grass him with the ball, although Thoms and Lockyer were close up in support, and the chance was lost. Towards the end there was more handling by both sides. Mare ran into home ground, and after a complicated round of short passing, Burdett dropped over, but was called back for a forward pass. In a few seconds, however, Loubser, after handing-off several men, finely reached the home line and gave to Mare, who sent in P. Le Roux with the last try. Result:—

	Pts.
South Africans (1g. 1pg. 2t.)	14
Somerset	0

South Africans.—A Burmeister, *back*; J. Le Roux, S. C. de Meiker, J. D. Krige, and J. Loubser *three-quarters*; F. Dobbin (Capt.), and D. Mare, *half-backs*; W. A. Burger, W. A. Neill, P. A. Le Roux, W. C. Martheze, J. Raaff, W. S. Morkel, H. G. Reid, and A. F. Burdett, *forwards*.

Somerset.—A Parker (Bridgwater), *back*; R. Meister (Bath), A. Mead (Bridgwater Albion), R. O. Thomas (Penarth), and S. H. Lockyer (Sherborne School), *three-quarters*; J. Larcombe (Bristol) and W. M. Penny (Taunton), *half-backs*; R. Dibbie (Bridgwater Albion), (Capt.), G. Vickery (Aberavon), G. V. Kyrke (Marlborough Nomads), T. Woods (Bridgwater Albion), E. Hamilton (Penarth), H. Marshall (Weston-super-Mare), J. Hawkins (Pontypridd), and H. Archer (Bridgwater Albion), *forwards*.

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MATCH *vs.* MIDDLESEX.—Played on Wednesday at Richmond, a strong county XV. facing the South Africans.

D. Morkel kicked off for the Colonials, there being no wind to speak of. From the early scrummages Harding, Williams, and Jenkins broke loose, and, Marsburg slipping, Harding picked up, but Lambert, who was well up, could not gather his captain's pass. The Harlequin, it may be mentioned, was appearing on the wing vice C. E. Lewis. Strong tackling by both sides kept the game near the centre. Ultimately Middlesex granted a free kick, well taken by Harding. To this Marsburg made a fine return to half-way. From the next "scrum" Carolin darted away and fed Hirsch. The ball came to De Melker, but the movement then ended owing to a bad pass by the last-named. After Louwrens had relieved by an opportune kick Hirsch ran finely, and, sending out to Stegmann, the wing man was only brought down in the nick of time by Palmer. There was further hard scrummaging, varied by free kicks to either side. D. Morkel had one good shot just wide, but a second succeeded, and in twenty minutes the Colonials led by a penalty goal. Soon afterwards Lambert had a chance; he ran straight through until confronted by Marsburg. The full-back effected a strong tackle, and Lambert finding no one handy for a transfer, a good chance was lost. The game continued fairly even, but eventually a strenuous South African rush carried the ball over the line, Brink touching for a try. In this dash Martheze was hurt, and retired outside the line. D. Morkel took the shot at goal, but it did not avail. In the remaining five minutes the county attacked in front, but were driven back, and at half-time the score stood:—

South Africans ... ... 6 points.
Middlesex... ... ... *nil.*

In the early part of the second half the Colonials, reinforced by the return of Martheze, opened the play, and Loubser and Hirsch both came near scoring. However, directly their line was in danger the Middlesex backs defended most resolutely. The home pack soon got going again, but their efforts to heel out rarely met with the success that was certainly deserved. Williams was off the field for a few minutes with a damaged shoulder. Soon after his return Carolin sent well out to Loubser via Hirsch, and the wing man got in wide, D. Morkel failing to convert. Towards the close Harding had two shots at goal. One from a mark was cleverly charged down; the other was just carried wide by a freshening breeze. In a bout of three-quarter passing Palmer was almost clear, but when hemmed in he passed forward. At the other end Dixon just collared Stegmann at the corner-flag, touch in goal resulting. Finally the match ended:—

	Pts.
South Africans (1pg. 2t.)	9
Middlesex	0

TEAMS.

South Africans: A. F. Marsburg (Griqualand West) *back*; J. Loubser (Western Province), S. C. de Melker (Griqualand West), J. G. Hirsch (Eastern Province), and A. Stegmann (Western Province) *three-quarter backs*. H. W. Carolin (Western Province), and D. C. Jackson (Western Province), *half backs*; P. Roos (Capt.) (Western Province), D. J Brink (Western Province), W.S. Morkel (Transvaal), D.F.T. Morkel (Transvaal), H. J. Daneel (Western Province), W. C. Martheze (Griqualand West), H. G. Reid (Transvaal), and D. Brookes (Border) *forwards*.

Middlesex: C. Dixon (Rosslyn Park) *back*; A. C. Palmer (London Hospital), J. T. Timmins (London Welsh), E. V. Oulton (Old Leysians), and D. Lambert (Harlequins *three-quarter backs*. A. L. Wade (London Scottish) and J. J. Louwrens (Rosslyn Park) *half-backs*; A. F. Harding (London Welsh), (Capt.), J. F. Williams (London Welsh), J O. Jenkins (London Welsh), F. T. Turner (Richmond), F. Trewby (St. Bartholomew's Hospital), I. C. Geddes (London Scotish), J. R. B. Bond (Harlequins), and G. G. Taylor (Ealing) *forwards*.

Referee.—Mr. V. H. Cartwright (Rugby Union Committee). *Touch-Judges*: Mr. E. Temple Gurdon (President Middlesex R. F. U.) and Mr. J. C. Carden (Manager South Africans' team).

OXFORD UNIVERSITY *vs.* LONDON SCOTTISH.—In view of the great strength of the London Scottish XV. this season, it was a "tall order" for the Dark Blues to be called upon to meet them before they had played together on a single occasion The knowledge, however, that they could rely upon eleven Old Blues, including last year's pack almost in its entirety, as well as some very promising Seniors and Freshmen who had done well in the trial games, raised hopes that they would at least give the visitors a hard game, and so it proved. The *venue* was the University Football Ground, and the weather being favourable, there was a good attendance. Soon after the start E. D. Simson's knee went wrong, and during his temporary absence some extremely good back play, in which Williamson and the two centres were especially prominent, enabled Butterworth to score two tries in easy positions, from the second of which Cozens Hardy registered the major points. For the few minutes that E. D. Simson was away, J. R. Simson came from the pack to the third line of defence, and Wade went and remained at half E. D. Simson subsequently filling J. R. Simson's temporary position. The game was now very stubbornly contested, the Oxford pack being a match for their formidable opponents, while for some time they held their own behind. Munro, who had started somewhat shakily, soon found his form, and subsequently played a great game. Twice Oxford saved by touching down, but a fine run by Morris looked like culminating in a try. Unfortunately his pass to Williamson was erratic, and a fine opportunity was lost. Directly afterwards the ball was kicked across the field with Davies waiting for it. It bounced almost at a tangent, and Purves obtaining possession had a clear run in. Geddes failed with the place kick. At half-time Oxford led by 8 points to 3.

On resuming some effective back play between the Scots, in which Munro was particularly noticeable, ended in E. D. Simson scoring an unconverted try. Before Oxford could relieve the ball went out to Purves, who very cleverly dropped a goal, and the visitors led by two points. From now to the finish it was anybody's game. Excellent passing in the 'Varsity three-quarter line frequently gave the Scots cause for anxiety. On one such occasion Butterworth ran clear of the opposition, but in eluding Grishotti he got out of his stride, and Purves effected a brilliant tackle. Tarr also got well away twice, but instead of attempting to run on or pass, he elected to kick over the heads of the Scottish backs, and nothing accrued. It was the uncertainty of the two 'Varsity wing three-quarters in taking their passes and their lack of finish that probably gave the Scots the victory. The Dark Blues were well served at every other position, and their play generally created an excellent impression. Just before the whistle went the Scottish forwards set up a strong attack, and following some scrambling play near the Oxford line, Purves touched down. As the point was not improved upon, victory rested with the visitors by a dropped goal and three tries (13 points) to a placed goal and a try (8 points).

NEWPORT *vs.* BLACKHEATH.—Always a popular side at Newport, the Blackheath team attracted a crowd of 12,000 on Saturday. The visitors played the New Zealand style, with J. R. Upson as a wing forward. Newport had to work hard to win by 8 points, as Blackheath, by means of their new formation, played a great smothering game. Upson, like his prototype, Gallaher, continualy broke up the efforts of the home backs, and nearly as often got his side penalised. Tomlison, Cave, Wright, and Robinson were absent from the Blackheath team. For the first ten minutes of the game there was very little in it. Newport had apparently not realised the best method to adopt with their opponents' formation. Thanks mainly to some fine kicking by Robson, the 'Heathens attacked. For offside play the English men were penalised, and Martin relieved for his side. This relief was only temporary, as a moment later Upson was leading his side up the field with a capital rush. It was stopped by Martin, the outside Newport half, who passed to Plummer. The latter punted, and Hodges, following up, secured the ball, which he passed to W. R. Thomas. The Uskside winger went off, and beat the opposition, scoring a grand try. E. Jenkins failed to convert. The Newport side were now getting into their stride, and a few minutes later Watkins and Thomas made another brilliant effort to get over, but their colleagues failed to follow up. Newbould and Partridge led a couple of fruitless Blackheath dashes, which found D. J. Boots safe at full back. Once B. A. Hill who was playing three-quarter, just failed to take the ball, else a score would have resulted. At the interval Newport led by a try to *nil*.

On resuming rain fell, and the light was very poor. A few exchange kicks between Edwards and Boots—both custodians playing very safe games—ended in favour of the latter, who found touch in the 'Heathens twenty-five. Finely led by Newbould, the visiting seven had the best of the scrums, but their efforts were continually spoiled by George Boots, the old Welsh international, who was playing a sort of half-wing forward game of the Rooke type. Later on Newport, by hard grueling work, gradually made their way up the field, where W. R. Thomas again received from Martin. The wing man was about to fall over the line when Caddell, the Irish international half, brought off a magnificent tackle, which prevented a score. The Uskside were now having the best of matters, but Blackheath tackled in fine style, particularly Edwards. With the approach of "time" it was seen that the Newport forwards were lasting the better. From a line out about ten yards from the Blackheath line, George Boots secured, and passed out to S. Adams. The latter just got across, with Edwards, Hill, and Turner clinging to him, and T. H. Vile converted with a good kick. Just before the final whistle went, W. M. Turner, the Blackheath centre, intercepted a pass from Adams to Thomas, and ran up to D. J. Boots and then punted. A smart sprint for possession just ended in the home back falling on the ball and saving. Result:—Newport, 1 goal 1 try (8 points); Blackheath, *nil*.

RICHMOND *vs.* CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY.—The Light Blues opened their winter programme at Richmond on Saturday. The home team at once assumed the aggressive, their forwards, led by Odgers, more than holding their own. The visitors eventually found relief through a strong kick by McLeod into touch near the centre flag. Subsequent play proved the sides to be well matched until the visiting backs began to arrive at an understanding. Kenneth McLeod and Koop were especially inclined to force the pace, but all the backs passed well, Koop, after having one try disallowed because he had received the ball from a forward pass, was soon over again, thanks to McLeod who made the opening; Hearson converted. The work of the Richmond forwards was nullified by the inferiority of their backs, but they made a determined attack, and after a while Godfray seized a chance smartly and scored, for Chase to majorise. Pitt gave to Hearson, who made another opening for Koop, who scored—with a clever individual effort. Hearson just failed to convert. Richmond again made a good forward rush, which Scoular only saved in the nick of time. Odgers made a mark, but did not gain anything thereby, as McLeod received the ball, with the result that Koop once more ended the movement across the line, Hearson again failing to convert. At half-time Cambridge led by 11 points to 5.

Shortly after the interval the visitors reached the Richmond twenty-five, and the home halves being penalised for offside, McLeod all but landed the three points. Richmond, putting more dash into their play, gained a footing in the 'Varsity territory, and Godfray further improved matters with a finely-judged kick into touch at the corner-flag. The Light Blues came away, however, with a fine bout of passing, but the final transfer went astray at mid-field. From the ensuing scrum the visitors gained further ground, and McLeod on receiving found his path barred, but turned round and dropped a goal very neatly and cleverly from the twenty-five line. Harris was always very prominent in the Light Blue pack. Hearson fielded well and passed to Koop, who scored for the fourth time after dodging over in the corner; Hearson failed badly at converting. Hereabouts Lawson was carried off the field, and taken to the hospital. The reduction had a spurring effect upon the team. The Richmond backs became adepts at snatching Cambridge passes, from which Godfray and Godby scored a try each, and Chase converted both. Result:—Cambridge University 2 goals (1 dropped) 3 tries (18 points); Richmond 3 goals (15 points).

LENNOX *vs.* HARLEQUINS.—At Cricklewood, on Saturday, Lennox, after holding their own in the first portion were out played by the Harlequins, and defeated by 4 goals 3 tries (29 points) to 2 tries (6 points). Lennox had the best of the opening exchanges, and within five minutes Logan, intercepting a pass, got over, Atterbury failing at the place-kick. Still keeping the Harlequins in their own half, Lennox continued to press. A good run by Stoop brought temporary relief, but Carruthers misjudged a long kick, and slipping, enabled Common to run over. Walker failed to majorise. Following a period of even play, the Harlequins gradually wore down the attack, and after a slight delay through an accident to Logan, a good bout of passing ended in Stoop scoring behind the posts. Although Lambert's kick went over the additional points were disallowed, through the ball touching Mather in its flight. Harlequins continued to keep well up, but at half-time failed to draw level, and Lennox crossed over leading by 6 points to 3.

Within five minutes of the restart G. H. Birkett made a splendid opening for R. O. C. Ward, and again Lambert failed to convert. After G. H. Birkett had had a try disallowed through dislodging the corner flag, R.H.Haxell was brought down heavily from a line out, and fractured his collar-bone. From this point the Harlequins had matters all their own way, and in quick succession J. G. G. Birkett (2), Lambert (2), and King got over. Lambert converted four times, with the result that the Harlequins won by 29 points to 6.

BOXING.

Although the night preceding a special at headquarters does not usually contain any items of more that ordinary importance, the programme arranged for Monday evening was a good one. The directorate invited the South African footballers to witness the proceedings, and all the members of the combination were present. Upon arriving at the club, under the guidance of that popular sportsman, Mr. T. S. Hanscomb, the visitors were shown over the premises, and after seeing every item of interest, they were located under the clock to witness the more serious part of the business. The first pair to make their appearance were Charlie Baxter (Shoreditch), a son of the well-known exponent, Bill Baxter, and Mart Casey (Bermondsey), and Baxter won. Jim Watts (Reading) and Arthur Bennett (Walworth) followed, Watts winning in the second round. This let up to one of the principal events of the evening, the contestants being the ex-amateur Charlie Dew, who several times

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boxed so prominently in the bantam-weight championship, and Albert Cocksedge (Leicester), who were matched to box ten rounds at 7st. 8lbs. for £25 a side and the club's purse. Each was well within the prescribed weight The bout proved to be one of the cleanest that has been seen in the club for a long time. Cocksedge gradually wore his man down, and at the close won on points.

Just prior to the interval an autograph photo of the South African players taken by Mr. Hanscomb, was put up for auction, the proceeds of which are to go to help to entertain 500 of the poorest children in the borough of Southwark After spirited bidding it realised six guineas.

The concluding item upon the programme was a ten rounds contest between those well-known bantam-weights, Jack Guyons (Clerkenwell) and Jack Ladbury (poplar) who had signed articles to box at a catch-weights. The East Ender, who has since his journey to Australia thickened out considerably by the aid of superior strength asserted his superiority half-way through the fifth round.

Officials:—Referee, Mr. J.H. Douglas; timekeeper, Mr. Zerega; M.C., Mr. A. F. Bettinson; seconds, Bill Baxter and Arthur Gutteridge.

BILLIARDS.

Something approaching a sensation was caused during the week when the news leaked out that Diggle had at last been prevailed on to take part in an important money match. I refer, of course, to the forthcoming match for £50 a side between the famous Mancunian and Melbourne Inman. Diggle has hitherto been looked on as a player devoid of all ambition, and while others have been engaged in wordy warfare through the Press, the tall Lancastrian has pursued the even tenor of his way, and has up till now turned a deaf ear to the more or less persuasive eloquence of his would-be opponents for a money match. A few weeks ago Diggle certainly issued a cartel to Dawson and Stevenson, but there being a few "ifs" included, it did not create the same interest as this latest bit of news.

It is well known that ever since his severe drubbing at the hands of Diggle in last season's tournament, Inman has been thirsting for revenge. He cannot forget that the Mancunian deprived him of first prize, and one is safe in asserting that the irrepressible Richmond professional will make a bold attempt to equalise matters on this occasion. The conditions under which the match will be played are a little out of the usual run. It is stated that in order to preserve the identical conditions which governed their tournament game referred to, it has been decided to call the match one of 18,000 up, Diggle to receive 2,500 start and Inman 5,000. But why the same result could not have been arrived at by calling the game 15,500 up, Inman receive 2,500 start, I am at a loss to understand! As originally fixed, the game was arranged on the last-mentioned lines, but I suppose the conditions have been re-arranged on purely sentimental grounds. This will mark the first occasion where sentiment has been allowed to enter into the arrangement of a money match. All of which is interesting, because sentiment in a scarce commodity among most present-day professionals. However, in their anxiety to make the sentimental view a prominent feature, the parties concerned have lost sight of the fact that the match arranged is double the length of the tournament fixture, and this, in my opinion, destroys the efficacy of the whole thing. Inman should have been allowed a few more points in consideration of the double game, for as it is, Diggle starts with an advantage. I am afraid the space at my disposal will not allow of me offering very extended comment on the important matches brought to a conclusion on Saturday evening. Principally because it was the game I happened to see most of, I will first take the Stevenson-Lovejoy contest. Watching Lovejoy during the last three days of the match, one could hardly realise that this was the same player we had been watching for the previous nine days. For until Stevenson had rubbed off the very liberal concession of 6,000 and gone ahead by nearly 1,000 a visitor might have been forgiven for thinking Lovejoy was making his initial appearance against his brilliant opponent. "Is Lovejoy suffering from stage fright?" was a question frequently heard whispered in the salon. Whatever the cause, on these nine days he was far from being the Lovejoy we know. Stevenson's extreme brilliance in the first week of the match no doubt had a lot to do with his opponent's seeming ineptitude for the Hull player rarely took more than seventy minutes (he did it occasionally in sixty) to score his necessary quota of points (750). One break of this dimension in the time is beyond the capabilities of most professionals, but as Stevenson had to "look on" sometimes, one can form some idea of the remarkable pace he collected his points. In this connection it is worth repeating here a remark which appeared in a report of Friday evening's play in this match: "It is worthy of record that 1,834 points were scored at the sitting, giving an average of over 900 an hour" This was a phenomental performance. Thesession lasted two hours exactly. It is only doing justice to Lovejoy to state that he bore the lion's share of the performance by scoring 1,086 of the points. No matter how large or how small the breaks, points were put on at a great pace throughout the match, and by billiards of the very highest quality at that. Stevenson at times fairly bewitched the balls with his matchless skill, while Lovejoy on runs of "nurseries" was par excellence. Altogether the match was a treat for those privileged to witness it, and Stevenson's greatness was never more strikingly shown than in giving a player of Lovejoy's calibre a third of the game and a trouncing by 727 points. During the early stages of his game with Cook at Bristol, Dawson gave several enthusiasts the impression that he was drifting back to the poor form displayed against Harverson in the same hall. But these "croakers" evidently do not know their Dawson. He is still a very brilliant player, and what is more, he possesses in an unusual degree that indomitable grit and pluck which go to make him the greatest player in the "pit" of modern times. No I am not forgetting his poor show against Harverson. Rather, I am remembering his great "battles" of the past with especial reference to his friend, Stevenson, and also to Diggle, Harverson, and Inman. Take the match just concluded at Bristol. For over half the game Dawson was battling against the "collar"—so brilliantly has Cook been making the pace—but recognising that a special effort was required, the dogged Yorkshiremen on Tuesday afternoon comes out with the break of the season—582. Then he went after his man in great style, and after reaching his schedule points on Friday evening for the first time in the match, he eventually gained the honours of a splendid game. Cook, who was receiving exactly one-third of the game, played better than he has done for a year or two back, and by his most recent fine display has established himself a warm favourite in Bristol. By the time the big tournament comes round Dawson will be bang at the top of his form if his recent "shows," count for anything and then we ought to see billiards worth going a long way to see.

The match between Harverson and Inman, at Thurston's was brimful of excitement among the spectators, who attended each session in very large numbers The many kaleidoscopic changes in the position of the scores accounted for this. But at times both players sadly besmirched their reputations by a series of amateurish efforts to score from likely openings. This, coming on top of some exceptionally fine billiards, and of some very big breaks, is hard to account for. Harverson, who was in the "pit" until near the close, made a gallant attempt to win, but Inman had just that little bit "up his sleeve" to wear his opponent down and gain a remarkable victory in a remarkable match, by the exceptionally narrow margin of 102 points. The match will always be remembered for two exceptionally brilliant individual efforts, both of which went to the credit of Inman. His marvellous "red ball" world's record break and on Tuesday last he took the liberty of creating a new "Inman record" of 429. What could a player wish for more? I have heard it whispered that the Colonial is already on the war path with a cartel in his pocket to play Inman another match on level terms.

THREE-FIGURE BREAKS TO DATE.

	100 and over.	200 and over.	300 and over.	400 and over.	500 and over.	Totl.	Actual pts. scored.	Aver.
E. Diggle ...	38	12	3	0	0	53	16,000	57·7
H. W. Stevenson	90	16	6	0	2	114	36,000	54·3
C. Dawson ...	49	13	2	1	1	66	23,110	51·7
M. Inman ...	87	12	2	1	0	102	35,866	44·5
C. Harverson ...	84	11	1	0	0	96	34,536	41·8
W. A. Lovejoy ...	41	4	2	2	0	49	21,474	37·9
W. Cook ...	29	6	2	0	0	37	18,351	32·3
W. Mitchell ...	19	2	1	0	0	22	11,274	28·3
W. Osborne ...	9	1	0	0	0	10	5,700	25·3
T. Reece ...	12	1	0	0	0	13	7,321	24·7
G. Nelson ...	6	0	0	0	0	6	7,0 0	10·3
A. Taylor ...	1	0	0	0	0	1	4,599	3·3

NOTE.—The final column gives the percentage of points scored by the agency of three-figure breaks.

RECORD OF MATCHES TO DATE.

	P.	W.	L.	Possible points.	Actually scored.	Per-centage.
H. W Stevenson ...	3	3	0	36,000	36,000	100·0
E. Diggle ...	1	1	0	16,000	16,000	100·0
G. Nelson ...	1	1	0	7,000	7,000	100·0
W. Cook	3	1	2	19,000	18,351	96·5
M. Inman ...	3	2	1	37,250	35,866	96·2
C. Harverson ...	3	1	2	36,000	34,536	95·9
W. Osborne ...	1	0	1	6,000	5,700	95·0
W. A. Lovejoy ...	3	1	2	23,250	21,474	92·3
T. Reece... ...	1	0	1	8,000	7,321	91·5
C. Dawson ...	3	2	1	27,000	23,110	85·5
W. Mitchell ...	1	0	1	16,000	11 274	70·4
A. Taylor ...	1	0	1	7,000	4,599	65·7

NOTE.—The average column shows percentage of possible points scored.

SCOTTISH SPORTING ITEMS.

Owing to a difficulty with the landlord the proposal to extend Musselburgh Golf Links to eighteen holes has had to be dropped. Three professionals have been engaged by the Grange Cricket Club, Edinburgh, for next season—Pendrick of Gloucestershire, Keene, of Worcestershire, and White, the wicketkeeper who did such good service last season. The Indian Club Championship match between H. Burton, of Liverpool, and Tom Barrows will probably take place in the Waverley Market, Edinburgh, which has been offered for the purpose by Sir H. E. Moss. The report of the Loch Leven Angling Association states that the revenue for the past year was £2,280, an increase of £530 over last season. Alec Smith, Glasgow Rangers Internationalist, received such injuries in the Glasgow *vs.* Sheffield match last week that he had to consult a specialist. He, however, should be fit for the match against Celtic next Saturday. The South African cricketers play Scotland at Raeburn-place. Edinburgh, 22nd, 23rd and 24th July, after appearing at Partic against the West of Scotland C.C. the preceding Thursday, Friday, and Saturday. Mr. Fred Kirkham, of Preston, was at Dundee last Saturday refereeing the Dundee Celtic League match. The business-like methods of English referees are appreciated in Scotland. The decision of the International Conference at Sheffield has been received with mixed feelings. While it saves the *amour propre* of the Scottish Football Association it leaves an opon door for the suspend of the one country to skip over the Border and escape his punishment by placing himself under the jurisdiction of the other country—not a very desirable state of affairs. L. M. Macleod will not be in residence at Cambridge this year His younger brother, Kenneth G. Macleod is to be the new secretary of the club. Trout fishing in the Tweed, which has just closed has on the whole been very successful. The largest basket taken was with the worm during a spate by Mr. Robert Boyd, Galashiels, and weighed 18½lbs. N. C. Neilson, one of the well-known brothers who have gained distinction in Scottish Rugby, is lying seriously damaged as the result of an accident when representing Northumberland against the South Africans. Glasgow cricketers are very much annoyed at losing the mach which West of Scotland was hopeful of arranging with the M.C.C. for next season. Grange C.C. stepped in took the dates, and Edinburgh gets the treat. Mr. Robert Boue in winning the Glasgow Corporation golf trophy for the second time consecutively last Saturday week, handing in a score of 70, tied with the amatuer record for Blackhill, which score is two above that made by James Baird a couple of years ago. Messrs. C. Macfarlane and A. Methven tied for second with 72. John Duncan, the Irish champion, has been appointed manager of the Premier Billiard Rooms Glasgow, and will open them on Thursday with a match of 750 up against Tom Aiken, the Scottish champion. David Russell, the once famous Preston North End, Heart of Midlothian, and Celtic International player, while engaged at his occupation as a miner at Fauldhouse, Shotts, met with a serious accident through a fall from the roof. He played for Scotland against England at Liverpool as far back as 1895, and in all holds six International caps.

Hunting.

HUNTING COYOTES IN MANITOBA AND COLORADO.

HUNTING and coursing the coyote is certainly one of the most healthy and invigorating sports that a man can enjoy. He is ever on the alert, and like his dogs and his horse, he always has his eyes and ears open. The coyote is a wary customer and well he knows the difference between anything of the greyhound breed and other of the shepherd and gun dogs. He will play with a collie, but once he catches sight of what is known as a "long dog" on the vast prairies of Manitoba, he knows it is time to make a shift for the nearest cover, where he can dodge into the stunted forest and save his skin. The coyote as a rule fills his belly at night time. In the day, when the corn has been threshed, he will bask and dream on the sunny side of a straw pile, but like the butcher's dog he will take his nap with one eye open. He is a detestable cur at his best, and he knows that every man's hand is against him, and that it is for him to look after his own existence. He is a skulking, stealing thief, and he would even appear to know the difference between a week-day and the Sabbath. When the good farmer and his family are going through their devotions in the little village meeting house on the Sunday, Mr. Coyote sees his opportunity Then will he in the broad daylight take heavy toll from among the farm fowls; he has grown sick and tired of the varying hare of his surroundings and the agriculturist suffers in consequence. The coyote is the pariah of the prairie, and after the harvest is over the sporting farmer thinks he is putting in a few good days of honest work, when he and his friends set out to hunt what is invariably called "wolf" in that part of the world.

The best dog for coyote coursing is a cross made up of English greyhound, Scotch deerhound and Russian wolfhound. The greyhound gives the speed and endurance, the deerhound the coat and stamina and the wolfhound the tackling qualities. These dogs, which as before mentioned are called "long," bear the chief characteristics of the deerhound, and are blue or sandy in color. Naturally the profusion of coat is of great concern, for when a dog has to withstand the rigors of a climate that gets down to sixty degrees below zero, with a driving wind thrown in, it stands to reason that an animal requires a wealth of protection in the way of hair or fur. It is not too much to say that once the freeze-up sets in, that you can see the coats of dogs grow, the while the heat from their bodies escaping becomes frozen on top of the jacket. Time after time have I seen a dog almost white, the terrible weather crystallizing on the tips of the hair of his body the natural warmth of the animal. A greyhound being short-coated would feel the weather a great deal more than a dog that had a more profuse body covering. The Russian wolfhound is a magnificent tackler, and once he gets those long jaws onto a coyote he soon has him as dead as a doornail. On the other hand, the Muscovite is a sprinter rather than a stayer. There is often a run of from one to two miles at a terrific pace. The prairie is as flat as a billiard table and the wolf perceiving the mounted party and dogs from his point of vantage at a great distance, knows that they are his enemies and mean business. Therefore, he immediately leaps out of the straw pile and makes a bee line for the nearest cover. Once there he knows he is safe. Now with all this law it takes a very fast and staying dog to overtake him and pull him down before he reaches his haven of refuge. The Russian being a somewhat heavy hound gets pumped in a long course, but as before remarked, he is a perfect devil with his teeth.

It should be remembered that wolf coursing in Russia is generally carried out under different conditions to what it is on the prairies of the United States and Canada. In the kingdom of the Czar a pack of foxhounds is thrown into a cover, while round the wood or thicket men are placed with three Borzoi and as soon as a wolf breaks away the wolfhounds are slipped and it does not take long before they are into him. As has been mentioned, conditions are quite different on the Western plains where the coyote is jumped at a great distance, and we may rest assured that the little wolf is too old a soldier to take up his couch in a place that is not within pretty decent distance from a bluff wherein he can laugh at his pursuers. Therefore, we can look upon the Canadian or Western "long dog" as a more or less distinctive breed, and another such as the kangaroo dog of Australia, and we cross this self-same kangaroo dog with the Russian wolfhound and get the ideal Dingo dog. A kangaroo must be taken by the hind quarters. When an "old man" is struck up with his back against a tree, if a hound leaped at his throat, the marsupial would disembowel his tormentor with his sharp-clawed hind feet. Those are his deadly weapons, and well the dog knows it. On the other hand the dingo has to be taken by the throat; should a dog nab him by the hind quarters he would turn and cut the dog to ribbons. It is characteristic of the Russian wolfhound to lay hold at the throat, for with a grip there neither coyote nor dingo can do so much harm. Thus do we see the value of the Russian blood for tackling purposes appreciated in the Northern and Southern Hemispheres, and in countries so far apart as America and Australia. From November right on through the winter is the season for coyote hunting, for then the fur is in good shape, and his skin is very handsome. Then again, a reward is given by the local game warden, and all that has to be produced as evidence of the destruction of an animal are his ears. Thus is the pelt undamaged. Where these prairie wolves are plentiful it can be well imagined, that they often make the night hideous with their howlings. They also hunt in packs in the daytime and their music is not half bad when they are in full cry after a "rabbit," which to be correct is a hare and of which there are thousands in some places where there are big bluffs. The writer has seen about a hundred baboons in their wild state at play, barking, grunting and fighting like so many demons of an unspeakable and uncanny world. The noise was discordant and appalled the listener, the while so many imps of mischief and devilry held high and low revelry. On the other hand, when I first heard wolves in full cry it was thought that some great school of children had been dismissed from their studies, and rejoicing at their liberty they made the very welkin ring with their thin voices. Remembering there was no school anyway near, and certainly not as many children as could make all that din, if every youngster for ten miles round had been on the spot, it was recognized the sound came from wolves, as nearer and nearer they came. Shortly after they stopped, for their quarry had fallen a victim.

To demonstrate how extremely fearful the hares are of their chief enemy, it was always found better when after these "rabbits" to enter the big bluffs without a dog. It was better to tie him up outside, and leave him there until your requirements for him on the prairie proper. They would lie for you, but once they saw a dog they were unduly wild and would scuttle off like so many startled deer. Naturally they thought the dog was a coyote, and it was good policy to immediately get out of his way. But for the presence of a man they appeared to care little. They had turned white before the snow came, and as they lay in their forms on every hand their presence was revealed like white stones standing out against a russet background. You could almost pick them up. In the presence of a dog they would not lie a second.

As before written, after the threshing is over, is the time for coursing the coyote. Then the farmer has time to look round. His is hard work, and it should be remembered that he has to put in the ordinary year's work into seven months. He can do nothing in the winter, and verily his is a case of making hay while the sun shines. After the wheat has been put on the cars he can call his soul his own and take the gun off the rack or out of the corner; then does he say to himself that it is just as well that he should enjoy himself and have a little wolf hunting on the side. Then in the evening, when the day's mail is due to arrive, he will betake himself to the store, which is the grand meeting place for everybody. He buys his all there from a newspaper to a racoon coat. The storekeeper, who trades in everything from a lead pencil to a plough, is the means of distributing all the news and gossip of the prairie surrounding him, and is as much at home measuring a yard of finery as he is in writing out a postal order. He is everything, and when harvest Thanksgiving comes round they even borrow the grapes of his store to decorate the sanctuary. Here then is the man to tell all and sundry that our friend proposes a hunt, and that it would be just as well for them all to organize and meet on a certain day with their dogs. Naturally every one falls in with the very good idea and the rest is easy. On the last occasion that the writer was out we had ten dogs, all of the cross-bred, longdog kind. It was a pretty sight and a cavalcade to be proud of The hounds and horses would disgrace no people and every one was on coursing bent. The plan of hunting is to spread out in an extended line and take in a large tract of country. Everything is fish that comes to the net, and when a jack rabbit jumps up from behind a big clump of soil on ploughed ground there is a general rush. A prairie jack rabbit, when he has turned white for the winter, is a dish for the gods, specially if he be stuffed with veal stuffing and served up piping hot with plenty of gravy and red currant jelly. And these long dogs can catch even the swift jack. But the Wolf's the thing we are after to-day, and we will stick to him.

At last! There he goes! Hou! hou! hou! There, on your right, three-quarters of a mile away, you observe a running animal about the size of a collie dog and a greyish-black creature in the distance. You know it is what you are after, and the dogs have already seen him. Your horse has grasped the situation, and with a spring forward he nearly jumps through the girths and out of his skin at the same time. It is a wild, hard

ride, as every man tries his best to be up with the dogs which are straining, straining, straining, every muscle to get up to that fleeing beast in front of them. On and on they run with the distance between them and the coyote lessening every yard they go. You calculate the chances of the wolf reaching that bluff as you ride as you never rode before. You would dash through fire, you would ride through hell if that skunk was on the other side, and there was a chance of getting at him. And so on you go. Ah, he is yours! Just within fifty yards of his made-for shelter they are into him, and it will not be for him to howl at the moon again. See how they are into his throat, while others take him by the back and belly. They squeeze the ghost out of him before you are up to them, and his has been a speedy transition from the prairie to the coyote's heaven. And you think this. Even in your strength you are merciful. Then you call off the dogs, while your nearest friend hands you a flask. You take a real good pull at it while you wish him luck and you recognize you are out on the vast prairie and enjoying a wolf hunt.

In Colorado somewhat different methods are employed, those of the hunt club at the Colorado Springs being perhaps indicative of the section. They hunt over the great plains, ideal for the purpose, in any direction from the city they may care to ride. A five or ten-mile ride at most brings one to the game. Once a month the club members send their horse and hounds out fifteen to twenty-five miles by rail the evening before to some ranch, and go out on a special train in the morning for an all-day hunt, making a basket picnic of the affair. On these days they have from four to six runs, and half as many kills. They picnic on the plains wherever noon overtakes them, from a mess wagon that follows the hunt and return to town by the same special train or in a special car attached to some regular train. The hounds are carried in a wagon especially built for the purpose, a pair of white coach horses to draw it, and a smartly dressed driver on the box to manage them.

Arriving on the plains, the master begins riding more slowly, while the hound wagon and huntsman go on some forty to eighty rods in advance. This hound wagon is kept on the low land as much as possible, while the huntsman rides to the elevations, anywhere within half a mile of the hounds. There are holes in the top of the hound wagon through which hounds may put their heads and thus keep a constant eye on the huntsman.

The driver operates the opening of the door in the back end of the wagon, which instantly liberates the hounds, whenever the huntsman lifts his hat as a signal that he wants them, which he does only after he has gotten up as close to the game as possible.

The tactics he uses in getting up to the game is to ride about him in a circular way as if riding past, but all the time he is shortening the circle. The curiosity or stupidity of the coyote enables the huntsman thus to come within forty or eighty yards, when of the first symptoms of his taking to run the huntsman lifts his hat and rides after the coyote. The hounds rush on to the huntsman, who is usually able to lead them to view of the game, and the chase is on. Seeing the huntsman lift his hat is a signal also for the riders to come on, as a coyote usually runs in a circle at first, unless pressed too hard. The riders are generally able by riding to the right or left, as indicated by the direction the huntsman is taking, to come into the run behind the hounds. On this open plain and in the clear transparent air the chase is nearly always in full view from the start.

The coyote is a particularly interesting beast to hunt. He is the scavenger of the plains; he lives on rabbits which he tracks like a dog by scent, and picks the bones of all unfortunate cattle whose life comes to an end while afield. He is about half way between a fox and a wolf, and resembles one quite as much as the other. He hasn't the cunning of the former—the opinion of some of my coyote hunting friends to the contrary notwithstanding. He like the wolf is a coward, but becomes bold and aggressive when in bands. They are generally found separately in hunting their smaller prey, such as rabbits and prairie dogs, but when hunger is upon them they organize as in guerrilla warfare, and will pull down a calf or a yearling, or even a weakly bullock or cow.

When pursued by hounds they usually run to others, who follow along with a view of collecting others, so that when the hand to hand battle comes on, the fight will be more even-handed. If in these chases two or three find themselves pursued by a single hound, they turn on him, and his life is only rescued by bringing on the pack. Many a hound has thus been led into ambush and lost.

[Buck.

Paperchasing.

PAPERCHASING IN RANGOON.

As hunting is impossible in Rangoon owing to the absence of "jacks" or other quarry, paperchases are held instead twice weekly in the rains starting about the end of May and ending usually towards the close of October, making five months in all. There are two districts where the courses are laid, cantonments—a suburb within three miles of the city—, and Kokine a village about four miles distant. The former district is used on Wednesdays as being nearer town; it is more convenient for men in offices to get to the meet, than it would be if the course was further out in the country. The paper track here usually finds its way over the Golf Links, Maidans through residents' compounds, finishing not infrequently round the Race Course. The chief objection to a cantonment run is the amount of road work, though in a well-laid course there is very little entailed, the track lying over springy turf nearly the whole distance.

The Kokine runs take place on Saturdays and are decidedly more interesting as they lie in natural country through grassy glades, woodlands and jungle paths, though the rain takes longer to drain off than in cantonments. Except however for an occasional bit of bad going the Kokine country is fairly high and in spite of the heavy rainfall, a course will generally be in a very fair condition after two consecutive fine days and even after only one fine day the going will not be at all bad. The paddy fields which lie a little farther out are practically impossible at any time of the year for cross country riding, except perhaps in early May after the fist first few showers and again immediately after the reaping in November or December, as they are under water during the Monsoon, and as soon as the water runs off the sun parches them immediately, thus rendering the surface too hard to gallop over in the dry weather. If the paddy fields were ploughed in the winter months the going would be excellent, stretching for many miles over open country without interruption.

The Kokine courses therefore have to be confined to the high but limited woodland ground and are consequently somewhat cramped, necessitating several sharp turns which rather check the pace, though on the other hand excellent variety of jumps is afforded in a three-mile run, some of them being perfectly natural. Perhaps a description giving details of one of the runs, including nineteen jumps may be of interest *viz*:—The start lies in a field where three jumps are erected—mud bank 3ft. 3in., bamboo hedge 3ft, and brick wall 3ft, after which the paper enters a lane leading into a glade where two more fences are encountered,—a hurdle 3ft. and a leaf hedge 6ft. thick at the base sloping up to 3½ ft high. The course then turns into a jungle path and crossing a deep hollow climbs up to a high wooded plateau on whose level a mud bank 3ft. 6ins. immediately presents itself and later on a ditch 3½ft. wide with guard rail on take off side and mud bank on landing side completing the first mile. The course for the next mile lies on this plateau bending round its four sides over seven jumps given in their consecutive order as follows:—hurdle 3 ft. guard rail and ditch 5ft. wide with bank on far side, mud wall 4ft., post and rails 3ft., Brick Wall 3ft. 6ins., mud wall 4ft., hurdle and then a natural ditch 5ft. wide over which the course jumps into a lane and pursuing the latter for a few yards turns into fields where the third and last mile commences. After passing through a couple of fields the paper crosses a natural hedge into a private compound (permission, of course having first been obtained to do so) whence it turns into a lane converging soon afterwards on to a carriage road. Following this for a short distance the paper turns into the field where the run commenced and after negotiating a post and rails and ditch, finishes over a hurdle on the opposite side to where the start lay.

The fields often number over thirty while, the average turn out of the present season is about two dozen riders, excluding those who merely watch the start and finish from horseback. The animals vary considerably in size, from 12-hand Burmans to Walers over 15-hands, and this makes the catering of jumps difficult as a 12-hand pony carrying perhaps 14 stone can hardly be expected to clear the same height as a 15-hand horse, though the Burman pony is a keen and sure fencer. Formerly only the latter breed were seen in Rangoon, then came the invasion of the Indian country-bred and these two mixing together produced the Indo-Burman. Latterly horses have come up from Australia and these, increasing yearly in numbers, are ousting out the two former breeds so far as riding is concerned, with the result that the majority of the 'chasers are now Walers instead of Burmans or Indo-Burmans as was the case a few years ago. Consequently the bigger jumps are put up for the benefit of the horses and it is on account of the presence of the ponies that there are not more jumps of 4ft than those described in the above run. Though the horses might, by "chancing" the mud walls, knock holes in them so as to admit of, say, 13-hand ponies it is hardly to be expected that a 12-hand mite carrying, as already mentioned, 14 stone should attempt anything much over 3ft. The runs do not take the form of steeplechases as there is no lining up for the starter, but naturally about half-a-dozen usually ride for first place, while the remainder come on at a hand canter or what pace they like. In former years there used to be an average cup, but this has unfortunately gone out of vogue, though the season not infrequently winds up with a point-to-point meeting, including at least three races; one for ponies under 13-hands, another ponies under 14 hands and a third for animals over the latter height.

The meet always takes place on an afternoon and not infrequently "At Homes" are given in the shape of dancing after the paperchase by sporting individuals, regimental messes, etc., and these go far towards making the paperchase not only popular but a social success.

WALLABY.

Racing.

THE VICEROY'S CUP HORSES AND THEIR PERFORMANCES.

LAMROCK.

b aus g by Yardley—Helen.

AUSTRALIAN PERFORMANCES.

Moorefield. 12th Dec. '03. Kogarah Stks. (hcp). £79-4s, 6f. 8-2. Unplaced 1 19. *Rosehill.* 9th Jan. '04. High Weight Hcp. £73-15s., 6f. 8-7. Unplaced. *Sydney T. C.* 26th Jan. '04. High Weight Hcp. £140, 6f. 8-7. Unplaced. *Rosehill* 13th Feb. '04. Flying Welter. £71½. 6½f. 8-7 First. 1-24. 12th Mar. 04. Parramatta Mile. £76. 5s. 8-12. Second. 1-44½. 19 h Mar. '04. Carlingford Mile. £82½. 8-12. Unplaced. 1-44. *A. J. C.* 2nd April 04. First Hurdle Race. £291. 2½m. 10-2 First 5-3. 6th April '04. Second Hurdle Race. £332. 2m 11-4. First, dead-heat with King Pin. 10-12. 6-18. *City Tatt's* 16th April '04. Club Welter. £134. 1m. 8-12. Unplaced. 1-48. *Sydney T. C.* 7th May '04. Turf Club Hcp. £305. 1m. 3f. 7 2. Third. 2-25½. 14th May '04 Winter Stks. (Hcp.) £17. 1¼m 7-6. First. 2-10½. *Newcastle J. C.* 29th June '04. Newcastle up. £110. 1½m. 8-8. Unplaced 2-11. *Canterbury Park.* 13th Aug. '04. Flying Hcp. £74 8s. 1m. 8-0. Unplaced. 1-44. *Moorefield.* 3rd. Oct. '04. Demonstration Hcp. £148-4s. 1m. 5f. 7-7. Fourth. 2-59½ *Rosehill.* 15th Oct. '04. Parramatta Mile (Hcp). £71½. 9-3. First. 1-45. *Menton R. C.* 1st Feb. '05. Jumper's Flat race. £50. 1½m. 11-7. Third. 2-13½. *Victorian Club.* 4th Feb. '05. Victorian Club. Hcp. £100 1m. 8-3. Unplaced. Hartington Welter. £100. 7f 9-11. First, dead-heat with Medalist. 8-13. 1-30½. *Sandown Park.* 11th Feb. '05. Sandown Park Hcp. £100. 1m. 8-3. First 1-45. *V. A. T. C.* 18th Feb. 05. Bond Cup (Hcp). £200 1¼m. 7-13. Fourth. 2-37. 25th Feb. '05. Woodcliff Hcp. £200. 1m. 3f. 7-13. Second. 2-24½ *V.R.C.* 7th Mar. '05. Australian Cup (Hcp). £1,604. 2¼m 7-8. Unplaced. 9th Mar. '05. Autumn Hcp. £636. 1m. 5f. 8-3. Unplaced. 2-50½. *A. J. C.* 8th April '05. Autumn Hcp. £149. 1¼m. 8-3. Second. 2-11.

INDIAN PERFORMANCES.

Calcutta 2nd Extra. 9th Dec. '05. December Plate. Rs. 970. 1m. 8-12. Unplaced. 1-48½. *Calcutta First Meeting* 30th Dec. '05. New Year Plate. Rs. 1,455. R. C. 8-7. Unplaced 2-55. *Calcutta 2nd Meeting.* 13th Jan. '06. Kidderpore Plate. Rs. 1,940. 1¼m. 8-0. Unplaced. 2-11. 20th Jan. '06. City Plate. Rs. 1,455. R. C. 7-11. Third. 2-56½. *Lucknow Spring.* 3rd Feb. '06. Calcutta Plate. Rs. 1,145. 1m 8 0. Unplaced. 1-42½. 5th Feb. '06. Dilkusha Plate. Rs. 665. 1¼m. 7-13. First. 2-12. *Bombay.* 19th Feb. '06. Mahaluxmi Plate. Rs. 1,360. 1m. 8-4. Unplaced. 1-42½. 21st Feb. '06. Colaba Plate. Rs 1,845 1¼m. 7-11. Third. 2-12. 24th Feb. '06. Byculla Club Cup. Rs. 6,590. 1m. 5f. 6-7. Unplaced. 2-51. *Poona Second Extra.* 4th Aug. '06. August Plate. Rs. 485 6f. 9-1. Second. 1-18. *Poona Fourth Extra.* 18th Aug. '06. Old Stand Plate. Rs. 485. 1m. 8-3. First 1-46½. *Poona.* 15th Sept. '06. Western India Stks. (Hcp). Rs. 6,860. 1¼m. 8-8 Unplaced. 2-11½. 22nd Sept. '06. Stewards' Purse (Hcp). Rs. 1,850. 1¼m. 9 3. Fourth 2-12½. 29th Sept. '06. Aga Khan's Cup (Hcp.) Rs. 4,710. 1¼m. 7-11. First 2-38.

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AUSTRALIAN PERFORMANCES.

A. J. C. 22nd Nov. '02. Tyro Stks. £126. 4f. 8-7. Unplaced. 51½. *Newcastle.* 3rd Dec. '02 Ladies' Purse £25. 6f. 7 3. Second. 1-18½. *A. J. C.* 20th Dec. '02. Nursery Hcp. £138. Second. 1-18½. *A. J. C.* 26th Dec. '02. December Stks. £510. 5f. 7-7 First. 1 4½. 26th Dec. '02. Sires' Produce 5f. 8-10. First. 1 5. *V. R. C.* 28th Feb. '03. Sires' Produce Stks £531. ¼m. 8-10. Third. 1-16. 3rd Mar. '03. Ascotvale Stks £570. ¾m. 9-6. Fourth. 1-19½. 5th Mar. '03. Select Stks. £416 7f. 8-8 Unplaced. (fell). 1-42½. *A. J. C.* 13th Apr. '03. Champagne Stks £1,109. 6f. 9-6. Unplaced. 1-16½ 18th Apr. '03. Second Nursery Hcp. £360. 6f. 8½. Unplaced. 1 14½. *Rosehill.* 22nd Aug. '03. Tennyson Stks £75. 9f. 7-8. Unplaced. 1-57½. *Sydney Tatt.'s* 29th Aug. '03. Rawson Stks. £198. 9f. 8-4. Unplaced. 1-58½. *A. J. C.* 19th Dec. 03. Grand Stand Stks. £180. 1m 8 2. Unplaced. 1-40. *Rosehill.* 20th Aug. '04. August Stks. £86½. 1m. 8-5. Unplaced. 1-46½. *Sydney Tatt.'s,* 27th Aug. '04. Spring Hcp. £144. 1½m. 7 12. Unplaced. 2-8½. *A. J. C.* 10th Sept. '04. Kensington Hcp. £396. 7f 9-6. Third. 1-27½. 17th Sept. '04. The Shorts (Hcp.) £382. 6f. 8-8. Unplaced. 1-14. 17th Sept. '04. Final (Hcp.) £380. 1½m 7-9 First. 2-7. *V. A. T. C* 8th Oct. '04 Iolo Welter Hcp. £150. 7f. 10-3. Unplaced. 1-32½. 12th Oct. '04. Coongy Hcp. £ 50. 1m. 3f. 8-4. Unplaced. 2-24. 15th Oct. '04. Caulfield Cup. £3,000. 1½m. 8-2. Unplaced. 2-37½. *V. R. C.* 29th Oct. '04. Coburg Stks. £363. 1m. 8 9. Third. 1-41. *Williamstown.* 4th Nov. '04. Williamstown Cup £1,000. 1m. 3f. 8-1. Unplaced. 2-20½ (record). *V. R. C.* 4th Nov. '04. Final Hcp. £431. 1½m. 8-6 Third. 2-8½. *A. J. C.* 26th Dec. '04. Villiers' Stks. £386. 1m. 8-8. First. 1-40. *Sydney Tatt.'s* 31st Dec. '04. Carrington Stks. £576. 6f. 9-7. Fourth. 1-13½. *Rosehill.* 1st Apr. '05 Rawson Stks. £67½. 9f 9-0. Unplaced 1-58. *A. J. C* 8th Apr. '05. April Stk. £195. 1m. 1f. 9-10. Fourth. 1-55½ *A. J. C.* 22nd Apr. '05. Doncaster Hcp. £1,797. 1m. 9-5. Unplaced. 1-40. 24th Apr. '05. Sydney Cup, £2,760. 2m. 8-9. Third. 3-27. 26th Apr. '05. Cumberland Stks £647. 2m. 9-0. Second. 3-27½. 29th Apr. '05. Place Hcp. £536. 1½m. 9-3. Unplaced. 2-34.

INDIAN PERFORMANCES.

Calcutta Third Extra. 16th Dec. '05. Wellesley Plate. Rs. 970. 1½m. 9-3. Fourth 2-11½. *Calcutta First Meeting.* 23rd Dec. '05. The Trials. Rs. 6,875, 1m 9-0. Unplaced. 1-41½. 28th Dec. '05. Cooch Behar Cup. Rs. 5,910. 1½m. 8-4 Second 2-8½. *Bombay* 14th Feb. '06. Exeter Plate. Rs. 2,935. 7f. 8-11. Unplaced 1-.8½. 24th Feb.' 06. Byculla Club Cup. Rs. 6,590. 1m. 5f 8-12. Unplaced. 2-51 *Poona Fifth Extra.* 25th Aug. '06. All Horse Plate. Rs. 485. 1m. 9-11. Unplaced. 1-47. *Poona.* 8th Sept. '06. Trial Plate. Rs. 4,900. 1m. 8-10. First 1-44½.

MUNDERAH.

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AUSTRALIAN PERFORMANCES.

V. R. C. 3rd Nov. '03. Colt Stks. £321. 5f. 8-0 Fourth. 1-4. *V. A. T. C.* 21st Nov. '03. Stansmore Two-Year-Old Hcp. £120. 5f. 8-2. First. 1-4½. 26th Dec. '03. Juvenile Stks. (Hcp.) £300. 5f. 8-10. Unplaced. 1-4½, 13th Feb '04. Alma Stks. (Hcp.) £300. 5f. 8-7 Unplaced. 1-5½. *V. R. C.* 1st Mar '04. Junior Hcp. £266. 6f. 8-5. Unplaced. 1-17½. 3rd Mar. '04. Nursery Hcp. £358. 6f. 8-2. Unplaced. 1-1 ½. *V. A. T. C.* 12th Mar. '04. Orrong Two-Year-Old. Hcp. £150 6f. 7-12 Second. 1-16½. *V. R. C.* 16th Apr. '04. Terrace Hcp £127. 6f. 8-7. Fourth. 1-16½ *V. A. T. C.* 18th June '04. Minook Two-Year-Old Hcp. £150. 6f. 8-7. Second. 1-17½. 3rd Sept. '04. Memsie Stks. £200. 9f. 6-9. Fourth. 2-1½. 8th Oct. '04. Caulfield Guineas £651. 1m. 8-5. Unplaced. 1-44½. *V. R. C.* 1st Nov. '04. Melbourne Cup £6,632. 2m. 6-8. Unplaced. 3-28½. 3rd Nov. '04. Carnival Hcp. £690. 1½m. 6-12. Unplaced. 2-9½. 4th Nov. '04. Final Hcp. £431. 1½m. 6-10. First. 2-8½ *V. A. T. C.* 18th Feb. '05. Bond Cup (Hcp.) £200. 1¼m 7-7 Unplaced. 2-37. *V. R. C.* 4th Mar. '05. St. Leger Stks. £762. 1½m. 8-10. First. 3-10½. 7th Mar. '05. Australian Cup (Hcp.) £1,601. 2½m. 8-5 Unplaced. 3-57½ (record). 9th Mar. '05. River Hcp. £268. 1½m. 8-5. First. 2-9½. 11th Mar. '05. Place Hcp. £506. 1½m. 8-12. First. 2-38½.

INDIAN PERFORMANCES.

Calcutta First Meeting. 23th Dec. '06. Trials. Rs. 6 875. 1m. 8-12. Third. 1-41½. 26th Dec. '06. Viceroy's Cup Rs. 20,660. 1½m. 8-9. Third. 3 5½ 30th Dec. '05. Prince of Wales' Cup. Rs. 10,775. R. C. 8-11. Unplaced. 2-52½.

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INDIAN PERFORMANCES.

Poona. 21st Sept. '04. New Plate. Rs. 970. 6f. 9-4. Third 1-19½. 3rd Oct. '04. All Pony Plate. Rs 1,355. 5f. 8-10. Third 1-2½. *Calcutta Second Meeting.* 14th Jan. '05. New Plate. Rs. 1,160. 5f. 7-7. Second. 1-4½. *Calcutta Third Extra* 18th Jan. '05. St. George's Plate. Rs 970. 5f. 9-2. Second. 1-2½. *Calcutta Second Meeting.* 21st Jan '05. Bhowanipur Plate. Rs. 1,455. 5f 9-8. Third. 1-2½. *Bombay.* 15th Feb. '05 Gaye Cup. Rs. 1,360. 5f. 7-9. Fourth. 1-1½. 18th Feb. '05. Importers' (Hcp.) Rs. 1,360. 6f. 9-3. Third. 1-14 20th Feb. '05. Stewards' Purse. Rs. 1,360. 7f. 8-7. Second. 1 28½. *Poona.* 19th Sept. '05. Poona (Hcp.) Rs. 1,910. 5f. 7 13. Third. 1-3. 21st Sept. Coronation Plate. Rs. 2,530. 7f. 9-10. Second. 1-31. *Bangalore First Extra.* 13th July '05. Park Plate. Rs. 190. 9 6. Unplaced. 1-19½. *Lucknow Autumn.* 21st Nov. '05. Trial Plate. Rs 190. 5f. 9-6. Unplaced. 1-2. *Calcutta Second Extra.* 9th Dec. '05. Bentinck Plate. Rs. 970. 6f. 10-3. First. 1-17½. *Calcutta Third Extra.* 16th Dec. '05. Peel Plate. Rs 970. 1m. 10-3. First. 1-44½. *Calcutta First Meeting.* 23rd Dec. '05. International Pony Plate. Rs. 3,200. 7f. 9-3. Second. 1-29. 28th Dec. '05. Cooch Behar Cup. Rs. 5,910. 1½m. 7 3. First. 2-8½. *Calcutta Second Meeting.* 13th Jan '06. King's Plate. Rs. 9,725. 1½m. 7-8. Unplaced. 3-4. *Lucknow Spring.* 3rd Feb. '06. Chutter Munzil Plate. Rs. 950. 6f. 10-7. Second. 1-16½. *Bombay.* 17th Feb. '06. Grand Western Hcp. Rs. 6,870. 1m. 1f. 8-1. First. 1-55½. 24th Feb. '06. Byculla Club Cup. Rs. 6,590. 1m. 5f. 8-3. Fourth 2-51. *Poona Seventh Extra.* 1st Sept. '06. Pony Consolation Plate. Rs. 485. 5f. 10-7. Third. 1-3½. *Poona.* 8th Sept. '06. New Plate. Rs. 1,360. 5f. 10-0. Second. 1 3½. 15th Sept. '06. The Western India Stks. Rs. 6,860. 1½m. 9-1. First. 2-11½

FOOTPRINT.

b e h by Marco—Fracas.

ENGLISH PERFORMANCES.

Epsom. 22nd Apr. '03. Hyde Park Plate. £618. 5f. 8-9. Unplaced. *Kempton Park.* 8th May '03. Sunbury 2 y.-o. Selling Plate. £195. 5f. 8-10. Unplaced. *Epsom.* 26th May '03. Wallington Plate. £197. 5f. 8-4. Unplaced. *Lewes.* 11th June '03. Abergavenny Stks. £325. 5f. 7-12. Unplaced. *Gatwick.* 23rd June '03. Crow Maiden Plate. £165. 5f. 9-0. Unplaced. *Windsor.* 14th Aug. '03. Club. 2 y.-o. Plate. £100. 5f. 8-12. Unplaced. 15th Aug. '03. 2 y.-o. Selling Plate. £100. 5f. 8-12. Unplaced. 18th Sept. '03. Merry Wives Nursery Hcp. £100. 5f. 7-1. Unplaced. *Lingfield.* 22nd Sept. '03. Effingham Selling Nursery Hcp. £100. 5f. 7-9. Third. *Birmingham.* 3rd Nov. '03. Solihull Nursery Plate (Hcp.) £1 0. 6f. 6-0. Unplaced. *Lingfield.* 6th Nov. '03. Gorse Selling Plate. £100. 6f. 7-7. Unplaced. *Hurst Park.* 21st Nov. '03. 2 y.-o. Selling Plate. £144. 5f. 9-0. Unplaced. *Lincoln.* 7th June '04. Canwick Plate (Hcp.) £100 5f. 6-9. Unplaced. 8th June '04. Stonebow Hcp. Plate. £100. 5f. 7-2. Unplaced. *Newcastle.* 21st June '04. Blagdan S. Hcp. Plate. £100. 5f. 6-11. Fourth. 23rd June '04. Camperdown S. Welter Hcp. Plate. £100. 6f. 8-5. Unplaced. *Carlisle.* 29th June '04. Lowther Plate. £102. 5f. 6-9. Unplaced. *Nottingham.* 4th July '04. Arnold S. Plate. £100 6f. 8-13. Unplaced. *Lingfield Park.* 9th July '04. Brambletye S. Hcp. £100. 5f. 7-0. Unplaced.

CEYLON PERFORMANCES.

Colombo August. 5th Aug. '05. Governor's Cup. Rs. 2,200. 1½m. 8-13. Second. 2-18½. 8th Aug. 05. Turf Club Plate. Rs. 1,500 1½m 10-0. Second. 2-51½. 10th Aug. 05. Omnium Hcp. Rs. 500. 1m. 11-0. First. but disqualified for boring. 1-47. 12th Aug. '05. Fort Plate Hcp. Rs. 3,400. 1¼m. 10-0. Second. 2-17. *Colombo New Year.* 18th Jan. '06. Stand Stks. Rs. 200. 6f. 11-4. First. 1-21½. New Year Stks. Rs. 200. 1m. 10-0. First. 1-48. *Colombo August.* 4th Aug. '06. Governor's Cup. Rs. 2,200. 1½m. 9-3. First 2-14. 7th Aug. '06. Turf Club Plate. Rs. 1,500. 1½m. 10-7. Second. 2-51. 11th Aug. '06. Fort Plate Hcp. Rs. 3,400. 1¼m. 11-7. Unplaced. 2-19.

MALLARD.

b aus h by Malvolio—Britomarte.

AUSTRALIAN PERFORMANCES.

V. R. C. 4th Oct. '02. Maribyrnong Trial Stks. £175. 4f. 92yds. 7-5. Unplaced. 5½. *V. A. T. C.* 15th Oct. '02. Mona Nursery Hcp. £300. ¼m. 7-9. Unplaced. 50½. 18th Oct. '02. Gwyn Nursery. £300. 4½f. 6-12. Unplaced. 55½. *V. R. C.* 4th Nov. '02. Colt Stks. £188. 5f. 8-0. Fourth. 1-4½. 6th Nov. '02. Second. Nursery Hcp. £202. 6f. 7-2. Third. 1-14½. *V. A. T. C.* 14th Feb. '03. Alma Stks. £300. 5f 7-0. Unplaced. 1-5½. 21st. Feb. '03. Orrong 2 y.-o. Hcp. £200. 6f. 7-2. Unplaced. 1-16½. *V. R. C.* 28th Feb. 03. Hopeful Stks. £186. 5f. 7-10. Third. 1-3 5th Mar. '03. Select Stks. £416. 7f. 6-7. Fourth. 1-32½. *V. A. T. C.* 14th Mar '03. Federal Stks. Hcp. £300. 6f. 6-12. First. 1 17½. *V. R. C.* 18th Apr. '03 2-y.-o. Hcp. £131 6f. 8-10. Third. 1-18. *V. A. T. C.* 2nd May '03. Katandra 2-y.-o. £125. 6f. 8-8. First. 1-18¾. 20th June '03. Minock 2-y.-o. £150. 6f. 8-13. Third. 1-19½. *V. R. C.* 4th July '03. Mycross Hcp. £191. 7f. 9-1. First. 1-33. 3rd Oct. '03. October Stks. £210. 1¼m. 7-11. Unplaced. 2-10 *V. A. T. C.* 10th Oct. 03. Caulfield Guineas £650. 1m. 8-5. Unplaced. 1-43 6th Feb. '04. St. Georges' Stks. £300. 9f. 7-3. Unplaced. 2-4½. 13th Feb. '04. Bond Cup (Hcp.) £250. 1¼m. 7-7. Unplaced. 2-41½. 20th Feb. '04. Woodcliff Hcp. £250. 1m. 3f. 7-3 Second. 2 25¾. *Geelong.* 24th Feb. '04. Geelong Cup. £115. 1m. 3f. 8-3. First. 2-24½. *V. R. C.* 27th Feb. '04. St. Leger Stks. £724. 1¼m. 8-10. Unplaced. 3-7. 1st Mar. '04. Australian Cup. £1,471. 2¼m 7-7. Unplaced. 4-4½. Place Hcp. £516. 1¼m. 7-4 First. 2-37. *A. J. C.* 2nd Apr. '04 A. J. C. St. Leger. £686. 1¼m. 8-10. Third. 3-10. 4th Apr. '04. Sydney Cup. £2,526. 2m 7-11. Unplaced. 3-31¾. 6th Apr. '04 City Hcp. £654. 1¼m. 8-2. Fourth 2-44. 9th Apr. '04. Place Hcp. £488. 1¼m. 8-1. Second. 2-10.

INDIAN PERFORMANCES.

Calcutta Races 24th Dec. '04. The Trials. Rs. 7,000. 1m 8-12. Unplaced. 1-43¾. 27th Dec. '04 Viceroy's Cup. Rs. 20,000. 1¾m 8-9. Third. 3f. 4½. 29th Dec. '04. Cooch Behar Cup. Rs. 6,000. 1¼m. 8-5. First, 2-8. 31st Dec. '04. Macpherson Cup. Rs. 5,000. 1m. 6f. 132yds. 9-0. First. 3-12½. 14th Jan. '05. King's Plate. Rs. 1,000. R. C. 9 5. 2-57¾. *Calcutta First Meeting.* 28th Dec. '05. Cooch Behar Cup Rs. 5,910. 1¼m. 9-5. Unplaced 2 8¾. 30th Dec. '05. Prince of Wales's Cup. Rs. 10,775. R.C. 8-4. Unplaced. 2-51¾. *Calcutta Second Meeting.* 20th Jan. '06. Merchants' Plate. Rs. 4,880. 1¼m. 7-5. Second. 2-34¼. *Bombay.* 17th Feb. '06. Grand Western Hcp. Rs. 6,870. 9f. 8-11. Third. 1-55½. 24th Feb. '06. Byculla Club Cup. Rs. 6,590. 1m. 5f 8-6. Second. 2-51. *Poona.* 27th Sept. '06. Stand Plate. Rs. 1,850. 1m. 9-13. Unplaced. 1-44¾.

FITZ GRAFTON.

b aus c By Grafton—Olive Branch.

AUSTRALIAN PERFORMANCES.

Q. T. C. 10th Nov. '02. Nursery Hcp. £150. 6f. 8-5. Unplaced. 11th Apr. '03. Nursery Hcp. £60. 6f 8-0. First dead-heat with Little Boy. 8-13. 1-16½. 15th Apr. '03. Juvenile Hcp. £75. 7f. 8-7. Unplaced. 1-32¼. 23rd May '03. Stradbroke Hcp. £200. 6f. 6-7. First. 1-16. 25th May '03. Claret Stks. £100. 6f. 8-4. First. 1-17½. 30th May '03. Royal Stks. £150. 1m. and dist. 6-13. First. 1-58. 7th Nov. '03. Queensland Guineas. £165. 1m. 8-8. First. 1-47. 5th Dec. '03. Derby Stks. £400. 1¼m. 8-10. First. 2-41. 10th Dec. '03. Queensland Cup. £400 2m. 8-0. Unplaced. 3-35. 12th Dec. '03 Sandgate Hcp. £250. 1¼m. 8-8. First. 2-9¼. *Q. T. C.* 30th Apr. '04. Open Hcp. £75. 6f. 9-5. First. 1-15¼. 21st May '04. St. Leger Stks. £300. 1m. 6f. 132yds. 8-10. First. 3-16¼. 24th May '04. Brisbane Cup. £100. 2m. 8 3. First 3-29. *Sydney Tatt's.* 27th Aug. '04. Rawson Stks. £189. 9f. 9-10. Unplaced. 1-55½. *A. J. C.* 10th Sept. '04. Spring Stks. £706. 1¼m. 9-0. Unplaced. 2-35. 12th Sept. '04. The Metropolitan. £2,930. 1¼m. 8-13. Unplaced. 2-34½. (record). 14th Sept. '04. Craven Plate. £699. 1¼m 9-0. Second. 2-9. 17th Sept. '04 Randwick Plate. £687. 2¼m. 9-0. Fourth. 3-59¾. *V. A. T. C.* 8th Oct. '04. Caulfield Stks. £400. 9f. 9-4. Fourth 1-57½. 12th Oct. '04. Eclipse Stks. £300. 1m. 3f. 9-0 Fourth. 2-25¼. 15th Oct. '04. Caulfield Cup. £3,000. 1¼m. 8-13. Unplaced. 2-37½. *Q. T. C.* 27th May '05. King's Plate £150. 1¼m. 9-0. First. 2-9½. 29th May '05. Brisbane Cup. £400. 2m. 10-0. First. 3-32. 3rd June '05. Royal Stks. £150. 9f. 9-0. First. 1-54¾. *Sydney Tatt's.* 19th Aug. 05. Rawson Stks. £241. 9f 9-4. Third 1-52½. (record). *A.J.C.* 9th Sept. '05. Spring Stks. £695. 1¼ 9-5. Unplaced. 2-34. 11th Sept. '05. The Metropolitan. £2,672. 1¼m. 9-2. Unplaced. 2-32¼. *Q. T. C.* 2nd Dec. '05. Spring Stks. £150. 1¼m. 9-3. First. 2-14¾. 11th Dec. '05. Stanley Plate. £150. 1m. 3f. 9-3. First. 2-22.

LONG TOM.

b aus g by Projectile—Crossfire.

AUSTRALIAN PERFORMANCES.

Sydney Tatt's. 17th May '02. Tattersalls Stks. £134. 7f. 7-4. Unplaced. 1-28¾. *Rosehill.* 21st June '02. Nursery Hcp. £67. 5f. 7-0. Unplaced. 1-5. *Hawkesbury.* 5th June '02. Two-Year-Old Stks. £56. 6f. 6-8. First. 1-17½. *Warwick Farm.* 19th July '02. Farm Stks. £64. 6f. 7-8. First 1-17½. *Canterbury Park.* 2nd Aug. '02. Three-Year-Old. Hcp. £67. 4s. 1m. 8-8. Third. 1-45. *Sydney Tatt.'s* 23rd Aug. '02. Hampden Stks. £198. 1m. 1f. 7-5. Unplaced. 1-59¾. *A. J. C.* 6th Sept. '02. A. J. C. Derby. £1,154. 1¼m. 8-7. Unplaced. 2-45. 8th Sept. '02. New Stks. £360. 1¼m. 8-9. Unplaced. 2-9¼. 13th Sept. '02. Members' Hcp. £421. 1m 1f. 7-12. Unplaced. 1-55 (record). *Rosehill.* 8th Nov. '02. Club Hcp £75. 1m. 7-7. Second. 1-43¼. 10th Nov. '02. Holiday Welter. £67½. 6f. 9-6. Second. 1-17¼. Birthday Hcp. £71½ 6f. Third. 1-17. *Moorefield.* 15th Nov. '02. Moorefield Hcp. £118. 1¼m. 7-5. Fourth. 2-12½. *Warwick Farm.* 29th Nov. 02. Stewards' Mile. £62. 8-4. Unplaced. 1-44½. Warwick Hcp. £114. 1m. 2½f. 6-12 Third. 2-18½. *Rosehill.* 13th Dec. '02. Rosehill Hcp. £120. 1m. 3f. 7-10. Unplaced. 2-25½. *A. J. C.* 26th Dec. '02. A. J. C. Hcp. £315. 1m. 8-4. Unplaced. 1-43. *Sydney Tatt's* 27th Dec. '02. Club Hcp. £122. 1¼m. 6-10. Second. 2-11. *Rosehill.* 22nd Aug. '03. Tumut Stks. £83 15s. 1m. 8-5. Unplaced. 1-44. *A. J. C.* 12th Sept. '03. Kensington Hcp. £391. 7f. 7-13. Second. 1-29½. 16th Sept. '03. Suburban Hcp. £385. 1m. 8-1. Third. 1 41¾. 19th Sept. '03. Final Hcp £354. 1¼m. 7-6. Third. 2-18½. *Rosehill.* 7th Nov. '03. Rosehill Hcp. £114. 1¼m. 100yds. 8-0. First. 2-19. King's Hcp. £116. 1m. 3f. 8-9. Unplaced. 2-24. *Warwick Farm.* 5th Dec. '03. Warwick Hcp. £114. 1m. 2½f. 9-2. First. 2-17. *A. J. C.* 19th Dec. '03. Holiday Hcp. £114. 1¼m. 9-7. First. 2-10. 26th Dec. '03. Summer Cup. £694 1m. 5f. 8-5. Second. 2-52. *Sydney Tatt's.* 2nd Jan. '04. Tattersall's Club Cup. £910. 2m. 8-2½. First. 3-32½. *Rosehill.* 19th Mar. '04. Rawson Stks. £82. 9f. 8-7. Unplaced. 1-55¼. 20th Aug. '04. Rosehill Hcp. £132. 1m. 3f. 9-5. Third. 2-28. *Sydney Tatt's.* 27th Aug. '04. Rawson Stks. £189. 9f. 9-1. Unplaced. 1-55½. *A. J. C.* 12th Sept. '04. The Metropolitan. £2,930. 1¼m. 8-11. Unplaced. 2-34½ (record). 14th Sept. '04. Wycombe Stks. £359. 1m. 3f. 9-1. Unplaced. 2-22½. *Newcastle Tatt's.* 10th Dec. '04. Newcastle Tattersall's Cup. £110. 1¼m. 9-8. Unplaced. 2-11. *A. J. C.* 24th Dec. '04 Grand Stand Stks. £175. 9f. 9-0. Unplaced. 1-55½. *Sydney Tatt's.* 2nd Jan. '05. Tattersall's Cup. £810. 2m. 9-5. Unplaced. 3-28. *Newcastle J. C.* 3rd Apr. '05. City Hcp. £80. 1m. 9-5. Unplaced. 1-43½. *A. J. C.* 8th Apr. '05. April Stks. £195. 1m. 1f. 8-13. Unplaced. 1-55½, 22nd Apr. '05. Autumn Stks. £688. 1¼m. 9-0. Fourth. 2-40½. 24th Apr. '05. *Sydney Cup.* £2,760. 2m. 8-8, Unplaced. 3-27. 26th Apr. '05. City Hcp. £695. 1¼m. 8-10. Fourth. 2-34½. 29th Apr. '05. Place Hcp. £536. 1¼m. 8-8. First. 2-34.

INDIAN PERFORMANCES

Calcutta Third Extra. 16th Dec. '05. Wellesley Plate. Rs. 970. 1¼m. 9-7. Third. 2-11½. *Calcutta First Meeting.* 23rd Dec. '05. The Trials. Rs. 6,875 1m. 9-0. Unplaced. 1-41⅝. 26th Dec. '05. The Viceroy's Cup. Rs. 20,650. 1¾m. 9-0. First. 3-5⅝. 30th Dec. '05. Prince of Wales' Cup. Rs. 10,775. R. C. 9-10. First. 2-52⅝. *Calcutta Second Meeting.* 20th Jan. '06. Merchants' Plate. Rs. 4,880. 1¼m. 9-12. Third. 2 34¼. *Bombay.* 17th Feb. '06 Grand Western Hcp. Rs. 6,870. 1m. 1f. 9-11. Unplaced. 1-55⅝.

PADDY'S DARLING.

b f by Enthusiast—Maranta.

ENGLISH PERFORMANCES.

Leicester. 12th Apl. '06. Wigston Plate (Hcp). £100. 7f. 6-12. First. *Kempton Park.* 16th Apl. '06. Richmond Park. Easter Hcp. £174 6f. 6-9. First. *Epsom.* 25th Apr. '06. Tadworth Plate. Hcp. £197. 6f. 7-1. Third. *Thirsk* 3rd May '6. Clifton Three-Year-Old. Hcp. £100. 1m. 8-9. Unplaced. *Ascot.* 2nd June '06. Wokingham Stks. (Hcp) £735. 6f. 6-8 Third. 1-16⅗. *Newmarket.* 4th July '06. Soham Plate. (Hcp.) £169. 5f. 140yds. 8-1. First. 17th July 06. Beaufort Stks. £335 7f 8-7. Second. *Newbury.* 28th July '06. Empire Stks. (Hcp.) £419 6f. 8-3. Second.

Wrestling.

HACKENSCHMIDT AT HOME.

ALTHOUGH Russian by birth, Georges Hackenschmidt is next door to being a naturalised Englishman. For the last six years the celebrated wrestler has lived, breathed, and fought in different parts of the British Empire. In this he has had his joys and his sorrows, his pleasures and his pains, for the Russian is one of the most sensitive men under the sun. In some quarters he has been none too well treated, but while he may forgive without altogether forgetting, malice plays no part in his composition. Hard hit at times, and that without reason or justification, Hackenschmidt, as I gleaned from what he said yesterday, can open his door to some whom he never dreamed would think of knocking writes "estus" in *The Sportsman*. Back from the provinces, the wrestler made his return to the metropolitan stage on Monday last when, at Mr. J. W. Edgar's fine hall, the Metropolitan, in Edgware-road, he engaged in the first bout he has contested in London since, on 28th April last, he for the second time in his career, so summarily disposed of the big, strong, good-humoured Turk, Ahmed Madrali. Although I had heard from him, I had not seen the Russian for nearly six months. Our paths had been in opposite directions, and our leisure at different hours, "Hack" earning his £200 a week by his brawn and muscle, and myself considerably—I may say very considerably—less by the pen. And yet we are told that the pen is mightier than the sword, which should be more than equal to muscle. This paves the way for a fine and large conundrum, in which if and how would figure prominently. Hackenschmidt was "at home" yesterday enjoying a rest in the West End of London, which he affects when off duty. In reply to an invitation to look him up, I journeyed Leicester-square way, and quickly found the champion and his business manager, Mr C. B. Cochran. The two were seated in the reception room, surrounded with drawings and pictures of quite a number of the chief artistes of the variety stage. Hackenschmidt, clad in a blue serge suit, looked exceedingly well, and not, as I had been told, stouter than usual. The muscles could be plainly seen through his thin jacket, particularly so as he stooped to pick up his hat. He was apparently in a particularly great hurry to speak, boiling over, as one might say, to let himself go. For the moment I thought he was going to throw out a challenge. This is not "Hack's" style, but it struck me something nasty had appeared and that the Russian wanted to embrace a Turk, a Bulgarian, or a Frenchman. It was not so, however, for although he let fly with some little excitement, Hackenschmidt did not at the start converse on wrestling. He had something on his mind, opinions he wanted to give, and questions he wished answered, and when, after shaking hands and saying "how well you look," he started on boxing I felt quite at home. I had seen some absurd paragraph about Hackenschmidt wanting to box the world or anyone or everyone in it. It was not about himself, however, that the Russian wished to speak, but about Gnr. Moir and Jack Palmer, who, as the sporting world knows, meet at the National Sporting Club on the 29th instant for the Heavy-weight Championship of England. Hackenschmidt is interested in this encounter, for he is finding the stake-money for a man who has assisted him in his business in many parts of the world, and formed one of his troupe for the last three years. Gnr. Moir is at once his pride and his *portege*. He looks upon the Artilleryman as a good catch-as-catch-can wrestler, and as a boxer—why, absolutely invincible.

I want to say a few words to you about this match, said Hackenschmidt. You know it will be a great contest. Moir, ah! he is a very powerful hitter indeed. You did not see him fight in Australia. I did. I saw him in the ring with the big black man, Peter Felix. How the Australians did fancy their man. And he was inches higher than Moir and heavier considerably. But Moir, he fought like a lion, and the big fellow cried out when he was hit so hard and so heavily on the ribs. I was in Sunderland some days ago, and the sporting men there think Palmer will never keep Moir away. I know Palmer is taller and longer in the reach, but he will never keep the Gunner at bay. After that contest in Australia Felix told me he has never been hit so hard, never during his long career, and Larry Foley, the veteran teacher, was surprised at the easy way in which the black had been defeated. And you know, of course, how easily Moir beat Smith in Australia. Poor Smith, I was sorry for him

What about Squires? I asked.

Squires, replied Hackenschmidt, why, Squires was quite afraid and would not meet Moir. Everything was prepared, as far as arranging the corners. Squires would have had no chance with Moir, who will, I think, certainly beat Palmer.

Questioned about his programme, Hackenschmidt said: Wrestling, oh? my programme is of very great length indeed. I am booked up in England until March, 1908, when I appear at Clapham. I have six weeks in London, and then go into the provinces again, and shall be backward and forward for months and months.

What about Frank Gotch?

Hackenschmidt: Gotch? Well, I do not take Gotch seriously. You know the American game of bluff; well, Gotch is playing it. A man has only to insert a challenge to get his name before the public. I never issue challenges, which you know; and yet I stand prepared to meet any man whose credentials are good enough to make a match a paying game. But, and I hope you will say so, I do not intend to advertise third and fourth rate men by taking notice of what they say in the papers. In the opinion of some it is only necessary to go to the Continent and dig out a man and give him a name then bring him to England and throw out challenges. Reputaltion is apparently a secondary consideration, and the public are to take everything as granted. I pay no attention to this sort of thing, and shall continue to ignore it. I am, however, only 29, and if, as I have said, any man with proper credentials comes forward he can have his match in the catch-as-catch-can style.

Then you are not going for a second tour in the States?

Hackenschmidt: No; that is abandoned. I had exceptionally good terms offered for eight weeks, but it is not worth my while to go to America for so short a time, therefore, I have filled up my dates in England.

Providing you had gone to America, would you have met Gotch?

Hackenschmidt: Yes, if there had been money in it. But, as I said, I don't take Gotch seriously. He is a fine man, over 6 feet, high, but has been beaten by Jenkins, whom I twice defeated, therefore, he does not count, you see. Hackenschmidt I may say, is now domiciled in the heart of the West End, where he has a cosy flat within a quarter of a mile of Piccadilly Circus. To this we adjourned after enjoying the good things provided at the Queen's Hotel, Leicester-square, by that genial sport, Mr Teddy Baily. Hackenschmidt, I may add, has few idle days, if any, and no leisure in the evening. Four shows per night, with the scurry to and from the halls, is a strain that only a strong man of iron constitution can stand. Hackenschmidt, despite the work he has gone through, is still that man, and recognising the necessity of good condition, he goes through strong and vigorous exercise every morning. The life of a star wrestler is not all honey, and, according to the Russian, not all profit. The name of Madrali cropped up in course of conversation, and I was pleased to hear the way in which Hackenschmidt spoke of the Turk. He puts Ahmed down as one of the strongest men he ever met, and a wrestler who would be very formidable indeed had he brains and skill. "Brute strength," said Hackenschmidt, "is a very important factor, but you want something here (tapping his head) as well. The Japs are brainy and clever generally, but the Turks—(and the gesture that followed spoke more than words). "In their own style they take a lot of beating; but Turkish wrestling would not be tolerated by an English audience. There is no skill, it is all a matter of strength—pulling a man down and keeping him down, any way and anyhow. Madrali was a good man, a very good, strong man. I don't know anyone who would beat him, and, providing he could be taught, given more speed, he would, of course, be better still."

Mr. Cochran, who has just recently returned from the States, was up to his chin in business connected with the great fair that opens at Olympia next Christmas. From particulars given me this looks like being really the greatest show on earth. Full particulars will be announced shortly in *The Sportsman*, but I may say that almost every foot of the huge building to let has already been rented, and the sixpence charged will certainly admit to the most remarkable exhibition ever put forward in London. Mr. Cochran tells me he has secured some surprising talent in America, and he is confident of beating all records—Barnum and Bailey included. Hackenschmidt has been engaged for the opening week.

Cricket.

CRICKET IN CALCUTTA.

HORNETS *vs.* N. FUSILIERS.—The half-day match between these elevens, played on the Hornets' ground last Saturday, terminated in the usual draw A. A. Browne, the hard-hitting Hornet, knocked up 82 of his side's total of 125; only two Fusiliers troubled the scorer to any appreciable extent; Mabert and Hudson bowled fairly well for the homeside; Paraut, for the soldiers, got some good work on the ball. Score:—

HORNETS.

J. Yakchee, b Salier	0
B. Hollow, b Wardsworth	0
A. B. Rosser, b Salier	1
A. A. Browne, l.-b.-w. b Paraut	82
A. E. Cooper, c Ritson, b Salier	3
E. S. Mabert, b Paraut	15
R. Simpson, b Paraut	0
E. DuCasse, b Paraut	1
N. Hudson, b Wardsworth	2
H. Hart, b Paraut	1
F. Vincent, not out	3
Extras	17
Total	125

N. FUSILIERS.

Mr. Ovans, b Mabert	31
Pte. Jenkins, c Simpson, b Mabert	16
Pte. Adams, b Hudson	29
Pte Paraut, c Hollow, b Hudson	5
Mr. Milne, c Home, b Hudson	5
Mr. Salier, b Mabert	0
Mr. Ritson, b Hudson	0
Mr. Moss, b Hudson	1
Pte. Dresser, not out	6
Pte. Disney, b Mabert	2
Lce.-Corpl. Wardsworth, not out	0
Extras	8
Total (for nine wickets)	103

DALHOUSIE A. C. *vs.* BUEN'S C. C.—Last Saturday, on the D. A. C. ground, the bowlers quite beat the batsmen, Messrs. Jackson, Prike and Stewart particularly distinguishing themselves. The Dals made but 29 and were beaten by 7 runs. Score:—

DALHOUSIE A. C.

J. Wickens, c Shepherd, b Jackson	3
T. Tremble, b Jackson	6
H. Beadle, b Jackson	1
F. Sharpe, c Shepherd, b Jackson	0
D. Stewart, c Shepherd, b Thorpe	2
L. Prike, b Jackson	3
J. McDougall, b Jackson	6
B. Hayden, run out	1
J. Ball, c Shepherd, b Thorpe	0
J. Nowell, b Jackson	0
W. T. Evans, not out	6
Extras	2
Total	29

BUEN AND CO. C. C.

H. A. Dods, c Prike, b Stewart	0
J. Shepherd, b Stewart	11
W. Longley, b Prike	0
R. Jackson, b Prike	6
A Roberts, c Sharpe, b Stewart	0
A. Jeffreys, b Prike	3
J. Thorpe, b Stewart	1
J. Medland, b Prike	2
D. Gray, b Stewart	1
A. Aveil, not out	4
B. Walkem, c Beadle, b Prike	7
Extras	36
Total	

Calcutta Kennel Club.

Founded 14th September 1906.

RULES.

Object of the Club.—The object of the Club shall be to encourage the keeping, breeding, and importation of all kinds of dogs, by promoting and supporting Shows, and taking all other necessary and practicable steps to protect and advance canine interests.

Entrance Donation.—All persons joining the Club after 31st December 1906 shall pay a donation or entrance fee of Rs. 5 in addition to their annual subscription. Members joining before 31st December pay no entrance fee.

Annual Subscription.—The annual subscription shall be Rs. 10.

The Club Affairs will be controlled by the President and Vice-President and Committee of seven members, the Honorary Secretary and Honorary Treasurer being additional members *ex-officio*. (These have to be elected.) Three to form a quorum.

The Support of Shows.—The question of giving prizes or subscriptions to Shows shall be decided by the Committee, who shall stipulate that the Shows shall be held under the rules of the Northern India Kennel Association, and shall, if necessary, satisfy themselves as to the other arrangements to be made.

Produce Stakes.—The Club shall, at such time as the Committee shall decide, give special prizes to be competed for by dogs born during the year, exhibited by their breeders, who must be members of the Club.

REGULATIONS FOR SHOWS.

Registration.—At all Shows held under Club Rules, all exhibits must be registered, unless already registered at the English Kennel Club, in which case it must be intimated on the entry form. The registration fee will be Re. 1 per each animal.

Transfer Certificate.—All registered dogs must, before being exhibited at any Show held under Club Rules, be supplied with a certificate of transfer if a change of ownership has taken place.

Scale of Fees.—

Registration	... Re. 1
Transfer Certificate	... „ 1
Change of Name	... Rs. 2
Certified Copy of Pedigree	... „ 2

Affix or Prefix.—Affixes or Prefixes can be registered free of charge, but no Prefix or Affix that has already been registered at the English Kennel Club can be used in India, except in the cases of dogs bred in England and already registered at the Kennel Club with their breeder's Prefix or Affix.

Distinctive Nomenclature.—No two dogs of the same breed can be registered under the same name, nor will the names of any well-known dogs at home be accepted for registration.

Registration of Puppies.—All puppies to be eligible for the Club's special produce prizes must have been registered within six months of their birth.

Dogs, the "bona-fide" property of Exhibitors.—Every dog exhibited must be the *bona-fide* property of the exhibitor. But should a temporary owner be empowered, during the real owner's absence from India, to exhibit in his own name, such entries will be accepted on the production of a certificate signed by the real owner to the above effect.

Breeder.—When the puppies in any litter are divided by the owners of sire and dam, in accordance with mutual agreement as to service, or as regards joint ownership of a brood bitch, the puppies falling to the share of each shall be held to have been bred by each. A bitch lent on breeding terms must be entered as the joint property of the two owners.

Judges not to Exhibit.—No Judge officiating at a Show held under the Northern India Kennel Association rules is permitted to exhibit for competition in any class or classes at that Show.

Judging Books.—At all Shows held under the Northern India Kennel Association rules judging books must be provided by the Club, and the Local Committee are responsible that no Judge uses a catalogue in the ring.

NOTICE.

The first Dog Show, under the rules and auspices of this Club, will be held in January, probably the 3rd of that month. The venue is not yet decided upon.

E. A. LYON,

Acting Honorary Secretary.

BALLYGUNGE C. C. *vs.* Y. M. C. A.—The Young Men had a visit from the Ballygungers last Saturday and played them a drawn game of which they had the best. Score :—

Y. M. C. A.

F. H. Reynolds, b Cowdrey	...	...	29
T. Shuldham, c and b Gould	...	...	4
W. A. Price, run out	...	...	11
F. Knowles, run out	...	...	28
J. Grant, b Whiteley	...	...	14
W. Dyer, c Skinner, b Whiteley	...	...	12
S. B. Fox, c Skinner, b Whiteley	...	...	2
J. MacLean, c Maunders, b Whiteley	...	...	11
B. W. Thurlow, not out	...	...	0
P. Vanspall, F. C. Creed }	did not bat.		
Extras	...	...	25
Total (for eight wickets*)		...	136

*Innings declared closed.

BALLYGUNGE.

T. C. Maunders, c Knowles, b Reynolds	...	...	5
H. M. Sherman, c Reynolds, b Vanspall	...	...	6
F. N. Whiteley, b Vanspall	...	...	25
E. W. Antram, c Knowles, b Vanspall	...	...	0
H. E. Skinner, b Reynolds	...	...	17
E. C. Cowdrey, run out	...	...	5
J. Winter, b Reynolds	...	...	0
J. B. Coulthard, c and b Reynolds	...	...	20
F. Gould, b Reynolds	...	...	0
A. V. Shortes, V. Sherman }	did not bat.		
Extras	...	...	2
Total (for nine wickets)		...	80

RANGERS *vs.* CUSTOMS.—The time-honoured draw was effected when these teams met on the Rangers' ground on Saturday. The cricket was of moderate class, but the issue was interesting, for with but 6 wickets down and 4 to win the Customs were overtaken by the bell. Score :—

RANGERS.

C. V. Warden, b McCready	...	...	3
E. Tripp, b Marsden	...	...	0
A. Hodges, b Marsden	...	...	0
E. Templeton, b Marsden	...	...	0
G. Hodges, b Marsden	...	...	13
P. Margrett, b Marsden	...	...	2
G. Newton, b Marsden	...	...	22
D. Calderwood, c and b Marsden	...	...	16
C. J. Dairs, b Marsden	...	...	0
E. McCullagh, not out	...	...	6
F. Lees, b Brown	...	...	1
Extras	...	...	4
Total	...	...	67

CUSTOMS.

F. Jewell, c Lees, b Templeton	...	...	1
F. Harcourt, b Lees	...	...	16
A McCready, b Lees	...	...	2
S. Boo, c Hodges, b Templeton	...	...	8
M. Quiterio, not out	...	...	13
J. Anderson, b A. Hodges	...	...	15
C. Marsden, b A. Hodges	...	...	0
W. Hughes, not out	...	...	2
A. Nadal, H. Vears, W. G. Brown }	did not bat.		
Extras	...	...	7
Total (for six wickets)	...	...	64

CALCUTTA C. C. *vs.* TELEGRAPH C. C.—This match was played in the Eden Gardens on Saturday last, and resulted in a hollow victory for the home club, who had a strong side out, while their opponents could only put a very poor eleven into the field. Calcutta did not begin particularly well, but a long partnership between Curtis-Hayward and Beachcroft soon averted any danger of collapse, and the total, without any effort on the part of the last few wickets, mounted up to 247, of which Curtis-Hayward, who is in very fine form apparently this year, with both bat and ball, contributed no less than 120 not out, going in first wicket down and carrying out his bat. Beachcroft hit hard and well for his 63, but enjoyed a full share of good fortune, the visitors' fielding, though keen throughout, proving decidedly unreliable. Mehta and Wells showed some promise as bowlers, but the rest of the attack were wretchedly weak. When the Telegraph Club went in, they could only total a paltry 71 runs all told, of which M. Quiterio, who had not taken part in the opening stages of the match and was therefore not eligible to bat, scored 37 in neat style, and MacMillan 15, Curtis-Hayward took five wickets for 29 runs, and Eddis got four very cheaply at the finish. Following on the Telegraph Club did slightly better, and lost four wickets for 59 runs, Quiterio again and Walkem showing up well. They were, however, soundly beaten by 176 runs on the first innings.

Full score and analysis :—

CALCUTTA.

J. D. Guise, b Wells	...	...	19
M. R. Quin, st Grieff, b De Smith	...	...	11
T. Curtis-Hayward, not out	...	...	120
B. E. G. Eddis, b Mehta	...	...	5
J. E. Jackson, b Mehta	...	...	0
C. P. Beachcroft, st Cox, b McMillan	...	...	63
Major Burlton, b De Magry	...	...	9
C. P. Bartholomew, b Miller	...	...	5
H. V. Low, b Wells	...	...	3
J. M. Turner, b Wells	...	...	0
C. P. Lomax, b Miller	...	...	5
Byes 4, Leg-byes 2, Wides 1	...	...	7
Total	...	...	247

TELEGRAPH.

J. Grieff, b Curtis-Hayward	...	...	1
M. Quiterio, c and b Eddis	...	...	37
A. Johnstone, b Beachcroft	...	...	4
G. Wells, b Curtis-Hayward	...	...	4
W. Cox, b Curtis-Hayward	...	...	2
T. McMillan, c Bartholomew, b Curtis-Hayward		...	15
De Magry, c Lomax, b Eddis	...	...	0
H. Walkem, st Jackson, b Curtis-Hayward		...	0
M. J. Miller, not out	...	...	3
G. Dunn, b Eddis	...	...	0
Leonard, b Eddis	...	...	0
Byes	...	...	5
Total		...	71

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

CALCUTTA.	B.	R.	M.	W.
C. Dunn	48	39	0	0
C. Wells	84	52	1	2
H. Mehta	90	46	2	2
De Smith	18	11	0	1
McMillan	24	24	0	1
De Magry	36	39	0	1
Grief	12	13	0	
Miller	33	16	2	2

TELEGRAPH.

C. P. Beachcroft	54	20	2	1
T. Curtis-Hayward	78	29	5	5
B. E. G. Eddis	30	14	1	4

BALLYGUNGE C. C. *vs.* THE SCALLYWAGS.—Quite a good game resulted in the meeting of these teams on the B. C. C. ground, Runs came fast throughout, there were 9 double-figure contributions, including one of 96 by Mr. Mytton, who can bat above a bit and knocked the Scallywags' trundling about right merrily till he was bowled and neatly caught by Miller. White and H. M. Sherman made useful additions to the Ballygunge score which closed for 248. The visitors with 44 from Tod, 40 from Miller, 35 from Milne and other useful tens and twenties knocked up 207 for 9 wickets. There was some fairly good bowling on both sides. Score :—

BALLYGUNGE C. C.

B. G. White, c Blake, b Lethbridge	...	...	40
E. Hornecastle, c Ritson, b Wadsworth	...	...	1
T. C. Manders, b Wadsworth	...	...	8
F. N Whiteley, b Tod	...	...	8
W. E. Bayley, c Blake, b Connor	...	...	8
E. C. Cowdrey, c Miller, b Tod	...	...	0
H. F. Mytton, c and b Miller	...	...	96
F. Gould, b Tod	...	...	3
H. E. Skinner, c Liburn, b Connor	...	...	9
J. R. Coulthard, b Tod	...	...	3
H. M. Sherman, not out	...	...	56
C. C. T. Eastgate, run out	...	...	0
Extras		...	16
Total		...	248

THE SCALLYWAGS.

M. F. Blake, B. Manders	...	...	2
A. Todd, c Gould, b White	...	...	44
R. C. R. Hill, b Gould	...	...	25
Major Ainslie, c White, b Manders	...	...	10
Capt. Connor, b Gould	...	...	22
E. A. Braithaupt, b Gould	...	...	9
H. G. B. Miller, c Mytton, b Cowdrey	...	...	40
A. C. Milne Home, b Hornecastle	...	...	35
A. Lethbridge, c Sherman, b Cowdrey	...	...	5
C. W. Ritson, not out	...	...	1
W. Lilburn, Lce.-Corpl. Wadsworth }	did not bat.		
Extras		...	14
Total (for nine wickets)		...	207

CALEDONIANS *vs.* 79th R.G.A.—Wretched fielding and batting very nearly lost this game for the Caledonians. There being no fewer than thirteen catches missed by the home team, the match was played on the Caledonian ground, and about as poor an exhibition of batting as could be well imagined. The soldiers had first innings, and despite some excellent bowling by Chandler, who got six for 27, managed to knock up 108 runs, mainly through contributions of 36 from Gunner White, 27, not out, from Gunner Toyson, and 14 from Sergeant Doyle. Had fifty per cent of the chances given been accepted the military should scarcely have totalled 70 runs. The only feature of the Caledonians' innings was a very well played 29, not out, by Byrne and a steady 14 from Meggitt. The rest collapsed hopelessly before Humphreys and Allison, both of whom bowled with great judgment. Time found seven of the Caledonian wickets down for 72, so that in all probability they would have suffered another well deserved defeat. Appended are the scores :—

R. G. A.

Gr. White, b Chandler	...	...	36
Tr. Allison, b Chandler	...	...	9
Sergt. Bailey, b Chandler	...	...	4
Gr. Croley, c Byrne, b Chandler	...	...	6
Br. Humphrey, c Megitt, b Elliot	...	...	1
Corpl. Savage, b Elliot	...	...	0
Gr. Toyson, not out	...	...	27
Br. Tobin, c Greene, b Chandler	...	...	0
Sergt. Doyle, b Chandler	...	...	14
Corpl. Clarke, c Meggitt, b Elliot	...	...	3
Gr. Page, b Christensen	...	...	5
Extras		...	3
Total		...	108

CALEDONIANS.

E. H. Christensen, b Humphrey	...	...	0
G. V. Wada, c White, b Humphrey	...	...	1
E. O. Elliot, b Allison	...	...	2
H. W. Beer, b Allison	...	...	1
S. T. Meggitt, b Allison	...	...	14
R. Byrne, not out	...	...	29
H. Chandler, b Humphrey	...	...	4
J. Pybus, run out	...	...	10
A. H. Greene, J. F. Wilson, J. H. Dinn }	did not bat.		
Extras		...	11
Total (for seven wickets)		...	72

HORNETS *vs.* ST. XAVIER'S COLLEGE.—The boys had a visit from the Hornets and suffered defeat by 47 runs. For the winners, A. B. Rosser made 73 in very taking style, and Cooper and Hudson helped the score, but five contributed "blobs." The best individual effort among the losers was 19 by Vaughan. Score :—

ST. XAVIER'S.

A. Manuel, b Peake	...	...	9
A. Klemis, b Mabert	...	...	0
J. Yakobee, c DuCasse, b Mabert	...	...	14
A. Green, run out	...	...	13
H. Vanspall, not out	...	...	2
A. Vaughan, b Peake	...	...	19
K. Hoff, b Peake	...	...	9
J. Newton, b Peake	...	...	5
S. D'Silva, b Hudson	...	...	8
E. D'Cruze, c and b Hudson	...	...	1
E. Newton, c Rosser, b Hudson	...	...	3
Extras		...	22
Total		...	104

HORNETS.

A. B. Rosser, b Vaughan	...	...	73
A. E. Cooper, b Vaughan	...	...	25
C. Simpson, s D'Silva, b Vaughan		...	14
B. H. Peake, b Vaughan	...	...	0
H. A. Bayley, c Greene, b Manuel	...	...	8
N. E. Hudson, c Greene, b Vaughan	...	...	14
C. Connolly, s Hoff, b Greene	...	...	0
E. S. Mabert, b Green	...	...	0
E. H. DuCasse, l.-b.-w., b Vaughan	...	...	0
A. A. Browne, c Klemis, b Vaughan	...	...	6
E. Bussell, not out	...	...	0
Extras		...	11
Total		...	151

RANGERS *vs.* UNITED CLUB, HOWRAH.—These clubs played their return match on the Howrah ground, where the visitors beat their opponents by 66 runs in a one innings game. We were glad to see the veteran Warden exhibiting somewhat of his old form with the bat; his 63 was the reward of sound cricket and good judgment and he showed that he had not forgotten how to find the boundary. The Howrah men made a miserable show against Lees and Templeton's attack. Score :—

RANGERS.

C. N. Warden, c Doran, b Doyle	...	...	63
F. Lees, b Gray	...	...	6
G. Jewell, c Gray, b Thorpe	...	...	8
A. Hodges, c Anderson, b Smith	...	...	7
E. Templeton, c Gray, b Thorpe	...	...	0
D. Calderwood, c Gray, b Le Strange	...	...	10
P. Margrett, b Le Strange	...	...	3
F. Jewell, c Doran, b Doyle	...	...	11
J. McCullagh, c and b Gray	...	...	11
R. Nicol, not out	...	...	1
J. Little, b Doyle	...	...	0
Extras	...	...	6
Total	...	...	126

HOWRAH.

G. Hart, c F. Jewell, b Lees	...	...	0
A. Roberts, b Templeton	...	...	0
H. Platts, b Lees	...	...	18
E. Doyle, c McCullagh, b Lees	...	...	8
D. Gray, b Templeton	...	...	9
W. Smith, b Templeton	...	...	0
A. Doran, b Templeton	...	...	9
J. Thorpe, b Lees	...	...	0
H. Anderson, b Templeton	...	...	0
F. Le Strange, c and b Lees	...	...	4
A. Bennett, not out	...	...	5
Extras	...	...	7
Total	...	...	60

CALCUTTA C. C. FIXTURES.

SEASON 1906-1907.

*Nov.,	17th Sat.,	v.	Ballygunge.
*Nov.,	24th Sat.,	v.	Dalhousie.
Dec.,	1st Sat.,	v.	Northumberland Fusiliers.
		v.	Aryan Club.
		v.	Sporting Union (away).
*Dec.,	8th Sat.,	v.	Town Club.
*Dec.,	8th Sat.,	v.	St. Xavier's (away).
*Dec.,	15th Sat.,	v.	Hornets.
*Dec.,	22nd Sat.,		Civil v. Military.
Dec.,	24th Mon., Dec., 25th Tues., Dec., 26th Wed..	v.	Behar Wanderers.
Dec.,	27th Thurs., Dec., 28th Fri.,		Bombay v. Behar Wanderers.
Dec.,	29th Sat., Dec., 31st Mon., Jan., 1st Tues.,	v.	Bombay.
*Jan.,	5th Sat.,	v.	H. L. I.
*Jan.,	12th Sat.,	v.	Maharajah of Nattore.
Jan.,	12th Sat.	v.	Hornets (away).
Jan.,	18th Fri., Jan., 19th Sat.,	v.	Ballygunge (away).
*Jan.,	19th Sat.	v.	Sporting Union.
*Jan.,	26th Sat.,	v.	Rangers.
*Feb.,	2nd Sat.,	v.	Barrackpore C. C.
*Feb.,	9th Sat.,	v.	Customs.
*Feb.,	16th Sat.,	v.	Caledonians.
*Feb.,	23rd Sat.,		English v. Indian Schools.

*Signifies a two-day match.

CALEDONIA A. C. FIXTURES.

SEASON 1906-07.

Nov.	17	Sat.	Howrah United	2 P.M.	Home.
"	24	Sat.	Aryan C.C.	2-30 P.M.	Home.
Dec.	1	Sat.	City A.C. ...		.....
"	8	Sat.	Y.M.C.A. ...	2 P.M.	Away.
"	15	Sat.	Rangers ...	2 P.M.	Home.
"	22	Sat.	Dalhousie ...	2 P.M.	
"	24	*Mon.	Maharajah Nattore's XI	11-30 A.M.	Home.
"	25	*Tues.	H.L.I. ...	11 A.M.	Home.
"	27	*Thu.	Y.M.C.A. ...	12 A.M.	Home.
"	29	Sat.	Telegraph ...	2 P. M.	Away.
"	31	*Mon.	Customs ...	11 A. M.	Away.
Jan.	1	*Tues.	Hornets ...	11 A.M.	Away.
"	5	Sat.	Burn & Co. ...	2 P.M.	Away.
"	12	Sat.	Ballygunge ...	2 P.M.	Home.
"	18	*Fri.	5th Fusiliers	11 A.M.	Away.
"	19	*Sat.			
"	26	Sat.	Town Club ...	2 P.M.	Away.
Feb.	2	Sat.	Rangers ...	2 P.M.	Away.
"	9	Sat.	Town Club ...	2 P.M.	Home.
"	16	Sat.	Calcutta ...	11 A.M.	Away.
"	23	Sat.	Telegraph ...	2 P.M.	Home.

*Whole holidays.

CRICKET AT MEIKTILA.

MEIKTILA *vs.* MIDDLESEX REGT.—Played on the 28th October. Won by Meiktila. Scores :—

MEIKTILA.

	1st Innings.		2nd Innings.	
E. C. Edward Collins, b Byron	15	not out	...	2
Rev. H. W. Blandford, b O'Brien	4	b Tyler	...	19
A. H. Burnett, not out	56	b Roberts	...	45
S. P. Williams, b Byron	1	b Tyler	...	3
J. M. Holmes, b Byron	4	b Byron	...	2
T. S. Whitworth, b Byron	2	b Tyler	...	2
Jan Baz Khan, b Byron	3	c Roberts, b Byron	...	3
Major F. W. H. Cox, c Verrent, b Byron	5	b Roberts	...	8
E. W. E. Milman, c and b Tyler	4	did not bat.		
C. H. Harrison, b Tyler	4			
M. Browne, b Donovan	2			
Byes	6			6
Total	106	Total (for 7 wkt's.)*	...	84

*Innings declared closed.

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O'Brien, not out ...	3	b Williams ...	22	
Byes	8	Byes 4, Wides 1 ...	5	
Total	67	Total ...	63	

CRICKET AT YAMETHIN.

MEIKTILA *vs.* YAMETHIN.—Played on the 28th ultimo. Won by the home team. Scores :—

MEIKTILA.

A. H. Burnett, c Hampton b Phillips	52
Lce.-Cpl. Walker, b White	11
S. P. Williams, b Holberton	14
E. C. Edward-Collins, c White, b Barton	1
J. M. Holmes, b Phillips	23
Pte. Byron, b Holberton	5
Major F. W. H. Cox, b Moses	18
T. S. Whitworth, b Barton	11
E. W. E. Milman, b Barton	6
C. H. Harrison, b Barton	2
M. Browne, not out	2
Byes 13, Leg-byes 2, Wides 2	17
Total ...	157

YAMETHIN.

H. Hardwick, c Williams, b Byron	3
D. N Stuart, c Whitworth, b Byron	1
N. C. Phillips, c Burnett, b Cox	73
H. Wadlow, c Walker, b Burnett	19
C. White, b Byron	60
A. E. Rigg, b Burnett	0
R. Holberton, b Cox	2
S. H. Hampton, b Burnett	8
C. B. Smales, b Byron	12
A. Barton, not out	4
Moses, b Byron	0
Byes 9, Leg-byes 2, Wides 1	12
Total ...	185

Golf.

CALCUTTA GOLF CLUB

THE list of fixtures for the season has been kindly sent us by Honorary Secretary, Mr. A. E. Todd :—

Friday-Saturday, 23rd, 24th November, Bombay Silver Medal.
Friday-Saturday, 7th, 8th December Penang Medal.
Saturday, 22nd December to Thursday, 27th December, open handicap at Barrackpore for the "Asian" Cup.
Saturday, 29th December to Tuesday, 1st January 1907, Amateur Championship of India.
Saturday, 22nd to Friday, 28th December, Visitors *vs.* Calcutta 1907.
January, February, Handicap Tournament by holes for the Captain's prize.
Friday-Saturday, 18th, 19th January, Lansdowne Gold Medal.
Friday-Saturday, 8th, 9th February, The Ladies' Bowl.
Friday-Saturday, 1st, 2nd March, Club Gold Medal (Scratch).
Friday-Saturday, 22nd, 23rd March, Blackheath Gold Medal and a Cup.
April. Foursome Tournament. Easter Competition at Barrackpore for a prize presented by Messrs Manton and Co.
Friday-Saturday, 19th, 20th April, Madras Silver Medal.
May, Bogey Competition.
Friday-Saturday, 10th, 11th May, St. Andrew's Silver Tankard.
Friday-Saturday, 31st May, 1st June, Colombo Medal.
June, Bogey Competition. November 1906—June 1907 Cashmere Silver Challenge Cup.
November 1906—June 1907 Ormiston Silver Challenge Cup.

BOWLS.

Calcutta *vs.* Howrah.

January, to be played on the Calcutta Bowling Green.
February, to be played on the Howrah Bowling Green.
March, to be played on the Calcutta Bowling Green.

QUOITS.

Matches will be arranged in August and September, if possible.

GOLF IN THE BRITISH ISLES.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

26th October, 1906.

WHAT do the poor unfortunates, who live in beautiful climates and have not the legitimate excuse that we Britishers in our sea girt isles have of making the weather responsible for everything untoward in our outdoor lives, bad play, bad luck bad balls, bad shots, bad lies, all, all are apparently caused by that poor unfortunate scapegoat,—the weather. Startling tales come from Ireland, tales of joy and sorrow, of wedding bells to celebrate that that greatest of great lady golfers, Miss Rhona Kathleen Adair's marriage with Captain Cuthell on Thursday 17th instant at Derrylovan Parish Church, near Cookstown, county Tyrone, then the passing bell was heard when that staunchest of Irish Unionists, Colonel Saunderson passed away. *R. I. .* Of births to the golfing world we have no record; probably many future Vardons and Braids have entered this world of sin and links during the past Sennight. Then tales are told of disastrous defeats of Bogey, of new Records being made, the old ones being broken and falling into everlasting disuse, but nothing of any great importance claims our attention to the Links of the Emerald Isle, rather does suburbia or the Home Counties carry us away to the haunts of golfers in those areas.

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We cannot do better than begin with the open Amateur Meeting held recently, to be exact on Saturday, 13th October, at Surbiton, and considering that this was the first event of the kind organised by the home club, it was remarkably successful and enjoyable. Nearly 80 players, representing 30 different clubs, sent in their names and some of those were sufficiently well known to attract a small gallery. The day was fine after a heavy rainfall during the preceding night and early morning, but although this made the course and greens less keen for the first round, the sun soon put this trifling matter right and by midday the greens were as dry as possible. The two players who appeared to attract most interest were Mr. Harold Hilton and the Light Blue captain Mr. Geoffrey Hoffman, the former, however, did not seem quite to catch his best form, and finished up seven strokes more than the really brilliant 72 achieved by Mr. Hoffmann, who, with that, easily won the scratch prize. In the afternoon, however, the two players reversed their form when the Cambridge man made a very poor start and took 43 to go out; coming home he somewhat retrieved his position, but was unfortunate on the green and ended up the 18 holes in 80 strokes. His 72, however, constitutes a new record for the Surbiton course, the previous one of 75 being held by Mr. O. S. Mays, Smith. The best returns under handicap were made by Geoffry Hoffman (+2) 74+82=156, A. F. Knight (7) 77+83=160, C. P. Dixon (7) 82+81=163. H. H. Hilton (+5) 84+80=164; B. Johnstone (6) 76+88=164; F Stuttaford (6) 80+85=165.

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Undoubtedly the Midlands have no player of the same calibre as Mr. Edward Blackwell, and it was a fine performance to win the Howell Bowl, open to members of Worcestershire, Warwickshire, and Staffordshire clubs with rounds of 77 and 75 at Alton. By a curious coincidence, about a month ago, the Malvern Club Professional, G. H. Cawsey, won the Midlands Professional Cup with the same total aggregate, his rounds being 74+78. Mr. Blackwell's score was really better than Cawsey's; he played more consistently good golf; his card only showing one 6 in the 36 holes and the meteorological condition when the Pros. played being infinitely more conducive to low scoring. People in the Midlands of either sex are very keen on the Royal and Ancient Game. The University of Birmingham are quite in earnest, as yet they have no course of their own, but, what is next best, they have a golfing society, and an Honorary Secretary, Mr. C. G. S. Gordon. The Olton Club, though very young, seems coming rapidly to the fore; here the Warwickshire Union of golf clubs held its first meeting, when the two principal events were the Challenge Flag, and the Bainbridge Shield for club teams, the former trophy was carried off by the home club, the latter which is played by two foursomes from each club, also came home to roost. Will. Shakespeare's historic birth-place being one stroke worse. Incessant rain certainly damped the meeting, but judging from the enthusiasm of the players this annual event promises to become very popular and largely attended.

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The Midlands covers a large area, but is still only a part of our British Isles, so regretfully we leave them and journey eastward to Frinton in Essex, where an open Amateur Meeting was largely patronized and enjoyed. This place, for the benefit of those who are not geographically wise, is not very far from Colchester, and here as at Surbiton a large entry, including some first-class golfers, ensured a successful meeting. The scratch prize went to the International player Mr. Robert Harris, who went round in 79. Then came Mr. David Forster with 80 (it may be forgotten that he was South of Ireland Champion two years ago). The first prize under handicap went to Mr. E. S. Markham 81—3=78. The afternoon was given up ungrudgingly to Colonel Bogey whom Mr. Forster succeeded in defeating by 1 up, in spite of the heavy weight of plus 4 he was condemned to carry. While talking of Bogey's defeats, a very disastrous one has just been inflicted on him on the Great Orme Links Sidney Ball going round in 72, ONLY 9 strokes *below* Bogey! Just now numbers of clubs are holding their autumn meetings, and if one scrutinises the results very closely it is astonishing to note, how often the same people take part in one after another, from this, as the majority of golfers are not leisure men, one deduces that business is slack, "but then again" the close observer notices that, as a rule, these meetings take place on Saturday which, like the Sabbath, is really as far as work is concerned becoming more or less a "dies non."

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At Sunningdale on Friday and Saturday 19th and 20th, very nearly 100 members of that club took out cards for the handicap competition, in this Mr. R. T. Howard proved successful with 81—7=74, next to him came Mr. H. J. Ross 77—1=76, then Mr. S. C. Leech 90—12=78, etc., etc. As regards Friday's play for handicap prizes and such tantalizing things, Mr. F. Dutton made a bold bid with a fine 76; which for a long time was the best in, but, as is not unusual, at the end of the day, when success seemed assured, Mr. Pritchett came in with 74 nett, there appears to have been a wholesale reduction of handicaps prior to this meeting, Mr. Dutton for instance, having been deprived of no less than 4 at a single swoop. The best scratch score of the meeting was made by Mr. H. J. Ross, one of Oxford's players, not in residence this term, with 77. Other Autumn Meetings which have been largely attended were the London Scottish and the Mid-Surrey; at the former Mr. D. Stanley Froy did well with 78, winning the Autumn Medal, and at the Old Deer Park Mr. Jim. Worthington secured the Club Scratch Gold Challenge Medal Memento with the steady score of 79. Handicap events are perhaps less interesting, but when three people tie at 80 net for first place, it shows that the Committee who arrange these little matters, have their wits about them. For the senior handicap medal Messrs. J. Livingston, A Ritchie, and E. C. Davidson were all equal and now it is nigh time to to "cease firing" and for the space of another fortnight to hold my peace.

M. E. S.

Hockey.

AGA KHAN TOURNAMENT.

98RD HIGHLANDERS *vs.* GRANT MEDICAL COLLEGE.—The first game in the tournament was played between these teams on the 5th instant and contrary to all expectations the Medicos were beaten by 4 goals to *nil*. The Highlanders were in fine form. Lance-Corporal Balanryn, Lieutenant Kennedy and Pte. Stewart scored goals in the first half. Play was more even after the interval and the Highlanders were unable to get through till just before time Pte. Faulds put through the fourth goal.

ROYAL SCOTS *vs.* R. I. M. DOCKYARD.—This game, on the 6th instant, resulted in a run—away victory for the Scots. They were much too strong for the Dockyard team who, however, played pluckily till the end. The Scots scored four goals in each period.

MOUNTED INFANTRY *vs.* ROYAL ENGINEERS.—Also played on the 6th instant, a hotly contested game ended in a win for the Mounted Infantry. The first half was devoid of score. On changing ends Captain Johnstone scored for the Mounted Infantry. The Engineers got level shortly after and no side was called with a goal to the credit of each team. Extra time was played during which Captain Johnstone put on the winning goal for his side.

LEICESTERS *vs.* PAREL GYMKHANA.—These teams put up a good game on the 7th instant. The first half was very evenly contested and neither side got through. But on changing ends the Leicesters opened their scoring and before time was called added two more goals. In spite of great efforts the Parel team were unable to score and were thus beaten by 3 goals to *nil*.

CONNAUGHT RANGERS *vs.* POONA GYMKHANA.—A fast game was witnessed on the 9th instant when these teams appeared in the lists. The Rangers drew first blood shortly after the start and a few minutes later they added a second goal. The game then settled down for a while, but the Rangers resumed the attack and after repeated attempts a third point was registered just before half time. The second period gave the Gymkhana their only goal, Kindersley putting through. Play was for the most part in the Poona territory for the remainder of the game, but there was no further scoring, the Rangers thus winning by 3 goals to one.

Boxing.

AMBALA TOURNAMENT.

THE Boxing Tournament open to all British troops in India took place at the Central Gymnasium and extended over three evenings, the 1st, 3rd and 6th November. Entries were fair, the boxing good and there was a big attendance on each day. Besides the usual boxing events, results of which are appended, there was an exhibition of wrestling by Sergeant-Instructor Smith, Gymnastic Staff *vs.* Br. Needham, 52nd Battery R. F. A. Major-General Clements, C.B., D.S.O., who made a speech on the final night after commenting on the fistic exhibitions, expressed himself anxious to see wrestling taken up in the army. The tournament was a great success and those connected with the management thereof are to be congratulated.

Major E. H. Montressor, 1st Royal Sussex Regiment, acted as referee. The judges were Major W. R. Walker, A.V.C., and Capt. the Hon'ble T. Bingham, 15th Hussars. Capt. Y. W. Ley, 2nd North Stafford Regiment, Superintendent of Gymnasia, was responsible for the arrangements. Results :—

FEATHER WEIGHTS.

Pte. Roberts (Glosters) beat Pte. Farrant (Glosters).
Pte. Jones (Glosters) beat Pte Hobdell (Bedford Regt.)
Lce.-Corpl Manning (Northamptons) beat Pte. Cummings (2nd Seaforth Highlanders).
Pte. Finch (15th Hussars) *vs.* Pte. Keer (2nd Seaforths) (scratched)

Semi-Finals.

Pte. Roberts (Glosters) beat Pte. Jones (Glosters).
Lce.-Copl. Manning (Northamptons) beat Pte. Finch (15th Hussars).

Final.

Pte. Roberts (Glosters) beat Lce.-Corpl. Manning (Northamptons).

LIGHT WEIGHTS.

Shoeing Smith Banyard (15th Hussars) beat Lce.-Copl. Dunn (Wiltshires).
Pte. Golding (Wiltshires) beat Pte. Howill (Wiltshires).
Lce.-Copl. Alberts (12th Royal Lancers) beat Dr. Atkinson (7th Battery R.F.A.)
Lce.-Copl Mack (Royal Sussex) beat Pte. Haggart (2nd Black (Watch).
Lce.-Copl. Oates (1st Queens) *vs.* Pte. Keegan (Wiltshires) unable to scale the weight
Pte. Gibbins (1st Northamptons) beat Lce.-Copl. Farrer (Wiltshires)
Pte. Church (Royal Sussex) beat Pte. Gold (Wiltshires).
Pte. Arnold (Glosters) *vs.* Pte. Williams (Glosters) (scratched).

Second Round.

Shoeing Smith Banyard beat Pte. Golding (Wiltshires).
Lce.-Copl. Mack (Royal Sussex) beat Lce.-Copl. Alberts (12th Royal Lancers).
Lce.-Copl Oates (1st Queens) beat Pte. Gibbins (Northamptons).
Pte Church (Royal Sussex) beat Pte. Arnold (Glosters).

Semi-Finals.

Lce.-Copl. Oates (1st Queens) *vs.* Pte. Church (Royal Sussex) (scratched).
Lce.-Copl. Mack (Royal Sussex) *vs.* Shoeing Smith Banyard (15th Hussars).

Final.

Lce.-Copl. Mack beat Lce.-Copl. Oates.

MIDDLE WEIGHTS.

Pte. Dickson (Durham L. I.) *vs.* Pte. Houston (could not scale the weight).
Lce.-Copl. Atkinson (Glosters) beat Pte Elliot (Wiltshires).
Lce.-Copl. Thomas (R. W. Fusiliers) beat Gr. Carter (7th Batty R. F. A.)
Pte. Dickson (Durham L. I.) beat Pte. Eatwell (Wiltshires).
Lce.-Copl. Allen (Queens) beat Pte. Tew (Northamptons).

Semi-Finals.

Lce.-Copl. Allen (Queens) beat Pte Dickson (Durham L. I.)
Lce.-Copl. Atkinson (Glosters) *vs.* Lce.-Copl. Thomas (R. W. Fusiliers scratched.)

Final.

Lce.-Copl. Atkinson (Glosters) beat Lce.-Copl. Allen (Queens).

HEAVY WEIGHTS.

Pte. Brown (Wiltshires) beat Pte. Stagg (Wiltshires).
Pte Houston (Black Watch) beat Pte. Jackson (R. W. Fusiliers).

Second Round.

Pte. Kirk (Black Watch) beat Pte. Brown (Wiltshires).
Pte. Houston (Black Watch) *vs.* Gr. Carter (7th Batty. R. F. A.)

Final.

Pte. Kirk beat Pte. Houston.

FOUR-ROUND CONTESTS.

Boy Poole (Royal Sussex) beat Boy Hackston (Black Watch).
Pte. Arnold (Glosters) beat Pte. Golding (Wiltshires).
Pte. Carpenter (15th Hussars) beat Pte. Tew (Northamptons)

NATIVE INSTRUCTORS.

Lce.-Nk. Bir Singh (15th Sikhs) beat Lce.-Nk. Laihra Singh (32nd Sikh Pioneers).

OFFICERS—LIGHT WEIGHTS.

Lieut. A. B. H. Webb (attached Wiltshires) beat Lieut. J. F. B. McMahon (Glosters).
Lieut. F. F. Marsh (attached Royal Hussars) a bye.

Final.

Lieut. Marsh beat Lieut. Webb.

The Kennel.

TECHNICAL TERMS.

Apple-headed.—Is a term which signifies a skull round, not flat, at the top—a feature which is seen, in its most marked form, in toy-terriers.

Babbler.—A dog which is noisy, and apt to give too much tongue at work. A spaniel is often said to be a "babbler" when it gives tongue while belonging to one of the mute breeds. It is not a compliment.

Belton.—A name applied to the Laverack setter. A "Blue Belton" is a setter flecked with blue; a "Lemon Belton," similarly with yellow.

Blaze.—A white streak up the middle of the face of some breeds, such as the St. Bernard, Collie, or fox-terrier.

Blenheim-mark.—Is a mark on the skull of the Blenheim spaniel in the middle of the blaze, and of the same orange colour as the body colour of this breed of spaniel.

Breeching.—The hair on the backs of the thighs. Thus, a Schipperke may be described as being "well-breeched," or having "good breeching," signifying that it is strongly featherd on the back of the thighs. A Manchester black-and-tan terrier may be said to have no tan "breeching," or that it is black—as it should be—and not tan at this place. Sometimes a Manchester terrier may be said, briefly, to be "breeched," and this means that it has the objectionable tan behind the thighs.

Brisket.—The portion of the body in front of the chest and below the neck.

Brush.—A term signifying the tail: often used in the case of dogs having heavily-coated tails, as the Collie.

Butterfly-nose.—A spotted or patched nose. The term is not used in the case of young puppies, whose noses will frequently be spotted or patchy as the colour gradually changes from white to black; it is applied to adult dogs whose noses have arrived at the colour they will always be. A "butterfly-nose" is most frequently seen in white dogs, such as the white English terrier, which have to be pure white for show, and the absence of colour tends to produce white skin and parti-coloured noses.

Button ear.—Is the term applied to that form of ear which falls forwards hiding the whole of the inside, as the ear of the fox-terrier.

Cankered-mouth.—Signifies that one or more of the canine teeth is in a cankered or diseased condition.

Cat-footed—Means a dog with short, round feet, the knuckles being also high and well-rounded. It is the opposite conformation to what is known as the "hare-foot," which will be defined in its proper place. The "cat-foot" is a much admired and desirable form of foot in the fox-terrier, fox-hound, and, in fact, most breeds. In a few breeds, such as the greyhound, setters and others, it is a matter of opinion

Character.—Is a term applied when a dog exhibits in a marked form the points and characteristics of the breed to which it belongs. Thus, it may be said a dog abounds in terrier "character."

Chest.—The chest of a dog is not merely such portion of the chest as can be viewed in front, but that part of the dog which extends from brisket to belly.

Chippendale.—A bull-dog is sometimes said to be "Chippendale-legged," that is, its forelegs, viewed from the front, resemble those of a Chippendale chair in shape, being far apart at the shoulders and bowed in to be much closer together at the pasterns

Chop.—The upper lip. A good deal about the "chop" may be heard in a description of a bull-dog, in which the "chop" should be thick and deep, hanging over the lower jaw at the sides.

Clean-Shoe.—A dog, such as the bloodhound, may be described as being able to hunt a "clean-shoe," or "clean-boot," when it is able to track a man by scent, without the aid of aniseed or other strong smelling applications to the soles.

Cobby.—A term applied to a short-backed, compact, well-ribbed-up, dog, as the Pug.

Collar.—A band of white round the neck of the St. Bernard, and an admired point.

Couplings.—The space between the tops of the shoulder blades and of the hip joints. Thus, a dog is said to be long, or short, in the couplings, according as this space is one or the other.

Comb fringe.—The fringe of feather on the tail of a dog, such as the setter.

Cow-hocked.—A dog is said to be "cow-hocked" when its hocks turn in inwards—a very undesirable conformation in any breed

Crest—The upper portion of a dog's neck.

Cushion.—A term applied to a feature in the face of the bull-dog. It is a good point to be able to say a bull-dog is well "cushioned-up," or possessing the necessary amount of "cushion" in the skin of the face behind the chop.

Dew-lap.—The pendulous skin under the throat of a dog. It should be absent in many breeds, as in the terrier or greyhound, but very marked in others as in the Bassethound.

Dew-claw.—Is an extra claw found on the forelegs of all breeds, but on the hind legs of only certain breeds, such as the St. Bernard.

Dish-faced.—Is a term applied to a dog whose face turns up somewhat at the nose; that is, when the nose at the nasal bone is higher than at the stop. Pointers are not unfrequently "dish-faced."

Dome-skulled.—Signifies when a dog's skull is dome-shaped at the top, as in the case of the bloodhound.

Dudley.—A "Dudley" is a dog with a flesh coloured nose. A dog with such a nose has often also light-coloured eyes, and a generally pinkish yellowish countenance, when it is called "Dudley-faced." The name originated from Dudley, in the Black Country, in Worcestershire, from which neighbourhood a number of Dudley marked dogs were said to have come.

Double-nosed.—Occasionally a dog, particularly the bull-dog, exhibits a split septum or nostril, giving the appearance of a double-nose, hence the term.

Elbow out.—The elbow, it need hardly be said perhaps, is the joint at the top of the fore-arm. A dog is said to be "elbow out," or "out at elbows," when this joint, instead of being carried just free of the ribs as it should be in a well made dog, sticks outwardly. This may be the result of weakness in a young puppy; but in an adult dog, except in the case of the bull-dog in which it appears to be accepted, is a decided malformation.

Faking.—Is the term used when a dog's natural appearance is dishonestly interfered with for the purpose of making it appear otherwise than it naturally is. For instance, dyeing white on a retriever's, or Irish terrier's, feet or chest, or colouring a Dudley nose, or performing an operation to make a fox-terrier's ears fall correctly, and similar practices, are called "faking." Trimming a dog's coat, such as the coat of a Bedlington, or wire haired fox-terrier, is not, however, considered "faking." A dog is said to be "faked" when some illegitimate operation has been performed. A "fake" is the action taken.

Feather.—The fringe of hair on the legs, ears, or tail, of some breeds, such as setters and spaniels.

Felted.—When the hair of some long-hair breeds becomes matted through neglect it is said to be felted.

Filled-up.—A dog is said to be well "filled-up" below the eyes when there is no falling away or undue narrowing of the face at this point. The term is frequently used in describing terriers. A well "filled-up" face is a good point.

Flag.—A term for the tail; in use when describing setters and wavy or flat-coated retrievers.

Flews.—The chops, or hanging upper lips of a dog; the blood-hound, for instance, has very pronounced flews.

Freckles.—The specks of colour on the face and legs of some dogs, such as the spaniel.

Frill.—The fringe of hair on the chest of a dog; a marked feature of the Collie.

Froggy-faced.—A term used in the case of the bull-dog to denote a level-mouthed, or over shot, dog. A bull-dog should be considerably under-shot, a "froggy-face" is therefore a bad point.

Furrow.—A deep line, extending from the brow upwards to nearly the occiput, in the bull-dog.

Go-bye.—A term used in greyhound coursing. A "go-bye" is when one dog starting a length behind another passes him in the straight and gets a length in front.

Gooseberry-eyed.—Yellow-eyed.

Grin.—A dog is said to "grin," when the skin of upper and lower jaws do not meet in front, and so disclose the teeth.

Hare-footed.—See also *cat-footed.* A dog is said to be "hare-footed," when its feet are long, narrow, and projecting in front, like the feet of the hare.

Hare-pied.—A colour: hare-colour and white; fairly common in Beagles.

Harlequin.—*A Harlequin* dog is one coloured with large, or small, spots of black, grey, liver, or red on a white ground. Harlequin Great Danes are not uncommon.

Haw.—The red inner eyelid of the dog; generally hidden, but very prominent in the bloodhound, and to a less extent in the St. Bernard, otterhound, and old Southern Hound.

Huckle-bones.—The tops of the hip-joints.

Kinks.—Are congenital dislocations in the joints of the tail, very commonly seen in the tails of bull-dogs.

Kissing-spots.—The tan spots on the faces of black and tan dogs, such as the Manchester terrier, King Charles' spaniel and others. The moles on the cheeks of the pug are also sometimes called "Kissing-spots."

Landseer-Newfoundland.—The black and white Newfoundland.

Lay-Back.—A term used in bull-dogs to denote the facial angle, or the slope back from the under jaw.

Leather.—The skin; a term especially applied to the skin of the ear. Thus, an ear is said to be thin in leather.

Level-jawed.—Signifies when a dog's teeth meet properly, and the jaws are neither over, nor under, shot.

Lippy.—A term which is generally applied to a dog with hanging lips, of a tight-lipped breed; such as, for instance, a bull-terrier. The term is therefore not a compliment

Mane.—The heavy coating on the neck and shoulders of some dogs, such as the Collie and the Schipperke.

Monkey-faced.—A term used in bull-dogs, when there is not sufficient depth through the muzzle.

Occiprtt.—The prominent bone at the back of the skull; particularly noticeable in the bloodhound.

Over-shot.—A term applied when the upper teeth project beyond the lower. A fault in any dog.

Pear-shaped.—This has already been described under the head "Chippendale." It signifies that a dog's chest, viewed from the front, is very wide; and below the chest the legs curve in towards the pasterns to form what is called a "pear-shaped" front. The "pear-shape" is, more or less, out of fashion in bull-dogs at present, but at one time it was a much admired point.

Pencil-marks.—The black marks on the toes of the Manchester terrier. A point of beauty.

Pily.—A quality of coat consisting of a short, woolly growth next the skin, through which grows the longer, coarser hair which is visible; such as the coat of the Dandie Dinmont terrier.

Pinched-faced.—A term used in bull-dogs, when the face is not sufficiently broad in proportion to the width of the skull.

Pin-wire.—A term descriptive of the hard, wiry coats of some wire-haired terriers.

Pig-jawed.—When the upper teeth project beyond the lower. An overshot jaw in a pronounced form.

Ring-tailed.—Signifies when the tail curls into a ring at the end.

Roach-backed.—Means when the back rises from behind the shoulders in a curve, which reaches its summit at the loins, and then falls away again to the stern. This form of back, called *roach* or *wheel*, is the correct shaped back of the bull-dog.

Rose-ear.—The form of ear which folds at the back, turning backwards and downwards, and showing the inside of the ear, as the ear of the bull-dog and greyhound.

Rump-high.—Is when the back curves up from the shoulders, as in the case of a "roach-back," but does not fall away again from loin to stern. "Rump-high," or "stern-high," is considered a bad point in the bull-dog.

Self-coloured.—A "self-coloured" dog is one that has no black shadings or white markings, but is one uniform colour. It is an objectionable point in the St. Bernard.

Septum.—The division between the nostrills.

Snipey.—Denoting a long, narrow muzzle, falling away below the eyes. A "snipey" face is the reverse of a face "well filled up" below the eyes.

Splay-foot.—A foot that spreads out flat, with the toes well separated. An undesirable form of foot in any dog.

Stern.—The tail

Stern high.—See "rump-high."

Stifle joint.—The hip joint.

Sting.—A tail is said to be "sting-like," when it tapers to a fine point like the tail of the pointer.

Stocky.—A bitch is said to be "stocky" when she appears likely to be a good breeder. The term is not always confined to bitches; a strongly built, lusty dog may also be said to be "stocky."

Stop.—The hollow or indentation between the eyes of some breeds of dog, such as the bull-dog, the pug, and the King Charles' spaniel.

Thumb-mark—A dark mark above the fore foot of the Manchester black-and-tan terrier, like the "pencil-marks," a point of beauty.

Throatiness.—A certain looseness of the skin of the throat, not necessarily amounting to pronounced dew-lap.

Tick.—Small flecks of colour in the white coat of a dog; common in spaniels and setters, and not rare in fox-terriers and other breeds.

Tiger-dog—"See Harlequin."

Tight-lipped.—A dog is said to be "tight-lipped," when it is free from lippiness or flews, as the bull-terrier, the white English terrier and the Manchester.

Trip.—A term in greyhound coursing, and signifies when a dog gets hold of the hare but fails to kill.

Tulip-ear.—An erect, up-right, or picked ear, like that of the Scottish terrier.

Turn.—A term in coursing, and means when the hare is turned at an angle, not less than a right angle, from her course.

Twisted-jawed.—A dog is said to be "twisted-jawed" when the lower jaw has the appearance of being distorted. The deformity is peculiar to the bull-dog; it does not exist in the bone of the jaw, but merely in the soft structures, and is due to congenital injury.

Under-shot.—A dog is said to be "under-shot," when the lower jaw projects beyond the upper, as in the bull-dog.

Up-turn.—See "lay-back."

Well broken-up.—A term used to express the loose and wrinkled skin on the face of the bull-dog.

Wheel-back.—See "roach-back."

Wrench.—A term in coursing, signifying when the hare has been turned at less than a right angle from her course.

Wry-faced.—See "twisted-jawed."

Shows.

THE AMBALA HORSE SHOW, 1906.

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AFTER a lapse of many years a very successful horse show was held it Ambala on 6th November. The entries were numerous and the quality of entries for all classes would have done credit to any Horse show in any country. Great satisfaction was expressed at the decisions of the judges. The Committee were very fortunate in obtaining the services of that well-known expert Mr. J. D. Scott to assist in the Judging, the other

judges being Colonel Portal, Capt. Learmouth, Capt. Jackson, Capt. Loch, Capt. Carden and Mr. Orton. The jumping classes contained most of the best known jumpers in India and the jumping was exceptionally good in both classes. Some good horsemanship was witnessed, especially the riding of Mr. McLean in the horse jumping class who won on "Ajax" a horse by no means easy to ride. Genl. Clements rode both his entries in the pony jumping in finished style. The riding of Mr. Reynard, Capt. Milvain, Mr. Owen Symons, Sergt. Gilmour and several others attracted attention. The prizes for all classes were handsome and valuable. The Staff officers were "At Home" on the Show Ground, and by kind permission of the Officers the band of the 1st Wiltshire Regt. attended.

CLASS I.—*Bona-fide* chargers 14-2 and over.

Col. Eastwood's	ch aus g	Bolivar	...	1
Capt. Milvains	ch e g	Spain	...	2
General Clements'	b aus m	Miss Langtry	...	3

The following also competed.

Capt. Price Wood's	b aus g	Karnal.
Capt. R. Milvain's	ch aus g	Bannermoor.
Major G. Baldwin's	ch aus g	Rufus.
Major G. W. Hobson's	ch aus g	Marquis.
Capt. Storr's	b aus m	Winny.
Major D. Campbell's	br aus g	Sialkote.
Major D. Campbell's	br aus g	Lancer.
Major Eustace Crawley's	b eng g	Trendle.
Major R. St. C. Lecky's	blk aus g	Daniel.
Capt. Lance's	b aus g	The Gift.

A very good class and the order of placing taxed the energies of the judges.

CLASS II.—*Bona fide* chargers, 14-2 and under.

Col. Kirkwood's	g a h	Grey Dawn	...	1
Col. Pringle's	b aus m	Flower o'th Corn	...	2

The following also competed.

Capt. J. H. Paine's	b eng f	Jubilation.
Mr. R. F. Guy's	b a g	Visitor.
Mr. R. F. Guy's	br cb m	Brown Bess.
Major G. W. Hobson's	blk g	Blackie.
Capt. D. Munro's	d cb m	Cæsar.
Col. McSwiney's	b a h	The Chief.

A small class, Grey Dawn is a perfectly trained charger and was rightly placed first.

CLASS III.—English, Australian and Cape ponies 14-2 and under.

Col. Pringle's	b aus m	Flower o'th Corn	...	1
Mr. Chaplin's	b aus m	Moonstone	...	2
Col. Eastwood's	b aus g	Lena	...	3

The following also competed.

Capt. J. H. Paine's	b eng f	Jubilation.
Capt. Price Wood's	b eng g	Midge.
Capt. R. Milvain's	b aus g	Rifleman II.
Mr. Brandreth's	br eng c	Bantam III.
Mr. Loch's	br aus m	Lady Hamilton.
Major G. W. Hobson's	ch aus m	Freda.
Major G. W. Hobson's	b aus m	Honey Suckle.
Major G. W. Hobson's	ch aus	Emerald.
General R. Clements'	b aus g	China.
General R. Clements'	b aus m	Barcarolle.
General R. Clements'	ch aus g	Gamecock.
Sirdar Jewan Singh's	ch aus m	Blackspot.
Sirdar Jewan Singh's	blk aus m	Black Swan.
Major Eustace Crawley's	b eng g	Jack.
Major Eustace Crawley's	br aus m	Bluebell.
Major Eustace Crawley's	br aus m	Freda II.
Mr. G. B. Ollivant's	.....	Democrat.
Mr. G. B. Ollivant's	.....	Eileen.
Mr. G. B. Ollivant's	.....	Surprise.
Major R. St. C. Leckey's	b aus m	Tragedy.
Mr. Charrington's	blk aus g	Sweep.
Capt. Robertson's	b aus g	Robert the Devil.
Mr. McLeod's	br aus g	Wallaby.
Mr. Curtis'	b aus m	Eileen.

A magnificent lot and the competition very keen. The winner is a well known Champion.

CLASS IV.—Arab ponies, 14-2 and under.

Mr. Badger's	Sheik	...	...	1
Major Cookson's	Paradox	...	...	2
Major Lecky's	Skill	...	...	3

The following also competed :—

Lieut.-Col. Kirkwood's	g a g	Friar.
Capt. Price Wood's	b a g	Bargain.
Capt. R. Milvain's	g a g	Mabrook.
Capt. R. Milvain's	b a h	Johad.
Major G. W. Hobson's	br a g	Hapur.
Major G. W. Hobson's	ch a g	Surprise.
General R. Clement's	ch a h	Golden Syrup.
Major Clifton Brown's	b a g	Imitation.
Capt. Stare's	ch a h	Cracker II.
Mr. H. C. Dibben's	ch a g	Mister E.
Mr. H. F. Whitby's	g a p	Suasi.
Major Eustace Crawley's	b a h	Investor.
Mr. R. Badger's	a	Harpagos.
Mr. R. Badger's	a	Rawley.
Col. C. B. Eastwood's	b a g	Pegu.
Mr. H. Charrington's	b a g	Khan Bahadur.
Mr. H. Charrington's	b a g	Capt Kettle.
Col. McSwiney's	b n a	The Chief.

A high class Show of Arabs Sheik was an easy first. Paradox and Skill were very handsome ponies.

CLASS V.—Country-bred ponies, 14-2 and under.

Major Clifton Brown's	g cb m	Searchlight	...	1
Major Haleson's	g cb m	Kitten	...	2
Sirdar Jewan Singh's	m cb g	Recall Silver	...	3

The following also competed :—

Major W. R. Walker's	b cb m	Labby Annie.
Mr. R. F. Guy's	br cb m	Brown Bess.
Major G. Baldwin's	d cb m	Jeanette.
Major G. Baldwin's	ch cb g	Tipster.
Capt. D. Munro's	d cb g	Cæsar.
Capt. D. Vander Goucht's	br cb g	Scallywag.
Mrs. W. R. Walker's	blk cb g	Doctor Syntax.
Miss E. Walker's	b cb m	Becky Sharp.
Mrs. Ley's	ch cb g	Golden Flake.
Mr. H. C. Dibben's	ch cb m	First Flight.
Sirdar Jewan Singh's	b cb m	Lucky.
Sirdar Jewan Singh's	b cb m	Fortunatus.
Miss Danson's	ch cb m	Phyllis.
Mr. H. F. Whitby's	b cb m	Marhbani.
Major W. R. Walker's	b cb m	Dane Durdan.

A number of well-bred Country-bred shown in the class and a difficult lot to judge.

CLASS VI.—Ladies' Hacks, 14-2 and under.

Mrs. Eastwood's	br aus g	Lena	...	1
Mrs. Clifton Brown's	g cb m	Searchlight	...	2
Mrs. Pringle's	b aus m	Flower O'th Corn	...	3

The following also competed :—

Miss E. Triscott's	b aus m	Molly.
Mrs. Walker's	blk cb g	Doctor Syntax.
Mrs. Cookson's	a	Paradox.
Mrs. Loch's	br aus m	Lady Hamilton.
Miss E. Walker's	ch cb m	Becky Sharp.
Miss Danson's	ch cb m	Phyllis.
Mrs. Dundas'	b aus m	Rejected.
Hon. Mrs. Eastwood's	ch aus g	Frivolic.
Miss Walker's	b cb m	Dame Durdan.

The behaviour of Lena as a lady's hack was perfect. She is a beautiful pony and was well ridden by her owner. Searchlight was ridden and shown in great style by a small child. Miss E. Walker Flower O'th Corn was also shown and ridden with great judgment by a child, Miss. A. Walker.

CLASS VII.—Polo Ponies, heavy weight, English and Colonial.

Major Hobson's	ch aus m	Emerald	...	1
Mr. Olivant's		Democrat	...	2
General Clement's	ch aus g	Game Cock	...	3

The following also competed :—

Capt. A. Gouldsmith's	g a g	Dilto.
Mr H. Charrington's	blk aus g	Sweep.
Capt. Price Wood's	b eng g	Midge.
Capt. Price	blk aus m	Black Monday.
Major G. W. Hobson's	br aus m	Honeysuckle.
Major Clifton Brown's	b aus g	Briton.
Mr. H. P. Chaplin's	b aus m	Moonstone.
Mr. D. W. Roberts'	ch aus m	Isabel.
Mr. G. B. Ollivant's	.....	Eileen.
Mr. G. B. Ollivant's	.....	Surprise.
Mr. G. B. Ollivant's	.....	Queensland.
Major R. St. C. Lecky's	b aus m	Comedy.
Col. C. B. Eastwood's	a aus g	Lena.

In all the Polo pony classes the judges spared no effort to ride and test the ponies in every known way. The judges were all well-known polo players and they were thoroughly competent to apply the tests they imposed.

CLASS VIII.—Polo ponies, light-weight, English and Colonials.

Major Crawley's	b aus m	Freda II.	...	1
Major Hobson's	ch aus m	Freda	...	2
Major Crawley's	br aus m	Bell Metal	...	3

The following also competed :—

Mr. Owen Symon's	g aus m	Rosette.
Major G. W. Hobson's	b aus g	Gameboy.
General R. Clement's	b aus g	China.
General R. Clement's	b aus m	Barcarolle.
Major Eustace Crawley's	b eng g	Jack
Major Eustace Crawley's	b aus m	Blue Bell.
Mr. Elgee's	b aus m	Mousmee.
Major R. St. C. Lecky's	b aus g	Stockboy.
Major R. St. C. Lecky's	b aus m	Tragedy.
Mr. Curtis'	b aus m	Eileen.

An excellent lot and full of quality.

CLASS IX.—Polo ponies, heavy-weight, Arabs and C.-B.'s.

Major Hobson's	b a g	Hapur	...	1
Col. Eastwood's	b a g	Pegu	...	2
Capt. Hodgkinson's	ch a h	Sandow	...	3

The following also competed :—

Lieut.-Col. Kirkwood's	g a h	Grey Dawn.
Lieut.-Col. Kirkwood's	g a g	Frair.
Capt. Price Wood's	b a g	Bargain.
Major Clifton Brown's	b a g	Imitation.
Capt. Black-Hawkins'	b cb g	True Blue.

A small class, but quantity made up for quality.

CLASS X.—Polo Ponies, light weight, Arabs and C.-B.'s.

Major Hobson's	ch a g	Surprise	...	1
Major Hobson's	g ch m	Kitten	...	2
Capt. Milvain's	g a g	Bandolier	...	3

The following also competed :—

Mr. Owen Symons's	b a g	Marli.
Capt. Price Wood's	b a g	Grumpy.
Capt. Lock's	gr cb m	Nurmahal.
Mr. V. Manning's	b cb g	Ambala.
General Clements'	ch a h	Golden Syrup.
Major Clifton-Brown's	b a g	Trial.
Capt. Stares'	ch a h	Cracker II.
Mr. D. W. Roberts'	b a g	Repulse.
Mr. Whitby's	g a p	Swasi.
Mr. Whitby's	l cb m	Mirhbani.
Major Eustace Crawley's	b a h	Investor.
Mr. R. Badger's	b a h	Harpagos.
Mr. R. B. Badger's	b a h	Rawley.
Mr. Badger's	b a h	Dandy Dick.
Major R. St. C. Lecky's	ch a g	Skill.
Capt. Black-Hawkin's	b a g	Mysore.
Mr. H. Charrington's	b a g	Cap. Kettle.
Mr. H. Charrington's	b a g	Khan Bahadur.

A very good class. Major Hobson again to the fore. His stud of polo ponies is one of the best in India.

CLASS XIII.—Jumping Competition for horses over 14-2.

Capt. Forman's	b aus g	Ajax	...	1
Col. Eastwood's	ch aus g	Bolivar	...	2
Sergt. Gilmore's		Mare	...	3

The following also competed :—

Capt. Price Wood's	b aus g	Karnal.
Capt. Price Wood's	ch aus g	.....
Major G. W. Hobson's	ch aus g	Marquis.
Capt. Sir E. Lacon's	b aus m	Yan yean.
Capt. T. M. Archdale's	b aus g	Astrologer.
Major Clifton-Brown's	b aus	Honey.
Mr. J. A. Scarlett's	b aus g	.....
Major Eustace Crawley's	b eng g	Trendle.
Capt. R. Milvain's	ch aus g	Duke.
Major Eustace Crawley's	.....	Sunlight.
Mr. C. E. Reynard's	b aus g	Durbar.
Capt. Black-Hawkin's	br aus g	Peter.
Col. Biddulph's	b aus g	Brigadier.

Ajax won after tying in the first round with Bolivea, Sergt. Gilmore's Mare only a few marks behind.

CLASS XIV.—Jumping competition for ponies, 14-2 and under.

Mr. Reynard's	br aus m	Small Scotch	...	1
Mr. Walker's	bk cb g	Doctor Syntax	...	2
Major Crawley's	b aus m	Freda II.	...	3

The following also competed.—

Mr. Owen Symon's	b aus m	Hornywink.
Mr. R. F. Guy's	br cb m	Brown Bess.
Capt. Loch's	gr cb m	Nurmahal.
Genl. R. Clement's	ch aus g	Gamecock.
Genl. R. Clement's	b aus m	Hebe.
Capt. T. M. Archdale's	ch m	Margie.
Mr. H. P. Chaplin's	b aus m	Moonstone.
Mr. Whitby's	b cb m	Mirhbani.
Mr. Elgee's	b aus m	Mousmee.
Mr. G. B. Ollivant's	.....	Queensland.
Capt. Black Hawkin's	g aus m	Lady Dean.
Col. C. B. Eastwood's	br aus g	Lena.
Hon'ble Mrs. Eastwood's	ch aus g	Frivolle.

A really good exhibition of jumping. The majority of the competitors are previous winners.

CLASS XV.—Children's ponies, all breeds.

Miss Doreen Walker's		Chickabiddy	...	1
Miss Eileen King's		Mary	...	2
Miss Margaret Dundas',		Tommy	...	3

The following also competed :—

Miss Mani Eyt's	g cb m	Topsy.
Miss Caddington's	cb	Topey.
Mr. Billy Beyt's	cb	Tommy.

Chickabiddy is a miniature Suffolk Punch in appearance, such make and shape in such a diminutives pony is rarely seen. Mary is quite a handsome little pony.

CLASS XVII.—Best single pony turn-out.

Major Clifton Brown's	b e g	Audrey	...	1
Capt. Amesbury's	b cb m	Jack	...	2
Major Crawely's	b e g	Jack	...	2

CLASS XVIII.—Driving competition.

Major Causfield's R. H. A.	...	...	1
Capt. Forman's R. H. A.	...	...	2
Col. Eastwood's XII R. L.	...	...	3

The following also competed.—

Capt. Price-Wood	.....	12th Royal Lancers
Capt. R. Milvain	.....	12th Royal Lancers.
Mr. J. A. Scarlett	.....	R. H. A.
Mr. G. B. Ollivant	.....	12th Royal Lancers.
Mr. H. F. Whitby	.....	19th Lancers (F.H.)
Mr. Sinclair.	.....	R. H. A.
Mr. C. Weldon McLean	.....	R. H. A.

Great interest was displayed by those who witnessed the driving competition. The driving was altogether above the average.

CLASS XIX.—Ladies' driving competition, single harness.

Mrs. Eastwood	...	...	...	1
Mrs. Walker	...	...	...	2
Mrs. Hodgkinson	...	...	...	3

Also competed :—Mrs. Carter, Mr. Beyts, Mrs. Ley, Miss. Matson.

The third might have been placed first with a little more pace. Very few "chatties" came to grief and the driving of the competitors was distinctly good. Major R. St. C. Lecky, who superintended and judged these competitions had a hard task in running about measuring width of wheels and "chatties"—a capital way of getting "fit" for Polo tournaments!

CLASS XX.—For the best mounted and turned-out Lance-Corporal or man of the 12th Royal Lancers. Entries limited 2 per Squadron.

Private	Shiplee	...	...	1
Lce.-Cpl.	Philpotts	...	...	2
Private	Shirvell	...	...	3

A turn-out of which any C. O. should be proud.

CLASS XXI.—For the best mounted and turned-out Non-Commissioned Officer or man of the 19th Lancers (Fane's Horse). Entries limited to 2 per Squadron.

Lance Duffadar	Sham Singh. 19th Lancers	...	1
Lance Duffadar	Lena Singh, 19th Lancers	...	2

8 entries.

A most creditable turn out and greatly admired by the spectators.

CLASS XXII.—For the best horsed and turned-out team of the Royal Horse Artillery, Ambala. Entries to two teams per battery.

No. 3 Sub-Section	T. Batty R. H. A.	...	1
No. 6 Sub Section	N. Batty R. H. A.	...	2

The teams were shown with their guns, and magnificient teams they were. The prize winner treated the spectators to a gallop round the ring at top speed, going between the jumps and the ropes of the ring with only a few inches to spare with marvellous precision.

The Naturalist.

THE BRAINS OF INSECTS.

WRITING in the *Washington Post* a correspondent gives some details of the Smithsonian Institution, where are to be found models of brains of all sorts of animals. Many of them, says the writer, are greatly magnified, so as to afford opportunity for comparative study. For just at present an immense amount of interest is being manifested in the study of mind and the phenomena exhibited by the mind apparatus. Not only are men of distinction contributing their brains to science, but demands are being made for the brains of creatures low down in the scale of mental development for purposes of investigation. It is only within a comparatively short time that the existence of an organ properly termed a brain in the lowest orders of animals has been recognised. Of course, very far down in the scale of creation one finds hardly more than a system of nerves and ganglia, with nothing specially recognisable as representing a brain. But even a clam may be said to have a sort of brain, though it is extremely small; it can be dissected and properly identified as the thinking centre or principal ganglion of the creature. This principal nerve bunch or ganglion has direct control over the so-called "foot" of the clam. When it comes to the higher molluscs, such as the squid nautilus, argonaut and other cephalopeds, it is found that they posses quite large and well-developed brains. The ant is famous for its cleverness, and, so, likewise, is the bee. There are very few smarter creatuses than the every-day house-fly, which, while establishing itself as a parasite on man, knows enough from the start to regard him as an enemy implacably hostile. Entomologists say that the cockroach is a wonderfull brainy animal and an equal tribute is paid to the bed bug. The nervous system of the fly is a nerve cord with a series of ganglia strung along it, extending the whole length of the body. This cord corresponds to the spinal cord in a human being or other vertebrate animal. The biggest of the ganglia which is considered as the brain proper is situated in the upper part of the head, and by means of nerve filaments controls the eyes, nouth, and autennæ. The legs, wings and other parts of the body are connected directly with the other ganglia. It is pretty much the same way with a mosquito. Perhaps some persons will assert a mosquito does not possess a high degree of cunning; if so, it must certainly be that the persons in question have had small experience with the insect.

FISHERS RATHER STUPID.

Fishes are comparatively stupid animals, but they have brains too. The National Museum's collection includes quite a number of them. It is noticeable that the so-called "optic lobes," which comprise the thought apparatus immediately connected with vision, are enormously developed. This is because a fish depends upon the sense of sight for getting food, while not requiring much intelligence in a general way for the transaction of its business in life. The brains of fish are small and smooth, lacking convolutions. However the notian that complex convolutions necessarily indicate high mental power was exploded some time ago. The brain of a whale is more elaborately convoluted than that of a man, and the same is true of the porpoise and the elephant. Poor Mr. Frog, who is always getting chopped up for scientific purposes, is found to have a very inferior sort of brain. As might be expected, the brains of turtles and snakes are unimpressive. The snakes of to-day, as Professor Cope once said to a writer, are poor and diminutive survivals from ancient epochs when it was worth while to be a reptile. But as is proved by discovered fossils, the gigantic reptiles of long ago had exceedingly small brains in proportion to their size. Probably an Atlantosaur lizard 90 feet long possessed a brain no bigger than that of a modern cat. These facts are ascertained by examining the cavities of the fossil skulls. A 12-feet alligator of to-day has a brain only about the size of one's thumb.

EVOLUTION OF THE BRAIN.

The brains of animals have been steadily growing ever since the first living creature appeared on the earth. It is known that the mammals of the tertiary epoch, not more than a million or so of years ago had brains very much smaller than the mammals of to-day. Some of the gigantic herbivores of that age possessed brains less in proportion to their size than those of the ancient reptiles. Science nowadays is interested in tracing the history of the development of brain in animals by following the scale of creation up from the bottom, dissecting and comparing. Thus it is learned that the earliest form of brain

must have been a mere nevre-cord. In a human being that nerve cord, called the spinal cord, has a lump at one end of it termed a brain. The latter is merely an evolution of the former. Professor Theodore Gill said to the writer that among vertebrate animals the lamprey stands almost at the very bottom in respect to the development of the brain. Next comes the shark which is notoriously a very stupid fish. Above the shark in point of mind is the salamander, and on the next step is the alligator. To find the step next above you must go to Australia, where dwells the strange duck-billed ornithorhynchus—a web-footed animal that lays eggs. Superior in brain power to the ornithorhynchus is the opossum. More intelligent than the opossum is the rat, and, more intelligent than the rat is the hedgehog. Next is the lemur, followed by the monkey, whose only superior is man. This gives a rough notion of the ascent of the brain from the bottom to the top of the kingdom of the vertebrates. The biggest brain in existence is that of the elephant, though not in proportion to the size of the animal. But the matter of proportion does not seem to be of absolute importance as an index of mentality. There is a little South American monkey which, though not particularly intelligent, has a brain bigger than a man's relatively to size. Birds have remarkably big brains. Probably no feathered species has a larger brain in proportion to its size than the chickadee. The crow and the sparrow possess brains bigger than those of most birds, as might be expected, inasmuch as they are so notably clever. It has been ascertained, by the way, that large men have more elaborately convoluted brains than are owned by small men, the only apparent reason being that there is a greater mass of body to be moved. Respecting the nature and development of animals surprisingly little is known. The intellects of insects are very interesting to philosophise about, but any discussion of the matter is pure guesswork. Just a little is known about the senses of insects. There is no question that they possess the sense of sight, touch, taste, smell, and hearing. In addition to these they seem to have other senses which do not belong to human beings. The eye of the house fly is enormously more complicated in its structure than that of a human being and it seems probable that the visual impressions received by that compound organ are different from ours. Insects generally are short-sighted and see stationary objects imperfectly, but they are very sensitive to colour. Ants, for example, are very sensitive to the ultra-violet rays of spectrum, which we cannot perceive. Presumably, the aspect of nature to an ant is far different from what it is to a man. That insects have an acute sense of taste is assumed from the way in which they pick out the sort of food they want to eat. As for extra sense, it is observed that many insects have a wonderful sense of direction—particularly bees. Furthermore, they have the power to communicate with one another at a distance, and this power seems to correspond somewhat to what is called telepathy among human beings.

The Story Teller.

LADY'S BETTY'S "LITTLE MAN."

By W. M.

NOTHING puzzles owners and trainers more than the curious knack their well-kept "good things" have of leaking out and becoming public property. Many an unfortunate wight has been accused of "giving the game away," of "opening his mouth too wide," and many other delinquencies of which he has been as innocent as the proverbial babe unborn.

That "evil is wrought by want of thought" is curiously illustrated by the following story, which is true in every particular, except that the names have been altered to avoid harrowing up the feelings of the little man."

The diminutive individual in question was one of our most prominent jockeys, and by reason of having so much to do with horses in general, and the genus racehorse in particular, Tommy Gill, following the prevailing fashion, invested in a 60 h.-p. motor-car.

Naturally delighted with his new purchase, Tommy, scorning the slower methods of the railway, dashed about from meeting to meeting, at a rate of speed which was more reminiscent of a five-furlongs sprint than conformable to the police limit.

His passion for high speed was destined at length to get him into a glorious fix, which, by the way, his less prosperous brethren had not hesitated to predict for him.

Dashing along a country road, which was none too wide, there flashed upon his bewildered gaze, on turning round a bend, a farm waggon occupying the centre of the road. With a warning hoot, Tommy slackened speed as much as possible, and endeavoured to get through on the rails, represented by a high hedge on this occasion. Unfortunately he had not taken into calculation a small ditch which ran at the side of the road, with the result that the moter, Tommy, and his chauffeur were mixed up in what looked like an inextricable tangle.

No bones were broken, however, and after picking themselves up, Tommy and his chauffeur made the lamentable discovery that they were unable to perform the same kind office for the car, which was absolutely "knocked out."

After the expenditure of some little time and no small amount of unpublishable language, Tommy and his man gave it up as a bad job, and began to question the countryman in charge of the waggon as to the direction of the nearest railway station. The man was hazy on the point, but "reckoned" that the nearest village was "nigh on eight mile."

The flow of Anglo-Saxon with which this information was received, came to a sudden termination as a lady drove up in a smart dog-cart, and, in pulling up to pass the waggon, espied the wrecked motor-car. Tommy was equal to the occasion, and, raising his cap, said—

"I'm sorry to trouble you, but I've had a smash up, and am due at Derby at two o'clock. Can you direct me to the nearest railway station?"

A suspicion of a smile crossed the girl's face, as she looked first at the car and then at Tommy's woe-begone face.

"I am afraid you have very little chance of arriving at your destination in time," she replied. "The only way would be for you to get to Leicester. You might catch the mid-day train."

Tommy's spirits rose as he saw a prospect of triumphing over his difficulties after all.

"How far is it to Leicester?" he asksd.

"A little more than twelve miles from here, I should think."

Tommy groaned audibly.

"It might as well be a hundred," he said, mournfully; "it would take me three hours to walk it."

The vision of beauty in the dog-cart thought for a moment.

"I am going in that direction, and could give you a lift if that will be of any use."

Half a loaf is better than no bread, and with a word to his chauffeur to keep guard over the stranded car, Tommy, with profuse thanks, took his seat in the dog-cart, which the fair driver lost no time in setting going at a fairly smart pace.

Tommy had a keen eye for a pretty face, and cast many a sidelong glance at his companion, his mental summing up being decidedly favourable. "Smart filly, well-bred, too; plenty of blood there, and, by George, she handles the ribbons like an old hand. Not a day over twenty, I'd like to bet odds."

The young lady in question did not appear anxious to talk, but Tommy, feeling it incumbent upon himself to say something, remarked with the air of a connoisseur—

"Nice cob that, looks as if he could go all day and never get tired."

"Yes, but he won't go for anybody but me," she said, laconically flicking her whip.

Mile after mile of road was covered, and the village, which was "nigh on eight mile" had just been passed, when the girl suddenly took out a little gold watch and looked at it.

"We shall only just do it," she remarked, as she replaced it and laid the whip on the cob's back. It was only a sort of caress, but the game little fellow laid himself down to his work, and quickened his stride.

"You don't mean to say that you're going to drive me into Leicester?" asked Tommy, secretly elated.

"That is exactly what I am going to do. I thought you said it was most important," she said, with a quick glance at him.

Words failed Tommy, and he was still endeavouring to find a phrase expressive of his eternal gratitude when they drove into the station yard, with five minutes to spare.

"I'm sure I don't know how to thank you for your kindness," said Tommy, "but if it's any use to you Amator will win the Leger."

"Thank you," she said, laughingly, and as he raised his cap she turned the cob round and walked him slowly out of the the station yard.

Lady Betty Travers smiled for two reasons; one, the absurd impulse which had induced her to befriend this funny little man, as she called him in her mind, the other that he should seek to reward her kindness by giving her a tip, never having backed a horse in her life. But if Lady Betty never wagered on horse-racing she was not averse to the fashionable craze for a gamble at bridge, and that evening saw her quarterly allowance for dress go into the pockets of her opponent at the fascinating game.

Along with the remainder of the family she formed one of a house party for Doncaster race week, and the morning before she arrived in Yorkshire, Lady Betty received a somewhat peremptory note from her dressmaker demanding the settlement of her little account. Consoling herself with the idea that probably her luck would turn, Lady Betty thought no more of the matter, until after losing again that evening she joined a group who were chatting over the prospects of the St. Leger candidates.

Captain Eaton, a great friend of the family, and one of the heaviest betters of the day, was giving it as his opinion that the favourite would win easily, laughing to scorn the suggestoin of a "freak" punter who spoke of Amator. Immediately the name was uttered, Lady Betty remembered her "little man's" tip, and later on contrived to get Captain Eaton by himself. Was there anything in it; if so she might emerge unscathed from her financial troubles.

"Would you do me a very great favour, Captain?" she asked.

"My dear Lady Betty, anything within my power."

"I want to put some money on a horse for the St. Leger. I wouldn't trouble you, only I've never done such a thing before, and——"

"What is the horse?" he asked, readily grasping the reason of her sudden desire to gamble.

"Amator!"

An amused smile came over the astute Captain's face, as he said—

"Why, that thing has no chance; they offer 25 to 1 against it. Whatever made you think of such a brute?"

Lady Betty became rosy reed, and looked down at her dainty shoes.

"Please don't think I'm freakish. Will you bet so that I win five hundred pounds if he comes in?"

"Certainly, if you wish it," replied the Captain, mentally booking the bet to himself. He could tell her afterwards he had forgotten to put it on and save her money.

The day before the St. Leger, Lady Betty and the Captain were walking across the paddock, when she suddenly caught sight of Tommy Gill.

"Oh, there's my little man,'" she exclaimed.

"What little man?"

"The one that told me to back Amator," replied Lady Betty, indicating Tommy.

"Why that's Tommy Gill, the jockey, and he's riding the favourite," said the Captain, and then became suddenly thoughtful.

There had been some pretty strong opposition to the favourite within the last day or to, and the result of the Captain's big "think" was two cause him to transfer his allegiance from the favourite to Amator, for Tommy Gill was noted for keeping a still tongue in his head, and never gave tips as a rule. Under promise of absolute secrecy, Lady Betty told the Captain that evening the story of how she had come to the jockey's rescue, and when the numbers went up for the great race the Captain's big investments had brought Amator to second favouritism.

Amator won in a canter, but to this day the connections of the stable are ignorant of the means by which Captain Eaton landed a fortune for himself and Lady Betty paid her dressmaker's bill.

Chess.

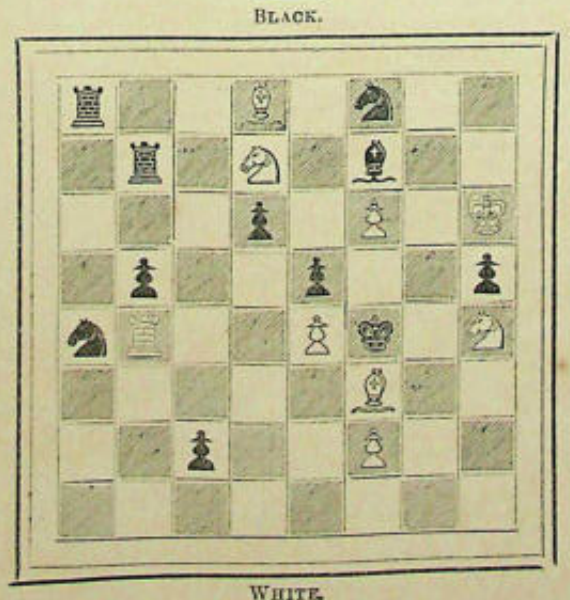
Solution to Problem No. 380.

WHITE.	BLACK.
1. B. to Q Kt 5	1. K. moves
2. R. to Q Kt 3	2. "
3. K. to B 5	3. "
4. R. mates.	

NOTE.—In this diagram the Black P at Q R 3 should be on Q Kt 3.

Problem No. 381.

BLACK.



WHITE.

White to play and mate in five moves.

Game.

WHITE.	BLACK.
1. P. to K 4	1. P. to K 4
2. Kt. to K B 3	2. Kt. to Q B 3
3. B. to Q B 4	3. B. to K 2
4. Castles	4. Kt. K B 3
5. P. to Q 4	5. P. to Q 3
6. P. to Q 5	6. Q. Kt to Kt sq
7. Q. Kt. to B 3	7. Castles
8. P. to K R 3	8. Kt. to K sq
9. K. Kt. to K R 2	9. P. to K B 4
10. P. to K B 4	10. K. to K R sq
11. Q. P. takes P	11. B. takes P
12. P. to K Kt 4	12. B. to Kt 3
13. P. to K B 5	13. B to K B 2
14. Kt. to K 4	14. P. to Q R 3
15. P. to K Kt 5	15. P. to Q R 4
16. P. to Q B 4	16. Kt. to Q B 2
17. P. to K B 6	17. P. takes P
18. Kt. takes P	18. R. takes Kt
19. R. takes B	19 Kt. takes P
20. B. takes Kt	20. B. takes B
21. R. takes R	21. Q. takes R
22. Q. to K Kt 4	22. Q. Kt to R 3
23. B. to K 3	23. K. to Q B sq
24. Q. to K R 5	24. Q. to K sq
25. Q to R 6	25. Q. to K Kt 3
26 Kt to K Kt 4	26. R. to K 3
27. R. to K B sq	27. B. to K B 4
28 P. to K R 4	28. Q. takes Q
29. Kt. takes Q	29. B. to K Kt 3
30. R. to K B 6	30. P. to Q 4
31. R. to K 6	31. Kt. to Q Kt 5
32. P. to Q B 3	32. Kt. to Q 6
33. R. to K 7	33. P. to Q Kt 4
34. P. takes P	34. P. takes P
35. R. to Q 7	35. Kt. takes P
36. R. takes P	36. Kt. to Q B 5
37. B. to K B 2	37. P. to R 5
38. B. to K Kt 3	38. P. to R 6
39. R. takes K P	39. P. to R 7

Resigns.

Cards.

BRIDGE.

Solution to Problem No. 15.

THE dealer must clear clubs before losing the lead or his opponents may establish their hearts first, and possibly win the odd trick. A is marked with the three unseen clubs, and must make one of them. Z should accordingly lead the 2 and allow A, who, of course, will put on the 10, to win the trick. By playing thus B will only get one discard, and A will be uncertain at trick 3 which of two suits B wishes led. If he opens spades, and the suit is continued, Z obviously wins the game. If he opens diamonds, Z will be certain of two by cards, and may make three. If he opens hearts, which is probably B's best suit, dummy has a fair chance of winning two tricks in it, or guarding it with a fourchette which will drive the opponents to some other lead. The only alternative lead to the club at trick 2, viz., the queen of diamonds, is not so advantageous, for if the queen wins, Z cannot afford to go on with the suit. He would risk losing two tricks in clubs for the gain of one in diamonds, and scare A off leading the suit, thus enabling B to show his suit with a single discard.

Problem No. 16.

Score: A B, 24; Y Z, 6. Z deals, and leaves it to Y, who declares hearts. Y's and Z's hands are as follows:

Y's Hand (Dummy).—Hearts, king, 8, 7, 6, 4; diamonds, queen, 7, 5; clubs, king, 10, 9, 4, 2; spades, none.

Z's Hand (the Dealer).—Hearts, ace, jack, 10, 3; diamonds, king, 10, 3, 2; clubs, 5; spades, jack, 10, 9, 4.

The play of the first four tricks is as follows:—

Trick I.



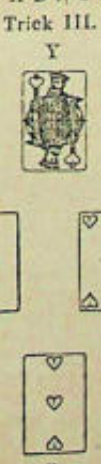
Tricks: A B 1, Y Z 0.

Trick II.



Tricks: A B 1, Y Z 1.

Trick III.



Tricks: A B 1, Y Z 2.

Trick IV.



Tricks: A B 1, Y Z 3.

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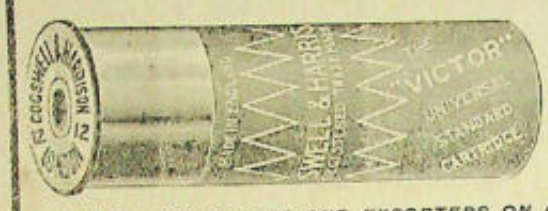

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HORSES' WEIGHT AND CARRYING POWER.

IN another column we publish a letter from an Umballa correspondent in which he enquires whether any experiments have ever been made to discover or establish the relations existing between the weight of horses and their carrying capacity. It is obvious to the most casual observer that such relations do exist within limits, but the subject is a very complex one indeed and cannot be dismissed by comparing the avoirdupois of, say, a weight carrying hack with that of its heavy rider and the weight of a light weedy horse with that of the nine or ten stone man who finds it a satisfactory mount. The weight of the horse is a factor taken little into account by any people but the Americans who habitually describe horses by weight: classifying draught horses as heavy, medium, and light by the simple and direct method of weighing them, and applying the same method of calculating power to horses for all purposes.

As regards endeavour to establish any rule of proportion between weight of horse and weight of burden, however, we know of only one such experiment or rather series of experiments: these were made by Veterinary Major Smith in 1898 and were published in the *Journal of Comparative Pathology and Therapeutics* of December in that year. Dr. Smith's figures and conclusions, if lacking in the absolute finality we seek in scientific matters, are at least interesting. His experiments were undertaken with the view of ascertaining "the effective and not the total weight a horse should carry:" by which we understand the "weight a horse may carry in practical work and not the weight under which he can stand;" in other words Dr. Smith tested the horse as a beast of carriage and not as a table.

Manifestly the experiment presented difficulties at the outset: any experiment which seeks to establish relation between one series of easily ascertainable factors, *i.e.*, weights and another series of factors irreducible to figures, *i.e.*, living weight-carrying power, must present difficulties: and the method adopted was no doubt as satisfactory a one as human ingenuity could devise. We say this with reservations afterwards to be noticed. Dr. Smith began by asking an independent observer of proved judgment to estimate the weight a given horse was capable of carrying; he had 136 horses at his disposal for the series of experiments and he divided these into groups according to their bodily weight *after* the independent judge had estimated the carrying power of each which he did in units of 7lbs. Thus he had 13 horses weighing each 952lbs., eight of which were estimated as up to 168lbs., and the thirteen, on an average, 170lbs. each. He had eight weighing each 980lbs. (the scale used registering in units of 28lbs.) ten weighing each 1,008lbs., ten weighing 1,036lbs., and fourteen weighing each 1,092lbs. The weight each member of each group would carry was estimated and the mean weight for each group bore uniform proportion to the average bodily weight, thus the 980-lbs. horses had been estimated to carry 175lbs. the 1,008-lb. horses, 177lbs., the 1,036-lb. horses, 178·5lbs., and the 1,092-lb. horses, 192·4lbs. Another series of experiments with rather heavier horses gave

parallel results. The judges who estimated the carrying power of the horses had no idea of the bodily weight of the animals: they simply exercised their eyes and experience and put each into the class they thought appropriate, this into the twelve stone, that into the 12st. 7lbs., the next into the 13-7, the 13 or the 14 stone class as make and shape suggested. The principle kept in view was, carrying power at speed (not racing) such as the hunter or cavalry horse is called upon to perform. Without going into Dr. Smith's painstaking calculations in greater detail, we may say that his experiments bore out his preconceived idea, namely, that there does exist a tolerable even ratio between bodily weight and carrying power, and that ratio worked out thus: it requires roughly 5¾lbs. of bodily weight to carry each 1lb. on the back during hard fast work. For horses doing slower work two stone might be added to the burden thus indicated.

Now this is satisfactory so far as it goes, in that it leads to result, not scientifically precise and containing ample margin for error, but of a certain practical value. The horses used were troopers from the stables of heavy and light cavalry, so we can form our own idea of their class and character: for such horses we are willing to accept Dr. Smith's conclusions and his formula as essentially correct, but we cannot accept them without this limitation. The necessity for restricting the application of Dr. Smith's conclusions will have been apparent to everyone acquainted with the Arab and with the sturdy ponies of various Asiatic regions. We have sought in vain for some record which should give us the weights of a few Arabs; it would simplify matters could we have found such for the sake of illustrating our point; the facts happily are too well known to stand in need of proof. Dr. Smith's series of experiments were made of horses whose height no doubt ranged from 15-1 to 15-3: the lightest horses weighed each 952lbs. on the average, and these were classified to carry a mean burden of 168lbs. or 12 stone. Now would 12 stone be considered an excessive weight to put on a 14-1 Arab for a day with hounds or for a long ride that had to be done at speed? We think not: on the contrary we take it that the pony would make light of it. Consider the work done by the Syrian Arabs with which the 19th Hussars replaced their English horses for the Nile Campaign of 1885. These were purchased at an average price of £18 per head; their average height was 14 hands; and each carried on the average 14 stone, the kit of the men being reduced to a minimum: yet of 350 only 12 died from disease during a hard campaign of nine months which included some terribly severe work for days together on the poorest rations and short allowance of water. We must have another scale of bodily weight and carrying capacity for the Arab; even for the low class Syrian for which the Government buyer paid about Rs. 250 per head. We might select some isolated examples to show individual horses carrying heavier burdens: the late Colonel Burnaby's remarks on the ponies he rode on his famous journey to Khiva will perhaps recur to mind, but for practical purposes the evidence afforded by a large number of horses is much to be preferred. Our correspondent will no doubt agree with us that if scales of weight and carrying power are to possess any practical utility, they must be drawn up with due regard for breed: the Turkestan, Burmese, and Chinese ponies, pound for pound of bodily weight, would beat the English horse out of sight as weight carriers: and we venture the opinion that the English pony would do just the same thing if pitted against his larger compatriot.

It was the first night of a musical comedy, as the variety entertainments put on at certain theatres are called, and a gentleman occupying a stage-box laughed so loudly that he attracted some attention.

"Who is he?" an attendant was asked.

"The author," replied the booze-bearer.

"Are you sure? What bad taste!"

"Yes, he's the author right enough; but, you see, he hasn't heard those wheezes before. They've been put in by the comedians."

A little time ago a young M. P. started to grow a moustache and while it was still in the budding stage he took the opportunity of asking a lady whom he took in to dinner whether she thought it an improvement or not. With somewhat cutting emphasis she said:—

"Since you ask me, Mr.——, I must confess I like your moustache as little as I like your politics."

Quick as lightning came the reply:—

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Mr. W. M. G. Singer's br c MANATON, by Matchmaker—Lottie Hampton, 5yrs., 7st. 13lbs. 0
Mr. J. Farquharson's bk aus g DALKEITH, by Seneschal—Esperance, aged, 7st. 11lbs. 0
Mr. G. A. Prentice's br c HONGKONG, by Queen's Birthday—Merry Wife, 5yrs., 7st. 7lbs. 0
Sir E. Cassel's br c KILLEAGH, by Killyleagh—What, 3yrs., 7st. 3lbs. ... 0
Mr. G. Faber's b h MOUNTAIN ROSE, by Blairfinde—Rose Root, 6yrs., 7st. 11lb. ... 0
Mr. H. J. King's b h WHISTLING CROW, by Crowberry—Sedge Warbler, 6yrs., 7st 0
Mr. W. R. Wyndham's b c MACHAKOS, by Desmond—Canterbury Belle, 3yrs., 6st. 2lbs. 0
Lord Dalmeny's b c MAUNDAY, by Persimmon—Claque, 3yrs., 6st. 0
Mr. C. Hibbert's b g MAGIC BALM, by Balsamo—Therese, 3yrs., 6st. ... 0

(Winner trained by Hon. G. Lambton.)

BETTING: 8 to 1 agst. Golden Measure, 10 to 1 Great Scot, 25 to 1 Gourd.

Won by a dozen lengths; half a length between second and third.

PREVIOUS WINNERS.

1892 Warlaby, aged, 8st. 11lb. (23)	1899 Proclamation, 3yrs., 6st. 4lbs. (18)
1893 Best Man, 3yrs., 8st. 4lbs. (24)	1900 Innocence, 4yrs., 7st. 12lbs. (20)
1894 Dumbarton, 3yrs., 7st. 7lbs. (22)	1901 First Principal, 4yrs., 7st. 5lbs. (25)
1895 Laodamia, 5yrs., 8st. 9lbs. (22)	1902 Royal Lancer, 3yrs., 7st. 10lbs. (19)
1896 La Sagesse, 4yrs., 7st. 5lbs. (23)	1903 Littleton, 3yrs., 7st. 6lbs. (21)
1897 Eager, 3yrs., 7st. 13lbs. (17)	1904 Romer, 3yrs., 8st. 10lbs. (18)
1898 Waterhen, 4yrs., 6st. 9lbs. (20)	1905 Catscradle, 4yrs., 6st. 7lbs. (20)

Sporting Notes.

GREAT SCOT has been to the gate once more in England and this time suffered defeat by twelve lengths or so, the winner, an arrant rogue, cantering in ahead of our whilom champion. It is a great pity that the old horse does not show a bit better form, as he should certainly be able to cope with a horse like Gourd even at a difference of 21lbs. or thereabouts.

Another batch of the Bangalore horses arrived in Calcutta this week and the rubbing down sheds are filling fast. Ferguson has brought Long Tom, Contest and the jump horses in the same stable, and holds a very strong hand indeed for the hurdle races at Tollygunge. Pringle's lot include Mr. Bell Irving's disappointments of last season as well as Pendred, Rosanule and the great Steinhager. Work on the course is beginning slowly, as usual, and the chief interest lies in distinguishing and mentally labelling the endless string of new horses on their way to and from the rubbing sheds. By the way the exit from the enclosures is labelled "IN" and the entrance thereto "OUT," but fortunately no one pays any attention to the directions and all is well. . . . . No, not at all; it is usual to go "on" and "off" the track, not "in and out" of it.

It is not surprising that Sacristan's connections fancy the little English horse so much. He has filled out a great deal and is looking splendid. The training track does not appeal to him apparently, but Bradshaw seemed to be coaxing him along very successfully on Monday morning. The American seat looks very perilous on a fresh eager bag of springs like this chestnut, but it stood all the shaking he could give it that day. The public riding track is yet far from ready, but the sand is arriving slowly and hope is rising higher daily. There certainly was a deal of grumbling about this sand at the end of last season, but given a fresh supply about the beginning of February and an occasional application of the hose, this preparation should serve its purpose very well. People were well enough pleased last year until the sand became trodden in and scanty, thus making the going hard and the air dusty. The regrettable absence of Mr. Hutchison on account of illness probably accounts for much of the delay.

The closing meet of the year at the Tollygunge Club went off very cheerily last Saturday, and Mr. Maurice Turner should be well pleased at the astonishing success of his efforts as Honorary Secretary this season. These gymkhana meetings have taken a permanent place in the annual programme of Calcutta racing and there should in future be little difficulty in guiding them on a successful career.

The handicappers, whose excellent work is believed to be mainly due to the careful study and painstaking efforts of Mr. Macpherson, were particularly successful in their last effort, and the three-cornered pony race, in which Pineal, Picture and Ping-Pong finished locked together, displayed a really clever handicap. Mr. Evers rode the winner with great judgment and continued throughout the afternoon to improve the shining hour. At the moment he is enjoying great fortune and making the most of it.

The Fusiliers won their race all right on Saturday and everyone was glad to see them have a turn. Fatima beat her field with ease and is a very taking looking mare, one to make her mark at Tollygunge or out paperchasing in the 14-2 class. Mr. Turner's Bulls-Eye, who ran second in this race, is a newly-landed one and very big for his inches. If he leaps as well as they say, he should be a useful paperchaser. No less than twelve "griffins" faced the starter, and the race was fought out up the straight by Salad Dressing and Lucifer, the two horses that fell in the similar race at the previous meeting. Rejoicing in his unaccustomed feather weight and lifted along at the critical moment by a cut or two of the whip, Salad Dressing astounded his friends and rejoiced the hearts of the book-makers.

When the pony race was called on it was clear that a lot of people knew something. As two out of the three starters had been indulged in a gallop together earlier in the week this was not surprising, but it seems that both stables believed that their own pony had had the better of the dust up and were even prepared to back their opinion. Plenty of money went on at odds on and the books lost a golden opportunity of making a big haul. They could have secured five times as much by giving on point better odds and have swept in the whole bagful on the victory of the outsider.

Sylvia is at her best over a mile and in spite of Mr. Pierson's determined effort to run her off her legs the old mare just lasted it out and beat off Queen of Hearts inside the distance by sheer determination, encouraged by her old friend, Mr. Turner, for whom she always runs a bold race. This was another fine race as Tacore was catching the leaders very fast at the finish, and many were surprised to find that he had not passed Queen of Hearts at the judge's box.

While congratulating the executive on the success of the past season's racing it is hardly necessary to remark that there is still room for improvements on this excellent little course. The track can do with a deal of levelling in certain places, where the

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water hangs during the rainy season notably at the five-furlong post, the turn at the New House and again just beyond the winning post. Again the hurdle course might be remodelled, the flights being placed right across the track at points well clear of the steeplechase fences. The two first flights as at present arranged make narrow awkward looking places which probably accounts for the lack of popularity of these hurdle races.

We print to-day our first edition of Trainers' Lots for the season. The list is as complete as we can make it at present and will be amended from week to week as occasion demands. It does not embrace every horse or pony in the Calcutta training stables, being confined chiefly to those animals who have so far figured in the entries and may be considered to be in preparation for the coming meetings.

Our Bangalore correspondent writes :—The 30th Lancers (Gordon's Horse) held some point to point races eight miles out of Bangalore on the 17th instant. The regiment are in camp at present and Colonel Steel and his officers were "At Home" to their friends. Notwithstanding a more than indifferent road, a large company assembled, travelling out by motor, saddle, or on wheels. H. H. the Maharaja of Mysore, the Yuvaraja, the Hon'ble Mr. S. M. Fraser, British Resident in Mysore and Mrs. Stuart Fraser, Colonel and Mrs. Wortabet, Colonel O'Brien, 14th Hussars, Colonel Atkinson and many other ladies and gentlemen were present, and much enjoyed the hospitality of the gallant Lancers.

Although not the legitimate game, some good sport was witnessed. The heavy and light weight race for horses, was run over simultaneously a course of about 3½ miles, and though the obstacles were not formidable the time was excellent, about nine minutes. The prize for heavy weights (12st. 7lbs.) was won by H. H. the Mabaraja of Mysore's Ladybird, ridden by Captain Heale, the Maharajah's tutor, who was second by a couple of lengths only to Mr. Burmester, a light weight, who rode Mr. Corne's horse Boris. Other heavy weights were Major Graham and Captain Evans, and other light weights were Mr. Spinks, who should have won easily on the Gander had he not mistaken the winning flag, Mr. Walker (first whip of the Gordon's Horse Hounds who was third), Captain Muspratt, Mr. Maydwell, Mr. Pile and Captain Dennistoun. The pony race was over nearly three miles, and there were only four starters. Mr. Skinner, R.A., on his own pony, Rory, made all the running and won comfortably. Captain Dennistoun on Tiola was a good second, but came a very nasty crumpler just at the finish, his pony stumbling over a rut and coming neck and crop. The rider lay for a few moments and things looked ugly, but it was only a case of being knocked out of time, and everyone was much relieved, for Captain Dennistoun, old Etonian, A.-D.-C. and Whip to the Ooty Hounds, is a general favourite in Southern India. Messrs. Daun and Mattisson were the other starters in the pony race. Colonel Steele, commanding the 30th Lancers, said a few well-choosen words, thanking Bangalore society for the support which had been accorded to the Gordon's Horse Hounds during the past season, and a very sporting and pleasant evening concluded by the presentation of the prizes by Mrs. Wortabet.

At a Special General Meeting of the Madras Race Club, held on the 13th instant it was decided to cancel the following three Race Meetings for which the prospectuses have been issued already, and to hold a big Race Meeting very shortly for which a fresh prospectus will be issued :—

Xmas Meeting to be held in December 1906.
Winter Meeting to be held in February 1907.
March Meeting to be held in March 1907.

Colonel G. J. Younghusband, of the Guides, Mardan, has been, we much regret to say, rather badly injured as the result of a polo accident. His pony came down and rolled over him two or three times.

Mr. Harry Goldspink arrived in Calcutta last week and will soon be busy with his clients we have no doubt. He had some rather curious experiences at the recent Poona meetings and some of his little stories concerning the doings there are distinctly funny.

The Lahore Hunt Meeting on Thursday, the 15th instant, brought out quite a good field and some well-known cross-country performers among them. Mr. Teesdale, the Deputy Master, carried the horn and with eleven couple showed quite good sport. Most of the going was capital; they lost their first jack, scent entirely failing near the Ferozepore *maidan*, but they bagged their second in a sugarcane khet beyond Jiwana.

Included in our Turf news to-day are the full details of the Caulfield Cup, the result of which we gave our readers in a recent Special Telegram.

We have received, through the courtesy of Messrs. J. J. Miller and Co., publishers of Melbourne, a copy of Volume XXII of their indispensable "Australian Chronicle," which embraces the period from February to July of the current year. Needless to say the present volume contains all the features of its predecessors, which have made this publication of such use and interest to racing men.

We direct the particular attention of our readers to the East Indian Railway notification regarding Christmas and New Year holidays, which appears among our Sporting Advertisements in the middle of the paper. It is of special interest to all who will be travelling on the line about that time, the generous reduction in the price of tickets being peculiarly soothing to trippers or those whose business carries them over the E. I. R.

We are glad to announce that very good progress has been made with the Calcutta Kennel Club and that already the membership is numerically strong enough to assure success in the carrying out of its objects. Mr. E. A. Lyon has returned to Calcutta and will soon be calling a meeting at which the *puce* Committee will be elected and the rules formulated. Meanwhile arrangements for the Dog Show, which will be held late in January, are in hand and we may shortly expect to see the prospectus.

A very large pike is reported as having been caught with rod and line in the siding adjoining the Erewash Valley Railway near Shipley Gate. The fish took a large live-bait, and displayed great determination before the angler succeeded in getting it safely to bank. It was of enormous dimensions, and weighed 34½lbs. A Nottingham gentleman (Mr. T. Barnett), who formerly rented the pond, states that he has previously hooked the leviathan, only, however, to have his tackle smashed up by its terrific plunges into the weeds.

The largest pike we ever saw weighed just over 31lbs.: it was caught by a boy in the Welsh Harp, "which is Headon way," and we watched the struggle and successful landing. This was in 1870 (if we remember rightly), and Mr. Warner, the proprietor of this famous old "pub," had it stuffed and exhibited. In 1890, when we revisited England, the gallant pike was still in his glass case over the bar.

It is indeed high time we had Protection! The following story has been imported from Belgium, and has created much excitement and indignation in the British Anglers' Fish Tale Trust, which was recently formed for the supply of high-class fish tales, verified by affidavits, to all angling clubs in the United Kingdom. The following is the yarn. Fishing in the River Meuse, a few days ago, an angler first caught a pound perch. Hardly had the fish's nose appeared above the water than up came a four-pound pike, and gobbled it up. The fisherman then proceeded to wind in, but to his astonishment another pike—a huge fish weighing 13lbs.—seized his smaller brother and swallowed him at one gulp. When the "catch" was landed, the fish were found comfortably ensconced, like finny Jonahs inside one another, the total weight being 18lbs.

Those who have done much trout-fishing will admit that these fish are most mysterious in their changes of colour and shape. Dark, even black, fish are found in some pools, whilst other waters contain yellow and silvery trout. It is generally supposed that there are different species of trout, but the experiments of Sir Herbert Maxwell seem to show that there is only one species which changes in colour and other characteristics according to environment. A small lake was stocked by him with trout of different varieties, including the Loch Leven trout (*Salmo levenensis*), generally understood to be a distinct species. Owing to the absence of running water, the trout did not breed, and fresh fish were turned in nearly every year. The result was, says Sir Herbert, that, whatever difference, specific or otherwise, might be apparent in the fish at the time they were turned in after two seasons, at most, it became absolutely impossible to tell from their external appearance to what variety they originally belonged. They all lost the trout markings, and assumed a very silvery appearance. "I have taken some," says Sir Herbert Maxwell, "which, had the loch possessed any practicable connection with the sea, I should have pronounced at first sight, without hesitation, to be salmon-trout." It is evident that we have much yet to learn concerning the salmon tribe. Are they all one species, and the variations merely caused by different conditions?

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A good deal of diversity of opinion seems to exist among sportsmen as to what age geese attain to. We read that in the establishment of Mr. John Macpherson, taxidermist, of Church Street, Inverness, can be seen a beautifully-set-up specimen 32 years of age. It would be interesting to know if this is a record as far as goose life is concerned. The bird came from Benalder Dalwhinnie, Inverness-shire.

The directors of the Sydney "Zoo" were sued the other day by a speculative litigant, who claimed £200 on the ground that charges were made for admission on Sundays, and that, therefore, it was a "disorderly" place under the meaning of Act 21 of the reign of George III. The Judge dismissed the case.

An interesting experiment in the acclimatisation of trout has been recently made in the British Central Africa Protectorate. A previous attempt to hatch out the ova in January last failed, chiefly because of the excessive heat experienced on the journey. The second consignment of ova, therefore, was sent out so as to reach Chinde in the first week in July—the coldest month of the year. Rainbow trout ova, in a rather advanced condition, were taken out to the number of 5,000, packed in a carefully isolated case. Six ice chests went with them to keep them cool. Those that survived the journey were deposited in a specially prepared pond on the Zomba Mountain Plateau, where they rapidly hatched out. At the end of the third week of July there were 200 live trout, which, after being kept under observation for some weeks, will be put into the Mlumgusi river. It will be interesting to know how they take to their new surroundings, and whether there is good prospect of their successful acclimatisation.

A familiar Viennese figure has just disappeared in the person of Karl Bergauer, the horse-dealer, who died on the 29th ultimo at the advanced age of eighty-seven.

He was a relic of the old days of mad wagers and eccentric sporting feats, which modern society scarcely tolerates. The *Extrablatt* gives a picture of him as he used, till quite lately, to caracole down the Prater Avenue in silk hat and swallow-tail coat, with his long white beard flowing behind him, and recounts many of his former exploits, which are within the memory of those of his circle who have outlived him.

He was of good birth and considerable fortune, but he soon ran through his money and took to horse-dealing. He acquired great celebrity for his success in breaking and taming the wildest and most unmanageable brutes.

As an example of his methods may be cited the incident in the Stadttheatre, where a horse had to be brought on to the stage, and there mount an artificial hillock. A steed was borrowed for the general rehearsal, who climbed up the wooden erection quite obediently. When all was over, though, he refused to come down the steps at any price, and threatened to demolish the whole of the adjacent scenery.

Just as the director had resolved to shoot the creature so as to be able to give the evening performance, somebody suggested sending for Bergauer.

He came at once, and swinging himself into the saddle with a chirrup, took the recalcitrant horse down and out of the wings without the slightest difficulty.

He declined any fee, so the director suggested "At least I must give you a kiss in return." Looking slyly round, Bergauer answered that he might perhaps entrust some of the lady artists with this task, whereupon one and all fell upon him and kissed him heartily.

One of his most daring bets was that he would jump a stiff hurdle in a dog-cart. An old hunter was harnessed, and they went full speed at the obstacle. The horse rose at it just as if he had nothing behind him, but Bergauer, timing himself exactly, rose at the same moment and with a spring seated himself on the animal's back. The trap was smashed to pieces, but neither horse nor man were hurt.

He once went to stay at a mill near Aspern, and the miller's wife sent him to sleep in a loft. There he found three large leathern wallets, and, pricked by curiosity to open them, saw that two were filled with massive silver candlesticks.

Out of the third grinned a human skull with a crown of thorns, and snakes writhing from the eye-sockets. It was, however, not a natural skull but carved out of one solid piece of ivory. The miller's wife then told him that after the battle of Aspern Napoleon had slept at their mill, and had, in his hurry, forgotten the three wallets. Her mother had told her that the Emperor used to pray before the skull, which he regarded as a fetish, but that she was afraid of the thing, and he might take it away if he liked, whilst she kept the candelabra.

Bergauer brought it to Vienna and showed it to the celebrated antiquarian and anatomist Hyrtl, who was of opinion that it had come from some Spanish monastery, although he was astonished at the enormous size of the single piece of ivory.

He took it to Berlin and London, but none of the offers quite satisfied him, and eventually he tried America. On landing at New York he found a telegram announcing the dangerous illness of his wife. Leaving the skull with his friend to sell he came back to Vienna, and was never able afterwards to find traces of either.

The quotations on the Viceroy's Cup are as under :—

2½ to 1 agst.	Long Tom.	12 to 1 agst.	Sacristan II.
4 to 1 ,,	Munderah.	12 to 1 ,,	Signorina.
6 to 1 ,,	Mallard.	15 to 1 ,,	Footprint.
6 to 1 ,,	Fitz Grafton.	15 to 1 ,,	Lamrock.
6 to 1 ,,	Steinhager.	15 to 1 ,,	Contest.
8 to 1 ,,	Cherson.	20 to 1 ,,	Saloon.
10 to 1 ,,	Paddy's Darling.	20 to 1 ,,	Amplify.
10 to 1 ,,	Rosanule.		

In the final for the Neemuch Polo Tournament Bhopal won easily by 5 goals and 1 subsidiary to 6 goals scored by the Beau Soleil team.

Athletic Notes.

THE Annual General Meeting of the Bengal Presidency Amateur Athletic Association will probably be held on Wednesday, the 5th proximo, at 6 P.M.

The substitution of alcohol for petrol as fuel for motors seems likely to be generally adopted in the near future as the chemists have proved equal to the occasion and have found many more substances from which the spirit can be economically distilled than the grains or fruits usually indented upon. In mid Europe such tubers as the inferior varieties of potato have been laid under contribution, the parings of apples, pears and all possessing saccharine matter, though maize and millet give the largest proportion of spirit. A glance through Roxburgh and his commentators, will indicate what an immense number of jungle products we have at command all over the country capable of producing coarse alcohol, all easily cultivatable and as highly productive as any Europe or America can furnish, with practically unlimited ground for raising them : yams, sweet potatoes, eka roots, wild and cultivated plaintains and a host of others. The demand for alcohol is likely to become as great as that for petrol, so that the distillation is well worth the attention of planters and zemindars.

The following teams have entered for the football tournament which is to form one of the features of Lady Minto's Fête :—Seaforth Highlanders, Nowshera; Black Watch, Peshawar; Gordon Highlanders, Peshawar; "A" and "B". Teams, Royal Irish, Rawalpindi; The Queens, Sialkot: Royal Sussex, Umballa; West Yorkshires, Lahore Cantonment; Wiltshires, Umballa; 12th Royal Lancers, Warwicks, Quetta; R. G. A., Quetta; York and Lancasters, Quetta; King's Liverpool Regiment, Nasirabad; Lincolnshire Regiment, Kamptee; Bedfordshire Regiment, Jhansi: East Surrey Regiment, Mhow; Royal Scots, Bombay; The Cameronians, Chakrata; Royal Welsh Fusiliers, Agra, Royal Irish Rifles, Meerut; Royal Scots Fusiliers, Bareilly; 60th Rifles, Bareilly; 15th Hussars, Muttra; Shropshire Light Infantry, Fyzabad; South Staffords, Allahabad; Somersetshire Light Infantry, Cawnpore; Durham Light Infantry, Lucknow; 13th Hussars, Bolarum; Manchesters, Secunderabad; 14th (King's) Hussars, Bangalore; Highland Light Infantry, Dinapore; Northumberland Fusiliers, Calcutta; Mohun Bagan A. C., Calcutta; Customs Club, Calcutta; Hornets Football Club, Calcutta; Calcutta Football Club, Calcutta; R. G. A. Hughli Defences, Calcutta; E. B. S. Railway Volunteers, Calcutta; Glosters, Umballa.

The St. Xavier's College Annual Athletic Sports Meeting, held on the College grounds last Saturday, went off in a way that reflected the highest credit on promoters and competitors. St. Xavier's entered into the spirit of the meeting thoroughly and the critical eye failed to pick a single hole in the arrangements. Not a single item of gear was wanting, the programme was well arranged, the ground made the best of the course well kept, the officials diligent in their duties and good order and punctuality reigned supreme. In short one does on occasion attend a meeting, run by veterans and supported by adult competitors, the executive of which might profitably take a leaf out of the St. Xavier's College book. We give details in another place.

By defeating the South of Scotland by 32 points to 5 on the 13th instant the South Africans scored their fifteenth successive win. They beat Cambridge University by 29 points to *nil* three days before and up to then had made 354 points as against 21 put up against them. It was reserved for Scotland to make the first dent on their shield, for at Glasgow they were at last beaten by 6 points to *nil*.

The All-India Hockey Tournament will be held at Allahabad, the commencing date being Monday, the 24th February, entries closing on the 31st January. Further particulars can be gleaned from the advertisement among our sporting notices this week.

The Boxing Tournament in connection with the Minto *fête* will be held from the 27th January to the 5th February. There are competitions for Heavy, Middle, Light and Feather Weights which are open to the Navy, Army and Volunteers.

The Association Football Tournament for the Meakin Challenge Cup will be held at Mhow, beginning on the 14th December.

Our Bangalore correspondent writes :—The Southern Hockey Tournament for the Indian Army will be decided here during the ensuing week. Three teams entering from Secunderabad played off locally, the 61st Pioneers coming out winners, and beating the 2nd (Q. O.) Rajput L. I. and the 97th Deccan Infantry. The 83rd Wallajabad L. I. come from Bellary, the 64th Pioneers from Ootacamund, and the 30th Lancers and 2nd (Q. O.) Sappers and Miners have entered in Bangalore, making five teams in all to play off in this station. The cup is a challenge one, but the native corps are showing greatly increased keenness about this competition.

The South Indian Reliability Motor trials, which are being arranged by Mr. G. V. Scovell, the keen motorist who won the "Economy" prize in the Delhi-Bombay Motor trials promise to be interesting. They take place on the 27th, 28th and 29th of December, and will include motor bicycles for which a separate prize will be offered. On the first day the cars will run from Bangalore to the Kolar Gold Fields and back, a distance of about 120 miles, the motor bicycles only running to the Gold Fields and remaining there for the night. The second day will see the cars run from Bangalore to Katpadi (130 miles), the motor bicycles going in at Kolar and also going to Katpadi. And on the third day cars and bicycles travel from Katpadi to Madras, finishing at St. Thomas' Mount. Subsequently the motors will proceed in procession to Madras. Entries close at the end of the current month, and besides the separate prizes for motor bicycles there will be prizes for two distinct classes of cars ("A" and "B"). These classes are, respectively, for professional cars or for cars owned by amateurs and driven by professionals and for cars owned and driven by amateurs. Every arrangement for tiffin on the two opening days and for accommodation during the stay at Katpadi will be made by Mr. G. V. Scovell. Any firm can enter a motor bicycle, but it must be driven by a member of the Union. The whole programme has been most judiciously arranged.

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We are glad to hear that new members are joining the Calcutta Cricket Club in large numbers, and that a large military contingent has lately been elected. It is not yet known, however, whether Major W. C. Hedley, R.E., will find time to play or not, and it is clear that some new blood in the bowling line must be found without delay. The display against Ballygunge with T. Curtis Hayward and F. H. Stewart away was feeble in the extreme. By the way we hear that Stewart leaves for home by to-day's mail, and it will presumably be necessary to elect another player to captain the club elevens in his absence.

The Cambridge University Cricket Club have elected the following officials for the current year :—Captain—M. W. Payne ; Honorary Secretary—R A. Young and Assistant Honorary Secretary—J. N. Buchanan. Payne and Young were of course the heroes of the last 'Varsity match, the former for his meteoric hitting, and Young for his mammoth score, while Payne is a wicket-keeper with very few equals in England. Buchanan too is a most promisig all-round cricketer, and altogether the Light Blue prospects are, so to speak, rosy ! Oxfords are somewhat dubious as yet.

London Week by Week.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

Friday, 2nd November 1906.

THE sorrows of the suffragists have been with us all the week. The shrill voiced females having refused to give security for their good behaviour won the cheap martyrdom of Holloway : and to such a pitch of folly are some of us come, O Editor ! that the proceeding has brought about as much sympathetic attention upon these martyrs as their souls could crave. The papers have been flooded with letters protesting and indignant from people who ought to know better—among them Messrs. Isaac Zangwill, Bernard Shaw, and George Meredith : literary persons you observe. The most sensible contribution to the correspondence has been that of Miss Violet Markham who begs the friends of the martyrs not to "plead feminine charm as an exemption for consequences following on foolish and undignified behaviour." On Tuesday the Home Secretary induced the Magistrate who committed the women to make them "first class misdemeanants" or the equivalent, which would relieve them of the necessity of wearing prison dress. But no ! at least one noble-minded female refused the privilege preferring to make the most of the advertising opportunity. Mrs. Pethick Lawrence was turned out of prison on Saturday : she did not want to leave but she was ill and the heartless prison doctor insisted.

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Mr. Pethick Lawrence's motive in publicly offering to subscribe £10 to "the Cause" for each day his wife was kept in prison has been cruelly misunderstood. So was Mr. Baldock's look of vicarious self-sacrifice at the Hyde Park meeting on Sunday. His air of lofty triumph was so marked when Miss Pankhurst referred to the fact that Mrs. Baldock was one of the prisoners some ribald creature shouted "no wonder he looks so happy ;" which provoked a roar of laughter and entirely spoiled the atmosphere of the proceedings. The speaker informed the meeting that "hundreds of thousands of women are ready to go to prison for the sake of the suffrage :" but curiously enough there were not two score at the meeting she addressed : perhaps because the day was showery. One recalls Catherine of Cleves who you remember "did not mind death but she could not stand pinching."

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On Wednesday the King, wearing the uniform of the Colonel-in-Chief of the Scots Guards, received the colours of the recently disbanded 3rd Battalion at Buckingham Palace. The Queen and Princess Victoria were also present. It was a strictly private function ; the battalion was represented by about 60 men with a dozen officers, pipers, buglers, and drummers. It is freely reported on the soldiers' clubs that the King likes none of the proceedings of C. B. & Co. as little as he likes the reduction of the army in the name of economy.

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I hoped the practice of holding public meetings in Trafalgar Square would be left to Labour members and their kind. Lord Hugh Cecil, I imagine, is the first, and one would like to think, also the last representative of the upper classes to address the meeting from the pedestal of the Nelson Column. What time Miss Pankhurst was holding forth in the Park, Lord Hugh Cecil in the Square was addressing a huge gathering assembled to protest against the Education Bill. We were growing very tired of Education Bill and are hoping, now it has reached the Lords, we shall soon hear the end of the paltry squabble.

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Mr. Haldane made an interesting announcement at Reading on Saturday when he opened the new buildings of the University College. Premising that supply for large forces of men is a science in itself, that the whole organisation of the *business* of war needed men trained in schools other than those now open to officers, he announced that a certain number of officers are to be trained in the London School of Economics which has sent out successful administrators for great undertakings in civil life. Thus he hopes to lay the the foundation of a new staff of administrative officers who shall be able to cope with all mysteries of transport and supply and the wiles of contractors. The idea at any rate sounds practical.

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"The Merveilleuses" produced at Daly's on Saturday night is more like a comic opera than anything we have seen since the Golden, or Gilbert-and-Sullivan, age. The piece is adapted by Captain Basil Hood from Sardou's book ; the Lyrics are by Adrian Ross and the music by Hugo Felix. The music is good if not striking in its originality ; indeed one could trace the influence of familiar composers more than once ; but on the whole it is tuneful, appropriate and, in places, stirring. The piece is a connected whole and you follow the plot from curtain rise to the end of Act III : so to our muttons. Place and epoch, Paris of the Directory when ladies dressed after the fashion believed to have been popular among Greek goddesses. The style must have opened to objections for street wear but for the boards it is admirable. Business really begins when the half dozen Merveilleuses rush upon the stage in flight from the mob who want to duck them in the Palais Royal Gardens, and Lagorille and Dorlis aristocrats, with the aid of various dandies, barricade the ladies and themselves in a tent of the café du Caveau. Lodoiska, the leading Merveilleuse, sings to the mob, but they do not disperse till Lagorille, formerly a barber, knocks over the mob leader. Thus Lagorille becomes the champion of Lodoiska and her friends and they promise him their aid. St. Amour, Secretary of the Director Barras, is endeavouring to involve both Lagorille and Dorlis in a charge of plotting to assassinate him : two comic police agents are employed to watch the movements of the two and the whole story turns on the successful endeavours of the Merveilleuses to outwit St. Amour. It must be admitted that the plot becomes a little intricate and difficult to follow at times, but it unravels itself as we go on and the difficulties do not trouble us much. The piece owes much to the vigour and "go" of Miss Evie Green who plays Lodoiska and sings gloriously. I have never heard her to better advantage. Mr. Geo. Graves was to have played St. Amour, but he was taken ill on Thursday and Mr. W. H. Berry took his place with remarkable success. Messrs. Fred. Kaye and Fred. Enney were the two police agents and were sufficiently delightful as sententious idiots.

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Many of the songs are very charming. Miss Evie Green sang "The Merveilleuses" delightfully. Mr. Robert Evett as Dorlis has a song-recitative in the first act describing his woes as a soldier under Napoleon which caught the fancy of the house at once. A chorus "Don't forget the proper tune" which is sung to the winding of turnip watches was also very popular. Miss Denise Orme as Illyrine, St. Amour's wife, made a hit with a cuckoo song and the police agents' duet "We're not so silly as we look" was really very comical. The new "comedy opera" ought to enjoy a long life.

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Mr. Tree revived "Colonel Newcome" at His Majesty's on Monday. Nearly all the ladies are new to their parts but are quite equal to them. The success of La Milo or Mr. W. T. Stead's valuable approval of that statuesque statue lady (which is set forth in large print on the Pavilion walls as an attractive advertisement) appears to be giving the living statue business a fillip at the music halls. The palace has started a statue lady in the person of Galatea, otherwise Miss Maude Odell. Galatea, clad in white tights, poses on a pedestal as Sappho, Psyche at the Bath (after Leighton) Artemis and other familiar statues or pictures, and does it remarkably well. So perfectly still is she for the space of a minute or more when the red curtains are drawn aside it is really difficult to believe that the statue is alive.

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Saturday saw the Balaclava Matinée at the Alhambra. This is the sixth year it has been held and the function was even better attended than in previous years. The usual collection was made

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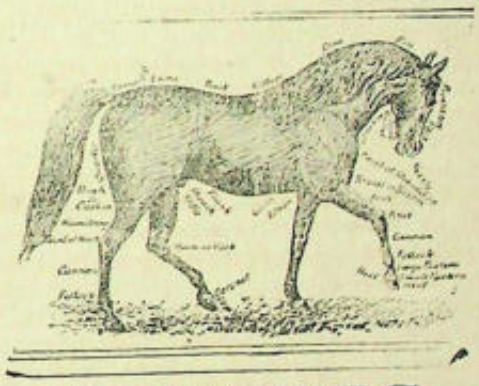

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and it was announced that it was the biggest yet taken: the amount was not stated. There are twenty-five survivors of the charge in need of help, and fourteen of these lined up on the stage while Mrs. Clement Scott recited Tennyson's verses.

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The Hippodrome has a new turn in the shape of a very old one: to wit, a crew of native conjurers very good of their kind. The basket trick was the best. In this, one of the men is doubled up swathed in a net and crammed into a basket placed on a table. A chudder is thrown over it and the basket begins dancing clumsily, what time the net is thrown out. Then a sword is, apparently, thrust through the basket in such wise as to spit the occupant in a dozen different directions: then one of the conjurers jumps into the receptacle and stamps about in it. The chudder is once more thrown over it, more sword probing follows and finally the basket is opened to reveal the original conjurer folded up tightly as ever. I have been trying to work up an interest in the proceedings of the Soap Trust, but without much success: I suppose its doings are of public interest because one of the displays of the Hippodrome bioscope is a scene of soap manufacture: the audience applauded this but less cordially than it did the troubles of a policeman which followed.

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The five convicts who escaped from Gloucester goal on Thursday night showed more ingenuity in getting out than resource in getting clear away. The escape was planned with simplicity and worked out neatly: one convict rang his bell when he heard the door of his neighbour's cell being unlocked, reckoning on it that the warder would answer his call without troubling to relock Number Two's cell. This was just what the warder did and in a moment found himself at grips with the two convicts who took his keys, locked him in another ward in the cell and released three chosen friends. They five then started to leave. They met the governor but easily settled him, emptying his pockets before they locked him up. The gate warder gave most trouble but had no chance against five and the convicts got away. One was done up before he had gone far and went to a railway signal box where he [illegible]ed the signaller to send for the police: the other four, having stolen changes of clothes, retained their liberty until Saturday morning when they were arrested very hungry and footsore, on top of a hayrick: so glad were they to see the police that they promised to stand drinks *some day* under happier auspices.

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Colonel Yorke's report on the Highgate tramway accident which occurred in June last has been issued. Colonel Yorke attributes the mishap to new brake-blocks which did not properly grip the wheels to greasy rails and to the driver's inexperience, the man's action in jumping off the car is particularly condemmed.

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A motor omnibus came within an ace of falling into the Thames on Tuesday. Crossing Waterloo Bridge it skidded badly while steering round another vehicle. The 'bus rushed on to the pavement and crashed against the parapet of the bridge, throwing several of the stone pillars into the river. By good luck the machine was brought up by the blocks of masonry below the parapet, but such was the force of the collision that these were dislodged from their bed and very nearly let the 'bus over into the river. A loaded motor 'bus weighs about 17 tons; a fact which the driver does not always seem to realise.

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A novelty in "meets" was held on the Embankment on Saturday morning. The Automobile Cab Company paraded thirty new landaulettes (petrol driven, alas!) which have been built to ply in London. The idea is that these vehicles shall eventually supplant the hansom: but ere they do that hackney motor cab men must become reconciled to the statutory scale of fares: which they are not now. A few weeks ago I wanted a motor cab from 2 till 7-30 P.M.: and the man asked 2 guineas!

The L. C. C. has formulated its scheme for the supply of electricity to London. It seeks authority to take over all existing companies and start others over an area of 451 square miles. Borough Councils have laid out nearly 5½ millions on electric generation and these also the Council proposes to acquire. It is a fine large scheme but rate payers have not that confidence in the L. C. C. as a business assembly which would lead them to welcome its scheme.

Mr. Birrell informed the Commons on Monday that the Board of Education "did not con-ider rifle shooting in schools necessary for the purpose of national defence." This valuable pronouncement arose out of questions concerning leave given certain elementary schools to give the boys rifle practice.

ONLOOKER.

Review.

SATURDAY BRIDGE.*

WHEN the series of articles on Bridge appeared in the "Saturday Review" most players who had studied "Bridge at a Glance" spotted the author as Mr. Dalton. "Saturday Bridge" has been heralded in some quarters as filling that long felt want of a really standard work on Bridge, and as doing for Bridge what Cavendish did for Whist. Mr. Dalton in writing this series of articles clearly had no idea that they would be anything but ephemeral, and would be the last man to suggest that they had any claims to be considered a standard work. "Saturday Bridge" is a collection of articles on Bridge with the rules attached, and not a "work." They are particularly interesting, and, as becomes the "Saturday Review," extremely well written. Even a player who has not yet reached that oligarchy of being considered a first-class player may read "Saturday Bridge" with enjoyment, and—if he choose in addition to try and study the book—with very great advantage to his game. Even for the man who has some claims to consider himself a first class player the book probably contains many things that will set him thinking whether he is quite so good as he is considered.

In one respect the book will be bitterly disappointing to a of number Bridge players, in that Mr. Dalton recants his heresy about an original spade declaration at the score of love all. Those who have been in favour of an original spade declaration (under certain circumstances) have always been met with the very damaging assertion "Dalton says only second rate players favour it, and he's sound enough." Mr. Dalton has been admittedly one of the ablest writers on Bridge, and certainly nothing has been written on Bridge that has had the quality of soundness more strongly developed than in his "Bridge at a Glance." In that book he gives us a maxim. "If you are not strong enough to attack, pass the declaration to your partner. Defence is the province of the dummy, not of the dealer." In "Saturday Bridge" he writes:—"Every Bridge player of any experience will recognise the sensation of heaving a sort of sigh of relief when his partner declares spades after he has passed the call on a very bad hand It would certainly seem a sound argument, that a player should not pass the call on such a hand that it will be a positive relief to him to hear his partner declare spades." Subsequently he sums up on page 71 the whole question:—"When the dealer has an utterly impossible hand so that it will come as a positive relief to him to hear spades declared by his partner, then, and then only, ought he to declare spades himself; but when at the score of love, he has any possible element of strength in his hand, however bad the rest of it may be, he had better pass the declaration, provided that he is playing with a partner he can trust. The defensive declaration is a very dangerous weapon to put into the hands of an inexperienced player." Those players who believe in defensive declarations by the dealer, and who are not cranks, never went further. It would have been better, however, if Mr Dalton had given his ideas as to what constituted an "impossible hand," and what constituted a "possible element of strength." The one hand he gives,—Hearts 7, 6; Diamonds none; Clubs, Queen, Knave, 7, 5, 2; Spades, Queen, Knave 9, 6, 4, 3, as a hand on which some dealers would declare Spades, is an instance of the declaration of a "defensive spade" crank. This test of Dalton's may well be recommended to many players in this country, and if it were followed we should soon find that "Defensive Spade Delarations" were not more unpopular than they are in England. At the "Portland Club," we hear that an original Defensive Spade Declaration by the Dealer at love all is looked upon quite as a matter of course, when Dealer holds an utterly weak hand.

It is rather a careless and serious blunder that Mr. Dalton, who not only gives, but is constantly quoting, "The Robertson Rule," should not have taken the trouble to find out what "The Robertson Rule" really is. For instance, Mr. Dalton says the King once guarded counts 5, and the Knave properly guarded counts one, whereas their true values are 3 and 2 respectively. Mr. Dalton also seems to think that the 10 has no value attached to it by Mr. Robertson's formula. It is a matter of great difficulty to give instructions as to what amounts to a "No Trump" hand unless a formula is suggested, and the chapter on "No Trumps" strikes us as rather meagre. His insistence that hands with great strength in Red suits even if they contain three Aces, are often Red suit declarations, is eminently sound How many players, however, would refrain from declaring "No Trumps" with Hearts 7, 3, Diamonds Ace, King, Knave, 10 4, 2, Clubs Ace 8, 5, Spades Ace 9? Mr. Dalton does not agree that seven spades headed by the four top honours constitutes a "No Trumper." This is of course a matter of opinion in which Mr. Dalton is probably in a decided minority, and anyhow it seems hardly worthy of the sarcasm which he lavishes on it.

His chapter on "Declarations to the Score" is admirable, and so too are the chapters "Third hand in a No Trump game" and "The original lead against a No Trump." He very properly strongly condemns Hellespont's absurd proposition that the third player should always finesse holding Ace, Queen, or Ace, Queen, Knave when, as Dalton points out very clearly, the finesse is absolutely wrong, unless the King is with Dummy, or the Knave is doubly guarded in Dummy

Mr. Dalton's remarks about Declaring when the opponents are 24 up without a game to their credit should be printed in very heavy type.—"Above all things" he writes, "never make a desperate declaration because your opponents are 24 up, unless they have already won a game. Do just the opposite. Make an original spade on your own hand as dealer, or declare anything which is likely to prevent them winning the game in your deal." How many a player, who strongly fancies his game does just the opposite. Once again we should have liked to have seen some specimen hands on this soundest, and most frequently violated of all maxims in reference to declaring.

Of course there are many things in the book with which many card experts would disagree. For instance, the hand Ace, King, 9, 8 of Hearts, Ace, Queen, Knave, 5 of Diamonds' 10, 7 4, of Clubs, and 9, 6 of Spades, is a hand upon which at love all we should, as dealer, prefer to go hearts rather than "no trumps," because of being able to stop trumps twice, and having only two spades. Again, the hand King, Queen 10, 6 of Hearts, King, Queen 10, 6 of Diamonds, 9 of Clubs, and King, Queen 10, 6 of Spades, Mr. Dalton says is a heart hand at love all. This hand amounts to 27 by the Robertson Rule—not 24 as Mr. Dalton writes—and we should have no hesitation in declaring "No Trumps." This hand was submitted to some of the best known authorities, and there were three different declarations given!

Mr. Dalton is of opinion that a trump hand is more difficult to play than a "No Trumper," and although most people would disagree with this view, he is doubtless correct. He is also strongly in favour of the Short suit Convention, in preference to the Heart convention, and publishes a long letter by Mr. R. N Cunnington in favour of his contention, but Mr. Cunnington is rather difficult to follow. It is, however, interesting to note that, by Mr. Cunnington's calculation, the opportunity to double occurs under the Short-suit Convention once in 200 times, and under the Heart convention once in 340 times, and the chances of success are about 7 to 1 on the Double coming off playing the Heart Convention, and about 3 to 1 on if the Short-suit Convention be played. Assuming the figures to be correct there does not seem much one way or the other. The odds may be theoretically correct, but from a long experience of Bridge we can only murmer that practice and theory don't coincide. Mr. Dalton is very severe,—but none too severe—on the player who is pleased to call himself "A defensive Red Suit declarer." The players who declare hearts on five hearts headed by two of he minor honours and nothing else of value "have increased, are increasing, and ought to be diminished." The book can of course be criticised in parts, but much of it is beyond criticism. That Mr. Dalton will one day write a better book, and alter some of the things that appear in 'Saturday Bridge," we have no doubt. He has, however, succeeded in writing a book that throws more illumination on the game than any that has yet appeared, and that in a form which is not only illuminating but also pleasurable to read.

*Saturday Bridge. By W. Dalton. The West Strand Publishing Company.

A BOOK FOR BOYS.

FROM the pen of Mr. M. Macmillan has emanated a tale of the Third Maratha War entitled "The Last of the Peshwas"—an attractively bound little volume, quite likely to impress the young idea between the ages of twelve and sixteen. Its illustrations—of which there are some half dozen—are nothing if not spirited, and the story, concisely and systematically worked out in itself, is not half bad. To those of Mr. Macmillan's admirers who have perused with interest "In Wild Maratha Battle," "The Princess of Balkh," and "Tales of Indian Chivalry," his latest work will not fail to appeal, while to paterfamilias and others in search of stimulating pabulum for the boys—it is the very thing. There is a ring of sincerity about some of the details of the story that suggests the earlier efforts of Robert Louis Stevenson, while the love-making—ever a thread of the story second to its adventurous episodes—is natural and pleasant. Quite ideal as regards print and general get-up, we are not surprised to see that it is published by that enterprising and energetic firm, Messrs. Blackie and Son, Limited, who do so much to cater for the public taste in the fields of literature. In our present go-ahead age, the latest idea is to combine business with pleasure, and this Mr. Macmillan has done well, in conveying to his readers in their 'teens a pleasant story combined with real historical knowledge of the period.

[*The Last of the Peshwas*: A Tale of the Third Maratha War. By Michael Macmillan. Illustrated by Paul Hardy. Blackie & Son, Ltd., London, Glasgow, Dublin, Bombay. 1907.]

Shikar.

RED INDIAN FOX-HUNTERS.

THE Fox, as a rule, is a most wily animal, and numerous are the stories of his cunning toward the Indian hunter with his steel traps.

Starvation makes them catch in deadfalls, but they must be very starved indeed before they pull a piece of frozen bait and have a weight fall on their back. The skins of foxes killed during starvation are never so valuable, as the hair then lacks the rich gloss. When small game is plenty, such as rabbits and partridges, and foxes are few, the skins are of a deep richness not seen under other circumstances.

There are several different and distinct colors of foxes of the north country. They are all of the same family, with the single exception of the white or arctic fox. These, apart from their difference of color, differ very much in their characteristics. They are not cunning; on the contrary, they are positively stupid. They will readily catch in deadfalls, and will walk into an open uncovered steel trap in daylight! Again the flesh of the arctic fox is eaten as readily as that of the hare or white partridge; all other foxes are carrion; even a starving Indian would give them the go-by.

Of the other, or true fox, we have many colors and shades of color, and I give them in their cash value rotation, beginning with the black or pole fo : First, black or pole; second black silver; third, silver gray; fourth, black cross; fifth, dark cross; sixth, ordinary cross; seventh, light cross; eighth, dark blue (*i.e.*, lead color); ninth, light blue; tenth, bright red; eleventh, light red; twelfth, arctic white; thirteenth, pale red

Number thirteen is the poorest quality of the fox family, and is worth less than the arctic white fox.

January is the best month for trapping. First, because the fur is then at its primest; and second, food is harder to get and the fox consequently more likely to enter a trap.

Of course any number of trap will catch a fox, but not every trap will hold him. There is such a thing as the trap being too large and strong, as well as too small and weak! When too large and strong it catches too high up the leg, and being too strong it breaks the bone at the same time; and then in cold weather it's only a question of a few minutes for the frozen skin and muscles of the leg to be twisted off and Master Fox runs away on three legs, ever after to be too cunning to be caught in a trap. On the other hand, if the trap is too small and weak it catches the fox by the toes, and he either pulls his foot clear at once or the toes, becoming frozen and insensible to feeling, are twisted off; and this if anything, is a harder fox to circumvent than the one with half a leg.

The proper trap to use is a Newhouse No. 2. When properly set it catches just above all the fingers, as it were, or where the paw or foot would correspond with the thick part of the hand. There is a good, solid hold of muscles, sinews, etc., there, once the jaws are fixed, they hold the fox to the death.

Fox hunters are very particular to keep everything connected with the trapping away from the house or camp, even wearing an outside pair of moccasins, which are peeled off and hung up with the snowshoes.

The hunter generally places his trap or traps on some bare point jutting out into the lake, or some narrows, or near as clump of willows at the edge of barren grounds, or any other place his judgment tells him a fox is likely to pass. The fewer signs the better; therefore instead of the chain being tied to a picket, a stick four or five feet long is slipped through the ring on the chain up to the middle. Here it is securely fastened, so that it won't slip either way. A trench, the length of the stick, is cut down

in the snow with the head of the axe, and the pole laid therein about a foot beneath the surface. Snow is then piled in and the whole packed hard.

The trap is now opened, and the snow packed down with the back of the man's mitt, large enough to lay the trap and spring therein. The trap is now open and about 2 inches lower than the surrounding snow. The hunter now begins carefully to lay five flat balsam bows or clusters of needles from the palate out to the jaws until the whole is covered; then very gently he either dusts light snow over this until it has the same appearance as the rest, or he takes up two large pieces of frozen snow and rubs them together over the trap until all is covered.

Chopped up frozen meat or fish, a supply of which the trapper is provided with, is now sprinkled or thrown about, beginning 15 or 20 feet off, gradually getting more plentiful as the trap is neared.

With a brush broom the hunter dusts his snowshoe tracks full as he recedes from the trap until he is off 30 or 40 feet; after that no further precaution is necessary for an ordinary fox. But for an extraordinary one I could relate a hundred different ways of setting traps and bait to over-reach the wily old fellow; but in most cases it is time wasted, the fox eating the bait and turning the traps over night after night much to the vexation of the hunter.

It is a pretty sight to see a black or silver gray fox jumping in a trap on the pure white snow. I went one time with Wa-sa-Kejic to see his traps in the barren grounds back of the post. I was following in his snowshoe tracks steadily, and we were just topping a small swell in the country, here and there clumps of black willows. All at once he stopped so suddenly in his tracks that I fell up against him.

"There," he said, "look at that!" My eye followed his finger, and there jumping and struggling to get away was a large black fox.

"Let me shoot him," I exclaimed drawing my gun cover as I spoke.

"Oh, no," he replied "we will only do that if he pu'ls himself clear of the trap." And with that he drew his belt axe and walked with a steady step down on the fox. The closer he got the more the fox struggled, but he was well and freshly caught, and the trap held him fast.

Wa-sa-Kejic gave him a tap on the nose with the helve of the axe, which had the effect of stunning him. The Indian then seized him with his left hand by the throat, and with his right hand felt for his heart; this he drew gradually down toward the stomach until the heart strings gave away; there was a quiver, and the fox was thrown down on the snow limp and dead.

What a pleased look the Indian wore as he stood there, evidently oblivious to my presence for the moment, as he gazed down on the most valuable skin it was possible for him to trap. What a number of necessaries and luxuries this would procure for his family. He would get from the factor at the post $80 for that one single skin! What a number of any other skins it would take to amount to that sum!

M. H.

Fishing.

RIVER AND LAKE FISHING IN INDIA.

VIII.

FOR spinning dead bait the same method should be used as when using a spoon, occasionally varied by a slight "sink and draw" movement such as is used when working a salmon fly at home. I believe many good fishermen object to this movement, so it seems only fair to my readers to explain why I advocate its use. If you watch small fry swimming against a current, you will see that they do not move always at one uniform pace, but make a dart forward, followed by a slight rest, and then another dart, and so on, and by working your dead bait in the way I mention, you are merely imitating the movements of the living fish. The question will doubtless suggest itself to an enquiring mind. "Why should not the same argument apply to the use of the spoon?" To this I would reply, that when a spoon ceases spinning, as it would occasionally do for a moment if used in this way, it looks just like a spoon and nothing more, while a fish always looks like a fish. I would also say that a dead bait sometimes ceases to spin satisfactorily unless an impetus be given to it now and then, by means of the "sink and draw" movement, and lastly that I know this method to be successful, from my own personal experience. However, you will find many men whose opinions are worth having, who will not endorse my views in this matter, so you had better try both ways, and adopt that which you most fancy. A phantom minnow should certainly be used in this way, as if spun continuously it has a habit of coming to the surface and occasionally "skipping," especially when spinning from a short cast.

Having now mentioned the baits which are most commonly used, I think the time has arrived for a few words on fly-fishing for mahseer. To my mind this is the most fascinating method of all, though as I mentioned in article No. V of this series it is a method which is not employed nearly as much as it might be, partly because it is not generally known that the mahseer often takes a fly freely, and partly because the fish taken do not run so large as those taken by other methods.

I may as well warn you that if you are one of those who prefer sitting in a boat and being pulled for hour after hour up and down a deep pool, with a spoon and fifty yards of line trailing behind you, to any other form of fishing, the use of the fly will have no charms for you. The best place for you in that case will be the big pool at Tangrote, below the junction of the Poonch and Jhelum rivers, where you can indulge in this practice to your heart's content and imagine you are fishing. There are many men who are quite content to do this and nothing else, day after day. On arrival, they eagerly scan the anglers' book and find that last week Jones took a fifty pounder in this way, and they will then settle down for a week or so to this form of sport (?) in the one hope of taking a sixty pounder and thus beating Jones' record, but to these men the higher pleasure of taking fish by their own skill, where less skilful anglers might fail, is lost. Lost also are the delights of the ever changing scenery, of the variation from deep pools to sparkling runs, of the halt under a shady tree or rock for a picnic breakfast, made all the more enjoyable by the sharpest appetite born of exercise in fishing along three or four miles of river, and finally of the arrival at a fresh camp on the river bank at sunset, pleasantly tired, and the enjoyment of a dinner well earned, followed by a dreamless healthy sleep, and of the waking next morning, refreshed and eager for another day's sport of the same sort.

In the course of a day's fishing along the river, you will probably come across pools on which a boat or raft *must* be used to get at the best water, and on these a couple of turns up and down with a long line out, will as likely as not result in your getting the heaviest fish of the day, but to my thinking, and to that of many—(I think I may say of most)—keen fishermen, to make record breaking the one aim and object of your outing, is not a high form of sport. However, "quot homines, tot sententiæ," and if your sole ambition is in this direction, you are more likely to gratify it by confining yourself to trolling in deep pools than in any other way.

But this is a digression from the subject in hand, which is fly-fishing. As to the ignorance often prevailing, regarding the mahseer's fly taking propensity, let me mention one marked instance which has fallen within my own personal experience.

A day or two before the first occasion of my fishing the Beas river, I asked a friend who had fished it *for several years*, what were the best baits to use. My friend was well known to be at any rate a very keen, if not a very successful, fisherman. He knew every yard of the forty odd miles of water which I intended covering during my trip, and was a kindly, sympathetic soul, who would do much, even to the extent of inconveniencing himself, to help a brother angler to get good sport. He solemnly assured me that a fly was absolutely useless on this river, as the mahseer would not look at it! There could be no doubt that his advice was given entirely in good faith. (Later on I discovered that he was one of the bargepole and cable school of fishermen, now nearly extinct, and that the niceties of fine fishing were utterly unknown to him.) Shortly after starting on my expedition it appeared to me that the river was one on which a fly might be tried with particularly favourable prospects of success, and selecting a very likely looking run, I put up my favourite fly, a Jock Scott. Before my first cast I looked at my watch, and made up my mind that if I did not move a fish in half an hour, I would discard the fly, certainly for that day, and probably for the rest of the trip. At about my sixth cast I got into a fish of between seven and eight pounds, which I landed, and altogether, fishing carefully down the run which was about a hundred yards long, I took five mahseer between four and eight pounds, on the same fly. Encouraged by this success, I used a fly constantly for the rest of the trip, and found the river to be the best for a fly which I had ever fished! I subsequently found that the friend above mentioned had never tried fly fishing. His advice had been given on the strength of a totally untested belief that the mahseer does not take a fly.

The moral of this little story is, of course, that if you are a fly fisherman you should give this form of sport a fair trial. If you are not an experienced hand with the fly, you still need not despair. Fly-fishing for mahseer, as for salmon, is not anything like so difficult to learn as fly-fishing for trout. Take my own case as an example, and I hope it will encourage you. I had done a fair amount of trout fishing at home, I came to India, but had only tried for salmon about half a dozen times, and had only taken one fish, more by good luck than skill, yet I took mahseer on a fly the first time I ever tried it, and have continued to be fairly successful ever since.

As regards the most killing flies, there are, and must always be, many divergent opinions. Probably on every river and lake there are one or two particular flies which are infinitely more taking than any others, and you must therefore find out, either by your own experiments or by utilising the experience of brother fishermen, what flies are most killing on your particular river. Mr. Thomas says in "The Rod in India" that he has found the Blackamoor so much more killing than any other fly, that he has practically discarded all others in favour of it. His fishing was chiefly confined to Southern India. When I first fished the Beas river,—(I mention this river particularly as it is my ideal of a fly river),—I did not happen to possess a Blackamoor fly, and I commenced work with a large Jock Scott, with the results already mentioned in this article. Since then I have tried many flies on many rivers, and my special favourites for river fishing are, Jock Scott, Silver Doctor, Coachman, and White Moth, in the order in which they are mentioned, except that the White Moth is more killing at and just after dusk than the others, though of little use in the daytime. It happens that I have very rarely used the Blackamoor and me therefore unable to speak as to its merits, but from all accounts it is a very useful fly. If you are about to fish a river, with no previous local experience of your own, or of others, to guide you, I would suggest your trying my four favourites, and the Blackamoor. If these fail you entirely, the river is probably one in which the mahseer take a fly badly.

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IT is the aim of all inventors of Automatic pistols to simplify this type of arm, and at the same time make the mechanism so certain in its action that a jam shall become almost an impossibility. A very great deal depends on the Ammunition. It is obvious that given cartridges so accurately loaded and proportioned that the recoil is a constant quantity the pistol maker's problem is correspondingly lightened. Certain of the American factories have become celebrated for the excellence of their Ammunition, and it is instructive to note that Messrs. Webley and Scott have devised their new Automatic pistol to shoot ·32 calibre smokeless cartridges of U.M.C. make. This is indeed the same Ammunition as is used for the ·32 Automatic Colt pistol.

Messrs. Webley and Scott are to be congratulated on the extreme simplicity of their new pocket arm: by holding the grip with one hand and crooking a finger of the other into the front of the trigger guard, the barrel and bolt can be drawn out of the frame together; no sooner are they out than they fall apart and the barrel is then ready to be cleaned out from the breech and inspected, after which it can, with the bolt, be as readily returned into its place in the frame.

The recoil spring, trigger mechanism and magazine are all contained in the grip; to inspect them it is only necessary to remove a screw holding the rubber side pieces, when the whole are displayed to view.

The hammer is somewhat similar in position and shape to that of the well-known Mauser pistol, and can be cocked or lowered in the same way. There is a small safety lever just behind it, and by pressing this down the pistol is locked and safe. The actual calibre is ·303 somewhat below its nominal size. The metal patched bullet is ·310 inch in diameter and weighs 70 grains. The charge of a little over 2 grains of dense smokeless powder gives the ball a muzzle velocity of rather more than 1,000 feet per second. The magazine holds eight cartridges. Although the pistol is only 6 inches in over all length, with a barrel of but 3½ inches it shoots with great accuracy, and as the bullet will penetrate seven one inch deal boards at 20 yards, it hits hard enough to be a very efficient little protector.

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Owing to the recoil being largely absorbed by the moving parts, great accuracy is obtainable, the pistol practically being always in alignment with the object aimed at.

An efficient safety is provided, to operate which it is only necessary to depress the lever on side of hammer; to take the safety out of engagement, raise hammer to full cock.

AMMUNITION.

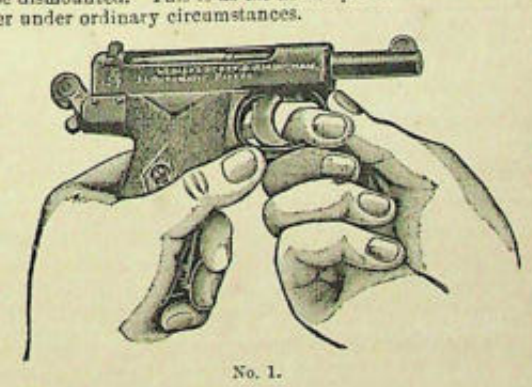
These pistols are made for two distinct kinds of Ammunition—the Colt ·32 or the Browning 7·65 Automatic—and are specially marked for the cartridge for which they are constructed. Owing to slight variations existing between the two kinds of Ammunition, in order to obtain the best results care must be exercised to use only those cartridges for which the pistol is marked.

DIRECTIONS FOR USE.

To Load.—Place hammer to full cock and put on safety, remove magazine, introduce cartridges therein, and replace in butt, pull back breech-slide to full extent, and release sharply, this will load the first cartridge from the magazine into the barrel, the pistol is then ready for use. On pulling the trigger, the cartridge in barrel is fired, the empty shell ejected, and a fresh cartridge loaded automatically into the barrel from the magazine.

DIRECTIONS FOR TAKING ASUNDER.

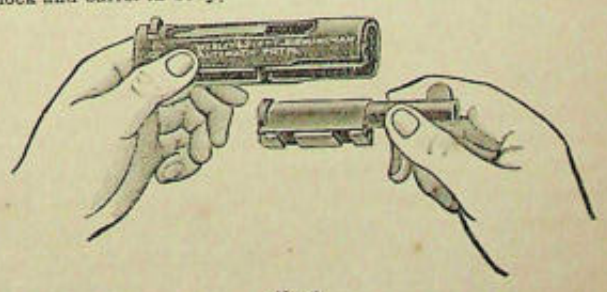
Place hammer at full cock, and put on safety, withdraw magazine, pass finger of right hand through trigger guard and withdraw guard, as illustrated, the barrel and breech block can then be dismounted. This is as far as the pistol need be taken asunder under ordinary circumstances.



No. 1.

TO RE-ASSEMBLE.

Place barrel in position in breech block, and insert breech block and barrel in body, as shown in sketch No. 2.



No. 2.

Having assembled barrel and breech-slide, as shewn in sketch No. 2, insert same on body; insert guard by placing the forward end in position first, and press home as shewn below. Unless the guard is properly positioned in the slot in barrel, and the barrel, body, and sleeve perfectly level, the pistol will not work.



No. 3.

Correspondence.

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HORSES' WEIGHT AND CARRYING POWER.

TO THE EDITOR OF "THE INDIAN FIELD."

SIR,—Can you tell me whether any attempt has ever been made to ascertain whether there is any relation between the weight of a horse and the weight it can carry? I mean under ordinary working conditions, doing a fair day's work hacking or travelling. There must be some correspondence between the two and I should like to know if it has ever been the subject of experiment.

CHABUK SOWAR.

UMBALLA, *12th November 1906.*

BEAR'S MEAT FOR INDIA.

TO THE EDITOR OF "THE INDIAN FIELD."

SIR,—The advent of the cold weather has, as usual, revived the threadbare idea of utilising the skins and carcasses of our jungle denizens. Crocodiles, lizards, sharks and even snakes are all recommended for conservation and farming, and now the recent bear shoot of the Viceregal party, in which no less then 37 "bhals" were laid low, has suggested bringing these shaggy creatures within the pale of semi-domestication. A lively bear affords good enough sport if dogs can be had to tackle him (or her), while in these days of hankering after gastronomical novelties, smoked hams and hands of bear's meat would be appreciated by a public sick to death of *murghi* curry and the other uninviting food staples of the white man's exile. The charge of bear-gardens might afford occupation to retired chairmen of some of our municipalities, if a certain metaphor holds good!

W.

CALCUTTA, *19th November 1906.*

CARD QUERY.

TO THE EDITOR OF "THE INDIAN FIELD."

SIR,—Will you kindly give your opinion on the following question?

A and B arrange to play five games of Ecarté, and preparing the cards by taking out all under "seven" proceed to play.

When four games have been played (during which A has been winning) an onlooker, running over the discarded cards, finds a "seven" among those laid aside by A before commencing and mentions the fact.

Does this discovery nullify all the previous play; or does it not? Kindly decide.

C. F.

MADRAS, *16th November 1906.*

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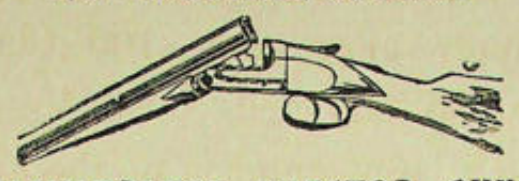

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INDIAN RACING FIXTURES.

NAME OF RACES.	Month	Date	For Prospectus see page
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Madras Skittle Gymkhana	Dec.	1	
Rangoon Autumn	„	1, 4 & 6	
Tezpur	„	4, 6 & 8	
Calcutta First Extra	„	1	
„ Second „	„	8	
„ Third „	„	15	
Rangoon Fourth Extra	„	8	
Chittagong	„	11 & 13	
Rawalpindi	„	13 & 15	270
Peshawar Autumn	„	19 & 21	
Calcutta First Meeting	„	22, 26, 29 & 31	
Lahore Xmas,	„	26, 28 & 31	
Bhamo	„	27 & 29	
Tollygunge Steeplechases	Jan.	1 & 5	
Agra New Year	„	6 & 10	
R. W. Fusiliers Steeplechases	„	12	
Calcutta Second Meeting	„	12, 15 & 19	
Calcutta Fourth Extra	„	26	
Lucknow Spring	Feb.	2, 4 & 6	
Bombay	„	13, 16, 18 20, 23	
Rangoon Spring	Mar.	9, 12 & 14	

CLOSING DATES OF ENTRIES.

Peshawar Autumn	Third	10th December.
Rangoon Autumn	Second	24th November
Chittagong	First	1st December.
	Second	12th December.
Lucknow Spring C. S. Cup	Fourth	1st December.
	Final	15th January.
Agra New Year	Second	1st December.
	Third	21st December.
Rawalpindi	Final	29th November.
Calcutta First Meeting	Second	4th December.
Calcutta Second Meeting	First	4th December.
	Second	2nd January.
Tollygunge Steeplechases	Second	4th December.
Bhamo	First	25th December.
	Second	27th December.
Lahore Xmas	Second	1st December.
	Third	15th December

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RACING.

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LUCKNOW AUTUMN MEETING, 1906.

(By Special Telegram.)

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First Day, Tuesday, 20th November.

THE meeting opened to-day under most favourable auspices. There was a large and fashionable attendance on the course and the racing was of high order. The public had, on the whole, the best of the exchanges with the bookmakers, though there were one or two upsets during the afternoon, notably when Baritone, who started at 7 to 1, won the Trial Plate and in the last race where the favourite made no show whatever. Omar's win in the Desert Plate was deservedly popular as was that of Olga in the Pony Hurdles. Hospitality was dispensed by the Royal Dragoons and the Durham Light Infantry who were "At Home" to their friends and the band of the former played. Dilerjung is now quoted at evens for the Army Cup, while 5 to 1 is obtainable about Pasha, 6 to 1 Cinque Ports, 8 to 1 Lomond, 10 to 1 Sulbime, 15 to 1 each Nijidi and Cut Off, 20 to 1 and longer odds the others. Details:—

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Mr. J. D. Scott's Wal, 9st. 12lbs. ...	A. Hoyt	1
Koer Sahib of Patiala's Parlourmaid, 9st. 6lbs.	Southall	2
Thakur Sripal Singh's S. S., 9st. 12lbs. ...	Robinson	3

BETTING: 3 to 1 each agst. S. S. and Parlourmaid, 6 to 1 Wal.

They raced level until within the rails where Wal drew to the front and won by three-quarters of a length; three lengths separated second and third. Time—1min. 20secs.

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Mr. Mile's Senator, 12st. 4lbs. ...	Mr. Charrington	1
Mr. H. A. Tomkinson's Spark, 10st. 7lbs.	Owner	2
Capt. Bennett's Precarious, 9st. (car. 9st. 7lbs.)	Owner	3

BETTING: 2 to 1 on Spark, 2 to 1 agst. Senator, 5 to 1 Precarious.

Precarious led at the start, but refused twice and was left hopelessly in the rear. Senator meanwhile took up the running from Spark and keeping the lead throughout, won by two lengths; 100 yards divided second and third. Time—5mins. 53secs.

THE NOVICE PLATE.—Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second, and Rs. 50 to the third. For Arab ponies 14-2 and under that have never won a flat race value Rs. 50 or over. Arabs 14-2 to carry 11st. W. I. ¼ mile.

Mr. North's Colonel, 7st. 5lbs.... ...	A. Hoyt	1
Major Popham Young's Itifaq, 9st. 10lbs.	Barrett	2
Thakur Sripal Singh's Nusrat, 9st. 6lbs. ...	Lansdowne	3
Mr. C. Murray's German Gold, 8st. 12lbs ...	Reyes	0
Lieut.-Col. Stisted's Imperialist, 8st. 9lbs....	Melsom	0
Thakur Sripal Singh's Whiterose, 8st. 10lbs.	Evans	0

BETTING: 3 to 1 agst. Colonel, 4 to 1 Imperialist and Itifaq, 6 to 1 the others.

Nusrat showed the way, but was overtaken by Colonel and Itifaq and the former drawing out near home, won easily by one length; a length and a half between second and third. Time—56secs.

THE PONY HURDLES.—Rs. 700 to the winner, Rs. 200 to the second, and Rs. 100 to the third. A handicap for ponies 14-2 and under. 1½ mile over 6 flights.

Messrs. Goculdass and Nanjee's Olga, 10st. 2lbs.	A. Hoyt.	1
Mr. H. E. Norton's Daphne, 10st. 2lbs.	Capt. F. W. Barrett	2
Mr. J. D. Scott's Mary Jane, 9st. 5lbs. ...	Sheldrake	3
Thakur Sripal Singh's Elsie, 8st 8lbs. ...	Lansdowne	0
Messrs. Wood and Badger's Curfew Bell, 10st. 12lbs.	Mr. Tomkinson	0
Mr. R. K. Hodgson's Gartar, 10st. 4lbs ...	Capt. Beaty	0
Major Luther and Capt. Trech's Twinkle, 9st. 5lbs.	Bond	0

BETTING: Evens Olga, 3 to 1 agst. Curfew Bell, 4 to 1 Daphne, 6 to 1 each Tartar and Twinkle, 8 to 1 Mary Jane 10 to 1 Elsie.

The field tailed off with Daphne at the head attended by Curfew Bell and Elsie. Olga closing up took the lead at the last flight and won by three lengths; a head divided second and third. Time 3mins. 3secs.

THE MEDIUM PLATE.—Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second, and Rs. 50 to the third. For maiden C.-B., English and Australasian ponies 14-1 and under, C.-B. ponies 14-1 to carry 8st. 7lbs.; English and Australasian ponies 14-1 to carry 10st. W. I. Penalties—Winners, once 6lbs.; twice 10lbs.; oftener 14lbs. Winners of flat races value Rs. 50 or over, amounting in the aggregate to Rs. 1,200 or over, 7lbs. extra in addition to other penalties ¼ mile.

Mr. R. R. Forbes' Forget-me-not, 11st. ...	Owner	1
Col. P. K. L. Beaver's Little Dolly, 9st. 8st.	Baichan	2
Maharaja of Cooch Behar's Matin Bell, 8st. 12lbs. (dec. 8st. 10lbs.) ...	W. Evans	3
Capt. J. W. Jeffery's Koorlong, 9st. 6lbs. (dec. 9st 7lbs.)	W. Kearson	0
Messrs. Wilson and Jolliffe's Lady Knight, 11st. 7lbs.	Barrett	0
Mr. Macleod's Dainty Lady, 9st. 8lbs. ...	Abdul Wahid	0
Thakur Sripal Singh's Silver II., 8st. 10lbs.	W. Evans	0
Lalla Radhamohun's Black Prince, 6st. 11lbs.	Melsom	0

BETTING: 6 to 4 agst. Matin Bell, 4 to 1 Koorlong, 5 to 1 Silver II., 8 to 1 each Lady Knight, Forget-me-not and Black Prince, 10 to 1 Dainty Lady.

There was some slight delay at the start; but the field were despatched on very equitable terms. When they had covered about half the distance Forget-me-not drew out attended by Little Dolly. After a splendid race home the former won by a short head; three-quarters of a length between second and third. Time—51secs.

THE DESERT PLATE.—Rs. 1,000 to the winner, Rs. 300 to the second, and Rs. 200 to the third. For Arab ponies 14-1 and under. Arabs 14-1 to carry 9st. 12lbs. W. I. Penalties—Winners of flat races value Rs. 900 or over, once 4lbs.; twice 7lbs.; oftener 10lbs. Winners of flat races value Rs. 50 or over amounting in the aggregate to Rs. 3,000, 5lbs.; to Rs. 5,000 or over, 10lbs. extra in addition to other penalties. Allowances—Maidens allowed 5lbs. 5 furlongs.

Thakur Sripal Singh's Omar, 9st. 6lbs. ...	W. Evans	1
Messrs. Wood and Badger's William Rufus, 8st. 2lbs.	Bond	2
Mr. J. D. Scott's Bahar, 8st.	Robinson	3
Major Williamson's Jeddah, 7st. 4lbs. ...	Melsom	0
Thakur Baldeo Sahai's Hazard, 9st. ...	Lansdowne	0
Mr. Johnston's The Ranger, 8st. 12lbs. ...	Barrett	0
Mr. P. B. Avasia's Sabig, 7st. 8lbs. ...	A. Hoyt	0
Messrs. Wilson and Jolliffe's Highflag, 7st. 4lbs.	Baichan	0

BETTING: 3 to 1 agst. Omar, 2 to 1 Sabig, 6 to 1 Highflag, 10 to 1 the others.

The favourite at once settled down in front and increasing his lead romped home an easy winner by two lengths; a neck separated second and third. Time—1min. 7½secs.

THE TRIAL PLATE.—Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second, and Rs. 50 to the third. For horses that have not won a flat race value Rs. 1,500 or over, since 31st March 1904. C. W.A. and C. reduced 7lbs. Penalties—Winners, once 4lbs.; twice 7lbs.; oftener 10lbs. Allowances—Horses that have never won a flat race value Rs. 50 or over allowed 5lbs. 5 furlongs.

Mr. Fred Maine's Baritone, 8st. 10lbs. (dec. 9st. 6lbs.)	Fisher	1
Messrs. Wood and Badger's Dunsinane, 8st. 8lbs. (dec. 8st. 5lbs.)	Bray	2
Thakur Sripal Singh's Flotsam, 9st. ...	W. Evans	3
Mr. E. C. Ramshaw's Lady of Quality, 7st. 6lbs.	Barrett	0
Mr. G. B. Deakin's Meadow Saffron, 9st. 3lbs.	Owner	0
Mr. J. D. Scott's Sweet Sound, 8st. 10lbs.	Robinson	0
Mr. J. B.'s Curfew, 8st. 10lbs. ...	Vining	0

BETTING; 3 to 1 agst. Meadow Saffron, 4 to 1 Flotsam, 5 to 1 Dunsinane, 6 to 1 Nirvana, 7 to 1 each Sweet Sound and Baritone, 15 to 1 Lady of Quality, 20 to 1 Curfew.

Baritone came to the head of affairs near home and, despite the challenge of Dunsinane, won in great style by half a length; same distance separated second and third. Time—6mins. 2secs.

THE CANTONMENT PLATE.—Rs. 700 to the winner, Rs. 200 to the second, and Rs. 100 to the third. A high-weight handicap for English, Australasian and C.-B. ponies 14-1 and under. 1,000 yards.

Mr. J. D. Scott's Yankee Boy, 10st. 10lbs.	Robinson	1
Koer Sahib of Patiala's Redshot, 6st. 11lbs.	Melsom	2
Capts. Meynell and Greig's Recovery, 9st. 8lbs.	A. Hoyt	3
Mr. W. H. Walmsley's Footlight, 8st. 6lbs.	Barrett	0
Lieut.-Col. Stisted's Bellis, 7st. 10lbs. ...	Abdul	0

BETTING: 2 to 1 on Recovery, 3 to 1 agst. Yankee Boy, 6 to 1 Redshot, 8 to 1 Footlight, 20 to 1 Bellis.

The field turned into the straight in a bunch, Yankee Boy was soon at the head of affairs and, going at a great pace, won by half a length; a neck divided second and third. Time—56⅗secs.

MEERUT AUTUMN MEETING, 1906.

STEWARDS:

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Honorary Secretary:—MAJOR N. T. NICKALLS.

Second Day, Tuesday, 13th November 1906.

BOTH in point of sport and attendance the Executive had better reason to congratulate themselves than they had on the opening day. The racing was good; Mubarak Bakht made bay with his opponents in the Meerut Autumn Cup and once again showed what a wonderful country-bred he is, his owner won three races during the afternoon, Labby Gown and Ringfaulka also earning brackets. Details:—

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Mr. Beaumont's ch aus g Wales, 11st. 3lbs.	Owner	1
Capt. Milvain's ch e g Spain, 11st. 3lbs. (car. 11st. 4lbs.	Owner	2
Mr. Goodman's b aus m Aureole, 11st. 10lbs.	Lansdowne	3

Also ran: Brigadier, 11-3.

BETTING: Evens Wales, 2 to 1, agst. Spain, 4 to 1 Aureole, 6 to 1 Brigadier.

The quartette were led by Aureole with Wales in close attendance till the mile when Brigadier was taken to the front. On heading for home Wales went to the front and stopping there won by four lengths; a neck between second and third. Time not taken.

BOLA PLATE.—Value Rs. 350, Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second, and Rs. 50 to the third. A handicap for C.-B. ponies 14-1 and under. ½ mile.

Sirdar Jewan Singh's ch cb g Labby Gown, 9st. 12lbs.	Barrett	1
Mr. Johnstone's g cb m Begum, 7st. ...	Melsom	2
Lalla Radhamohan's b cb m Naughty Girl, 7st.		3

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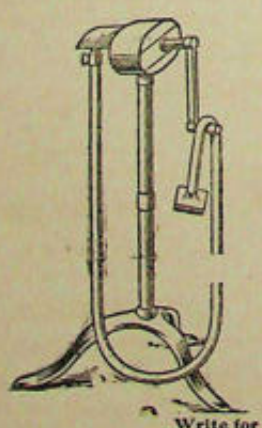

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Also ran : Silver Princess, 9-7.

BETTING : Evens Labby Gown and Begum ; 6 to 1 Naughty Girl ; 10 to 1 Silver Princess.

Led throughout and won by four lengths ; a head between second and third. Time—55⅘secs.

JAHRINA PLATE.—Value Rs. 350, Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second, and Rs. 50 to the third. A handicap for maiden Arab and C.-B. ponies 14-1 and under, and other maiden ponies 14-0 and under. ¼ mile.

Mr. Butler's b cb h The Butler, 12st. 6lbs.	Barrett	1
Captain Davis' ch aus m Glen Lea, 8st. 11lbs.	Shib Singh	2
Colonel Beaver's ch aus g Felix, 9st. 5lbs.	Bechan	3

Also ran : Blue Bell, 9-5 ; Alice, 9-3 ; Grail, 7-5.

BETTING : 6 to 4 on The Butler, 3 to 1 agst. Felix, 4 to 1 Blue Bell, 6 to 1 Alice, 10 to 1 the others.

The first to show out were Felix and Alice ; but after a couple of furlongs The Butler got on terms with them and coming away, followed by Glen Lea, from the distance, won by a length ; same distance between second and third. Time—53⅘secs.

GURMUKTESAR PLATE.—Value Rs. 350, Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second, and Rs. 50 to the third. A handicap for Arab ponies 14-1 and under. 1,000 yards.

Capt. Bennett's Pardon, 9st. 9lbs.	Melsom	1
Col. Brown's gr a h Saglavie, 8st. 5lbs.	Southall	2
Messrs. Wilson and Jolliffe's gr a h Highflag, 8st. 8lbs.	Barrett	3

Also ran : Gamecock, 10-13 ; P.G., 10-0 ; B., 9-7 ; The Ranger, 9-7 ; Harmony, 8-5.

BETTING : 6 to 4 agst. B., 3 to 1 each Gamecock and Pardon, 4 to 1 Saglavie, 6 to 1 each Highflag and Harmony, 10 to 1 the others.

The first two horses were at the head of affairs all the time and Pardon, after a fine finish, won by a bare half length ; same distance between second and third.

MEERUT AUTUMN CUP.—Value Rs. 350, Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second, and Rs. 50 to the third. A handicap for Arab and C.-B. ponies 14-2 and under, and other ponies 14-1 and under, that have never won a flat race value Rs. 1,000 or over. 5 furlongs.

Sirdar Jewan Singh's b cb g Mubarak Bakht, 10st. 2lbs.	Hoyt	1
Col. Beaver's ch aus g Singa, 10st. 7lbs.	Capt. Barrett	2
The Koer Sahib of Patiala's ch aus h Redshot, 10st. 7lbs.	Southall	3

BETTING : 2 to 1 on Mubarak Bakht, 2 to 1 agst. Singa, 3 to 1 Redshot.

An exercise canter for Mubarak Bakht who won as he liked by a length ; half a length between second and third. Time—1min. 7⅘secs.

NANOO PLATE.—Value Rs. 350, Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second, and Rs. 50 to the third. A handicap for Arab and C.-B. ponies 14-1 and under. 1,000 yards.

Sirdar Jewan Singh's Ringfaulka, 9st. 6lbs.	Hoyt	1
Lalla Radhamohan's bk cb h Black Prince, 7st. 6lbs.	Melsom	2
Mr. Johnstone's ch cb h Bob Major, 9st. 12lbs.	Barrett	3

Also ran : Rufus, 8-3.

BETTING : 6 to 4 agst. Black Prince, 2 to 1 each Ringfaulka and Rufus, 3 to 1 Bob Major.

An easy win by a length ; a neck between second and third. Time—1min. 2secs.

Third Day, Thursday, 15th November 1906.

The racing on the final day was the best witnessed during the meeting, the chases providing excellent sport. The attendance, too, showed a marked improvement ; altogether a fitting termination to a very successful meeting, on which the Executive are to be congratulated. Details :—

HAPUR PLATE.—Value Rs. 350, Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second, and Rs. 50 to the third. A handicap for Arab and C.-B. ponies 14-2 and under, and other ponies 14-1 and under, that have never won a flat race value Rs. 1,000 or over 6 furlongs.

Mr. Butler's b cb h The Butler, 9st. 2lbs.	Barrett	1
Col. Beaver's ch aus g Singa, 10st. 7lbs.	Bechan	2
Sirdar Jewan Singh's b cb g Mubarak Bakht, 11st. 2lbs.	Hoyt	3

Also ran : Redshot, 10-4.

BETTING : 6 to 4 on The Butler ; 2 to 1 agst. Mubarak Bakht, 3 to 1 Redshot, and 4 to 1 Singa.

Mubarak Baht showed the way till the distance where he was passed by The Butler and Singa who were placed respectively first and second. Won by three-quarters of a length ; a length between second and third. Time—1min. 20secs.

PONY CHASE.—Value Rs. 350, Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second, and Rs. 50 to the third. A handicap for ponies 14-1 and under. 2 miles.

Capt. Bennett's b aus m Pinfire, 10st. 7lbs.	Owner	1
Capt. Milvain's b aus g Rifleman II. 10st. 3lbs.	Bond	2
Mr. Johnstone's b sa g Young Rake, 9st. 5lbs.	Owner	3

Also ran : Tom, 9-4 (refused).

BETTING : Evens Rifleman, 6 to 4 agst. Pinfire, 5 to 1 Tom, and 10 to 1 Young Rake.

Tom was early out of it and Young Rake and Pinfire made all the running till nearing home when Rifleman displaced Young Rake, but could not catch Pinfire who won by three lengths. Time—4min 12secs.

HORSE CHASE.—Value Rs. 350 ; Rs. 200, to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second, and Rs. 50 to the third. A handicap for horses. 2 miles.

Mr. Beaumont's ch aus g Wales, 11st.	Owner	1
Capt. Bennett's b aus g Precarious, 9st. 7lbs.	Owner	2
Major Crawley's b aus g Pactolus, 11st. 12lbs.	Mr. Reynard	3

Also ran : Kingpin, 10-9 ; Barralee, 10-0 ; and Aureole, 10-0.

BETTING : 2 to 1 each agst. Pactolus and Wales, 3 to 1 each Aureole and Kingpin, 6 to 1 others.

Kingpin and Pactolus ran prominently for three-quarters of the journey when they made way for Precarious and Wales a good finish resulting in a length victory for the latter ; two lengths between second and third.

MAIDEN WELTER HANDICAP.—Value Rs. 350, Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second, and Rs. 50 to the third. A welter handicap for Maiden Arab ponies 14-1 and under. 1,000 yards.

Capt. Marriott's bk a h Wily, 10st. 7lbs.	Bond	1
Col. Beaver's bk a h B., 9st. 6lbs.	Bechan	2
Col. Brown's gr a h Saglavie, 9st.	Melsom	3

Also ran : The Ranger, 9-9 ; and Mooslat, 8-9.

BETTING : 2 to 1 agst. Mooslat, 3 to 1 each B. and Saglavie, and 5 to 1 the others.

Wily and B. kept in front all the way, the former winning by a length. Saglavie came with a rush at the finish and failed to get second place by a head. Time—4mins. 3⅘secs.

SIRDHANA PLATE.—Value Rs. 350, Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second, and Rs. 50 to the third. A handicap for Arab and C.-B. ponies 14-1 and under, and other ponies 14-0 and under, that have never won a flat race value Rs. 1,000 or over. 1,000 yards

H. H. the Koer Sahib of Patiala's ch aus m Parlourmaid, 10st. 7lbs.	Southall	1
Capt. Davis' ch aus m Glen Lea, 9st. 5lbs.	Mr. Fail	2
Mr. Johnstone's b aus m Alice, 8st. 8lbs.	Barrett	3

Also ran : Felix, 9-10 ; and Bluebell, 8-13.

BETTING : 6 to 4 on Parlourmaid, 3 to 1 each agst. Glen Lea and Felix, and 5 to 1 the others.

After some delay at the start they were sent off with Alice as pacemaker. She kept in front to the distance where Parlourmaid and Glen Lea passed her, the former winning by a length, a neck dividing second and third. Time—1min. 1⅘sec.

KITHORE PLATE.—Value Rs. 350, Rs. 200 to the winner, to Rs. 100 the second, and Rs. 50 to the third. A handicap for Arab ponies 14-1 and under. 6 furlongs.

Major Popham Young's b a h Surkhab, 8st. 11lbs.	Hoyt	1
Messrs. Wilson and Jolliffe's gr a h Highflag, 8st. 4lbs.	Melsom	2
Major Popham Young's br a g Itafaq, 9st. 3lbs.	Barrett	3

Also ran : Gamecock, 10-0 ; and Harmony, 7-11.

BETTING : 3 to 1 each agst. Itafaq, Highflag, and Harmony, 6 to 1 Gamecock, and 10 to 1 Surkhab.

Surkhab led from start to finish winning, despite a game challenge from Highflag, by a neck ; a length between second and third. Time—1min. 24⅘secs.

TOLLYGUNGE CLUB SIXTH GYMKHANA.

STEWARDS :
The President and Committee of the Club.
and
T. CURTIS-HAYWARD, ESQ. | H. A. STOKES, ESQ.
R. H. A. GRESSON, ESQ. | J. M. TURNER, ESQ.
E. A. WOODHOUSE, ESQ.

Judge:—A. G. H. Macpherson, Esq.
Clerk of the Scales :—H. A. Stokes, Esq.
Starter :—R. H. A. Gresson, Esq.
Hon. Secy. :—J. M. Turner, Esq.

Saturday, 17th November 1906.

THE last of the Tollygunge Club Gymkhanas for this season was held this afternoon in fine weather. Excellent sport was witnessed, there was a big attendance and the Stewards are to be congratulated on another successful meeting. The racing is dealt with in our Sporting Notes. Appended are details :—

THE PONY STAKES.—A handicap flat race for ponies 14-2 and under. 1 mile.

Capt. H. R. Sandiland's b aus m Fatima, 11st. 6lbs.	Mr. Gordon	1
Mr. M. Turner's br aus g Bull's Eye, 11st.	Mr. Pugh	2
Mr. J. D. West's b aus g Knock Out, 10st.	Mr. Antram	3
Mr. M. W. Muir's ch aus g Golden Star, 9st.	Mr. Evers	0

BETTING : Evens Fatima, 2 to 1 agst. Knock Out, 3 to 1 Golden Star, and 4 to 1 Bull's Eye.

Bull's Eye and Golden Star were most prominent till they entered the straight when the favourite came away and won by a length and a half ; three lengths between second and third.

THE GRIFFIN STAKES.—A handicap flat race for horses that have never won a race of any description value Rs. 45 or over. 6 furlongs.

Mr. S. C. Langham's ch aus g Salad Dressing, 8st. 7lbs.	Mr. Evers	1
Mr. J. Graves' gr aus g Emigrant, 9st. 12lbs.	Mr. Maunder	2
Mr. Panutley's b aus g Lucifer, 10st. 2lbs.	Mr. Pugh	3
Mr. A. C. Dulcken's b aus m Dalgai, 10st. 8lbs.	Mr. Galstaun	0
Mr. Harry Jones' c aus g Dreadnought, 11st. 9lbs.	Mr. Turner	0
Mr. W. O. Rees' b e g Lord Chippendale, 10st. 12lbs.	Owner	0
Mr. G. Harvey's b aus g Smoke, 10st. 4lbs.	Mr. Morshead	0
The Maharaja of Cooch Behar's ch aus m Sheilah, 10st.	Mr. Gordon	0
Mr. G. Iselstoger's br aus g Romulus, 9st. 12lbs. (dec. 11st. 9lbs.)	Mr. Stall	0
Mr. C. Anninos' br aus g Mentor, 9st. 7lbs.	Mr. Pierson	0
Mr. C. M. Atkinson's br aus g Dougal, 9st. 7lbs.	Mr. Haughton	0
Mr. F. L. Halliday's b aus g Blitzen, 8st. 7lbs. (dec. 3lbs.)	Mr. Antram	0

BETTING : 2 to 1 agst. Dreadnought, 3 to 1 Lord Chippendale, 4 to 1 each Dalgai and Lucifer, 8 to 1 Salad Dressing, 10 to 1 to 50 to 1 the rest.

Dalgai and Lucifer showed the way and were joined by Salad Dressing and Emigrant in the straight. Salad Dressing went away from the others in the run home and won by three lengths ; Emigrant beating Lucifer half a length for second place.

OPEN PONY RACE.—A handicap flat race for all ponies 14-2 and under. 5 furlongs.

Dr. A. N. Dass' ch aus g Pineal, 8st. 6lbs.	Mr. Evers	1
Mrs. John Gregory's b aus m Picture, 10st. 10lbs.	Mr. Pugh	2
Mr. J. C. Galstaun's ch aus m Ping Pong, 10st. 3lbs.	Owner	3

BETTING : 5 to 4 on Ping Pong, evens Picture, 4 to 1 agst. Pineal.

Picture and Ping Pong raced together all the way with Pineal lying handy. At the distance the last named came through and won by half a length ; Picture a neck in front of Ping Pong.

JUMPING COMPETITION—For horses and ponies. Open to all-comers.

Mr. J. W. Collins' Day Dream	Mr. Evers	1
Mr. A. Levetus' Jorrocks	Owner	0
Mr. J. G. Pallantyne's Fairy	Owner	0
Mr. R. A. C. Pugh's Cymmerau	Mr. Barrow	0
Mr. Ross Craik's Argyll	.. ..	0
Mr. Curtis Hayward's Lady Wilful	.....	0
Mr. G. Arnold's Florence	.....	0
Major Enderbby's Bayo	.....	0
Dr. W. C. Hossack's Lady Gold	.....	0
Mr. T. T. Radmore's Toastrack	.....	0

Won by one point.

FAREWELL STAKES.—A handicap flat race for horses that have never won a race of any description value Rs. 500 or over. 1 mile.

Mr. T. Curtis Hayward's b aus m Sylvia, 11st. 7lbs.	Mr. Turner	1
Mr. H. K. Pierson's ch aus m Queen of Hearts, 10st. 13lbs.	Owner	D. H.
Mr. Ballard's b aus g Tacore, 9st. 3lbs.	Mr. Evers	
Mr. M. W. Muir's br aus g Mars, 9st. 3lbs. (dec. 3lbs.)	Mr. Barrow	0

BETTING : 6 to 4 each agst. Sylvia and Queen of Hearts, and 4 to 1 each of the others.

Queen of Hearts made the pace till the distance where she was joined by Tacore and Sylvia. The last named eventually won by half a length ; dead heat for second place.

RECRUITS' RACE.—A flat race for horses that have never won a race value Rs. 49 or over. To be the property of and to be ridden by C. L. H. Recruits. C. W. over 11-7. 5 furlongs. Ponies to carry 11st.

Mr. J. B. Hampson's a b usg Slogan, 11st. 7lbs.	Owner	1
Mr. E. A. Beachcroft's b aus g Return, 11st 7lbs.	Owner	2
Mr. W. P. Daniel's br aus m Sarah, 11st. 7lbs.	Owner	3
Mr. J. H. O'Donoghue's b aus m Burra Billie, 11st. 7lbs.	Owner	0
Mr. T. J. Radmore's rn aus g Toastrack, 11st. 7lbs.	Owner	0
Mr. W. M. Egerton's b aus m Jane, 11st.	Owner	0
Mr. J. G. A. Stephen's ch aus m Mary Ann, 11st.	Owner	0

Won by a length ; one and a half lengths between second and third.

RAWALPINDI FIRST OPEN GYMKHANA.

Saturday, 10th November 1906.

APPENDED are the results of the 1st Gymkhana race meeting which was held this afternoon in perfect weather.

THE POLO SCURRY.—For *bonâ fide* poloponies, 14-1 and under. 3 furlongs.

Mr. E. A. Fielden's Fauchette	Owner	1
Capt. E. C. Lloyd's Frivolity,	Owner	2
Mr. E. Evans' Praps	Owner	3
Mr. C. B. Wilson's Ring Master	Owner	0

Won by a neck ; a length between second and third. Time—39⅘secs.

THE BINGE UP PLATE.—For ponies 14-1 and under that have never started in a race of any description, gymkhana or otherwise. 4 furlongs.

Mr. P. R. Butler's Lodestar, 11st. 11lbs.	Lloyd	1
XI. K. E. O. Lancers' Cockatrix, 11st.	Mr. White	2
Major E. Shearman's Akolia, 12st.	Mr. Williams	3
Mr. Ewart's Chase Me, 12st.	Owner	0
Mr. P. R. Butler's Pete, 11st. 2lbs.	Mr. Blood	0

Won by two lengths easily half lengths between second and third. Time—58secs.

THE OPEN STAKES.—For ponies 14-1 and under. Welter Handicap.—6 furlongs.

Mr. T. Kennedy's Adalina, 11st. 4lbs.	Owner	1
Col. R. Pringle's Ailsa Craig, 10st. 4lbs.	Mr. Evans	2
Capt. E. Campion's Pride II, 9st. 10lbs.	Owner	3
Capt. E.C. Lloyd's Frivolity, 11st. 2lbs.	Owner	0
Mr. Fraser's Discount, 11st. 11os.	Owner	0

Won by one length easily, clear length between second and third. Time not taken.

TROTTING RACE.—For horses or ponies 14-1 and under. To be ridden by ladies, animal to be stopped and turned round if it breaks. Horses to give ponies. 1 furlong. R. C.

Mr. T. C. Shaw's Minette,	Miss Shaw	1
Col. Wickham's Cain,	Mrs. Geoghegan	2
Miss Sydney Smith's Sowar,	Miss Sydney Smith	3
Mr. Sandys's Tornado, Mrs.	Sydney Smith	0
Mr. T. Kennedy's Jess,	Miss Shaw	0

NOVICE STAKES—For C.-B. ponies 14-1 and under that have never won a race or gymkhana of any description. 4 furlongs.

Mr. E. Evans' Praps, 11st. 7lbs.	Owner	1
Mr. P. R. Butler's Lodestar	Capt. Lloyd	2
Mr. Fraser's Tommy, 11st. 7lbs.	Mr. Fraser	3

Won easily ; three lengths between second and third. Time—56secs.

THE ARAB STAKES—For Arab ponies 14-1 and under that have never won a race value Rs. 50 or over. 6 furlongs.

Mr. J. C. M. Canny's Kalipha, 11st. 11lbs.	Mr. Kennedy	1
Col. R. Pringle's Cock oth' North 10st.	Capt. Campion	2
Mr. E. W. Williams' Lohengrin, 11st. 5lbs.	Owner	3
Mr. M. Vigors's Tournay, 12st.	Mr. O'Callaghan	0
Capt. E. C. Lloyd's Manchester, 11st.	Owner	0

Won by two lengths ; half a length between second and third. Time—1min. 32secs.

GARRISON DERBY.—For ponies 14-1 and under the *bonâ fide* property of, and to be ridden by, W. O.'s, N.-C. O's. and men of the Rawalpindi Garrison. 3 furlongs.

Sergt.-Major Mason's Pompey	Ward	1
Col.-Sergt. Connolly's Bell	Owner	2
Sergt. E. S. Willett's Shamsha	Davis	3
Sergt. F. Davis' Tom	Lee	0
Sergt. Connor's Domino	Culeln	0

Won easily ; by a neck between second and third. Time—42secs.

RACING IN AUSTRALIA.

THE CAULFIELD CUP.—A handicap of 3,000sovs. ; second, 350sov. ; third, 150sovs. out of the stake. 1¼ mile.

Mr. U. R. Robertson's b c Poseidon, by Positana (imp.)—Jacinth, 3yrs., 7st. 7lbs.—including 14lbs. penalty	T. Clayton	1
Mr. E. Kelly's br h Simoda, 4yrs. 7st. 7lbs.	D. Callinan	2
Mr. W. Murray's b c Booran, 3yrs., 6st. 11lbs.—including 2lbs. over	W. H. Smith	3
Messrs. C. N. and H. A. Armytage's br h Demas, 5yrs., 8st. 5lbs.	C. Cooper	4
Mr. P. H. Reynolds's b m Solution, 5yrs., 9st. 5lbs.—including 14lbs. penalty	W. Ryan	0
Mr. J. McMaster's ch m Marvel Loch, aged, 9st. 5lbs.	A. Hood	0
Mr. C. Cutbush's br h Fifeness, aged, 8st. 11lbs.	N. D. Godby	0
Messrs. Connolly and Hocking's b h Czarevitch, 6yrs., 8st. 7lbs.	F. Bullock	0
Mr. E. Frazer's br h Lord Fitzroy, 5yrs., 8st. 2lbs.—including 7lbs. palnety	H. Coffey	0
Mr. F. McGrath's b h Little Toy, 5yrs., 8st. 11b.	E. Turner	0
Messrs. Clarke Brothers' ch h Charles Stuart, 4yrs., 7st. 13lbs.	R. Lewis	0
Mr. W. A. Burns's br h Graftondelle, 5yrs., 7st. 9lbs.	F. Hickey	0
Mr. Harvey Patterson's b h Delaware, 4yrs., 7st. 9lbs.	C. Moore	0
Mr. J. Rowen's b h Bon Grafton, 4yrs., 7st. 7lbs.	J. R. Flynn	0
Mr. W. Leeming's b m Charmant, 4yrs., 7st. 5lbs.	F. Harmer	0
Mr. E. J. Watt's br h Melodeon, aged, 7st. 5lbs.	C. Bolton	0
Mr. James Grice's b m The Infanta, 4yrs., 7st. 5lbs.	R. Sutherland	0
Mr. C. L. Macdonald's b g Wandin, 5yrs., 7st. 11b.	G. Ross	0
Messrs. P. and W. Mitchell's b g Dyed Garments, 5yrs., 6st. 13lbs.	S. D. Fisher	0
Mr. H. Avery's ch g Moanf, 5yrs., 6st. 11lbs.	D. Macwan	0
Mr. J. McEwan's b g Willy Wally, 5yrs., 6st. 9lbs.	W. Ross	0
Mr. E. Knight's b or br m Mira, 6yrs., 6st. 7lbs.	G. Barr	0
Mr. A. Miller's b h Two Step, 4yrs., 6st. 7lbs.	W. Bennett	0
Mr. A. S. Sinclair's b c Ellis, 3yrs., 6st. 11lbs.—including 4lbs. over	W. Foulsham	0
Mr. J. E. Stanley's ch c Orline, 3yrs., 6st. 7lbs.	M. Wheeler	0

BETTING :—3 to 1 agst., Poseidon, 4 to 1 Solution, 6 to 1 Demas, 9 to 1 Booran, 15 to 1 Czarevitch, 25 to 1 Lord Fitzroy, Little Toy, Charles Stuart, Simoda, Melodeon, Wanden, and Mira. 33 to 1 Graftondelle, 50 to 100 to 1 the others.

From an excellent start Two Step and Mira were the first to show out, and Two Step taking charge in a few strides passed the judge's box, closely followed by Ellis, Wandin, Graftondelle, Bon Grafton, Little Toy, and Delaware in a bunch, with Marvel Loch and Melodeon bringing up the rear. Two Step showed the way out of the straight, with Ellis at his heels, and he was succeeded by Solution, Bon Grafton, Wandin, Poseidon, Booran, and The Infanta, with Melodeon still last. When they had reached the mile-post Solution ran up next to Two Step, and she was followed by Ellis, Wandin, Graftondelle, Charles Stuart, Dyed Garments, Bon Grafton, Booran, and Demas while Melodeon had not improved his position. That order was preserved along the back until nearing the far turn, where Solution headed Two Step, and the New Zealander passed that point two lengths ahead of Two Step, after whom came Wandin, Ellis, Czarevitch, Poseidon, Bon Grafton, Booran, and Orline,

the last pair being Mira and Willy Wally. Solution rattled along the railway side just in advance of Wandin, Graftondelle, and Poseidon, but after the half-mile post had been cast behind the favourite ranged up alongside Solution, and the pair came round the bend locked together. They were closely pursued by Simoda, Booran, Demas and Wandin. Poseidon headed Solution as they swung into a line for the judge's box, Simoda, Booran, and Demas following the pair. Simoda challenged Poseidon at the distance, but the Derby winner had plenty in hand, and drawing out in the run home won by three lengths from Simoda, who was a length and a half from Booran. Demas was close up fourth, followed by Solution, Czarevitch, Dyed Garments, Marvel Loch, and Charmant, who were succeeded by Fifeness, Graftondelle, Lord Fitzroy, The Infanta, Charles Stuart, and Little Toy, while Two Step was the last to pass the post. Time.—2mins. 34⅘secs.

TRAINERS' LOTS.

CALCUTTA RACES, 1906-1907.

Horse.	Description.	Owner.	Trainer.
A.			
Annamulloch	bk e m	Mr. Holmes	Wishart.
Amplify	ch e m	Mr. J. D. Scott	Owner.
Applause	b e h	Mr. J. C. Galstaun	Tingey.
Au Fait	br e m	Capt. Farquharson	Saunders.
Airlock	bk aus m	Hon. Mr. A. A. Apcar	Watson,
Amyas	ch aus g	Mr. Dartmoor	Taylor.
Adviser	b aus g	Mr. S. F. Reynolds	Wishart.
Aberfoyle	b or br aus g	Mr. R. S. Hart	Fergusson.
B.			
Black Duke	bk or br e c	Mr. D. B. Myers	Dignum.
Bon Bon	b aus g	Mr. D. B. Myers	Dignum.
Baron II	ch aus g	Mr. Locke	C. Hoyt.
Blitzen	bk or br e m	Messrs. Hudson and Butler	Wishart.
Ballark	bk aus g	Hon. Mr. A. A. Apcar	Watson.
Beaunero	ch e g	Mr. G. B. Deakin	Owner.
Bundook	b e g	Mr. Dartmoor	Taylor.
Branga	ch aus g	Mr. T. G. Evers	Owner.
Botha	br aus g	Mr. O. M. D. Bell	Firth.
Bouquet	b e m	Mr. B. B.	Walker.
Belle Cole	b aus m	Mr. Stead	Torpey.
Bubble	br aus g	Messrs. Rodocanachi and Mackenzie	Norton.
Bucentaur	b aus g	Mr. J. A. Manning	Marriott.
C.			
Child Adopted	b e m	Mr. A. N Dass	Taylor.
Carnival	ch e m	Mr. A. N. Dass	Taylor.
Curfew	ch aus g	Mr. J. B.	Ramshaw.
Craigendarrie	b e g	Mr. J. C. Galstaun	Tingey.
Cyril	b aus g	Mrs. A. Grosser	Smallman.
Colina	br e m	Mr. G. H. L. Mackenzie	Norton.
Cherson	b aus h	H. H. Kour Sahib of Patiala	T. Scott.
Contest	ch aus h	Mr. R. S. Hart	Fergusson.
Clear Artist	b or br e g	Mr. North	Bleach
Coin II	ch aus m	H. H. Mah. of Cooch Behar	Ramshaw.
Curlew	b aus m	Mr. B. N. Burjotjee	Owner.
Clynder	b e m	Mr. A. N. Dass	Taylor.
Curfew Bell	ch aus m	Messrs. Wood and Badger	Penton.
Coronet	b aus g	Mr. S. F. Reynolds	Wishart.
Circus Girl	b aus m	Mr. J. C. Galstaun	Tingey.
Claribell	ch aus m	Mr. J. C. Galstaun	Tingey.
Cingalee	ch e m	Mr. Cecil	Ramshaw.
Chump, The	b e g	Mr. Field	Heywood
Clodian	b aus g	Mr. J. G. Ballantyne	Mr. Evers.
Camira	b aus g	Mr. E. J. Marshall	J. D. Scott.
D.			
Downland	br or bk e m	Mr. J. M. Bodocanachi	Norton.
Dea	br aus m	Hon. Mr. A. A. Apcar	Watson.
Decoration	b aus g	Mr. R. S. Hart	Fergusson.
Duplex II	b us g	Mr. J. D. Scott.	Owner.
Dirty Boy	bk e g	Mr. J. C. Galstaun	Tingey.
Dulcimer	bk aus g	Mr. J. C. Galstaun	Tingey.
Dramatic	br aus g	Mr. O. M. D. Bell	Firth.
Dormant	b aus g	Mr. P. B. Avasia	Bleach.
Diakkaway	ch e m	Mr. J. C. Galstaun	Tingey.
Dunsinane	ch e f	Messrs. Wood and Badger	Penton.
E.			
Esmeralda	ch e m	Mr. J. D. Scott	Owner.
Envious	b aus c	Mr. Cowper	Owner.
F.			
Footprint	b e h	Mr. E. L. F. de Soysa	Harper
Fitzgrafton	b aus h	Hon. Mr. A. A. Apcar	Watson.
Flo	bk or br aus m	Mr. F. Potter	Owner.
Footlight	br aus m	Mr. W. H. Walmesley	Ramshaw.
Ferndown	br e b	Messrs. Wood and Badger	Penton.
Flotsam	b aus g	Thakur Sripal Singh	Thomas.
Foy	bk aus g	Mr. Charles	Pringle.
G.			
Galley Slave	ch e g	Mr. E. J. Marshall	J. D. Scott.
Greenstone	b aus g	Mr. North	Bleach.
Gum	b aus g	Mr. J. C. Galstaun	Tingey.
Gladstone	b aus g	Mr. Locke	C. Hoyt.
Ground Glass	b e m	Mr. Cowper	Pringle.
Good Chap	br aus g	Mr. R. M. Hamilton	Mr. Cowper.
H.			
Hoop Iron	b aus g	Mr. J. C. Galstaun	Tingey.
Handeilian	br e g	Mr. J. C. Galstaun	Tingey.
Honest Lady	b e m	Mr. J. D. Scott	Owner.
Henrique	br aus m	Hon. Mr. A. A. Apcar	Watson.
I.			
Insurrection	b e g	Mr. A. N. Dass	Taylor.
Ivanhoe II	br aus g	Mr. R. D. Coggan	T. White.
J.			
Jacquelin	b aus m	Mr. R. S. Hart	Fergusson.
Jolly Abbot	gr e c	Mr. D. B. Myers	Dignum.
Jackeroo	br aus g	Mr. O. M. D. Bell	Firth.
Jack Sheppard	b e g	Mr. W. H. Walmesley	Pringle.
Jubilant	b aus m	Mr. G. K.	Munroe.
Jacinth	br aus g	Mr. Cowper	Owner.
K.			
Kipling	b aus g	Mr. E. J. Marshall	J. D. Scott.
Killeevan	br e m	Mr. J. C. Galstaun	Tingey.
Kendal King	ch e g	Mr. Charles	Pringle.
L.			
Loch Lochie	b aus g	Mr. R. S. Hart	Fergusson.
Look Out	b aus g	Mr. Locke	C. Hoyt.
Long Tom	br aus g	Mr. J. C. Galstaun	Fergusson.
Lady Avon	bk or br aus m	Mr. J. D. Scott	Owner.
Lady Veera	b e m	Mr. Bunting	J. D. Scott.
Lady Grey	gr e m	Mr. Bunting	J. D. Scott.
Lord D.	b aus g	Mr. Alec...	Heywood.
Lucretia	ch aus m	Lieut.-Col. J. Desaraj Urs	Vinall.
Little Dolly	ch aus m	Col. P. K. L. Beaver	Heywood.
Lady Metal	b aus m	Mr Dartmoor	Taylor.
Lamrock	br aus g	H. H. Kour Sahib of Patiala	T. Scott.
Lorette	br aus m	Mr. B. N. Burjorjee	Owner.
Lord Boyne	bk aus g	Mr. W. Moran	Drew.
Loyal	ch aus g	Mr. J. A. Manning	Marriott.
Leda	ch aus m	Mr. B. B.	Walker.
M.			
Merry Elsie	b e m	Mr. A. Grosser	Smallman.
Meadow Saffron	ch e m	Mr. G. B. Deakin	J. D. Scott.
Mother Goose	br e g	Messrs. Wood and Badger	Penton.
Mount Dane	br aus h	Mr. O. M. D. Bell	Firth.
Munderah	br aus h	H. H. Maharajah of Mysore	Fergusson.
Matin Bell	bk aus m	H. H. Maharajah of Cooch Behar	Ramshaw.
Mayroid	br aus m	Mr. W. Griffiths	T White.
Minimus	b aus g	Lieut.-Col. J. Desaraj Urs	Vinall.
Matalgia	b aus h	Mr. J. C. Galstaun	Tingey.
Meg	ch aus m	Mr. D. B Myers	Dignum.
Massachusselts	b aus m	Mr. J. D. Scott	Owner.
Mary Jane	ch aus m	Mr. J. D Scott	Owner.
Master, The	br aus h	Mr. Maxwell	Wishart.
Martinique	br aus m	Hon. Mr. A. A. Apcar	Watson.
Master Charie	br e g	Mr E. J. Marshall	J. D. Scott.
Mercedes	bk or br e m	Messrs. Hudson and Butler	Wishart.
Mulison	b aus g	Mr. A. N. Dass	Taylor.
Musette	br aus m	Mr. Maxwell	Wishart.
Malinyook	bk aus g	Mr. Moran	Drew.
Mallard	b aus h	Hon. Mr. A. A. Apcar	Watson.
Manlock	b aus g	Col. P. K. L. Beaver	T. Scott.
Miss Hopson	ch e m	Mr. Charles	Pringle.
Metalwing	br aus g	Mr. Charles	Pringle.
N.			
Nightingale	br e m	Capt. Farquharson	Saunders.
Nak Our	ch aus m	Hon. Mr. A. A. Apcar	Watson.
Nirvana	b e g	Mr. Field	Heywood.
Nurse Kitty	b e m	H. H. Kour Sahib of Patiala	T. Scott.
Nigam	b aus g	Thakur Sripal Singh	Thomas.
O.			
Olive Lee	br aus m	Mr. H. V. Low	Norton.
Olynthus	b aus g	Messrs Jones and Pugh	Mr. R. Pugh.
Our State	b aus g	Mr. J. C. Galstaun	Tingey.
Orphan Boy	b aus g	Mr. Glen	Mr. Cowper.
P.			
Pennant	b aus g	Mr. R. S, Hart	Fergusson.
Pat C.	b sth afr. h	Mr. J. D. Scott	Owner.
Pineal	ch aus g	Mr. A. N. Dass	Taylor.
Plover	br aus m	Thakur Sripal Singh	Marriott
Palas	ch aus m	Mr W. Griffiths	T. White.
Pendred	b e g	Mr. Charles	Pringle.
Palindrome	br or ch aus m	Mr. Stead	Torpey.
Paddy's Darling	b e m	Mr. J. C. Galstaun	Tingey.
Prince Lyon	br aus g	Mr. J C. Galstaun	Tingey.
Presbyterian	ch e g	Mr. P. B. Avasia	Bleach.
Psalm	br e m	Mr. O. M. D. Bell	Firth.
Projecture	b aus m	Mr. F. Potter	Owner.
Pure Gold	b e g	Mr. J. C. Galstaun	Tingey.
Prince Moorefield	b aus g	Mr. R. B. Lamotte	Owner.
Pretender	b aus g	Mr. K. M. Hamilton	Mr. Cooper.
R.			
Red Coral	b aus g	Lieut.-Col. J. Desaraj Urs	Vinall.
Rosanule	b e h	Mr. Charles	Pringle.
Refuge Bay	b aus g	Mr. Charles	Pringle.
Riverside II	b nth aus g	Mr. J. C. Galstaun	Tingey.
Rustile	ch aus m	Mr J. C. Galstaun	Tingey.
Rezia	b aus m	Mr. A. N. Dass	Taylor.
Rustler	b aus g	Mr. J. C. Galstaun	Tingey.
S.			
Seclusion	ch aus m	Hon. Mr A. A. Apcar	Watson.
Strathspey	bk aus g	Hon. Mr. A. A. Apcar	Watson.
Scotch Thistle	bk aus g	Mrs. Fraser Nash	Smallman.
Spark	b aus s	Mr. K. R Tomkinson	C. Hoyt.
Senator	ch aus g	Mr. W. T. Miles	Owner.
Spero	b aus g	Mr. S Margrett	Smallman.
Signorina	b aus m	Mr. J. B.	Ramshaw.
Son of a Gun	b e h	Mr. Bunting	J. D. Scott.
S. S.	b aus g	Thakur Sripal Singh	Thomas
Sainte Marquise	br e m	Mr. J. C. Galstaun	Tingey.
Santa Maria	b e m	Mr. Holmes	Wishart.
Squire Alfred	b e g	Messrs. Wood & Badger	Penton.
Scamander	ch e m	Mr. W. H Walmsley	Pringle.
Sacristan II	ch e g	Mr. Dartmoor	Taylor.
Solace	b aus m	Mr. Field	Heywood.
Silphoe	b e g	Mr. J. C. Galstaun	Tingey.
Sea Spray	b e f	Mr. G. B. Deakin	Owner.
Sermon	ch e g	Messrs. Wood & Badger	Penton.
Saloon	br ch g	Mr. J. B. Scott	Owner.
Steinhager	b e c	Mr. Charles	Pringle.
Stepaway	b e m	Mr A. L. Butler	Wishart.
Swindle	br aus g	Mr. A. Grosset	Smallman.
St. Michael	b aus g	Mr. S. Margrett	Smallman.
T.			
Tattoo	b aus g	Mr. R. B. Lamotte	Owner.
Thomond	br e g	Messrs. Wood & Badger	Penton.
Trencherman	b aus h	Mr. A. N. Dass	Taylor.
Trenayr	b aus g	Mr. W. Moran	Drew.
Tartan	ch aus g	Mr. M. R. K. Hodgson	Owner.
Terence	ch aus g	Hon. Mr. A. A. Apcar	Watson.
Tycannah	b aus g	Mr. J. S. Love	Marriott.
Trenton	b aus g	Lt.-Col. J. Desaraj Urs	Vinall.
Testwood	br e g	Mr. P. B. Avasia	Bleach.
V.			
Veera	ch aus m	Mr. G. K.	Munroe.
Vespasia	b e m	Mr. D. B. Myers	Dignum.
Vanity Fair	b aus m	Mr. Dartmoor	Taylor.
Vinolia	b or br aus m	Mr. H. V. Love	Norton.
W.			
Wal	b aus g	Mr J. W. Scott	Owner.
Wakeful	br aus m	Mr. E. C. Ramshaw	Owner.
White Heather	ch e g	Capt. H. D. McNeil	Owner.
Whitefoot	br aus g	Mr. J. C. Galstaun	Tingey.
Windy	br aus g	Mr. J. C. Galstaun	Tingey.
Wake up	b aus m	Mr. H. E. Smith	Owner.
Watch Fire	gr aus g	Mr. B. A. C. Pugh	Owner.
Wales	gr aus g	Mr. Beaumont	Owner.
Woodbine	ch aus m	Mr. Charles	Pringle.
Y.			
Yadley	ch aus m	Mr. J. D. Scott	Owner.
Yankee Boy	ch aus b	Mr. J. D. Scott	Owner.
Z.			
Zig Zag	b aus g	Mr. Glen	Mr. Cowper.

Ponies.

C. T. C. Measurements.

CALCUTTA.

The following ponies were classed, aged and measured, at Calcutta, on 12th November 1906, by the Official Measurer :—

Name.	Description.	Owner.	Age.	Height.	Period.
Black Jack	br aus g	Mr. D. Clark	Aged	12-3½	For life.
Hero	rn aus g	Mr. R. Powell	Aged	13-2½	For life.
Little Eurobin	ch aus m	Mr. D. Clark	Aged	14-0	For life.
Maori	br aus g	Maj. T. H. McDermott	Aged	13-3	For life.
Myrtle W.	br b aus m	Messrs. Theo. Parker & Co.	Aged	14-1	For life.
Orphan Boy II.	gr aus g	Mr. D. Clark	Aged	13-2½	For life.
Playful	b aus g	Mr. W. E. Taylor	Aged	13-2½	For life.

Sport in England.

(From the Home Papers.)

London, *Friday, 2nd November 1906.*

THE TURF.

NEWMARKET.

MANY having departed from headquarters, the bulk of the attendance last Friday was supplied by the regular racing army. The King's example in staying on till the fall of the curtain was widely followed, and it was a matter of general regret that His Majesty, whose luck has been dead out with four wins only this season, could not have the satisfaction of seeing his pretty filly Victoria stem the adverse tide. Another strong white frost, the second in succession, assured us of a sunshiny day, and visitors will retain pleasant memories of the Houghton Meeting, for fine weather, grand going, and capital sport.

Criterion Nursery Handicap—Of 5sovs. each for starters, with 200sovs. added ; second receives 20sovs. out of the stakes ; Dewhurst Plate Course. 7 furlongs.

Mr. F. S. Barnard's bl filly by Silver Fox—Cradle Song, 7st.	H. Blades	1
Duke of Devonshire's b colt by Black Sand—Word of Honour, 6st. 9lbs.	F. Wootton	2
Mr. J. P. Straus' b f Ardea, 6st. 11lb.	F. Templeman	3
Mr. H. Lindemere's King's Courtship, 6st. 9lbs.	C. Heckford	0
Mr. W. McCreery's gelding by Bushey Park or Succoth—Crosshaven, 9st.	D. Maher	0
Lord Hamilton of Dalzell's O'Cullen, 8st. 11lb.	G. McCall	0
Mr. C Hibbert's Ballymac, 6st. 9lbs.	H. Watts	0
Sir S. Lockhart's colt by Gallinule—Rinovate, 7st.	J. Plant	0
Mr. R. H. Henning's Terlinga, 6st. 9lbs.	S. Ferguson	0
Mr. E. Dresden's High Flyer, 7st. 6lbs. (car. 7st. 9lbs.)	R. Jones	0
Mr. W. Bass's filly by Lesterlin—Latona II., 6st. 2lbs.	Clark	0
Mr. P. Nelke's Hill Climber, 6st. 7lbs. (car. 6st. 9lbs.)	C. Escott	0
Mr. J. J Bell Irving's colt by Diamond Jubilee—Guillemot, 6st. 10lbs.	J. Howard	0

(Winner trained by G. Chaloner.)

Betting : 100 to 30 agst. King's Courtship, 4 to 1 Crosshaven gelding, 9 to 2 Ballymac, 7 to 1 each Cradle Song filly, O'Cullen, and Word of Honour colt, and 100 to 8 each others (offered).

Won easily by two lengths ; a head was the margin between second and third. Time—1min. 29⅘secs.

Free Handicap—Of 100sovs. each, 25sovs. ft. ; for two-year-olds ; Bretby Stakes Course. 6 furlongs.

Mr. W. Raphael's b c Sagamore, by Sainfoin—La Sagesse, 8st. 5lbs.	H. Jones	1
Capt. M. Hughes' b c Southannan, by Florizel II.—Queen's Wake, 6st. 13lbs.	J. Plant	2
Sir E. Cassel's b c Freeborn, by St. Serf—Mother Siegel, 7st. 12lbs.	W. Higgs	3
Mr. W. Hall Walker's Witch Elm, 7st. 10lbs. (car. 8st.)	B. Lynham	0
Lord Wolverton's Prince of Orange, 8st. 11lb.	W. Halsey	0
His Majesty's Victoria, 6st. 7lbs.	J. Howard	0

(Winner trained by D. Waugh.)

Betting : 7 to 4 agst. Sagamore, 4 to 1 each Witch Elm and Southannan, 7 to 1 each Freeborn and Prince of Orange, and 10 to 1 Victoria.

Won by three lengths ; a length and a half divided second and third. Time—1min. 15⅕secs.

Queensberry Handicap—Of 500sovs. ; second receives 50sovs. ; Rous Course. 5 furlongs.

Lord Howard de Walden's ch c Certosa, by Galeazzo—Fairy Gift, 3yrs., 7st. 3lbs.	H. Blades	1
Mr. J. Craig's b c Crescent, 3yrs., 6st. 13lbs.	H. Watts	2
Mr. E. Dresden's b g Home Truth, 5yrs., 8st 9lbs.	D. Maher	3
Mr. L. Neumann's Nero, 3yrs., 7st 12lbs.	W. Griggs	0
Sir E. Vincent's Ulalume, 3yrs., 7st. 4lbs.	J. Plant	0
Mr. C. S. Newton's Queen Camilla, 3yrs., 6st. 3lbs.	J. Howard	0
Mr. P. Nelke's Winnie K., 3yrs., 6st. 12lbs.	F. Wootton	0
Mr. W. Raphael's Lovania, 3yrs., 7st. 3lbs.	C. Escott	0
Mr. A. H. Ruston's Early Bird, 6yrs., 7st.	C. Heckford	0

(Winner trained by Major Beatty.)

Betting : 11 to 10 on Home Truth, 8 to 1 agst. Winnie K., 10 to 1 each Ulalume, Crescent, and Early Bird, and 100 to 8 each others (offered).

Won easily by three lengths ; a neck divided Crescent from Home Truth, though the latter was second best. Time—1min. 0⅘secs.

NEWBURY.

It was a very good muster all round that took more kindly to the Jockey Club than National Hunt Rules, and had a plethoric afternoon's sport on a soft course, a bit holding, but by no means in the "heavy" category.

Lambourn Welter Handicap—Of 200sovs. ; second receives 20sovs., and the third 10sovs. 7 furlongs, straight.

Lord Howard de Walden's br h Marozzo, by Marco—Carniola, 5yrs., 9st. 2lbs.	M. Cannon	1
Mr. S. Darling's b f Fruitful, 3yrs., 7st. 11lb.	P. Gibbons	2
Mr. H. Trimmer's b h Laurier, 5yrs., 9st. 4lbs.	B. Dillon	3
Mr. W. Goodchild's Schnapps, 6yrs., 8st. 4lbs.	W. Higgs	0

Mr. F. Gretton's Wallaroo, 3yrs., 6st. 9lbs. — J. Howard 0
Lord Carnarvon's Carnegie, 5yrs., 8st. 11lbs. — D. Maher 0
Mr. R. W. Cox's Choirmaster, 4yrs., 8st. 3lbs. — J. W. East 0
Mr. J. Buchanan's Fairy Story 3yrs., 7st. 13lbs. — H. Blades 0
Mr. H. M. Hartigan's Dafila, 3yrs., 7st. 12lbs. — G. McCall 0
Mr. P. Gleeson's Cortona, 5yrs., 8st. 4lbs. — S. Walkington 0
Mr. W. R. Wyndham's Cabul, 3yrs., 8st. 6lbs. — F. Scourse 0
Mr. W. H. Millard's Chicory, 5yrs., 8st. 9lbs. — A. Templeman 0
Mr. A. Sadler, jun.'s Spanish Orphan, 3yrs., 6st. 10lbs. (car. 6st. 11lbs.) — C. Heckford 0
Mr. T. E. Liddiard's Silver Streak, 4yrs., 9st. 5lbs. — J. Plant 0
Mr. W. H. Schwind's Kilteel, aged, 8st. 4lbs. — W. Halsey 0, H. Pike 0
Mr. A. E. Clark's Kazan, 4yrs., 8st. — C. Trigg 0
Mr. G. D. Smith's Vallombrosa, 3yrs., 7st. 12lbs. — O. Madden 0
Mr. W. M. G. Singer's Lustleigh, 3yrs., 7st. 9lbs. (car. 7st. 10lbs.)

(Winner trained by Major Beatty.)

BETTING: 5 to 2 agst. Carnegie, 9 to 2 Laurier, 5 to 1 Fruitful 8 to 1 Schnapps, 10 to 1 each Lustleigh and Marozzo, and 20 to 1 each others (offered).

Won easily by three lengths; a length divided second and third. Time—1min. 31⅘secs.

GREENHAM STAKES—Of 1,000sovs., for three-year-olds; second receives 75sovs., and the third 25sovs. 1 mile, quite straight.

Capt. Greer's ch c Rocketter, by Gallinule—Volant, 9st. 5lbs. — W. Higgs 1
Mr. W. Gootchild's b c Crusader, by Eager—Angelina, 9st. 5lbs. — D. Maher 2
Mr. E. A. Wigan's b c Sarcelle, by Gallinule—Croseum, 9st. 5lbs. — B. Dillon 3
Mr. S. M. Nolan's Lady Ursula, 8st. 4lbs. — H. Pike 0
Mr. W. M. G. Singer's Buckfast, 8st. 7lbs. — O. Madden 0
Duke of Portland's Paid Up, 8st. 4lbs. — H. Jones 0

(Winner trained by S. Darling.)

BETTING: 5 to 4 on Rocketter, 14 to 4 agst. Crusader, 10 to 1 Paid Up, 100 to 8 Sarcelle, 33 to 1 others (offered).

Won very cleverly by a length; five lengths divided second and third. Time—1min. 42⅕secs.

HIGHCLERE NURSERY HANDICAP—Of 500sovs.; second receives 50sovs. and the third 25sovs. 5 furlongs, straight.

Col. H. T. Fenwick's b c Rockbourne, by Donovan—Alix, 8st. 8lbs. — W. Higgs 1
Mr. J. East's b f Queen of Spain, 6st. 11lbs. — H. Watts 2
Col. E. W. Baird's b f Geronima, 8st. 8lbs. — B. Lynham 3
Lord Villier's Painted Lady, 8st. 11lb. — A. Templeman 0
Mr. W. Bass's filly by St. Serf—Phantassie, 6st. 12lbs. — J. Howard 0, C. Trigg 0
Mr. G. Stone's Wise Bird, 7st. 7lbs. — C. Escott 0
Mr. A. Stedall's filly by Despair—Lamgerick, 6st. 10lbs. — J. H. Martin 0
Mr. F. Gretton's Oreb, 8st. 11lb. — C. Heckford 0
Mr. C. Levy's Eagerness 6st. 11lbs. — P. Quinn 0
S. M. Nolan's Retort, 6st. 13lbs. — O. Madden 0
Mr. R. Williams' Wand, 8st. 8lbs. — B. Dillon 0
Mr. R. P. Wright's Balbriggan, 9st. — D. Maher 0
Lord Carnarvon's Billidere, 8st. 7lbs. — W. Halsey 3
Sir R. W. B Jardine's Jovial, 8st. 4lbs. — W. Griggs 0
Mr. J. Bremer's Athlete, 8st. 11lb. — H. Blades 0
Mr. J. Buchanan's Sandstone, 7st. 10lbs. — J. Plant 0
Mr. P. Nelke's Skevening, 7st. 3lbs.
Mr. F. S. Watt's Topical Song, 7st. 2lbs. (car. 7st. 4lbs.) — F. Collier 0

(Winner trained by Sherrard.)

BETTING: 4 to 1 each agst. Billidere and Geronima, 6 to 1 Wand, 8 to 1 each Rockbourne and Jovial, 10 to 1 Queen of Spain, 100 to 8 each Oreb, Sandstone, and Painted Lady, and 20 to 1 each others (offered).

Won in decisive fashion by a length; a length and a half divided second and third. Time—1min 4⅗secs.

More seasonable than Wednesday, with its warm sunshine that made a greatcoat an encumbrance, the weather was more crisp under dull skies, but the gathering mists suggested that 4 o'clock is quite late enough to finish at, as but a perfunctory view could be had of the last two races. Royalty was represented by Prince Christian, who was met by a representative company, the bright costumes of the fair sex lending charm to the club enclosure and paddock, and there was more elbow room in Tattersall's than any other public enclosure, which means a great deal. Good fields were again the rule, and the aggregate ran Wednesday's record very close, though the going was a bit more stodgy.

NEWBURY AUTUMN CUP—(Handicap)—Of 1,250sovs. (a cup value 50sovs. and the remainder in specs); second receives 125sovs., and the third 75sovs. About 2 miles and a furlong.

Col. T. Y. L. Kirkwood's b c The White Knight, by Desmond—Pella, 3yrs., 7st. 11lbs. — J. H. Martin 1
Capt. J. Orr-Ewing's ch c Spate, by The Rush—Chemistry, 3yrs., 7st. — H. Watts 2
Mr. J. H. A. Marshall's b h St. Day, by St. Serf—Corday, 5yrs., 7st. — H. Blades 3
Mr. N. J. Wood's Whinbloom, 5yrs., 7st. 8lbs. — A. Templeman 0
Mr. Fairie's Plum Tree, 3yrs., 8st. 6lbs. — O. Madden 0
Mr. O. W. Rayner's Feather Bed, 4yrs., 8st. 4lbs. (car. 8st. 6lbs.) — D. Maher 0
Mr. Wm. Clark's Demure, 3yrs., 6st. 12lbs. — J. Howard 0

(Winner trained by H. Sadler.)

BETTING: 11 to 4 agst. The White Knight, 3 to 1 Feather Bed, 5 to 1 each Plum Tree, and Demure, 8 to 1 Spate, 100 to 8 each Whinbloom, 8t. Day.

Won in splendid style by two lengths; three lengths divided second and third. Time—3min. 48⅘secs.

BERKSHIRE FOAL STAKES—Of 1,000sovs., for two-year-olds; the nominator of the winner and the owner of the second each receive 100sovs., and the nominator of the second 50sovs., out of the stakes. 5 furlongs, quite straight.

Mr. C. J. Merry's b or br f Beeswax, by Eager—Satyrica, 8st. 3lbs. — W. Higgs 1
Lord Wolverton's b c Prince of Orange, 9st. 5lbs. — W. Halsey 2
Mr. T. E. Liddiard's b c Pop Gun, 8st. 4lbs. — C. Trigg 3
His Majesty's Slim Lad, 8st. 6lbs' — H. Jones 0
Duke of Portland's Benvenuto. 8st. 9lbs. — J. H. Martin 0
Mr. W. Hall Walker's Belle Vale, 9st. — B. Lynham 0
Mr. Fairies Jubilee, 8st. 3lbs. — W. Griggs 0
Mr. W. M. G. Singer's colt by Wolf's Crag—Poppy, 8st. 6lbs. — O. Madden 0
Mr. T. Clyde's Fanita, 8st. 3lbs. — H. Pike 0
Lord Carnarvon's Don Chicotte, 8st. 6lbs. — D. Maher 0
Mr. J. Buchanan's Sandstone, 8st. 9lbs. — B. Dillon 0
Mr. F. Gretton's Azzur, 8st. 6lbs. — H. Randall 0

(Winner trained by H. Braime.)

BETTING: 9 to 2 each agst. Poppy colt, Beeswax, and Slim Lad, 6 to 1 each Jubilee, and Belle Vale, 7 to 1 Prince of Orange, 8 to 1 Pop Gun, 100 to 12 Benvenuto, and 20 to 1 each others.

Won comfortably by a length and a half; a neck divided second and third. Time—1min. 4⅘secs.

MANTON NURSERY HANDICAP.—Of 200sovs.; second receives 20sovs., and third 10sovs. 6 furlongs, straight.

Mr. J. F. Hallick's ch c Fra Diavolo, by Teufel—Loyse, 8st. 9lbs. — A. Templeman 1
Mr. R. Sherwood's b f Desca, 7st. 9lbs. — Walter Griggs 2
Mr. W. B. Purefoy's ch f Stagestruck, 7st. 12lbs. — G. McCall 3
Duke of Portland's The Loaf, 8st. 5lbs. — H. Jones 0
Mr. H. Lindemere's King's Courtship, 7st. 13lbs. — H. Randall 0
Capt. Laing's Rousay, 6st. 13lbs. — E. Mew 0
Mr. C. J. Merry's El Oro, 6st. 11lbs. — G. Stephenson 0
Mr. W. Bass' colt by Fiorizel II.—Knightshade, 7st. 10lbs. — O. Madden 0
Mr. S. Darling's Broomstick, 7st. 4lbs. — J. Plant 0
Mr. A. M. Simon's The Drudge, 7st. 8lbs. — J. Howard 0
Mr. L. E. B. Homan's Venetian Lad, 7st. 6lbs. — C. Heckford 0
Mr. R. B. Dobell's Billy the Verger, 7st. — F. Howey 0
Mr. A. Bailey's Paul Pry, 7st. 13lbs. — W. Williams 0
Major Edwards' Mrs. Girdle, 7st. 11b. — J. Croak 0
Lord Carnarvon's Martinella, 6st. 10lbs. (car. 6st. 11lbs.) — P. Quinn 0
Mr. T. Clyde's Neola, 8st. 4lbs. — H. Pyke 0
Mr. F. Gretton's Spume, 8st. 11b. — C. Trigg 0
Mr. J. Buchanan's Alsyke, 7st. 11lbs. — H. Blades 0
Mr. J. S. Morrison's Cuffs, 7st. 9lbs. — H. Stokes 0
Col. H. T. Fenwick's Tansor, 7st. 6lbs. — C. Escott 0
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Brighton and Hove	9	4	2	3	14	11	11
Norwich City	9	3	2	4	17	15	10
Millwall	9	4	3	2	15	14	10
Plymouth Argyle	10	3	3	4	14	17	10
Swindon	11	3	4	4	18	12	10
Leyton	9	3	3	3	10	11	9
Brentford	9	4	4	1	13	15	9
Southampton	9	3	4	2	16	12	8
Luton Town	9	3	4	2	17	16	8
New Brompton	9	4	5	0	12	15	8
Crystal Palace	10	3	5	2	14	17	8
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LEAGUE I.

After a long spell of success, during which they have performed brilliantly at home and away, the Arsenal have tasted the bitters of defeat. It was not surprising when the result came to hand, because a careful study of the recent doings of the Sheffield United Club revealed the fact that they were playing a very strong game, and that to win at Bramall-lane the Arsenal would have to improve on the high standard they had for so long maintained. In the first half matters went well for the Southerners. Their football was sparkling, and not barren of results, and at the interval they led by two goals to one. Sheffield were better together in the second half, but the Woolwich defence held out until a quarter of an hour from the finish, when Lipsham equalised. A most doubtful penalty enabled the United to take the lead, and before the finish a fourth goal was put on, but a draw would have been a fair reflex of the play. The Arsenal are very sore about the penalty, which they urge was a ludicrous decision, and from the Press box there did not appear any justification for it.

The best performance of the afternoon was Everton's win at Bolton. The Wanderers in their previous four home engagements had dropped only one point, but their goal-scoring powers had been feeble in recent games, and with Everton at full strength the loss of a couple of points was not unexpected. The dramatic element was provided by Middlesbrough. Prior to Saturday they had played eight games, not one of which they had succeeded in winning. Their chances of success at Aston were below zero, for five teams had previously been entertained there by the Villa, and only the Arsenal had been allowed to take away a point. The unexpected happened. Middlesbrough went, saw, and conquered, and thus caused a gasp of astonisment in the football world. Another noteworthy feature in the afternoon's proceedings was that Manchester United won their first home match of the season, Birmingham being beaten at Clayton 2—1. Nine goals were scored in the Liverpool *vs.* Manchester City match, and as the champions claimed the odd one they annexed the points. Derby County were smothered at Blackburn, Preston North End made a keen fight at Newcastle, and Sheffield Wednesday and Sunderland both returned with a point in their possession from Nottingham and Stoke respectively.

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Bolton Wanderers	9	5	2	2	17	12	12
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Sheffield United	9	5	3	1	17	16	11
Sunderland	9	3	3	3	16	15	9
Bristol City	10	3	4	3	15	15	9
Derby County	10	3	4	3	13	16	9
Liverpool	10	3	5	2	17	18	8
Notts County	10	1	3	6	8	10	8
Bury	11	2	5	4	17	21	8
Birmingham	10	3	5	2	14	19	8
Preston North End	9	3	5	1	12	16	7
Manchester City	10	2	5	3	19	32	7
Blackburn Rovers	9	2	5	2	14	19	6
Stoke	11	1	6	4	10	19	6
Middlesbrough	9	1	6	2	11	21	4

THE SECOND LEAGUE.

Leicester Fosse were defeated away from home on Saturday, and Hull City were beaten at home, and as Chelsea succeeded in extracting two points from Grimsby at Standford Bridge, they have advanced to second place in the table on goal average, the Albion retaining pride of place by virtue of their meritorious win at Hull. Chelsea gave a most unequal exhibition on Saturday. They were good and bad by turns, and it would not have been surprising if they had been a couple of goals down ere the game was ten minutes old. They rallied, and then gave of their best until the interval, following which there was a repetition of first-half happenings. Chelsea are not playing so convincingly as one would like, and will have to show better form to secure promotion. Clapton Orient, who are obtaining a large measure of support, could only draw with Lincoln City, but the Citizens did not deserve to share the points as the game went. Nottingham Forest were fortunate to win at Gainsborough but Wolverhampton Wanderers overran Burton United, and Barnsley won a hard game at home against Burslem Port Vale.

LEAGUE II TABLE.

It will be noticed from the appended table that two clubs are equal with Chelsea on points, and three other clubs are only one point to the bad.

	P.	W.	L.	D.	Goals For	Goals Agst.	Pts.
West Bromwich Albion	10	7	2	1	23	7	15
Chelsea	9	6	2	1	23	9	13
Leicester Fosse	10	6	3	1	14	7	13
Notts Forest	10	6	3	1	21	13	13
Hull City	9	5	2	2	16	6	12
Burnley	10	6	4	0	16	7	12
Wolverhampton Wands	11	5	4	2	16	12	12
Stockport County	9	4	2	3	13	9	11
Bradford City	10	4	3	3	13	14	11
Gainsborough Trinity	11	4	5	2	15	17	10
Leeds City	10	3	3	4	12	17	10
Grimsby Town	10	4	5	1	15	16	9

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Mr. J. Buchanan's Fairy Story 3yrs., 7st. 13lbs.	H. Blades	0
Mr. H. M. Hartigan's Dafila, 3yrs., 7st. 12lbs.	G. McCall	0
Mr. P. Gleeson's Cortona, 5yrs., 8st. 4lbs.	S. Walkington	0
Mr. W. R. Wyndham's Cabul, 3yrs., 8st. 6lbs.	F. Scourse	0
Mr. W H. Millard's Chicory, 5yrs., 8st. 9lbs.	A. Templeman	0
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Mr. T. E. Liddiard's Silver Streak, 4yrs., 9st. 5lbs.	J. Plant	0
Mr. W. H. Schwind's Kilteel, aged, 8st. 4lbs.	W. Halsey	0
Mr. A. E. Clark's Kazan, 4yrs., 8st. ...	H. Pike	0
Mr. G. D. Smith's Vallombrosa, 3yrs., 7st. 12lbs.	C. Trigg	0
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(Winner trained by Major Beatty.)

BETTING: 5 to 2 agst. Carnegie, 9 to 2 Laurier, 5 to 1 Fruitful 8 to 1 Schnapps, 10 to 1 each Lustleigh and Marozzo, and 20 to 1 each others (offered).

Won easily by three lengths; a length divided second and third. Time—1min. 31⅘secs.

GREENHAM STAKES—Of 1,000sovs., for three-year-olds; second receives 75sovs., and the third 25sovs. 1 mile, quite straight.

Capt. Greer's ch c Rocketter, by Gallinule—Volant, 9st. 5lbs.	W. Higgs	1
Mr. W. Goodchild's b c Crusader, by Eager—Angelina, 9st. 5lbs.	D. Maher	2
Mr. E. A. Wigan's b c Sarcelle, by Gallinule—Croseum, 9st. 5lbs.	B. Dillon	3
Mr. S. M. Nolan's Lady Ursula, 8st. 4lbs.	H. Pike	0
Mr. W. M. G. Singer's Buckfast, 8st. 7lbs.	O. Madden	0
Duke of Portland's Paid Up, 8st. 4lbs. ...	H. Jones	0

(Winner trained by S. Darling.)

BETTING: 5 to 4 on Rocketter, 14 to 4 agst. Crusader, 10 to 1 Paid Up, 100 to 8 Sarcelle, 33 to 1 others (offered).

Won very cleverly by a length; five lengths divided second and third. Time—1min. 42⅕secs.

HIGHCLERE NURSERY HANDICAP—Of 500sovs.; second receives 50sovs. and the third 25sovs. 5 furlongs, straight.

Col. H. T. Fenwick's b c Rockbourne, by Donovan—Alix, 8st. 8lbs. ...	W. Higgs	1
Mr. J. East's b f Queen of Spain, 6st. 11lbs.	H. Watts	2
Col. E. W. Baird's b f Geronima, 8st. 8lbs.	B. Lynham	3
Lord Villier's Painted Lady, 8st. 11b.	A. Templeman	0
Mr. W. Bass's filly by St. Serf—Phantassie, 6st. 12lbs.	J. Howard	0
Mr. G. Stone's Wise Bird, 7st. 7lbs. ...	C. Trigg	0
Mr. A. Stedall's filly by Despair—Lamgerick, 6st. 10lbs.	C. Escott	0
Mr. F. Gretton's Oreb, 8st. 11b. ...	J. H. Martin	0
Mr. C. Levy's Eagerness 6st. 11lbs. ...	C. Heckford	0
S. M. Nolan's Retort, 6st. 13lbs. ...	P. Quinn	0
Mr. R. Williams' Wand, 8st. 8lbs. ...	O. Madden	0
Mr. R. P. Wright's Balbriggan, 9st. ...	B. Dillon	0
Lord Carnarvon's Billidere, 8st. 7lbs. ...	D. Maher	0
Sir R. W. B Jardine's Jovial, 8st. 4lbs. ...	W. Halsey	3
Mr. J. Bremer's Athlete, 8st. 11b. ...	W. Griggs	0
Mr. J. Buchanan's Sandstone, 7st. 10lbs.	H. Blades	0
Mr. P. Nelke's Skevening, 7st. 3lbs. ...	J. Plant	0
Mr. F. S. Watt's Topical Song, 7st. 2lbs. (car. 7st. 4lbs.)	F. Collier	0

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Won in decisive fashion by a length; a length and a half divided second and third. Time—1min 4⅖secs.

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NEWBURY AUTUMN CUP—(Handicap)—Of 1,250sovs. (a cup value 50sovs. and the remainder in spece); second receives 125sovs., and the third 75sovs. About 2 miles and a furlong.

Col. T. Y. L. Kirkwood's b c The White Knight, by Desmond—Pella, 3yrs., 7st. 11lbs.	J. H. Martin	1
Capt. J. Orr-Ewing's ch c Spate, by The Bush—Chemistry, 3yrs., 7st. ...	H. Watts	2
Mr. J. H. A. Marshall's b h St. Day, by St. Serf—Corday, 5yrs., 7st.	H. Blades	3
Mr. N. J. Wood's Whinbloom, 5yrs., 7st. 8lbs.	A. Templeman	0
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BETTING: 11 to 4 agst. The White Knight, 3 to 1 Feather Bed, 5 to 1 each Plum Tree, and Demure, 8 to 1 Spate, 100 to 8 each Whinbloom, St. Day.

Won in splendid style by two lengths; three lengths divided second and third. Time—3min. 48⅕secs.

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Lord Wolverton's b c Prince of Orange, 9st. 5lbs.	W. Halsey	2
Mr. T. E. Liddiard's b c Pop Gun, 8st. 4lbs.	C. Trigg	3
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Duke of Portland's Benvenuto 8st. 9lbs.	J. H. Martin	0
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Mr. Fairies Jubilee, 8st. 3lbs. ...	W. Griggs	0
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Won comfortably by a length and a half; a neck divided second and third. Time—1min. 4⅘secs.

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Mr. R. Sherwood's b f Desca, 7st. 9lbs.	Walter Griggs	2
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Duke of Portland's The Loaf, 8st. 5lbs. ...	H. Jones	0
Mr. H. Lindemere's King's Courtship, 7st. 13lbs.	H. Randall	0
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THE SOUTHERN LEAGUE.

Chief interested on Saturday in the Southern League matches was divided between Plymouth and Leyton, where the home teams were respectively opposed by Fulham and Tottenham. Last season, when Fulham paid their visit to Plymouth the result was a goalless draw, and the home team on Saturday must regard themselves as fortunate in the extreme that they were not easily defeated. Fulham were right on top of their form, and in the second half especially they were so much the superior side, that a margin of three goals in their favour at the finish would not have exaggerated their superiority. At Leyton the 'Spurs were early prominent, and appearances betokened they would win comfortably; but the home team rallied splendidly, and made a creditable draw before a record crowd. This will give a considerable filip to the club, who are to be congratulated on the show they made against their formidable opponents. The outcome of the matches is to leave Fulham and Tottenham in the same positions in the table, but the North Londoners have a slight advantage on paper, as they are only a point behind with a match in hand. The 'Spurs have now played six away games and Fulham seven.

The chief surprise of the afternoon was provided by Luton, who demonstrated at the Crystal Palace that there was an end to the run of defeats the palace team were capable of inflicting upon them. The rehabilitation of Luton is most encouraging. After five successive losses, home and away, Luton went to Bristol and beat the Rovers, and followed this up with a win at the Palace on Saturday, their defence holding out in each match. Southampton are fast returning to their true form, and it was in accord with their previous experience to go to New Brompton and capture the points. The result was disappointing in the extreme to the Kent club, whose supporters had confidently reckoned upon a win. This was New Brompton's second home reverse and Southampton's second away win.

Brentford did well to beat the strenuous Norwich City team at Griffin Park, and there is no doubt that the recent action of the directors, although at the time resented, has been abundantly justified. Millwall did not disappoint their supporters, who did not roll up in such large numbers as they should have done, Swindon being defeated by the odd goal in three, and Brighton made amends for their poor show at home a fortnight ago by beating Queen's Park Rangers by two clear goals. Seven goals were scored in the Portsmouth *vs.* West Ham. match, and as four of these were credited to the home side the Hammers returned pointless. Watford were most unlucky to lose Orr for nearly half of their match with Bristol Rovers, and could only divide the spoils, but Reading gave their most convincing display of the season at Elm Park, and routed Northampton by 5 clear goals.

The S. L. table to date is appended:—

	P.	W.	L	D	Goals For	Agst.	Pts.
Fulham ...	11	4	1	6	15	12	14
Tottenham Hotspur	10	4	1	5	20	11	13
Portsmouth ...	9	5	2	2	18	12	12
Watford ...	10	4	2	4	12	9	12
West Ham. United	11	5	4	2	22	16	12
Bristol Rovers	11	5	4	2	13	10	12
Brighton and Hove	9	4	2	3	14	11	11
Norwich City ..	9	3	2	4	17	15	10
Millwall ...	9	4	3	2	15	14	10
Plymouth Argyle	10	3	3	4	14	17	10
Swindon ...	11	3	4	4	13	12	10
Leyton ...	9	3	3	3	10	11	9
Brentford ...	9	4	4	1	13	15	9
Southampton	9	3	4	2	16	12	8
Luton Town ...	9	3	4	2	17	16	8
New Brompton	9	4	5	0	12	15	8
Crystal Palace	10	3	5	2	14	17	8
Queen's Park Rangers	10	2	5	3	8	16	7
Reading ...	10	3	7	0	12	15	6
Northampton	9	1	5	3	8	17	5

LEAGUE I.

After a long spell of success, during which they have performed brilliantly at home and away, the Arsenal have tasted the bitters of defeat. It was not surprising when the result came to hand, because a careful study of the recent doings of the Sheffield United Club revealed the fact that they were playing a very strong game, and that to win at Bramall-lane the Arsenal would have to improve on the high standard they had for so long maintained. In the first half matters went well for the Southerners. Their football was sparkling, and not barren of results, and at the interval they led by two goals to one. Sheffield were better together in the second half, but the Woolwich defence held out until a quarter of an hour from the finish, when Lipsham equalised. A most doubtful penalty enabled the United to take the lead, and before the finish a fourth goal was put on, but a draw would have been a fair reflex of the play. The Arsenal are very sore about the penalty, which they urge was a ludicrous decision, and from the Press box there did not appear any justification for it.

The best performance of the afternoon was Everton's win at Bolton. The Wanderers in their previous four home engagements had dropped only one point, but their goal-scoring powers had been feeble in recent games, and with Everton at full strength the loss of a couple of points was not unexpected. The dramatic element was provided by Middlesbrough. Prior to Saturday they had played eight games, not one of which they had succeeded in winning. Their chances of success at Aston were below zero, for five teams had previously been entertained there by the Villa, and only the Arsenal had been allowed to take away a point. The unexpected happened. Middlesbrough went, saw, and conquered, and thus caused a gasp of astonisment in the football world. Another noteworthy feature in the afternoon's proceedings was that Manchester United won their first home match of the season, Birmingham being beaten at Clayton 2—1. Nine goals were scored in the Liverpool *vs.* Manchester City match, and as the champions claimed the odd one they annexed the points. Derby County were smothered at Blackburn, Preston North End made a keen fight at Newcastle, and Sheffield Wednesday and Sunderland both returned with a point in their possession from Nottingham and Stoke respectively.

The following is the table of results to date:—

	P.	W.	L.	D.	Goals For	Agst.	Pts.
Everton ..	11	7	2	2	27	12	16
Newcastle United	10	7	2	1	25	13	15
Woolwich Arsenal	10	7	2	1	22	13	15
Sheffield Wednesday	10	6	1	3	20	14	15
Aston Villa ...	11	6	4	1	24	18	13
Bolton Wanderers	9	5	2	2	17	12	12
Manchester United	10	4	2	4	14	13	12
Sheffield United	9	5	3	1	17	16	11
Sunderland ...	9	3	3	3	16	15	9
Bristol City ...	10	3	4	3	15	15	9
Derby County	10	3	4	3	13	16	9
Liverpool ...	10	3	5	2	17	18	8
Notts County	10	1	3	6	8	10	8
Bury ...	11	2	5	4	17	21	8
Birmingham ...	10	3	5	2	14	19	8
Preston North End	9	3	5	1	12	16	7
Manchester City	10	2	5	3	19	32	7
Blackburn Rovers	9	2	5	2	14	19	6
Stoke ..	11	1	6	4	10	19	6
Middlesbrough	9	1	6	2	11	21	4

THE SECOND LEAGUE.

Leicester Fosse were defeated away from home on Saturday, and Hull City were beaten at home, and as Chelsea succeeded in extracting two points from Grimsby at Standford Bridge, they have advanced to second place in the table on goal average, the Albion retaining pride of place by virtue of their meritorious win at Hull. Chelsea gave a most unequal exhibition on Saturday. They were good and bad by turns, and it would not have been surprising if they had been a couple of goals down ere the game was ten minutes old. They rallied, and then gave of their best until the interval, following which there was a repetition of first-half happenings. Chelsea are not playing so convincingly as one would like, and will have to show better form to secure promotion. Clapton Orient, who are obtaining a large measure of support, could only draw with Lincoln City, but the Citizens did not deserve to share the points as the game went. Nottingham Forest were fortunate to win at Gainsborough but Wolverhampton Wanderers overran Burton United, and Barnsley won a hard game at home against Burslem Port Vale.

LEAGUE II TABLE.

It will be noticed from the appended table that two clubs are equal with Chelsea on points, and three other clubs are only one point to the bad.

	P.	W.	L.	D.	Goals For	Agst.	Pts.
West Bromwich Albion ...	10	7	2	1	23	7	15
Chelsea	9	6	2	1	23	9	13
Leicester Fosse ...	10	6	3	1	14	7	13
Notts Forest ..	10	6	3	1	21	13	13
Hull City	9	5	2	2	16	6	12
Burnley	10	6	4	0	16	7	12
Wolverhampton Wands ...	11	5	4	2	16	12	12
Stockport County ...	9	4	2	3	13	9	11
Bradford City ...	10	4	3	3	13	14	11
Gainsborough Trinity ...	11	4	5	2	15	17	10
Leeds City	10	3	3	4	12	17	10
Grimsby Town ...	10	4	5	1	15	16	9

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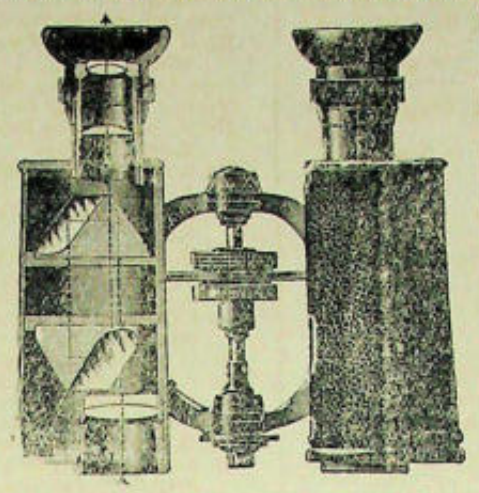

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	P.	W.	L.	D.	Goals. For.	Agst.	Pts.
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Lincoln City ...	10	3	4	3	13	19	9
Burslem Port Vale ...	10	3	6	1	17	26	7
Barnsley	9	3	6	0	13	18	6
Chesterfield	10	2	6	2	10	16	6
Blackpool	10	1	5	4	8	14	6
Glossop	9	3	6	0	14	30	6
Burton United ...	10	2	6	2	9	23	6

ENGLISH AMATEURS *vs.* FRENCH AMATEURS.—The first Amateur International ever played by England against a Continental nation took place at the Velodrome, Parc des Princes, Paris, yesterday.

It was perhaps rather unfortunate that the initial encounter should have been with France, which is far from being one of the strongest of the countries who have joined the International Football Federation, formed at Berne during the summer for the purpose of controlling Association football in European countries. Holland, which is not met till about Easter, would undoubtedly have given the Englishmen a much closer game than that provided by France yesterday, for the Dutchmen are unquestionbly the cleverest Continental exponents of the "Soccer" code.

The visitors took a strong side, including no fewer than five players who had represented their country in International fray. A forward line including such as S. H. Day, V. J. Woodward, and S. S. Harris was bound to be a very formidable factor in the match and this the Frenchmen found to their cost. By half-time 6 goals had been scored by the Saxons.

The Gallic defence had an even worse time after the interval. The Englishmen seemed to score as they pleased and the result was:—

	goals.
English Amateurs	16
French Amateurs	0

The goals were scored by Vivian Woodward (8), Day (3), Harris (2), Hawkes, Farnfield, and Raine (1 each).—The English goalkeeper only touched the ball twice.

English Amateurs.—E Proud (Bishop Auckland); F. H. Milnes (Sheffield) and H Smith (Reading); C D McIver (Old Foresters), P H Farnfield (New Crusader), and R M Hawkes (Luton); J E Raine (Newcastle United), S H Day (Old Malvernians) V. J. Woodward (Tottenham Hotspur), S S Harris (Old Westminsters), and H P Hardman (Everton).

French Amateurs.—Baton (Olympique Lillois); Moignen (Union Sportive Tourquenoise) and Canelle (Racing Club FranCais); L. Schubart (Olympique Lillois), Allemane (Racing Club FranCais), and Wilkes (Havre Sports); Verbrugge (Association Sportive FranCaise), Cypres (Club Athletique Parisien), Francois (Racing Club de Roubaix), Royet (Union Sportive de Paris), and Sartorius (Racing Club de Roubaix).

RUGBY RULES.

SOUTH AFRICANS' TOUR.

MATCH *vs.* Newport.—Even greater interest was manifested in the visit of the "Springboks" to Newport than over the match between New Zealand and Newport last season. Quite an hour before the match was timed to start the stands were filled and there must have been quite 20,000 present The changes made in the side which defeated Middlesex on Wednesday were said to strengthen the team, especially by the inclusion of Le Moux and Krige. The Newport team was at full strength. Punctually to time the teams fielded. Paul Roos first led his team on, and as soon as the dark green jerseys were spotted a roar of applause went up. Similar greetings were accorded Skipper C. M. Pritchard's team when they appeared a moment later.

Pritchard started for Newport with an unduly bright sun in his eyes. There was an almost complete absence of wind, and the turf was in rare fettle. Krige returned and Gunstone ended the kicking duel at half way by finding touch. The first line out caused a scrummage, and a cheer was given when it was seen that it was carried by the home eight. Another scrummage at the same spot told another tale, for out the ball was sent to Krige, who kicked down the field. A smart pick up by Marsburg, who gained some ground by a fast dash off before he kicked, placed the Africans hotly on the attack. A scrummage breaking up quickly allowed Dobbins to pick up and pass to Krige; the South African cleverly feinted to break through on the left, and drew all the opposition on that side, but he passed to De Villiers on the right, and the latter forwarding the oval on to Stegmann, who had nothing between himself and the line, scored the first try after twelve minutes' play. D. Morkel had no difficulty in goaling. South Africa were almost immediately on the attack again, Krige made a mark and and Morkel took a place kick for goal, which deserved a better fate, for it only just missed the mark from a dangerous position Krige made a splendid opening before transferring to Stegmann, and the latter, outpacing all, got over in the corner. The kick at goal by Morkel was a failure. The 8 points had been scored in exactly fifteen minutes from start. Matters were more even after the drop-out, thanks to heroic work of the Newport forwards, who made up for the manifest shortcomings of their backs in the way of speed. Each side was in turn penalised for breaches of the rules before De Villiers made a great run. He "cork-screwed" through seven would-be captors before Boots just bored him into touch. Twice the Africans were penalised for the off-side play of Dobbin. Now came Newport's only real chance of the half. The ball came out to Adams from Vile near the visitors' twenty-five, but the transfer to Thomas, who had a good chance of crossing had he taken the ball, was a very difficult one, and was fumbled. The Newport forwards continued to worry the Colonials, but their repeated heeling of the ball to the backs was rather a mistake, for both in the half-back and three-quarter lines there was woeful bungling on almost every occasion. A cross kick by Plummer was smartly turned to advantage by Hodges, and the Welsh International was collared only a few yards from the goal line. A strong run by Krige and a save by Thomas were the only incidents afterwards until the interval arrived. Half-time score:—

	Pts.
South Africans (1g 1t)	8
Newport	0

Roos resumed the game, and the return kick was on the Newport half of the field. Short kicks by Hodges and W. J. Martin gained ground for Newport, but the South Africans came away in a bunch. In stopping the rush Hodges was hurt, but soon resumed. Grand individual play by De Villiers and J. Le Roux was stopped by grand tackling. Then Stegmann made a grand burst, being pulled down by Plummer. A fine rush, headed by C. M. Pritchard, was stopped by Marsburg, who picked the ball up at the toes of the Uskside forwards, and kicked grandly to touch. The visitors had to defend for all they were worth, and they proved too much for the home three-quarters to allow of scoring. By hard scrummaging the Springboks gradually recovered the lost ground. A strong kick by Krige took play into the Usksiders' "25." Mare made a fine burst from a line-out, and kicked to D. J. Boots, who made a mark in time. He found touch at half-way. The Uskside backs brought off a pretty bit of passing, but Gunstone gave a forward pass. By short kicking Newport again got near to their opponents' line. W. R. Thomas, getting the ball, took a drop at goal, which just missed, and Marsburg touched down. Following the kick out Stegmann had to be attended to for a nasty cut on the forehead, which bled freely, but he resumed when sticking-plaster had been applied. The home-sters were staying grandly; but their backs were not in a scoring humour whilst the Africans' tackling was very keen. Gunstone brought off a fine run, and then passed to his wing, Thomas, who beat Le Roux, but was brought down in grand fashion by Marsburg ten yards from the line. Towards the end of play De Villiers broke away from the centre, and looked like putting Stegmann over, until Plummer intercepted a slow pass. "Time" came with the Colonials pressing hard. Final score:—

	Pts.
South Africans (1g 1t)	8
Newport	0

South Africa.—A. F. Marsburg; A. Stegmann, H. A. De Villiers, J. D Krige, and J. Le Roux; F. J. Dobbin and D. C. Jackson; P. Roos (captain), D. Brik. J. Raaff, D. Mare, D. Morkel, W. A. Burger, D. Brooks, and P. A Le Roux.

Newport.—D. J. Boots; R. Plummer, W. H. Gunstone, Sid Adams, and W. R. Thomas; W. J. Martin and T. H. Vile; C. M. Pritchard (captain), E. Thomas, G. Boots J. J. Hodges, W. H Dowell, E. Jenkins, W. H Wetter, and H. Davies.

Referee:—Mr. Gil Evans (Birmingham).

MATCH *vs.* GLAMORGAN.—Great enthusiasm prevailed at Cardiff on Wednesday over the Colonials' second Welsh game. Before the match, crowds poured into Cardiff Arms Park, and at the start the attendance numbered quite 35,000. The weather was ideal for football, and the ground, although slightly greasy in places, was on the whole in good condition.

The Glamorgan team was a strong one, ten players having represented the Principality, while of the other five, Toft (Swansea) is the only player not in the running for selection by Wales this season. The South Africans, recognising that they had to meet a side of International calibre, put in the field one of the best, if not the best, teams of the tour.

As at Newport, the Colonials were quickly off the mark, and in the first minute Stegmann was over with a try, got in really Welsh fashion. Before the match was ten minutes old, the Welsh defence was again beaten by a brilliant attack, and Stegmann gained his fourth try on Welsh soil.

Up to this point Glamorgan had been badly let down by the Swansea recruit half, Toft. The forwards, recognising this, thereafter played more of the rushing than the heeling game, tactics which succeeded in counterbalancing the brilliant attacking powers of the African backs.

In the second half, the home team greatly improved, and were far oftener attacking than the visitors. But for the magnificent defence of the visiting backs, particularly Marsburg, Glamorgan would have been rewarded with more than one try. Although beaten, Glamorgan have the satisfaction of running the visitors closer than any other side, and of being the second team to cross the South African lines. With the slightest luck, the County would have at least drawn, for Winfield once struck the upright with the penalty kick, and E. T. Morgan was barely held a yard off scoring.

Carolin kicked off with such length that a minor was conceded. Three scrums in mid-field took place before Dobbin could get the ball away to Villiers, who gave a long swift pass to Stegmann.

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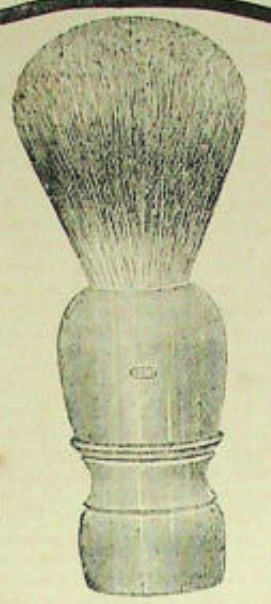

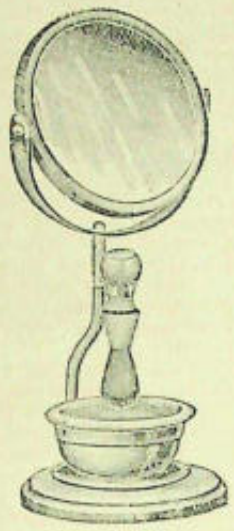

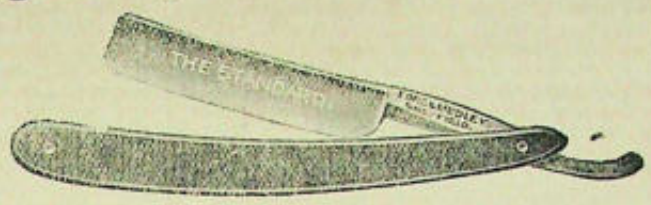

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Passing between Dobbin, Villiers, and Krige looked like a certain try for Loubser, when he was overtaken by Morgan five yards out. Dobbin was soon off again, and breaking through gave up to Stegmann, who scored his second try in the same place. Morkel made an unsuccessful attempt to convert.

The Glamorgan forwards changed their game. Instead of attempting to continually heel, they tried rushing. Owen first got off, and then Maddocks, but their speed was inferior to Carolin and Stegmann, and little ground was gained. Krige earned loud applause by picking up time after time from the feet of the country forwards, whilst Marsburg fielded safely, and kicked with tremendous length every time the ball came to him.

Once Krige held on too long when an early pass would have put Loubser in. With irresistible dash the Colonial forwards swept down the field, and everyone expected a third score, when Morgan, with great pluck rushed up, gathering the ball on his line.

The home forwards worked to the other end, only to be repelled by the fearless play of Marsburg and Loubser, the latter finding touch near the Glamorgan line. The game waged at a terrific pace. E. T. Morgan playing with all the dash for which he is famous, tried to get through on two occasions, but Loubser and Marshburg were always equal to the attack. Maddocks, who was below his usual form in this half, hesitated when he had a chance—difficult, it is true—of scoring, and an opportunity was lost.

Just before the interval Villiers injured his ankle, but resumed his place. Half-time :—

	Pts.
South Africans (2t)	6
Glamorgan	0

In the second half the Glamorgan backs at once started passing. Trew transferred to Maddocks, who was heavily tackled and winded. Gabe gave Morgan a bad pass when scoring appeared imminent. For off side by Dobbin the Colonials were penalised in their twenty five. Winfield had the ball placed, and his shot hit one of the uprights and rebounded into the field of play. Marsburg worked it out of danger.

Morgan dodged past several of the visitors and cross-kicked, Stegmann just turned to touch with Trew and Maddocks racing for the ball. For a foul the visitors were penalised, but the ball was charged from an easy kick.

Try as they would, the Africans could not relieve, but their tackling was splendid. With twenty minutes to go a magnificent piece of work was started by Owen, who beat Dobbin and Carolin and gave to Gabe. The last named passed Krige and then transferred to Morgan. Loubser was running for the famous winger when the latter cross-kicked, and Joseph, rushing up, secured the ball and secured a fine try. From a fairly easy angle Winfield again had his kick charged down.

On the drop-out, further passing took place among the Welsh backs in the Colonial half, but Gabe's final pass to Morgan was a poor one. Both Winfield and Brown were then injured, but resumed, limping.

At last the South Africans got into the home territory. Morgan, with a fine run, regained the ground. Following a drop at goal by Trew, Marsburg was tackled on his own line by Maddocks, but Krige came to the rescue, and kicked to touch.

A desperate effort was made by the Welshmen in the closing stages. Gabe gave Morgan a pass, and the Guy's Hospital player looked a certain scorer. Loubser and Marsburg were beaten, but Krige cut across and brought off the tackle of the game. Final score :—

	Pts.
South Africans (2t)	6
Glamorgan (1t)	3

South Africans.—Marsburg; Krige, Villiers, Stegmann and Loubser; Carolin and Dobbin; Roos, Burger, Brooks, Brick, Raaf, W. Morkel, Douglas Morkel, and Millar.

Glamorgan.—Winfield; Morgan, Gabe, Trew and Maddocks; Owen and Toft; Williams, Neill, Joseph, Brown, Jones, Hunt Thomas, and Northmore.

OXFORD UNIVERSITY *vs.* OLD MERCHANT TAYLORS.—For some reason this match was played in the Parks at Oxford on Saturday, and consequently there was a large crowd without any seating accomodation. Soon after the start the ball was rushed down the field by the visiting forwards, and Davies failing to check, Pound picked up and scored a try which Parker converted. There was a lot of hard scrummaging, and later on Williamson and Butterworth ran up to the Old Boys' line. C. Parker removed the danger, but the Oxford forwards at length got going, and coming out of the scrum in brilliant style, Roberts jumped past the Taylors' back and succeeded in touching down. Howe-Browne's place proved a failure, and at half time the visitors still led by 5 points to 3. Soon after resuming, Parker, the Oxford three quarter, received a severe kick in the back, which took all the steam out of him, although he subsequently returned to the field. Whilst he was absent, however, Raphael secured in the centre, and giving a fine opening to C. L. Parker, the latter ran in within easy distance of the uprights, but he failed to convert. C. Parker intercepted a pass, and although checked by Davies, the forwards carried on the attack, and from a fine rush Lepingwell succeeded in touching down. Failure again attended the place kick. The Old Boys held their own until a minute or so from the finish, when Flemmer handed out to Milton, who came away in fine style, and transferring to Batchelor, the latter ran in close to the touch-line. No goal resulted, and a hard game resulted in favour of the Old Merchant Taylors by 1 goal and 2 tries to 2 tries.

CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY *vs.* OLD LEYSIANS.—After winning their two opening fixtures against Richmond and Guy's Hospital, the Light Blues on Saturday went under to the Old Leysians. The University gave a very disappointing display, and but for their full-back and the half-backs, they would have had a high total run up against them, and as it was they were beaten by 2 tries to 1 try. The three-quarters were poor and the forwards did not show half the dash of their opponents in the loose rushes, and their footwork was bad. Cambridge were the first to score, as at the expiration of 10 min., as the result of some good passing between the backs, Koop, put in a good run, and punting. Macleod was to the rescue and obtained a try, which Hearson failed to convert. Cambridge were pressing continuously, but failed to get through, and a quarter of an hour later Hoskin brought off a good run, and Mellor working over, the "O. L.'s" got on level terms. The place-kick failed. That was all that was scored till crossing over, and on resuming, though they only scored once, the Old Leysians fairly outplayed the 'Varsity, and but for the fine defence of Scoular they would have scored frequently. Finding a safe opening early on resuming, Hoskin and Oulton broke away, the Old Blue finishing up with a try, which was, however, not improved upon. Nothing further was scored and the match ended :—Old Leysians, 2 tries (6 points); Cambridge University 1 try (3 points).

LONDON WELSH *vs.* GUY'S HOSPITAL.—The London Welsh opened their second season at the Essex County Ground, Leyton, on Saturday, with a match against Guy's Hospital. There was a very fair attendance, considering the counter-attraction close by. The Medicos were not at full strength, such players as McSaunders, W. E. Williams, and H. G. Gibson being absent, but they fielded a strong side notwithstanding. The Welsh turned out what was supposed to be their best available fifteen, but the run of the game on the whole hardly justified that supposition. Play ruled fairly even during the major part of the opening half, thanks to fine form by J. P. Jones and Monagan, aided by the failure of the home five-eighths and centre three-quarters to utilise the several chances given them by their forwards and half-back. By dashing forwards' footwork, spiritedly led by Harding, Williams, and Jenkins, the Welsh at last got close to Guy's line, and after some fine kicking by the backs maintained the pressure, Clay scoring a try which Lewis failed to improve upon. Almost immediately afterwards Siringer was nearly through, being well checked by Towyn Jones. Later Harding snapped up half a chance in his own twenty-five, being ably supported by G. E. Lewis, to whom he transferred and that rapidly improving recruit passed to C. Rowlands, who scored under the bar, but Lewis again failed to add the two points. The visitors restarted with a splendid dash, and a blunder by Vivian enabled them to get established close to the Welsh line, and although Morgan and Rowlands brought relief, play was transferred by the Hospital straights across the field. Here a forward scramble resulted in a score by Pinching, but Munden did not convert, and the interval then arrived.

The second half produced a great struggle, and at one time slight feeling appeared to be manifesting itself in the sustained vigour of the two packs. The Welsh seven got poor support, however, else the lead might have been increased. Guy's were particularly fortunate in preventing a score from a good cross punt by Jenkins, and also when Harding got away without anyone supporting him. The Medicos had reason also for lamenting their own failure to score goals from a number of free kicks and penalties awarded them in favourable positions. The result was :—London Welsh, 2 tries (6pts.); Guy's Hospital, 1 try (3 pts.).

ROSSLYN PARK *vs.* LENNOX.—This important fixture, played on Saturday at the Old Deer Park, Richmond, was evenly contested throughout. From the teams advertised, J. Hirst, Rosslyn Park's back, was an absentee and R. G. D. Glover took the position. J. Scruby coming into the pack. Unfortunately for the visitors, Mather, their, wing three-quarter, received an injury to his eye, and had to retire shortly after the commencement of the game. Lennox were much handicapped at having to continue with fourteen men. Notwithstanding this, they rendered an excellent account of themselves, and were only defeated by the narrow margin of 2 points. On opening out Lennox were the first to attack, and their three-quarters combined with good judgment. Eventually came the Park's opportunity, and King-Stephens, obtaining possession scored an easy try behind the posts, his place-kick being successful. After some pressure by Lennox, who were decidedly prominent, Newberry ran in with an unconverted try. At half-time Rosslyn Park led by 2 points.

On resuming, play was in favour of Park, when King-Stephens again ran in, the kick failing. In a smart breakaway by Webb, he struggled through and gained a further try, which was not converted. Rosslyn Park were having much more of the game, but they failed to take advantage of the openings that fell to them, and many opportunities to score were lost. Play grew slack towards the end, and no further score took place. Result :—Rosslyn Park, 1 goal 1 try (8 points); Lennox, 2 tries (6 points).

CAMBRIDGE UNIV. *vs.* LONDON HOSPITAL.—The Light Blues, who were at home to London Hospital yesterday, made a number of changes in their team. Scoular and Harris, the Blues, were absent. The University, however, played, a very much better game than they did on Saturday, and were successful by 1 placed goal, 1 dropped goal, and 2 tries, to 1 penalty goal and 1 try. The ball was very greasy.

The University kicked off, but in the first minute Pitt let the visitors through, and Dobson was compelled to touch down, and after five minutes' play Palmer had no difficulty in getting in, although Woods failed with the place kick. At length the home team settled down, and, Macleod having found a fine touch, Dew worked in, and Hearson put the home team ahead. Four minutes later Koop, Macleod, and Hearson brought off some fine passing, with the result that the latter crossed over, but himself failed to convert, hitting the left upright. Penny let the Hospital through, but Godby saved, and a minute later Macleod punted well into the visitors' quarters, the 'Varsity leading at half-time by five points. Throughout the second part of the game the Light Blues had decidedly the better of the exchanges, and after seven minutes' hard pressing Pitt dropped a very fine goal, after Koop had made a miserable effort to score by the same tactics. For off-side Woods failed to obtain a penalty goal, and the home backs combining, rushed down the field. Koop was the last to receive, and when close to the line he punted over the heads of his antagonists, and had some luck in obtaining the ball on the bounce. Macleod failed to convert. The Hospital were well up when Pitt got off-side. Woods took the kick, and obtained three points. London were next given off side, but Macleod's kick fell short, and, nothing more being scored, the 'Varsity won by 15 points to 6.

BOXING.

HEAVY WEIGHT CHAMPIONSHIP OF ENGLAND.

If evidence were wanted of the popularity of the fistic art in England, one had only to be within the precincts of the National Sporting Club on Monday evening, when Jack Palmer, of Newcastle, and James Moir, London—undoubtedly the two finest heavy-weights England has produced for many a year—were brought in contact with each other, for a stake, the magnitude of which reached £750. Although the heavy-weight championship of England was at issue, the result of their meeting will probably lead to an even more important engagement of the winner with one of America's much-belauded heavy-weights.

To eulogise the performances of either of the combatants seems like going over old ground, as nearly every devotee of the sport is well acquainted with the doings of the respective pugilists. Suffice it to say that Palmer has for the past eighteen months—practically since his return from South Africa—been the recognised heavy-weight champion. His last battle of note was at headquarters, when he assumed the championship title by vanquishing a much-fancied exponent in Geoff Throne—Fitzsimmons' old sparring partner—in very quick time. Prior to that he toured, as already indicated in South Africa, but an attack of enteric fever shook his constitution very badly, and he was never seen at his best in foreign claims. Before leaving for the Cape Palmer had swept the field up North, and it was only in search of further gold that he decided to make the trip, which did not prove a too lucrative one. Moir, who is better known as the "Gunner," by reason of his association with the Royal Marine Artillery, has earned a very wide reputation both at home and abroad. Perhaps as skilful a wrestler as a boxer, Moir found ample scope for his fistic abilities while touring with Hackenschmidt in the Colonies last year. Prior to that time, he had beaten men of good quality in this country, and while he was in Australia many presumptive champions received an early quietus. On his return to this country a customer in Jem Casey, of America, was found for him, but the latter fought very much out of his class, and suffered defeat, after receiving heavy punishment for eight rounds.

The contest was by no means a pretty one. Immediately the order to commence was given Moir sailed into the Newcastle man, and receiving some heavy punishment on the ribs, Palmer was in a queer state before two minutes had elapsed. The battle looked like coming to a summary termination, but hanging on for dear life, Palmer lasted to the interval. He was still in a weak state when hostilities were resumed, and had Moir followed up his advantage, Palmer would certainly have gone under. The Gunner slowed up, and the Newcastle man rallied, making quite a fight of it in the third round. The subsequent meetings to the eighth were slow and ugly, there being far too much hugging. The North-countryman flattered his supporters slightly in this meeting, but the glimmer of hope was only a faint one, for in the ninth round Moir cut loose, and dealing out some crushing punishment on the body, he had his opponent hanging helpless on the ropes. Palmer was fairly beaten, but Moir could not quite land the finishing punch. The Northern boxer, evidently realising that his chance had fled, gripped his opponent with the left hand round the neck and slung several nasty blows into Moir well below the belt. The fouls were very palpable, and the referee at once ducked under the ropes, ordered the men to their corners, and declared Moir the winner.

Palmer was the first to enter the ring having for his attendants Jack Haggerty, Harry Kent, and Tom Ryan. Moir quickly followed being esquired by Sid Grumley, Arthur Gutteridge, and Jim Brock. After the pair had been introduced and the gloves adjusted, the men faced each other for the first round.

Round 1.—Upon taking the centre Palmer attempted to lead which led up to a clinch. Again getting to close quarters, Moir dashed the right home on the mark, and spun the Newcastle men round. Upon steadying himself Palmer attempted to counter, but was out of distance. A considerable amount of holding now ensued, in which the Tynesider was the most to blame. The Gunner, however, would not be denied, and forced his opponent on to the ropes. Palmer quickly got out of danger and some hustling exchanges led up to the interval, which was reached amid great excitement.

Round 2.—Each was anxious to resume hostilities, and after a sharp rally Moir landed four times in succession on the jaw without doing much damage. These liberties appeared to annoy Palmer, and with the result that some fast work accrued. The Newcastle man twice swung his right, but was out of distance and Moir, in attempting to score on the head was met with a hard drive from Palmer's right. Moir was now at fault for holding, but upon Palmer shaking him off he followed him up, and the pair were very busy when the interval was announced.

Round 3.—The Newcastle man renewed hostilities by reaching the face, but there was little force behind his blow, and the Gunner countered hard on the body. At close quarters Palmer kept driving his left on the body. Moir in turn reaching the ribs, and the bout was being contested upon neutral ground when hostilities temporarily ceased.

Round 4.—Immediately upon resuming the pair got into holds, and were loth to break away. However, on separating the Northerner swung the left home on the body, which made the Gunner drop his guard. As quick as lightning Palmer clipped his man on the jaw, but although the blow shook him, Moir avoided further attacks by getting close. A little later the Newcastle man found the head, but although the blow was a hard one, it failed to make much impression on the gunner.

Round 5.—Palmer was the first to lead, and although somewhat out of distance, he followed up the attempt by banging the right hard home on the throat and worked his man into a neutral corner. Moir quickly slipped out of this danger and reversed the proceedings, and delivering a succession of heavy right and left hand jabs on the head and body, he quickly had the Tynesider in a bad way. Game as a pebble, Palmer took his punishment well until time came to his assistance.

Round 6.—Although wearing a somewhat flushed appearance when he left his corner, Palmer was the first to try to lead. The attack was well met, and the Gunner replied by a smashing right-handed punch on the head. Almost immediately afterwards Palmer received another hard thump on the month. Never losing his head, Palmer avoided a lot of deliveries, while the Gunner would not be denied, and kept going until the gong sounded.

Round 7.—After a quiet opening Moir tried his right, but Palmer ducked, and the blow went harmlessly over his head. Both now became more cautious, and the fray was carried on at long range. Palmer thrice got home some well-timed left-handed punches on the jaw, and Moir was content to pay attention to the body.

Round 8.—Both now appeared to show signs of their previous exertions, Palmer boxing very warily and twice reaching the ribs with some left-handed swings. The Gunner several times landed on the head, but his deliveries appeared to lack the steam they had hitherto had behind them. This fact allowed the Northerner to some extent to recuperate.

Round 9, (and last).—Moir had apparently been husbanding his strength, for immediately after resuming he crossed his man with the right and sent Palmer reeling back. Pulling himself together, the Tynesider attempted to cross his opponent, but Moir was on the alert and stepped nimbly aside. Before Palmer could recover himself he was brought to his knees with a heavy blow on the jaw. He was, however, soon up and rushed to his man, and while holding with his left he punched away with the right. Apparently he hit somewhat low, for Moir looked appealingly to the referee, who at once separated the men, and pointing to Palmer, announced that he was disqualified. Palmer for a while could not realise what had happened, until his seconds brought him to his corner, when he appeared considerably cut up over his defeat.

BILLIARDS.

The series of brilliant performances set up by Dawson at Messrs. Thurston's Grand Hall has dwarfed everything else during the past week. The few critics who have been hugging

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the fond delusion that the brilliant little Yorkshireman had fallen off his hitherto high pedestal have had an answer that brooks of no quibbling. It was his extremely poor show in his opening match at Bristol that gave rise to this delusion, but since that time Dawson has convinced his critics that he is as great a player as ever. Even those who were most prone to fault-finding are now the first to admit that the Huddersfield crack shows no signs of a falling off from the high standard of play we are accustomed to from him.

It was perhaps fitting that he should reserve for his first appearance this season in the Metropolis the finest achievement of the season, for a big performance in London carries more weight than it would do if accomplished in the provinces. Why this should be so is difficult to understand, but of the fact itself there can be no question. Ask any of the leading professionals, and they will at once tell you that from choice they would rather do a record performance in London than anywhere else.

Be that as it may, there can be no two opinions about the superfine display by Dawson against Osborne. But there are one or two features of the match which have not hitherto been mentioned, and which are worthy of a line. Reference to another part of this column will show what was accomplished by Dawson in the way of three-figure breaks, but what I wish to accentuate here is the fact that he averaged 52.23 per innings for the whole match. A moment's reflection will bring out in bold relief what this means. On many occasions Dawson went to the table without scoring—the balls do run dead save sometimes!—yet he came out with the magnificent average quoted. Prodigious! Dawson averaged over 100—107.14 and 114.28 to be exact—on two occasions, over 80 on other two, and three times over 50, and shares with his only rival for supremacy, Stevenson, the honour of having twice exceeded a century average in one match this season.

Dawson scored his necessary points at every session, excepting the first, that the innovation of playing a game of Snooker Pool to wind up with was tried, and proved a popular success. Laughter, when a player found himself "snookered," and applause, when one or other negotiated a brilliant shot was frequently heard—a proof that the innovation was immensely enjoyed, and it is worthy of record that every spectator, and there were always excellent houses, kept his seat until the final stroke.

Apart from the match at Thurston's there was no game of outstanding importance played during the week. Stevenson has been touring in Lancashire, and, as is usual with this brilliant and consistent artist, has been delighting everyone with his wonderful play. On Tuesday he was at Oldham (the scene of the two "over 500" breaks in one day feat); on Wednesday, he went over to the neighbouring town of Bury to see what progress his pupil, Master Tom Tothill, was making; then he wound up the week by playing W. Cook at Preston, and presenting him with a start of 1,500 in a game of 4,500, trounced the nursery cannon champion by over 800 points, in addition to making two superb breaks of over 400. It in worth mentioning that, so far this season, Stevenson has won every game he has taken part in.

Messers. Burroughes and Watts must feel highly gratified at the success of their venture in introducing to the public two lady players of exceptional promise. Although Madam Strebor and Miss Eva Collins have evidently something to learn in regard to the finer points of the game, they may be said to have realised expectations during the past week. During most of the six days they were so palpably nervous that it would be doing the ladies an injustice to be over critical regarding their performances. And as they have yet another week's engagement to fulfil, I will defer extended criticism until next Monday. Meantime I may say that both ladies are most interesting to watch, and each succeeding day's play is such an improvement on that immediately preceding that I am fairly confident they will make at least a half-century break during the week. At present Madam Strebor holds the honour of having compiled the biggest break (41), and in addition has made several others between 30 and 40; while Miss Collins' best has been 36. However, if I were asked to tip the ultimate winner of the series of games I should say, "Miss Collins."

Dawson's extra fine play enables him to make a further upward move in the interesting table below. During the week he made eighteen breaks of over 100, six over 200, and four over 300—totalling by these means no fewer than 5,122 points, and now averaging 53·22, as against 51·78 in the previous week. The popular amateur ex-champion, Walter Lovejoy, has also been going great guns in this respect, and by the aid of thirteen breaks of over 100, two over 200, and one over 300, in five days' play, increases his average to the excellent one of 39·44. The other changes in the tables call for no particular comment, the figures speaking for themselves. Appended are the tables:—

THREE-FIGURE BREAKS TO DATE.

	100 and over.	200 and over.	300 and over.	400 and over.	500 and over.	Total.	Actual pts. scored.	Aver.
E. Diggle ...	38	12	3	0	0	53	16,000	57·73
H. W. Stevenson*	90	16	6	0	2	114	36,000	54·34
C. Dawson ...	67	19	6	1	1	94	32,110	53·22
M. Inman ...	87	12	2	1	0	102	35,866	44·54
C. Harverson ...	84	11	1	0	0	96	34,536	41·81
W. A. Lovejoy ...	54	6	3	2	0	65	27,074	39·44
W. Cook* ...	29	6	2	0	0	37	18,351	32·37
T. Reece ...	12	1	0	0	0	13	7,321	24·72
W. Mitchell ...	21	2	1	0	0	24	14,011	24·39
W. Osborne ...	13	2	0	0	0	15	9,285	23·43
G. Nelson ...	6	0	0	0	0	6	7,000	10·31
A. Taylor ...	1	0	0	0	0	1	4,599	3·32

* Compiled to October 20 only.

Note.—The final column gives the percentage of points scored by the agency of three-figure breaks.

RECORD OF MATCHES TO DATE.

	P.	W.	L.	Possible Points.	Actually scored.	Per-centage.
H. W. Stevenson ...	4	4	0	40,500	40,500	100·00
E. Diggle... ...	1	1	0	16,000	16,000	100·00
G. Nelson... ...	1	1	0	7,000	7,000	100·00
M. Inman ...	3	2	1	37,250	35,866	96·28
C. Harverson ...	3	1	2	36,000	34,536	95·93
*W. A. Lovejoy ...	4	2	2	28 850	27,074	93·84
W. Cook	4	1	3	22 000	20,488	93·12
T. Reece	1	0	1	8,000	7,321	91·51
C. Dawson ...	4	3	1	36,000	32,110	89·19
W. Osborne ...	2	0	2	12 000	9,285	77·37
A. Taylor... ...	1	0	1	7,000	4,599	65·70
*W. Mitchell ...	2	0	2	21,600	14,011	64·86

Note.—The average column shows percentage of possible points scored.

* Last week's series of games reckoned as one game of 5,600 up level.

Fancy fairs are much favoured in Paris. While at one of these functions, Baron James de Rothschild walked along, chatting pleasantly to the stall-holders.

"Well, my dears," he said to one group, "what can I do for you?"

"Give us your autograph, baron," a pretty girl told him.

"Certainly," responded the gallant nobleman, "if you will preface it with an agreeable sentiment."

Without a moment's hesitation the fair one wrote, "I hereby give to——Charity 10,000 francs," which the millionaire smilingly signed, and the amount was duly credited to the cause mentioned.

Hunting.

THE MADRAS HUNT.

THE OPENING MEET OF THE SEASON.

MADRAS, *12th November.*—The opening meet of the season was held yesterday when Mr. W. O. Horne, I. C. S., the new Master, met a large field of 40 riders at Velacheri, among those out being Messrs. Gibson and Torrie (Whips), Mrs. Horne, Major and Mrs. Thomas, Mr. and Mrs. Porteous, Miss Clarke, Miss Tomlin, Messrs. Score-Smyth, Dove-Wilson, H. A. Owen, R. Simpson, Fleming, Coles, Deane, Oakes, Captains Duff, and the Hon'ble H. C. Vane and many others. The usual cover on Velacheri plain was drawn blank and a move was then made for the Fox Hill covers, where hounds spoke to a line in the Camarina plantation at the summit and slowly worked it out, two jacks being viewed away shortly after, one breaking out and taking a line towards Pallaveram. Hounds were quickly put on to his line, but the run that followed was disappointing though it ended in a kill. The going was heavy after the previous heavy rain and the jack, though a game straight-necked one, had no chance, hounds running into him and bowling him over after a run of about two miles. Mrs. Thomas, who was the first lady up received the brush. After drawing back over Fox Hill and trying, without success, for the other jack, a move was made for home, nothing else being done. The season has opened auspiciously, hounds being blooded at their first meet. It is to be hoped, however, that the season will prove as successful as some of its successors and that hunting will show the way to other sports in Madras, which at present seem to be sharing the prevailing gloom.

The next meet of the Hounds will be on Wednesday at the Saidapet Level Crossing, but unless the weather clears and the storm now threatening passes away, the going will be again heavy.

MADRAS, *15th November.*—Hounds met yesterday morning at the Saidapet Level Crossing when a good average field of five and twenty turned out. The morning was cloudy, but scent was indifferent. The Master first drew the usual guava topes near the Adyar and then worked towards the Mount, without much luck, though several jacks were about. Finally a big 'un was put up in some cultivation but hounds were early at fault and he doubled back and lay up in the jungle on the river bank. Hounds were collected and taken to the Butts Plain where the far covert proved blank, but on the far side of the river hounds acknowledged a line which they puzzled out for some time, but the jack was apparently a ringing customer and was finally lost. Nothing could be done on such a morning and hounds were taken home. The next Meet will be at St. Thomas' Mount on Saturday next, the 17th instant. As it is a public holiday there should be a large field out. The officers of the R. A. will be at home at Breakfast to the Field after the Meet.

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THE MEERUT TOURNAMENT.

FIRST ROUND.

THE Tournament began on the 12th instant, when four games in the first round were played off. There was a big attendance and the Royal Irish Rifles were "At Home."

31ST LANCERS *vs.* COLONEL MACAN'S TEAM.—A close game, the Lancers eventually winning by 3 goals and 3 subsidiaries to 1 goal 1 subsidiary. Teams:—

31st Lancers.			Colonel Macan's Team.		
Mr. J. F. H. Anderson	...	1	Capt. Lee	...	1
Mr. A. S. Hay...	...	2	Col. Macan	...	2
Mr. Willis ..	...	3	Capt. Buist	...	3
Capt. W. P. Bannerman	(*back*)		Capt. Fuson	...	(*back*)

Umpires:—Colonel Strange and Mr. Bryant.

17TH LANCERS "A" *vs.* 17TH LANCERS "C."—A fast game in which the "A" team showed better form than their opponents. "A" won by 4 goals and 2 subsidiaries to 1 goal 2 subsidiaries. Teams:—

"A" Team.			"C" Team.		
Mr. L. S. Platt...	...	1	Mr. E. Sopper ...	...	1
Capt. T. P. Melville	...	2	Capt. R. J. W. Carden	...	2
Mr. C. Lockett	...	3	Capt. D. H. Talbot	...	3
Capt. A. F. Fletcher	(*back*)		Mr. J. Lyne Evans		(*back*)

5TH CAVALRY *vs.* MEERUT GYMKHANA.—A fairly even game till half way through when the Gymkhana ran away from the Cavalry and piling up their score won by 7 goals and 2 subsidiaries to 1 goal 2 subsidiaries. Teams:—

5th Cavalry.			Gymkhana.		
Mr. Gale ...	...	1	Mr. Saunders (R. I. Rifles)		1
Mr. A. B. Skinner	...	2	Mr. Adams (I. C. S.)	...	0
Mr. H. B. Nutting	...	3	Major Cameron (R. G. A.)		3
Mr. L. G. Williams	(*back*)		Col. Phayre (Divisional Staff)		(*back.*)

17TH LANCERS "B" *vs.* ROYAL IRISH RIFLES.—Well contested throughout. The Lancers led till the fourth period when, the Riflemen, scoring fast, took the lead and won by 4 goals and 5 subsidiaries to 4 goals. Teams:—

17th Lancers "B"			R. I. Rifles.		
Mr. G. H. Rhodes	...	1	Mr. W. M. Lanyon	...	1
Capt. R. D. Fisher	...	2	Major L. H. Noblett	...	2
Capt. B. Gourand	...	3	Mr. H. B. Goodman	...	3
Col. B. P. Portal	(*back*)		Capt. H. R. Charley		(*back*)

SEMI-FINALS.

31ST LANCERS *vs.* GYMKHANA.—Played on the 14th November, a well contested game resulting in a win for the Gymkhana by 3 goals 3 subsidiaries to 2 goals 1 subsidiary.

First Chukker.—Play in midfield, save when the Lancers got away and hit a minor point.

Second Chukker.—The Lancers were forced to defend, but the Gymkhana could not get through.

Third Chukker.—Fast up and down play. No score.

Fourth Chukker.—The Lancers scored two goals.

Fifth Chukker.—The Gymkhana asserted themselves and scoring 3 goals and 3 subsidiaries, won as stated.

Teams as before.

17TH LANCERS "A" *vs.* ROYAL IRISH RIFLES.—The second game in the semi-finals provided an excellent match. There was nothing to choose between the teams and the Lancers just won by a single subsidiary.

First Chukker.—The Rifles opened by hitting a goal and the Lancers put on a subsidiary.

Second Chukker.—The Rifles again attacked and scored a goal the Lancers replying with a similar score shortly afterwards.

Third Chukker.—An exciting period. The Lancers hit a goal and followed it up with a subsidiary, but before the close of the chukker the Rifles regained the lead by scoring a goal.

Fourth Chukker.—A subsidiary to the Rifles who were also awarded a free hit for a foul. They failed to turn this to account.

Fifth Chukker.—A goal was scored by the Rifles. Then a free hit for offside gave the Lancers an opportunity but they did not profit by it. Shortly after, however, they hit a goal and after a spell of play in midfield they got away and putting the ball through once more won the game by 4 goal 2 subsidiaries to 4 goals 1 subsidiary. Teams as before.

FINAL.

17TH LANCERS *vs.* MEERUT GYMKHANA.—The tournament concluded on the 16th instant before a large crowd of spectators. The ground was in perfect order and a fast and well contested game ended in a win for the Lancers.

First Chukker.—After a spell of play in the Gymkhana ground the Lancers' territory was invaded and a subsidiary scored. Both goals were next visited in turn.

Second Chukker.—Both teams tried hard to score, but without success—a level period.

Third Chukker.—The Lancers pressed and after Colonel Phayre had saved on more than one occasion they got through and hit a goal, following it up with a minor point shortly after.

Fourth Chukker.—An attack by the Gymkhana was stopped and the Lancers running down hit another goal, a minor point being added on changing ends.

Fifth Chukker.—Even play; both teams attacking in turn—no further points made. *Final score:* 17th Lancers, 2 goals 2 subsidiaries; Meerut Gymkhana, 1 subsidiary. Mrs. Henry presented the Cup to the winners. Teams as before.

Racing.

THE VICEROY'S CUP HORSES AND THEIR PERFORMANCES.

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CONTEST.

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AUSTRALIAN PERFORMANCES.

Moorefield. 9th Mar. '01. Two-Year-Old Hcp. £73 4*s.* 5f. 7-10. Unplaced. 1-6½. *Rosehill* 16th Mar. '01. Nursery Hcp. £70. 5f. 6-11. Unplaced. 1 3½. 23rd Mar. '01. Granville Stks. £60. 6f. 6-10. Unplaced. 1-17½. *A. J. C.* Two-Year-Old Maiden Stks. £230. 7f. 8-0. Unplaced. 1-29½. *Canterbury Park.* 19th Apr. '02. Park Stks. £81 12*s.* 6f. 6-12. Unplaced. 1-16½. *Warwick Farm.* 26th Apr. '02. Stewards' Mile. £64. 7-7. Unplaced. 1-45½. *Rosehill.* 10th May '02. Granville Stks. £60. 6f. 7-5. Unplaced. 1-24½. *A. J. C.* 31st May '02. Novice Hcp. £126. 1m. 7-2. Unplaced. 1-42. *Moorefield.* 28th June '02 Kogarah Stks. £81 16*s.* 6f. 7-9. Unplaced. 1-20. Welter. £80 8*s.* 6f. 9-0. Unplaced. 1-20½. *Rosehill.* 26th July '02. Flying Welter. £72 10*s.* 6f. 9-4. Second. 1-19½. *Moorfield.* 4th Aug. '02. Welter. £74 8*s.* 6f. 9-9. Third. 1-20. *Rosehill.* 16th Aug. '02. Clyde Hcp. £78½. 6½f. 8-0. Unplaced. 1-28. *A. J. C.* 8th Sept. '02. Shorts Hcp. £382. 6f. 7-11. Unplaced. 1 16. 13th Sept. '02. High Weight Hcp. £335. 6f. 9-9 Unplaced. 1-16. *Rosehill* 11th Oct. '02. Clyde Hcp. £75. 6f. 7-13. Unplaced. 1-16½. Paramatta Mile. £81½. 1m. 9-6. Third. 1-44½. *Warwick Farm.* Welter Mile. £61. 9-4. Unplaced. 1-46. *Canterbury Park.* 1st Nov. '02. Canterbury Hcp. £120. 1¼m. 8-0. First. 2-16½. *Warwick Farm.* 10th Jan. '03. Warwick Hcp. £114. 1m. 2½f. 8-6. Unplaced. 2-18. *Rosehill.* 17th Jan. '03. Paramatta Mile. £71½. 9-12. First. 1-44½. *Sydney T. C.* 24th Jan. '03. Turf Club Hcp. £124 1¼m. 8-8. Second. 2-10. 26th Jan. '03. Farewell Hcp £118. 1m. 9-12. Second. 1-42½. *Moorefield.* 7th Feb. '03. Moorefield Hcp. £118. 1¼m. 9-8. Unplaced. 2-11. *Rosehill.* 21st Feb. '03. Paramatta Mile. £71½. 10-10. First. 1-44½. *A. J. C.* 11th Apr. '03. Doncaster Hcp. £1,604. 1m. 8-0. Unplaced. 1-41½. 15th Apr. '03. Welter Hcp. £396. 1m. 10-12. Third. 1-42½. 18th Apr. '03. Final Hcp. £490. 1¼m. 8-5. Fourth. 2-7½. *Q. T. C* 23rd May '03. Queen's Plate. £150. 1½. 9-0. Third. 2-9½. 30th May '03. Epsom Hcp. £100. 1m. 9-5. Unplaced 1-43½. Moreton Hcp. £250. 1¼m. 9-6. Unplaced. 1-42½. *Logan and Albert J. C.* 19th June '03. Town Plate. 7-3. Third. *Sydney Tatt's.* 1st Jan. '04. Northcote Hcp. £124. 1¼m. 8-12. Unplaced. 2-7½. *Canterbury Park.* 16th Jan. '04. Canterbury Hcp. £110. 1¼m. 8-12. Second. 2-12½. *Sydney T. C.* 26th Jan. '04. Farewell Hcp. £120. 1m. 10-6. Unplaced. 1-41 *Rosehill.* 13th Feb '04. Rosehill Hcp. £112. 1m. 3f. 8-12. Second. 2-25. *Warwick Farm.* 27th Feb. '04. Flying Mile. £59. 9-3. Unplaced. 1-44½. *Rosehill.* 12th Mar. '04. March Stks. £80. 1m. 8-8. First. 1-42½. *A. J. C.* 2nd Apr. '04. Doncaster Hcp. £1,643. 1m. 8-4. Second. 1-43½. 9th Apr. '04. Final Hcp. £391. 1¼m. 9-8 Unplaced. 2-10½. *Q. T. C.* 21st May '04. Queen's Plate. £150 1¼m. 9-1. Third. 2-9½. 24th May '04. Cleveland Hcp. £100 9f. 9-5. First. 1-55½. 28th May '04. Royal Stks. £150. 9f. 9-1. Third. 2-0½. *Warwick Farm.* 29th July '04. Flying Mile. £62. 1m. 9-3. Unplaced. 1-47. 1st Aug. '04. Flying Mile. £64. 9-8. Unplaced. 1-44. *Rosehill.* 20th Aug. '04. August Stks. £86½. 1m 9-5. Third. 1-46½. *A. J. C.* 10th Sept. '04. Epsom Hcp. £1,698. 1m. 8-12. First. 1-39½. 14th Sept. '04. Wycombe Stks. £359. 1m. 3f. 9-4. Unplaced. 2-22½. 17th Sept. '04. Final Hcp. £380. 1¼m. 9-9. Unplaced. 2-7.

INDIAN PERFORMANCES.

Calcutta Third Extra. 16th Dec. '05. Fort Plate. Rs. 970. 5f. 9-10. Second. 1-3. *Calcutta First Meeting.* 23rd Dec. '05. The Trials. Rs. 6,875. 1m. 9-9. Fourth. 1-41½. 26th Dec. '05. Calcutta Plate. Rs. 2,925. 7f. 8-13. Third. 1-28½. *Calcutta Second Meeting.* 20th Jan. '06. Merchants' Plate. Rs. 4,880. 1¼m. 7-3. Unplaced. 2-34½.

THE MASTER.

br c by Projectile—Housemaid.

AUSTRALIAN PERFORMANCES.

Q. T. C. 17th Oct. '03. Debutant Stks. £70. 4f. 8-0. Unplaced. 5½. 7th Nov. '03. Hopeful Stks. £350. 5f. 8-0. Unplaced. 1-3½. 26th Dec. '03. Juvenile Hcp. £75. 6f. 8-0. Unplaced. 1-19. *Brisbane J. C.* 20th Jan. '04. Trial Hcp. £15. 5f. 8-0. Unplaced. 1-7½. 30th Jan. '04. Trial Hcp. £15. 5f. 7-7. First. 1-6½. 27th Feb. '04. Novice Hcp. £20. 5f. 8-5. Unplaced. 1-6½. *Q. T. C.* 17th Mar. '04. T. Y. O. Hcp. £75. 6f. 7-5. Unplaced. 1-16½. *Brisbane Tatt's.* 26th Mar. '04. Trial Hcp. £15. 5f. 7-3. Third. 1-5½. 4th June '04. Trial Hcp. £30. 6f. 7-2. Left at post. 1-18. *Brisbane J. C.* 11th June '04. Novice Hcp. £20. 5f. 7-13. Unplaced. 1-7. 18th June '04. Graduation Hcp. £20. 6f. 8-1. Second. 1-20. Novice Hcp. £20. 5f. 7-12. Unplaced. 1-6½. 2nd July '04. Graduation Hcp. £20. 6f. First. 1-20½. *Ipswich.* 30th July '04. Novice Hcp. £20. 6f. 8-2. Second. 1-22½. *Q. T. C.* 12th Aug. '04. First Novice Hcp. £75. 1m. and dist. 7-12. Unplaced. 1-58. *Brisbane J. C.* 10th Sept. '04. Flying Hcp. £20. 6f. 7-12. Second. 1-19½. 14th Sept. '04. Welter Hcp. £15. 6½f. 9-0. First. 1-28. *Brisbane Tatt's.* 24th Sept. '04. Novice Hcp. £30. 7f. 8-4. Unplaced. 1-31½. *Q. T. C.* 30th Jan. '05. Trial Hcp. £50. 6f. 8-4. Unplaced. 1-15½. *Brisbane J. C.* 11th Mar. '05. Graduation Hcp. £15. 6f. 8-5. Unplaced. 1-19½. *Q. T. C.* 17th Mar. '05. Trial Hcp. £60. 6f. 8-5. Second. 1-16½. 18th Mar. '05. Second Novice Hcp. £70. 1m. 8-5. Unplaced. 1-44½. *Brisbane J. C.* 19th Apl. '05. Park Hcp. £25. 1m 7-10. First. 1-45½. *Q. T. C.* 24th Apl. '05. Pace Welter Hcp. £70. 7f. 9-13. Unplaced. 1-31½. Second. Novices Hcp. £60. 1m. 9-4. First. 1-44½. 1st May '05. May Day Cup £150. 1¼m. 8-5. Unplaced. 2-36½. *Brisbane J. C.*

6th May '05. Park Hcp. £30. 1m. 9-0. First. 1-47½. 20th May '05. Park Hcp. £30. 1m. 9-0. First 1-47½. *Q. T. C.* 27th May '05. St. Leger Stks. £310. 1m. 6f. 132yds., 8-10. First. 3-24. 29th May '05. Brisbane Cup £400. 2m. 8-3. Unplaced 3-2 3rd June '05. Moreton Hcp. £250. 1¼m. 8-8. First. 2-8½. *Brisbane Tatt's.* 10th June '05. Tattersall's Hcp. £100. 1¼m. 9-2. First. 2-10. *Q. T. C.* 15th July '05. July Hcp. £115. 1¼m. 9-8. Second. 2-10. 5th Aug. '05. Exhibition Hcp. £150. 1¼m. 9-10. First. 2-40½. 12th Aug. '05. Q. T. C. Hcp. £125. 1¼m. 10-7. Second. 2-10. *Brisbane Tatt's.* 19th Aug '05. Tattersall's Hcp. £100. 1¼m. 10-9. Unplaced. 2-11. 21st Oct '05. Final. Hcp. £60. 1m. 10-4. Unplaced. 1-42½. *Ipswich J. C.* 28th Oct. '05. Jockey Club Hcp. £35. 9-10. Third. 1-59½. *Q. T. C.* 11th Nov. '05. King's Cup (Hcp.) £250. 1¼m. 9-11. Third. 2-37½. 13th Nov. '05. Southport Hcp. £200 1¼m. 9-12. Unplaced. 2-9½. 2nd Dec. '05. Spring Stks. £150. 1¼m. 9-0. Third. 2-14½. 9th Dec. '05. Queensland Cup (Hcp.) 400. 2m. 9-9. Unplaced. 3-35½. 11th Dec. '05. Sandgate (Hcp) £250. 1¼m. 9-11. Second. 2-9½. Stanley Plate. £150. 1m. 3f. 9-0. Second. 2 22. 26th Dec. '05. Newmarket Hcp. £175. 1¼m. 9-12. Second. 2-36½. 1st Jan. '06. Midsummer (Hcp). £150. 1¼m. 10-0. Unplaced. 2 16¼ 27th Jan. '06. January (Hcp). £115. 1¼m. 9-11. First. 2-13½.

AMPLIFY.

ch e m by Amphion—Barcaldine Pride.

ENGLISH PERFORMANCES.

Northampton. 10th Apr '02 Kelmarsh Plate. £100. 5f. 8-9. Second. *Derby.* 18th Apr. '02. Elvaston Castle Selling Plate £100. 5f. 8-7. Unplaced. 1-6½. *Redcar* 20th May '02. Juvenile Selling Plate £100. 5f. 8-6. Unplaced. *Yarmouth.* 18th Sept. '02. Gorleston Selling Nursery Hcp. £100. 5f. 8-4 Unplaced. *Leicester.* 8th Oct. '02 Midland Auction Nursery Hcp. £190. 5f 6-12. Unplaced. *Lingfield Park.* 18th Oct. '02. Cage Selling Nursery Hcp. £100. 5f. 8-9. First. 1-5½. *Wolverhampton.* 20th Oct. '02. Netherton Nursery Hcp. Plate. £100. 5f. 7-8. First. *Lingfield.* 5th Nov. '02. Lawn Selling Plate. £100. 5f. 8-11. Third. *Liverpool.* 8th Nov '02. Bidstone Plate. £141. 7f. 6-12. First. *Derby.* 14th Nov. '02. Foston Selling Plate. £144. 1¼m. 6-8. Second. *Warwick.* 17th Nov. '02. Stratford Welter Plate. £142. 1m. 6-6. Unplaced

INDIAN PERFORMANCES.

Calcutta. 16th Jan. '04. January Plate. Rs. 1,000. 6f. 8-0. First 1 16½. *Lucknow.* 4th Feb. '04. Calcutta Plate. Rs. 1,000. 1m. 9 12. First. 1-45 *Calcutta.* 29th Dec. '04. Sandown Park Plate Rs. 3,500. 5f. 8-6. Second. 1-1. 14th Jan. '05. The Metropolitan Rs. 7,000. 6f. 9 0. Second. 1 16½. *Bombay.* 15th Feb. '05 Exeter Plate. Rs. 3 000. 7f. 9-2. Unplaced. 1-29½. 18th Feb. '05. Grand Western Hcp. £7,000 9f. 8-13. First. 1-57. 22nd Feb. 05. Flying Plate. Rs. 2,000. 5f. 9-4. Third 1-1½ 25th Feb. 05. Byculla Club Cup. Rs. 7 000. 1m. 5f. 9-11. Unplaced. 2-55. *Lucknow Autumn.* 3rd Nov. 05. November Plate Rs. 665. 6f. 9-8. Third.

SALOON.

br eb h by Ringmaster—Virago.

INDIAN PERFORMANCES.

Lucknow Autumn. 25th Nov. '02. Medium Plate. Rs. 190. 4m. 9-7. First. 53½. *Lucknow Spring.* 5th Feb. '03. Civil Service Cup. Rs. 4,500 6f 8-10. Unplaced. 1-20. *Poona.* 1st Oct.' 03. erchants' Cup. Rs. 1,355. 1m. 9-7. Unplaced. 1 55½. 26th Sep. '04. Breeders' Plate. Rs. 965. 6f. 10-5. First. 1-18. 1st Oct. '04. Turf Club Cup. Rs. 965. 1m. 10 13. First. 1-49½. *Calcutta First Extra.* 13th Dec '04. Criterion Plate. Rs. 875. 6f. 8-0. Unplaced. 1-17½. *Bombay.* 25th Feb. '05. Champion Plate. Rs. 1360. 1m. 11 3. Unplaced. 1-17. *Calcutta First Extra.* 2nd Dec. '1 . Criterion Plate. Rs. 970. 6f. 7-6. First. *Calcutta Second Extra* 9th Dec. '05 December Plate. Rs. 970. 1m. 9-13. First. 1-43½. *Calcutta Third Extra.* 16th Dec. '05. Wellesley Plate Rs. 970. 1¼m. 6-10. Second. 2-11¼. *Calcutta Fourth Extra.* 17th Jan. '06. Sealdah Plate. Rs. 970. 1m. 9-2. First. 1-43¾

SPERO.

b g by Grafton—Esperance.

AUSTRALIAN PERFORMANCES.

Moorefield. 21st Mar '04. Welter Hcp. £75,12s. 6f. 8-7. Unplaced. 1-20. *Hawkesbury* 2nd July '04. Welter Hcp. £58. 1m. 7-7. Unplaced. 1-44. *Rosehill.* 13th July '04. Winter Stks. £70. 1m. 7-7. Unplaced. 1-53½. 20th Aug. '04 Flying Welter Hcp. £77. 6½f. 8-7. Unplaced. 1 27¼. *Sydney Tatts.* 27th Aug '04. Welter Hcp. £138. 1m. 7-7 Unplaced. 1-41¼. *Hawkesbury R. C* 3rd Sept. '04. High Weight Hcp. £61. 1m. 7-7. Unplaced. 1-44½. *A. J. C.* 17th Sept. '04. High Weight Hcp. £351. 6f 8-7. Unplaced. 1-14. *Sydney Tatts.* 31st Dec. '04. Race Welter Hcp. £112. 1m. 8-0. Unplaced 1-41½. *Rosehill.* 21st Jan '05. Carlingford Mile Hcp. £66. 5f. 7-7. First. 1-44. *Sydney J C.* 28th Jan. '05. Welter Hcp. £114 1m. 8-9. Unplaced. 1-41¼. *Rosehill.* 18th Feb. '05. Parramatta Mile Hcp. £73 15s. 8-0. Third. 1-44½. 25th Mar '05. Parramatta Mile Hcp. £68. 15s 8-6. Third. 1-47 1st Apl. '05. Carlingford Mile Hcp. £77s. 7-12. Unplaced. 1-43¼. *Broken Hill J C.* 19th July '05 District Hcp. £30. 1m. 9-10. Second. 1-47½. Broken Hill Cup Hcp. £150. 1¼m. 8-0. Fourth. 2-11½ 22nd July '05. District Hcp. £30. 7f. 10-0. First. 1-35. 26th July '05. Silver City Cup £15 . 1¼m. 8-6. Second. 2 11½. *South Broken Hill.* 2nd Aug '05. South Broken Hill Hcp. £5 . 9f 9-5. Unplaced. 1-58. *Adelaide.* 12th Aug. '05. Mayo's Mile Hcp. £100. 8 3. Unplaced. 1 45½. *Adelaide R. C.* 19th Aug. '05. Mitcham Welter Hcp. £102 1m. 9-12. Unplaced. 1-43¾. *S. A. J. C.* 1st Sept. '05. Glenelg Hcp. £100. 1¼m 8-1. Third. 2 12 Stuart Hcp £10 . 7f. 8-2. Unplaced. 1 31¼. 9th Sept. '05. Welter Hcp. £100. 7f. 9-12. Unplaced. 1-31¼. *Port Adelaide.* 16th Sept. '05. Spring Hcp. £100. 1m. 8-4. First 1-43¾. *South Australian Tatt's.* 30th Sept. '05. September Hcp. £100 1¼m. 8-11. Unplaced. 2-16½. *Adelaide H C* 7th Oct. '05. Bakewell Hcp. £90. 1m 9-0. Unplaced. 1-43¼. *Port Adelaide R C.* 28th Oct. '05. October Hcp. £100. 1m 8-12. Fourth 1-45. *S. A. Tatts.* 25th Nov. '05. November Hcp. £75. 1¼m. 9-0. Third. 2-13½. *Port Adelaide.* 26th Dec. '05. Christmas Hcp. £100. 1m. 9-0. Second. 1-45¼. Welter Hcp. £50 1m. 10-5 Third. 1-47½. *S. A. J. C.* 1st Jan. '06. New Year's Gift Hcp. £125. 1¼m. 9-0. Unplaced. 2-15. *Adelaide R. C* 22nd Jan. '06 Unley Welter. £100. 7f. 1 5 Unplaced. 1-31. King's Accession Hcp. £125. 1¼m. 8-8. Unplaced. 2-13½.

ROSANULE.

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ENGLISH PERFORMANCES.

Liverpool 31st May '04. Stand Welter S. Hcp.) £186 1m. 3f. 9-9. Second *Curragh* 26th Apl '05. Citizens Hcp. £101. 1m. 4f. 6-8. Unplaced. 27th Apl '05 Welter Hcp. £50. 1m. 4f. 10-7. First. *Phœnix Park.* 13th May '05. Kilbride Hcp) £92. 1m. 1f. 100yds. 8-10. Second *Metropolitan* (*Baldoyle.* 13th June '05. Stewards Hcp. £136. 1m 1f. 50yds. 7-7. Second. *Manchester* 16th June '05 Derby S. Hcp. £196. 1m. 8-10. Unplaced. *Curragh.* 7th June '05. Lawn S. Plate £100. 1m. 8-4. Second. 28th June '05. Parade Hcp. £93. 1m. 8-2. Unplaced. *Curragh.* 25th July '05 Visitors' Welter Hcp. £71. 1m. 2f. 11-5 First. *Leopardstown.* 19th Aug. '05 Lawn Hcp. £92. 1m 8-6 Second. *Phœnix Park.* 25th Aug. 05. Clonsilla Hcp. £92. 1m. 1f. 100yds. 9 7. Second 26th Aug '05. Kite Welter Hcp. £92. 1m. 8f. 15 yds. 11-3 First. *Curragh.* 5th Sept. '05. Apprentices Plate. £93. 1m 8-10. Unplaced. 6th Sept. '05. Members' Hcp. £92 1m. 1f. 7-11. First. *Metropolitan* (Baldoyle) Stewards' Hcp. £88 1m 1f. 50yds. 8-8. First. *Leopardstown.* 3rd Nov. '05. Dublin Plate. £19. 1m. 9 6. Unplaced. *Liverpool.* 10th Nov. '05. Liverpool Autumn Cup. (Hcp.) £1075. 1m. 3f. 7-4. Unplaced. 31st Mar. '06. Spring Cup Course S. Hcp. £230. 1m. 3f. 8-10. Unplaced. *Curragh* 18th Apr. '06 Wellington Hcp. £175. 1m. 2f. 9-0. Unplaced. 19th Apr. '06. Regulation Hcp. £68. 1m. 9-0. First. *Leopardstown.* 27th Apr. '06. April Hcp. £92. 1m. 9-9. First 28th Apr. '06. Newtown Plate £175. 1m. 9-11. Unplaced. *Kempton Park.* 2nd June '06. Kingston Hcp. £130. 8-7. Unplaced *Curragh* 27th June '06. Parade Hcp. £93. 1m. 9-0 Unplaced.

CLEAR ARTIST.

b or br g by Velasquez—Simplify.

ENGLISH PERFORMANCES.

Curragh. 28th June '04. Waterford Testimonial Stks. £258. 5f. 8-3. Unplaced. *Baldoyle* 1st Aug. '04. Seaside Plate (Hcp.) £88. 5f. 8-4. Unplaced. *Leopardstown.* 22nd Aug. '04. Midsummer Plate. £279. 5f. 8 2. Unplaced. *Curragh.* 29th Oct. '04. October Plate. £97. 5f. 8-2. Unplaced. *Phœnix Park.* 8th Apr '05. Maiden Plate £92. 1m. 1f. 100yds. 8-11. Unplaced. *Birr.* 28th Apl '05. Committee Plate. £22. 10s. 1m. 2f. 9 3 First. *Limerick.* 2nd May '05. April Hcp. £44. 6f. 9-5. Unplaced. 3rd May '05. Shannon Hcp. £68. 1m. 1f. 9-2. First. *Clonmel* 9th May '05. Stand Hcp. £29. 10s. 7f. 11-8 First. *Cork Park.* 23rd May '05. Tivoli Hcp. £45. 10s. 1m. 2f. 185yds. 8-0. Unplaced. *Charleville.* 25th May '05. Subscribers' Hcp. £34. 1m. 2f. 11-7. Unplaced *Metropolitan* (Baldoyle). 13th June '05. Stewards Hcp. £136. Park 1m. 1f. 50yds. 8-2. Unplaced. *Sandown Park.* 27th Oct. '05. Selling. £192. 1m. 7-11. Unplaced. *Newport.* 9th Nov. '05 Ruperra 3-Y.-O. Hurdle. £36. 1m 4f. 10-4. Unplaced. *Cardiff* 15th Nov. '05. Tredegar. 3-Y.-O Hurdle. £36 1m. 4f. 10-7. Unplaced. *Warwick.* 22nd Nov. '05 Guy Welter Hcp. £190. 1m. 3f 7-7. Unplaced. *Folkeston.* 14th Dec. '05 3-Y.-O. Hurdle Hcp. £52. 1m. 4f. 10-13. Second. *Lingfield.* 15th Dec. '05. Ashdown Juvenile Hurdle. £62 1m. 4f. 10-7. Fourth. *Windsor.* 23rd Jan. '05. Slough Hcp. Hurdle. £62 2m. 10-8 Third. *Liverpool.* 30th Mar. '06. Stand Selling Welter (Hcp.) £141. 1m. 4f. 9 7 First. *Sandown Park.* 27th Apl. '06. Guildford Hcp £176. 1m. 4f. 6-12 First. *Lingfield.* 30th Apl. '06. Felbridge Welter Hcp. £210. 1m. 4f. 9-0. Unplaced. *Salisbury.* 25th May '06. Salisbury Cup (Hcp.) £267. 1m. 4f. 6-12. Unplaced. *Lewes.* 14th June '06. Open Welter Hcp. £135. 1m. 4f. 10-12. Unplaced. *Bibury Club.* 10th July '06 Andover Stks. (Hcp.) £145. 2m. 10-8. Unplaced. 12th July '06. Alington Stks. (Hcp.) £171 1m. 4f 7-8. Unplaced. *Sandown Park.* 21st July '06. Surrey Selling Hcp. £191. 1m. 4f. 9-5. Unplaced.

SACRISTAN II.

ch e g by Marco—Sacristy.

INDIAN PERFORMANCES.

Calcutta First Extra. 10th Dec. '04. Maiden Horse Plate. Rs. 1,500. 7f. 7-6. Unplaced. 1-30½. *Calcutta* 31st Dec. '04. Holly Plate Rs 1,500. 5f. 6-13. Fourth. 1-3 *Lucknow Spring.* 7th Feb. '05. Stewards' Cup Rs. 3,500. 5f. 6-10. Unplaced. 1 2½. *Umballa Spring.* 14th Mar. '05. Trial Plate Rs. 350. 5f. 9-0. First. 1-4½. 16th Mar. '05. C. T. C. Plate Rs. 700. 1m. 7-6½. Third. 1-45 18th Mar. '05. Club Plate. Rs. 350. 6f. 8-9. Second. 1-18. *Poona Third Extra.* 12th Aug. '05. Midsummer Plate Rs. 500. 5f. 7-13. Fourth. 1-1½. *Poona Fourth Extra.* 19th Aug. '05. Old Stand Plate Rs. 500. 7f. 7-11. First. 1-33. *Poona.* 14th Sept. '05. Trial Plate Rs. 2,000. 1m. 7-4. Second. 1-45. 16th Sept. '05. Western India Stks. Rs. 7,000. 1½m. 7-6. Second. 2-11½. 21st Sept. '05. Ganeshkhind Plate Rs. 3,000. 6f. 8-1. First 1-16.

Lucknow Autumn. 23rd Nov. '05. November Plate Rs 665. 6f. 8-4. Unplaced. *Calcutta 2nd Extra.* 9th Dec '05. December. Plate. Rs. 970. 1m. 9-2 Fourth. 1-43½. *Calcutta Third Extra.* 16th Dec. '05. Wellesley Plate. Rs. 970. 1¼m. 9-0. Unplaced. 2-11¼. *Calcutta 1st Meeting.* 28th Dec. '05. Cooch Behar Cup Rs. 5910. 1¾m. 7-12. Fourth 2 8½. 30th Dec. '05. Chowringhee Plate. Rs. 2910. 6f. 8 8. First. 1-15½. *Calcutta 2nd Meeting.* 13th Jan. '06 The Metropolitan Rs. 6820. 6f. 9-4. First. 1 16. 20th Jan. '06. Hooghly Plate. Rs. 2940. 5f. 9-2. Second after D. H. with Manlock. 1-1½. *Bombay.* 14th Feb. '06. Exeter Plate. Rs. 2925. 7f. 9-3. Unplaced 1 28½. 17th Feb. '06. Grand Western Handicap. Rs. 6870. 9f. 8-10. Unplaced. 1-55¼. 21st Feb. '06. Mansfield Plate. Rs. 3900. 6f. 9-6. Unplaced. 1-15. 24th Feb. '06. Stand Plate. Rs. 1850. 6f. 9-11. Unplaced. 1-14.

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b e by Count Schomberg—Benedictine.

ENGLISH PERFORMANCES.

Leopardstown. 2nd June '05. Cadogan Plate. £271. 5f. 9-0. Unplaced. *Curragh.* 28th June '05. Nursery Plate. £118. 6f. 8-7. Unplaced. *Metropolitan.* (Baldoyle). 7th Aug. '05. Seaside Hcp. £88. 5f. 7-11. Unplaced. *Phœnix Park.* 7th Oct. '05. Clonmell Nursery Hcp. £186 1m. 6-13. First. *Curragh.* 24th Oct. '05. 6f. 60yds. 7-0. First. 18th Apl. '06. Wellington Hcp. £175. 1m. 2f. 7-4. First. *Leopardstown.* 27th Apl. '06. Newton Plate. £175. 1m. 8-7. Third. *Curragh.* 27th June '06. Irish Derby Stks. £783. 1m. 4f. 8-12. Second. 28th June '06. His Majesty's Plate. £311. 17s. 2m. 7-12. First. 25th July '06. His Majesty's Plate. £311. 17s. 2m. 9 0. First.

Athletics.

ST. XAVIER'S COLLEGE, CALCUTTA, ANNUAL MEETING.

Referee :—Lieut.-Col. Binning.
Judges :—Messrs. W. W. Bushby, G. O'B. Power and K. Hall.
Time Taker :—Mr. W. C. Burke.
Starter :—Mr. W. S. Burke.
Callers over :—Messrs. A Vaughan, L. Maguire and V. Fitzpatrick.

Saturday, 17th November 1906.

THE second annual athletic meeting held by St. Xavier's College this afternoon was as successful as their inaugural gathering last year. There was a large attendance ; Sir Francis Maclean presided in the absence of H. H. the Lieutenant-Governor, and Mrs. Rampini gave away the prizes. Everything went like clockwork, the events were kept well up to time and there were none of those long waits so prejudicial to the success of sporting fixtures of this class. The executive are to be congratulated on the excellence of the ground arrangements, the greatest keenness was displayed by the competitors, while the performances, considering, the state of the ground, which, however, shows much improvement on last year, were quite fair. S. de Silva put up a good performance ; he scored five firsts and a second and besides taking the Best Man's Cup, won the Hornets' Challenge Cup outright, by winning the quarter mile two years in succession. We were sorry to learn that Father Vandercheuren, to whose untiring efforts the success of the sports are in a great measure due, was unable to be present on the day, as he had rather overdone it at the running off of the heats and was indisposed. His place was, however, very ably filled by Father Harris. We append results :—

A DIVISION (over 16).

100 YARDS.—S. de Silva 1 ; A. Greene, 2 ; J. Owens, 3. Time—10½secs.

220 YARDS.—S. de Silva, 1 ; D. Terreiro 2 ; A. Manuel, 3. Time—25secs.

440 YARDS.—(The Hornet's Cup), S. de Silva, 1 ; A. Greene 2 ; D. Terreiro, 3. Time—62secs.

100 YARDS HURDLES.—S. de Silva, 1 ; J. Owens, 2 ; A. Merces, 3. Time—16secs.

LONG JUMP.—J. Owens 1 ; A. Manuel, 2 ; A. Merces, 3. 17 ft. 5 ins.

HIGH JUMP.—J. Owens, 1 ; S. de Silva, 2 ; A. Manuel, 3. 5ft. 2½ ins.

CATCHING THE CRICKET BALL.—J. Owens.

THROWING THE CRICKET BALL.—S. de Silva, 1 ; E. D'Cruz 2 ; E. Hudson, 3. 87yds. 2ft.

B DIVISION (between 16 and 14).

100 YARDS.—E. Hudson, 1 ; E. Lethorn, 2 ; A. Khundkar, 3. Time—11⅔secs.

220 YARDS.—H. Khundkhar, 1 ; E. Lethorn, 2 ; E. Hudson, 3.. Time—26½secs.

300 YARDS.—E. Hudson, 1 ; E. Lethorn, 2 ; N. Galestin, 3, Time—40secs.

LONG JUMP.—E. Hudson, 1 ; H. Khundkar, 2 ; F. David, 3. 16 feet.

HIGH JUMP.—E. Lethorn, 1 ; J. Mehta, 2 ; E. Hudson, 3.

C DIVISION (between 14 and 12).

100 YARDS.—G. Drouven, 1 ; B. Thomas, 2 ; J. Nicachi, 3, Time—12⅔secs.

220 YARDS.—E. Smith, 1 ; B. Thomas, 2 ; C. Jung, 3. Time—33secs.

KANGAROO RACE.—F. Lethorn, 1 ; E. Smith, 2 ; E. Dozey, 3.

OBSTACLE RACE.— Jung, 1 ; J. Concannon, 2 ; S. David, 3

D. DIVISION (under 12).

70 YARDS.—J. Greenway, 1 ; O. Merces, 2 ; L. Walsh, 3. Time—9⅘secs

150 YARDS.—J. Greenway, 1 ; L. Walsh, 2 ; O. Merces, 3. Time—21secs.

OBSTACLE RACE.—J. Greenway, 1 ; L. Walsh, 2 ; O. Merces, 3.

SACK RACE.—J. Greenway, 1 ; J. Smith, 2 ; M. Fischer, 3.

E. DIVISION (The Little Ones).

50 YARDS.—R. Palmer, 1 ; C. Small, 2 ; J. Stavridi, 3. Time—7½secs.

100 YARDS.—R. Sethna, 1 ; C. Small, 2 ; R. Palmer, 3. Time—14⅘secs.

OBSTACLE RACE.—A. Feda, 1 ; R. Palmer, 2 ; R. Sethna, 3.

HOOP RACE.—C. Small, 1 ; R. Joost, 2 ; J. Stavridi, 3.

OTHER EVENTS.

TEAM RACE (For Little Boys)—The Day Scholars beat the Boarders.

MINIMS RACE (Age Handicap)—L. Hill, 1 ; R. Franty, 2 ; H. Weskin 3

150 YARDS (C. D. and E. Division) R. Palmer, 1 ; R. Sethnar 2 ; C. Small, 3

MANUK CHALLENGE CUP (600 yards, Handicap)—Boys under 16 G. Drouven, 1 ; P. Sansoni, 2 ; H. Dozey, 3.

OLD BOYS' RACE (220 yards)—J. Pybus, 1 ; J. Stoddart, 2. Time—26secs.

TUG OF-WAR.—Boarders beat Day Scholars.

XAVERIAN CUP.—Presented to the best man. S. de Silva 22 pts.

Cricket.

CRICKET IN CALCUTTA.

C.C.C. *vs.* BALLYGUNGE C.C.—Thelfirst match of the season between these clubs was played in the Eden Gardens last week and resulted in an overwhelming victory for the visitors by no less than 245 runs on the first innings. Ballygunge had a strong side out, but Calcutta, without both Stewart and Curtis-Hayward, were very short of bowling : even so, however, their performance both in the field and with the bat was extremely disappointing, Ballygunge batted first, and B. A. White, the old Malvernian and their new captain, set a fine example to his men by scoring a really good century, while nearly all the succeeding Ballygunge batsmen also made runs freely against some indifferent bowling, of which Connor's and Beachcroft's was the best though we are led to expect better things from Simson on another occasion. When Calcutta went in they shaped very poorly with the bat also, and Warden's run out seemed to set things all askew, while another really good batsman in Turnbull, who was certainly not last but one in order of merit lost his wicket in the same way. The paltry total only amounted to 88 of which Hill, who made his runs well and stylishly, and was also by no means fortunate in the manner of his dismissal, compiled 31. Gould with five wickets for 45 and Manders with 3 for 41 did well with the ball, and the Ballygunge fielding was close and smart, a great improvement on that of their opponents. It is perhaps unfortunate that so good a game as this ought to be should be fixed for so early in the season, but we hope that for the return match the Calcutta club will get together a better side and give a vastly different exhibition of cricket. Full score and analysis :—

BALLYGUNGE.

B. A. White, c Turnbull, b Simson	...	101
A. T. Wood, c Warden, b Quin	...	23
R. E. G. Eddis, c and b Connor	...	17
H. F. Mytton, b Beachcroft	...	26
T. C. Manders, c Beachcroft, b Guise	...	34
T. A. Smith, c Turnbull, b Simson	...	30
H. M. Sherman, b Quin	...	29
E. Hornastle, c Whiteway, b Connor	...	30
A. C. Tatam, c Low, b Connor	...	9
W. E. Bayley, not out	...	8
F. Gould, l-b-w, b Beach	...	5
Byes 15, Leg-byes 4, no balls 2	...	21
Total	...	333

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

	O.	R.	M.	W.	No ball
C. P. Beachcroft	241	83	2	2	0
J. D. Guise	13	72	1	1	2
M. R. Quin	15	41	2	2	0
A. Simson	10	52	0	2	0
H. V. Low	3	15	0	0	0
F. J. Connor	11	49	1	3	0

CALCUTTA.

J. D. Guise, c Bayley, b Gould	17
F. N. Warden, run out	4
C. P. Beachcroft, c and b Manders	0
R. C. R. Hill, l-b-w, b Gould	31
F. J. Connor, C Sherman, b Manders	10
S. E. A. Whiteway, c Smith, b Gould	4
M. R. Quin, c and b Gould	10
A. Simson, c White, b Manders	3
H. V. Low, b Gould	0
G. Turnbull, run out	4
J. E. Jackson, not out	4
Wide balls	1
Total	88

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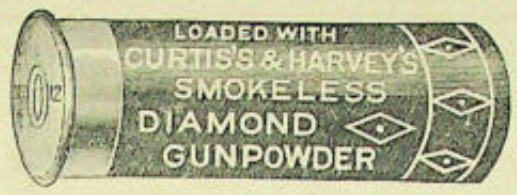

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BOWLING ANALYSIS.

	O.	R.	M.	W.
G. Gould	18	46	1	5
T. C. Manders	17	41	3	3

CALEDONIANS *vs.* HOWRAH.—Appended are the scores in this match played last Saturday and won by the Caledonians with six wickets to spare :—

HOWRAH.

C. Linton, b Rogers	2
J. C. Grey, b Rogers	0
J. C. Doyle, b Rogers	25
H. Platts, b Elliot	22
A. Doran, b Elliot	0
S. LeStrange, b Rogers	1
F. Roberts, b Elliot	3
M. Todman, c Wade, b Elliot	3
W. Grey, c Fulthorpe, b Elliot	1
W. Hudson, b Rogers	2
A. F. Fredricks, not out	3
Extras	2
Total ...	64

CALEDONIANS.

E. Rogers, b Grey	46
H. Chandler, c LeStrange, b Doyle	45
G. Brown, b Doyle	15
E. H. Christensen, b Doyle	0
E. O. Elliot, b Grey	0
J. Wilson, b Grey	5
R. Grace, not out	30
J. Fulthorpe, not out	2
E. H. Wade, E. H. Behrend, Beer — did not bat	
Extras	2
Total (for 6 wkts.) ...	145

DALHOUSIE *vs.* TOWN CLUB.—The Dalhousie Club met with another defeat on Saturday when the Town Club beat them by two wickets and eight runs. As will be seen the scoring on both sides was poor. Score:—

DALHOUSIE.

J. M. Wickens, b Mukerji	0
F. J. Sharp, c Hendry, b Dutt	1
W. Hodges, b Dutt	7
H. Tremble, b Mukerji	1
K. S. Carter, c Ghosh, b Mukerji	17
D. Stewart, c Banerji, b Ghany	9
H. Beadle, run out	0
H. Ball, c Bose, b Ghany	2
T. Evans, not out	1
J. Dewing, c Bose, b Ghany	3
J. Hollows, b Ghany	0
Extras	1
Total ...	42

TOWN CLUB.

B. Mukerji, c Hollows, b Stewart	10
A. Ghany, c and b Tremble	4
C. Dutt l-b-w, b Tremble	5
J. Dutt, st Sharp, b Tremble	1
R. Ghose, not out	8
R. Henry, b Stewart	4
S. K. Bose, b Stewart	9
J. Sircar, b Stewart	12
R. Banerji, c Hollows, b Tremble	0
H. Banerji, P. Chatterji — did not bat	
Extras	1
Total (for 8 wkts.) ...	54

Y. M. C. A. *vs.* RANGERS.—Played on the Y. M. C. A. ground on Saturday the match ending in a draw. Score :—

RANGERS.

C. V. Warden, c Foucher, b Reynolds	2
E. McCullagh, c Grant, b Creed	16
G. Hodges, c Foucher, b Dyer	41
E. Templeton, b Creed	12
D. Y. Calderwood, c Foucher, b Creed	16
G. Shummacher, b Creed	36
C. Tripp, b Creed	0
F. Greenway, not out	3
P. C. Margrett, G. Nugent, A. Alexander — did not bat	
Extras	16
Total (for 7 wkts) ...	135

*Innings declared.

Y. M. C. A.

F. H. Reynolds, c Tripp, b Margrett	20
W. A. Price, c and b Margrett	1
W. Dyer, b Templeton	5
F. Knolles, l-bw, b Templeton	2
T. Grant, not out	11
B. Thurlow, c and b Templeton	7
P. Vanspall b Templeton	4
A. Maclean, not out	4
R. Horne, L. Foucher, F. Creed — did not bat.	
Extras	10
Total ...	64

DALHOUSIE *vs.* OLD XAVERIANS.—Played on the College ground on the 18th instant the Old Boys winning by 37 runs. Score :—

OLD XAVERIANS.

	1st innings.		2nd Innings.	
L. Rayneau, b Carter ...	13	b Holmann ...	3	
E. Mabert, c and b Stewart ...	52	did not bat		
O. Agacy, b Beadle ...	5			
G. Power, b Beadle ...	0	c and b Wickens ...	13	
A. Vaughan, run out ...	3	not out	36	
J. Newton, b Stewart ...	1	run out	2	
E. Purcell, b Stewart ...	12	b Beadle ...	6	
W. Stoddart, c and b Evans ...	1	did not bat		
R. Storddart, c and b Ball ...	6	b Sharp	0	
Father Power, not out ...	0	did not bat. ...		
H. Crowley, b Carter ...	0	b Sharp	0	
Extras ...	2	Extras ...	5	
Total ...	95	Total (for 6 wkts.) ...	77	

DALHOUSIE C. C.

R. Carter, c Power, b Vaughan	5
H. Beadle, l-b-w, b Mabert	1
D. Stewart, c Fr. Power, b Mabert	21
I. Wickens, b Mabert	2
F. Sharp, b Mabert	0
Holmann, c Mabert, b Vaughan	1
Dearing, c Vaughan, b Mabert	1
Sydden, b Mabert	0
Ball, b Mabert	0
Evans, b Vaughan	8
Jackson, not out	1
Extras ...	18
Total ...	58

HORNETS *vs.* SPORTING UNION.—This match at Marcus Square ended in an easy win for the Hornets for whom A. B. Rosser made 105. Score.—

HORNETS.

A. B. Rosser, retired	105
A. E. Cooper, c. P. Bose, b S. Bose	3
A. A. Bayley, c. S. Ghosh, b P. Bose	1
G. Russell, c. P. Bonerjy, b Biswas	42
A. Browne, c. G. Gupta, b P. Bose	23
B. Peake, c. Biswas, b M. Roy	12
E. Duccase, c. P. Bose, b M. Roy	0
N. Hudson, b P. Bose	0
E. Russell, b not out	5
N. Vincent, c. S. Ghosal, b P. Bose	0
B. Tripp, b M. Roy	3
Extras	13
Total ...	216

SPORTING UNION.

N. Roy Chowdhury, b Bayley	1
S. Roy, l-b-w, b Bayley	3
G. Gupta b Peake	19
S. K. Ghosal c Peake, b Bayley	4
P. Bose (Sr), b Bayley	15
P. Bonerjy, b Peake	16
P. Bose (jr), b Peake	11
S. Ghosh, b Peake	0
C. Guha, not out	6
M. Roy, run out	2
N Biswas, c. Hudson b Bayley	0
Extras	6
Total ...	83

THE HORNETS' A. C.

CRICKET FIXTURES FOR THE SEASON.

DATE.	AGAINST.	GROUND.	TIME.
November 24th	Mohamedan S. C.	Home ...	2 P.M.
„ 25th	Howrah United ...	Howrah ...	11 A.M.
December 1st	Rangers C. C. ...	Rangers ...	2 P.M.
„ 8th	Customs C. C. ...	Home ...	Noon.
„ 15th	Calcutta C. C. ...	Eden Gardens	„
„ 22nd	St. Xavier's C. C.	Home ...	2 P.M.
„ 24th	Ballygunge C. C....	Ballygunge ...	11 A.M.
„ 25th	Customs C. C. ...	Customs ...	„
„ 29th	Nattore C. C. ...	Home ...	„
January 1st	Caledonian C. C....	Caledonian ...	„
„ 5th	Town Club ...	Home ...	Noon.
„ 12th	Calcutta C. C. ...	„ ...	„
„ 19th	Dalhousie A. C. ...	„ ...	2 P.M.
„ 26th	Ballygunge C. C....	„ ...	„
February 2nd	Aryans C. C. ...	Town Club ...	„
„ 9th	Rangers C. C. ...	Home ...	„
„ 16th	Mohamedan S. C.	„ ...	„
„ 23rd	English *vs.* Indian School	Eden Gardens	Noon.

CRICKET AT KOLAR.

KOLAR GOLD FIELD C. C. *vs.* ROYAL ARTILLERY.—Played on the 10th instant, the Gymkhana winning by an innings and 20 runs. Score :—

ROYAL ARTILLERY.

	1st Innings.		2nd Innings.	
Lieut. W. Burnester, played on Clarke	37	b Bocquet... ...	32	
Tpr. Benyon, c Cosens, b Richards... ...	15	c McCosh, b Cosens ...	0	
Gr. Jarvis, b Richards ...	8	c and b Clarke ...	12	
Gr. Shaw, b Richards ...	12	b Cosens	5	
Lt. R. Belgrave, l.-b.-w, b Clarke	0	c Clarke, b Cosens ...	13	
Lieut. L. A. Naper, b Clarke ...	3	c Clarke, b Bocquet ...	2	
Capt. F. Cornes, b Clarke ...	0	b Richards ...	5	
Lieut. Pile, l.-b.-w., b Clarke ...	2	c Clarke, b Cosens ...	2	
Gr. Wash, not out ...	7	c Richards, b Bowley	17	
Sgt. Spencer, c Pool, b Clarke	2	not out	1	
Br. Bleazard, b Clarke ...	8	c Clarke, b Richards...	0	
Extras ...	7	Extras ...	14	
Total ...	101	Total ...	103	

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

	O.	B.	M.	W.	O.	B.	M.	W.
C. H. Richards ...	14	50	3	3	2	0	2	2
T. A. Clark ...	6	14	2	7	4	10	0	1
W. McCosh ...	8	30	0	0	—	—	—	—
J. D. Cosens ...	—	—	—	—	9	34	1	4
L. Rowley ...	—	—	—	—	8	34	0	1
R. Bocquet ...	—	—	—	—	6	11	3	3

K. G. F. C. C.

R. Bocquet, b Belgrave	69
Wm. McCosh, run out	12
W. G. Pool, b Shaw	8
R. C. Carlton, b Wash	79
T. A. Clarke, c Cornes, b Belgrave	19
C. H. Richards, b Benyon	6
J. D. Cosens, c Cornes, b Burnester	5
C. H. Stonor, c Cornes, b Shaw	0
M. L. Jones, b Shaw	0
L. Bowley, b Shaw	0
Rev. C. Goldring, not out	15
Extras	11
Total ...	224

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

	O.	R.	M.	W.
Lieut. Belgrave	9	60	0	2
Gr. Wash	7	48	0	1
Sergt. Spencer	5	23	1	0
Gr. Shaw	7	36	0	4
Tpr. Benyon	3	17	0	1
Lieut. Burnester	2	18	0	1
Br. Bleazard	1	11	0	0

PUNJAB COMMISSION TOURNAMENT.

GLOUCESTER REGIMENT *vs.* WILTSHIRE REGIMENT.—This match in the first round of the tournament was played at Umballa on the 9th and 10th instant and resulted in a win for the Wiltshires by eight wickets. Lieutenant K. S. Clarke batted well for the winners. Score.

1ST GLOUCESTERSHIRE REGIMENT.

1st Innings.		2nd Innings.	
Capt. Burgess, b Smith ...	2	c Flippence, b Clarke	21
Pte. Dumbleton, b Smith ...	6	b Smith	7
Lieut. Rae, l.-b.-w., b Clarke ...	6	b Clarke ...	0
Lieut. Blyth, b Williams ...	32	c Flippence, b Clarke	5
Lieut. Foord, c Spackman, b Mulliken	26	b Clarke	25
Capt. Davy, b Mulliken ...	35	b Clarke ... —	0
Lce.-Corpl. Scaife, run out ...	2	c Pym, b Clarke ...	14
Lieut. Hewitt, b Clarke ...	7	not out ... —	36
Pte. Rogers, c Smith, b Greenland	46	b Babey	10
Pte. Webb, c Clarke, b Greenland	7	l.-b.-w., b Babey ...	3
Pte. Wright, not out ...	0	b Babey	0
Extras ...	20	Extras ...	6
Total ...	189		127

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

	1st Innings. O.	M.	R.	W.	2nd Innings. O.	M.	R.	W.
Lieut. Clarke ...	16	5	57	2	16	3	48	6
Pte. Smith ...	16	4	50	2	10	1	49	1
Lce.-Corpl. Flippence	2	0	4	0	—	—	—	—
Cpl. Williams ...	6	1	18	1	—	—	—	—
Lieut. Mulliken ...	10	1	36	2	5	0	18	0
Sergt. Greenland ...	3	1		2	—	—	—	—
Sergt. Babey ...					2	0	6	3

FIRST WILSHIRE REGIMENT.

1st Innings.		2nd Innings.	
Sergt. Babey, b Scaife... ...	6	not out ...	32
Corpl. Williams, c Rogers, b Scaife...	5	run out ...	20
Sergt. Pym, c Dumbleton, b Blyth	33	c Webb, b Rogers	1
Lieut. K. S. Clarke, b Rogers ...	91	not out ...	45
Sergt. Greenland, b Rogers ...	23	did not bat.	
Bandmaster Brambleby, st. Wright, b Rogers...	16		
Pte. Smith, b Rogers	0		
Pte. Spackman, b Dumbleton ...	11		
Lieut. Mulliken, c Rogers, b Dumbleton	0		
Lce.-Corpl. Flippence, b Dumbleton	0		
Pte. Cassie, not out ...	0		
Extras	9	Extras ...	5
Total ...	194	Total (2 wkts.)...	123

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

	1st Innings. O.	M.	R.	W.	2nd Innings. O.	M.	R.	W.
Pte. Rogers ...	17	1	56	4	18	2	46	1
Lce.-Corpl. Scaife ...	10	2	78	2	8	1	36	0
Pte. Webb ...	7	1	27	0	10	1	26	0
Lieut. Blyth ...	8	0	14	1	5	2	10	0
Pte. Dumbleton ...	3	1	9	3	—	—	—	—

CRICKET IN BURMA.

MIDDLESEX REGIMENT *vs.* MEIKTILA GYMKHANA CLUB.—Played at Meiktila on the 8th November 1906. Score:—

1ST MIDDLESEX REGIMENT.

1st Innings.		2nd Innings.	
Sergt. Sedgwick, b Cox ...	1	did not bat.	
Pte. Byron, b Clerk ...	11		
Pte. Goodwin, c Angelo, b Cox	4		
S. P. Williams, b Cox ...	3		
Pte. Bobwright, b Clerk ...	4		
M. Browne, b Clerk ...	2		
Corpl. Riordin, b Angelo ...	35	b Collins	2
Pte. Smith, c Holmes, b Cox ...	3		
Col.-Sergt. Roberts, c Holmes, b Williams	9	b Collins	15
Lce.-Corpl. Marsh, c Williams, b Angelo	10	b Collins	6
Corpl. Emery, not out ...	1	b Cuffe — ...	2
Byes	1	Byes 1, Leg-byes 2 ...	3
Total ...	84	Total (for 4 wkts.)	28

GYMKHANA.

H. R. Blanford, b Byron	12
F. L. Williamson, run out	29
A. P. Morris, b Williams	0
A. Angelo, b Williams	5
J. M. Holmes, b Williams	17
T. S. Whitworth, c Smith, b Roberts	5
Major F. W. H. Cox, c Goodwin, b Riordin... ...	28
E. C. Edward Collins, c Botwright, b Riordin ...	2
E. W. E. Milman, b Goodwin	14
F. V. Clerk, not out	9
O. F. L. W. Cuffe, b Byron	1
Byes ... ... —	11
Leg-byes	6
Total ...	139

Golf.

GOLF AT BARRACKPORE.

CALCUTTA GOLF CLUB *vs.* TOLLYGUNGE CLUB.—This return match was played at Barrackpore on the 18th instant, and after a fairly close struggle, and a very enjoyable day's play, resulted in a win for Calcutta by eight holes, they thus avenging their narrow defeat in the first match at Tollygunge a month ago. The best matches in the Singles were those between Messrs. Drimmie and Mitchell-Innes, and Messrs. Townend and Mann. Mr. Stewart collapsed unaccountably after taking a two-hole lead at the turn from Mr. Sinclair, and Mr. Lamb lost the first five holes running to Mr. Melrose and could never get on terms again. Mr. Dick again played up well to beat Mr. Youngson. In the foursomes the leading Tollygunge pair were three up at the tenth hole, but owing to a faulty short game had to put up with a single hole defeat. Messrs. Melrose and Mackenzie, with the former playing well, were distinctly too strong for Messrs. Lamb and McLeod, and Messrs. Mann and Dick beat Messrs. Townend and Youngson after a good game. The last match resulted in an easy victory for Tollygunge, but could only reduce the margin of victory. The weather was perfect, and the course, with the exception of the putting greens and one or two of the tees, in excellent order. The Calcutta Golf Club team acted as hosts on this occasion, and at the close an unanimous hope was expressed that these matches would henceforward be annual fixtures in the programmes of both clubs. The full results were as follows:—

SINGLES.

Calcutta G. C.		*Tollygunge Club.*	
Drimmie ...	0	Mitchell-Innes... ...	0
Sinclair ...	4	F. H. Stewart	0
Melrose ...	4	Lamb	0
Mackenzie ...	3	McLeod ...	0
Mann ...	0	Townend	1
Dick ...	3	Youngson	0
Danks ...	0	Pym	3
Innes-Ker ...	0	Wild	4
Total ...	14	Total ...	8

FOURSOMES.

Drimmie and Sinclair ...	1	Mitchell-Innes and Stewart	0
Melrose and Mackenzie ...	5	Lamb and McLeod ...	0
Mann and Dick ...	2	Townend and Youngson ...	0
Danks and Innes-Ker ...	0	Pym and Wild	6
Total ...	8	Total ...	6

Hockey.

AGA KHAN TOURNAMENT.

SIGNALLERS *vs.* E. LANCS.—Played on the 10th instant the Signallers winning by two goals to *nil*. They scored both the points in the first half.

BOMBAY CUSTOMS *vs.* BRITISH OFFICERS I. A.—Also played on the 10th instant a fast and even game being witnessed. The Customs put on a goal in each period and won by two to *nil*.

93RD HIGHLANDERS *vs.* POONA VOLUNTEERS.—On the 12th instant a well contested game between these teams ended in a victory for the 93rd. Neither side had scored till five minutes before time when the Highlanders got away and put on two goals in quick succession.

BOMBAY CUSTOMS *vs.* R.F.A.—The gunners who had had a walk over in the first round met the Customs on the 12th, but were no match for them, the Preventive Service winning by 4 goals to *nil*.

THIRD ROUND.

LEICESTERS *vs.* SIGNALLERS.—These teams put up a splendid game on the 13th inst. The Leicesters scored two goals in the first half, Lieutenants Yates and Brendon being credited with the points. The Signallers got through once, Lieutenant Exham netting the ball. The Signallers pressed hard all through the second period but were unable to score and Lieutenant Brendon putting on a third goal for the Leicesters the latter won by three goals to one.

CONNAUGHT RANGERS *vs.* MOUNTED INFANTRY.—A great game was expected between these teams on the 14th instant, nor were the spectators disappointed, for after fast and exciting play the Rangers were victorious by three goals to two. Each team scored a couple of goals in the first half, the Rangers registering the winning point after the interval.

93RD HIGHLANDERS *vs.* MANCHESTERS.—The Manchesters, who had walked over in the first round, were kept on the defensive in this match last Friday. But their defence was so good that it was only once pierced in the first half when Lieutenant Kennedy got through and scored. The Highlanders pressed throughout in the second period and Private Fairlie scored two more goals, the 93rd thus winning by three to *nil*.

ROYAL SCOTS *vs.* BOMBAY CUSTOMS.—A fast and exciting game between these teams last Friday ended in a win for the Scots by a single point to *nil*. The first half was devoid of score and it was not till just before time in the second moiety that the only goal of the match was scored.

The Kennel.

CANINE EDUCATION.

I.

IN the education of the dog, as in the education of boys and girls and men and women, there are no educational systems which compensate for ignorance and inefficiency on the part of the teacher, or for incapacity on the part of the pupil. There must be ability to convey knowledge on the one hand, and, on the other, an ability to receive it, else there is no proper progress. The mental capacity of the dog and the knowledge necessary to serve him through life are infinitely less than those required to serve man, but none the less his manner of acquiring knowledge is much the same as man's. Still, while the manner of it is similar the dog's sources of information are much narrower, for being of a lower order of intelligence than man, and having no power of speech worth considering in this connection, he can learn only from repeated, direct experience.

Man learns much from his fellow man through the medium of speech, besides having the knowledge of the world to draw upon, as preserved in writings. The dog's lessons, as between teacher and pupil, must always be object lessons. Continued discourse conveys no knowledge to him, as it does between man and man.

This is considering the matter in the narrow scope as it relates to teacher and pupil. It may be possible to show that the dog has faculties of a higher order than the mere recognition and relation of objects; but he must acquire his knowledge before he is able to apply it, and the matter of acquiring it is what is herein considered; hence, without going into any abstruse treatment of the objective and subjective, it is sufficient for the purpose to ignore herein the more intricate phenomena of mind.

Thus, any system held forth as having some inherent virtue whereby a dog will be trained quickly and thoroughly regardless of his capacity to receive a training or the trainer's ability to give it denotes that the claimant of such system is either very simple in the matter of which he treats, or is not very scrupulous as to his manner of treating it.

Every one cannot train a dog, but every one can try to train, and after trying he will know more about it than if he had never tried; in fact, without having tried, one will never know definitely whether he can or cannot train. Nor are there any men who are born trainers. Some men may have a natural aptitude for it, and learn it quickly and accurately, as they learn anything else quickly and accurately for which they have an aptitude. Contrary to common belief, therefore, the training of a dog is not one of the things which come intuitively. In theory, every man knows a sure cure for his friend's cold; what is the correct thing to do to start a gibbing horse, and without a moment's thought he can give an *ex cathedra* opinion on any great public question of the day—and they are all very good as theories. If they fail consecutively a thousand times in practice, they are equally as good to serve again on occasion.

The more inexperienced the man the more impractical and opinionated he is certain to be. If he be experienced and correctly practical in certain specialties he may be visionary concerning those of others, of which he has little knowledge. It is not strange then that nearly everyone thinks he can train a dog.

Nor is dog-training a matter of set forms, and arbitrary methods of application on the part of a competent trainer, though the beginner generally proceeds on the theory that he has but to learn a method by rote, and the application of it is a matter of course. A method of training, as set forth in books, may be thoroughly efficient so far as a method can be expressed in words, but there is much beside all that, and essentially supplementary to it, which the beginner must acquire by observation and experience, and which he must learn for himself. Having the theory accurately set forth, he must thus qualify himself for its practical application, and in applying it, nothing is more important than a thorough understanding of the dog himself; that is to say, the understanding on the part of the trainer of the dog's capacity to understand and of what the dog understands of his teacher's purposes; and he should be able to judge of the dog's peculiarities of character. If the dog is incapable of learning quickly owing to stupidity, or, though highly intelligent be from obstinacy refuses to learn, the former would need the most patient consideration; the latter, due consideration with unremitting firmness, and perhaps punishment. Yet the novice would be likely to use the same set method in the same way on both and also on all others. There are hundreds of little differences of dog character and capabilities to be considered, and until the trainer reaches a point of discernment where he can perceive, understand and take advantage of them, his attempts as a teacher will be but little more than mechanical. He may, now and then, have success with a dog from the accident that the set, arbitrary method happens to fit the dog's peculiarities, but it is merely a happening. With a little thought over it, it is clear that it is palpably absurd to apply one set method to the nervous, the stupid, the intelligent, the lazy, the timid, the diligent, the fast, the slow, the weak, the strong, etc. Such must result in many failures, and the best success will be moderate.

Methods should be modified to the circumstances of each individual case, compromising with the idiosyncrasies of the pupil, and applying with a view to securing certain results and not with a view to preserve arbitrary methods of teaching. By kindness, and preserving the dog's interest, always keeping progress within his capacity, success will be the result in every case where it is possible. There will be failures betimes, as in cases where the dog is mentally weak, so much so that he is a dullard, or understanding what is taught him for the moment he cannot remember it from day to day; or if he is proficient in learning, he may be too indolent to work afield, so that if trained he is merely a trained loafer; or he may be well trained and diligent, yet incapable of good performance, owing to the functional powers of the nose, as an organ of scent, being deficient or absent. In such cases the trainer is powerless to correct the dog's shortcomings, also he may not be able to recognize the cause of the trouble, and therefore the greater need of close and careful observation of details from the start.

No trainer can supply qualities which Nature has omitted. To be able to determine nicely all these points requires close observation. A knowledge of dog character will come to a trainer after a certain experience, even if he is left entirely to his own resources, but such is from a long experimental experience; but what is learned slowly from many experiments, losses and failures could have been much better learned at the beginning from the observance of advice given in approved methods and the exercise of perception and judgment.

Thus having given some consideration to the dog, he next would act wisely in giving a great deal to himself. He will need to study himself from a new standpoint. As a teacher, he will find a new character in himself, differing essentially from his every-day one. As teacher he will find that he is irritable, impatient, and unreasonable in his requirements of the dog; that he becomes angry over the dog's failure to do in a few moments what the trainer directs, and that his anger increases when the dog shows utter ignorance of the language which the trainer knows so well. Knowing the language himself, he does not consider that the dog is ignorant of it, and has to learn the sound of the order so as to keep it in memory, and next its meaning and its application. At this juncture the amateur generally falls to and gives the dog a sound beating, and calls the tumult dog training. At the next lesson the poor dog associates the whole affair with a sound beating, and is in a state of mind for anything else rather than receiving lessons.

When a dog's fears are aroused, or he is made to feel needlessly uncomfortable, worried and uneasy, his progress as a pupil is slow. If the lessons are made obnoxious to him, the trainer has succeeded in making him more intent on avoiding them or having them ended than in learning their purpose. With a violent teacher the dog's life is truly a sad one. Knowledge is then acquired under the most disheartening difficulties. Under the same violent conditions the teacher would rise in rebellion and implore the world to witness his wrongs. If, when learning his A B C.'s the good pedagogue had told him the names of the letters two or three times, then failing to receive proper answer, had jerked him violently by his neck, kicked him in his ribs and slashed him with a heavy whip, he would have considered a lesson as something devoid of pleasure. The harshness and inefficiency so deterent to the boy's progress and so harmful to his nature are equally so to the dog's. The same patient labour on the part of the teacher in dealing with the education of the boy is the same required in dealing with the education of the dog. Their manner of gaining knowledge differs but little. Punishment teaches nothing in the way of acquiring knowledge, excepting that his teacher is an unpleasant person, and one to be avoided. Punishment serves in its place to prevent a dog from doing certain things, and that is the extent of its mission. It is good in its place as a preventive but it develops nothing useful. But when it is applied for the reason that the teacher is angry, it is entirely outside of the purposes of dog training, though the teacher many imagine the violence is a part of it. Until the trainer can control his temper and fit his efforts to the dog's capacity and progress, he will be inefficient. And these things no one can do for him. His own judgment and self-control are his only reliance, as they are entirely outside the scope of any system.

Sir Evelyn Wood's memoirs, just published, abounds in good stories. One of the best refers to the Sudan. Some Emirs tried to convert a British officer, and advanced, among other arguments, that the Mahdi could make the rain to fall. Taking out his glass eye, he threw it in the air, caught it, and replaced it. "Can your Mahdi do that?" he asked. The Emirs ran like mad.

The late Col. Sanderson is alleged to have been guilty of saying in the heat of debate "The Opposition are firing their barbed arrows at me in the hope that some of the mud will stick."

It was only just before he left the service that Pat had to send a coat through the post to the tailor's shop for repairs. He enclosed a note saying. "To save the weight I have cut off the buttons and put them in one of the pockets."

Corporal's Wife: "And what is your husband's mess uniform?"

Volunteer Captain's Lady: "Similar to Regulars', cut without the stripe on the trousers."

Corporal's Wife (triumphantly): "Ah! we have them on *ours!*"

The Veterinarian.

SIMULATED MADNESS IN ANIMALS.

IT has been shown that this disease is specific, being due to the introduction into the system of the virus of the malady by means of a bite from a rabid dog or other form of inoculation. There are, however, cases of madness or frenzy which approach in their general character the genuine disease, although they are in on way connected with the rabic virus.

It is well known that cattle, under various forms of excitement, may behave very much as rabid animals do under a paroxysm. A common belief exists that colour may have such an influence on the bovine brain as to drive the animal frantic, and lead to disastrous consequences. The effect of a red rag on a bull is proverbial, although there are many practical men who treat this superstition irreverently, and do not hesitate to assert that bulls care no more for red than they do for other coloured rags. However this may be, the fact remains that people wearing red garments of any kind have often been attacked; and no amount of argument would convince them that the same disaster would have happened if they had worn blue.

A sudden access of fury may seize a bull or a cow under various circumstances. Now and then acute disease of the brain is the cause, at another time acute indigestion (stomach staggers) may induce excitement, sometimes amounting to madness; and no one doubts that over-driving, added to intense thirst, will end in similar manifestations on the part of the suffering animal.

Rabies among domesticated cattle, when that disease is abroad among dogs, can readily be accounted for: since country dogs are allowed a greater measure of freedom than animals kept in towns, and range over a large tract of country well known to themselves, so long as the instinct to return home remains with them.

It had been pointed out many times—and its great importance of its repetition—that, in numerous instances, a rabid dog makes a circular tour for days, during which his manner may not arrest any particular attention, unless an object animate or inanimate, gets in his way and causes him to snap at it. A comparatively small injury to a bullock, inflicted by a dog, is quite likely to be overlooked, or attributed, by the most careful stockman, to any other cause than the bite of a rabid dog. No dog may have been seen, and the owner and attendants on a rabid bullock may probably consider themselves in a position to deny the possibility of a bite having been thus inflicted. Such negative evidence, however, must be set aside as perfectly valueless, in face of the fact that dogs may often run over farms without being noticed by anyone.

The importance of a correct diagnosis in cases of suspected rabies in cattle is almost as great as in the case of an affected dog; as human beings may have been inoculated by the saliva of the ox, with the same result—namely, hydrophobia.

Though the period of incubation in the ox is uncertain, it is said to be usually between two and three weeks; and the theory propounded as regards man, that virus remains in the bottom part until some chemical or physiological changes take place, has the same support in the generally-observed symptoms of irritation at the seat of injury. When the acute symptoms are developed, the conduct of the animal affected varied somewhat according to sex, great excitement being the characteristic of all, but bulls and heifers may display an inordinate disposition to ride other members of the herd.

Alternating with periods of excitement are intervals of dull stupidity, and, again, a display of anger—sometimes charging an imaginary object, but as likely the attendant or passing stranger. The voice undergoes a change, being pitched two or three tones higher when bellowing; but this is a symptom often unobserved in large herds, where the attendants are not familiar with the individual voices, or not sufficiently observant to be able to make a comparison. Champing the jaws and dribbling of frothy saliva hanging in ropes, too, from the angles of the mouth, is a constant symptom. The eyes, in addition to a look of vacancy or wildness by turns, are red in the membranes and occasionally squint. Any or all of the above symptoms may be present without biting the place of inoculation; or the animal may bite the manger, or even the walls, when put in a place with nothing to lay hold on. It is a curious sight for the first time to see a cow seize and attempt to destroy a gate or other similar object; and it is one not likely to be forgotten. Rapid loss of flesh follows, and death is usually preceded by paralysis of the hind extremities. Some observers have chronicled great thirst as a symptom, with the same inability to slake it as marks the disease in dogs, spasm of the throat preventing deglutition. It is said that a bite about the head, if resulting in inoculation at all, is likely to shorten the period of duration; but our own experience goes to prove that the legs are usually the seat of injury, the shoulder and dewlap being next often implicated. Medical treatment is useless and dangerous and should not attempted, but there lurks a danger in precipitate slaughter; and unless the case is beyond all doubt, a veterinary surgeon should hesitate to pass sentence without a second opinion.

Milk madness or parturient mania may simulate rabies in nearly every particular. In a recent case a heifer that had calved some nine or ten days, exhibited very marked symptoms. She was found biting the walls and manger furiously, and her off shoulder by turns, and, according to the cowman, had eaten dirt and sticks while getting her in from the field. She dashed up and down the building in which she was confined and threatened everyone who approached her. She was presently secured, and a very large dose of morphia injected subcutaneously, and an aperient administered by way of the mouth. The door was secured, and the heifer was left for the night. In the morning she was comparatively calm, and her calf was brought to her as likely to satisfy the maternal instinct; but it had quite the reverse effect, and was removed with some difficulty. The symptoms of the previous night returned; but again passed off with another injection of morphia, and the heifer was practically well and sane on the third day. If this animal had been a male, one could scarcely have believed the disease to be anything other than rabies; but, seeing that she was a recently calved heifer, had been exposed to inclement weather and suddenly lost her milk, it was thought desirable to administer opiates and wait the result—even if there had been no fear of inoculation of the professional attendant, who probably never felt a keener interest in a case than on the second of his visits. Symptoms alone, it may be concluded from the above recital, may not in all cases enable the examiner to differentiate between rabies and parturient mania; but a consideration of sex and other circumstances, especially the cessation of the prominent symptoms, may lend some assistance in arriving at a correct diagnosis. It may however, be suggested that in such case the safe plan is to look upon the diseased animal for the time as rabid until the improvement in condition puts that disease out of the question.

"Kate, I must warn you. I saw that policeman put his arm round you and kiss you."

"I couldn't help that, ma'am."

"But you didn't seem to object."

"Not me, an' he had up for resistin' the police."

"You say Jeff has grown whiskers since last you saw him How did you recognise him?"

"By my umbrella."

The Naturalist.

THE PARADISE FLYCATCHER.

THE cock paradise flycatcher (*Terpsiphone paradisi*) when in his full adult plumage is a bird of startling beauty. I shall never forget the first occasion upon which I saw him. It was in the Himalayas and night was falling, when I caught sight of some white diaphanous-looking creature flitting about among the trees. In the dim twilight it looked ghostly in its beauty. It is the two elongated middle tail feathers which render the bird so striking. They look like white satin streamers and have given the bird its many popular names, such as cotton thief, the ribbon bird, rocket bird. But this flycatcher has more than striking beauty to commend it to the naturalist; it is of surpassing interest from the point of view of biological theory. The cock is one of the few birds that undergo metamorphosis during adult life, and the species furnishes an excellent example of sexual dimorphism.

Since the day, some years back, when I first set eyes upon the bird, I determined to learn something of its habits; but I had to wait long before I was able to carry out my determination. It was not until I came to Lahore that I saw much of the species. Here let me say that the capital of the Punjab, unpromising as its looks at first sight, is, when one gets to know it, a veritable gold mine for the ornithologist.

Paradise flycatchers migrate there in great numbers in order to breed. They arrive at the end of April and at once commence nesting operations. Before describing these let me, in order to enable non-ornithological readers to appreciate what follows, say a few words regarding the plumage of the bird. The young of both sexes are chesnut in colour with the exception of a black head and crest and whitish under parts. This plumage is retained by the hen throughout life. After the autumn moult of the second year the two median tail feathers of the cock grow to a length of sixteen inches, that is to say four times the length of the other tail feathers, and are retained till the following May or June when they are cast. After the third autumn moult they again grow and the plumage now begins to gradually grow white, the wings and tail being the first portions to be affected by the change, thus the cock becomes for a time partly chestnut and partly white, and it is not until he emerges from the moult of his fourth autumn that all his feathers are white with, of course, the exception of those of his head and crest. The bird retains this plumage until death. Cock birds breed in either chestnut or white plumage; this proves that the metamorphosis from chestnut to white takes place after the bird has attained maturity.

In Lahore this species breeds in considerable numbers along the well-wooded banks of the Ravi. Since the birds keep to forest country it is not easy to follow their courting operations for any length of time; the birds engaged in courtship appear for a moment and then are lost to view among the foliage, but the species is certainly monogamous and I think there can be but little doubt that the hen courts the cock quite as much as he courts her. On 28th April I was out with Mr. G. A. Pinto and he saw a couple of hens chasing a cock in white plumage. Presently one of the hens drove away the other, then the cock showed off to the triumphant hen, expanding his wings and uttering a sweet little song like the opening bars of that of the white-browed fantail flycatcher (*Ithipidura albifrontat*). I myself was not a witness of that incident, the birds not being visible from where I was standing at the time, but on 3rd June I saw a cock bird in chestnut plumage and a hen fighting; before long the birds disengaged themselves and the male flew off; then a cock in white plumage came up to the hen and gave her a bit of his mind. After this they both disappeared among the foliage. Presently I saw two hens chasing a chestnut-coloured cock. I do not understand the full significance of these incidents, but they tend to refute Charles Darwin's contention that there is competition among cocks for hens and to show that the hen takes an active part in courtship. To this I shall return.

It does not seem to be generally known that the cock paradise flycatcher is capable of emitting anything approaching a song. Thus Oates writes in *The Fauna of British India* of these flycatchers "their notes are very harsh."

This is true of the usual call, which is short, sharp and harsh, something like the twitter of an angry sparrow. But in addition to this the cock has two tuneful calls. One resembles the commencement of the song of the white-browed fantail flycatcher and the other is a sweet little warble of about four notes. I have repeatedly been quite close to the cock when thus singing and have seen his throat swell while he sang, so there can be no question as to the notes being his. He thus furnishes one of the many exceptions to the rule that brilliantly plumaged birds have no song.

The nest is a deepish cup, firmly attached to two or more slender branches; it is in shape like an inverted cone with the point prolonged as a stalk. It is composed chiefly of vegetable fibres and fine grass; these being coated outwardly by a thick layer of cobweb and small white cocoons. Let me take this opportunity of remarking that cobweb affords a most important building material to bird masons; it is their cement, and many species, such as sunbirds and flycatchers, use it most unsparingly.

As a pair of paradise flycatchers have been kind enough to build a nest in a pear tree in my compound I have been able to follow the proceedings.

Want of space prevents me from going into details. It must suffice that both birds take part in building and the cock does the lion's share of the work. Great care is taken to give the nest a thick coating of cobweb and cocoons, the interior of the nest is made circular and smooth by the birds turning round and round in it by means of wings which are spread so as to grip the edge of the nest. The two birds work independently, the cock going in one direction to fetch material and the hen in another. It sometimes happens that one bird is at work on the nest when the other returns with material. In such a case the latter waits on the edge of the nest until the former has finished. The nest is built in about a week. Four eggs are laid, these are white spotted with reddish-brown. Just as the cock bird does the greater part of the building so does he more than his share of incubation. One sees him on the nest about four times to the three of the hen bird; that is to say out of seven visits to the nest when a bird is sitting that bird will be the male on four occasions and the female on three. The sitting cock is a conspicuous object, for his long tail feathers hang over the edge of the nest and one has no difficulty in telling whether he is on the nest or not from a distance of twenty yards or more. This species seems to delight to build in exposed situations, hence a great many of their nests come to grief, especially in the Punjab, where, if there be anything in phrenology, the bumps of destructiveness and cruelty must be enormously developed in every small boy.

Of the habits described above there are three upon which I would lay especial stress, for it seems to be that they are of deep biological significance; they are the active part in courtship played by the hen, the fact that the cock incubates as much or more than the hen, and the late change in the plumage of the cock bird from chestnut to white.

Darwin, as I have already pointed out, devoted much time and energy in trying to prove that there is in most species a competition among males for females, and that these latter are in consequence able to exercise a selection. They choose the most brilliant and beautiful of their numerous suitors. Thus we have what he calls sexual selection, or as I should prefer to call it, feminine selection. On this theory the poor cock exercises no selection; any decrepit old hen is good enough for him! He is all eagerness, while the hen is *blasé* and indifferent. This theory is, I submit, improbable on *a priori* grounds. It is certainly opposed to human experience, and is, I believe, not borne out by animal behaviour.

I have paid some attention to the subject lately and am convinced that in most cases the desire of the hen for the cock is as great as the desire of the latter for the hen. It was only this morning that I watched two hen orioles trying to drive each other away, while the cock was in a tree near by. To repeat what I have already said, the hen courts the cock quite as much as he courts her. When a pair of birds mate they are mutually attracted to one another. That there is such a thing as sexual selection I am convinced, but I do not believe that this selection is confined to the hens. The hen selects the best cock she can get to pair with her, while the cock selects the best hen available.

The second point upon which I desire to lay stress is the active part taken by the cock paradise flycatcher in incubation. This, again, is, I believe, nothing very uncommon, even in sexually dimorphic species, for I have myself put a cock minivet (*Pericrocotus peregrinus*) off the nest. Yet this fact seems to dispose of the commonly accepted theory that the more sombre hues of the hen are due to her greater need of protection, since she alone is supposed to incubate. It was, I believe, Alfred Russell Wallace who originated this theory.

As a matter of fact, a bird sitting on a nest is not, in my opinion, exposed to any special danger, for it seems that birds of prey as a rule only attack flying objects.

Finally there is the extraordinary metamorphosis undergone by the cock in his fourth year. It is difficult to see how this can have been caused by the preference of the hen for white cock birds, since a great many chestnut ones are observed to breed, hence the dimorphism must have originated late in the life history of the species, and although a hen bird might prefer a white to a chestnut husband it is difficult to believe that she should prefer a skewbald one, and this skewbald state must have been an ancestral stage if we believe that the transition is due to feminine selection of white birds. I may be asked "if you decline to believe that the hen has greater need of protection than the cock, how do you account for the phenomena of sexual dimorphism, and if it is not sexual selection which has caused the white plumage of the cock paradise flycatcher to arise, what is it?"

This article has already attained such a length that even had I complete explanations to offer I could not give it in this place. I must content myself by giving what I believe to be the key to the solution of the problem. I think that there is little doubt that what a bird looks for in its mate is, *not beauty or brilliance of plumage, but vigour and strength.* If beauty is a correlative character of strength then the hen selects the most beautiful of the cocks willing to mate with her, not because of his beauty but of his strength; likewise the cock. Now there is a very intimate connection between the generative cells and the body cells, and the male element tends to dissipate energy and the female element to conserve it. Thus it is that the general tendency of the cock is to become gaily coloured and to grow plumes and other ornaments, while the tendency of the hen is to remain of comparatively sombre hue.

D. D.

The Story Teller.

THE STRATEGY OF McCLOUD.

WHEN George McCloud took the mountain division as superintendent, not one in a hundred among the railroad men looked to see him make a go of it. Morris Blood had just left the place to go to the river as general superinten tent and had left a record of tonnage behind him that had never been approached on the books at Medicine Bend. In itself it was hard luck to succeed Morris Blood—he was too good a man.

But in this case there was more than the mere succeeding. McCloud was a young fellow. When Bill Dancing met him at Medicine Bend he insisted that it must be George McCloud's father who had been appointed, though George's father had never seen the sun rise west of the Mississippi.

However George's youth would have been no serious drawback in itself, but at Medicine Bend one serious fact leaked out before his coming, namely, that he was a college guy—what Pat Mears would call an aljaybra man; this distinctly was a drawback.

Of course, I say nothing here of the tonnage and what McCloud did to Morris Blood's record because that came some time afterward: all I say is that the real reason why McCloud's subsequent record made that of Morris Blood look like a peanut shop beside a skyscraper, was his extraordinary hold on the division men. Nobody has ever fully explained way this smooth-faced, dull-eyed Yankee boy got more out of the men than anybody in the hills has ever got since; but he did do it, and his hold on them is pretty plain whenever he comes in his car back to the old division to straighten out transportation tangles. It is true he was always called a dude by the Medicine Bend loafers, and it was probably true that McCloud always did have the patent leather tendency. But when a general manager in patent leathers can swing up into an engine cab, put out a hand to the engineman with a squeeze in the fingers like the grip of a Stilson wrench, call him by name every time and ask him to make a good run with the mail to oblige him and get the man to do it—I call that going some, whether the head of the operating department wears patent leather or just the regular wooden shoes. Now McCloud can do this to-day; but when he was superintendent he could do it a dozen times a day. He knew them all from the car-tinks to the boiler washers.

But whatever the criticisms on McCloud no one could ever accuse him of not furnishing abundance of excitement on the star division from the first day he took hold. For a year it was one excitement after another. First the Smoky Creek wreck and the discharge of Murray Sinclair, and every man in the wrecking crew with him, for looting. That alone led to a bookful of stories. Then Du Sang, of the Williams Cache gang, tried within a month to put a bullet through McCloud's head and did put a thirty-forty bullet at two hundred and fifty yards through his hat. But that was kept very quiet by Kennaddy and Whispering Smith until after Crawling Stone Wash. Next came the word that McCloud was to take charge of the building of the Crawling Stone line, the low-grade cut-off through the Black Hills. He had found the pass himself and got Glover and Buck interested in the project. When the building came, McCloud was told to put the operating into the hands of his assistant Anderson and to prepare to put the Crawling Stone cut-off through during the next summer.

It was then July. The first question McCloud asked at headquarters was why wait a year? Glover, vice-president, specially charged with the rebuilding of the system, explained that it would be fall before the grading would be far enough along to do anything with the track. McCloud said he should like to be laying steel by that time. Glover told him to go ahead.

No one had ever heard of winter road building in the Rockies. The Crawling construction under McCloud marked the first, attempt and it was met with ridicule and predictions of failure. His very friends thought he was undertaking too much and his first clash came with his right hand man Pat Mears.

McCloud put in a switch below Piedmont, opened a material yard and began laying track at a date when Pat Mears said it was time to quit work until spring. When McCloud told him he wanted track across the divide and into the lower valley by spring, Mears threw up his hands.

But there was metal in the old man and he was for orders all the time. He kept up a running fire of protests and forebodings about the danger of exposing men during the winter season but he stuck to his part. Glover sent along the men, and, although two out of every three deserted the day after they arrived, Mears kept a force in hand and crowded the track up the new grade as fast as the ties and steel came in, working day in and day out, keeping one eye on the clouds and the other on the tie line as it was spread across the open country, hoping every day for orders to stop.

December slipped away to Christmas with the steel still going down and the disaffected element at Medicine Bend waiting for disaster. The spectacle of McCloud handling a flying column on the Crawling Stone work in the face of the most treacherous weather in the mountain year was one that brought out constant criticism of him among Sinclair's friends at headquarters and while McCloud laughed and pushed ahead the work, they waited for his discomfiture. Christmas Day found McCloud on the front, men still very scarce but with Mears' force laying steel. The work train was in charge of Stevens, the conductor who had tumbled after the Smoky Greek wreck and was slowly climbing back to position. They were working in the usual way, with the flat cars ahead of the engine, the caboose being coupled to the tender and thus on the extreme hind end of the train.

At two o'clock in the afternoon when there was not a cloud in the sky the horizon threatened in the east. Within thirty minutes the mountains from end to end of the skyline were lost in the sweep of a storm and by three o'clock the snow had darkened the valley from peak to peak.

It struck the valley like a pall. Mears know the danger. He ordered the mean off the track and into the caboose. McCloud had been inspecting culverts some distance ahead and started for the train when the snow drove across the valley. It came so fast and so blotted out the landscape from sight that he was very glad after an anxious five minute to regain the ties and find himself safely back. The men were bordering on a panic when McCloud came in. Mears with his two foremen had already left to hunt him up and had passed him unseen in the storm. It was already impossible to see or to hear an ordinary sound ten feet away. McCloud ordered the flat cars cut off the train, and the engine whistle sounded at short intervals, though with the wind it was almost useless, and, taking the conductor, buttoned his reefer and started up the track after the missing men. The two fired their revolvers as they advanced, but the storm, increasing every moment, tossed the shots on the ears of Mears and his companions from every point of compass. McCloud was standing on the last tie and discussing with his companion the best way to keep the grade as the two advanced when the engine signals behind them changed. "Now that sounds like one of Bill Dancing's games," said McCloud to his companion. "What the deuce is it, Stevens?"

Stevens, who knew a little of everything, recognized the signals almost at once and threw up his hands. "It's Morse code, Mr. McCloud and they're in—Mears and the foremen—and us for the train as quick as the Lord will let us. That's what they are whistling."

"So much for an education, Stevens. Bully for you. Come on"

They regained the flat cars and made their way back to the caboose and engine which stood uncoupled McCloud got into the cab with Dancing. Stevens and Mears signalled all in from the caboose ahead and with a whistling scream the engine started to back the caboose rapidly back to Piedmont.

They had hardly more than got under full headway when the difficulties of the situation became apparent to the little group around McCloud. They were riding an unballasted track and using such limited speed as they dare to escape from the situation that had now become perilous. The light caboose, packed like a sardine box with men, was dancing a hornpipe on the joints. McCloud felt the peril and the lurching of the car could be seen reflected in the jerk of the engine tender to which it was coupled. Apprehensive of trouble, McCloud crawled forward on the coal to watch the caboose himself and stayed only long enough to see that the drifting snow was threatening to derail the outfit any minute. He got back to the cab and ordered a stop.

"It won't do," said he to Stevens and the engineman. "We can't back that caboose loaded with men through this storm. We shall be off the track in five minutes."

"Try it slow," suggested Stevens.

"If we had the time," returned McCloud. "But the snow is drifting on us. We've got to make a run for it the engine in front of that way-Car with the pilot headed for the drifts. Let's look at things."

Dancing and Stevens, followed by McCloud, dropped out of the gangway. Mears opened the caboose door and together they went forward to inspect the track and the trucks. In the lee of the caboose a council was held. The roar of the wind was like the surge of many waters and the snow had whitened into storm. They were ten miles from any habitation and, but for the single track they were travelling, might as well have been a hundred so far as reaching a place of safety was concerned. They were without food and with a hundred men on their hands in the caboose and with a scant supply of fuel for either the caboose or the engine.

"Get your men ready with their tools, Pat," said McCloud to Mears.

"What are you going to do?"

"I'm going to turn the train around."

"Going to turn the train around. Yes, that would make it easy. I'd like to see it turned around. Where's your turntable, Mr. McCloud?" asked Mears.

"How are you going to turn your train around on a single track?" asked Stevens.

"I'm going to turn the track around under it. I know about where we are I think. There's a little stretch just beyond this curve where the grade is flush with the ground. Ask your engineman to run back very slowly and watch for the bell-rope. I'll ride on the front platform until we reach a place where we can work. Lose no time, and, Pat, tell your men that it's now or never. If we are caught here now we may stay till they carry us home—and the success of this little game depends on having everything ready and working quick"

Stevens pulled the cord within five minutes and before the caboose had stopped the men were tumbling from the platforms. McCloud led Mears and the foremen forward on the track. They tramped a hundred yards back and forth and with steel tapes for safety lines swung a hundred feet out on each side of the track to make sure of the ground. "This is all right," said McCloud. "You waited here half a day for steel a week ago; I know this ground.

"Break that joint, Pat." He pointed to the rail under his foot. "Pass ahead with the engine and car about a thousand feet and when I give you a signal back up slow and look out for a thirty-degree curve, without any elevation, either. Get out all your men with lining bars. Divide them into bunches of ten with a foreman that can make signs if he can't talk English. Work lively now and throw the track to the south."

Pretty much everybody, Japs, Italians and Greeks, understood the stake they were playing for and did get very busy. McCloud said afterward that he would match his Piedmont hundred in making a movable Y against any two hundred men Glover could pick. They had had the experience, and that when the move meant their last counter in the game of mountain life or death. The Piedmont hundred, to McCloud's mind, were past masters in the art of trackshifting.

Working in a driving cloud of grit and snow, the ignorant, the dull and the slow rose to the occasion. Bill Dancing, Pat Mears and Stevens moved about in the driving snow like giants. The howling storm rang with the shouting of the foremen, the guttural cries of the Japs and the clank of the lining bars as rail-length after rail-length of the heavy track was slewed bodily from the grade alignment and swung in a sharp curve to a right angle far out on the open ground.

McCloud at last gave the awaited signal and with keen-eyed, anxious men watching every revolution of the cautious driving wheels the engine, hissing and pausing as the air-brakes went on and off, pushed the light caboose slowly out on the rough spur to its extreme end and stopped facing the main track at right angles. But before it had reached its halting place spike mauls were ringing at the fish-plates where it had left the line on the curve. The track at that point was cut again and under a long line of crowbars and renewed shouting it was thrown gradually quite across the long gap in the main line. The new joints were made fast just as the engine, running now pilot forward, steamed slowly around the new curve without accident, regained the main line, and greeted by a screeching yell from a hundred throats stood safely headed into the teeth of the storm for Piedmont.

Ten miles across the divide were now less than a matter of thirty minutes, and they drew into the Piedmont yards just as the wires were heating from headquarters with orders annulling trains, ordering plows on outgoing engines and battening the division's hatches for a Christmas blizzard.

No man that came back was so well pleased as Stevens. "That man's all right," said he to Bill Dancing, as they walked up from the caboose. "That's all I want to say. Some of the fellows have been leary about going out with him. They hounded me for months about stepping over his way when Sinclair and his mugs struck. I reckon I played my hand about right, and I reckon the boys will stand for any move the young fellow makes on his division."

F. H. S.

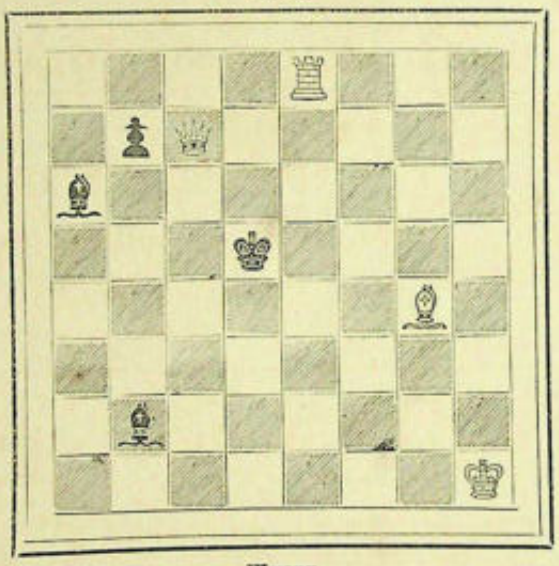
Chess.

Solution to Problem No. 381.

White.	Black.
1. R. to Q Kt 3	1. B. takes R
2. P. to K B 7	2. R. takes B
3. Kt. to K B 6	3 B. takes P
4. B. to K 2	4. Anything
5. Kt. mates.	

Problem No. 382.

Black.



White.

White to play and mate in three moves.

Game.

White.	Black.
1. P. to Q 4	1. P. to Q 4
2. P. to Q B 4	2. P. to K 3
3. P. to Q R 3 (*a*)	3. P. to Q B 4
4. B. P takes P	4. K. P takes P
5. Kt. to K. B. 3	5. Kt. to Q B 3
6 P. to K 3	6. Kt. to K B 3
7. B. to K 2	7. B. to Q 3
8. Castles	8. Castles
9. Kt. to Q B 3	9. P. to K R 3 (*b*)
10. Kt. to Q Kt 5	10. P. takes P
11. Kt. takes B	11. Q. takes Kt
12. Kt. takes P	12. P. to Q R 3
13. P. to Q Kt 4	13 Kt. takes Kt
14. Q. takes Kt	14. B. to K. B. 4
15. B. to Kt 2	15. Q. R to Q B sq.
16. Q. R to Q B sq	16. K. to B 3
17. R. to B 5	17. R. takes R
18. P. takes R	18. Q. to K 3
19. Q. to K B 4	19. Kt. to K 5
20. B. to Q 4	20. R. to Q B sq
21. P. to K Kt 4 (*c*)	21. B. to R 2
22. P. to K R 4	22. P. to K. Kt. 4
23. P. takes P	23. P takes P
24. Q. to R 2	24. Kt takes P
25. P. to K B 4 (*d*)	25. Kt. to Kt 6
26. P. to K B 5	26. Q. to Q B 3
27. K. to B 2 (*e*)	27. Kt. takes B
28. R to K. R. sq	28. Kt. takes B
29. Q. takes B ch	29. K. to B sq
30. R. to R 6	30. Q. to B 2 (*f*)
31. Q. to R 8 ch and wins	

(*a*) To prevent B to Q Kt 5 when he plays Kt to Q B 3.

(*b*) This appears weak, but I should be mentioned that this game was "skittled" in twenty minutes.

(*c*) The commencement of a spirited attack, maintained with great energy to the end.

(*d*) This, and the following moves are finely conceived on the part of White.

(*e*) Better than P to K B 6, for reply to which Black plays Kt takes B, followed by Kt to K 3 and Q to B 7, &c.

(*f*) This loses at once, but we see no satisfactory reply to White's last move.

Cards.

BRIDGE.

Solution to Problem No. 16.

A IS marked with the queen of hearts and the knave, 6, 3 of clubs, B having shown two in his partner's suit. Z could make five trick by a cross ruff, but might then fail to win a tricks in diamonds, all the spades being against him. His best plan, thefore, is to lead a small diamond to Y's queen at trick 5. If A put on the ace and leads the queen of tramps, Z must win the game. On getting in he clears dummy's 9 of clubs by leading the 10, and so makes three more trumps, one club, and two diamonds. Also if B takes Y's queen with the ace, Z wins the game; for B must lead a diamonds or a spade, and Z makes one trick in diamonds and his five trumps. If, however Y's queen takes the trick, the lead is now in the wrong hand for the double ruff, and Z is driven to a finesse in diamonds. If this succeeds he wins the game. By playing as above, therefore, he will win the game unless two named cards, viz., the ace and knave of diamonds, are with A.

Problem No. 17.

Score: A B 24, Y Z 0. Z deals, and leaves it to Y, who declares no-trumps. A's and Y's hands are as follow:—

Y's Hand (Dummy): Heart, ace, king, 2; diamond, ace, knave, 10, 5, 4; clubs, 6, 3; spades, 10, 5, 3.

A's Hand (orginal leader): Hearts, knave, 3; diamonds, queen, 6, 2; clubs, queen, 10, 8, 7; spades, ace, king, knave, 4.

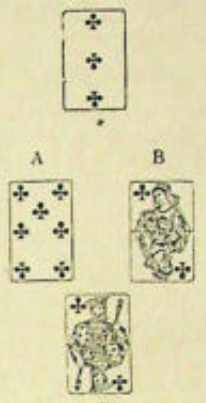
The play of the first four tricks is as follows:—

Trick I.



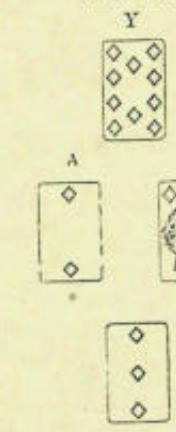
Tricks: A B 1, Y Z 0.

Trick II.



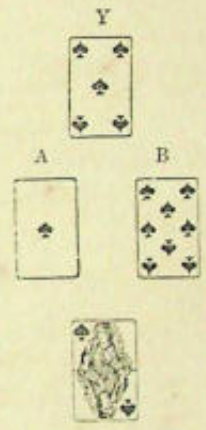
Tricks: A B 1, Y Z 1.

Trick III.



Tricks: A B 2, Y Z 1.

Trick IV.



Tricks: A B 3, Y Z 1.

What ought A to lead next, and why?

Just at the end of Tom Oliver's brilliant career as a steeple, chase rider, he sued the executors of a deceased patron for a considerable amount, being his bill for training several horses for riding fees, and for other costs and expenses incidental to his employment. There was really no reply to the action, but the defendants, as executors, had declined, except under the sanction of the law, to pay what they considered outrageous charges for an ignoble and immoral practice.

Mr. H. (afterwards a judge) held a brief for the defence. He was at that time a rising junior, well known on the Turf, and it was a matter of regret to Tom and his solicitor that he had been snapped up by the other side before they offered him a retainer. The bill was a long one, but such was the fairness of the charges, and the plausibility of Tom in his explanations and definitions, that Mr. H. made little headway.

"Come, Mr. Oliver," he said, "you have already informed the Court that £5 for a losing steeplechase mount, and £10 for a win of a similar description, was regulation price. How is it you have charged £50 for winning the Liverpool? Did you have any express contract before you rode?"

"No; I had no previous agreement."

"Then how do you pretend to support such an outrageous charge?"

"Well now, before I answer that question, please let me read the back of your brief? I want to see how much they gave you to ride this match against me."

"Certainly not; that is a matter totally wide of the question.

"Oh, no, it isn't. I should like to see what they are giving you for your mount."

"I don't intend to satisfy you. Now tell the Court how you can support this charge."

"Well, it was a big race, and I won it. Now, if I could have got you to ride for me to-day, I think I should have made a certainty of getting all the stakes, and I should not have thought of giving you less than a couple of ponies; while, as for those outsiders there" (waving his hand, with a look of contempt, in a sweeping circle so as to describe all the barristers present), "I would not have had them at a quid apiece"

There was, of course, a roar of laughter in court, and it is needless to add there was no further opposition to the account, Tom winning his case hands down.

"Riches take unto themselves wings and fly away,'" read the Sunday-School teacher.

"Now, what kind of riches could be meant?"

"'*Ost*-riches!" yelled a youngster from the back; and then the good young man got mad.

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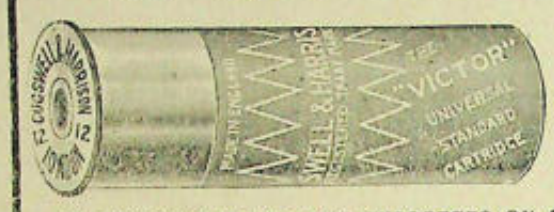

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ATHLETIC HANDICAPS ON A CASH BASIS.

A SOMEWHAT original proposition in connection with handicapping at athletic sports recently made in a London sporting paper has attracted a good deal of attention. A correspondent, signing himself "W. S. B.," has put forward the suggestion that a runner's handicaps should be regulated less by the form he displays than by the value of the prizes he has won. Perhaps we shall do our best to quote the salient passage from "W. S. B's" letter to the *Sportsman* :—

"The proposition is that a runner, at the commencement of his career, be placed on limit in each race, and reduced at so much per yard. The limit in some districts is preposterous—that for a mile in the Midlands is over 200 yards. If a man cannot win a mile race off about 160 yards, he ought to quit the path and take up some other congenial sport, and not go filling up the track and stopping 'dead' short of the finish, as is so often the case, thus impeding many an honest trier from whom he is receiving a substantial allowance.

"The following limits and values (in our standard distances) suggest themselves as being fair :—

100 yards	... Limit	10 yards ...	£4	per yard
220 yards	... Limit	18 yards ...	£2	per yard
440 yards	... Limit	36 yards ...	£1	per yard
880 yards	... Limit	70 yards ...	10s.	per yard
1,320 yards (Steeplechase)	... Limit	100 yards ...	7s. 6d.	per yard
1,760 yards	... Limit	163 yards ...	5s.	per yard

"It will be seen that the cost per yard is less than the average under the present mode for 'firsts,' but every runner would be entitled to limit at each distance, and be penalised only in a race of the distance at which he had been successful."

The modern system of handicapping no doubt leaves much to be desired, but we venture to think that alteration of the system based upon a pecuniary basis is wrong in principle, certainly in so far as amateurs are concerned. It is very probable that there are runners with whom the cash value of the prize counts more than the credit of success ; and we would not go so far as to say that it is illegitimate for a man to consider the value of the prizes offered when weighing the propriety of entering. He may perhaps ask himself whether it be worth while giving up an afternoon to travel to a distant meeting in order to run for an insignificant prize; though we very much prefer the man who looks not at the plate chest but at the company he is likely to meet. The sporting spirit takes the prizes not into account at all : D has good reason to believe that he will meet A, B and C on the half mile, let us say : A on some previous occasion has beaten him by a couple of yards when he, D, was not feeling perfectly fit : B he knows to be a half-miler well worthy of his steel, or running shoes, and C he has beaten by margin as narrow as that by which A beat himself. Now we doubt extremely whether the prospect of meeting such competitors would not influence D far more in making his decision than any consideration connected with prize values. The prize is a mere incident to be taken for what it is worth ; the man who has won his mile or half mile in first-rate time attaches far more importance to the "mins. secs." on the cup

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than he does to the cup itself: it is as the picture to its frame to the amateur athlete who is animated by the right spirit.

We cannot but think that "W. S. B." has been unfortunate in the incidents he has witnessed or that he attributes the acts he mentions to the wrong motive. "I have frequently seen," he says, "runners in long distance races step off the track a few yards from the finish presumably to avoid a paltry second or third prize and an inadequate drop in the handicap." In other words, he has seen men decline to run a race out fairly lest they should suffer in subsequent events at the handicapper's pencil for an inadequate cash return. We are justified in calling it a "cash return" for a few lines lower down we find "a 30s. or £2 second prize" referred to in a contemptuous tone. The athlete on whose behalf this would-be reformer pleads is represented as weighing an 8 guineas first prize and accompanying penalty of about 14 yards against the combined disadvantag s of a small second prize and the accompanying penalt y of 6 or 7 yards in his handicap for a mile race. "W. S. B's" sympathies on one occasion were aroused by the spectacle in a big mile handicap of a man finishing 40 or 50 seconds after the tape had been broken. "He was leaving the track about 40 yards from the finish, but being the only runner left on the course the judges insisted upon his crossing the line for third prize which he seemed to do very reluctantly."

The judges, in our opinion, were perfectly right: and we strongly incline to the view that if such practices are at all common amateur athletics would be greatly strengthened by empowering Stewards of meetings to deal with such doings in the way that the Jockey Club empowers Stewards to deal with malpractices on the Turf. The jockey who, seeing he had no chance of winning, pulled his horse to avoid the unwelcome attentions of the handicapper who would appraise a good second or third in terms of avoirdupois, would be very quickly brought to a sense of his duty: and we fail to see that there is any real difference between stopping a horse for this reason and a runner "stepping off the track" with precisely the same object in view. The action in the case of the latter may not be punishable; but the fact does not make it right nor fair; it is not playing the game and should be dealt with as a deliberate malpractice. If a man enters for a race he undertakes, in our judgment, a moral obligation to do his best; to win if he can, and if he cannot to come in as near the winner as his powers enable him: if he does otherwise from any motive, connected with handicapping or prizes or anything else, he sets his obligation on one side and is out of place on the field of athletics.

We are disinclined to consider "W. S. B.'s" "cash basis" system of handicapping on its merits, or any merits—it may possess—regarding it, as already said, as wholly wrong in principle: but it may be worth while pointing out that adoption of such a system would be playing into the hands of the least desirable class of athlete—of the men to whom the value of the prizes he wins is a matter of the first consideration, the sporting side of the business counting nothing with him. The pothunting runner who ran at a small meeting where the prizes were less valuable than those at a larger one would be penalised according to the value of the prize he won, while a man winning a similar race at the larger meeting where prizes of greater value were awarded would be penalised accordingly. Therefore when the pothunter and the other met in a similar race the former would have an advantage over the latter even though his time over the distance, whatever it might be, were actually the better of the two. The upshot of such a system would be to reduce handicapping to a farce if it were not rendered a practical impossibility.

Householder (awakened by a man in his room): "Hi! Stand still or I'll fire!"

Man: 'For goodness sake don't shoot. I am a reporter of the Daily Buster, assigned to write a story on "The Experiences of a Burglar."

Loafer: "I notice you have put an orchestra in your restaurant. Did you do it on the theory that music aids digestion?"

Mr. Eatinghouse: "No; the music sets the customers' teeth on edge, and they bite the toughest steak with the greatest ease."

Diner (indignantly): "I say, waiter how dare you serve me with hands like these! They are disgustingly dirty." Waiter (in surprised tones): "Dirty! Do you call'em dirty? Why, you should see the cook's!"

Special Telegrams.

THE MANCHESTER NOVEMBER HANDICAP.

(From Our Own Correspondent).

MANCHESTER NOVEMBER HANDICAP of 1,500sovs.; a winner after 10th November, at noon, 5lbs.; twice, or once of 500sovs., 10lbs. extra; the second to receive 100sovs. and the third 50sovs. out of the plate. Entrance, 3sovs., the only liability if forfeit be declared by Tuesday, 13th November, 10sovs. in addition if not then struck out, or 25sovs. for starters. Cup Course, one mile and a half. 39 entries.—Closed 9th October.

London, *Saturday, 24th November 1906.*

Capt. J. Orr Ewing's ch c SPATE, by Rush—Chemistry, 5yrs., Saxby 1

Mr. G. A. Prentice's br h SPINNING MINNOW, by Isinglass—Go Lightly, 6yrs., Howard 2

Hon. Mr. A. A. Apcar's ch h GREAT SCOT, by Lochiel—Scotch Mary, aged, Halsey ... 3

Mr. H. Lawson's b g GALLOPER, by King's Messenger—Senlac, 3yrs. 0

Mr. J. Buchanan's ch c GOLDEN MEASURE, by Florizel II.—Fairy Gold, 4yrs. ... 0

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Col. R. L. Birkin's b c GORING HEATH, by Cyllene—Vagrant Maid, 5yrs. ... 0

Mr. A. Stedall's b g RASSENDYL, by Loved One—Princess, aged 0

Mr. H. J. King's b h WHISTLING CROW, by Crowberry—Sedge Warbler, 6yrs. ... 0

Capt. Bewicke's ch h WILD LAD, by Gone Coon—Wild Mint, 6yrs. 0

Mr. R. B. Dobell's b g JENKINS, by Simontault—Eugenia, 4yrs. 0

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1876	Mr. Bowes's Polonaise ...	5	7	12	Dodge ...	14
1877	Duke of Montrose's Hopbloom	4	7	9	Chesterman	11
1878	Lord Hartington's Belphœbe	4	9	5	Jeffery ...	12
1879	Mr. H Hall's Mars ...	a	6	10	J. E. Jones	16
1880	Mr. Perkin's Madame du Barry	5	8	2	Morgan ...	15
1881	Lord Alington's Gladstone ..	3	6	0	C. Bowman	14
1882	Lord Ellesmere's Boswell	4	7	11	Lemaire ...	16
1883	Sir F. Johnstone's Corrie Roy	5	9	10	C. Wood ...	14
1884	Mr. Manton's Keir ...	4	8	7	J. Watt ...	16
1885	Chev. Ginistrelli's Raffaello...	4	7	1	Luke ...	13
1886	Mr. Taylor's Stourhead ...	5	7	2	E. Martin ...	10
1887	Lord E. Somerset's Carlton ...	4	9	12	G. Barrett...	2
1888	Lord Howe's Claymore ...	4	6	11	F. Allsopp ...	18
1889	Mr. R. Vyner's Fallow Chat...	4	7	5	Luke ...	28
1890	Duke of Beaufort's Parlington	3	7	9	S. Loates ...	19
1891	Mr. Vyner's Lily of Lumley...	5	7	3	G. Chaloner	13
1892	Sir J. Thursby's Paddy ...	3	6	9	G. W. Gough	18
1893	Mr. Peacock's Golden Drop ...	4	7	7	S. Chandley	20
1894	Capt. Machell's Ravensbury	4	9	4	Barker ..	19
1895	Mr. C. Hibbert's Ivor ...	4	6	7	Grimshaw ...	16
1896	Mr. W. M. Singer's Telescope	4	6	10	K. Cannon...	14
1897	Sir R. W. Griffith's Asterie ...	3	6	6	Chapman ...	13
1898	Sir J. Miller's Chaleureux ...	4	8	10	O. Madden...	14
1899	Lord Ellesmere's Proclamation	3	7	7	J. T. Sloan ..	22
1900	Mr. B. Gottschalk's Lexicon	6	6	13	T. Heppell...	18
1901	Mr. J. Collins's Carabine ...	3	6	9	A. Adey ...	22
1902	Col. M'Calmont's St. Maclou	4	9	4	M. Cannon...	14
1903	Mr. B. Ellam's Switch Cap ...	3	6	6	R. McIntyre	24
1904	Manchester Races abandoned owing to wintry weather.					
1905	Mr. A. Belmont's Ferment ...	3	6	2	Jennings ...	19

* Course altered to 1 mile 4 furlongs.

Sporting Notes.

A SPLENDID race for the Army Cup resulted in the very popular victory of the favorite Dilerjung, who thus gave his owners, Messrs. Wood and Badger their second successive win in this important event. We heartily congratulate them. In spite of the odds of 5 to 4 laid on the chestnut at the start, he only just managed to squeeze home in front of Pasha, who landed a good deal of place-money for his supporters. A field of fifteen ponies faced the starter this year, the surest sign that this race continues to maintain its traditions and to be the object of every mititary racing man's ambition. The grey jacket and scarlet belt are equally well known on the Calcutta tracks and Messrs. Wood and Badger have now a well filled and well managed stable. With a steady experienced man like Penton in charge and Bray, their English jockey in the saddle, this string should take their share of the coming season's stakes. Sermon, the new arrival, has a great reputation, while Squire Alfred, Mother Goose, Dunsinane, Ferndown, Thomond and Curfew Bell should have little difficulty in paying their corn bills.

The outward mail steamers bring weekly additions to the gathering crowd in the Calcutta paddock. Mr. J. G. Dickson has returned from a long holiday and Messrs. E. H. Gregory, Bell Irving and E. J. Marshall arrived by last mail from England. It is most unfortunate that Mr. Gregory should have lost his fine mare Petunia at the beginning of the season and before she has had an opportunity of running in his colors. Mr. Hutchison's continued absence from the course is everywhere regretted; we trust that he will speedily shake off this troublesome attack of fever.

With the pending arrival of the up-country stables—J. D. Scott, Penton, Heywood, Ramshaw and Tom Scott,—the rubbing down sheds will be fully occupied. Complaints anent the condition of the training track were very loud towards the end of last week, but every effort has been and is being made to improve matters. The dust as ever causes one of the greatest objections to the track as a galloping ground. The cloud arises for the most part from the public course and until this is well treated with the hose little improvement can be expected. Now that a continuous pipe is laid round the course the difficulty should not be insuperable.

Long Tom heads the list of attractions to bettors on the Viceroy's Cup. The big horse seems very well and is in good hands, while there is little temptation to speculate on the chances of the others. Munderah in the same stable does not meet with the approval of the best informed critics, and certainly moves as though he could feel his fore feet. This may be a mere temporary soreness, however, and there is time enough before us to delay a calculation of his chances. Mallard and Fitzgrafton are already hard at work, and undoubtedly give their trainer a strong hand, the latter being a splendid little horse. The Master has also been moving along the track and is one of the most advanced of the Cup party. Accustomed as we have grown in India to wild reversals of Australian form, there would be nothing very surprising in the success of "Mr. Maxwell's" horse, but he will find himself in very high-class company at the post in the Viceroy's Cup. Especial interest is being taken in the Trials this year'; it should be a good betting race. There is no sign of a favourite at present and it is indeed difficult to fix on a selection from a list including such proved fliers as Signorina, Blitzen, Sacristan, Saloon, Amplify and Prince Lyon: even an offer of sixes the field fails to induce fielders to any bold investments.

The steeplechase course at Tollygunge is undergoing the finishing touches and the fences are all in fine order this year. The water jump opposite the stand has been the subject of much discussion during the off season and an attempt has evidently been made to meet the adverse comments on its construction. The hedge has been clipped well down to the regulation two feet and has been sloped away on the far side so as to give a clearer view of the water to a horse coming up to the fence

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Farther on the landing side the edge of the ditch is well sloped and the risk of a broken back seems reduced to a minimum. The ditch, however, was not quite finished and when last seen a day or two ago the coolies were just beginning to clean it out and to tidy up the edges. If they do not interfere with the present slope the fence should give small ground for complaint, although doubtless a few individuals will still ask that the hedge be thinned out to afford a still clearer view of the water beyond.

In walking round the course, it is impossible to avoid remarking the sudden change from reasonably soft to adamantine going opposite the bushed wall in the run-in. Apparently for appearance sake the track is not harrowed opposite the stands, where the coarse grass is allowed to wind itself into stony knots after its fashion in this country.

At the end of a punishing steeplechase a horse's tendons are strained and terribly susceptible to shock of any kind. The effect of galloping suddenly from the harrowed ground on to the hard untouched turf is better imagined than described. Horses occasionally shut up like a clasp-knife upon reaching it, and there was a very good instance of this in a race last year, but the old *dastur* survives.

Another needed improvement has long been obvious to those who themselves ride the course. After the high guard-rail fence, the last hedge on the far side, beyond the road, a short flight of rails should be run along the inside of the track to mark the course and to prevent short cuts being taken across the grass. This manœuvre is repeated year after year by jockeys lying back at this point, who disregard the risk to their horse's tendons on the hard unploughed ground in order to gain the advantage of two or three lengths obtainable by travelling along the base of the segment at this point.

A further change suggested concerns the start of the Pony Chases. It is irregular and perhaps dangerous to let loose a field of steeplechase ponies on to a water jump as their first fence. It is a serious obstacle which it is as dangerous to take too fast as too slow, and according to all the rules should be placed at some distance from the beginning of a steeplechase. Why not put up a stout bushed hurdle (somewhat after the pattern used in the recent jumping competition at the Tollygunge Club) in the straight abreast the water jump, removing it directly the field has gone past? After these criticisms it is only proper to add that the course generally is in excellent order and shows the mark of the attention and care which has been bestowed upon it.

The decision of the Calcutta Turf Club stewards to refuse certain bookmakers permission to operate in the Calcutta enclosure this season has been received with rather mixed feelings. While all must readily admit that the suppression of malpractice, the safeguarding of the public interest, and the purification of the turf are laudable objects, and while no one can really regret the disappearance of any who may have rendered themselves liable to be dealt with under the penal clauses of the C. T. C. rules, there are many who would like to see the stewards go a step or two further. Those in the know declare that it is all very well to make an example of the puppets, but what about those who pull the strings? Certain it is that the energetic measures recently adopted by both turf clubs cannot fail to make for good and act as a deterrent to those whose courses are inclined to be devious; but no really permanent benefit can be looked for until yet more drastic steps are taken. The difficulty of getting at those behind the culprits is admittedly great; but that it *can* be done most of us are assured. At all events it seems little use lopping off the branches of this tree of evil and leaving the stem and root; that is if the desire is to do the thing thoroughly, which of course it is. We have remarked it many a time and oft before, and we will here say it once again there are too many bookmakers. Their ranks admit of a great deal of thinning and until the "mushroom" and the cat's paw are eradicated and only those of reputation and substance are permitted to prosecute their calling these troubles must be of periodical recurrence.

We received, too late for inclusion in last issue, the conditions of The International Cup, which is to be played for at the Agra Polo Tournament next January. His Excellency the Viceroy will present silver Cups, the tournament begins on the 8th January and is open to any Indian or foreign team of four a side and one spare man. Entries close on the 25th proximo.

The Punjab Polo Tournament will be held at Lahore during the coming Christmas week.

In our Correspondence columns to-day will be found a letter from a valued contributor and experienced shikari in which he asks the question "Do tigers return to kills after being fired at?" This he answers in the affirmative and gives instances. We hope some of our readers will favour us with further contributions to this interesting subject.

Consul-General Richard Guenther writes from Frankort that experiments made in Germany with reference to cheap transportation of live fish have demonstrated that all kinds of fish can live for days outside of their natural element, water, under certain conditions.

This apparently wonderful fact will be easily understood by examining the breathing apparatus of fish. The gills of fish are an organ similar to the human lungs; the blood in them comes up close to the surface. The lungs exchange for the outside air, rich in oxygen, carbonic acid which has been formed in the lungs. On the other hand, the gills of fish are constantly washed by water containing oxygen. The thin membrane of the gills separates the blood in them, viciated with carbonic acid, from the water containing oxygen and the practical result is the same as with the human lungs. Carbonic acid is exchanged for oxygen.

It had been noticed long ago that many kinds of fish could live out of water for some time, provided that the gills remain wet. The experiments made aimed at keeping the gills wet and to see to it that this moisture be well charged with oxygen. In order to keep the gills wet the evaporation of the moisture of the gills had to be prevented; for this purpose the fish were placed in an atmosphere thoroughly saturated with water vapor. An hermetically closed wooden box was filled with water to the depth of about one-third of an inch, or the bottom was covered with wet rags, which through evaporation kept the air in the box always saturated with water vapor. The fish were placed in a box which was then shut hermetically by the lid.

Through a tube, reaching to the bottom, oxygen was introduced and allowed to escape through a tube in the lid. This oxygen before entering the box passed through several water bottles which thoroughly saturated it with water vapor. In this way the fish are always in a pure oxygen atmosphere and a drying up of the gills is not to be feared. The result of the experiments was surprising. Carp, tench, bleak, and other fish remained in the box for from three to four days perfectly well. When they were then placed into water to be fed they swam about in a lively manner and appeared perfectly fresh.

It is expected that this mode of transportation for fish will become popular, as it is much more economical than shipping live fish in water tanks. By the latter method the weight of every shipment was ninety-three to ninety-six per cent water.

Kipling has stated that the elephant got his trunk through its nose being pulled out by the crocodile; but Dr. Ray Lankester quite upset this theory when he lectured on the ancestral history of the elephant at the London Institution a few weeks ago. By a fine series of lantern slides he showed the evolution of the elephant from the mammoth and mastodon. A picture of a long-jawed mastodon skeleton from Central France was shown, and a soft, long upper lip resting on the long lower jaw was pointed out as corresponding to the trunk of the modern elephant. The elephant's trunk, said the lecturer, originated through a shortening of the lower jaw. A picture of a tapir, with its long proboscis hanging over the end of its lower jaw, was shown as an example of what was probably one stage of the elephant's trunk. A lantern slide of the largest elephant tusk on record, weighing 228lbs., and measuring 10ft. long, was also shown by the Professor.

A sensational struggle between the lion-tamer, Albert Schenknut, and a strange lioness took place in Fischer's menagerie, at Halberstadt, Central Germany. Schenknut entered a cage containing three lions and a lioness named Flora, and put them through their usual tricks. All the animals showed signs of irritation, and several exciting incidents interrupted the first part of the performance. The final feature of the performance consisted in an exhibition of fireworks inside the cage. Schenknut was occupied in lighting the fireworks, when the lioness sprang on him and he fell heavily to the ground with the lioness over him. Schenknut repeatedly struck the lioness with his right hand to prevent the animal seizing him by the throat. All the time the three lions remained passive spectators of the contest. Finally, Schenknut succeeded in regaining his riding-whip, and fought desperately for his life. The lioness bit his right arm, tearing off the flesh from shoulder to wrist, and severing the thumb from his hand. At this critical juncture keepers outside the cage drove off the lioness with hot iron bars, and Schenknut, with great presence of mind, succeeded

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in getting out of the cage. No sooner was he outside than he fainted from exhaustion and loss of blood. His clothes were torn to shreds.

From time to time we get enquiries on the subject of longevity in horses. For the benefit of those interested in the subject we reproduce the following details published in the *Illustrated Sporting and Dramatic News* received by last Sunday's mail. The letterpress is accompanied by two capital photographs which, much to our regret, we are unable to reproduce. The writer, A. H. C., who dates from Ghazipore, says:—"A friend who has just returned from England informed me that some time ago you were inquiring regarding longevity in horses. As I know of two what I should think are records of living horses in the same stable, I have procured and enclose you their photographs, also a short description of each horse. These horses must have had pretty hard and lively work in the late Maharaja's lifetime, as he was a mighty shikari and pigsticker. Since then I do not suppose they have done any work—as is the Hindu custom. These horses belong to the Maharaja of Balrampur, who has very kindly supplied me with the above details. By the way, the many friends of the Maharaja will be pleased to notice in the last Birthday Gazette that he has had the honour of being created a Knight Commander of the Indian Empire, a distinction to which he is eminently entitled, not only from his position of premier talukdar (landholder) of Oudh, but also for the example he has set in his munificent contributions to both the New Medical College, and also to the Canning School in Lucknow. The Balrampur estate is a magnificent one, and the place to see elephants by the hundred and a good deal more. There is the skeleton of an elephant set up in the Zoological Gardens there, which measures 10ft. 6in. at the shoulder, which also should be about a record.

"*Nami.*—While inspecting his Highness the Nawab of Oudh's horses, the late Maharaja Sir Digvijai Singh took a fancy for one of the 'Najdi' species (Arab). Syed Ahmad Baghdadi, a horse-dealer of Bombay, was asked to procure one, and he supplied the horse called 'Nami.' The animal was six years when it arrived, had three years' training, and was ridden sixteen years till 1882. His age now is forty-nine years. Height—14-2½.

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The *Times of Ceylon* writes:—The recent flood and the continued rains have cost the Ceylon Fishing Club over 5,000 trout of various sizes. At Windy Corner a coolie on the Blackwater slip picked up a large number of dead trout, while at Nanudya coolies were eating trout, having picked them up dead on the banks of the stream in great numbers. The waste from the spill over to the Black Pool bridge of rock and then over the Jacob's Ladder fall was responsible for this destruction. The belief among many that no young trout would be lost in consequence of an excess of water is thus belied.

The first dog show to be held under the auspices of the Calcutta Kennel Club has been fixed for Wednesday, the 6th February, and the promoters have been lucky enough to arrange for its inclusion among the side-shows of Lady Minto's gigantic *fête*. They are to be congratulated on having secured the services as judge of the Rev. H. W. Bush, who has been so prominently associated with the successes of the N. I. K. A. and continues to act as its Honorary Secretary. This fact alone should carry much weight with both exhibitors and public.

The C. K. C. is progressing most satisfactorily. It has already a members' roll of over seventy and before the show comes off it is probable the number will reach a hundred. Mr. E. A. Lyon's recent severe indisposition has compelled him to make over the temporary Honorary Secretaryship to Mr. F. S. Kerr, of 7/1, Lyon's Range. This gentleman, assisted by his other temporary coadjutors, is now busy drafting the proposed rules of the Association which will shortly be submitted to a general meeting of the members. At this meeting will be elected the President, Vice-Presidents, and officials, and the programme for the forthcoming show will be discussed. The schedule will follow the lines of that of last year, save that the show will be a Championship one and there will be no prize for "best dog in the show." Most people will be glad to hear of the proposal to do away with this useless and eminently unsatisfactory award. The prizes, we are led to expect, will be valuable, and as practically all breeds are to be catered for it looks as if the show might be better than those of former years.

"Paucity of entries"—the old familiar reason—has resulted in the abandonment of the Bangalore November Handicap Meeting. In its stead a Skittle Gymkhana was arranged for Tuesday.

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Faiz Hyder (1), H. H. the Yuvaraj (2), H. H. the Maharajah of Mysore (3), and Mr. Gopalraj Urs, (back).

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Our Lucknow correspondent writes:—Delightful weather, fine sport and a record attendance characterised the Army Cup meeting this year. On Tuesday, the opening day, the immense concourse of carriages and some motors drawn up outside the course, gave one the impression that nearly the whole of Lucknow had turned out for the races—an impression which was confirmed by the crowded appearance of the stands and enclosures. The weather on Tuesday, at any rate for the early part of the afternoon, was unusually warm for the time of year, but this passed unnoticed by the majority of race-goers—a compliment perhaps to the excellent character of the sport. The inspection of the candidates between each race was quite a feature of the afternoon, the paddock presenting a gay and picturesque aspect. The opening day's sport fully maintained the traditions of Lucknow as a racing centre, and the full card of eight events was got through with commendable celerity. Two remarkable surprises were provided, the first in the Trial Plate, when Baritone, who started at odds of 7 to 1, beat the rest of his field. His victory, it seems, was entirely unexpected, and most of all to his stable, who had nothing whatever on the horse. The other surprise occurred in the Medium Plate, which went to a rank outsider in Mr. R. B. Forbes' Forget-me-not, a pony which had run well at Poona so recently as September. Though the favourite succumbed to Senator in the Military Chase, Mr. Charrington's fine riding on the winner was much admired. The bookmakers did comparatively well on the opening day, but there was really very little to choose between them and the public in that respect.

Cup Day was ushered in by lovely weather, and the course wore a bright and festive appearance. Among those present were Lady Locke Elliot, Lady Violet Crawley, Mrs. Watson, Mrs. Laverton, Mrs. deLisle and Mrs. Leslie Porter. We were favoured with a visit from the Hon'ble Mr. J. P. Hewett, Lieutenant-Governor designate of the United Provinces, who is as keen as ever on racing. The two opening events went to very popular sportsmen in Colonel Stisted and Captain Bennett. In the November Plate we witnessed an exciting finish between Manlock and Meadow Saffron, which was won by the former. The objection against Colonel Beaver's horse was overruled by the Stewards. The chief interest naturally centred in the race for the Army Cup, and the public have every reason to be satisfied with the result. Dilerjung was such a strong favourite that his success seemed a dead certainty; there was consequently a noticeable absence of the usual excitement associated with the race for the Cup. It was at this juncture that the inadequacy of the Grand Stand and its awkward situation, was most apparent. The stand was, of course, crammed, but it was only possible to see a portion of the race from it. A number of our keener sportsmen congregated on the opposite side of the course, near the water jump, and had a much better view of the race. There was a field of fifteen for the event, and after the customary parade, Captain Burch got them off fairly well together, Harmony being the only one left. Cut Off at once took up the running and held a good lead coming into the straight. Here he was collared by Pasha, who at this stage appeared to have the race in his keeping. About a furlong and a quarter from home Dilerjung drew out of the ruck and getting on level terms with Pasha, the two raced together, the favourite just succeeding in snatching the verdict by a head. The victory, of course, was immensely popular, Lomond, who secured third place, held a good position throughout, but Cinque Ports greatly belied his form. It is some years since the capabilities of the principal performers had been so well forecasted. The bookmakers lost heavily over the event and had no means of recouping themselves on the other races as the favourites showed up exceedingly well. The race was run in 1min. 39secs. which is one second better than last year, when Mr. T. R. Badger's William Rufus won while, Modesty's time in 1904 was 1min. 41⅖secs. The field of fifteen compared well with last year when only eleven faced the Starter, but was below that of 1904 when there were twenty. The record time for the Army Cup, curiously enough, was in 1892, the year of the inception of the race, when it was won in 1min. 37⅖secs. by Mr. Alymer's David Subsequent winners are: 1893, Captain Apthorp's Garryowen; 1894, Captain Allen's Shah III.; 1895, Major Smith Dorrien's Shannon; 1896, Major Hon. C. Winn's Toby; 1897, Mr. H. B. Williams' Sahib; 1898, Mr. Hyde's Pleader; 1899, Mr. Jower's Parole; 1900, Captain England's Ruddigore; 1901, Mr. Blondin's Bin Curtas; 1902, Colonel the Hon'ble Baring's Granite II., and 1903, Major Eustace's Active.

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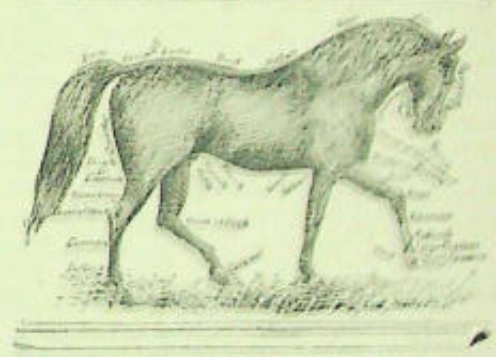

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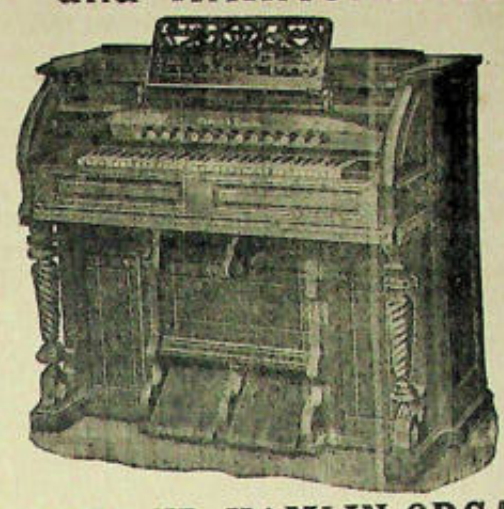

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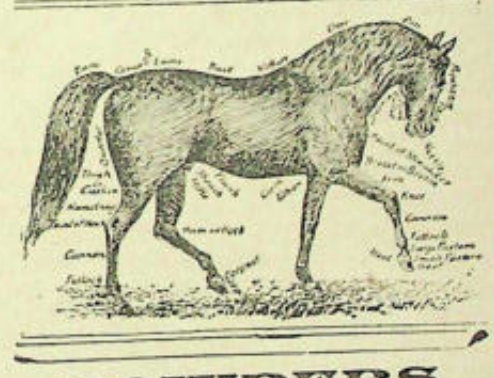

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London Week by Week.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

Friday, 9th November 1906.

IT has been a week of rain and east wind with occasional fogs to lend variety. On Sunday night the wind increased to a gale with the usual tale of wreck and fatality on the coast. So high was the sea that the mail boat did not cross the channel. The prospects for Lord Mayor's day were tolerably gloomy until this morning, but the day broke quite sunny after a very wet night and we came down to breakfast to see a rising glass. Those interested in Lord Mayor's shows are referred to yesterday's papers, which contained the official programme, or to-morrow's, which will doubtless provide the usual "full and graphic description."

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Monday evening's papers tempted us with flaring announcements of a "Naval Meeting at Portsmouth." Later intelligence told of a row serious enough but nothing deserving to be called a "mutiny." It appears that the stokers in the Royal Naval Barracks were paraded in a heavy rain squall and not receiving the order to dismiss as soon as they expected got angry at being needlessly soaked. Paraded under shelter afterwards, the Gunnery Lieutenant in charge gave the order "on the knee," intending to wig them for the riotous and precipitate fashion in which they had dismissed in the rain. The order, not coming within the knowledge or use of stokers, was misunderstood and resented, as it would not have been by blue jackets, to whom an attitude for the front rank, which allows the rear rank to hear orders better, is familiar enough. One man was put under arrest for defying the repeated order, but the rest obeyed and were dismissed. The real trouble broke out that night when the stokers came out of their quarters and began to make a disturbance. This was aggravated by the crowd of loafers and liberty men (stokers also), which collected outside the barrack gates. Stones were thrown and a good deal of damage was done before Commander Stopford managed to get the stokers under control, while the police dealt with the mob outside. All seems to have been quiet by midnight. A court of enquiry was assembled on Tuesday and the rebellious stokers, who had been locked up in bath-rooms when the cells were filled, will no doubt be dealt with by court-martial.

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It has been decided to use the wreck of the *Montagu* as a target, with the object of testing 12in. and 9·2in. armour-piercing shells on modern armour. The fact that the *Montagu* lies partly heeled over does nothing to impair her utility as an experimental target, and valuable results are expected from the battering she will receive from the guns of the *Africa*, the ship chosen to carry out the trials. This is the first opportunity our naval authorities have had to try big guns against armour in position *en masse*, and it will be instructive to see how its resistance compares with that of the isolated plates in proof cells used on the Admiralty testing ranges. We shall learn also the effect of heavy projectiles striking at an angle.

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The result of the Borough Council elections of last week must give Radical extravagance furiously to think. In 1903 London elected, 585 Municipal Reformers, or "Moderates" as they then called themselves, and 619 Progressives and Socialists. Last week London elected 959 Municipal Reformers and contented herself with 306 Extravagants. The long-suffering ratepayer has turned at last and I devoutly hope will remain in his present frame of mind. Meantime the Extravagants on the L. C. C. pursue their way: their attitude in the electric lighting matter is sufficiently amazing, and we are hoping earnestly that the new folly, for which it is seeking parliamentary sanction, will be delayed till March, when the electors will probably apply the brake even as they have applied it to Borough Council recklessness.

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The Local Government Board Inspector's Report on the Poplar Workhouse scandal published yesterday provides interesting reading. Twelve years ago Mr. Chas. Booth held Poplar the least pauperised of the 10 London Unions "specially devoted to manufacture and trade." At the beginning of 1906 it was become the worst and had doubled its own pauperism since 1900. The rise in pauperism dates from the year that Mr. W. Crooks joined the Board of Guardians—1893. From that date it rose steadily till in 1905, 47 in every 1,000 were receiving relief: the figure for the whole of London being 11 per 1,000. In 1904 the "distress" was so acute that the labour test was abolished; and in a few weeks the cost of relief bill rose from £88 to £300 per week. Then in February last the official enquiry was announced; and suddenly the bill fell to £150 per week! The Report holds Mr. Crooks and Mr. Lambury largely responsible for the general policy which produced the scandalous condition of affairs revealed; it is suggested by the Report that the guardians under the guidance of these two shining lights deliberately increased the expenditure in order to convince the country that additional contributions from the rest of London were absolutely necessary. The revelations of mismanagement, corruption and malpractice in the Report offer an eloquent commentary on the blessings of local self-government. The Essex "Farm Colony" and its story are a contribution to the history of municipal politics of which America might be proud.

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Lord Montagu of Beaulieu, well known as an ardent motorist, has taken up the cudgels on behalf of the motor-'bus in London. He points out, quite correctly, that the conduct of these machines has greatly improved of late; they smell less, they emit less purple vapour, and make less noise. If they skid as badly as ever and break down as often, these are defects of comparatively little concern to the public. It must be allowed that Lord Montagu makes out a very fair case for a more indulgent attitude towards the motor-'bus: compared with the brewer's dray laden with resounding empty barrels, the milkman's van with empty cans, and the empty covered van, the motor-'bus is a thing of infinite discretion in the silence of its going. If the police would adopt Lord Montagu's advice and order off the street all things noisy, we should rise up and call them blessed. Only a fortnight ago the police put on 30 extra men to regard the motor-'bus and its ways; with the result, it is reported, that one-third of the vehicles in the streets were stopped and sent back to the yards. There is talk of bribery and corruption, or rather of the lack of it on the part of motor-drivers, but whether there be any truth or not in the assertion that horse-'bus drivers fee the police to secure indulgence at stopping places or not, who can tell?

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The Croydon "police obstruction" case was heard in the Lord Chief Justice's court on Tuesday. As it was of great interest to motorists you may recollect that in March last a Mr. Little was "run in" at Croydon for warning motorists of the presence of a police trap. The Croydon bench dismissed the case and the police appealed. The Lord Chief and the other judges sitting with him unanimously upheld the action of the magistrates and dismissed the appeal. The case was acknowledged to present difficulties: and the lay mind recognises that there are two distinct aspects upon it. Mr. Little was (*a*) preventing a breach of the law by warning motorists; or (*b*) was enabling motorists who were breaking the law to escape the consequence. The fact that he had no connection with the motor industry and was not a member of any motorists' association evidently weighed much with the judges in determining his ostensible motive.

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Mr. George Herring's death, which occurred on Friday at Luton, is a serious loss to charitable organisations. Born 74 years ago in very humble circumstances he became a bookmaker: it has been stated that he accumulated the necessary capital during his work as carver in an eating-house on Ludgate Hill, but it is denied that he ever followed such a calling. About his bookmaking career, however, there is no question, for he was in his day one of the leading lights of the fraternity and enjoyed a great reputation for integrity. Many years ago he gave up bookmaking and joined Mr. Bischoffsheim in financial operations of a larger kind, accumulating great wealth thereby. The best known outcome of his generosity was his annual gift of £10,000, or one-fourth of the total collected in the London churches, to the Hospital Sunday Fund; he gave £100,000 to the Salvation Army to forward its scheme for settling indigent but able-bodied people on the land. His minor charities were boundless. It is doubtful if he knew himself how much he gave away. His will also directs the sale of valuable house property for the benefit of the King's Hospital Fund.

A curious commentary on the ragings of the Good people against the crime of betting, editorjee, are the will of the late Mr. "Sam" Lewis and the benefactions of Mr. Herring.

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There is very little indeed to record in the theatrical world this week. The single new production at the theatres is a slight and rather thin curtain-raiser at the Criterion. Mr. Kingsley Tarpey has dramatised a story written by his wife and "The Collaborators" owes any attraction it has to the acting: which was excellent. Given a lady novelist whose affections are divided between a painter and a playwright, and to each of whom she sees objections which would hardly pass current in real life: add an elderly and sensible aunt to make up the lady's mind for her, and the scheme is told. Miss Lilian Braithwaite was the doubting heroine and Mr. E. Percival Stevens was peculiarly convincing as the absorbed playwright.

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The Haymarket is closed to-night, His Majesty having commanded a performance of "The Man from Blankley's" at Sandringham. I took a country cousin to the Haymarket a night or two ago and came away with the conviction that on the whole this is about the best acted piece in London at the present time, despite a tendency on the part of some of the players to over-act. The King has also commanded a performance of "Robin Hood" at Sandringham on this day week.

The Actors' Association has taken up the question of an Irving Memorial: nothing will be decided as to its form for some little time yet.

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Hypnotic performances are not much to my taste, but the great B. P. loves the weird and incomprehensible, and no doubt Mr. Alex's Hynoptic phenomena at the Pavilion will draw for a while. There is nothing very new in his proceedings; he puts half a dozen young men (paid hands) under influence and sets them to play the fool in various fashions. The extraordinary rigidity of the human body under hypnotic influence was demonstrated by placing a man head and heels on trestles and making a bridge of him. An attempt was made to ride a cob over this human bridge covered with cushions and a board; and I confess that the cob lost nothing of my esteem when, at the private seance, he flatly refused to have anything to do with the business.

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The Alhambra is the richer by a troupe of Norwegian lady singers who appear in the picturesque dress peculiar to the Hardanger district on Sundays and holidays, and fondly believed in this country to be the daily attire of the people all over Norway. The "Poetsingers," five in number, sing in English and display the knowledge of our tongue which seven Norwegians out of ten seem to acquire as a matter of course. Their dancing is excellent also: it is modern dancing I need hardly say. The authorities would step in if these attractive young women—two dressed as men for the occasion—gave us a specimen of the barbaric dances still to be seen by the very privileged stranger in the remoter parts of Saetersdalen and elsewhere.

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The site of St. Paul's Church, in Great Portland Street, now far advanced in demolition, is to be used for the erection of a new concert hall to seat about 1,900 people. A small concert hall has been wanted in London since the St. James's was cleared away, and the Great Portland Street building should answer the purpose when opened, as is expected, in June or July next. Exclusive of the site, which of course is a valuable one, the new hall will cost about £100,000.

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The Zoo has a new attraction just now in the person of a baby cow hippopotamus from West Africa. The thing is about three feet long from snout to tail and weighs 188lbs. It is in my considered opinion the very ugliest beast I have ever seen; the very young rhinoceros which now graces a stall in the elephant home is beautiful by comparison, and that is saying much. The Zoo has been enormously improved since the new Secretary took office, and the result of the improvements is made agreeably manifest in the large increase in shilling visitors.

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By slow degrees the Great Wheel at Earl's Court is being dismantled. About one-third of the cars have been removed from the wheel and the thing grows weekly more naked looking.

The scaffolding has now been so far cleared away from the Victoria and Albert Museum that we are able to form a tolerably good idea of its proportions and appearance. What an age it has taken to complete the building! I saw the late Queen lay the foundation stone some time in the last century.

People in the Regent's Park district are very angry with Mr. Vernon Harcourt for that he has decided not to replace the close wooden fence round the park with another of the same, but with an iron railing. The latter he has explained will cost only £4,200, whereas oak pailings like those now in process of removal would cost £12,000. Mr. Harcourt has economy to support his view; but people are not pleased, the wooden fence lasts about 40 years, whereas the other can reckon its duration by centuries it painted regularly. Mr. Justice Bargrave Dean has refused to withdraw the injunction he made restraining the Fulham Registrar from marrying Mr. O'Heer to Miss Darlington. The learned judge is satisfied that the young man is a lunatic and his attitude therefore is the only one compatible with common-sense. Leave to appeal against the injunction was granted, without encouragement from his lordship.

Onlooker.

Review.

HOW TO KNOW THE INDIAN WADERS.*

THOSE of us who read Mr. Frank Finn's delighful notes on Indian wading birds which appeared in our columns, will hail with acclamation his *How to Know the Indian Waders*, in which many of these notes reappear. We have had long to wait for the book. We seem to remember having seen it advertised in 1902 as "nearly ready." However, it has at last appeared and we, like the celebrated baby, are happy now we 've got it! It is quite superfluous to state that the book is a good one. Everything to which Mr. Finn attaches his signature is well worth reading.

The wading birds, that is to say those which possess long shanks, the grallatores of scientific authors, form a large and heterogeneous group, and it is no small feat to marshal them into an orderly array. Yet this is what Mr. Finn has done. In order to make their identification comparatively easy to the "laymen" the author, while very rightly retaining the scientific names of the *Fauna of British India*, adopts a different classification, and we must say that Mr. Finn's system is simplicity itself. He divides the Indian grallatores into the Perching waders, which are the Herodiones of Le Messurier, and the Non-perching Waders, which comprise the Grallae and the Dimicolae of that author.

Now in order that a bird may perch it must possess a functional hind toe, capable of grasping a perch. This then, the presence or absence of such a functional hind toe, is the feature which separates the perchers from the non-perchers. If we see a wader without a hind toe at all or with a small one that does not reach to the ground and looks like a dog's dew-claw we may be tolerably certain that that bird is a non-perching wader. Hence when a man shoots "a paddy bird of sorts" his first step towards its identification should be to examine its toes. Some birds which belong to the perching class resemble closely some of the non-perchers. Such resemblance is of course only superficial and is a common phenomenon in nature. It is frequently seen when widely separated species adopt similar methods of obtaining a livelihood. Thus superficially there is a great resemblance between a swallow and a swift, yet anatomically they are far more widely separated than the crow is from the canary. Cranes and storks display a superficial likeness. Nine men out of ten would be "floored" if asked to distinguish storks from cranes. As a matter of fact the former are perching waders and the latter non-perchers. They are therfore easily differentiated. The main features whereby this can be done are set forth so clearly by Mr. Finn in a style so characteristic of him that we cannot refrain from quoting what he has to say upon the subject :—

"The cranes form a small family of sixteen species ; they are often confounded with the storks and herons, in the other section, but present certain very obvious characteristics of their own.

"It is true that, like the other big waders mentioned, they are tall birds with long bills, necks and legs, large broad wings and short tails. But in the head and foot, looked at closely, differences are at once apparent. The Crane's bill is never so big and strong as the stork's or heron's ; the gape of the mouth is not so wide, the corner of the mouth coming just below the forehead, whereas in the stork the mouth runs back nearly to the eye, and in the heron even beyond this. Moreover, the nostrils of storks and herons are set at the base of the bill as in most birds ; in cranes they are much more forward, quite in the middle. In the feet of the birds under consideration we find in the stork a well-developed back toe, coming fairly to the ground at its tip ; in the heron the hind toe is even larger, and flush with the front ones all along ; whereas in the crane the hind toe is a miserable little affair, set on too high up to be of any use, and reminding one of a dog's dew-claw.

Thus a stork or heron could be distinguished from a crane even by its footprints without seeing the bird at all.

There is a reason in these distinctions. Storks and herons are carnivorous, catching and gulping down such creatures in the fish and reptile line as come in their way, and often tackling prey of considerable size. Moreover they roost and make their nests on trees, as a rule, and do a good deal of perching at all times. Cranes, on the other hand, live almost on the ground, feeding much as game birds do, on grain, herbage, and insects, and such small fry. Hence they have no need of such a wide gape and a strong grip in the foot as the others possess.

It must be admitted that this correspondence of the feeding habits with width of mouth does not always hold good ; but in this case it is very obvious and helps to distinguish birds often and easily confounded.

A very radical difference between storks and herons on the one hand and cranes on the other is the fact that the young of the former are helpless squabs, which are brought up in a nest where the parents drop the food into their mouths.

The young of the cranes, on the other hand, are active and downy like young chickens, and follow the parents about from the first, though they are not averse to letting their elders find the food and hold it for them to peck."

But Mr. Finn is not content with detailing the more important characteristics of each main group of birds ; he takes each Indian species separately and gives of it a pen-picture, both vivid and accurate.

This he is able to do because of his peculiarly intimate acquaintance with most waders. In many cases this acquaintance extends to the flavour of the bird when served up on the table! The result of this is that Mr. Finn is able to inform us that "more of these birds are good to eat than is popularly supposed, and I have personally, after rather an extended gastronomic experience, tasted few of them that I should not prefer to the ordinary fowl, that prop in Hindustan of an essentially carnivorous nation like ourselves."

For this reason we commend *How to Know the Indian Waders* to the *mem sahib*. Why not vary the eternal round of mutton, goat, beef, buffalo, *murghi*, duck and goose with spoonbill and ibis?

We are not jesting. Spoonbills are frequently eaten by natives. A raja once sent us one shot by him, but we jibbed at it, not being then in possession of Mr. Finn's dictum "Spoonbills are good to eat."

"I have" says our author, "tried the White Ibis, both full grown and young, as food, and found it tolerable, though not exactly a delicacy. There is no noticeable fishy flavour, but the meat of the adult is very solid and close grained, though not stringy or tough. I certainly gave it a fair trial, for with a friend who was living with me, I tried roast Ibis, stewed Ibis and Ibis pie. The young bird I got was one reared in the Calcutta Zoological Gardens in the spring of 1901, which was growing up hopelessly rickety and crippled, and had to be killed. It was tenderer than its seniors, and somewhat between duck and pigeon in taste but not up to a good sample of either, as was to be expected from its poor condition." *Ibis au Frank Finn* may yet become a popular dish and have to find a place in the subsequent editions of *Everyday Menus for Indian Housekeepers*.

How to know the Indian Waders.—By Frank Finn B. A. (Oxon) F. Z. S. M. S., O U. Calcutta, Thacker, Spink and Co., Rs. 3-8.

THE MOTOR CAR IN INDIA.*

ALL Indian motorists will be prepared to extend a cordial welcome to Major Warren's *vade mecum* just published by the *Times of India* Press, Bombay, and turned out in faultless style by those enterprising and high-class printers. For some time the rapid growth of motoring out here has rendered the production of a book like this an absolute necessity ; the want has been keenly felt and the void commented on in every quarter. To the rescue comes Major D. Warren of the Queens, and, as he brings to the work the long experience and practical knowledge which have earned for him a high position among the recognised authorities on the subject, he has placed before us a very great deal that will be of absorbing interest to motorists and much that cannot fail to arrest the attention of the gereral reader.

Beginning with a concise and clearly expressed chapter on the financial aspect of motoring—in which initial cost, upkeep and running are considered—we are led to the contemplation of a typical motor car and the author has done well in choosing as illustrative of his description the 10—12 H. P. Humber Light car. This chapter is particularly rich in illustrations, every one artistically reproduced, indeed the very large number of beautiful plates which appear in the book strike one as unusual and testify to the author's thoroughness ; the desire has evidently been to make matters clear and help the motorist to acquire useful information almost at a glance. Passing on to deal with examples of well-known petrol cars Major Warren gives an exhaustive description (profusely illustrated) of such popular types as the Wolseley, the Argyll, the Gladiator, the Winton, and the De Dietrich, cars that have become firmly established in popularity among the motoring fraternity of India. Steam cars have some space devoted to them and then we are told a good deal about tyres and accessories, matters that are of vital interest to all ; here, too, one notes the practical style of the author who imparts knowledge and offers suggestions in a form easily understanded even of the unfortunate people who do not "mote." The chapter on "Driving and the Care of Car" teems with good advice and so simply set out that after reading it one who has never driven feels competent to take his place at the wheel and start off right away. The observations on fuels for motors commend themselves to us as sound : in view of the recent discoveries in alcohol production and the ease with which an almost infinite number of grains and plants in this country can be converted into coarse alcohol admirably suitable as fuel the author's conclusions on this head should be carefully noted. We incline to the opinion that petrol will be superseded ere long. There are many sketch maps at the end of the book ; these show the distances, bungalows, rivers, railway lines, etc., connected with several highways in Bombay, the United Provinces, Central Provinces, Madras and Southern India. We notice that no routes east of Allahabad have been shown (the Grand Trunk Road from Delhi to Calcutta, for example, is not included), but these, we presume, may figure in subsequent editions, there are at least a dozen fine motoring roads of over a hundred miles in length in Eastern, Northern and Lower Bengal, Assam, and Behar.

*The Motor Car in India. By Major D. Warren. Bombay: Messrs. Bennett, Coleman and Co., *The Times of India Office*.

Shikar.

AN AFRICAN LEOPARD.

I HAD pitched my camp near the village of Uruthsaine. Sitting in the shade, I watched my followers at work building the zareeba. My bath stood ready before my tent and door, I got up to have a welcome wash, when I perceived the whole village pouring down upon me. Men, women, and children followed each other in long procession. The zareeba was finished, and I walked through the opening, my men closing the door, or rather filling up the gap with thorn bushes behind me, as a gentle hint to the crowd to keep outside. The villagers seemed disappointed, and soon shouts arose. "What do they say?" I ask my headman. "They have news, sahib," answered Dwallah. I allowed the headmen of the village to enter the zareeba, and begged them to be seated. Through my interpreter we made out that their village had for months been infested with leopards which had carried off sheep, goats, and even babies, in spite of every precaution and the most impenetrable of zareebas. They hailed the white man with great delight, as he would surely rid them of these pests. I assured them that we would do our best that very night. Then they all stood up and walked away, with the exception of an old man who, pointing to the crowd of women outside, said : "My wife, my daughters, my mother-in-law, have never seen a white man, they not believe him all white, but only face and hands ; they call me liar when I say all white ; show them, I beseech you that I am no liar" (here twitching hold of my clothes), I politely answered that it was not the custom in my country to appear naked in public, and, bidding him good evening, walked into my tent.

For some time after supper I sat in a chair enveloped in a rug, opposite the kid tied up outside. A small hole had been made in the fence, through which I was to keep watch for the leopards. It was now quite dark, except within the zareeba, where the glow of the camp fires presented a curiously weird scene. In the centre lay the camels complacently chewing the cud, their eyes flashing out like brilliant sparks in the firelight. Huddled together in small groups round the fires lay my tired out men, their blankets closely wrapped around them. Presently I dozed off. How long I slept I know not, but something made me start up and open my eyes. I peered through the hole into the darkness. There stood the kid tethered to a stake. All was quiet save an occasional snore or a groan from a fever-stricken man, as he restlessly tossed to and fro. The kid suddenly stood rigid with ears cocked. I stared and stared, but could see nothing. I rubbed my eyes. What was that? I seemed to make out a grey shadowy form with head bent low, gazing intently upon the goat. Cautiously I pushed my rifle through the hole, raised it to my shoulder and peered down the barrels. I saw nothing. I pinched myself to see if I was dreaming. No ; it must have been imagination. The kid lay down. A shudder passed through me and I wrapped my rug more tightly round me as I lay back again in my chair. I had hardly dozed off again when I awoke. I swore I heard a growl.

The kid was up again and staring intently ; beyond stood the same grey phantom. It was getting lighter, it would be now or never. The shadow slowly crawled towards the now terrified goat. Out of the loop-hole went my rifle, and my heart beat hard against my ribs with excitement. Yes, I could see his spots now. He was within fifteen yards. I took a hurried aim and—bang! Every camel was upon its feet, the sleeping men started up and hurried towards me. I stared through the smoke and beheld the goat still standing as though petrified, and just beyond it a grey, heaving mass. "Well done, sare," shouted my headman, "your bullets is good." I told him to make away through the barrier and fetch in the leopard. "No black man go outside zareeba night-time," he replied with a grin. "Well, white man does," I answered as I broke down the zareeba to examine my prize. There, within fifteen yards of me he lay, his dark spots showing up clearly in the now fast, approaching dawn.

M. H.

A REGAL SPORT NOW PASSING.

DEPLORABLE, yet seemingly inevitable, woodcock shooting will in a few years be a sport of the past, observes an American writer. This superlative bird has decreased distressingly within the last decade and, as there does not appear to be any way of artificially propagating it, it seems to be in danger of speedy extinction. A few years ago there were many localities in which a bag of from five to ten brace could be made in a day, while now if three or four birds are secured the hunter may consider himself lucky. Nothing will save the woodcock but concerted action by all the States in prohibiting the killing of it for a number of years.

It sounds almost like a breach of good manners to call the woodcock a snipe, yet a snipe he undoubtedly is. A half brother, at least, to the English snipe, and a more distant relative of the vulgar sand-piper. But, if he is a snipe, he is the king of his kind, and a worthy congener of other royalty. By common consent of epicures he is placed at the head of the list of table birds, while by sportsmen he is regarded as the peer of any bird in the field.

There is no bird in the field or the woods that the sportsman will take as much punishment to secure. I could never tell the suffering I have endured in the pursuit of woodcock. I have lain in wait for ducks until my heels froze to the meadow bank, but the suffering was nothing like as acute as I have undergone in woodcock hunting. The open season for woodcock in this state is now from 15th September to 1st December, but there was formerly a summer term, and in New Jersey and some other states the month of July is still open.

I well remember a certain first of July, not many years ago, when I set out at dawn to look for woodcock along the edges of the Jersey meadows. It was a warm, still morning. The rising sun showed clouds of mist over the ponds and hollows, but those were less noticeable than more active clouds, clouds of mosquitoes. I started out with a red dog, but he soon turned grey. After awhile he became invisible and the only suggestions of his whereabouts was a miniature whirlwind alternately emerging from the cover and disappearing. But my attention was to some extent diverted from the dog. My chief concern was with a halo, not of light but a good deal more fiery, that I was carrying with anything but pride. It had a constant tendency to rest on the back of my neck and its touch was like that of red hot needles.

For the first time in my life I realized the significance of that old scriptural story of the pillar of cloud that guided the Israelites through the wilderness by day. Such a pillar had been visible to me for some time before I came near enough to discover that it enveloped a farmer, who exclaimed, as he raked off a handful of the pests from the back of his neck, "there's a skeeter or two about this morning."

Mingled with the mosquitoes was a host of black gnats whose sting is a good deal more painful. The combination was too effective for sport even to an enthusiast confirmed by years of habit. I had begun the hunt encouragingly by bagging one woodcock soon after coming to the ground, but there is a limit to human endurance and I reached it before the sun was an hour high. I called in the dog and beat a hasty retreat to the uplands. The dog preserved a stoic reticence as to his sufferings, but I found hours given to copious applications of witch hazel necessary to take the fever out of my neck and face.

The fact of the matter is that summer is not the time to hunt the woodcock. The bird is not then at its best either for the table or for sport. Indeed it is a very different bird from the woodcock of the fall and winter months. It has the languor of the hot weather in its system, rises without vigor, and flies sluggishly. The first time I saw a woodcock rise in July I did not recognize it. The dog found it in rank meadow grass and when flushed it struggled up to the top of the grass, without a sound and flew straight away like a rail, with very little more speed. I brought it down by a single shot and was much surprised to find a full-grown woodcock.

In strong contrast to this sluggish action is the flight of the woodcock during autumn and winter. With a sharp whistle, as if surprised that any one could have the effrontery to disturb its repose, it shoots like a rocket to a height of fifteen or twenty feet and goes off with the speed of a projectile. To shoot as it is rising is to miss in nine cases out of ten. The auspicious moment is when it takes its line of flight. If the bird is going straight away, your aim must be a trifle below, because as its elevation is considerably above yours, to shoot above, or even at it, would throw the charge behind. If it makes off to the right or left it must be led at least a foot. It is failure to observe these principles that makes the woodcock accounted a difficult bird to kill.

The best season for woodcock shooting is in late October or early November, when the leaves have begun to fall. The birds are then to be found in the woods bordering small streams or adjacent to lowlands, where they are seeking worms and grubs under the fallen leaves. Besides the easier tramping afforded by the uplands, the thinning of the foliage gives a better opportunity for shooting. Earlier in the season their favourite resorts are the alder copses of the valleys. A slow, cautious dog is the best for the sport, as, although it usually sits well, the woodcock does not seem to leave as much scent as the quail, and a fast dog is apt to flush it before detecting its proximity.

The woodock has been called the bird of mystery because it is frequently not to be found where signs of its presence are abundant. These signs are the peculiar borings made by it in the soft soil and the characteristic whitish droppings. But there is really not much mystery about it except to the uninitiated. In the first place it is mostly a night feeder and its signs are therefore made in the night time, while in the daytime it is snugly reposing in some upland thicket not infrequently far away from the field of its nocturnal repast. In the second place, like its half brother, the English snipe, it is a nocturnal traveller and may oftentimes at dawn be miles away from the place where it satisfied its appetite for worms.

Yet if you have discovered abundant signs without the birds, it sometimes pays to visit the place again in the late evening or early morning. An old friend of mine, on a hunting trip to Pike County, Pennsylvania, some years ago, came one afternoon to an alder ticket where signs were numerous, but there was not a single bird. He kept his counsel and next morning, while his companions were still asleep, slipped back to the thicket. When his friends came down to breakfast they were surprised and somewhat resentful to find twelve brace of woodcock hanging on the back porch.

Though generally regarded as a shy bird the woodcock is not so shy as he seems. He is in truth a very sly bird, and is often a much nearer visitor to his arch-enemy, man, than the latter suspects. In the close season the quail is often a bold and loquacious visitor to the back yards of farms and villages, but when the open season arrives he shuns the society of man and abjures cities at all times. Not so the woodcock. In and out of season he is a frequent, though nocturnal, visitor to the lawns of the wealthy, where angle worms, his choicest morsel, are to be found galore. But he does not altogether prefer the country. He has a liking, also, for the city, and as autumn advances, he knows that the well-kept private lawns and public parks offer other attractions besides hammocks, fountains and flower beds. So after the curtain of night has been drawn he comes into town and takes a *table d'hôte* supper in the open, on public or private property while the custodians or owners are enjoying themselves at the play or at Delmonico's. Last fall one was found on the lawn in front of the American Museum of Natural History on Seventy-seventh Street.

The woodcock's propensity for visiting the surroundings of dwellings sometimes brings it to grief without the active intervention of man. One August day, on a walk from my house to the post office, in a South Jersey village, my dog, which was trotting about twenty yards in advance, came to a sudden point. On coming up to him I was astonished to see a woodcock squatting a few feet from his nose. I picked it up, for though able to walk it could not fly, and found that it had been injured by striking a telegraph wire overhead.

The woodcock is one of the handsomest of game birds. The upper sides are exqnisitely variegated with brown black, tawny and grey. Otherwise its most characteristic features are a plump body, long bill, large eyes set far back on the head, and short legs. The female contrary to the general rule of birds, is considerably larger than the male. At full growth it is about 12 inches long, including 3 inches of bill, and its weight is from seven to eight ounces. The length of the male is 10½ inches, with 2¾ inches of bill, and its weight five to six ounces. The European woodcock, though the same in general appearance, is a different, and considerably larger, bird. It is a well-known fact that woodcock nest very early. The nest is usually a hollow on the ground, lined with dead leaves which presents a very pretty sight with its olive stone-colored eggs, blotched with ash and brown shades.

In England the sport of woodcock shooting has many followers, the woods of Sweden and Norway affording the main breeding grounds of the English birds. The great flights reach England around the beginning of October, although they have been known to come as late as mid-winter when the severe northern weather causes them to leave their breeding grounds.

Like all of the snipe family the woodcock is a migratory bird, but it does not breed as far north as other members of the family. The breeding area of the American variety is from New Jersey to Canada. It does not go south until December, or the hard cold sets in, and returns North about the beginning of the month of March.

Fishing.

OBSERVATIONS, ORIGINAL AND OTHERWISE.

FOR casting against the wind, with obstructions closely behind the angler, such as rocks and foliage of large trees, the switch and Spey casts are usually spoken of as nearly identical. But this is not so. In the case of the switch the angler is supposed to be standing on the banks of a river with either rocks or trees, etc., in such close proximity to him that to be able to fish this water he must necessarily adopt the switch method. In making a switch the line is not lifted out of the water in the first instance, as it is when casting in the ordinary fashion, in which case the fly would either be hung up in the trees or smashed on the rocks. What the angler, therefore, has to do is to lift the line to the surface of the water by raising the point of the rod, and then drag it through the water in the direction he is standing, carrying the rod behind him as far as the obstructions will allow. Then by a sudden down cast of the rod, the line as yet having been allowed to remain in front of him, is propelled with the force suggested by the length required. During this process the fly has not been lifted out of the water until the very last inch of the line has proceeded it. Whilst the line is propelled it will thus be made to assume a shape somewhat similar to that of a wheel which diminishes in size as it rolls on its track, beating the surface of the water. The coil, or loop, as it is commonly called, naturally vanishes at the point the fly has reached when the cast is completed. This cast is widely different from the Spey, in that the "Spey" is intended to be used by the man who is wading up to his waist in a rapid stream. It was doubtless in like circumstances that it had its origin, and the stream, and not the bank, is its home, so to speak. The main difference between the switch and the Spey cast is in the first movement. The rod is held upright and revolved over the head in a circle, and when the downward thrash is made the fly falls very much as the overhand cast of the ordinary every-day fly-angler, but the Spey is longer and more precise, when properly cast, than this or even the switch cast, though I have seen some wonderful casting by this method done by the late Harry Pritchard, the old tackle maker and fly-fisher, in the 80's. He once cast on a stream 240 feet with the "switch," in my presence, in a contrary wind.

There are many abstruse questions which arise in the experience of the observant angler, and one of these is a question I have often asked myself in reference to both salmon and trout. Do these fish ever sleep? Can that gentle failure of the perceptions creep over them in their periodical hours of repose, as with us, or can it be that balmy slumber is to them unknown? So far as an overpowering heaviness, an apparent prostration of strength and a loss of power to control the loss of perception are concerned, this certainly is so. It is another strange phenomenon that during their period of apparent unconsciousness salmon and trout have yet power to maintain their motionless positions even in running water. When this condition exists with either of the fish we are considering, nothing in the shape of bait, animate or inanimate, and not even the fly of the angler, will act on their organs of sense. One can watch the fish on a bright day with a binocular and see that its immovable eyes are not to be attracted.

A friend of mine, a noted salmon fisherman, however, managed on more than one occasion to break up this trance. Fishing over a salmon in this condition, he determined to try practical methods. First he presented the fly by paying out the line. His object was to see if the fish would notice a fly at all, and he proceeded in the most quiet way possible. Had the fish he was after been moving he would have thought it had been previously pricked by a hook, or that something else had put it "off" its feed. But it moved neither trail nor fin. He continued to try the fish by letting the fly down to its nose, but no response came from this, till suddenly an acorn dropped from an overhanging branch near the top of a high oak tree right in front of the salmon's nose with a splash. Immediately the fly was seized and the fish hooked, and subsequently landed, weighing 10½lbs. An incident occurred in my own experience, where no oak trees were present. Being alone and in a favorable situation, I fixed the rod on the bank and left it to go and watch the effect of my fly, which was dangling in front of the resting fish. Remembering what happened to the fish with the acorn, I, after trying another fly, put on a Silver Doctor, which, when everything else fails, is sometimes successful, and waited in a convenient spot to see what might happen. On locating myself quietly, with the new fly as an offering, I tossed a pebble into the water some six feet before the fish's nose, without apparent effect. The next pebble I threw nearer to it, and a rattle of the reel told me the immediate result, although the fish made its escape afterward. It is evident that on some occessions it is necessary to wake up a slumbering fish, though whether the slumber is a true sleep or merely a sullen sulking, I leave it to some englightened readers to decide.

Another problem as to the senses of fishes is whether they have the sense of hearing or not. I am strongly of opinion that the auricular faculty in some fish, particularly trout, salmon, and black bass, is well developed in some way, though we are informed by the ichthyologists that fish, though well endowed with ocular sense, are not possessed of actual power of hearing. But that they are keenly alive to vibration I am well assured, and the experience of the trout and salmon fisherman, as well as that of the bass fisherman, are alike certain as to this point, A man once said to me: "If you want to be successful with the black bass, don't let it know you are in the same county by any movement in the boat. Be perfectly still and you will get fish." An English friend of mine who has been a life-long salmon angler, gives the following anecdote, which illustrates the perception of vibration. He writes: "Not long ago, in company with a friend, I was fishing under a bridge spanning the river Earn. Immediately below the centre of the bridge a short cast down in the water we marked down a fish, about 20 pounds in weight, still as a statue. After waving a handkerchief from the bridge, and actually dangling it from our line just over the front of the catch, to no effect, he agreed to my observation that the fish was fast asleep. On this occasion I had no fly but one with a dirty orange body and brown mallard wing, but I conceived that would suit the purpose. This I weighted with a lead sinker on account of our being so much over the fish, and there we waited and watched. All conditions favoured our investigations, as the water was as clear as gin, and not a breath of air was stirring the surface. Determined to see what effect the afternoon train would have, we tied the rod to the parapet and made for the bank on hearing the train approach. The experiment failed in one respect but succeeded in another, for the moment the carriages reached the bridge and startled the fish it seized the fly and made up stream, breaking away before we could help ourselves. According to well-established precedent, therefore, it seems certain that the best way to treat sleeping fish is to place a suitable fly before their noses and awaken them by some subsidiary means, keeping well out of sight.

Some twenty years ago there was a movement in England to re-number or, in other words, to reform the numbering of fish-hooks. The editor of the *Fishing Gazette* and Mr. Cholmondeley Pennell, the inventor, or at least the improver, of the down-eyed hook, were the backers of the movement, and went to work to get the makers to abolish the old method of numbering and admit and practice a new scheme. At that time there were some firms in Kendal which had a system of their own, but as Redditch manufacturers ruled the roost, it was not to be supposed that the millions of hooks turned out by the Allcocks and Bartletts *et hoc genus homo* were going to alter their hook moulds and numbers to please a diminutive few amateur experimenters in the art of hook designing and manufacturing. The method of hook numbering by all the chief firms was simple enough. The largest hook commenced with 10/0 and went on getting smaller to 1/0, then smaller to No. 16 which was as small as any angler needed for the tiniest midge flies. To this day any tackle maker can get any number he wants with the certainty that there is an almost exact uniformity of sizes in the hooks of like number which come from all the manufacturers in the trade. The appeal of the reformers was to begin 000, 00, 0, 1, 2, 3, up to the largest sizes. One firm only adopted it, and all others, or seven out of eight, replied it would be impossible for them to change. This is, of course, common sense when one knows that all these firms sell with the uniform number and size on all the labels of the various hooks that are sold. The angler knows what number he wants; it is the first thing he learns as a boy, and as he attains manhood and experience you cannot fool him on his choice of make of hook or size. The chief makes of hooks now with all of the improvements of modern machinery and design are briefly as follows, and are easy to recollect: Pennell-eyed, Sproat-bend, Limerick, Sneck, Perfect (Allcock's patent), the latter is undoubtedly the finest, slightest sneck-bend made. The advice of some was for the makers to meet and adopt a uniform numbering, but this advice, like most gratuitous advice throughout the world, was never followed, and we can still get the old patterns of hooks by the original numbers, as they are required.

Fish culturists have, from time to time, made experiments in the food of trout with the purpose of investigating the cause of the white, yellow and red hues which are found variously in the trout of all waters where these fish abound. The late Mr. Francis Francis, fishing editor of the *Field* in his instructive book on "Fish Culture," gives the results of some interesting experiments of certain foods on the colour of trout. The fish were confined when young in stews and some fed on worms, others on minnows, others on flies, others crustacea (the fresh-water shrimp) and others on chopped sheep's liver, which latter is a fine food for young artificially-bred trout. No definite results seemed to have been obtained as the fish grew to maturity except that a reddish tint prevailed in those which fed on the *pulex gammarus*, or fresh-water shrimp. This subject is one of interest and deserves investigation. But a more common sense view of looking at the matter may be that fish, like human beings, especially trout and salmon, may depend on temperament. One man is pale and anæmic, another fat and lymphatic, another sanguine and full-blooded, in all of which conditions the colour varies according to the temperament. Of course the parallel does not run closely to the case of trout, but that they are one of three colors invariably is a sure fact. It is a fact, of course, that certain pigments will affect the color of the human skin. For instance, I know of an instance where a solution of nitrate of silver, given for an epileptic condition, after a time darkened the skin of the patient. "Wilkie Collins'" novel "Poor Miss Finch," was based on the treatment. So also finely powdered cochineal strewed on the mulberry leaves on which silk-worms were fed has been known to cause a pink shade in the shade of the silk of the cocoon. The afteration in the colour of birds by giving capsicum is also known, and the tints of the flesh of the various trout acr

certainly due to the environment and breed. Food may have something to do with it, but the subject is yet in a condi tion of uncertainty though quite worthy of receiving the remarks and opinions of our naturalistic angling readers.

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(1) Varnish for fly-rods: Best coach makers' varnish, two coats are ample, but the first coat must be dry before the other is laid on.

(2) Take three ounces of best gum shellac, one-half ounce gum benzoin, half an ounce gum sandarac, one quart of pure alcohol (95 per cent proof) pulverize separately in a druggist's mortar, and add the alcohol. Put in a black bottle and set in the sun; shake often; then pour off If too thick add more alcohol. If too thin take out the cork. Apply with a linen rag.

(3) To waterproof fish lines easily: Dissolve paraffine in naphtha or benzine; this makes a beautiful smooth dressing for casting.

(4) Put the line in a saturated solution of acetate of lead, letting it remain a half an hour, stirring it around occasionally. Then take it out and let it drain a few minutes. Next put it in a saturated solution of alum and let it remain; then take it out and let it drain a few minutes. The line is now pretty well filled with an insoluble white compound of sulphate of lead, but smells strongly of acetic acid. To remove this, put it in a bucket of water, stirring it around occasionally. Then hang and dry thoroughly. Now put some paraffine in a tin can, and put this can in boiling water, taking care no water touches the paraffine. When the latter has melted, put in the line prepared as above stated, having previously wound it into a ball. Next draw it through a rag to remove an excess of paraffine. This line will be found to last for years and be smooth and waterproof for the length of its life as a fishing line.

O. N.

Shooting.

A REVIEW OF ENGLISH CORDITE EXPRESS RIFLES.

IT was about the year 1893 that the modern type of military small bore rifle was first tried on game. The cheapness of the magazine action, the wonderful flatness of trajectory, and the slight recoil all combined to make the sporting edition of the military weapon a great favorite among shooting men. The barrel was reduced several inches is length, so that after restocking and general trimming down of exuberances, a very efficient arm was produced at a fraction of the cost of the express rifle. These weapons were exceedingly accurate over sporting distances, in spite of the shortened barrel. Trouble was, however, experienced by reason of the small diameter and the exceptional hardness of the nickel-jacketed bullet. Its striking energy exceeded that of many express rifles, but a difficulty arose from the fact that the bullet was liable to pass through an animal's body without great loss of velocity.

This defect of the military cartridge stimulated the inventive faculties of gun makers in the direction of producing an expanding bullet. Longitudinal slits were cut in the nose of the bullet in order to promote a mushrooming effect on impact, and a certain measure of success was attained. Rifle makers were hard pressed by the popularity of the new sporting type of magazine rifle. They maintained, with every justice on their side, that two cartridges in a double barrel rifle were more effective for game shooting than half a dozen in a magazine, with a time delay between the shots for the working of the bolt. This, however, did not turn the tide which had set in favour of the military type of rifle.

Mr. Holland brought forward in June, 1898, a falling block single barrel rifle which had been specially manufactured to withstand the high pressure of the ·303 cartridge. This rifle gave excellent shooting results, thereby showing that private manufacture could cope with the high ballistics incidental to the use of the military type of cartridge. To Mr. Rigby seems, however, to be due the credit of introducing a double barrel express calibre of rifle firing a cordite charge and a nickel-covered bullet analogous to the ·303. *The Field* of 30th July 1898, contained a notice of this rifle, which stated that it was the outcome of experiments with a view to apply to ·45, 50. and ·577 rifles the proportion of charge that had in ·303 and smaller calibres proved so deadly.

The rifle which formed the subject of this notice carried a cartridge with a 480 grain bullet. The propellant used was cordite, and we may accordingly accept this rifle as the progenitor of the weapons which have subsequently been distinguished as of the high power cordite type. The muzzle velocity was stated at 2059 foot seconds.

While the ·45, ·50, and ·577 cartridges were based upon the black powder express cases, it soon became apparent that the ·45 cartridge with a heavy nickel-jacketed bullet working on the military level of ballistics possessed more power than was necessary for ordinary soft skinned game. The Jeffery special ·40 cordite cartridge having slight differences of dimension as compared with the black powder, ·45-·40 was accordingly introduced in December, 1898.

We then find that in November 1899, Mr. Rigby submitted a double rifle, this time of ·350 calibre, and therefore an entirely new bore for express rifles. While this was not reported upon in *The Field*, contemporary records go to show that it was brought out as nearly as possible at the same time as Mr. Holland's ·375 rifle, which was also made for a special " cartridge. The Holland rifle was reported on in *The Field* of 2nd December 1899. At about this time Mr. Purde introduced his ·36 special cordite rifle and cartridge. Messrs. Kynoch's enterprise at this time caused cartridge to follow cartridge so quickly that it is difficult now to lay down their precise order of introduction.

As soon as high power express rifles of a calibre greater than the military became an accomplished fact we ceased to hear so much about the ·256 and ·303 as sporting cartridges. Up to the year 1897. The efficiency of the ·303 cartridge for sporting purposes was ever under discussion. Mr. Selous, for instance, gave it as his opinion in December, 1896, that the ·303 with an expanding bullet was powerful enough to be used with effect on all game, except such ponderous beasts as elephants, rhinoceroses, buffaloes, or bisons. He further stated that he would not object to use the rifle on lion. Had Mr. Selous' sporting experiences covered a later period of rifle development, there can be little doubt that he would have preferred the more powerful cartridges that were subsequently introduced.

The ·303 and ·256 rifles are still much used for deer stalking and other similar shooting at soft-skinned game that does not cagbre, but there is always an element of luck in shots taken with these rifles. Better for this purpose are undoubtedly those rifles which fire bullets from ·35 to ·40 calibre.

For the benefit of those sportsmen who desire very high ballistics combined with a low chamber pressure in the rifle, the firm of Eley Brothers brought out two cartridges which they term No. 2 nitro. They are of ·45 and ·36 bore respectively, being characterized by a very large space for the accommodation of the powder charge, whereby a large amount of propellant can be used, while attaining but a low pressure.

Having thus attained great energy and striking power for the sporting cartridge, the swing of the pendulum brings us back to the use of lighter ammunition for certain kinds of sport. Mr. Purdey is a pioneer in this direction. At the beginning of 1905 he produced his ·40 bore cartridge, which contains a 230 grain lead bullet with a nickel base. This cartridge is in point of fact the absolute ballistic equivalent of the ·40 bore black powder magnum, but materially smaller in general dimensions. It gives approximately the same recoil and the same stopping power as the ·303 cartridge at ordinary sporting distances, and the trajectory is also very nearly the same. But it is a more reliable sporting bullet because of its larger diameter. This cartridge may, therefore, be likened for all practical purposes to a ·303 expanded out to ·40 bore.

Turning to another development there was from the first a great demand for a serviceable magazine rifle firing a bullet of larger diameter than the military. Messrs. Cogswell and Harrison's Certus rifle was probably the first special magazine weapon which was made to take a cartridge larger than the military. This rifle having been constructed for the 45-·40 cartridge. Other firms made use of an ingenious adaptation of the ordinary Mannlicher action. Without changing the bolt and magazine the use of a special barrel enabled the ·375 cartridge to be used. This had the same size base and the same length as the Mannlicher, which accounts for its satisfactory working in the ordinary Mannlicher action.—*Arms and Explosives.*

Correspondence.

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CARD QUERY.

TO THE EDITOR OF "THE INDIAN FIELD."

SIR,—Would you kindly favour me with your opinion on the following case and decide a bet?

In a game of Loo eight hands are playing. Jack of Diamonds is turned up. The first three players throw up their cards, the fourth player *A* takes the miss and the fifth, sixth, and seventh players throw up their hands. The eighth player, *B*, declares playing. *A*, the leader, has ace, 7, and 5, of trumps (Diamonds) and *B* has no trumps whatever *A* leads with ace of trumps and scores a trick; he then throws the 5 of trumps and scores a second trick; then again he gives the 7 of trumps and tells *B* his adversary that he is looed. *B* and the seventh player *C* say: "No, according to the rule of the game of Loo, *viz.*, two trumps lead the highest you should have led with the higher card, *i.e.*, the 7 of trumps and scored the second trick, and you have no right to throw and score the second trick as above, and therefore you are looed and not *B*." *A* disputes the rule, because he has three trumps and says this rule does not apply in this case and challenges *C* and lays him a bet.

Has *A* the right to throw the 5 of trumps after scoring the first trick or should he have led with the 7 of trumps?

Who is looed, *A* or *B*? and who is entitled to the pool? Who wins the bet, *A* or *C*? Will you or any of your readers be so good as to answer and decide the points in detail and oblige?

BOOJUM.

[A must play his trumps from highest downward. *When leading A* was looed. So was *B* as he could not score a trick, though the cards were played correctly. The Pool stands, and *both* put in their loo.—ED.]

THE RECENT PROHIBITION ON THE IMPORTATION OF CERTAIN RIFLES.

TO THE EDITOR OF "THE INDIAN FIELD."

SIR,—I would be much obliged if you could inform me (1) whether the new regulations recently issued by Government, about importation and restriction of ·303 and ·450 bore rifles *irrespective of size of chamber*, apply to such rifles as Westley Richards ·375—·303 Accelerated Express and the H. V. ·*450* or ·*450 No. 2* Express rifles. (2) If they do, would you consider a H. V. ·500 falling block single express a good investment, such being procurable in Calcutta at Rs. 250 and Rs. 260? (3) Also could I get *Axite* cartridges for such a rifle?

I had intended getting a ·450 No. 2 H. V. rifle, but am not sure as to the actual meaning of these new regulations.

H. H. B.

AKYAB, *20th November 1906.*

[The Government Notification regarding the importation of ·303 and ·450 bore rifles reads as follows:—

For the words "rifles of ·303 bore or rifles of ·450 bore of the Martini-Henry pattern, if such rifles have been imported into British India subsequently to the 20th February 1901 without the special sanction of the Government of India balled ammunition which can be fired from rifles of the bores and pattern aforesaid" substitute the words "rifles of ·303 or ·450 bore and balled ammunition which can be fired from such rifles," etc., etc.

Thus the importation of any rifle with a ·303 or ·450 bore barrel is prohibited and it does not matter what cartridge they are chambered for. If barrels are either of abovementioned bores they are prohibited.

A ·500 single barrel High Velocity rifle *if by a good* maker appears a bargain at Rs. 250 or Rs. 260, if one does not mind the disadvantage of having only one barrel, any of the Gun-makers in Calcutta would import suitable cartridges loaded "Axite" for such a rifle if they do not stock them.—ED.]

RIFLE NOTES.

TO THE EDITOR OF "THE INDIAN FIELD."

A NEW HIGH VELOCITY SMALL BORE RIFLE.

SIR,—The ·375—·303 accelerated express rifle with its enormously high muzzle speed of from 2,500 to 2,700 feet seconds is a splendid sporting weapon; its flat trajectory and enormous striking force have left all other small bore weapons far behind, and Messrs. Westley Richards are to be congratulated on having so enormously improved the ·303 calibre as a sporting weapon; but they have done better than this even with their latest small bore weapon—the ·318 accelerated express, which is a great improvement on the ·375—·303 as regards striking force. It has the same muzzle velocity, but the bullet is of 250 grains weight which gives a muzzle energy of 3,466 feet lbs. in place of 2,980 of the ·375—·303 with a muzzle velocity of 2,500 feet seconds.—whilst with a muzzle velocity of 2,700 feet seconds the muzzsle energy of the ·318 is 4 042 feet lbs. against 3,454 feet lbs. of the ·375—·303. The muzzle energy of the ordinary ·303—the bullet of which is of the same weight as that of the ·375—·303 with a muzzle of 2,000 feet seconds is only about 1,940 feet lbs.—so it will be seen how enormously ahead of it the new Westley Richards rifles are. the new ·318 rifle can be made double or single barrel of course, but it can be had like the ·375—·303 as a nice handy little magazine arm fitted with a Mauser action which is so much stronger and simpler than our complicated Lee action.

If the small bore Westley Richards bullets do really spend all their enormous energy on an animal and do not waste it in useless penetration there ought to be no necessity for carrying heavy weapons of large calibre.

If other sportsmen's experience with Westley Richards patent copper capped small bore bullets are the same as C. B. M.'s, *vide* your issue of the 18th October, heavy weapons will soon be things of the past, especially as the new light ball and shot guns. Westley Richards Faunets and Explora drive bullets of large diameter with comparatively high velocity and are no doubt excellent weapons for jungle work where great shocking power combined with handiness is required at short range.

AIR RIFLES.

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DO TIGERS RETURN TO KILLS AFTER BEING FIRED AT?

TO THE EDITOR OF "THE INDIAN FIELD."

SIR,—I was staying with my friend Mr. Moggridge of the Bombay-Burma Trading Company, Limited, at Kalewe when your paper of the 11th ultimo in which his article on Axcite was inserted, arrived. As one of your correspondents began an article by saying that tigers do not return to their kill after being fired at, he (Mr. Moggridge) suggested that I should send you an account of an experience I lately had which goes to prove that the contrary is not infrequently the case. Though I had previously refused to write about it, I told him, I would do so, as it might serve a useful purpose in helping to dispel what I have good reason to believe is a fallacy and a very prevalent one. You may be interested to learn that the incident happened within 200 yards of the spot where he shot his tiger with the Axite rifle and that I was with him only a day or two ago when he bowled over a large bull bison with a shot in the head from the same rifle.

Number of years spent in a mess in India had served to impress two things very strongly upon me with regard to tiger shooting. The first that a tiger never returns to his kill after being fired at and the second that he never comes to a kill over which a lamp is tied. Recent experiences have made me inclined to doubt the latter theory whilst absolutely disproving the former.

Having heard of a kill some sixteen miles off I rode out and was met by the durwan of the local P. W. D. Bungalow who told me he had just returned from an inspection of the kill—a full-grown cow—and that he would take me to it. This was about 8 A.M. Arrived at the spot he was much concerned to find there was no cow to be seen. Following the tracks some fifty yards up a small creek we came upon a cow which if not full grown was at least very nearly so. The local Burmans built a machan and at 4 P.M. I sat up intending to return just before dark. As usually happens one, rightly or wrongly, is convinced that the tiger is near at hand just at this time so, that when he did come and began to tear the skin I found myself still sitting up and unable to see either the tiger or the sight of my gun (a 12-bore Paradox). After a little scratching he began to drag the cow off. I then put lime on the foresight, but with no better result. In this predicament and thinking that if he would look up I might get a glimpse of his eyes and a quick shot, I tapped gently on my topee. This produced a growl to fire at, but nothing more substantial. As the cow was again being dragged away I lit a match and subsequently a candle. More growls.

Realising that he would soon have the cow away altogether and imagining that I got a glimpse of his eyes I fired. A bound, a thud and much sobbing and the noise of a wounded animal dragging itself through thick undergrowth was the gratifying result. I calculated that the tiger went about 55 yards stopping roughly every five. and sobbing loudly; a louder thud and the cessation of the sobbing seemed to indicate that he had fallen to die. Having waited an hour I returned to the bungalow, called up the village headman and told him I had bagged the tiger.

Next morning by way of precaution and although certain in my own mind that I should find him stone dead I took one Burman only with me, telling the others to be ready to come when sent for. To my intense surprise I found that not only was the tiger not where I had expected to find him, but that on going subsequently to the machan there was no cow to be seen. It was then easy to understand what had happened. The tiger had apparently bounded up when the shot was fired, but had then deliberately dragged off the cow from under my machan and the series of thuds and sobbing was due to his dropping it periodically and the exertion of carrying it through the dense undergrowth. Following the tracks I came upon the kill, partially devoured, about 150 yards away. I then called up the remaining Burmans and left them to build another machan. They did this and went off. At 3 P.M a Burman came to say that the tiger had again removed the cow and was eating it some 50 yards away. I went out and got close enough to see the undergrowth waving, but he disappeared before I could catch a sight of him. Determined to persevere I again called up the men and built a third machan of bamboos. The cow I tied with a boat rope round its neck to a strong creeper and on the former put three splashes of lime which I hoped to see after it became too dark to distinguish the kill itself. These somewhat unorthodox preparations complete I got up, it being then about 5 P.M. At the last moment a man had come up with a hurricane lamp which I took up with me and also string to lower it by.

It was very dark and raining when the tiger announced his arrival by pulling hard at the kill. On finding that he could not get it away he roared loudly and I fired in his direction. He then roared louder and at me this time, so I gave him another. In all I fired five shots, including two of buck shot at him and he was still alternately pulling at the kill and circling round my machan roaring continuously. As I had only four cartridges remaining and being anxious to frighten him off before he got the cow loose, in the hopes that he would return in the morning I shouted at him; but it was not until quite a few minutes later that he went off.

At 3 A.M. dark and raining as before he made another effort when one more shot sent him off for good. I had acquired a very considerable respect for him and would not have been surprised to find him come back in the morning, but though I sat up till 9 A.M., he did not do so. I should mention that on the first occasion he stayed for fully ten minutes and this although I lowered a lighted hurricane lamp to the ground in addition to firing at him. Throughout I never saw anything to fire at unless my first shot the night before was actually at his eyes of which, however, I am by no means certain.

Some little time later a friend who had recently come to Burma from India had this story inflicted upon him, but I fear to no purpose, for being on tour he came across a kill also at a P. W. D. bungalow, but some 60 miles from the bungalow near which the above incident occurred and in another district, there being no reason therefore to believe the same tiger was responsible for it. Having fired one shot, when it was getting dark, and missed, he waited five minutes and came down as is the almost invariable custom in India Within an hour, and when too dark to see, the tiger returned and made a good meal. In all, this tiger killed eleven cows and was fired at three times (by natives) over the second kill. Possibly the reason why tigers, in Upper Burma at any rate, do frequently return to their kills after being fired at is that the number shot annually is of course comparatively small, whereas in districts like the Central Provinces a tiger must be very young indeed if he is not educated up to the fact that the report of a rifle is a danger signal On the other hand were shikaris in India to sit up quietly in their machans for (say) a couple of hours I am confident they would find that tigers would return to their kills after being fired at.

B. E. A. P.

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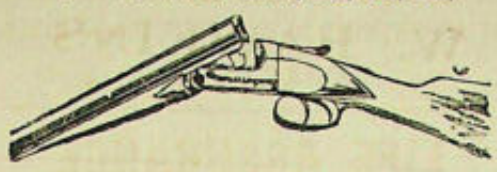

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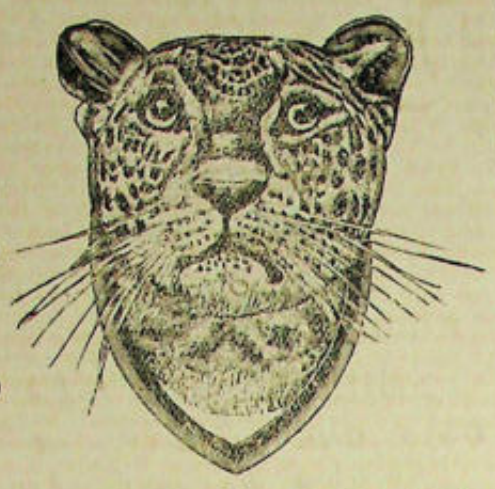

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Rangoon Autumn ..	"	1, 4 & 6	
Terpur	"	4, 6 & 8	
Calcutta First Extra	"	1	
" Second "	"	8	
" Third "	"	15	
Rangoon Fourth Extra ..	"	8	
Chittagong	"	11 & 13	
Rawalpindi	"	13 & 15	279
Peshawar Autumn	"	19 & 21	
Calcutta First Meeting ..	"	22, 26 29 & 31	
Lahore Xmas, ...	"	26, 28 & 31	
Bhamo	"	27 & 29	
Tollygunge Steeplechases ..	Jan.	1 & 5	
Agra New Year ..	"	6 & 10	
R. W. Fusiliers Steeplechases ..	"	12	
Calcutta Second Meeting ..	"	12, 15 & 19	
Calcutta Fourth Extra ..	"	26	
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Chittagong	First ..	1st December.
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Lucknow Spring C. S. Cup	Fourth ..	1st December.
	Final ..	15th January.
Agra New Year ..	Second ..	1st December.
	Third ..	21st December.
Calcutta First Meeting	Second ..	4th December.
Calcutta Second Meeting	First ..	4th December.
	Second ..	2nd January.
Tollygunge Steeplechases	Second ..	4th December.
	First ..	25th December.
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Second Day, Friday, 23rd November 1906.

THERE was an appreciable increase in the attendance this afternoon, and another successful day's racing was witnessed. The main interest was naturally centred in the Army Cup which proved a triumph for Messrs. Wood and Badger's Dilerjung. After the parade the horses cantered off to the start and were sent away together, Harmony being the only one who got off badly. Cut Off made the running for the first half of the journey and was shortly after headed by Pasha, who led until about a furlong and a quarter from home. Here Pasha was joined by Dilerjung and the two raced together, the favourite winning by a head to the satisfaction of his numerous supporters. The winner was trained by Penton and has always been a consistent performer. An objection was lodged in the November Plate against Manlock for bumping but was overruled.

THE STEWARDS' PLATE.—Rs. 1,000 to the winner, Rs. 300 to the second, and Rs. 200 to the third. A handicap for English and Australasian ponies 14-1 and under, and Country-bred ponies 14-2 and under. 5 furlongs.

Lieut.-Col. Stisted's First Bell, 7st. 6lbs. ... A. Hoyt 1
Mr. J. D. Scott's Yankee Boy, 10st. 4lbs. .. Robinson 2
H. H. the Koer Sahib of Patiala's Red Shot, 6st. (car. 6st. 8lbs.) ... ... Melsom 3

BETTING: 5 to 4 on Yankee Boy, evens First Bell, 4 to 1 agst. Red Shot.

After some delay the field got off, Red Shot in front. When they had gone half way Red Shot fell behind. A neck and neck race resulted in a win for First Bell by a short head: half length divided second and third. Time—63secs.

THE HANDICAP PONY CHASE.—Rs. 700 to the winner, Rs. 200 to the second, and Rs. 100 to the third. A handicap steeplechase for ponies 14-2 and under. B. C. about 2 miles.

Capt. Bennett's Pinfire, 10st. ... ... Owner 1
Mr. J. D. Scott's Mary Jane, 10st. 7lbs. ... Capt. F. W. Barrett 2

BETTING: 5 to 4 on Mary Jane, evens Pinfire.

Pinfire led the whole way and though challenged by Mary Jane in the straight, won cleverly by a short head. Time—4mins. 6½secs.

THE NOVEMBER PLATE.—Rs. 700 to the winner, Rs. 200 to the second, and Rs. 100 to the third. A handicap for horses. 6 furlongs.

Col. Beaver's Manlock, 8st. 4lbs. ... Southall 1
Mr. S. Deakin's Meadow Saffron, 6st. 13lbs. Melsom 2
Messrs. Wood and Badger's Thomond, 9st. 10lbs. ... ... Bray 3
Thakur Sripal Singh's Flotsam, 7st. 13lbs. (car. 8st. 2lbs.) .. ... W. Evans 0
Mr. Field's Nirvana, 6st. (dec. 7st.) ... Baichan 0

BETTING: 3 to 2 on Meadow Saffron, 2 to 1 agst. Manlock, 5 to 1 each Thomond and Flotsam, 12 to 1 Nirvana.

They raced together to the rails where Manlock and Meadow Saffron drew to the front and after a close race the former won by a length; two lengths divided second and third. An objection was lodged against the winner for bumping but was overruled. Time—1min. 15secs.

THE ARMY CUP.—Rs. 2,000 presented by the Fund, added to the subscriptions given by His Majesty's British and Native Regiments, the Entrance money and a starting sweep of Rs. 25. The winner to receive 75 per cent., the second pony to receive 15 per cent., and the third pony 10 per cent. out of the entire stakes. For maiden Arab ponies 14-1 and under which are *bonâ fide* and unconditionally the property of British officers in his Majesty's Army on full pay, and which were the property of a person duly qualified to enter for the race on 1st May 1906. To be ridden by Gentlemen riders or Licensed Jockeys 14-1 to carry 11st. 7lbs. W. I. Licensed Jockeys 7lbs. extra. 7 furlongs.

Messrs. Wood and Badger's Dilerjung, 9st. 11lbs. ... ... Bray 1
Mr. E. W. Williams' Pasha, 10st. 9lbs. ... Owner 2
Capt. J. H. M. Davies' Lomond, 9st. 11lbs. Mr. Dean 3
Major Young's Itifaq, 11st. 1lb. ... Southall 4
Capt. T. W. Barrett's Peninsular II., 9st. 8lbs. Owner 5
Mr. Alston's Fizzer, 10st. 12lbs., ...Hon. Bingham 0
Mr. O. W. Paterson's Mishall, 10st. 9lbs. ... Mr. Passy 0
Capt. Hill's Cinque Ports, 10st. (car. 10st. 3lbs.) ... ...Capt. Johnson 0
Capt. J. W. Jeffrey's Nijidi, 10st. 6lbs. ... Owner 0
Capt. Holden's Marengo, 10st. 3lbs. (car. 10lbs. 4lbs.) ... ... Owner 0
Capt. T. W. Howard's Promise, 10st. ... Capt. Beaty 0
Major Young's Surkhab, 10st. ... ... A. Hoyt 0
Mr. G. F. Mellor's Harmony, 9st. 8lbs. ... Mr. Day 0
Lieut.-Col. C. H. Stisted's Sublime, 9st. 5lbs. ... ... Melsom 0
Mr. T. C. Greenway's Cut Off, 11st. 7lbs. ... Mr. Elgee 0

BETTING: 5 to 4 on Dilerjung, 5 to 1 each agst. Pasha and Cinque Ports, 8 to 1 each Lomond and Sublime, 12 to 1 Promise, 15 to 1 each Surkhab and Peninsular, 20 to 1 Itifaq, 30 to 1 Mishall, 40 to 1 the others.

Cut Off led for the first half mile and was then displaced by Pasha. The leader was caught about a furlong and a half from home by Dilerjung. They raced together and the favourite drawing ahead won by a head; three-quarters of a length divided second and third, one length between third and fourth. Time—1min 39secs.

THE GIANT PONY HANDICAP.—Rs. 700 to the winner, Rs. 200 to the second, and Rs 100 to the third. A high weight handicap for ponies 14 2 and under. 5 furlongs.

Mr. J. D. Scott's Yankee Boy, 9st. ... Robinson 1
Col. Beaver's Jolly Roger, 8st. 3lbs. ... Baichan 2
Mr. Field's Solace, 7st. 7lbs. ... ... A. Hoyt 3
Thakur Sripal Singh's Nigam, 6st. 11lbs W. Kearson 0
Mr. Bunting's Lady Vera, 8st. 11lbs. ... Bond 0
Mr. Bunting's Lady Grey II, 8st. 11lbs. ... Southall 0

BETTING: 3 to 1 on Yankee Boy, 4 to 1 each agst. Jolly Roger, and Solace, 10 to 1 the others.

Solace led attended by Yankee Boy who assumed the lead and withstanding the challenge of Jolly Roger, who came up with a rush. Won by three quarters of a length, half a length between second and third. No time taken.

THE ARAB HANDICAP.—Rs. 700 to the winner, Rs. 200 to the second, and Rs. 100 to the third. A handicap for Arab ponies 14-1 and under. 1,000 yards.

Mr. E. C. Ramshaw's Girgistan, 8st 2lbs. Barrett 1
Col. J. Grech's Hail Fellow, 8st. 7lbs. ... Bond 2
Thakur Sripal Singh's Omar, 10st. 7lbs. ... W. Evans 3
Messrs. Wood and Badger's Sheikh, 9st. 11lb. ... ... Bray 0
Mr. J. D. Scott's Bahar, 8st. 7lbs. ... Robinson 0
Mr. P. B. Avasia's Sabig, 7st. 6lbs. .. A. Hoyt 0

BETTING: Evens Omar, 3 to 1 each agst. Sheikh and Sabig, 6 to 1 the others.

Girgistan and Hail Fellow led into the straight with the favourite in the rear. As they neared home Omar gained on the leaders, but his effort came too late.

Won by three-quarters of a length: a neck between second and third. Time—60⅘secs.

Third Day, Saturday, the 24th November, 1906.

The racing on the closing day of the Lucknow Autumn Meeting was quite up to the level of its predecessors, and the meeting as a whole, thanks to the labours of the executive, has been a phenomenal success. The gathering, although not so big as that on Cup Day, when the enormous concourse of spectators present literally broke the record for Lucknow, was still very large, and the environments of the day's sport could not have been improved upon.

The proceedings were ushered in by the Lawn Plate, for which seven runners all Army Cup horses, figured on the card. Of these Lomond, who ran third to Pasha in the Cup, was installed favourite, with Cinque Ports next in demand. Lomond had no difficulty in carrying off the event, Cinque Ports again making no show whatever. The race was run in a fraction under Cup time. Of the five appearing on the card for the Lucknow Chase all answered to the roll-call, and an interesting race was promised. Captain Burch got the field away after some delay and Toreador led the others at a great pace over the water jump and for the first few fences. The pace was, however, too good to last, and it was only by dint of using his whip that Lansdown got Toreador to stick to his task. Taking off too far at the mud wall, Toreador landed on top and turned a complete somersault. Lansdown had a miraculous escape, as he got off with a few nasty bruises and a bad shaking. The injured man was brought in after the race and received prompt attention. Although Senator led most of the way, Spark caught up in the straight and pulled through easily by two lengths. One of the upsets of the afternoon occurred in the Farewell Plate, in which most of the money was on Baritone, but the race proved a gift for Thakur Sripal Singh's Flotsam, who started at 3 to 1. W. Evans rode another winner for the same owner in the last race, in which Soheil, who was a strong favourite, snatched the verdict by a short head from Cut Off. The public fancy was also gratified in the Lucknow Plate, in which Recovery landed the stakes after a close race with Footlight. The surprise of the afternoon occurred in the Alum Bagh Plate, which went to Major Williamson's Jeddah, the favourite not having a look in. The finishes during the afternoon, as throughout the meeting, were exceedingly close, and testify to the excellence of Colonel Mayne's handicapping. The onerous duties of judge were in capable hands, and Major Wood, of the Royal Dragoons, is to be congratulated upon the success with which he accomplished his task. Mr. A. C. Steele, A. V. C., was both time-keeper and veterinary surgeon, though his duties in the latter capacity were, as it happened, purely nominal. To the other officials concerned and to Major J. H. Ensor, the invaluable Secretary of the Lucknow Races, the public owe a debt of gratitude for the excellence of the arrangements, and for their determination to uphold the best traditions of Lucknow racing. The Oudh and Rohilkund Railway again showed their enterprise by running race specials for the benefit of visitors from outstations. The police had exceptionally heavy traffic to handle, more particularly on Cup Day, but there was never any difficulty in securing conveyances. Det ils:—

THE LAWN PLATE.—Rs. 1,000 to the winner, Rs. 300 to the second, and Rs. 200 to the third. A handicap for maiden Arab ponies 14-1 and under, that were qualified to enter and run in the Army Cup, 1906. 7 furlongs.

Capt Davies' b a h Lomond, 9st. ... A Hoyt 1
Capt. F. W. Barrett's b a g Peninsular II., 8st. 11lb. ... ... Melsom 2
Capt. T. W. Howard's ch a h Promise, 8st. 7lbs. ... ... Barrett 3
Mr. W. O. W. Paterson's gr a h Mishall, 8st. 12lbs. ... ... Southall 0
Capt. H. Hill's gr a h Cinque Ports, 8st. 10lbs. ... ... Robinson 0
Lieut.-Col. Stisted's ch a h Sublime, 8st. 3lbs. ... ... Bray 0
Capt. J. W. Jeffrey's ch a g Nijidi, 7st. 9lbs. (dec. 8st. 9lbs.) ... ... W. Kearson 0

BETTING: 5 to 4 on Lomond, 2½ to 1 agst. Cinque Ports, 6 to 1 each Sublime and Peninsular II, 8 to 1 Promise, 10 to 1 the others.

The field got off to a good start, Peninsular II. showing the way, attended by the favourite and Promise. Lomond challenged a short distance from home and drawing out won easily by one length; half a length separated second and third. Time—1min. 38⅖secs.

THE LUCKNOW CHASE.—Rs. 700 to the winner Rs. 200 to the second, and Rs. 100 to the third. A handicap steeple chase for horses. About 2½ miles.

Mr. H. M. Tomkinson's b aus g Spark, 10st. 8lbs ... ... Sheldrake 1
Mr. Miles' ch aus g Senator, 12st. 10lbs. Mr. Charrington 2
Mr. H. H. Johnstone's br aus g Haut Boy, 9st. 11lbs. ... ... Bond 3
Thakur Shripal Singh's br aus g Toreador, 10st. 4lbs. .. .. Lansdown fell
Capt. Bennett's b aus g Precarious, 9st. (dec. 9st. 4lbs.) .. ... Owner 0

BETTING: 6 to 4 each on Spark and Haut Boy, 2 to 1 agst. Senator 6 to 1 the others.

After some trouble at the start the field were sent away on equitable terms, Toreador led at a great pace, but came to grief at the mud wall. Senator took up the running from Spark, but was overtaken by the favourite in the straight. Won by two lengths; thirty lengths between second and third. Time—4mins. 45secs.

THE FAREWELL PLATE.—Rs. 700 to the winner, Rs. 200 to the second, and Rs. 100 to the third. A high weight handicap for horses. 6 furlongs

Thakur Sripal Singh's b aus g Flotsam, 8st. 10lbs. ... ... W. Evans 1
Mr. Fred Main's br aus h Baritone, 9st. 8lbs. .. ... Fisher 2
Mr. J. D. Scott's b e m Honest Lady, 9st. 4lbs. ... ... Robinson 3
Mr. Field's b e g Nirvana, 6st. (dec. 6st. 10lbs.) ... ... Melsom 0

BETTING: 6 to 4 on Baritone, evens Honest Lady, 3 to 2 agst. Flotsam, 6 to 1 Nirvana

Honest Lady cut out the running from the start with Baritone close up. Flotsam challenged about a furlong from home and drawing rapidly ahead won by two lengths; the same distance separated second and third. Time—1min. 16⅘secs.

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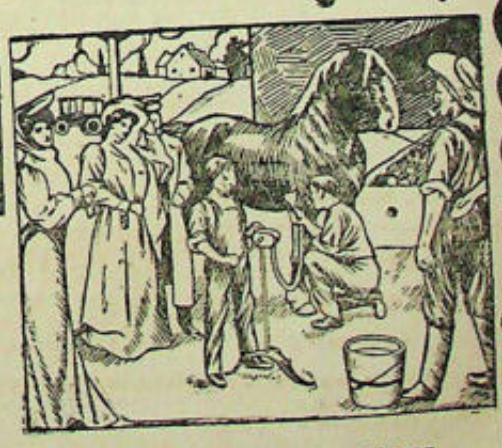

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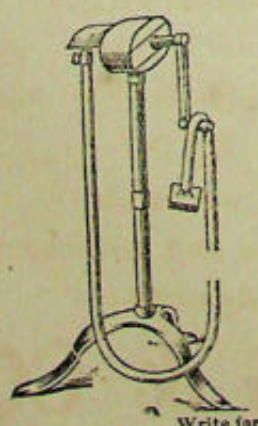

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H. H. the Koer Sahib of Patiala's ch aus h Red Shot, 6st. 11lbs. .. ... Melsom 0

BETTING: 3 to 1 each agst Recovery and First Bell, 4 to 1 each Yankee Boy, Forget-me-not and Red Shot, 6 to 1 the others.

They got off together and raced level to the half mile, where Footlight and First Bell were slightly in the van. Recovery challenged half a furlong from home and after an exciting race past the stand, won by half a length; a length divided second and third, and a head third and fourth. Time—1min. 1⅘secs.

THE KLUM BAGH PLATE.—Rs. 700 to the winner, Rs. 200 to the second, and Rs. 100 to the third. A handicap for Arab ponies 14-1 and under. 5 furlongs.

Major Williamson's b a h Jeddah, 6st. 11lbs. ... ... Melsom 1
Messrs. Wood and Badger's ch a h William Rufus, 8st. 9lbs ... ... Bray 2
Mr. J. D Scott's gr a h Bahar, 8st. 7lbs. . Robinson 3
Mr. P. B. Avasia's bk a h Sabig, 6st. 11lbs. (dec. 8st) .. .. Vining 4
Thakur Sripal Singh's ch a h Omar, 10st. 7lbs. ... . W. Evans 0
Mr. E. C. Ramshaw's gr a h Girgistan, 8st. 6lbs. ... ... Barrett 0
Thakur Buldeo Sahai's b a h Hazard, 7st. 12lbs (dec. 8st. 2lbs.) ... ... Ames 0
Col. P. K. L. Beaver's gr a h Gamecock, 7st. 5.bs. ... ... Baichan 0

BETTING: 3 to 2 on Omar, 4 to 1 agst. William, Rufus, 6 to 1 each Bahar, and Girgistan, 8 to 1 each Jeddah and Sabig, 10 to 1 the others.

The field got away well together. The running was made by William Rufus and Bahar Jeddah came up to the leaders a furlong from home and, drawing ahead, won with comparative ease by half a length; one length divided second and third. Time—1min. 7secs.

THE CORINTHIAN PLATE.—Rs. 200 to the winner. Rs 100 to the second and Rs. 50 to the third. A high weight handicap for maiden arab ponies 14-2 and under. ½ mile.

Mr. C Murray's ch a g Sahoon, 8st. 8lbs.... Reyes 1
H. H the Koer Sahib of Patiala's b a h Mooslat, 7st. 4lbs. ... ... Melsom 2
Capt. J. Grech's b a h Hail Fellow, 10st. 2lbs. ... ... Bond 3
Mr. J. D Scott's b a g Secunder, 10st. 7lbs. Robinson 4
Col. P. K. L. Beaver's ch a g Rufus, 9st. 5lbs. ... ... Baichan 0
Thakur Sripal Singh's b a h Nusrat, 8st. 2lbs. .. .. Ames 0
Col. J. S. Brown's gr a p Saglawi, 7st. 12lbs. ... ... Southall 0
Lieut.-Col. Stisted's b a h Imperialist, 7st. (dec. 7st 2lbs.) ... Abdul 0

BETTING: 3 to 1 agst each Secunder and Sahoon, 4 to 1 each Hail Fellow, Rufus, Saglawi and Muslat, 6 to 1 the others.

Mooslat at once drew to the front and kept the lead until near home, where Sahoon drew level and won by a head after a great race home; one length separated second and third and half a length third and fourth. Time—54⅘secs.

THE DESERT HANDICAP.—Rs. 700 to the winner, Rs. 200 to the second, and Rs. 100 to the third. A handicap for Arab ponies 14-1 and under. 1¼ mile.

Thakur Sripal Singh's gr a h Soheil, 10st. 7lbs ... ... W. Evans 1
Mr. T. C. Greenway's gr a h Cut Off, 8st. 11lbs. ... ... Barrett 2
Messrs. Chapman and Charrington's b a h Sweet William, 8st. 10lbs. .. Bray 3
Lieut.-Col.-Stisted's b a h Pounds, 7st. 11lbs. .. ... A. Hoyt 0
Mr. Johnstone's ch a h The Ranger, 7st. 7lbs. (dec. 8st. 3lbs.) ... ... Bond 0
Messrs Wilson and Jolliffe's gr a h High Flag, 7st 2lbs. ... ... Melsom 0
Mr. G. F. Mellor's b a g Harmony, 6st. (dec. 6st 1 lbs. ... ... Baichan 0

BETTING: Evens Soheil, 3 to 1 agst. Sweet William, 4 to 1 Cut Off 6 to 1 High Flag, 10 to 1 the others.

High Flag led attended by The Ranger and Cut Off, the favourite in the rear Soheil came up to the leaders in the rails, and after a great race home won by a short head; one and a half length divided second and third, and a head third and fourth. Time—2mins. 22⅘secs.

RANGOON THIRD EXTRA MEETING.

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Saturday, 17th November, 1906.

THE third extra meeting was run through this afternoon in splendid weather. Big fields and good racing were the order of the day. Six events were down for decision and of these the public were able to spot the winners of the First Midget Plate the Burma Plate and the Giant Handicap; but the wins of Tip Top, the Bride and Ring Dove were big upsets. Ring Dove was objected to on the score that the owner had forgotten to put in an acceptance, but the objection was subsequently withdrawn. Details:—

THE FIRST MIDGET PLATE.—Rs. 199 to the winner, Rs. 50 to the second and Rs 25 to the third. A flat race for maiden Burma-bred ponies 12-2¼ and under, 12-2¼ to carry 8st. 7lbs. W. I. About 5 furlongs.

Mr. Torrens' g bb m Sein Pu, 6st. 9lbs. (car. 7st. 2lbs.) ... Po Khai 1
Ko Po Mya's g bb m Blue Bell, 7st. 3lbs. (car. 8st. 2lbs.) ... ... Maung Glay 2
Ko Po Ku's g bb g Pyin Zine, 6st. (car. 6st. 6lbs.) ... ...Kyoung Myah 3
Maung Po Tha's b bb g Pan Nyun, 7st. 9lbs. (car. 7st. 10lbs.) ... ... Po Shoay 4
Mr. Mohan Singh's b bb g Shwe Ban, 7st. 9lbs. (car. 8st. 3lbs.) ... ... Ba Kin 0

BETTING: 2 to 1 on each Sein Pu, 2 to 1 agst. Pan Nyun, 10 to 1 Pyin Zine, 20 to 1 the rest.

Won by half a length; two lengths between second and third. Time—1min. 18⅘secs.

Tote paid Rs. 6 to win; Rs. 6 and Rs. 26 for places.

THE WINNERS' HANDICAP.—Rs. 199 to the winner, Rs. 50 to second and Rs. 25 to the third. For Griffins, 14-0 and under, winners of a flat race of Rs. 200 or over. About 7 furlongs.

Mr. Bevill's ch aus g Tip Top, 8st. 4lbs. ... Esoof 1
Mr. E. Johns' br aus g Darketh, 10st. 4lbs. Mr. Hope 2
Mr. Yeo Eng Pwa's b aus m Hla Mai, 9st. 2lbs. ... ... Kyaw Zan Oo 3
Mr. Abdul Wahab's d aus m Zernigar, 8st. 2lbs. ... ... Oomer 4
Miss Colkers's ch aus m You Mai, 8st. ... Bah Nyun 0

BETTING: 6 to 4 agst. Darketh, 2 to 1 Hla Mai, 8 to 1 Tip Top, 10 to 1 the rest.

Won by a length, all out; two lengths between second and third. Time—1min. 36⅘secs.

Tote paid Rs. 14 to win; Rs. 4 and Rs. 7 for places.

THE MEDIUM HANDICAP—Rs. 199 to the winner, Rs. 50 to the second and Rs. 25 to the third. For ponies 13-2 and under. About 6 furlongs.

Mr Chin Tsong's br aus m. The Bride 8st. 11lbs. (car. 8st. 13lbs.) ... ... Kyaw Zan Oo 1
Mr. J. Morris's br aus m Celia, 9st. 7lbs. ... Williams } Dead-
Mr. Burjorjee's ch aus m Satina, 8st. 9lbs. Clarke } heat.
Mr. Y. C. Ariff's br aus m Edith, 7st 10lbs. Po Khai 4
Mr. G. C. Balthazar's b aus m Mascotte, 10st. 7lbs. ... ... Torpey 0
Mr. Harold Smith's b aus g Native, 8st. 11lbs. ... Bennett 0
Col. Frenchman's ch e m Vibrona, 8st. 2lbs. (car. 8st. 3lbs.) ... ... Elliott 0
Mr. G. H. Bell's ch e m Money Box, 8st. 2lbs. ... ... Oomer 0
Messrs. R. & M. O'Brien's ch e m Gazelle, 8st. 2lbs. .. ... Morrison 0
Mr. M. O'Brien's ch aus p Gladiator, 7st. 8lbs. ... ... Murjoid 0
Mr Burjorjee's b aus m Gwen, 6st. (car. 6st. 6lbs.) ... ... Po Tun 0

BETTING: Evens Native, 2 to 1 agst. Celia, 5 to 1 Mascotte, 6 to 1 each Satina and Money Box, 8 to 1 Edith, 10 to 1 each The Bride and Vibrona, 15 to 1 Gwen, 20 to 1 the rest.

Won easily by twenty lengths; a dead heat for second place. Time—1min. 21⅘secs.

Tote paid Rs. 103 to win.; Rs. 22, Rs. 11 and Rs. 8 for places.

THE BURMA PLATE.—Rs. 199 to the winner Rs. 50 to the second and Rs. 25 to the third. A flat race for Burma-bred ponies, 13-0½ and under, 13-0¼ to carry 9st. with penalties and allowances. About 6 furlongs.

Mr. Burjorjee's b bb m Juno, 8st. 3lbs. (car. 8st. 4lbs.) ... ... Clarke 1
Mr Maung Thin's ch bb m Aye Saing, 9st. 4lbs. ... ... Ba Thin 2
Mr. E. G. Foy's b bb g Kya Bwa, 8st. 3lbs. Chit Pe 3
Mr Kluesmann's b bb g Ruby, 8st. 3lbs. Oomer 4
Mr. George's b bb m Tsain Chai, 9st. 7lbs. Elliott 0
Mr. Mohun Singh's ch bb g Sain Pan, 9st. 11b. ... ... Thakin 0
Mr. I. Tilly's b bb m Sein Kyaw Mai, 8st. 10lbs. ... ... Owner 0
Mg. Po Yee's b bb g Jury, 8st 5lbs. (car. 8st. 8lbs.) ... ... Maung Glay 0
Mr. Mills's b bb m Dawdling Jane, 8st. 7lbs. .. .. Bhoota Sing 0
Mr. George's g bb g Sein Myet Lone, 8st. 5lbs. ... ... Taylor 0
Mr. E. G. Foy's ig bb m Velvet, 8st. 3lbs. Ba Nyun 0
Maung Po Oh's ch bb g Kya Gyee, 7st. 11lbs. (car. 8st.) ... ... Po Ku 0
Mr. Hashim's ch bb g Karen Chief, 7st. 13lbs. ... ... Mahomed 0
Mr. I. Tilly's g bb g Myadoung, 7st. 4lbs.... Abdool 0
Maung Bah Khine's ch bb g Rajah Ram, 8st. (car. 6st. 13lbs.) ... ... Po Youk 0
Maung Po Tha's b bb g Pan Nyun, 6st. 7lbs. (car. 6st. 8lbs.) ... Po Tun 0

BETTING: 6 to 4 on Juno, evens Aye Saing, 6 to 1 Ruby, 10 to 1 each Seing Myet Lone, Dawdling Jane, Tsain Chai, Rajah Ram, and Sein Kyaw Mai, 12 to 1 Velvet, 20 to 1 any other.

Won by a length; half a length between second and third. Time—1min. 30⅘secs.

Tote. paid Rs. 15 to win, Rs. 7, Rs. 15 and Rs. 44 for places.

THE ROADSTER HANDICAP.—Rs. 199 to the winner, Rs. 50, to the second and Rs. 25 to the third. For maiden Griffin ponies. 14-0 and under. About 5 furlongs.

Mr. Kane's b aus m Ring Dove, 9st. 5lbs. ... Elliott 1
Mr George's br aus m Necklace, 9st. 4lbs. Oomer 2
Mr. George's b aus m Josephine, 9st. 12lbs. Williams 3
Maun Tun Tin's bk aus g Daung Tsain, 7st. (car. 7st. 8lbs.) ... ... Po Kin 4
Miss Adamson's b aus m Planet, 9st. 4lbs. Morrison 0
Mahomed Allauddin's b aus g Estamboul, 9st. ... ... Ebrahim 0
Major Penny's ch aus g Spearmint, 8st. 2lbs. (car. 8st. 10lbs.) ... ... Po Mut 0
U. Aung Gyee's b aus m Japan Mah, 8st. 9lbs. ... ... Po Han 0
Maung Thi Wah's b aus m Thain Daw, 8st. 7lbs. (car. 8st. 8lbs.) ... ... Maung Glay 0
Mr. E. Johns' b aus m Betty, 8st. 5lbs. ... Bah Nyun 0
Mr. Burjorjee's b aus m Pansy, 8st. 4lbs. ... Clarke 0
Mr. Hashim's ro aus m Kya Net, 7st. 10lbs. Mahomed 0
Abdool Kareem's b aus g Festive Tom 7st. 7lbs. ... ... Cassim 0
Mr. S. Williams' b aus m Naughty Girl 7st. Gunja 0

BETTING: Evens Necklace, 4 to 1 each agst. Naughty Girl and Josephine, 6 to 1 each Ring Dove and Estamboul, 8 to 1 Planet, 10 to 1 each Japan Mah and Wee Lassie, and 20 to 1 the rest.

Won by a length; half a length between second and third. Time—1min. 10⅕secs.

Tote paid Rs. 82 to win; Rs. 20, Rs. 10, and Rs. 7 for places.

An objection to Ring Dove, that the owner had forgotten to put in an acceptance, was laid, and afterwards withdrawn by Mr. George.

THE GIANT HANDICAP.—Rs. 199 to the winner, Rs. 50 to the second and Rs. 25 to the third. For ponies 14-0 and under. About 7 furlongs.

Mr. Mills' br e g Golcondah, 8st 7lbs. ... Elliot 1
Mr. Bevill's br aus m Wattle Blossom, 8st. 7lbs. ... ... Esoof 2
Mr. G. C. Balthazar's b aus m Miss Beryl, 8st. 3 bs ... ... Torpey 3
Messrs M. and R. O'Brien's b e m Happy Thought, 8st. 4lbs. ... ... Taylor 4
Mr. Cowasjee's b aus m Lady Glen, 7st. ... Bennett 0

BETTING: Evens Golcondah, 2 to 1 agst. Miss Beryl, 5 to 1 Wattle Blossom, 20 to 1 the rest.

Won by a couple of lengths easily; the same between second and third. Time—1min. 55secs.

Tote paid Rs. 7 to win; Rs. 7 and Rs. 5 for places.

TRAINERS' LOTS.

CALCUTTA RACES, 1906-1907.

HORSE.	DESCRIPTION.	OWNER.	TRAINER.
A.			
Annamulloch	bk e m	Mr. Holmes	Wishart.
Amplify	ch e m	Mr. J. D. Scott	Owner.
Applause	b e h	Mr. J. C Galstaun	Tingey.
Au Fait	br e m	Capt. Farquharson	Saunders.
Airlock	bk aus m	Hon. Mr. A. A. Apcar	Watson.
Amyas	ch aus g	Mr. Dartmoor	Taylor.
Adviser	b aus g	Mr. S. F. Reynolds	Wishart.
Aberfoyle	b or br aus g	Mr. R. S. Hart	Ferguson.
B.			
Black Duke	bk or br e c	Mr. D. B. Myers	Dignum.
Bon Bon	b aus g	Mr. D. B. Myers	Dignum.
Baron II	ch aus g	Mr. Locke	C. Hoyt.
Blitzen	bk or br e m	Messrs. Hudson and Butler	Wishart.
Ballark	bk aus g	Hon. Mr. A. A. Apcar	Watson.
Beaunero	ch e g	Mr. G. B. Deakin	Owner.
Bundook	b e g	Mr. Dartmoor	Taylor.
Branga	ch aus g	Mr. T. G. Evers	Owner.
Botha	br aus g	Mr. O. M. D. Bell	Firth.
Bouquet	b e m	Mr. R. B.	Walker.
Belle Cole	b aus m	Mr. Stead	Torpey.
Bubble	br aus g	Messrs. Rodocanachi and Mackenzie	Norton.
Bucentaur	b aus g	Mr. J. A. Manning	Marriott.
C.			
Child Adopted	b e m	Mr. A. N Dass	Taylor.
Carnival	ch e m	Mr. A. N. Dass	Taylor.
Curfew	ch aus g	Mr. J. B.	Ramshaw.
Craigendarrie	b e g	Mr. J. C Galstaun	Tingey.
Cyril	b aus g	Mrs. A. Grosser	Smallman.
Colina	br e m	Mr. G. H. L. Mackenzie	Norton.
Cherson	b aus h	H H. Kour Sahib of Patiala	T. Scott.
Contest	ch aus h	Mr. R. S. Hart	Ferguson.
Clear Artist	b or br e g	Mr. North	Bleach
Coin II	ch aus m	H. H. Mah. of Cooch Behar	Ramshaw.
Curlew	b aus m	Mr. B. N. Burjotjee	Owner.
Clyneder	b e m	Mr. A. N. Dass	Taylor.
Curfew Bell	ch aus m	Messrs. Wood and Badger	Penton.
Coronet	b aus g	Mr. S. F. Reynolds	Wishart.
Circus Girl	b aus m	Mr. J. C. Galstaun	Tingey.
Claribell	ch aus m	Mr. J. C. Galstaun	Tingey.
Cingalee	ch e m	Mr. Cecil	Ramshaw.
Clodian	b aus g	Mr. J. G. Ballantyne	Mr. Evers.
Camira	b aus g	Mr. E. J. Marshall	J. D. Scott.
D.			
Downland	br or bk e m	Mr. J. M. Rodocanachi	Norton.
Dea	br aus m	Hon. Mr. A. A. Apcar	Watson.
Decoration	b aus g	Mr. R. S. Hart	Ferguson.
Duplex II	b us g	Mr. J. D. Scott.	Owner.
Dirty Boy	bk e g	Mr. J. C. Galstaun	Tingey.
Dulcimer	bk aus g	Mr. J. C. Galstaun	Tingey.
Dramatic	br aus g	Mr. O. M D. Bell	Firth.
Dormant	b aus g	Mr. P. B. Avasia	Bleach.
Diakkaway	ch e m	Mr. J. C. Galstaun	Tingey.
Dunsinane	ch e f	Messrs. Wood and Badger	Penton.
E.			
Esmeralda	ch e m	Mr. J. D. Scott	Owner.
Envious	b aus c	Mr. Cowper	Owner.
F.			
Footprint	b e h	Mr. E. L. F. de Soysa	Harper
Fitzgrafton	b aus h	Hon. Mr. A. A. Apcar	Watson.
Flo	bk or br aus m	Mr. F. Potter	Owner.
Footlight	br aus m	Mr. W. H. Walmesley	Ramshaw.
Ferndown	br e b	Messrs. Wood and Badger	Penton.
Flotsam	b aus g	Thakur Sripal Singh	Thomas.
Foy	bk aus g	Mr. Charles	Pringle.
G.			
Galley Slave	ch e g	Mr. E. J. Marshall	J. D. Scott.
Greenstone	b aus g	Mr. North	Bleach.
Gum	b aus g	Mr. J. C. Galstaun	Tingey.
Gladstone	b aus g	Mr. Locke	C. Hoyt.
Ground Glass	b e m	Mr. Cowper	Pringle.
Good Chap	br aus g	Mr. R. M. Hamilton	Mr. Cowper.
H.			
Hoop Iron	b aus g	Mr. J. C. Galstaun	Tingey
Handelian	br e g	Mr. J. C. Galstaun	Tingey.
Honest Lady	b e m	Mr. J. D. Scott	Owner.
Henrique	br aus m	Hon. Mr. A. A. Apcar	Watson.
I.			
Insurrection	b e g	Mr. A. N. Dass	Taylor.
Ivanhoe II	br aus g	Mr. R. D. Coggan	T. White.
J.			
Jacquelin	b aus m	Mr. R. S. Hart	Ferguson.
Jolly Abbot	gr e c	Mr. D. B. Myers	Dignum.
Jackeroo	br aus g	Mr. O. M. D. Bell	Firth.
Jack Sheppard	b e g	Mr. W. H. Walmesley	Pringle.
Jubilant	b aus m	Mr. G. K.	Munroe.
Jacinth	br aus g	Mr. Cowper	Owner.
K.			
Kipling	b aus g	Mr. E. J. Marshall	J. D. Scott.
Killeevan	br e m	Mr. J. C. Galstaun	Tingey.
Kendal King	ch e g	Mr. Charles	Pringle.
L.			
Loch Lochie	b aus g	Mr. R. S. Hart	Ferguson.
Look Out	b aus g	Mr. Locke	C. Hoyt.
Long Tom	br aus g	Mr. J. C. Galstaun	Ferguson.
Lady Avon	bk or br aus m	Mr. J. D. Scott	Owner.
Lady Veera	b e m	Mr. Bunting	J. D. Scott.
Lady Grey	gr e m	Mr. Bunting	J. D. Scott.
Lord D.	b aus g	Mr. Alec	Heywood.
Lucretia	ch aus m	Lieut.-Col. J. Desaraj Urs	Vinall.
Little Dolly	ch aus m	Col. P. K. L. Beaver	Heywood.
Lady Metal	b aus m	Mr Dartmoor	Taylor.
Lamrock	br aus g	H. H. Kour Sahib of Patiala	T. Scott.
Lorette	br aus m	Mr. B. N. Burjorjee	Owner.
Lord Boyne	bk aus g	Mr. W. Moran	Drew.
Loyal	ch aus g	Mr. J. A. Manning	Marriott.
Leda	ch aus m	Mr. B. B.	Walker.
M.			
Merry Elsie	b e m	Mrs. A. Grosser	Smallman.
Meadow Saffron	ch e m	Mr. G. B. Deakin	J. D. Scott.
Mother Goose	br e g	Messrs. Wood and Badger	Penton.
Mount Dane	br aus h	Mr. O. M. D. Bell	Firth
Munderah	br aus h	H. H. Maharajah of Mysore	Ferguson.
Matin Bell	bk aus m	H. H. Maharajah of Cooch Behar	Ramshaw.
Mayroid	br aus m	Mr. W. Griffiths	T. White.
Minimus	b aus g	Lieut.-Col. J. Desaraj Urs	Vinall.
Matalgia	b aus h	Mr. J. C. Galstaun	Tingey.
Meg	ch aus m	Mr. D. B Myers	Dignum.
Massachusselts	b aus m	Mr. J. D. Scott	Owner.
Mary Jane	ch aus m	Mr. J. D. Scott	Owner.
Master, The	br aus h	Mr. Maxwell	Wishart.
Martinique	br aus m	Hon. Mr. A. A. Apcar	Watson.
Master Charlie	br e g	Mr. E. J. Marshall	J. D. Scott.

Mercedes	bk or br e m	Messrs. Hudson and Butler	Wishart.
Mistlebird	b aus m	Mr. R. A. C. Pugh	Owner.
Mulison	b aus g	Mr. A. N. Dass	Taylor.
Musette	br aus m	Mr. Maxwell	Wishart.
Malinyook	bk aus g	Mr. Moran	Drew.
Mallard	b aus h	Hon. Mr. A. A. Apcar	Watson.
Manlock	b aus g	Col. P. K. L. Beaver	T. Scott.
Miss Hopson	ch e m	Mr. Charles	Pringle.
Metalwing	br aus g	Mr. Charles	Pringle.

N.

Nightingale	br e m	Capt. Farquharson	Saunders.
Nak Our	ch aus m	Hon. Mr. A. A. Apcar	Watson.
Nirvana	b e g	Mr. Field	Heywood.
Nurse Kitty	b e m	H. H. Kour Sahib of Patiala	T. Scott.
Nigam	b aus g	Thakur Sripal Singh	Thomas.

O.

Olive Lee	br aus m	Mr. H. V. Low	Norton.
Olynthus	b aus g	Messrs. Jones and Pugh	Mr. R. Pugh.
Our State	b aus g	Mr. J. C. Galstaun	Tingey.
Orphan Boy	b aus g	Mr. Glen	Mr. Cowper.

P.

Pennant	b aus g	.....	Norton.
Pat C.	b sth afr. h	Mr. J. D Scott	Owner.
Pineal	ch aus g	Mr. A. N. Dass	Taylor.
Plover	br aus m	Thakur Sripal Singh	Marriott
Palas	ch aus m	Mr W. Griffiths	T. White.
Pendred	b e g	Mr. Charles	Pringle.
Palindrome	br or ch aus m	Mr. Stead	Torpey.
Paddy's Darling	b e m	Mr. J. C. Galstaun	Tingey.
Prince Lyon	br aus g	Mr. J C. Galstaun	Tingey.
Presbyterian	ch e g	Mr. P. B. Avasia	Bleach.
Psalm	br e m	Mr. O. M. D. Bell	Firth.
Projecture	b aus m	Mr. F. Potter	Owner.
Pure Gold	b e g	Mr. J. C. Galstaun	Tingey.
Prince Moorefield	b aus g	Mr. R. B. Lamotte	Owner.
Pretender	b aus g	Mr. K. M. Hamilton	Mr. Cowper.

R.

Red Coral	b aus g	Lieut.-Col. J. Desaraj Urs	Vinall.
Rosanule	b e h	Mr. Charles	Pringle.
Refuge Bay	b aus g	Mr. Charles	Pringle.
Riverside II	b nth aus g	Mr. J. C. Galstaun	Tingey.
Rustile	ch aus m	Mr J. C. Galstaun	Tingey.
Rezia	b aus m	Mr. A. N. Dass	Taylor.
Rustler	b aus g	Mr. J. C. Galstaun	Tingey.

S.

Seclusion	ch aus m	Hon. Mr A. A. Apcar	Watson.
Strathspey	bk aus g	Hon. Mr. A. A. Apcar	Watson.
Scotch Thistle	bk aus g	Mrs. Fraser Nash	Smallman.
Spark	b aus g	Mr. K. R Tomkinson	C. Hoyt.
Senator	ch aus g	Mr. W. T. Miles	Owner.
Spero	b aus g	Mr. S Margrett	Smallman.
Signorina	b aus m	Mr. J. B.	Ramshaw.
Son of a Gun	b e h	Mr. Bunting	J. D. Scott.
S. S.	b aus g	Thakur Sripal Singh	Thomas.
Sainte Marquise	br e m	Mr. J. C. Galstaun	Tingey.
Santa Maria	b e m	Mr. Holmes	Wishart.
Squire Alfred	b e g	Messrs. Wood & Badger	Penton.
Scamander	ch e m	Mr. W. H. Walmsley	Pringle.
Sacristan II	ch e g	Mr. Dartmoor	Taylor.
Solace	b aus m	Mr. Field	Heywood.
Silphoe	b e g	Mr. J. C. Galstaun	Tingey.
Sea Spray	b e f	Mr. G. B. Deakin	Owner.
Sermon	ch e g	Messrs. Wood & Badger	Penton.
Saloon	br c b g	Mr. J. B. Scott	Owner.
Steinbager	b e c	Mr. Charles	Pringle.
Stepaway	b e m	Mr A. L. Butler	Wishart.
Swindle	br aus g	Mrs. A. Grosser	Smallman.
St. Michael	b aus g	Mr. S. Margrett	Smallman.

T.

Tattoo	b aus g	Mr. R. B. Lamotte	Owner.
Thomond	br e g	Messrs. Wood & Badger	Penton.
Trencherman	b aus h	Mr. A. N. Dass	Taylor.
Trenayr	b aus g	Mr. W. Moran	Drew.
Tartan	ch aus g	Mr. M. R. K. Hodgson	Owner.
Terence	ch aus g	Hon. Mr. A. A. Apcar	Watson.
Tycannah	b aus g	Mr. J. S. Love	Marriott.
Trenton	b aus g	Lt.-Col. J. Desaraj Urs	Vinall.
Testwood	br e g	Mr. P. B. Avasia	Bleach.

V.

Veera	ch aus m	Mr. G. K.	Munroe.
Vespasia	b e m	Mr. D. B. Myers	Dignum.
Vanity Fair	b aus m	Mr. Dartmoor	Taylor.
Vinolia	b or br aus m	Mr. H. V. Low	Norton.

W.

Wal	b aus g	Mr J. W. Scott	Owner.
Wakeful	br aus m	Mr. E. C. Ramshaw	Owner.
White Heather	ch e g	Capt. H. D. McNeil	Owner.
Whitefoot	br aus g	Mr. J. C. Galstaun	Tingey.
Windy	br aus g	Mr. J. C. Galstaun	Tingey.
Wake up	b aus m	Mr. H. E. Smith	Owner.
Watch Fire	gr aus g	Mr. R. A. C. Pugh	Owner.
Wales	gr aus g	Mr. Beaumont	Owner.
Woodbine	ch aus m	Mr. Charles	Pringle.

Y.

Yardley	ch aus m	Mr. J. D. Scott	Owner.
Yankee Boy	ch aus h	Mr. J. D. Scott	Owner.

Z.

Zig Zag	b aus g	Mr. Glen	Mr. Cowper.

Entries for Races.

CALCUTTA RACES.

FIRST EXTRA MEETING.

Saturday, 1st December 1906.

THE CRITERION PLATE—6 furlongs.

Cap. H. D. McNeile's ch e g White Heather (6yrs).
Mr. C. Pearson's ch aus g Narwanah.
Mr. Austin's bk aus m Eclipse (5yrs),
Mr. D. B. Myer's b aus g Bon Bon.
Mr. C. Pearson's bk aus g Mallinyook (aged).
Mr. Dartmoor's b aus m Lady Metal (aged).
Mr. O. M. D. Bell's br aus g Dramatic (aged).
Mr. O. M. D. Bell's br aus h Mount Dane.
Mr. Charles' bk aus g Foy.
Messrs. Hudson and Butler s bk e m Mercedes.
Mr. A. L. Butler's b e m Stepaway.
Mr. Galstaun's ch aus m Rustile.
Mr. Galstaun's br aus m Windy (5yrs).
Mr. A. N. Dass' ch e m Carnival.
Mr. W. H. Walmsley's b e g Jack Sheppard (4yrs).
Mr. B. B.'s b e m Bouquet.
Mr. A. N. Dass' b aus g Mulison (aged).
Mrs. A. Grosser's b aus g Cyril.

THE CLUB PLATE—1¼ mile.

Mr. Dartmoor's b e g Bundook.
Mr. Charles' b e g Pendred (5yrs).
Mr. Holmes' b e m Santa Maria.
Mr. Galstaun's b e h Applause.
Mr. Galstaun's br e m Sainte Marquise.
Mr. A. N. Dass' b e m Child Adopted.
Mr. C. Pearson's bk aus g Lord Boyne.
Mrs. A. Grosser's b e m Merry Elsie.

LILLIPUTIAN PLATE—5 furlongs.

Mr. B. K. Mullick's br cb g Fortune, 13-3.
Mr. R. D. Coggan's br aus g Ivanhoe II., 13-3½.
H. H. Maharaja of Cooch Behar's ch aus m Coin II., 13-3½.
H. H. Maharaja of Cooch Behar's bk aus m Matin Bell, 13-3.
Mr. J. D. Scott's b cb m Esmeralda, 14-0½.
Mr. J. C. Galstaun's ch aus m Gowan, 13-2½.
Aga S. Shah's b e g Hooded Monk, 14-0.
Thakur Sripal Singh's b or br aus m Plover, 13-3½.
Mr. A. N. Dass' b aus m Regia, 14-0.
Mr. A. Price's br aus m Half Price, 13-3.

PONY PLATE—5 furlongs.

Mr. B. K. Mullick's br cb g Fortune, 13-3.
Mr. R. D. Coggan's b aus m Esperanto, 14-2.
Mr. F. Potter's bk aus m Hazelnut, 14-2.
Mr. J. M. Rodocanachi's br aus m Hint, 14-1½.
Mrs. J. M. Gregory's b aus m Picture, 14-2.
Mr. O. M. D. Bell's br e m Psalm, 14-2.
Mr. J. D. Scott's b sth af h Pat C., 14-1.
Mr. J. C. Galstaun's b aus g Silphoe, 14-2.
Mr. A. N. Dass' ch aus g Pineal, 14-1½.
Col. J. Desaraj Urs' ch aus m Lucretia, 14-1.

THE BALLYGUNGE PLATE—1 mile.

Capt. H. D. McNeile's ch e g White Heather.
Messrs Jones and Pugh's b aus g Olynthus.
Mr. Mackenzie's br e m Calines.
Mr. C. Pearson's b aus g Trenayr.
Mr. A. L. Butler's ch aus m Bonita.
Mr. J. C. Galstaun's b aus g Rustler.
Mr. W. B. Green's b aus m Leading Lady.

Ponies.

W. I. T. C. Measurements.

POONA.

The following pony was classed, aged and measured, by the Official Measurer, W. I. T. Club at Poona, on the 31st October, 1906 :—

Name.	*Description.*	*Owner's Name.*	*Age.*	*Height.*	*Period.*
Borealis	g a g	Capt. J. L. Lunham, I.M.S.	6	14-0	For life.

BOMBAY.

The following ponies were classed, aged and measured, by the Official Measurer, W. I. T. Club, at Bombay, on the 1st November, 1906 :—

Anad	g a h	Khadavi Abdool Rehman	6	13-1¼	For life.
Anchor	ch a h	Mr. Dawood Mahmood	6	14-0	For life.
Anee	g a h	Mr. Daya Khaleel	Aged	13-3½	For life.
Baroda	b a h	Mr. Ebrahim Mana	3	13-3	31st March 1907.
Cast Off	b a h	Messrs. M. Gokuldass and A. Nanji	5	13-3	31st March 1907.
Cumrew	b e g	Capt. C. A. James	Aged	14-0¾	For life.

POONA.

The following ponies were classed, aged and meaured, by the Official Measurer, W. I. T. Club, at Poona, on the 31st October, 1906 :—

Denmark	ch a h	Mr. Yussuff Yunasee	3	14-0	31st March 1907.
Dhoora	ch a h	Mr. Ahmed Deeb	3	14-0	31st March 1907.
Engine	b a h	Mr. Ebrahim Mana	3	13-3	31st March 1907.
Fakhri	ch a h	Mr. Tahar bin Yunis	6	13-3¾	For life.
Haboob	g a h	Mr. Khadavi Abdool Rehman	6	13-3¾	For life.
Idbas	ch a h	Mr. Daya Khaleel	4	14-0	31st March 1907.
Leopold	ch a h	Mr. Mahomed Besher	Aged	13-3¾	For life.
Little Toy	b a h	Messrs. M. Gokuldass and A. Nanji	3	13-2½	31st March 1907.
Lord Middleton	b a h	Messrs. M. Gokuldass and A. Nanji	5	14-1	31st March 1907.
Lucky Prince	ch a h	Mr. Syed Mustapha Bir	6	13-3½	For life.
Madras	ch a h	Mr. Ebrahim Mana	6	14-3¾	For life.
Maluan	b a h	Mr. Yussuff Dakayel	4	13-2¾	31st March 1907.
Meedhri	b a h	Mr. Fatteh Daya	4	13-3½	31st March 1907.
Presentiment	g a h	Mr. Almas Abdoolla	5	13-2½	31st March 1907.
Ragub	ch a h	Mr. Salim Abdool Rehman	5	13-2	31st March 1907.
Raskob	b a h	Mr Hassan Ebrahim	5	14-0¾	31st March 1907.
Red Jacket	b a h	Mr. Abdool Karim Dakayel	5	14-0	31st March 1907.
Red Rube	b a h	Mr. Mahomed Dakayel	5	13-3¼	31st March 1907.
Shahboor	b a h	Mr. Tahar bin Yunis	4	14-0¼	31st March 1907.
Shammer	b a h	Mr. Mahomed Abdool Karim	3	13-3¼	31st March 1907.
Spearmint	g a h	Mr. Syed Rasheed	5	14-0	31st March 1907.
Toy	b a h	Messrs. M. Gokuldass and A. Nanji	5	13-2	31st March 1907.
Thuyyar	g a h	Mr. Hamad Dawood	Aged	13-3½	For life.
Ugly	g a h	Mr. Yussuff Yunasee	4	13-3¾	31st March 1907.
Yatim	ch a h	Mr. Ahmed Deeb	4	13-2½	31st March 1907.
Young Kolah	ch a h	Mr. Mahomed Baker	Aged	13-2¼	For life.
Zummar	b a h	Mr. Tahar bin Yunis	6	14-0	For life.

Sport in England.

(FROM THE HOME PAPERS.)

LONDON, *Friday, 9th November 1906.*

THE TURF.

HURST PARK.

THANKS to the bright morning, the attendance on Saturday was a rattling good one in every department, and the pleasures of a capital afternoon's sport were enhanced by the strains of the band of the Scots Guards. Better going could not have been wished for, and though backers had the worst of the deal no fault could be found with an interesting afternoon's sport, in which South Hatch carried off two of the prizes.

MOLESEY NURSERY HANDICAP—Of 300sovs., being 250sovs. to the winner, 35sovs. to the second, and 15sovs. to the third. 5 furlongs, straight.

Mr. T. W. Blenkiron's colt by Uncle Mac—Murgis, 8st. 5lbs.	G. McCall	1
Sir M. Fitzgerald's ch c The Cherub, 8st. 5lbs.	J. H. Martin	2
Capt. Laing's b c Symmachus, 8st. 8lbs.	W. Higgs	3
Mr. C. Levy's Eagerness, 7st. 11lb.	H. Watts	0
Sir H. Randall's Ju-Jitsu, 7st. 4lbs.	C. Trigg	0
Mr. J. C. Sullivan's colt by Winkfield—Surrender, 7st. 12lbs.	H. Pike	0
Mr. J. Morrow's Gretna Green, 7st. 10lbs.	W. Griggs	0
Mr. G. Edwardes' Tinkabelle, 7st. 13lbs.	H. Blades	0
Mr. P. Nelke's Relish, 8st. 2lbs.	W. Halsey	0
Mr. P. Gleeson's Tozer, 8st. 13lbs.	S. Walkington	0
Mr. E. Cohen's Sir Frusquin, 8st. 11lb.	R. Jones	0
Mr. Imber's Printonan, 8st. 9lbs.	B. Dillon	0

(*Winner trained by W. Nightingall.*)

BETTING: 3 to 1 agst. The Cherub, 4 to 1 Symmachus 11 to 2 Murgis colt, 100 to 15 Tinkabelle, 10 to 1 Eagerness, and 100 to 8 each others (offered).

Won by half a length; three-quarters of a length divided second and third. Time—1min. 7⅘secs.

HURST PARK AUTUMN HANDICAP—Of 500sovs. being 400sovs. to the winner, 75sovs. to the second, and 25sovs. to the third. 1¼ mile.

Mr. F. Alexander's b m Bitters, by St. Serf—Mara, 5yrs., 9st.	B. Lynham	1
Mr. V. P. Misa's b m Isabelita, 5yrs., 8st.	C. Escott	2
Col. R. L. Birkin's b c Goring Heath, 5yrs., 7st. 5lbs.	J. Plant	3
Mr. C. Hibbert's Savernake, 4yrs., 7st. (car. 7st. 11lb.)	C. Trigg	0
Col. R. Kinzald Smith's Succour, 3yrs., 9st. 11lb.	R. Randall	0
Mr. A. Stedall's Kolo, 3yrs., 7st. 4lbs.	J. Howard	0
Mr. W. Bass' Sella, 3yrs., 8st. 7lbs.	G. McCall	0

(*Winner trained by Braime.*)

BETTING: 9 to 4 agst. Isabelita, 5 to 2 Succour, 6 to 1 Sella, 7 to 1 Goring Heath, 10 to 1 Bitters, and 100 to 8 each others (offered).

Won by half a length; a neck divided second and third. Time—2mins. 14⅘secs.

VYNER HANDICAP—Of 200sovs., second receives 35sovs. 7 furlongs, straight.

Mr. C. Hibbert's b g Mixed Dance, by Melange—Farandole, 3yrs., 8st. 2lbs.	C. Trigg	1
Mr. Ellam's b f Lady Cringle, 3yrs., 7st. 2lbs.	F. Templeman	2
Mr. E. Dresden's b or br c Gala Wreath, 3yrs., 8st. 8lbs.	H. Randall	3
Mr. P. Nelke's Snatch, 3yrs., 8st. 6lbs. (car. 8st. 7lbs.)	B. Lynham	0
Lord Durham's Glenfiddich, 3yrs., 7st. 13lbs.	W. Griggs	0
Mr. W. Goodchild's Schnapps, 6yrs., 8st. 12lbs.	G. McCall	0
Mr. A. Stedall's Lord Toddington, 5yrs., 9st. 5lbs.	C. Escott	0
Mr. G. Lyons' Faithful Don, 3yrs., 7st. 13lbs.	C. Heckford	0
Mr. W. Bass' Cement, 3yrs., 7st. 13lbs.	W. Saxby	0
Lord Dalmeny's Ritchie, 4yrs., 9st. 12lbs.	W. Higgs	0
Mr. T. P. King's Ambrose, 5yrs., 8st. 9lbs.	W. Halsey	0
Mr. F. Pennard's colt by Galleazzo—Pimpa, 5yrs., 7st. 2lbs.	A. Templeman	0
Mr. P. Gleeson's Cortona, 5yrs., 8st. 12lbs.	B. Dillon	0
Mr. R. Wootton's Harcourt, 3yrs., 8st. 5lbs.	J. Markley	0
Mr. F. S. Barnard's Cyclops Too, 3yrs., 8st. 4lbs.	J. H. Martin	0
Major Edwards' Shy Lad, 4yrs., 8st. 11lb.	H. Blades	0
Mr. W. H. Schwind's Jack Spraggon, 3yrs., 7st. 4lbs.	H. Watts	0

(*Winner trained by W. Nightingall.*)

BETTING: 7 to 2 agst. Cyclops Too, 4 to 1 Ambrose, 6 to 1 Gala Wreath, 8 to 1 each Schnapps and Mixed Dance, 10 to 1 each Snatch and Faithful Don, 100 to 8 Glenfiddich, and 100 to 6 each others (offered).

Won easily by two lengths; a length and a half divided second and third. Time—1min. 34⅘secs.

LIVERPOOL.

Liverpool, with its liberal programme, did not seem itself on Wednesday. From some cause or other the attendance, headed by the Knowsley party, in charge of Lord Derby and Lord Stanley, was by no means up to the usual standard, all the enclosures showing a falling off, and the holiday crowd being a meagre one. The weather was cold and dull, nay, even dismal; and a brooding sky suggested a storm, but the darkness fortunately passed over without any rain falling.

LIVERPOOL ST. LEGER—Of 650sovs; second receives 50ovs. 1¼ mile.

Lord Derby's br f Keystone II., by Persimmon—Lock and Key, 9st. 9lbs.	D. Mahar	1
Mr. Fairie's br f Chere Reine, 7st. 13lbs.	W. Higgs	2

(*Winner trained by Hon. G. Lambton.*)

BETTING: 13 to 2 on Kystone II.

Won pulling up by eight lengths. Time—2mins. 47⅘secs.

LANCASHIRE HANDICAP—Of 500sovs.; second to receive 25sovs. 1¼ mile.

Col. R. L. Birkin's b c Goring Heath, by Cyllene—Vagrant Maid, 5yrs., 6st. 12lbs.	J. Plant	1
Mr. G. A. Prentice's br h Hongkong, 5yrs., 8st.	W. Higgs	2
Mr. G. Parrott's ch m Solano, 5yrs., 6st. 10lbs.	F. Wootton	3
Lord Derby's Victorions, 3yrs., 7st. 10lbs.	J. H. Martin	0
Mr. H. J. King's Whistling Crow, 3yrs., 7st. 7lbs.	C. Trigg	0
Mr. W. Bass' Sella, 3yrs., 7st. 11lbs.	G. McCall	0

(*Winner trained by E. Martin.*)

BETTING: 11 to 8 agst. Hongkong, 4 to 1 Whistling Crow, 5 to 1 Victorious, 7 to 1 Goring Heath, 8 to 1 Solano, and 25 to 1 Sella (offered).

Won easily by two lengths; a neck between second and third. Time—2mins. 11⅗secs.

ANCHOR NURSERY STAKES (Handicap) Of 400sovs.; second to receive 25sovs.; Anchor Bridge Course, 6 furlongs.

Mr. H. F. Clayton's ch c Sandy Mac, by Uncle Mac—Norah Sandys, 7st. 7lbs.	W. Higgs	1
Mr. Fairie's b c Eastern, 8st. 12lbs. ...	H. Jones	2
Mr. A. Stedall's ch c The Rialto, 7st. 13lbs.	C. Escott	3

(*Winner trained by M. Vasey.*)

BETTING: 11 to 8 on Sandy Mac, 5 to 2 agst. The Rialto, and 9 to 2 Eastern.

Won in fine style by two lengths; a length and a half between second and third. Time—1min. 17⅘secs.

At Liverpool, yesterday if anything, the weather was worse than on the previous day, rain being in actual evidence during the morning, and a spit or two reminded visitors that the dose might at any time be repeated. With the sky a dull leaden grey, the wind in the cold quarter, and a mist shutting out the country, the attendance, headed by the Knowsley party, showed little improvement on the previous day. The going was heavier, which may account for several disappointments, but a welcome improvement in the sport put a bit more life into the proceedings.

GRAND SEFTON STEEPLECHASE (Handicap) Of 600sovs.; second to receive 50sovs., third 25sovs.; from the Canal Point. About 2 miles 7½ furlongs.

Mr. H. Tunstall-Moore's b g Hackwatch, by Hackler—On the Watch, 6yrs., 12st. 7lbs.	J. Walsh, jun.	1
Mr. G. Walmsley's ch h Extravagance, 5yrs., 10st. 9lbs.	G. Goswell	2
Mr. C. T. Garland's br g Oatlands, 6yrs., 10st. 13lbs.	A Birch	3
Mr. A. Barclay Walker's Apollino, aged, 11st. 13lbs.	A. Anthony	0
Mr. J. Read's Royal Tara, 6yrs., 10st. 12lbs.	R. Morgan	0
Mr. S. Howard's Eremon, 6yrs., 10st. 11lbs.	E. Lawn	0
Mr. J. W. Philipp's Bushey Path, aged, 10st. 10lbs. ...	Mr. J. Anthony	0
Mr. F. Bibby's Wild Boer, 6yrs., 10st. 3lbs.	F. Mason	0

(*Winner trained by J. J. Maher.*)

BETTING: 3 to 1 agst. Hackwatch, 4 to 1 Extravagance, 9 to 2 Apollino, 8 to 1 each Wild Boer and Oatlands, 10 to 1 Eremon, and 100 to 8 each others (offered).

Won easily by half a dozen lengths; a bad third. Nothing else completed the course. Time—6mins. 12⅘secs.

STEWARDS' PLATE (Handicap)—Of 350sovs.; second receives 25sovs.; Anchor Bridge Course, 6 furlongs.

Mr. J. Craig's b c Crescent, by Janissary—Hungry, 3yrs., 7st. 10lbs. ...	W. Higgs	1
Lord Derby's b g Persinus, 4yrs., 8st. 10lbs.	D. Maher	2
Mr. R. Craig's b c Canty Bay, 4yrs., 8st. 10lbs.	J. McCall	3
Mr. A E Clerk's Kazan, 4yrs., 7st. ...	P. Quinn	0
Sir E. Vincent's Ulalume, 3yrs., 7st. 11lbs.	W. Griggs	0
Mr. A. Bailey's American Lad, 4yrs., 8st. 10lbs.	H. Randall	0
Mr. R. A. Prentice's Dumbarton Castle, 6yrs., 9st. 4lbs.	B. Lynham	0
Mr. H. J. Hunt's Corriecrian, 4yrs., 7st. 2lbs. (car. 7st. 3lbs.)	C. Trigg	0
Mr. Jersey's Vergia, 5yrs., 8st. 10lbs. ...	H. Jones	0
Mr. E. Clark's Rather Warm, 6yrs., 7st. 6lbs.	H. Blades	0
Major Joicey's Cumnock Lad, 3yrs., 7st. 3lbs.	J. Plant	0
Mr. B. Gottschalk's Desespoir, 4yrs., 7st. 2lbs.	A. Templeman	0

(*Winner trained by F. Robson.*)

BETTING: 3 to 1 agst. Crescent, 9 to 2 Desespoir, 6 to 1 Persinus, 8 to 1 each Ulalume and Cumnock Lad, 10 to 1 each Dumbarton Castle and Canty Bay, and 100 to 8 each others (offered).

Won by three parts of a length; three lengths between second and third. Time—1min. 15⅘secs.

KNOWSLEY NURSERY STAKES (Handicap)—Of 500sovs.; second receives 3 sovs., an third 15sovs.; Knowsley Course, 5 furlongs.

Mr. W. Clark's ch f Meadow Rue, by Sainfoin—Lily of the Valley, 8st. 10lbs. ...	G. McCall	1
Mr. R. Maguire's b g Stirabout, 8st. 9lbs. ...	H. Jones	2
Capt. G. R. Homfray's b f Emerald, 8st. 9lbs.	W. Higgs	3
Mr. G. G. Tod's Titania, 7st. 2lbs. ...	C. Trigg	0
Mr. L. E. B. Homan's Laverna, 7st. 11lbs	C. Heckford	0
Mr. W M. G. Singer's colt by Wolf's Crag—Poppy, 7st. 12lbs.	W. Griggs	0
Major E. Loder's Chestnut Sunday, 8st. 11lbs.	B. Dillon	0
Mr. C. P. B. Wood's Bonniface, 8st. 10lbs....	D. Maher	0
Mr. F. Stroud's Salter, 6st. 12lbs. ...	A. Flanagan	0

(*Winner trained by J. Brewer.*)

BETTING: 9 to 4 Meadow Rue, 11 to 2 Titania, 7 to 1 each Emerald and Salter, 10 to 1 each Chestnut Sunday, Bonniface, Poppy colt, and Stirabout and 100 to 8 Laverna.

Won very cleverly by a length; a head between second and third. Time—1min. 20⅘secs.

Fortunately for the comfort of visitors to Aintree this afternoon, the weather was all that could be expected at this advanced season of the year. The attendance of the Cup day is always in advance of what may be termed the "off" days of the meeting, and that which patronised the meeting to-day was in every way satisfactory. Lord Derby's house party drove up just prior to the numbers going up for the first race, and the magnificent horses, with postillions, were, as usual, much admired.

THE CROXTETH PLATE (Handicap)—Of 350sovs.; second to receive 25sovs; Knowsley Course, 5 furlongs.

Mr. H. J Gibbs's Milford Lad, by Cheveley Or—Anthumia, 5yrs., 7st. 12lbs. ...	Wm. Griggs	1
Mr. R. H. Storey's Otherwise, 5yrs., 8st. 2lbs.	Randall	2
Mr. C. Hibbert's My May, 4yrs., 6st. 9lbs.	H. Watts	3
Col. Kincaid Smith's Melayr, 5yrs., 9st. 4lbs.	H. Jones	0
Mr. G. A. Prentice's Honolulu, 3yrs., 8st. 9lbs.	W. Higgs	0
Mr. R. Craig's Canty Bay, 4yrs., 8st. ...	Trigg	0
Mr. A. Bostock's Ignorance, 3yrs., 8st. 9lbs. (car 7st. 9lbs.)	G. MacCall	0
Mrs. H. V. Jackson's Barcelona Park, 3yrs., 7st.	Blades	0
Sir R. W. B. Jardine's Marconigram, 3yrs., 7st. ... ... —	Heckford	0
Mr. P. Nelke's Winnie K., 3yrs., 6st. 13lbs.	Plant	0
Lord Derby's Gemma, 3yrs., 6st. 11lbs. ...	A. Flanagan	0
Lord Derby's Anniversary II., 3yrs., 6st. 9lbs. (car. 6st. 10lbs.)	Lancaster	0

(*Winner trained by Marnes.*)

BETTING: 5 to 2 agst. Honolulu, 5 to 1 Otherwise, 100 to 14 My May, 100 to 12 Gemma, 10 to 1 Melayr, 100 to 8 each Milford Lad and Barcelona Park, 100 to 6 Winnie K., 20 to 1 any other (offered).

THE LIVERPOOL AUTUMN CUP (Handicap)—Of 1500sovs. (50sovs. being in plate); second to receive 70sovs. and the third 30sovs. 1 mile 6 furlongs.

Mr. R. C. Thompson's Bibiani, by Childwick—Goldmine, 4yrs., 7st. 10lbs. ...	W. Higgs	1
Lord Harewood's Banana, 4yrs., 7st. ...	J. Howard	2
Lord Derby's Glasconbury, 3yrs., 6st. 10lbs. ... — ..	J. Plant	3
Mr. P. Cullinan's Flax Park, 4yrs., 7st. 10lbs.	E. Aylin	0
Mr. W. Bass's King Duncan, 4yrs., 7st. 8lbs. (car. 7st. 9lbs.)	G. McCall	0
Mr. F. Pennard's Monkshead, 6yrs., 7st. 6lbs.	A. Templeman	0
Sir E. Cassel's Killeagh, 3yrs., 7st. 4lbs. ...	C. Trigg	0
Mr. William Clark's Demure, 3yrs., 6st. 12lbs. ... — ...	F. Wootton	0

(*Winner trained by Scott.*)

BETTING: 11 to 4 agst. Bibiana, 20 to 1 Banana, and 11 to 2 Glasconbury.

Won by a head.

FOOTBALL
ASSOCIATION RULES.

The goal scoring in the three leading Leagues on Saturday was on the small side, the ten games in the Southern League producing only 23, in the First Division of the League 22 were obtained, and in the Second Division there were 32. Visiting clubs did not have an encouraging experience, only one S. L. club winning on foreign soil, two home clubs went under in League I. games, and not a single defeat was inflicted on a home team in League II. matches. The total number of drawn games was eight, half of which were played in the Southern League. The five winning clubs in this League scored 13 goals, and the losing teams only 2, but each of the eight who figured in the drawn games registered a goal. In League I. the seven winning teams totalled 13 goals, while the losers had to be content with a solitary one! Eight of the teams failed to score, and it is a long time since there was such a beggarly result in the First League football. Nine of the games in the Second Division of the League were brought to a definite conclusion, and in each instance the home club was victorious, the only crumb of comfort to visiting sides being the drawn game at Burnley in which Barnsley captured a point. The winning elevens claimed 24 goals and the losers 4, while five teams did not score.

SOUTHERN LEAGUE.

Fulham occupies a commanding position at the head of the Southern League table, the win on Saturday over Brighton, at Fulham, giving the side a lead of four points over their nearest attendants.

It emphasises the level of clubs in the Southern League that there should have been four drawn games in the competition on Saturday, and the most interesting of these to the football public was that at Tottenham, where the 'Spurs were opposed by Portsmouth. The visitors gained a point as compared with last year, and so did New Brompton and West Ham, the absence of Jarvis and Watson having a serious effect upon the play of the home side. Watford are probably satisfied at having brought a point away from Northampton, where they went under last season, and the Crystal Palace are to be heartily congratulated on having played the Bristol Rovers to a draw in the western city. Southampton, Luton, and Reading, whose early season form was terribly disappointing, are now making up leeway in no uncertain manner, and the three clubs scored winning brackets on Saturday. Reading are entitled to the most credit, for they beat Queen's Park Rangers at Park Royal and thus picked up their first point away from home. Since defeating Millwall at home on 22nd September the Rangers have not won a match, and the players must bestir themselves if they desire to get away from the bottom of the table. Norwich City won in convincing fashion against Millwall, and Swindon preserved their unbeaten certificate at home against Leyton, but the East Londoners went under only by the odd goal in three.

The table appended shows that nine of the teams have a goal record whose debit side is numerically superior to the credit side and only three sides have scored 20 goals.

	P.	W.	L.	D.	Goals For	Goals Agst.	Pts.
Fulham ...	13	6	1	6	19	13	18
Tottenham Hotspur	12	4	2	6	23	14	14
Portsmouth ...	10	5	2	3	19	13	13
Watford ...	11	4	2	5	13	10	13
Bristol Rovers	12	5	4	3	14	11	13
West Ham. United	12	5	4	3	23	17	13
Norwich City ..	10	4	2	4	20	15	12
Swindon Town ...	12	4	4	4	15	13	12
Brighton & Hove Albion	10	4	3	3	14	13	11
Plymouth Argyle ...	11	3	4	4	15	20	10
Southampton ...	10	4	4	2	19	13	10
Millwall	10	4	4	2	15	17	10
Luton Town	10	4	4	2	19	16	10
Brentford	10	4	5	1	13	17	9
Leyton ...	10	3	4	3	11	13	9
Crystal Palace ...	11	3	5	3	15	18	9
New Brompton ...	10	4	5	1	13	16	9
Reading	11	4	7	0	13	15	8
Queen's Park Rangers ...	11	2	6	3	8	17	7
Northampton ...	10	1	5	4	9	18	6

LEAGUE I.

Woolwich Arsenal were not able to do better against Bolton Wanderers on Saturday than last year, but there was a material difference between the games, for whereas in 1905 the Gunners deserved to lose by a handsome margin, they had no more than their deserts and perhaps slightly less, in sharing the points last week-end. It was one of the keenest games fought at Manor field this season, and it was only marred by a few ebullitions of temper on the part of a couple of the Wanderers, which were both childish and unwarranted. The positions of the four leading teams have not been changed as a result of Saturday's games, but as Everton was the only one of the quartette to win outright they have improved their positon to the extent of a point. Luckless Middlesbrough have a quarrel with the Fates, for they did not deserve to lose against Liverpool, at Ayresome Park. Aitken made his first appearance for the home club, and played a fine game. Aston Villa lost at Preston, and this is the third successive defeat of the Villans away from home. Blackburn Rovers maintained their improved form at Sunderland, the Wearsiders getting home by the only goal scored, but Notts County gave a mediocre show at Bury, the home team winning with comparative ease. Bristol City provided the surprise of the afternoon by winning at Manchester against the City, and this was the second success of the Bristolians away from home, their previous win being at Stoke, on 8th September, where they won by three clear goals. A sporting duel between the Sheffield clubs, at Owlerton fittingly ended in a draw, Needham the priceless, putting the United on equal terms just on time, and Derby County, unable to score at home against Newcastle, are entitled to praise for keeping the nippy Novocastrian forwards at bay.

The table of results to date is appended:—

	P.	W.	L.	D.	Goals For	Goals Agst.	Pts.
Everton — ...	12	8	2	2	30	12	18
Newcastle United ...	11	7	2	2	25	13	16
Woolwich Arsenal ...	11	7	2	2	24	15	16
Sheffield Wednesday ...	11	6	1	4	22	16	16
Bolton Wanderers ...	10	5	2	3	19	14	13
Aston Villa	12	6	5	1	24	20	13
Sheffield United ...	10	5	3	2	19	18	12
Manchester United ...	11	4	3	4	14	16	12
Sunderland ... —	10	4	3	3	17	15	11
Bristol City	11	4	4	3	16	15	11
Bury	12	3	5	4	20	21	10
Birmingham	11	4	5	2	16	20	10
Derby County ...	11	3	4	4	13	16	10
Liverpool	11	4	5	2	18	18	10
Preston North End ...	10	4	5	1	14	16	9
Notts County ...	11	1	4	6	8	13	8
Manchester City ...	11	2	6	3	19	33	7
Blackburn Rovers ...	10	2	6	2	14	20	6
Stoke	12	1	7	4	11	21	6
Middlesbrough ...	10	1	7	2	11	22	4

LEAGUE II.

Chelsea made another serious slip on Saturday, for they were beaten by two clear goals by Burslem Port Vale, and so serious an effect has this had upon them in the table, that they have dropped from second to fourth, which position they fill only because their goal average is better than that of Bradford City and Burnley. The Pensioners are not playing just now such good football as last season, but there is no need to be alarmed, as the team is bound to come again, and the sooner the better if promotion is to reward their efforts. West Bromwich romped home against Glossop, and Hull City were out played by the Fosse at Leicester. Clapton Orient did quite as well as could be expected in losing by the odd goal in three at Burton, but Gainsborough Trinity gave a poor show at Lincoln, the City beating them pointless by four goals. Nottingham Forest just scraped home against Stockport County, and Grimsby beat the Wolverhampton Wanderers, at Grimsby, by two goals to one, after a ding-dog struggle. Brandford City are coming on apace, and by defeating Blackpool so easily they registered their third successive win.

The subjoined table suggests that West Bromwich, Leicester Fosse, Burnley, and Hull City have a very strong defence, but unfortunate Glossop have given away 35 goals in ten matches.

	P.	W.	L.	D.	Goals For	Goals Agst.	Pts.
West Bromwich Albion ...	11	8	2	1	28	8	17
Leicester Fosse ...	11	7	3	1	17	7	15
Notts Forest ...	11	7	3	1	23	14	15
Chelsea	10	6	3	1	23	11	13
Bradford City ...	11	5	3	3	16	14	13
Burnley	11	6	4	1	18	9	13
Hull City	10	5	3	2	16	9	12
Wolverhampton Wands ...	12	5	5	2	17	14	12
Grimsby Town ...	11	5	5	1	17	17	11
Lincoln City ...	11	4	4	3	17	19	11
Stockport County ...	10	4	3	3	14	11	11
Leeds City	11	3	4	4	12	18	10
Gainsborough Trinity ...	12	4	6	2	14	21	10
Clapton Orient ...	10	3	4	3	11	17	9
Burslem Port Vale ...	11	4	6	1	19	26	9
Chesterfield	11	3	6	2	11	16	8
Burton United ...	11	3	6	2	11	24	8
Barnsley	10	3	6	1	15	15	7
Glossop	10	3	7	0	15	35	6
Blackpool	11	1	6	4	8	17	6

RUGBY RULES.

THE SOUTH AFRICANS' TOUR MATCH *vs.* GLOUCESTER.—Tremendous enthusiasm was displayed when the South Africans met Gloucestershire on Saturday on the ground of the Gloucester Club. The weather was perfect, the ground could not have been in better condition, and the crowd, with the existing arrangements in force, could hardly have been larger. Altogether the crowd must have numbered nearly 12,000, and a gate of nearly £700 was taken. This is a record for any gate at Gloucester, except upon the occasion of the England *vs.* Wales match in 1900, when it reached over £900.

There were several alterations in the visiting side from that which defeated Glamorgan, the men standing down including Paul Roos (captain), A. Stegmann, and D. Morkel, while at the last minute Miller was chosen to play *vice* Burdett. Gloucestershire had two alterations from the original selection, Butterworth and M. Neale both being unable to play. "Whacker" Smith took the Oxonian's place, and T. Wild, of Lydney, that of Neale. Gent, the International half, was not chosen, as he is on the injured list; his inclusion in the team would have beyond a doubt made a lot of difference to Gloucestershire, as half-back on Saturday was the home side's weakest point.

The South Africans won the toss, and Mathias started for Gloucestershire, both sides being given hearty receptions when they came on the field of play. At the outset the game was fought out near the centre, but the visitors soon attacked, working down the ground in very determined fashion; Wood and Hudson both had kicks charged down, but the International quickly recovered, and with a fine punt found touch at mid-field gaining a big slice of territory for the Gloucester side. Very quickly afterwards the visiting back got in motion, and Loubser went down the ground looking very dangerous. "Whacker" Smith, almost the only player on his side who tackled well, temporarily saved the situation, but within six minutes from the start, following some clever passing, Le Roux ran in with the first try, Mare's kick at goal going astray.

Ensuing play was keenly contested, but Gloucester lacked pace and cleverness, and one or two possible chances in consequence came to nought. Two or three free-kicks to the visitors materially improved their position, and Loubser was again prominent, but was stopped by Hudson. Following this, Gloucester's defence was tested severely, but for some considerable time it held good. Krige made his mark near the half-way and Carolin shot very finely at goal, though unsuccessfully the ball going just outside one of the uprights. Following the drop-out Dobbin got the oval away from the scrum and handed to Carolin; from Carolin it went to Hirsch, and a beautifully combined movement ended in Le Roux once again getting over the line with the second try. Carolin had a shot at goal from a difficult angle—a really grand kick—but it once again just failed to find the premier points. On restarting the Colonials were soon at it again, quickly becoming dangerous, and Loubser was only stopped by "Whacker" Smith in the nick of time. The visitors at this stage were altogether too good for their opponents, their passing being perfect, and they very quickly added to their score, Loubser, who received the leather after a truly magnificent round of passing, in which nearly everyone of the visitors' backs took part, getting over with the third try. Carolin, who throughout kicked finely, was successful on this occasion with the place-kick, so that the Colonials were now 1 goal 2 tries ahead.

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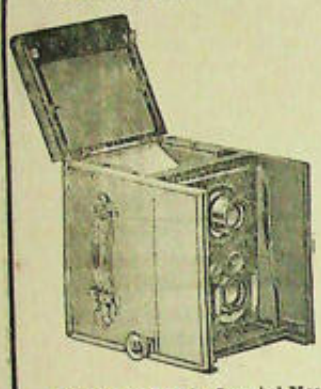

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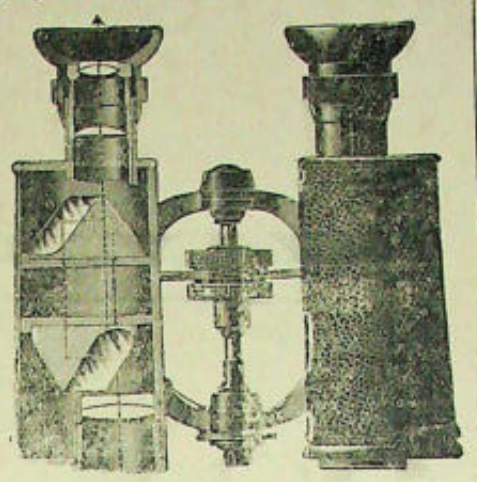

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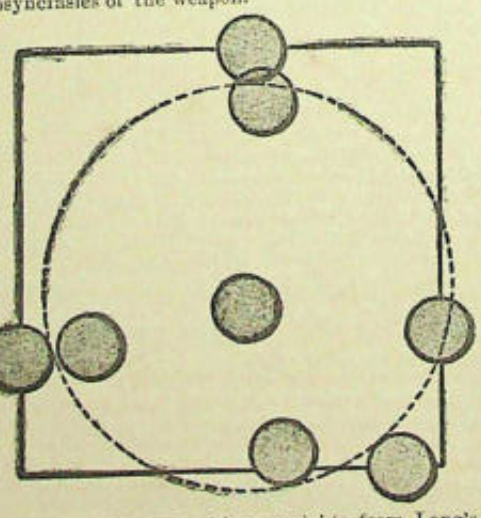

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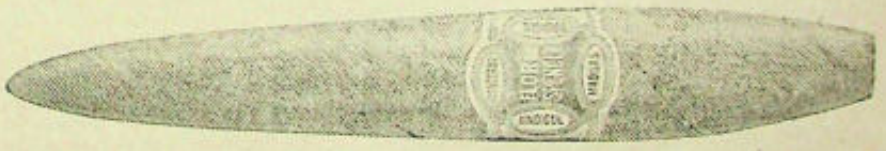

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line, they lacked scoring powers, and were eventually sent back to mid-field, where the game was being fought out when the whistle blew for half-time. Half-time score :—

	Pts.
South Africans (1 goal 2 tries) ...	... 11
Gloucestershire ...	... 0

After the interval Carolin restarted for the visitors, who quickly got their back division in motion, without, however, for the moment becoming dangerous. Hudson made his mark, and put in a useful punt. Matthews and Wild were quickly on the ball, but failed to do anything noteworthy. Krige twice looked dangerous, and once, when the second half had been in progress but a few minutes, he was all but over. Gloucestershire had several shaves at this period of the game ; but their defence was sound, and the Colonials for fully twenty minutes could not break it down.

The Gloucestershire forwards on one occasion carried everything before them in fine style until they reached the visitors' twenty-five, where Marsberg, just as they were becoming dangerous, sent them back again with a big kick. Then Wood was laid out, and the game ceased for a minute or two. Resuming, Gloucestershire were penalised, and Carolin punted high to give his front rank a chance, but Bale saved. Still the visitors attacked, and at length their efforts were rewarded, Carolin slipping round the scrum, and dropping a beautiful goal with his left foot. A minute or two later, after another fine round of passing, which quite puzzled the Gloucester backs, Le Roux registered yet another try, his third one, and the fourth of the match. Carolin converted with a good kick.

Ensuing play for a time favoured Gloucestershire, the forwards distinguishing themselves in a fine dribble, which ended in Marsberg having to save. During the remainder of the game, the Colonials kept up a most persistent attack ; they, however, had to face a strong opposition, and though they, time after time, looked certain to score, it was not until a minute or two before the end that Krige, getting possession in his own half, had a good run down the field finishing in easy style with a try behind the posts. The place-kick failed, and at the close the score was :—

	Pts.
South Africans (2 goal, 1 dropped goal, 3 tries)	28
Gloucestershire	0

SOUTH AFRICANS.—A. F. Marsberg, *back* ; J. Le Roux, J. G. Hirsch, J. Krige, and J. A. Loubser, *three-quarters* ; H. Carolin and F. J. Dobbin, *halves* ; W. A. Burger, H. Daneel, W. C. Martheze, W. S. Morkel, H. Reid, D. Mare, W. A. Miller, and D. Brink, *forwards*.

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Referee, Mr. F. W. Marsh (South Shields).

MATCH *v.* OXFORD UNIVERSITY.—If the Dark Blues did not exactly cover themselves with glory in their match with the South Africans at Oxford on Wednesday they, at least, gave their opponents a hard game. There were some five or six thousand spectators.

It was unfortunate that Butterworth was unable to play, as he is the only man who has been tried behind the scrum with any pretensions as a sprinter, and had he been on the wing instead of Milton, there would probably have been one or two additional tries recorded for Oxford. There does not appear to be a back in residence possessing any thing more than ordinary speed, and Oxford can never be a great side until this defect is remedied.

The defeat by 24 points to 3 was not such an overwhelming one, as South African victories go, and it must be admitted that even if the side as a whole did meet with disaster, the forwards at least played a very fine game. Their footwork at times was brilliant, quite non-plussing the visiting defence, and it was not their fault that the visitors gained such a substantial majority. In fact, on the day's play most people would agree that forward the University were the better team.

Where all played so well, it is difficult to pick out any deserving of special mention, but directly the scrum broke up Gardiner, Hoskin and Cozens-Hardy were almost always to the front, and White did some effective tackling.

For the first ten minutes the ball was in the visitors' half, and it was left to De Villiers to transfer operations. Oxford were doing very well, but all at once the defence went to pieces, and Raaff got in without much effort. Then Stegmann scored another try, whilst within a couple of minutes he repeated the operation, not one of the place-kicks succeeded.

Nothing disheartened, the 'Varsity forwards made a fine effort, which was supplemented by a long punt into touch by Davies. Twice the ball was taken up to the African line without success, for the backs were too smart in tackling and getting the ball on the move among themselves. It was finally taken over by Hirsch, Mare failing to convert.

Immediately afterwards Carolin scored from a penalty, and at half-time the score was—

	Pts.
South Africans (1 penalty gold 4 tries)...	... 15
Oxford University	... 0

Oxford played splendidly when ends were changed. The halves, Flemmer and Williamson, displayed greatly improved form, and got the ball much more frequently than their opponents. Jackson and Carolin being prevented from combining as they had done in the opening half.

An intercepted pass by Parker gave Oxford a capital opportunity, but nothing came of it. The forwards were playing finely, and there was a fine rush by Batchelor along the line, Davies, it may be mentioned, was doing excellent work at back. For ten minutes the Dark Blues attacked with great determination, and kept the ball in their opponents' twenty-five, but the three-quarters lacked scoring powers, and a wild pass by Flemmer enabled the South Africans to relieve the pressure.

Then followed some smart handling among the visiting three-quarters, and Stegmann, who was playing a fine game, took a drop at goal, and just landed the ball over the bar with a very fine shot. Some good work by Williamson and Steinthal followed, and from a penalty in the visitors' twenty-five Batchelor scored.

A little later fine combination amongst the Colonial backs led up to a try by Villiers, which Carolin converted from close to the touch-line, and an interesting match ended :—

	Pts.
South Africans (1 goal, 1 dropped goal, 1 penalty goal, 4 tries)	24
Oxford University (1 penalty goal) ...	... 3

OXFORD UNIVERSITY.—D. Davies (Jesus) ; N. W. Milton (University), L. Parker (Christ Church), F. E. Steinthal (Trinity), and T. B. Batchelor (University) ; R. H. Williamson (Trinity) and W. K. Flemmer (Trinity) ; B. Cozens-Hardy (Trinity) (Captain,) W. W. Hoskin (Trinity), H. A. Hodges (Trinity), R. S. Wix (Brasenose), C. J. Gardner (Trinity), N. F. Howe Browne (Oriel), N. T. White (Trinity), and A. A. Hoadley (Keble).

SOUTH AFRICANS.—A. F. Marsburg ; J. G. Hirsch, J. Le Roux, H. A. De Villiers, and A. C. Stegmann ; D. C. Jackson and H. W. Carolin ; P. J. Roos (captain), W. A. Burger, W. A. Neill, H. J. Dance, P. A. Le Roux, W. C. Martheze, J. W. E. Raaff and D. Mare.

BLACKHEATH *vs.* LONDON SCOTTISH.—Previous to Saturday's engagement at Blackheath, the "Club" had not this season given of their best, when engaged at the historic Kent ground. With the redoubtable Scots as their visitors, however, they rose to the occasion in such a manner that the game proved to be one that kept the interest in it sustained from start to finish. To be 8 points down half-way through and then to wind up with honours easy, is evidence too, of how the Metropolitan Scots turned what appeared a defeat into a very creditable draw.

When proceedings commenced the Scots appeared likely to cause trouble until Harrison brought relief, and fine work by Friday and Stokes placing the visitors' lines in danger. Several spirited rushes by the visitors were more than balanced by effective long kicks to touch by Blackheath, while Robinson's attempt to drop a goal caused Grischotti to touch down. Eventually, the pressure by Blackheath, had its effect, when Robinson handed out smartly over Friday's head to Stokes. The son of the old international beat the Scots' defence, but Robson's place-kick went astray. Within three minutes the Blackheath "threes" were on the move again, with Friday in the van. Feinting on approaching the Scots' back, he passed to Stokes, who again crossed the line by the flag. From the difficult angle Robson this time converted. London Scottish played up with dash, and through infringements Grischotti twice had shies at goal without success. They were also getting the ball from the scrum more frequently, and Munro might have been in once had he gone on instead of passing. When half-time arrived with Blackheath a goal and a try ahead the Scots were near the home line.

It was after change of ends that the visitors exhibited the form which has carried them to victory so frequently this season, Long dribbles took much to stop, as did some of their nippy passes, but somehow the wing three-quarters would overrun the ball and lose ground. At length a series of passes found Orr in possession, and although he ran in by the flag Grischotti made a poor attempt to convert. Well led by Monteith, the visiting forwards did capitally in the loose, but gradually Blackheath came to the fore again. They were stopped on one occasion right on the line. Finlinson having worked through capitally. It was in a rather bad light that London Scottish met with further success, Walter picking up in the loose and grounding behind the posts. From the easy position Grischotti added the points, and the result was 1 goal and 1 try each.

OXFORD UNIVERSITY *vs.* LEICESTER.—An interesting game was witnessed at Oxford on Saturday. The game had been in progress barely five minutes, when from a loose scrum Milton picked up, transferred to Batchelor, and then, receiving again, carried the ball over. The place was unsuccessful. Russell, who appeared very difficult to tackle, made a determined effort to equalise. Thompson, however, checked his career, and Batchelor promptly neutralised the advantage. Williamson started a good bout of passing amongst the Oxford backs, and the Blues were attacking again when Wood intercepted a pass, and returned to the centre. Oxford forwards once more assumed the offensive, and it was left to East to save the situation. Then followed a good bit of work by Bourns and Hardyman, which gave Leicester a big advantage, and Oxford had to touch down. Hodges at length got in for Oxford, after receiving from White, Batchelor being unsuccessful with the place kick. Just before ends were changed Batchelor kicked a fine goal from a try by Howe Brown, and Oxford crossed over with a lead of 11 points to 0.

On resuming, the 'Varsity attacked strongly and the visitors had their defence severely tried ; but it came through the ordeal successfully, and the Leicester forwards eventually removed to the other end. Steinthal was responsible for a fine run, and a little later a long dribble by Hoskin compelled East to touch down. Leicester were seen to better advantage after this, and ultimately Russell got in after some good passing initiated by Tarr. Another capital series of exchanges followed, which ended in Hardyman crossing the line, but in neither case was, the try improved upon. Oxford won a hard game by 1 goal and 2 tries (11 points) to 2 tries (6 points).

HARLEQUINS *vs.* CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY.—Cambridge put up a determined fight at Wandsworth Common, on Saturday, especially in the second half of the game. It cannot be said, however, that they left the impression of being a brilliant side, and if it had not been for the sodden state of the ground, the Harlequins—who, as it was, played distinctly below their usual form—would probably have won by a larger margin than 11 points.

Shortly after the start, a round of handling by the home backs ended in Lambert making for the line, but he was well tackled by Scoular. The 'Quins kept up the pressure, and dribbling by Lambert and J. G. G. Birkett resulted in the latter scoring in the corner. Lambert's kick fell short. The Harlequin forwards, headed by Roberts, relieved, and from a scrum in the visitors' twenty-five, Stoop threw wide to J. G. G. Birkett, who sent Lambert over in a good position. There was no goal. The next incident of note was a clever punt away by Hearson. Cambridge heeled out, but their halves could do nothing with the ball, and the 'Quins came away. Kelly charged down Penny's kick and Cambridge had to save. From a throw out by Sibree, Stoop gathered the ball in full flight, kicked across, and put his men "on-side," for J. G. G. Birkett to fall over under the posts. Lambert converted. From this point, however, the play of the home side fell off, their forwards failing to follow up as they should. Splendid kicking by Scoular put the 'Varsity on the attack, and first Hearson and then Wright nearly got across, the 'Quins having to save. Half-time came with the home team leading by 1 goal 2 tries to 0.

In the second half the 'Varsity much improved, and did a deal of pressing. However, their attack lacked sting, and they never seemed to be able to press it home. Godby, who had put in some good work since the interval, was twice injured in the jaw, and had to leave the field. Penny went half, and Mellor was pulled out of the scrum, but the 'Varsity seven quite held the opposing pack. A failure to gather by Scoular—his first mistake—nearly let the 'Quins in, but the visiting defence was really fine, and man after man had to come down. Kelly, R. O. C. Ward, and Roberts were conspicuous in rough and tumble work under the 'Varsity uprights, but eventually Cambridge relieved and first Mellor and then Pitt essayed a drop at goal, without success. G. H. Birkett and Lambert took the ball back, Koop saved a try by touching down, and time came with the score unaltered.

CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY *vs.* EDINBURGH UNIVERSITY.—All the crack Scottish teams are visiting the Light Blues between now and 26th November and on Monday Edinburgh University were the first to meet Cambridge. A large crowd assembled for the match, which was played under congenial conditions. A good game resulted, the home forwards showing up better than previously. T. A. Godby, the freshman, injured on Saturday, could not turn out.

The University kicked off, playing with the sun in their eyes during the opening half. The Scotsmen rushed off at the outset, and were well inside the home 25 in the first minute, but Hearson relieved. Fourteen minutes from the start, following a fine punt by Macleod, Pitt, Wright, Macleod and Koop combined, with the result that the first-mentioned crossed the line. Hearson failed to convert.

A few minutes later the visitors were awarded a free-kick, and although Sivright had the goal at his mercy, he failed badly. Several times Scoular was called upon for some difficult defensive work, but, as usual, he was very sound, and the teams crossed with Cambridge leading by 3 points to 0.

Lethem had in the meantime been injured, and he now retired, Johnson going half-back and Parry three-quarter. A minute after the commencement Evans was badly hurt, but after a few minutes' absence he returned into the field bandaged about the head.

Throughout this half the home pack played a much better game than they had done before this season, with the result that Koop and Wright both obtained tries, Pitt being chiefly responsible for the first. On each occasion Hearson added the extra points, the Light Blues winning by 2 goals 1 try (13 points) to 0.

Cambridge University.—†*J. G. Scoular (St. John's) ; *G. G. Koop (Caius), †*K. G. Macleod (Pembroke), C. C. G. Wright (Pembroke), and *H. F. P. Hearson (King's) (capt) ; *T. G. Pitt (Emmanuel) and J. V. Young (Emmanuel) ; *J. W. Alexander (Clare), G. V. Carey (Caius), *R. B. Gibbins (King's), *R. McCosh (Trinity), G. Moore (Clare), A. E. Evans (St. John's), J. E Mellor (Jesus), and W. G. Lely (Emmanuel).

Edinburgh University.—J. T. Simson ; L. D. Dickson, C. Timms, F. D. Johnston, and S. Pinion ; J. G. Lethem and J. R. Macgregor ; †*D. R. Bedell-Sivright, †J. M. Mackenzie, G. Wilson, H. Whittaker, W. A. Robertson, L. E. B. Ward, J. Parry, and R. C. Moses.

†Signifies an International. *An Old Blue.

ROWING.

CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY LIGHT FOURS.

D. C. R. Stuart, the famous Cambridge stroke, was chiefly responsible for the downfall of Third Trinity in the final of the fifty-fifth race for the Coxswainless fours on Saturday. The achievement is all the more remarkable as Stuart only went into the boat a few days ago, when Hall bow "crocked." For the past five years Third Trinity have won every single race they have entered for at Cambridge, and supplied most of the 'Varsity crew, but the Hall on Saturday proved themselves to be the better crew, and they will no doubt make a very determined effort to go "Head of the River" next June. Details :—

Trinity Hall (first station)—D. C. R. Stuart (bow and steers) 11st. 2lbs., H. Bartram, 12st. 4lbs., O. Shimwell, 13st. 4lbs., W. A. Simpson (stroke) 10st. 6lbs. ... 1

Third Trinity (second station)—G. D. Cochrane (bow), 10st. 6lbs., E. W. Powell (steers), 11st. 6lbs., B. C. Johnstone, 12st. 6lbs., M. C. Albright (stoke), 10st. 6lbs. ... 2

There was no wind when the crews took up their positions and they therefore had no difficulty in getting a good start, Trinity Hall were neater and smarter away, pulling 11 strokes in the quarter-minute, and 40 in the full minute, and were seen to be forcing themselves ahead. Third Trinity on the other hand splashed a lot, and only registered 36 strokes in the minute. The leaders reached the Ditch in 1·7—a remarkably fine performance—and were probably about a quarter of a length to the good here. Both crews sprinted hard in the Gut and Plough Reach but the Hall used their big blades to the full advantage and at the Red Grind they were a length to the good. As soon as they entered the Long Reach Hall were challenged and the race became desperate. The Etonians rowed gamely but at the Railway Bridge made their last effort and were eventually beaten by 25 yards. Time—10mins. 19secs.

Of the 55 races Third Trinity have won 19 times, Trinity Hall 11 times, First Trinity 10 times, Jesus 7 times and Lady Margaret 6 times.

OXFORD UNIVERSITY COXSWAINLESS FOURS.

Magdalen, thanks to the prowess of their second boat, succeeded last Friday in maintaining possession of the challenge cup, as they won the final in very easy fashion against New College, who spoilt whatever chance they possessed by wretched steering. It was a great disappointment to the big crowd on the bank, which certainly expected to see something of a race, but coming out of the Gut Magdalen were well upon their opponents and New must have given away another half-length in the next hundred yards. They then went from bad to worse, nearly running into the bank at Longford's Shelter and although they managed to get straight again, there was only one in it from this point, and Magdalen ultimately won by 50 yards in 7mins. The winners were a level neat crew, and were capitally stroked by the Eton freshmen, J. R. Somers Smith, whose father was present to share in his son's victory. The names and weights of the two crews were :—

MAGDALEN II.—1. Hon'ble H. Stanhope (bow), 11st. 3lbs., C. R. Cudmore, 11st. 10lbs., J. A. Gillan, 12st. 12lbs., J. R. S. Smith (stroke), 10st. 6lbs.

NEW COLLEGE—2. G. Connal Rowan (bow), 11st. 5½lbs., A. B. Howell, 13st. 0½lb., J. D. War, 12st. 2lbs., E. V. Culme Seymour (stroke), 11st. 1½lb.

UNIVERSITY TRIAL EIGHTS.

OXFORD.

The work of the Trials Eights at Oxford yesterday was confined to a single outing, the president and secretary taking the two crews twice over the home water. Crews :

No. 1 Crew.—C. D. Hannan (Trinity) (bow), A. C. Macnabb (Balliol), J. A. Gillan (Magdalen), R. M. Peat (Trinity), J. C. Plimpton (Trinity), C. C. Wilson (Queen's), H. R. Barker (Christ Church), E. V. Culme Seymour (New) (stroke), A. St. J. Kekewich (Christ Church) (cox).

No. 2 Crew.—E. D. Rose (St. John's) (bow), A. W. Atkinson (St. John's), C. R. Cudmore (Magdalen), R. T. Monier Williams (University), G. C. Hope (Christ Church), H. G. Pilling (Keble), W. T. Heard (Balliol), O. N. Chadwick Healey (Trinity) (stroke), A. W. F. Donkin (Magdalen) (cox).

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CAMBRIDGE.

A perfect deluge of rain fell at Cambridge yesterday, with the result that tubbing exercise was entirely dispensed with. The eights, however, went out as usual, there being a number of changes. Messrs. B. C. Johnstone and H. M. Goldsmith were in charge. Amended order of rowing :—

No. 1 Crew.—J. P. H. Chalmers (Third Trinity) (bow), 9st. 7lbs., W. C. Backhouse (Trinity Hall), 10st. 8½lbs., A. P. Methuen (First Trinity), 12st. 12lbs., S. W. Steane (First Trinity), 11st. 10lbs., H. E. Kitching (Trinity Hall), 12st. 8lbs., G. L. Thomson (Trinity Hall), 12st., R. E. Freeth (Selwyn), 11st. 3lbs., H. O. Reynolds (Emmanuel) (stroke), 10st. 7lbs., F. R. Hoare (First Trinity) (cox), 8st. 3lbs.

No. 2 Crew.—H. H. Brown (Caius) (bow), 10st. 11lbs., H. K. Douglas (Pembroke), 10st. 10lbs., M. Henderson (Lady Margaret) 10st. 7lbs., L. S. Waterall (Jesus), 11st. 4lbs., J. S. Burn (First Trinity) 12st. 7lbs., W. B. Masefield (Jesus), 12st. 5lbs., J. Fraser (Lady Margaret), 11st. 6lbs., F. H. Jerwood (Jesus) (stroke), 11st 4lbs., T. More (Caius) (cox), 8st. 4lbs.

ATHLETICS.

OXFORD UNIVERSITY FRESHMEN'S SPORTS.

Amid cheerless surroundings the first portion of the Freshmen's programme was decided on the Iffley-road ground, on Monday afternoon, and it must be admitted that the results so far as they have gone are not very satisfactory. There is evidently again a dearth of sprinters, and neither the quarter-mile nor the half were productive of anything above mediocrity. In Chinnery, however, the Dark Blues have a hurdler of some promise, and he will certainly be able to do much better time when put to it than that recorded on Monday. Yorke, who won the other heat, also has some style to recommend him. The long jump by Birrell was satisfactory, and when he has conquered his nervousness he should be able to beat his school record of 21ft. 0½in.

The handicaps produced big fields, and in the mile Swift at length succeeded in catching the judge's eye first, albeit he had the liberal allowance of 125 yards.

Officials :—Judges, A. H. Fyffe (University) and Rev. E. E. B. May (Oriel); referee, C. N. Jackson (Hertford); timekeeper, H. M. Turner; starter, D. Burrin. Details :—

100 YARDS.—Heat 1 : E. V. Rieu (St. Paul's and Balliol) 1, E. A. Hunter (Fettes and Christ Church) 2, F. J. L. Scott (King's, Canterbury, and Merton) 3. Rieu secured a slight lead at the enclosure and won by half a foot; half a yard. Time—11⅘secs. Heat 2 : C. L. Parker (Merchant Taylors and St. John's) 1, E. F. Chinnery (Eton and Brasenose) 2, D. R. Brandt (Harrow and Balliol) 3. Won by 1½ yards; two yards. Time—11⅘secs.

PUTTING THE WEIGHT.—C. L. Parker (Merchant Taylors and St. John's), 28ft. 8in., 1; C. W. Garner (Merchant Taylors and Oriel), 28ft. 3in., 2.

QUARTER-MILE.—Heat 1 : C. L. Parker (Merchant Taylors and St. John's) 1, E. Ratcliffe Cousins (Westminster and Christ Church) 2, R. de la Bere (Exeter and Brasenose) 3. Parker secured the lead on entering the straight, and won by five yards; nine yards. Time—56⅘secs. Heat 2 : E. V. Rieu (St. Paul's and Balliol) 1, F. J. L. Scott (Kings's School, Canterbury, and Merton) 2, D. L. James (Yale and New College) 3. James, when running second, fell just before reaching the pavilion, and Rieu won by five yards. Time—55⅕secs.

100 YARDS HANDICAP.—Heat 1 : C. M. Chavasse (Trinity), scratch 1; G. A. Fuller-Maitland (Oriel), 4 yards, 2. Won by a yard. Time—11secs. Heat 2 : R. C. Robinson (Magdalen), 3, 1; P. de Putron (University), 2½, 2; J. H. L. Yorke (Oriel), 4½, 3. Won by a yard and a half; two yards. Time—11secs. Heat 3 : N. G. Chavasse (Trinity), 1, 1; E. Spencer Jones (Pembroke), 6, 2; P. M. Young (Oriel), 3, 3. Won by half a yard; 1½ yards. Time—11secs.

ONE MILE HANDICAP.—E. M. Swift (Keble), 125 yards, 1; H. J. Pullein Thompson (Wadham), 195, 2; S. Worthington (Oriel), 85, 3. Worthington made a fine effort in the straight, but came too late, and the limit man won by five yards; four between second and third. Time—4mins. 33⅕secs.

120 YARDS HURDLES.—Heat 1 : A. L. Yorke (Haileybury and Lincoln), 1; J. S. Huxley (Eton and Balliol), 2. Won by one and a half yards. Time—19⅖secs. Heat 2 : E. F. Chinnery (Eton and Brasenose), 1; K. J. Cox (Rugby and Trinity), 2. Won by seven yards. Time—19secs.

LONG JUMP.—H. A. Birrell (Repton and University), 20ft. 3½in., 1; E. F. Chinnery (Eton and Brasenose), 18ft. 11½in., 2.

HALF-MILE.—C. Saunders (Merchant Taylors and St. John's), 1; H. L. P. Baker (Harrow and Balliol), 2; J. D. Denniston (Winchester and New College), 3. Saunders quickly deprived Baker of the lead, and coming into the straight, won by five yards; seventeen yards. Time—2mins. 9⅘secs.

CAMBRIDGE FRESHMEN'S SPORTS.

Dull and cheerless weather was associated with the opening instalment of the athletic season at Cambridge yesterday, when the Freshmen's Sports began. The conditions were not favourable to good times, but V. G. Thew (Charterhouse). C. C. G. Wright (Tonbridge), the well-known footballer, and E. E. Jenkins (Warwick) are sprinters of promise. The Carthusian should considerably improve upon his time for the quarter, and when extended, B. M. Jones (Birkenhead) will easily beat his time yesterday for the three-miles. Judges, Messrs. K. Powell and E. H. Ryle; referee, Rev. J. H. Gray; timekeeper, Mr. Newton Digby; starter, W. Watts, junior. Details :—

100 YARDS.—Heat 1 : C. C. G. Wright (Tonbridge and Pembroke), 1; V. G. Thew (Charterhouse and Trinity Hall), 2. Won a good race by a foot. Time—11secs. (inside). Heat 2 : E. E. Jenkins (Warwick and King's), 1; C. H. Williams (S. E. College and Emmanuel), 2. Won by three yards, in 10⅘secs. Heat 3 : D. C. F. Burton (Rugby and Jesus), 1; E. W. Hamilton (Blundells and Sidney), 2. Won by four feet. Time—11⅕secs.

PUTTING THE WEIGHT.—W. H. Smyth (Lynn G. S. and Clare), 31ft. 6in., 1; L. Fowze (Uppingham and Magdalene), 31ft. 5½in., 2.

HALF-MILE.—C. J. Miln (Eton and Pembroke), 1; R. T. H. Mackenzie (Cheltenham and Pembroke), 2. Won by twenty yards. Time—2mins. 7secs.

HIGH JUMP.—Le G. C. Bourchier (Warwick and Trinity), 5ft. 1in., 1; L. A. P. Anderson (Warwick and Emmanuel), 5ft. 2.

QUARTER-MILE.—Heat 1 : V. G. Thew (Charterhouse and Trinity Hall), 1; G. A. Matthey (Clifton and Pembroke), 2. Won by twenty yards. Time—54secs. Heat 2 : A. R. Thompson (Horsham G. S. and St. John's), 1; H. L. R. Jolly (Framlingham and Trinity), 2. Jolly led till near home, when Thompson got up and won by four feet. Time—55⅕secs.

THREE MILES.—B. M. Jones (Birkenhead and Emmanuel), 1; G. A. Ewart (Clifton and Christ's), 2. Jones went to the front half way, and drawing out, won by 150 yards in 16mins. 14secs.

200 YARDS HANDICAP (confined to seniors).—Heat 1 : E. C. F. Vyvyan (Pembroke), 9 yards, 1; S. Mangham (Emmanuel), 9½, 2. Won by four yards. Time—21⅖secs. Heat 2 : A. V. Hill (Trinity), 9½, 1; E. F. Wise (Sidney), 9, 2; R. B. Horsfield (Trinity), 3. Won by three yards. Time—20⅗secs.

BILLIARDS.

"The public are tired of the old favourites—they want to see the rising players perform" was a remark passed by one of our prominent professionals a short time ago.

I do not know if the professional in question looked into Messrs. Thurston's Grand Hall, Leicester Square during the past week, but if he did, he must surely have greatly modified his opinion by this time, for with the exception perhaps of the first day—first-day attendance are never any guide to the popularity or otherwise of a fixture—the salon in question was taxed to its utmost capacity throughout the Dawson-Stevenson match. Twice during the week—Tuesday and Friday afternoons—was the record attendance for the hall broken, and for the whole week the number of people who made the acquaintance of the popular "Sergeant-Major" at the pay-box was quite without precedent in the annals of the establishment. Tired of old favourites, forsooth! Why the public were never more eager to part with their five shillings, three shillings, or two shillings, as the case may be, than they are at the present time, whenever the two stars of the profession happen to cross cues with each other. And in this the public show their usual discrimination in picking out a good thing, for they know they can always depend on seeing a brilliant exposition of the most fascinating of indoor games whenever Dawson and Stevenson meet.

For most of the week Dawson always appeared a comfortable winner, but on the final day there were not a few who would have taken a slight shade of odds that Stevenson would succeed in drawing the match, so brilliantly did he perform at times. One was at a loss which to admire most—Stevenson's remarkable recuperative powers, or Dawson's grim determination to arrive at a definite issue. While it would have been the hardest of luck for Dawson to have missed winning outright, and so setting the seal to a great and consistent display, one can mete out to Stevenson praise for a plucky and up to a certain point, sustained attempt to divide the honours attached to a drawn battle.

Just glance for a moment at the tight corner Stevenson was in. On Wednesday afternoon Dawson was over 1,500 in front, an advantage which he increased to 1,700 the same evening. Early on Thursday afternoon Dawson led by as many as 1,900, but before the close of the same evening's play, Stevenson had cut this down by 1,000. Then early on Friday the Hull exponent reduced the gap to just over 600, only to find Dawson jumping away again and winding up on Friday evening with a lead of over 900. On Saturday afternoon Stevenson once more pulled it back to 600, but instead of this flustering Dawson, it only served to bring out the determination of the Huddersfielder to remain master of the situation, and he set himself going to such an extent that in little over an hour he had back-marked his great and keen rival to the extent of 1,500 odd. This did not finish the "sensations," however, as an hour's play at night enabled Stevenson to peg back the leader to a 600 advantage again, but this was as far as he could get, and at "ten-twenty" Dawson found himself the winner of as great a game as we are likely to see in this generation.

The mere repetition of the figures fail to convey a tithe of the sensational episodes which occurred from day to day, in a game where skill was about equally matched, where superb break was answered by superb break, and where the finesse of the game was never more strikingly displayed. One word more on the last day's play, and I have done. In the two sessions play was in progress for four hours and thirty-five minutes altogether, yet a total of 3,482 was scored in that time, of which Dawson scored 1,881 and Stevenson 1,601. This pans out to an average of over 760 an hour—a remarkable rate of scoring for such a lengthened period. The respective averages for the whole match emphasise the indisputable fact that Dawson and Stevenson are still in a class by themselves. The averages were :—Dawson, 49·85 per innings; Stevenson, 42·60.

Chief interest in the tables published below is centred in the doings of Dawson and Stevenson—the only players seen out during the week—with especial reference to the great deeds accomplished in the big match just concluded. During the week, Dawson exceeded the first century on twenty occasions, the second on eight, and three times the third, which gave him the magnificent aggregate of 5,724. This brilliant work enables him to head his great friend and rival in the table, only, however, by decimal figures. The upward progress of Dawson in this table has been quite phenomenal. Averaging 27·00 in his first match, his second saw him jump to 47·51, and then he continued his advance to 51·73, and next to 53·22, till to-day he reaches the fine average of 55·49. Surely figures such as these should allay any anxiety as to whether Dawson is still the same brilliant artist he has been for years past.

Stevenson, who went through three sittings without crediting himself with a three-figure break—*vide* the early stages of the match at Thurston's—has done exceptionally fine "breaks" work. Passing the first century on a dozen occasions, he exceeded the second century four times, the third twice, and the same number of "forth-century" breaks—the latter consisting of a brilliant 410 on Tuesday evening, and a still more brilliant 493 on Wednesday, the latter being the highest break in town this season. Considering the total points he scored, his aggregate of 4,200 by the aid of "over-century" breaks, is exceptionally good. He, of course, slips down the "Results Table" but he may still be reckoned the holder of the premier position, as each of the players on the 100·00 mark have only contested one game, as against Stevenson's five. The tables are as follow :—

THREE-FIGURE BREAKS TO DATE.

	100 and over.	200 and over.	300 and over.	400 and over.	500 and over.	Total.	Actual pts. scored.	Aver.
E. Diggle ...	38	12	3	0	0	53	16,000	57·73
C. Dawson ...	87	27	9	1	1	125	41,110	55·49
H. W. Stevenson	113	23	8	4	2	149	48,310	55·26
M. Inman ...	87	12	2	1	0	102	35,866	44·54
C. Harverson ...	84	11	1	0	0	96	34,536	41·81
W. A. Lovejoy ...	54	6	3	2	0	65	27,074	39·44
W. Cook ...	35	7	2	0	0	44	20,488	34·15
T. Reece ...	12	1	0	0	0	13	7,321	24·72
W. Mitchell ...	21	2	1	0	0	24	14,011	24·39
W. Osborne ...	13	2	0	0	0	15	9,285	23·43
G. Nelson ...	6	0	0	0	0	6	7,000	10·31
A. Taylor ...	1	0	0	0	0	1	4,599	3·32

Note.—The final column gives the percentage of points scored by the agency of three-figure breaks.

RECORD OF MATCHES TO DATE.

	P.	W.	L.	Possible Points.	Actually scored.	Per-centage.
E. Diggle... ...	1	1	0	16,000	16,000	100·00
G. Nelson... ...	1	1	0	7,000	7,000	100·00
H. W. Stevenson ...	5	4	1	49,500	48,310	97·59
M. Inman ...	3	2	1	37,250	35,866	96·28
C. Harverson ...	3	1	2	36,000	34,536	95·93
W. A. Lovejoy ...	4	2	2	28 850	27,074	93·84
W. Cook	4	1	3	22 000	20,488	93·12
T. Reece	1	0	1	8,000	7,321	91·51
C. Dawson ...	5	4	1	45,000	41,110	91·35
W. Osborne ...	2	0	2	12 000	9,285	77·37
A. Taylor... ...	1	0	1	7,000	4,599	65·70
W. Mitchell ...	2	0	2	21,600	14,011	64·86

Note.—The average column shows percentage of possible points scored.

Polo.

THE NARAIN SINGH TOURNAMENT.

Opening Day.

THE Army Cup week started brilliantly on Monday afternoon, the 19th November, when there was a large and fashionable gathering on the Mahomed Bagh Club ground to witness the opening ties in the Narain Singh Polo Tournament. The United Service and Mahomed Bagh Clubs were "At Home" in a *shamiana* on the ground, and the band of the 8th Rajputs played.

Three games were set down for decision, but owing to the light failing the third had to be put off, till the following morning. Both teams in the opening game were splendidly mounted, but the Royal Dragoons "A," for whom Colonel de Lisle played, proved too strong for their opponents. The next game promised to be more level, but in the result the Oxfords defeated the Cawnpore team somewhat easily. Ten teams have entered for the tournament, including two teams from Cawnpore and Fyzabad.

ROYAL DRAGOONS "A" *vs.* ROYAL DRAGOONS "C."

First Chukker.—The Royals' "A" were able to obtain a commanding lead, scoring 2 goals 1 subsidiary, to 1 subsidiary by their opponents.

Second Chukker.—The exchanges were in favour of "A" team; "C" succeeded in putting up one subsidiary. *Score :* Royals "A," 2 goals 1 subsidiary; Royals "C," 2 subsidiaries.

Third Chukker.—This was a grand galloping bout. "A" team added three more subsidiaries. *Score :* Royals "A," 2 goals 4 subsidiaries; Royals "C," 2 subsidiaries.

Fourth Chukker.—"A" team continued on the offensive and made several attacks on their opponents' flags, resulting in an additional goal in their favour. *Score :* Royals "A," 3 goals 4 subsidiaries; Royals "B," 1 goal 2 subsidiaries.

Fifth Chukker.—"C" team scored a subsidiary from a penalty hit early on. "A" replied with a goal. *Score :* Royals "A," 4 goals 4 subsidiaries; Royals "C," 1 goal 3 subsidiaries.

Sixth Chukker.—Fast up and down play. No score. The Royal Dragoons "A" defeated Royal Dragoons "C" by 4 goals 4 subsidiaries to 1 goal 3 subsidiaries. Teams :—

ROYAL DRAGOONS "A" *vs.*		ROYAL DRAGOONS "C."	
Lieut. H. H. Sandbach ...	1	Lieut. A. H. D. Chapman	1
Lieut. T. S. Irwin ...	2	Lieut. A. C. Charington...	2
Lieut.-Col. H. de Lisle ...	3	Lieut. E. W. T. Miles ...	3
Lieut. C. F. M. Pike ...	4	Capt. Hon. A. Hamilton Russell	4

SOMERSET LIGHT INFANTRY *vs.* OXFORDSHIRE LIGHT INFANTRY.

First Chukker.—Play was almost throughout in favour of the Oxfords, who scored 2 subsidiaries, the second on the point of time. *Score :* Oxfords 2 subsidiaries; Somersets, *nil*.

Second Chukker.—After some play in the Somersets' half, Lieutenant Morland hit a fine goal for the Oxfords from a penalty. The Somersets then attacked and scored a goal amidst applause. *Score :* Oxfords, 1 goal 2 subsidiaries; Somersets, 1 goal.

Third Chukker.—The Oxfords, made two goals in rapid succession. They continued to press and were rewarded with a third goal. *Score :* Oxfords, 4 goals 2 subsidiaries; Somersets, 1 goal.

Fourth Chukker.—The Somersets played up and made a goal, followed by a subsidiary. The Oxfords retaliated with a goal. *Score :* Oxfords, 5 goals 2 subsidiaries; Somersets, 2 goals 1 subsidiary.

Fifth Chukker.—The Oxfords hit a goal at the onset, but no further score resulted. *Score :* Oxfords, 6 goals 2 subsidiaries; Somersets, 2 goals 1 subsidiary.

Sixth Chukker.—The Somersets made one subsidiary. The Oxfordshire Light Infantry won by 6 goals 2 subsidiaries; to 2 goals 2 subsidiaries by the Somerset Light Infantry. Teams :—

SOMERSET L. I.		OXFORDSHIRE L. I.	
Lieut. H. C. Dickinson ...	1	Capt. A. G. Bayley ...	1
Lieut. F. S. Bradshaw ...	2	Lieut. C. G. Higgins ...	2
Lieut. C. W. Miles ...	3	Hon. C. Annesley ...	3
Lieut. W. Watson ...	4	Lieut. W. E. T. Moriand ...	4

Umpire :—Capt. Barrett.

The third game in the first ties was played on Tuesday morning, the 20th instant.

24TH PUNJABIS 2ND LANCERS.

First Chukker.—The Punjabis early got a goal and the Lancers then pressed and hit a subsidiary.

Second Chukker.—No score.

Third Chukker.—Fast play. The Lancers hit a goal. *Score :* Lancers, 1 goal and 1 subsidiary to 1 goal.

Fourth Chukker.—The Lancers added another goal.

Fifth Chukker.—The Lancers continued to hold the advantage and put up 2 goals and 1 subsidiary, the Punjabis scored a subsidiary.

Sixth Chukker.—The Punjabis got a goal. The Lancers Won by 3 goals and 3 subsidiaries to 2 goals and 1 subsidiary. Teams :—

24TH PUNJABIS		2ND LANCERS.	
Lieut. Leslie Smith ...	1	Lieut. Salkeld	1
Lieut. Edwards ...	2	Lieut. Robertson ...	2
Lieut Skipwith ...	3	Lieut. Ward	3
Major Climo... ...	4	Capt. Knowles	4

Umpire :—Col. de Lisle.

SECOND TIES.

On Wednesday, the 21st instant, three games in the second ties were played off before a large number of spectators. The issue of the opening game between the 1st Royal Dragoons "A" team and the Oxford Light Infantry came as a surprise, the Oxfords winning at the conclusion of full time by 4 goals to 3 goals and 1 subsidiary. In the second, the 6th Cavalry were at a disadvantage, having lost the services of Captain Hamilton Grace, and succumbed to the Durham Light Infantry by the big margin of 8 goals and 3 subsidiaries to 3 goals and 1 subsidiary. The civilians were outplayed in the final game by the 13th Royal Dragoon "B" team, who won by 5 goals and 6 subsidiaries to 1 goal and 1 subsidiary.

ROYAL DRAGOONS "A" *vs.* OXFORDSHIRE L. I.

First Chukker.—The Oxfords kept the ball in the Royals' ground almost throughout and scored 2 goals. The Royals made a subsidiary. *Score :* Oxfords, 2 goals to 1 subsidiary.

Second Chukker.—The Oxfords added a third goal to their score.

Third Chukker.—Level play. No score.

Fourth Chukker.—Colonel DeLisle by a long shot hit a goal for the Royals. *Score :* Oxfords 3 goals to 1 goal and 1 subsidiary.

Fifth Chukker.—The Oxfords scored a goal.

Sixth Chukker.—The Royals pressed and Irwin hit a goal for them after a run to the flags. The Oxfords won by 4 goals to 3 goals and 2 subsidiaries. Teams :—

Royal Dragoons "A."		Oxfordshire L. I.	
Lieut. Sandbach ...	1	Capt. Bailey	1
Lieut. Irwin	2	Lieut. Higgins ...	2
Lieut.-Col. deLisle ...	3	Hon. C. Annesley ...	3
Lieut. Pike	4	Lieut. Morland ...	4

Umpire :—Captain Barrett.

6th Cavalry *vs.* Durham L. I.

First Chukker.—The Durhams started scoring at a rapid pace and hit 3 goals. The Cavalry made 1 goal.

Second Chukker.—The Durhams continued to press and added one goal and one subsidiary to their total. *Score*: Durhams, 5 goals and 1 subsidiary to 1 goal.

Third Chukker.—The Cavalry had the best of this bout, putting up 2 goals and 1 subsidiary. The Durhams scored a minor point.

Fourth Chukker.—The Durhams attacked and added one goal and one subsidiary to their record. *Score*: Durhams, 5 goals and 3 subsidiaries to 3 goals and 1 subsidiary.

Fifth Chukker.—The Durhams scored 3 goals in rapid succession.

Sixth Chukker.—No score. The Durhams won by 8 goals and 3 subsidiaries to 3 goals and 1 subsidiary. Teams :—

6th Cavalry		Durham L. I.	
Lieut. Shaw ...	1	Lieut. Festing ...	1
Lieut. Oldham ...	2	Col. Mansel	2
Capt. Craigie ...	3	Capt. Mathews ...	3
Lieut. Craster ..	4	Capt. Jeffreys	4

Royal Dragoons "B" *vs.* Civilians.

First Chukker.—Both sides scored 1 subsidiary each.

Second Chukker.—The Civilians made a goal, and the Royals hit three subsidiaries. *Score:* Royals 4 subsidiaries to 1 goal and 1 subsidiary.

Third Chukker.—The Royals made a goal.

Fourth Chukker.—The Royals added 1 goal and 1 subsidiary to their score.

Fifth Chukker.—The Royals scored 2 goals and 1 subsidiary.

Sixth Chukker.—The Royals hit a goal. The Royals won by 5 goals and 6 subsidiaries to 1 goal and 1 subsidiary. Teams :—

Royal Dragoons "B"		Civilians.	
Lieut. Tomkinson ...	1	Mr. Scott ...	1
Capt. Lord C. Fitzmaurice ...	2	Mr. Atkinson	2
Capt. Godman ...	3	Mr. Sullivan	3
Lieut. Lambert ..	4	Mr. Nayler ...	4

Umpire : Col. deLisle.

Semi-Finals.

On Friday, the 23rd instant, two games were decided in the semi-finals of this tournament, in both of which the Cavalry teams, who were better mounted, came out the victors. The first game was between the 2nd Lancers and the Oxford Light Infantry.

2nd Lancers *vs.* Oxfordshire Light Infantry.

First Chukker.—The scoring was opened by the Lancers with a goal, the Oxfords replying with a subsidiary.

Second Chukker.—The Lancers were on the offensive almost throughout and got a goal and their opponents scoring a subsidiary. *Score :* Lancers 2 goals and 1 subsidiary to 2 subsidiaries.

Third Chukker.—The Lancers made several attacks on the opponents' flags out of which they made a subsidiary.

Fourth Chukker.—The Oxfords held the advantage, but failed to score.

Fifth Chukker.—No score.

Sixth Chukker.—The Oxfords narrowly, missed an opportunity of scoring just before final time. The Lancers won by 3 goals and 3 subsidiaries 2 to subsidiaries. Teams :—

2nd Lancers.		Oxfordshire L. I.	
Lieut. Salkeld ...	1	Capt. Bayley ...	1
Lieut. Robertson ...	2	Lieut. Higgins ...	2
Lieut. Ward ...	3	Hon. C. Annesley	3
Capt. Knowles ...	4	Lieut. Morland ...	4

Umpire :—Colonel de Lisle.

Royal Dragoons "B." *vs.* Durham L. I.

First Chukker.—The Royals hit a subsidiary, the Durhams quickly responding with a goal.

Second Chukker.—Fast up and down play, which resulted in a subsidiary for the Durhams. *Score :* Durhams 1 goal 1 subsidiary to 1 subsidiary.

Third Chukker.—Godman and Tomkinson played up finely for the Royals, who hit a goal.

Fourth Chukker.—The Royals had matters all their own way, obtaining 2 goals and 1 subsidiary to 1 subsidiary by the Durhams. *Score* : Royals 3 goals and 2 subsidiaries to 1 goal and 2 subsidiaries.

Fifth Chukker.—The Royals attacked repeatedly and scored 1 goal and 1 subsidiary.

Sixth Chukker.—The Royals continued to press, but the defence was good. They, however, succeeded in adding a goal to their score. The Royal Dragoons "B" defeated the Durham Light Infantry by 5 goals and 3 subsidiaries to 1 goal and 2 subsidiaries.

Royal Dragoons "B."		Durham L. I.	
Lieut. Tomkinson ...	1	Lieut. Festing ...	1
Capt. Lord C. Fitzmaurice..	2	Col. Mansel ...	2
Capt. Godman ...	3	Capt. Mathews	3
Lieut. Lambert ...	4	Capt. Jeffreys ...	4

Umpire :—Captain Barrett.

The Final.

The Final game in the Narain Singh Polo Tournament took place on Monday afternoon, the 26th instant, in the presence of a fair number of spectators, the two teams engaged being the Royal Dragoons "B." and the 2nd Bengal Lancers. The sides appeared well matched, but any expectations of a good game were early doomed to disappointment. The Royals, for whom Lieutenant Tomkinson and Captain Godman played a magnificent game, almost at once started scoring and at the conclusion of full time won by the wide margin of eight goals and three subsidiaries to two subsidiaries. The match, as the score shows, was the most one-sided of the whole tournament. The Lancers played well together for the first three *Chukkers*, but subsequently went to pieces; their feeble hitting and want of combination, as the game proceeded showing clearly that they were out-matched. At the close of the game Lady Loche Elliot presented the Challenge Cup to the Royals, who having won the trophy on three occasions, possess it outright. The tournament next year, owing to the death of Sirdar Narain Singh, the donor of the cup, will be reconstructed and will be played on a handicap basis, the teams being drawn from players belonging to the Recent Form List. Already two or three offers have been received to present a cup for competition. The tournament, it is needless to say has been an unqualified success.

Royal Dragoons B *vs.* 2nd Lancers.

First Chukker.—This was a fast and well-contested *chukker*, both teams playing up well. The Lancers at once attacked, but were unsuccessful in their numerous attempts to score, Capt. Godman then carried the ball to the other end and the Royals hit a goal. They again pressed and scored a subsidiary. For the rest of the *chukker* play was confined to the Lancers' end, but no further score resulted. *Score:* Royals, one goal and one subsidiary.

Second Chukker.—The Royals had the best of this *chukker* throughout. Tomkinson hit a goal from a long shot early on. The Royals made repeated attacks on the Lancers' flags, from which a subsidiary was signalled.

Third Chukker.—The Lancers opened with a subsidiary. The Royals then secured the ball and hit a goal. They continued to press, making a second goal from a shot by Tomkinson, while a subsidiary was added just before time. *Score :* Royals, 4 goals and 3 subsidiaries ; Lancers, 1 subsidiary.

Fourth Chukker.—Play continued in favour of the Royals, who made 2 goals in rapid succession. The Lancers' flags were in perpetual danger, but no further score resulted.

Fifth Chukker —The Royals hit a goal from a *mêlée* in front of the flags. Fast up and down play followed the Royals having the best of the exchanges. Just at the point of time another goal was signalled for the Royals, the ball hitting the goal post and rolling in.

Sixth Chukker.—The Lancers played up and scored a subsidiary. Play for the rest of the period was in the Royals' favour. The Royals won by 8 goals and 3 subsidiaries to 2 subsidiaries.

Racing.

SUPERSTITIONS OF THE TURF.

ALTHOUGH the days of sorcery and witchcraft have, under the influence of ductional enlightenment, passed away, writes Ernest E. Smith in *Baily's*, superstition still stalks the land and the belief of what is contrary to reason, or without evidence, is common enough in city and hamlet town and village. The element of luck is carefully studied in all classes of the community and by both sexes, the weaker in particular. In the lower stratum of life woman indeed is often a fatalist, and certainly a greater fatalist than a man. Among the classes to whom theft is a duty and murder a diversion superstition flourishes like a rank weed. The deeper the ignorance and degeneration of the man, the more profound is his faith in the impossible. His destiny is bidden in a pack of greasy cards. With the woman of the same class a fortune teller is her undoubted oracle ; she reads destiny in the creaking of a door, or the tap of a beetle's head (which she calls the death watch). She clips her hair at every full moon, hoping thereby to increase its growth ; she cuts her finger-nails only on certain propitious days, and the howl of a dog at night throws her into a convulsion of fear. The man is a rudely constructed puzzle ; but the woman is an ingeniously elaborate paradox ; what is before her eyes she will not see, what she cannot see she looks for! Her prototype of the other sex will take off one of his shoes, and turn his coat inside out to change his luck at his game of cards or dominoes, and at the commencement of a fresh game he will walk three times round his chair or turn it thrice round, for the same purpose. Yes ; there is no lack of superstition abroad, even in England.

But if you were to ask a parson what he thought about it he would probably ridicule the idea that men who go to races are superstitious. But the parson would be wrong, for owners, trainers, backers, and may be officials also, have their superstitions ; indeed, the only class that need be marked with an asterisk as "doubtful" is the bookmaker.

Beyond a doubt the noble army of backers are the most superstitious of all Turfites. In their ranks are countless "cranks" who throw their money away over all sorts of absurd "systems." Backers who are systematically cautious in the way they bet, and who are sufficiently "in the know," no doubt in the long run find themselves winners, but there was never yet a "system" which was found to pay.

There was a backer who flourished for a considerable period, who swore by the number "13." But he did not necessarily back number 13 on the card, for when not so many horses were telegraphed on the number board he would count down and so up again until the thirteenth was reached, always counting the bottom horses twice, *i.e.*, going down and returning. When a larger field than thirteen was announced, he would count to the thirteenth down and then to the thirteenths upwards, this giving him two horses, both of which he would back, and when it happened as, of course occasionally was the case, that number 13 came to the same horse, working down and up, that was an intimation from the Oracle that he might double his usual stake. And it must be acknowledged that this superstitious punter had a fair share of luck.

How often have we heard the remark, "Oh, So and So was the first jockey (or the first horse) I came across in the paddock, I must have a bit on him for luck!" This is one might say, a regular custom with some backers at Lincoln on the opening day of the season. They will have a sovereign on the mount of the first jockey they meet for the Lincolnshire Handicap, and a sovereign on the first horse they clap eyes on that is engaged in that race. Should the first horse they see prove the mount of the first jockey they have met after reaching old Lindum, surely this means a double-stake dash! Another punter religiously refrained from backing any horse about which he had a tip, and whenever a trainer informed him, upon inquiry, that "he did not fancy his," he would forthwith go and back it. And he frequently won at this latter resource.

The idea of following a certain number on the card is, of course, most absurd, yet scores go "broke" every meeting through this infatuation or asinine proclivity. These are, however, the veriest mugs, of very mugs whose presence on our racecourses could well be dispensed with.

There's luck or ill-luck in numbers, odd or even, according to taste, and mention just now of number 13 recalls to mind an "even" instance. When Joe Cannon was first training for Captain Machell he had a rooted objection to taking an odd number of horses to a meeting. It fell out, for the Goodwood Meeting of 1875, that he had a pretty large string to box. When the contingent was counted up there were thirteen. "I don't like that number," soliloquised Joe, "here, put Trappist in with them to make it up to fourteen, and if all the others get beaten perhaps he will pick up a race for us." Sure enough, Captain Prime's speedy horse came to the rescue of the stable and carried off the Stewards' Cup, which would certainly not have happened had not Joe made his string of "departures for Goodwood" up to "even."

It is a mania with many persons to come in contact with "cross-eyed" folks. These are the individuals who are as keen on touching the hump of a hunch back, as they are in the avoidance of passing beneath a ladder. One sometimes hears amongst racing people such an observation as "I sat in the train beside a humped-backed chap, or opposite to a cock-eye ; so I shall touch lucky to-day!"

Some there are, who, when partaking of poultry or game at dinner, religiously "pull the wish-bone" with their neighbours and then putting the two pieces side by side, exposing only the ends that are equal, the one draws from the other and he who secures the larger portion is supposed to gain his "wish," and in the case of a racing man it is easy to conceive that the wish invariably takes the shape of "may I back plenty of winners to-morrow!"

Equally with the hunchback, to rub against "a man of colour" is held by many to be a sign of good luck. It is on record that at one time a certain black man—of the original "friend and a brother" type—used to make a decent living in the West End by loafing in the vicinity of some of the chief clubs. Gamblers who had been having a bad time would hand him a "tip" to change their luck.

The crow is almost universally accepted as an omen of misfortune, that is, when the crow is unaccompanied by others of his tribe—

"*One for sorrow,*
Two for mirth,"

as the old saying goes.

And in this connection a recent "crow case" must here be quoted. On the last Two Thousand day, a backer, who had from the very first espoused the cause of Ninus, was interrogated in the Birdcage as to whether he remained as confident at the eleventh hour of Prince Soltykoff's colt winning the race.

"Great Scott, no!" came the reply. "A couple of hundred yards before I reached the paddock, a wretched crow dropped right in front of me, and although I searched all round, and even used my glasses, I could not spot a *second crow*. No, mark my words, Ninus will go down to-day! and this was said in such a serious manner that left no possible room to doubt the sincerity of the speaker's belief in what, after all, is an accepted token of bad luck by persons innumerable in every village throughout England.

Trainers have their prejudices as to colour, also to certain dates and days. A few believe that if their horses are tried, or even regularly exercised on Sunday, bad luck is bound to follow. It is narrated of one trainer, how he put in a separate pocket, a gold coin for each horse he boxed to go to a meeting. As they were about to pass through the gate into the paddock, he carefully turned these gold coins over. What is more, when on one occassion he brought a string of seven home without having won a single race, he attributed the bad luck to the fact that on the first day, something had occurred to distract his attention just at the moment they were entering the paddock, and as a consequence, he had forgotten to "turn 'em over!"

There are some owners who cannot be induced to go and see their horses tried for fear that it will bring them bad luck. On the other hand, some owners will not on any account permit their horses to be put through the mill unless they themselves are present, and should anything occur to prevent them getting to training quarters, their horse runs untried. Then there was a certain owner who would go miles in search of some one with a cross eye, either male or female, whom he would take with him to witness the trial gallop.

A piebald horse is supposed by very many simple-minded folks to bring luck, that is to say, always supposing that you do not catch sight of his tail. A grey horse, on the other hand, is generally reckoned an omen of the deadliest of ill-luck by the majority of regular backers. If there are few grey horses win races, it is by reason of the fact that there are but few grey horses in training. With an increase, however, in the number of grey horses now at the stud, it is quite on the cards that in a few more years a grey will be seen running every day. Whatever may be said in favour of "bonny bays," a maxim obtains in Suffolk, Norfolk and Cambridgeshire, that "there cannot be a bad brown"

In connection with backers it may be added that not only in France, but on Argentine racecourses, where Roman Catholics most do congregate, and even on the Californian tracks at Bay District and Ingleside, it is common enough for the punter to preface his investment by making the sign of the Cross on his forehead, chin and breast, while muttering a few brief prayers.

On the morning of Persimmon's Derby, Mr. Dorling enquired of the official in charge of the door near the weighing room "whether Mr. Marsh had his trousers turned up?" and receiving a reply in the affirmative remarked, "Oh, then, it is all right, the Prince's horse will win." It is a fact as to the accuracy of which the writer can testify, that on the morning of the last Derby the popular trainer in question had *not* turned his trousers up ; and—Dieudonne was beaten! But his companion came to the rescue of the stable. I wonder what the Epsom clerk of the course made of this.

Cricket.

CRICKET IN CALCUTTA.

Northumberland Fusiliers *vs.* Y. M. C. A.—The return match between these teams played in the Fort on Saturday ended in a draw. Scores :—

Northumberland Fusiliers.		
Major Fishbourne, l.-b.-w, b Vanspall ...	—	3
Dr. Major Horne, not out	...	42
Pte. Locker, c Reynolds, b Vanspall ...	..	8
Sergt. Wilkinson, b Reynolds	...	57
Mr. Sailer b Reynolds	...	9
Pte. Sanderland, not out	...	1
Pte. Dignard, Sergt. Beercroft, Pte. Pratya, Sergt. Marshall, Pte. Shoesmith	did not bat.	
Extras	...	5
Total (for four wickets*)	...	125

*Innings declared closed.

Y. M. C. A.		
F. H. Reynolds, b Locker	...	2
W. Price, c and b Marshall	...	11
J Grant, not out	...	25
W. Dyer, c Sailer, b Locker	...	14
P. Vanspall, b Sailer	...	9
J. Maclean, c Fishbourne, b Sanderland	...	14
T. Bell, not out	...	4
C. Webb, J. Winter, R. Horne, F. Creed	did not bat.	
Extras	...	4
Total (for five wickets*)	...	83

*Innings declared closed.

Rangers *vs.* Ballygunge.—These teams met on the Rangers ground on Saturday when the visitors were defeated by 15 runs, the fine bowling of Lees being mainly instrumental in their downfall. Scores :—

Rangers.		
C. V. Warden, b Whitely	...	13
T. McCullage, b Whitely	...	6
G. Hodges, b Gould	...	3
D. Y. Calderwood, c Skeimer, b Whitely ...	...	0
E. Templeton, c Skinner, b Whitely ...	...	2
G. Schumacher, c Whitely, b Gould ...	...	28
G. Nugent, c Whitely, b Gould	...	19
F. Tripp, st. Tatam, b Whitely	...	9
H. Durnford, c Coulthard, b Whitely ...	...	3
P. C. Margrett, b Coulthard	...	7
F. Lees, not out	...	0
Extras	...	9
Total	...	99

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A. V. Shorter, b Lees	...	12
F. N. Whitely, c and b Lees	...	0
H. E. Skinner, run out	...	22
H. Pearson, b Lees	...	4
F. Gould, L-b.-w., b Lees	...	5
E. W. Antram, b Lees	...	3
J. R. Coulthard, not out	...	1
Extras	...	4
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F. Jewell, b Ahmed	...	8
W. Hughes, b Purcell	...	23
A. McCready, not out	...	63
J. Anderson, b Purcell	...	6
M. Quiterio, not out	...	40
F. Hogan, C. Marsden, F. Harcourt, W. G. Brown, H. Vears } did not bat.		
Extras	...	16
Total (for four wickets*)	...	201

* Innings declared closed.

OLD ST. XAVIER'S.

Rayneau, c Brown, b Marsden	...	5
Bhattacharjee, c Barlow, b Brown	...	1
Cameron, b Brown	...	3
Mookerjee, c Anderson, b Brown	...	16
Power, c Marsden, b Brown	...	5
Newton, b Brown	...	1
Purcell, b Brown	...	9
Demagry, not out	...	3
Combs, run out	...	1
M. Ahmed, c Quiterio, b Brown	...	0
Chatterjee, b Brown	...	6
Extras	...	15
Total	...	65

CALCUTTA C. C. *vs.* DALHOUSIE.—These teams met on Saturday, the C.C C. gaining a substantial victory by an innings and 108 runs. They took first knock and made 278 before the innings closed. Ballantyne and Manders scored first at the beginning of the game and put up 117 between them ; Jackson was also in fine form and was not out for a brilliantly compiled 67. Useful scores were contributed by Major Burlton and Bartholomew. Dalhousie made 80 in their fast innings, the bulk of which score came from the bat of R. Jackson, who also bowled with success. The Trades Club followed on and were all out for 90. In the first innings Ballantyne got 7 wickets for 37 runs, and Pope and Guise in the second 4 for 22, and 4 for 26 respectively S ore :—

CALCUTTA.

J. D. Guise, l-b-w., b Shuldham	...	11
J. G. Ballantyne, c and b Jackson	...	64
T. C. Manders, b Jackson	...	53
T. Curtis-Hayward, b Jackson	...	9
C. P. Bartholomew, b Jackson	...	25
A. Lethbridge, l-b-w, b Jackson	...	8
H. Pearson, b Wickins	...	1
C. M. Pope, b Wickins	...	0
Major Burlton, c Hodges, b Jackson	...	28
J. E. Jackson, not out	...	67
H. V. Low, b Shuldham	...	8
Extras	...	4
Total	...	278

DALHOUSIE.

	1st Innings.		2nd Innings.	
T. Shuldham, b Ballantyne	1	c & b Guise	...	6
F. J. Sharp, b Ballantyne	2	not out	...	17
R. S. Carter, b Curtis-Hayward	1	c Lethbridge, b Pope	...	15
R. Jackson, b Ballantyne	60	c Guise, b Lethbridge	...	5
J. Wickins, b Ballantyne	0	b Guise	...	0
H. C. Beadle, c Guise, b Ballantyne	4	b Guise	...	0
W. Hodges, run out	3	c Lethbridge, b Low	...	16
H. Tremble, not out	6	c Curtis-Hayward, b Pope		4
R. Nicol, st Jackson, b Ballantyne	0	c Jackson, b Guise	...	5
J. Greig, b Ballantyne	0	c Jackson, b Pope	...	0
D. Holman, run out	0	c Curtis-Hayward, b Pope		0
Extras	5	Extras	...	22
Total	80	Total	...	90

BALLYGUNGE *vs.* HIGHLAND L.I.—Played at Ballygunge, the home team winning by 14 runs. White (56), Sherman (36), Smith (26) and Quinn (21) were the chief scorers for Ballygunge, while the visitors' innings was enlivened by the fine display given by Lieutenant Walker, who just missed his century by a single run. Scores :—

BALLYGUNGE.

B. A. White, c Grant, b Alden	...	56
T. A. Smith, c Green, b Grant	...	26
B. E. G. Eddis, c Hill, b Wolfe-Murray	...	8
M. R. Quinn, b Sinclair	...	21
D. S. Shallow, c Hill, b Grant	...	1
F. N. Whiteley, b Grant	...	1
E. Horncastle, c Grant, b Alden	...	2
H. M. Sherman, b Wolfe-Murray	...	36
H. F. Coltart, b Alden	...	4
J. R. Coulthard, not out	...	8
E. C. Cowdrey, c and b Wolfe-Murray	...	7
Byes	...	9
Leg-byes	...	1
Total	...	180

H. L. I.

Walker, b Quinn	...	99
Lance-Corporal Sinclair, b Quinn	...	12
Capt. Hill, b Whiteley	...	2
Major Wolfe-Murray, c and b Smith	...	26
J. D. Keith Sim, st. Sherman, b Smith	...	5
Lance-Corporal Greene, c and b Whiteley	...	0
Mr. MacLeod, c Quinn, b Whiteley	...	0
Mr. McLeod, c Quinn, b Whiteley	...	0
Mr. Lilburn, c and b Quinn	...	4
Pte. Alden, b Whiteley	...	8
Pte. Green, not out	...	0
Byes	...	6
Leg-byes	...	1
Wide-balls	...	2
Total	...	166

BALLYGUNGE CRICKET CLUB FIXTURES.

SEASON 1906-1907.

DATE.	OPPONENTS.	GROUND.	TIME.
1906			
December 1st	Town Club ...	Away ...	2-0 P.M.
" 8th	Telegraph ...	Away ...	2-0 P.M.
" 15th	Y. M. C. A. ...	B. C. C. ...	2 0 P.M.
" 22nd	Maharajah of Nattore's XI.	B. C. C. ...	2-0 P.M. / 11-0 A.M.
" 23rd			
" 24th*	Hornets ...	B. C. C. ...	11-0 A.M.
" 25th	Bombay ...	B. C. C. ...	11-0 A.M.
" 26th			
" 27th*	Fifth Fusiliers ...	B. C. C. ...	11 0 A.M.
" 29th	.....	.....	.....
" 30th	Bihar Wanderers ...	B. C. C. ...	11-0 A M.
" 31st			
1907			
January 1st*	Rangers ...	B. C. C. ...	11-0 A.M.
" 5th	Aryans ...	B. C. C. ...	2-0 P.M.
" 12th	Caledonians ...	B. C. C. ...	2-0 P.M.
" 18th	Calcutta ...	B. C. C. ...	11-0 A.M.
" 19th			
" 26th	Hornets ...	Away ...	2-0 P.M.
February 2nd	Olympians ...	Away ...	2 0 P.M.
" 9th	Mahomedan Sporting	B. C. C. ...	2-0 P.M.
" 16th	St. Xavier's College	B. C. C. ...	2 0 P.M.
" 23rd	Dalhousie ...	B. C. C. ...	2-0 P.M.
March 2nd	.....	.....	.....

*Public Holidays.

CRICKET AT BANGALORE.

BANGALORE GYMKHANA *vs.* ESSEX REGIMENT.—This match on the 22nd instant resulted in a very easy win for the Essex Regiment by 124 runs. Batting first they made 199, Lieutenants Strickland (46) and Cooper (36) being the chief contributors. The Gymkhana were dismissed for 75. Score :—

ESSEX REGIMENT.

Corporal Copeland, b Bridges	...	11
Lieut. Pattisson, c Moore, b Belgrave	...	8
Lieut. Cooper, c Belgrave, b Kelly	...	36
Corporal Neale, c Astley, b Bridges	...	5
Captain Jacomb, c Astley, b Bridges	...	12
Lieut. Strickland, c sub, b Astley	...	46
Lieut. Raymond, b Bridges	...	4
Lieut. Bowen, c Leslie, b Bridges	...	3
Corporal Russell, b Astley	...	18
Pte. Howe, c Leslie, b Astley	...	5
Corporal Chivers, b Belgrave	...	12
Lieut. White, not out	...	4
Extras	...	35
Total	...	199

BOWLING ANALYSIS

	O.	R.	M.	W.
Bridges	14	48	2	5
Belgrave	9	51	0	2
Hill	4	33	0	0
Kelly	5	10	2	1
Astley	4·2	22	0	3

BANGALORE GYMKHANA.—*1st Innings.*

Capt. the Hon'ble C. Joicey, run out	12
Mr. Burmester, c Raymond, b Pattisson	1
Captain Hill, b Cooper	0
Captain Kelley, c Russell, b Cooper	1
Mr. Bridges, b Cooper	1
Mr Belgrave, c Belgrave, b Pattisson	9
Mr. P. L. Moore, c and b Pattisson	7
Mr. Astley, c Chivers, b Cooper	9
Captain Heale, c Howe, b Pattisson	0
Mr. Matteson, c sub, b Howe	11
Mr. Leith-Ross, b Howe	8
Captain Leslie, not out	4
Extras	12
Total	75

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

	O.	R.	M.	W.
Cooper	15	40	1	4
Pattisson	13	20	3	4
Howe	1·5	3	0	2

PUNJAB COMMISSION CUP TOURNAMENT.

BLACK WATCH *vs.* GORDON HIGHLANDERS.—Played at Peshawar on the 19th and 20th instant, the Gordons winning by 3 wickets. Scores :—

THE BLACK WATCH.

	1st Innings.		2nd Innings.	
C. B. Henderson, c Davis, b Sullivan	64	c Davis, b Sullivan	...	32
Colr.-Sergt. Wilson, c Fowke, b Sullivan	22	b Fowke	...	4
Capt. J. T. C. Murray, run out	3	b Fowke	...	20
N. Baillie-Hamilton, c and b Sullivan	0	l.-b.-w., b Fowke	...	53
Sergt. Docherty, c Gordon, b Fowke	4	c Dick-Cunyingham, b Fowke	...	18
A. P. Wavell, b Fowke	5	c Carr, b Fowke	...	0
W. E. D. Campbell, b Fowke	0	c McArthur, b Sullivan		6
Bnd-Mstr. O'Donnell, l.-b.-w., b Fowke	2	c Sullivan, b Fowke		12
C. C. West, b Fowke	1	b Carr	...	3
E. M. Murray, c Carr, b Sullivan	7	l.-b.-w., b Sullivan	...	3
Lce.-Corpl. Shepherd, not out	2	not out	...	9
Extras	7	Extras	...	20
Total	117	Total	...	180

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

	1st Innings. O.	M.	R.	W.	2nd Innings. O.	M.	R.	W.
Fowke	16	3	50	5	19	1	66	6
Carr	5	0	30	0	6	1	31	1
Sullivan	10	2	30	4	13	0	63	3

THE GORDON HIGHLANDERS.

	1st Innings.		2nd Innings.	
Capt. J. K. Dick-Cunyngham, b Murray	29	c O'Donnell, b Murray		0
I. Picton-Warlow, c Murray, b Wilson	4	b Murray	...	13
G. H. S. Fowke, st. Henderson, b West	39	not out	...	48
L. Carr, c West, b Baillie-Hamilton	39	c Murray, b Docherty		25
A. L. Davis, c Murray, b O'Donnell	21	c Murray, b O'Donnell		5
Sergt. McArthur, not out	44	c Murray, b E. Murray		7
K. H. Bruce, b O'Donnell	10	st. Henderson, b O'Donnell	...	0
G. J. Cumine, run out	1	l.-b.-w., b O'Donnell		0
Pte. Gordon, b O'Donnell	0	not out	...	0
Pte. McGarrity, run out	0	did not bat.		
Sergt Sullivan, st. Henderson, b Baillie-Hamilton	0			
Extras	15	Extras	...	3
Total	202	Total	...	101

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

	1st Innings. O.	M.	R.	W.	2nd Innings. O.	M.	R.	W.
Murray	23	6	62	1	11·2	5	34	3
O'Donnell	27	7	62	3	8	2	30	3
Wilson	6	1	17	1	—	—	—	—
Docherty	3	1	13	0	3	0	16	1
Baillie-Hamilton	9	3	17	2	3	0	18	0
West	3	0	16	1	3	0	18	0

Golf.

GOLF IN CALCUTTA.

THE BOMBAY SILVER MEDAL.—This 8 holes competition occupied last Friday and Saturday, the trophy being presented by the Bombay Golf Club. There was a big entry which bore little comparison to the small number of cards handed in. The winner turned up in Mr. B. Sinclair, whose score of 80 was the best scratch effort. Mr. T. H. Ambrose was placed second, his liberal handicap of 14 bringing down his net total to 82. Mr. Munn played good golf for his 83 scratch and got third place. Scores :—

	Score.	H'cap	Nett.
B Sinclair	80	scr	80
T. H. Ambrose	96	14	82
A. Mann	83	scr	83
B. Severs	97	14	83
J. Ferguson	84	scr	84
Col. Renny-Tailyour	88	4	84
T. McMorran	96	12	84
T. Drimmie	95	scr	95
G. W. Walker	96	scr	96
G. B. Merry	92	5	87
H. R. D. Munn	96	9	87
T. F. Connew	97	10	87
K B. Dunlop	88	scr	88
H. W. Dick	97	1	88
Edward Elliott	97	9	88
Dr. Forsyth	97	2	89
Lt-Col. F. J. Drury	95	5	90
J Davenport	100	10	90
J. M. Davenport	101	6	95

TOLLYGUNGE CLUB.—The ladies' competition over 13 holes for the silver medal presented by the Tollygunge Club resulted in a tie between Mrs. A. Jenkins and Miss Buckland with 76 each, while Mrs. L. Walker was third with 80 (scr.)—a capital handicap, as it worked out. Score :—

Mrs. A. Jenkins	78 – 2 =	76
Miss Buckland	88 – 12 =	76
Mrs L. Walker	80 scr =	80
Mrs. Bruce	84 – 4 =	80
Mrs. Huddleston	97 – 16 =	81
Mrs. Wolfe Murray	84 – 2 =	82
Mrs. Begg	85 – 2 =	83
Mrs. Ormonde	95 – 8 =	87
Mrs. Silk	99 – 12 =	87
Mrs. Muspratt Williams	103 – 14 =	89
Miss Smith	100 – 10 =	90
Mrs. London	101 – 10 =	91
Miss Cubitt	102 – 8 =	94
Miss. Binning	110 – 10 =	100

LADIES' GOLF CLUB.—Last week's competition for Mrs. L. Walker's prize did not bring together many players, nor was the golf particularly good—the course is not in proper order yet they say—but Mrs. A. Jenkins and Miss Cubitt made a close finish of it, the first, named lady scoring the prize by one point. Score :—

Mrs. Arnold Jenkins	164 – 3 =	161
Miss Cubitt	174 – 12 =	162
Mrs Silk	181 – 18 =	163
Mrs. Bruce	171 – 6 =	165
Miss E. I. Smith	180 – 15 =	165
Mrs. Begg	169 – 3 =	166
Mrs. Ormond	181 – 12 =	169
Mrs. London	191 – 15 =	176

RANGOON GOLF CLUB.

THE Annual General Meeting was held at the Club House, Prome Road, on Friday evening, 16th November, and there was a good attendance of members.

The minutes of last Generel Meeting were read and confirmed.

The accounts for the year ended 31st October, 1906, were placed before the meeting showing the club to be in a flourishing state financially, a profit of Rs. 3,500 having been made after writing off Rs. 1,000 for depreciation on building and furniture. They were passed unanimously by the meeting on the proposal of Mr. A. A. Ure, seconded by Mr. J. C. Mackendrick.

The following office-bearers were elected for the season 1906-1907 :—

Captain :—Mr. G. Blackstock.
Honorary Secretary :—J. B. Orr.
Honorary Treasurer :—W. W. Nind.
Committee :—Messrs. J. M. Sime, S. Gordon Brown, J.W. Anderson, and J. Stuart Smith.

GOLF IN THE BRITISH ISLES.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

9th November 1906.

GOD save the King! I believe I am correct in stating that for over 200 years no King of England has indulged in the Royal and Ancient Game, of course the Stuarts did in a desultory way, to prevent *ennui* and to fill up gaps in their monotonous existence!! but there is no record of courses laid out under their supervision or of their playing in foursomes when visiting at some honoured subject's country seat, and so again on the anniversary of the birthday of King Edward VII. our golfing sovereign, we re-iterate "God save His Majesty!" And this date is not only made a red letter day on his Royal account, but the fog and gloom of the 9th November is enlivened by the time-honoured custom of the Lord Mayor's procession through the muddy dirty streets of the metropolis. Each year something new adds interest and colour to the arrangement and surely in time a team of red coated, club-armed, golfers will make a brilliant patch representing an industry (can we call it?) which has become so great a factor in the British Isles and kingdom and so we greet, make obeisance and take leave of His Majesty and of the Lord Mayor.

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Never has there been such a boom in new courses as in 1906 and still apparently there are sufficient golfers to fill the members' lists and to congest the green : the latest to be opened was at Horsham in Sussex, this is as yet only 9 holes, and contrary to the now prevailing custom the opening ceremony was performed by two leading amateurs instead of by two or more of the well-known professionals. The two gentlemen who had the honour (*N.B.*—One only had the tee honour) were Mr. Horace Hutchinson (the first amateur champion, 1886 and 1887) and Mr. S. Mure-Fergusson, so well known in golfing circles and the present holder of the Royal St. George's Grand Challenge Cup; and these two old friends and old foes played an 18-hole match in the morning and took the prominent parts in a foursome in the afternoon. Mr. Hutchinson displayed far steadier form than his opponent who was frequently in trouble from his somewhat wild long game, and although the golf on neither side was really first class the score by Mr. Hutchinson may be interesting to many who follow the game on links and on paper.

Out—5, 5, 5, 5, 5, 3, 5, 4, 4=41. In—5, 5, 5, 4, 4, 3, 5, 4, 4=39. The foursome in the afternoon was composed of Mr. Hutchinson and Dr. Juckes, who were defeated by 1 hole by Mr. Fergusson and Mr. C. J. Lucas (President of the Club).

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Whilst on the subject of new courses (we cannot call them links for they are all inland), mention should be made of the excellent progress of the new course at Mitcham, where the Tooting Bec Club resorted when compelled to leave their old quarters at Furzedown. The first Ordinary General Meeting has been held to report as to the condition of the ground and prospects were entirely satisfactory and play is to begin over the course almost immediately, after which given ordinary "decent" weather, rapid strides should be made in the right direction which ends in perfection of greens and lies. Then, too, in addition to these is a scheme to lay out a rival to Huntercombe on some excellent golfing land about a mile from Henley-on-Thames; at present popular as Huntercombe undoubtedly is, the motor drive of 8 miles (all collar work too) is considered by many a very great drawback, and adds considerably to the already by no means trivial expense of a day's golf and finally Jack Morris, the Hoylake Professional, has been prospecting some likely land at Llangollen; over 50 acres are available and if the scheme bears fruit a very fine course can be made for the good folk of Denbighshire.

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Who knows Maidenhead? rather should one say what amphibious male or female does *not* know and love this delightful spot on Father Thames. The 18-hole course is not to be despised by any manner of means; it is long, well kept, and the club well managed. On 3rd instant James Braid and J. H Taylor were subpœnaed to play an exhibition match for a purse well lined by members of the club. Not often has a contest between two such evenly matched opponents assumed so one-sided an aspect, for big Jamie was 9 up and 7 to go, on the 36 holes; he played very fine golf from start to finish, whereas the Mid-Surrey man had bad luck in the morning the game was closely contested, at the third hole Taylor having his first slice of bad luck, but the round ended in Braid's favour by 2 up, he having been round in 72 to Taylor's 74 made up as below :—

Braid : First round—Out—5, 4, 4, 4, 4, 3, 4, 4, 4=36. In—4, 4, 4, 3, 3, 4, 4, 6, 4,=36=72.

Braid : Second round—Out—4, 5, 4, 4, 4, 3, 4, 4, 4=36 In—4, 4, 4, 3, 4, 3, 4, 5, 4,=35=71.

Taylor : First round—Out—4, 5, 4, 4, 4, 3, 5, 4, 5=38. In—4, 5, 4, 3, 3, 4, 4, 5, 4. 36=74.

Taylor : Second round—Out—5, 6, 5, 4, 5, 4, 4, 5, 4=42. In—4, 5, 4 3, 2, 4, 4, 5, 3=34=76.

It will be seen that despite his big beating Taylor's round would scarcely be despised by any first-class player, and that his coming in 9 holes in 34 were the best possible form, but 74+76 is not good enough to win from the open champion when he is set, and so the great match at Maidenhead ended 2 up and 7 to play, the bye going on the last green to Taylor by 1 up.

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Stock exchange men mustered in sufficiently large numbers to make matters interesting; in holiday attire at Sunningdale on 1st November one of the four recognized holiday of the "House" there under the auspices of their Golfing Society they held a 36 holes scratch competition. Two of the most fancied were amongst the earliest to start, these being R. Harris and S. H. Fry, both former holders of the coveted St. George's Challenge Cup, and both were in excellent form as too might be remarked, in parenthesis, was the course. At the end of the first 18 holes Mr. Harris led the whole field by 2 strokes, his 74 being composed thus : Out—4, 5, 5, 3, 4, 4, 3, 3, 3=34. Home—5, 5, 4, 4, 4, 4, 5, 5, 4=40=74, whilst Mr. Fry 2 strokes worse were 37 out and 39 home=76. In the afternoon, however, Mr. Harris included 3 sixes and a 7 which give him a total of 81, whereas Mr. Fry compiled another score in the seventies and brought his aggregate out one stroke better than Mr. Harris an excellent 154. Other returns were : S. Mure-Fergusson 155, P. G. Bishop 160, Horace G. Castle 161, R. H. Mitchell 161, W. W. Kerr, 161, A. S. Read 162. W. Brander, junior 162, W. Carr 163, M. W. Mossop 163, J E. Read 164, etc., etc.

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The death of Mr. D. D. Whigham has just occurred at the good old age of 74; the name has for many years been prominently before the golfing world, not only because he himself was a keen and good player, but also because his children of both sexes have demonstrated their superiority on many occasions; the two sisters, Sibyl and Mollie, are among the finest lady players in the United Kingdom, and although want of nerve was the reason they neither of them ever brought off the big event, still their play always evoked the greatest enthusiasm and admiration from those who really recognize and understand what good golf is. Mr. Whigham joined the Prestwick Club in 1860, he became a member of the Royal and Ancient in 1857, and was the oldest playing member of the "Honourable Company" to which he was elected in the same year (1857). Mr. Whigham was Captain of this same "Company" in 1884 and 1885 and of Prestwick as far back as 1892, he was a great authority on all points of the game and his loss will be keenly felt by golfers of the old school and of the new, both North and South of the Border; for, however densely presses the throng of young players the veterans are still recognized as the true axles on which the world of golf revolves.

M. E. S.

Hockey.

AGA KHAN TOURNAMENT.

SEMI-FINALS.

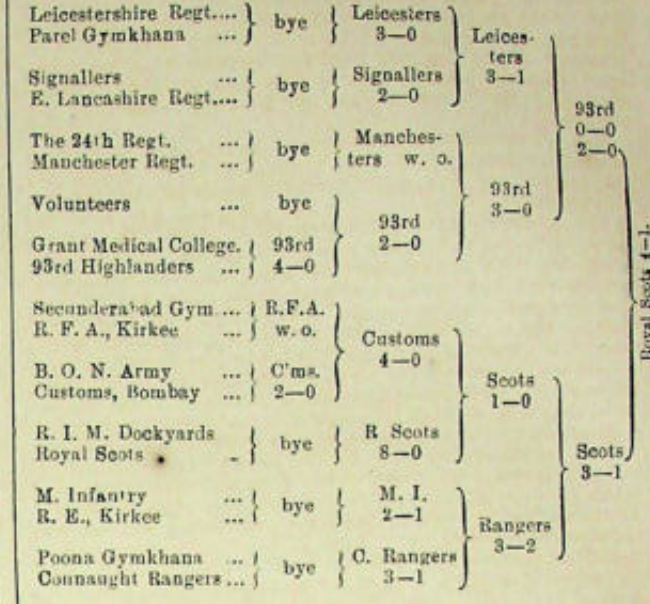
ROYAL SCOTS *vs.* CONNAUGHT RANGERS.—A great game was witnessed between these teams on the 19th instant. Fast play, in which the Scots had rather the best of the exchanges, characterised the match. The Rangers defended well and extra time had to be played before a decision was arrived at. The first period was devoid of score, but on changing ends the Rangers drew first blood. It was some time before the Scots managed to equalise, many shots being sent in before the Irish goalkeeper was beaten. Time arrived with a goal to each team. But in the extra allowance Hogan and Collins scored goals for the Scots who thus won by three goals to one.

A. AND S. HIGHLANDERS *vs.* LEICESTERS.—The first meeting of these teams ended in a pointless draw, but when the game was replayed on the 20th the Highlanders came out victorious after a stout struggle. Play was fast and up and down throughout and several corners accrued, none of which were turned to account.

The first half produced no score, but soon after resuming the Highlanders pressed hard and Lieutenant Kennedy opened the scoring, Private Faulds netting a second goal shortly after. The Leicesters tried hard to get level but without success, and the Highlanders thus won by two goals to *nil*.

FINAL.

ROYAL SCOTS *vs.* A. AND S. HIGHLANDERS.—The final game was played on the 22nd instant, in the presence of a big crowd of spectators, an excellent game being witnessed. The Royals assumed the aggressive at the start and were not long in putting on their first goal, scored from a penalty. Fast play followed and the Highlanders were several times dangerous ut could not score. Just before the interval the Royals netted the ball a second time. On changing ends the 93rd made great efforts to get through but were driven back and the Royals obtained their third point, which they followed up with a fourth shortly after. The Highlanders did not relax their efforts and were at length rewarded with a goal; but they were unable to score again and the Royals thus won the game and the tournament by four goals to one. Major-General Richardson presented the cup to the winners at the close. Results :—



THE SOUTHERN INDIA HOCKEY TOURNAMENT.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

BANGALORE, *24th November.*

THE Southern India Hockey Tournament which has just been concluded in this station has resulted in a well deserved win for the 61st Pioneers. Two matches were played in Secunderabad, where the winners of the tournament beat the 2nd (Q.O.) Rajput L.I., and the 97th Deccan Infantry. From this point play was transferred to Bangalore, where five teams were assembled to fight out the remainder of the tournament, these being the 61st Pioneers, the 64th Pioneers from Ootacamund, the 83rd Wallajabad L. I. from Bellary and two local teams, the 2nd (Q.O.) Sappers and Miners and the 30th Lancers (Gordon's Horse). The details of the four matches played in Bangalore may be briefly described as follows :—

61ST PIONEERS *vs.* 2ND (Q.O.) SAPPERS AND MINERS.—A real good game in which the Sappers played up with much energy and a considerable amount of science. However the Pioneers were always the cleverer side. They led by two goals at half time, Mr. Manson, who has skippered the side for several years, and Asadulla Sayeed being responsible for the points. Subsequently the Pioneers continued to have the best of the play and they eventually won by 4 goals to 1, the Sappers' goal being scored by Captain White who was brilliant throughout at centre forward and more than once experienced hard lines. A good and fast game, in which the Sappers, albeit the weaker team had by no means the best of the luck.

30TH LANCERS *vs.* 64TH PIONEERS.—Played on the 20th instant and won by the 64th by 4 goals to *nil*. Not so good a game as the preceding one, but still a fast and strenuous one. Gordon's Horse would be very good if they were properly taught; they are fast, and quick on the ball, but at present they show very little combination. The Pioneers were the winning side from start to finish, held a lead of 3 goals at half-time and scored another afterwards without greatly distressing themselves. Marsden, Hemsley and Harvey-Kelly worked hard and well for the winners throughout, the Lancers as already remarked were energetic and fast, but unscientific in their methods.

61ST PIONEERS *vs.* 83RD WALLAJABAD L. I.—The Wallajabad Light Infantry fairly made the Pioneers gallop up to half-time when they were only a goal to the bad, and that the result of a counter bully in which Manson—naturally—beat the Wallajabad Light Infantry custodian. But after half-time the superior training of the Pioneers told rapidly and they eventually won by 6 goals to 1, Manson scoring four with his own stick. The men from Bellary could not last the pace, or they would have given a very much better account of themselves, for they played a good, combined game. They will probably do better next year, when the final matches in the tournaments will be played at Secunderabad.

THE FINAL.

61ST PIONEERS *vs.* 64TH PIONEERS.—The two Pioneer regiments knew each other's play well, having met in friendly games in Ootacamund and the 61st were hot favourites. But the 64th put up a real good fight, and were only beaten by a single goal, scored by Manson after a characteristic run. Marsden for the losers was apparently ubiquitous at centre-half and Harvey-Kelly also played a sound defensive game at back. But the wings of the 61st again and again outplayed their opponents and it was only stubborn defence that prevented the winners' score from being larger. A special word must be said for M. Anthony, the losers' goal-keeper, who saved in most brilliant fashion again and again.

After the final match Mrs. Scallon kindly presented the cup to the winners, and General Scallon, in a few well-chosen words laid stress on the fact that they had never drawn a bye, but had fought their way right through the tournament, the final being the fifth match that they had played.

General Scallon also spoke with emphasis concerning the excellent effect which the keenness with regard to hockey was having on native regiments in general and cheers for General and Mrs. Scallon, and the winners and runners-up, brought a successful tournament to a close.

The teams in the final were composed as follows :—

61ST PIONEERS.—L. Naik Kadir Nabi, *goal*; Lazarus, Bugler Meagher, *backs*; Havildar Lal Khan, Lieutenant Plumer, Lance-Naik Dorasami, *half-backs*; Musician Francis, Naik Asadulla Sayeed, Lieutenant Manson, Joseph, Naik Lakamanayya, *forwards*.

64TH PIONEERS.—M. Anthony, *goal*; Lieutenant Harvey Kelly, Chinapa, *back*; Kathia, Lieutenant Marsden, Audi, *half backs*; Ahmmed Hossain, Bugler Forbes, Lieutenant Hemsley L. Anthony, Narrainswamy, *forwards*; Mr. J. G. Tait and Lieutenant Cooper, Essex Regiment, *Umpires*.

The Kennel.

CANINE EDUCATION.

II.

TRAINING and breaking, the terms in common use to denote the education of the dog, are both misleading in their implication since, first, they differ from the terms which are used to denote the acquiring of an education; and, second, because the terms, up to within a not very distant period of time, were associated with a more or less violent manner of treating the dog under the name of training him, so that the schooling of the dog was generally considered as something apart from all other schooling. The whip or boot or gun was considered the direct medium for instilling knowledge and obedience.

Many of the old-time trainers were also market shooters, both occupations being followed to secure the desired profit. An old, trained dog was relied upon for steady work to the gun, thus assisting the shooting, while the young dog was permitted to fit in as unimportant opportunity offered; that is to say, such opportunity as would not interfere with the shooting. The green dog, if he did not assist the older dog, at all events must not obstruct him nor spoil a shot for that was a material loss. The quickest way to correct faulty doings, under the old system, was to soundly thrash the puppy. If he flushed, it made him wary of flushing; if he chased, or refused to obey, or did not know how to obey, or went in the wrong place, or went too fast, punishment was in order, and if that did not intimidate him or check his ardor with the desired promptness, a charge of bird shot was considered as being most efficacious.

The market-shooter and old-fashioned trainer bawled his orders out in a loud, harsh voice, gave labored signals, and when not shouting orders he was blowing his whistle, so that all the birds in the vicinity could not fail to know there was a dangerous, fearsome party near at hand. The puppy, if he heeded all that was said and signalled to him, had little time for anything in the way of learning about birds. What he learned was mostly what he could pick up from his own observation, compromising as well as he could with the unfavorable conditions and obstructions set up by his trainer. If his ardent perseverance was so great as to withstand his trainer's ignorance, ill-temper and harsh treatment, he in time might develop into a fairly efficient assistant to the gun, though in most instances there was a lack of finish in the different details, such as mouthing the bird when retrieving it or retrieving it but part way, or backing imperfectly, or breaking shot etc.

The pursuit of prey is the dog's greatest pleasure. He will steal away from home to self-hunt, or hunt with boys, or with vagrant dogs, the duration of his absence being at times limited by the degree of fatigue he suffers; at others, by the degree of hunger; at others again, by the degree of physical endurance and hunger combined. Sometimes he may be absent a few hours; sometimes several days, returning much reduced in flesh, and worn, wearied and famished. He will leave his master to go with a stranger who carries a gun, and if he be the rare exception which will not do so at once, he readily strikes up a friendship and can soon be induced to go with the stranger. The report of a gun in the distance will often cause him to bolt from his master to the gun, that he may join in the sport. In the pursuit itself he will plod cheerfully through mud or snow; swim in cold water; work through brush and briars; gallop bravely in the open, eager to find and capture, never satiated with success; and desisting only because physical exhaustion intervenes. When from hard work he is too footsore and stiff in the morning to take an interest in his breakfast, his spirits rise at sight of the gun and the start for the fields, and he works away till the stiffness and soreness disappear or force him to quit.

There are exceptions to this, for there are dogs which are indolent, or too weak to accomplish what they endeavour to, or dogs in which the hunting instinct is absent. They, however, are so few that they are not worth considering in the matter of education, and when one comes across them they are not worth the trouble of training.

Thus there is in the dog all the hunting propensity that is necessary for the trainer to work upon, sometimes more than is necessary. All the natural qualities are born in the dog. He, on opportunity, develops them himself to a higher degree of practical usefulness through his own experience and effort than he could from the efforts of any trainer. He learns to follow the trail quickly and with precision, to recognize the foot scent and body scent, and the near proximity of the birds and the best method of capturing them. He distinguishes the likely places which serve as their haunts from the places which they avoid. When they are flushed he learns to mark their flight, the probable length of it, and how to find them again.

To learn all these, the dog must have the opportunities to do so. Given the opportunities he learns the different details with more or less quickness, according to his capacity to learn, for dogs vary in their ability to learn quite as much as men do. The teacher can do but little more in the dog's natural development than to provide the opportunities afield. The dog cannot take advantage of his opportunities afield if he is constantly balked, punished, called to or kept in check. He must have his fling for awhile in order to learn methods of pursuit, and to develop his ardour.

Dogs which are permited to self-hunt, acquire great skill in the application of methods, and exhibit intelligence to an astonishing degree. To develop the dog's hunting powers to the utmost should be the purpose of the trainer, and next to so school him that he applies his powers in the interest of the gun. The puppy will make many mistakes, but they are inseparable from his education. When committed, they serve to point out what is right as well as what is wrong.

Too often the amateur begins the subjugation first and makes it paramount to all other considerations. Every effort of the dog is governed rigidly by what the trainer considers the correct form of work to the gun. Instead of permitting the puppy's powers to develop, and then schooling him to devote them to the gun, he is schooled to the gun, and then permitted to develop as he best can, often a disastrous method, as many times the teacher then so dominates his pupil that the latter from habit looks to him for orders on every occasion, and is without self-confidence or independence. Many good dogs are spoiled by such hasty and severe training before they are given any liberty afield. Without the ability and inclination to hunt, the dog is worthless for field purposes. If restained too much the result may be that he loses all inclination to search for birds. If the dog will not hunt, the teacher is powerless in the matter. He is passive so far as the dog's hunting inclinations are concerned; he can be active only in shaping up and schooling such efforts as the dog will put forth.

It is now clear that if the teacher checks the the dog's efforts or intimidates him so that all his effort ceases, the training is accordingly either marred or ended.

But the dog's natural fondness for the pursuit of birds and his enthusiasm in his efforts to capture them are so great that he generally submits to much punishment associated with them and his teacher before he desists from hunting. If he becomes afraid of his trainer, he then is so intimidated that he dare not venture on any independent action of his own. But let him have opportunity to go afield with someone else—the cause of his fears then being absent—he resumes hunting with his native enthusiasm and diligence.

The loud and incessant ordering and blowing of the whistle, with or without cause, are faults also quite common to the amateur and latter-day trainer. Nearly all trainers are self-aught, or at least have no one to point their faults to them so that bad habits of method and manner acquired in the beginning often stay with them throughout life. Under such circumstances they are quite unconscious of their unpleasant manner, one very annoying when shooting with one or more companions, and at all times a great handicap to the dog in his work, since the voice or whistle often flushes birds, and if in proximity to the dog at the time he is blamed for it when he is really blameless. The trainer, however, is so intent on securing obedience and is so habituated to associating his loud orders with the control of the dog that he seldom considers them in any other connection.

It is easy to train a dog to obedience to quiet tones of the voice and gentle signals, and infinitely better to handle him afield in that manner than in one of noise and violence, apart from all considerations of ease and elegance.

The Horse.

ON COLOURS IN HORSES.

IT is curious that while every horse-owner confesses to a prejudice in favour of certain colours in horses, and many carry their fancy so far as to limit their stables to representatives of two, or only one colour, very little attempt has been made to formulate a theory with regard to colour as a definite characteristic. Perhaps the subject has seemed too trivial for serious consideration, but yet it is hardly too strong a phrase to call colour a characteristic, for it is at least the outward expression of one, and seems to be a reliable guide, within certain limits, to temperament and constitution.

Some years of observation have confirmed my own impression, individual and adopted—at least those posterior to a child's extravagant admiration of circus or horse guard's beauty—and I do not remember, after an early date having founded my liking on anything less solid than experience. Even the choice of seaside donkeys, according to my recollection founded on the colour of the asinine coat, was justified by the result. I do not, however, claim to advance any theory of colour, nor desire to convert the dissentient, but only propose to jot down impressions that may or may not appeal to the reader as truths. In more than one I find myself confirmed by the agreement with me of an old steeplechase jockey, the son of a posting-house-keeper (himself a rider on the flat), and veterinary expert. Both father and son were faddists with regard to colour in horses.

Shakespeare—who probably had the knowledge regarding horses that is conspicuous in his few remarks on hounds and hawks, and that he even betrays with respect to the domestic fowl—hardly mentions the noble animal, except in a military connexion. His chargers, so far as I find them, are of only two colours, the weight-carrying roan and chestnut. This is supposing, as I do, that Richard's fated Surrey is of that kingly colour, white roan, for one reading of the phrase in which he orders his use for Bosworth fight gives "white Sorrel" in place of "Surrey." Hotspur's horse, twice named, is a crop-eared roan, and so is Richard the Second's favourite, Barbary, that his groom grudges to Bolingbroke's use in the time of his master's humiliation. The only bit of horsey talk to be found in the plays is that between the Dauphin, the Duke of Orleans, and the Constable, before Agincourt, where the heir of France vaunts the merits of his "nutmeg" coloured horse as "a horse indeed," one never still except when his owner prepares to mount him. This nutmeg horse with the "heat of ginger" is presumably a dark chestnut. "I once writ a sonnet in his praise," says the Dauphin, and his courtier companions echo his sentiments of appreciation. The horse referred to, however, was something lighter than the heavy war-horse of the period; his owner calls him a palfrey.

Romantic fiction has a fashion in colours, and it is curious to notice that the older generations, contemporary with road travelling, are more penetrating in their selection of colour than later ones, with whom a practical knowledge of horse-flesh is limited to the minority. The romanticist of the last and the early part of the present century mounted his hero, whose horse was required to combine super-equine strength and speed with docility and an almost impossible intelligence, on a black steed, and thereby did wisely, that colour, if uncommon, being rarely found apart from courage and sympathy with man. Scott, who was a sportsman, lends that colour to Redgauntlet's horse, who carries double in the escape from the on-rush of the Solway tide, and G. P. R. James and Ainsworth affect black for their highwaymen, necromancers, and thrice-noble heroes, and so partly justify extravagant feats. I recall one headlong gallop down Malvern Hill, followed by a large course over the plain, and terminating in a leap over a park wall, in one of James's books, that I do not, after a length of time, identify; but the princely Katerfelto of the incident rode a black horse and brought him to his stable fit to begin again. The characteristics of a "coal-black" horse are, as I think, mettle without excitability; strength and sweetness of temper that is not allied to indolence. It is one of the true desert colours, like white, which Scott uses for the Sultan's charger of parade in the *Talisman*, comformably to Eastern tradition.

If the rescue of Darsey Latimer had ended at the Downs, Scott might have employed a roan horse for the duty, but he was mindful of the rapid descent into the border "den" that concludes the race. Roans, one must premise, are of two widely differing shades, but either alike is rarely wanting in power and never in bone. Action, as a rule, is superior in the red or sorrel roan, but one may safely look for constitution and endurance. A roan, if not outpaced, is a stayer without sluggishness and good-tempered in his work and stable. The blue roan seems to run more to substance than his red brother, who, again, may be differentiated with a white roan (sometimes rather incorrectly called a silver-grey), the most charming of servants, who adds vivacity and a superior order of intelligence to the merits of his foundation colour, but I fancy somewhat at the expense of constitution. A white roan may be, what is rare with the darker shades, a fast horse.

Modern fiction—and Whyte Melville may have been the inspirer of many authors, who know nothing of what he knew much—affects that misapprehended colour, the chestnut. Following in his wake, the novelist of to-day makes that hue a *sine qua non* with any horse who has to win a steeplechase, bolt with an Amazon, or curvert beneath a lady-killing guradsman. There are, however, varieties of the colour, so that the benefit of the doubt as to probability may be given to the ladies and gentlemen who seat their heroic riders on the unfailing chestnut to their destruction or unending reputation. For the horse may be the best of his kind—a liver chestnut, with shape, substance, courage and impatience that stop short of excitement an impetuous goer, but not a blind one. He may, again, be the full golden chestnut, to which shape is rarely denied, but in which the eagerness is allied to excitability, and whose "free lathering" often means energy expended before it is called for. The golden chestnut, delight of park grooms, is an attractive but hardly a reliable companion. In measure as the deepness of his colour fades, so do the chestnut's good qualities. The pale chestnut combines unwillingness, with untrustworthiness, is a slug, a shier, and—a tumbler-down. The mealy chestnut may be left to the butcher or the carrier, he is almost invariably, whatever his stamp, a weed. Why the chestnut *qua* chestnut (again I except the liver shade), should be a stumbler, is a question that seems only to admit of one, and that an incomplete solution; the fact remains as a rule, though a fine shoulder or long pasterns can be found to show the exception. "Never," a job-master, whose experience ranged over forty years, and some thousands of horses, repeated constantly, "never use chestnuts on the road; the field is their place. Taking them all round, you won't easily beat them as hunters, but keep them off the road and out of harness." This dictum of half a century back touches the posting era, and, brought down to the present day, is borne out by common experience; a chestnut used regularly in harness is rarely unblemished. The one solution I would suggest rests on what appears to be a fact, however difficult of comprehension, namely, that a large proportion of chestnuts have their forelegs "set too far under them"—the ordinary phrase, however, unscientific, best expresses a defect common to the colour.

This very objection applies, but in a less degree, to greys, and the frequent deficiency in horses of that colour in bone *below the knee* may account for it; but there is a considerable difference in constitution between black and white-skinned greys, and the inferior white-skinned horse, who is often delicate, may be chiefly the delinquent, and weakness, especially seasonably weakness, a concomitant cause. Grey horses are rarely defective in the forehand.

Grooms and livery-stable keepers may naturally object to white horses, amongst which greys are included, but the objection should not go beyond them; such an objection is literally skin deep. A grey horse with a black skin—a fleabitten grey specially—is hard and wiry, without the lightness of bone that sometimes discounts wiriness. Grey horses, as a rule, are fully worth their price, for they are notoriously long lived, and are mostly sound in constitution. White horses are mostly patient in temper, enduring, willing, and therefore handy, and, typically at least, not slow. A pink-skinned, pink-nosed grey seems to be softer, but possesses the patience and reasonableness of his colour in a high degree, and is eminently fitted for purposes of parade, for which tradition has selected him. Piebald, the union of white with black, seems to clothe a tractable and intelligent nature that combines something of the attributes of both, but it is too rare a colour for common observation to go far with regard to it. Piebald horses seem to be superior in bone to skewbalds, a colour that the eye associates, with lightness of frame, as the mind does, on perhaps inadequate grounds, with that localised form of intelligence that is the best material for trick training.

Bays vary with the shade to almost as great an extent as chestnuts. A bright bay with black points can hardly be found to belie the "good blood that cannot lie," of which moreover he is bound to possess some crimson drops. His general characteristics are ready courage and will. He is generous, but temperate with his generosity, a horse to ride, given sense and perception, for your life. The full bay may be taken as the standard of his colour. He is good of his class, whatever it is, all round, but not superlative, every one's horse, with rather more than the average of intelligence and constitution, and bay is happily, upon the whole, the commonest colour.

A dark brown horse may well be avoided unless the combination is sought for of something that alike will never go and go for ever. It is his character. A dark brown horse has too commonly a tan muzzle, and light points, are a token of cowardice or want of heart. A dark brown, ridden with a knotted lash, may be roused to the action his shape suggests but against which his heart commonly revolts, and his rider, working equally hard with his mount, may get his full pace out of him. The *rôle* of the dark brown roadster is five miles an hour for thirty years. But he is "unkind" in his work, and if his unwillingness to go makes him indirectly safe in inexperienced hands, his stubbornness, often the outward expression of fear, is a dangerous quality in case of accident. Brown, however, must not be confused with dark bay, to which he is, broadly speaking, as inferior as the dark is to the full or the golden bay. Neither is he to be mistaken for the "be or black," who may be classed far below the ideal of his colour, but who has not the sluggishness of brown. A black with light points is rarely found, and is sometimes called a black chestnut. He is, I think, invariably a cur. The four last-named shades are not easy to define, but are sufficiently distinct to careful observation.

Cream-coloured horses seem to share the characteristics of white, and a dun horse or pony is rarely a bad one, but both are too rare to generalise upon. The ginger chestnut of northern race is not to be confused with cream.

It only remains to observe that any considerable addition of white in the form of blazes, stockings, or patches seems to have the effect claimed for art upon the human race, "to soften the manner and to render less ferocious." But the reason is not apparent. Still less easy of justification is the west-country rhyme about white legs, which claims increasing merit for the horse in proportion to their number, until one with the full complement of four is stamped as a family friend, to live and die with his owner; and yet I believe the rhyme is practically correct.

It is perhaps worth while remarking as a suitable conclusion to these fugitive hints on colour that animals themselves notice and are influenced by it. It is a fact commonly to be observed among dogs that is true in a minor degree with horses, whom I have known make mistakes in recognition when trusting to colour which seems a curious lapse of instinct. One guesses the prejudices, whether favourable or hostile, to be hereditary, for association does not in all cases account for it.

J. O. B.

The Naturalist.

THE SOUTH AMERICAN OSTRICH.

THE American Ostrich is the largest bird of the New World and is the sole survivor there of a group of birds which were very abundant in post tertiary times. Some of these still survive, as the ostrich, the emu, the apteryx and others; but others, like the giant moas of Australasia, have become extinct.

The South American ostrich of which there are two species, is found distributed over the vast plains that extend from the southern tributaries of the Amazon southward as far as Patagonia. Of these two forms the smaller is the more southern, while the entire pampa proper of the Argentina, the larger south-eastern half of Brazil, the eastern portion of Paraguay and the whole of the Banda Oriental of Uruguay is the range of the larger and more northern bird. This species is peculiarly a bird of the plains and avoids alike the forest and abrupt hills or high mountains. He prefers the thickets of the high prairie and the little islands of underbrush which are found here and there over these great prairies.

This ostrich is a bird of the warm temperate zone, and diminishes in numbers as the equator is approached. Throughout all his range the species is found in moderate numbers, being the most abundant where food is plenty. During the breeding season the male lives with from three to seven hens, occupying a range of his own and defending it against any intruder. During the remainder of the year old and young keep together in loose herds of fifty or more individuals, which may be broken up and scattered by any accident such as a night surprise, a storm, or even an intervening rise of ground, while they are feeding, and the stragglers join with the first feeding herd that they may encounter. Notwithstanding this fact, they appear to be attached to a particular range, and a crippled specimen, known by his wing, which had healed imperfectly, was found always within a few miles of a certain point by my men, and I often saw it myself.

The most striking characteristic of the ostrich, and one which has passed into a proverb, is his never-failing appetite. They seem to be eating all the time. In spring the food consists largely of fresh green clover and the insects of the prairie, but his mainstay and daily bread consists of grasses and unripe flower buds, together with such berries and insects as it can pick up. They do not appear to feed upon the dry and ripe seed of many grasses, nor do they touch grain at any time. They very rarely drink.

It is in spring, which of course in the southern hemisphere begins in the month of October, that the ostrich is seen at his best. It is then that his plumage is brightest, his deportment statelicst, and it is then that he utters at short intervals the sonorous guttural cry which gives him his popular name, Nandû. This is a call to his mate, but is also a challenge, an invitation, a warning, and an encouragement all in one. "This never missed its effect upon myself when camped out, with nothing to keep me company for perhaps a hundred miles except my horses and dogs. I heard its long-drawn ring vibrate through the starry night. It was the re-assuring manifestation of life and peace at the same time amid the overwhelming solitude and stillness. As long as this sound reverberates you are safe from every surprise. You will hear it even in your sleep and only when it ceases then you wake up with a start. The horses interiupt their cropping and listen, and the dogs take in the wind to ascertain what it can be. Of all watchful pampa creatures the ostrich is the most vigilant."

Like all the other higher animals of the country they inhabit, wild or tame the ostrich enjoys a siesta at noon during the summer; but to make up for this lost time it feeds for three or four hours during the night. In winter the birds rise and go to sleep with the sun.

The first eggs laid by a family of ostriches are dropped here and there on the praire early in December, but after a while the male bird scratches out a shallow hollow on some dry place, often choosing a wallow dug out by the rolling cattle and here the eggs are laid, the number being from seven to twenty-three. Other eggs are laid outside the nest, for what purpose is not known. It has been stated that those were for the newly hatched bird to feed on but this is not the fact, for these young birds, from their second day on feed upon grass blades and insects. Incubation is performed by the male, who turns the eggs over every day. He sits on them all through the night and in the morning until the dew has left the grass when he leaves them for a time to; feed. This absence is sometimes more or less prolonged, and on one occasion I observed a male feeding for four hours before returning to the nest, and all of the eggs hatched. When the work of incubation begins the bird is timid and likely to steal away at the merest suspicion of danger, but later on he sits much more close and often springs up only when nearly approached. For a little while he will make as if he were about to attack his disturber, but thinking better of it, makes off feigning to be injured and trying to induce pursuit. The nests are sometimes attacked by foxes, opossums, lizards and snakes, but the old bird is said to defend the nest against these creatures if they approach when he is near.

The young are usually hatched about the beginning of January after six weeks' incubation. At two weeks old they stand about 1½ft high and are very pretty in their striped livery of yellow and brown. When a few days out of the shell they cannot be overtaken by a man on foot, but earlier they are often caught; yet there is always danger of killing instead of catching them since when nearly overtaken they are likely suddenly to crouch flat on the ground and may easily be stepped on. When in this position they are recognized only with difficulty, so closely do they resemble the ground on which they lie. For the first few weeks these young birds follow their father about alone, but gradually they are joined by the females, which have hitherto apparently taken no interest in the young family. In fall, that it is in April and May, the downy coat of the young has been changed for one of feathers, which, however, are not of the same grey colour as the plumage of the adult female. At this season the families leave the thicket and move out into the open prairie to avoid the attacks of the larger cats, like the jaguar and the puma which prey upon them. On the whole, however, the ostrich has few enemies except man. Sometimes they may be run down by wolves or captured by one of the big cats, or now and then young ones may serve as a meal for eagle, fox or boa. The pampa fires no doubt destroy more ostriches than all other causes put together.

The damage done by the ostrich is confined to the little clover that it eats, or the rare occasions when it interferes with some cultivated crop. On the other hand, the bird destroys great numbers of noxious insects, and vast quantities of injurious plants while they are green. It is a useful rather than a noxious bird.

L.

The Story Teller.

"SAFE 'UNS" WHICH WON.

MY readers generally will perfectly understand what is implied by the term "safe 'uns." For the benefit, however, of the unsophisticated, I may explain that it is applied to horses—and sometimes to men also—who, for some reason, are supposed to have no chance of winning the contests they are engaged in. Therefore the few who are the fortunate possessors of this information think themselves at liberty to lay against them as far as they possibly can. I have known men—a sort of wholesale merchants in the "dead meat market," as it has been called—who have amassed considerable fortunes in this business, upon which they have lived at ease in honourable retirement for many years. Whatever squeamish people may say, there is no doubt about it being a very profitable business, especially when it comes off all right. I have in my mind at the present moment a case where a dear friend of mine made a little fortune in one transaction of this kind. At times I am tempted to tell the particulars of that little transaction, and if I ever feel unable longer to resist the temptation I promise my readers a sensational story.

That "safe 'un" was one of the right sort. It was one which didn't win; in fact, it didn't even run.

But in this paper I am concerned only with quite another sort of "safe 'uns," for it happens, unfortunately, that

"The best laid schemes o' mice o' men,
Gang aft agley."

And I have known clever men come to grief through knowing too much, for laying against safe 'uns has not always been attended with the happy results I have referred to.

It is more than thirty years ago since I made my first visit to Chesterfield Race course; and so little was I satisfied with it that I never ventured on a second. I went with my brother and a pal, and our joint resources formed the capital which was to fructify and grow into three colossal fortunes by means of a wonderful system of which my pal was the author. During the first day the system didn't work well, so we lost a considerable amount, and we lost on the four first races on the second day; hence matters began to look gloomy, for we hadn't a Barnato sort of bank behind us. It became, therefore, a question whether we should pursue the system to the end, and risk all, or whether we should be content to lose what was gone, and make a new beginning on the system. There was just one other alternative which we discussed; that was an idea of my brother's, who suggested we should pitch away the system altogether, and commence making a book with what of the capital remained. This suggestion was favourably received, and I fancy would have been acted upon if I had not, at that very moment, caught sight of three notorious men in earnest conference. Oh fate! what a world of difference that simple incident may have made in the shaping of several mortal lives!

One of these gentlemen was a dapper sort of fellow with a round face, and a pair of eyes set in it keen as a hawk's, a closely-cropped head with a silk chimney-pot hat on the top of it. He wore a large stand-up linen collar and a black silk neckerchief, a whole suit of black cloth, the coat being the cut-away, leg-a-mutton fashion. He was a singular-looking being to find in a betting ring, and until he opened his broad Lancashire mouth, you would never have taken him for a betting man, but you might have taken him for a prosperous undertaker, a waiter at a first-class hotel, or even for a Methodist parson, the latter, however, only being possible so long as he kept his capacious mouth closed. This "gentleman in black" was the once rich and celebrated Jimmy Barber, a Turf character about whom much may yet be written. One of his companions was a much bigger man, with a large face, heavy hanging jaws—indeed a heavy, clumsy-looking man altogether, in breeches and gaiters, and a "get-up" something between a stableman and a country squire. This was old Joe Saxon, owner, trainer and bookmaker. The other was a little, sharp-looking fellow, with an even more pronounced horsey appearance than Saxon himself, and you would have sworn at once he had been a jockey in his time and was now a trainer, and you would have made no mistake, for this was Joe Kendal.

It was a nice little trio, and were it possible to narrate some of the jobs they had been in together an entertaining volume would result. I looked at them and then instinctively at the card, and found the entrants for the next race were largely composed of horses owned or controlled by them.

"Look at that gang," said I to my friends, "there's something brewing for the next race; let us watch them." Barber quietly slipped away from his pals, and asking my brother to keep his eye on the other two, I determined to watch the movements of the wily old James. I got pretty close to him, and without exciting his suspicion I managed to keep my eyes upon him. I suddenly became aware of another fellow, who was evidently at the same game, watching Barber; this was a simple looking, but well dressed and respectable sort of farmer chap. Barber passed this young fellow almost without looking at him, and yet I could see that some silent communication had passed between them, which was clear enough, for when Jimmy passed leisurely to a place at the back of the stand, I saw the young farmer at a distance follow him there, and you may be sure I was not far behind the young man when he entered this place. In not more than a minute after, I also entered, but I came very near being too late; they were near together and alone, and the farmer was in the act of thrusting a bundle of bank notes into his pocket, which I concluded Jimmy had handed to him. Not a word was spoken that I heard, and they separated without any sign of recognition, Jimmy going in one direction and the farmer in another. I followed the young one, and before he had gone many yards I saw him take a slip of notepaper out of his pocket, and after carefully perusing it replace it there. At this moment my friends came up.

"You see you farmer looking chap?" said I to my brother, "You follow him instantly, see what he does, and five minutes before the fall of the flag we'll meet here." And turning to my pal I told him to find Saxon with the same purpose. For myself it was not long before I was on the track of old Jimmy. The ring was a very small one, so it was not a difficult task; not nearly so difficult as it was in such a limited market to get any amount of money on a good thing. Consequently, owners of the class I am describing often had to resort to all sorts of ruses to get a little money on their horses, for it must be remembered that in those days there were no starting price people to help them in their difficulties.

Well, the numbers were hoisted, and there were three runners only; they were Barber's own horse, Cutler, ridden by Jem Snowden, Gamecock by Thorpe, and Nothing More, with Clarkson up. I felt certain this was a job, and that it was only a question of finding the pea. I found Barber industriously *asking after* Gamecock of nearly every bookie in the ring, but only backing him with two men, whom I knew to be his pals, and so adroitly did he manage the business, there was quite a rush on the part of the public to be on that horse, which had the effect of driving Mr. Barber's own horse to four or five to one. The readiness of a certain couple of layers to accommodate all comers with as much as they wanted Gamecock—coupled with the fact that Barber—in addition to backing, or appearing to back Gamecock, quietly appropriated several large bets which were offered against his own horse, let the cat out of the bag. It was evident Cutler was the pea. I rushed off to meet my friends with this information, only to have it abundantly confirmed.

My pal had discovered that Saxon had been all over the ring, backing Cutler wherever he could get a decent offer; occasionally, however, having a tenner on Nothing More. While my brother had found the young farmer, quietly disposing of his roll of notes, supporting Mr. Barber's horse. Gamecock clearly was the "safe 'un;" and we could trouble no more about systems or bookmaking, but must have a dash on Cutler, with a little on Nothing More, for a saver. And in pursuit of this object we laid out the whole of our capital to the last sovereign, although we felt sure that, with fair play, neither of them had the slightest chance with Gamecock; and so, feeling we had done a good day's work, we went on to the grand stand to see the race. Now it chanced that when there I found myself standing shoulder to shoulder with Joe Kendal. I had my field glasses up, and could see the three horses as they came up the straight, all abreast. Then I saw Gamecock forge half a length in front of the other two, who at the close of the betting had been backed at about evens against each other, almost as if it had been a match, with no such horse as Gamecock in the race; while, the truth being apparent, he had retired to any price.

"Why, what does this mean?" I cried. "Gamecock is going to win."

"That be d——d," almost screamed the trainer at my elbow; "he *can't* win."

However, he did win, and Cutler was second. I took one look at Kendal, whose face was a picture of dismay, and all sorts of colours, and I have no doubt I and my friends very much resembled him. We were "stony," and had to get home as we could. I afterwards heard on very good authority that Gamecock had been allowed to drink a bucket of water just before the start, and it was thought that would suffice to stop him without trusting the man on his back.

It took me some time to get over this blow, and I vowed to myself that no more would I have anything to do with "Safe 'Uns." In the month of July in the following year I found myself making a book at Hungerford Races. I had managed to get together again a decent little bank, and I had for my partner and clerk poor old Ted Horsley, who died a few years ago. We were now betting at a box; or, as they were called, a "Judy," with an opening into the ring, so that I could bet with people in the enclosure as well as the outside public. Just before the numbers went up a gentleman, who since those days has made a considerable figure in the racing world, came to me with the information that old Reindeer would be a hot favourite but wouldn't win.

"Don't ask any questions," said he, "and don't miss a shilling Reindeer. Of course, I was very much obliged to him, because I was absolutely certain his purpose was to do me good, and I know, moreover, that he even then occupied a position to command information beyond my reach. When the numbers went up we found there were four or five runners in addition to Mr. Henry Fisher's old horse, but beyond him and Discretion, at about four to one, there was nothing else backed. Naturally enough, I concluded that Discretion was the right one, and wouldn't lay against him content to confine my efforts to getting all I could out of the favourite, who started at 6 to 4; and succeeded so well that I had when the flag fell, nearly a satchel full of gold and silver, besides notes, and a sense of gratitude to my kind friend possessed me, as I felt the weight of the bag that hung from my shoulders and wondered what it would total up to, thinking the while that I should certainly never want money again. I was awoke from this momentary reverie and these pleasant feelings by the familiar cry "they're off," and so they were, and so was I, off the top of the stool almost in a fit. The old horse had won easily, and I was once more "a broker." All I and poor old Horsely had in the world was not nearly enough to settle with, and the kind friend who gave me the information came forward just in time to save us from an awkward dilemma, and possibly the 'Judy" from serious consequences. Up to the time of his death my dear old friend Horsley would feel ill at the very mention of the word "Reindeer."

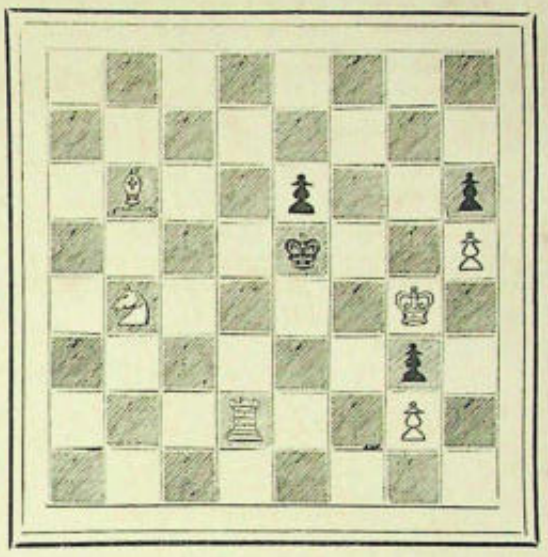
Chess.

Solution to Problem No. 382.

WHITE.	BLACK.
1. R. to K 3	1. B. to K 4
2. Q. to Kt 6	2. Anything
3. B. mates.	

Problem No. 383.

BLACK.



WHITE.

White to play and mate in four moves.

Cards.

BRIDGE.

Solution to Problem No. 17.

SOLUTION: If B has played truthfully Z's queen of spades was a false card. Probably he holds the 9 and 6, and he is also marked with the ace of clubs. If A goes on with spades, therefore, he loses the game. Y Z win four tricks in diamonds (assuming that Z has another one to lead through A's queen), two in hearts, and one each in clubs and spades, beside the trick already won. A's only chance of saving the game is to credit his partner with the queen of hearts, and clear a club, keeping the ace of spades as a card of entry. If he were to lead a heart at trick 5, Z would put on Y's king, and lead the 10 of spades, making his own 9 good, and so winning the game. A should, accordingly, lead the queen or 10 of clubs. By this means, if B holds the queen of hearts, AB must win the last two tricks and save the game.

Problem No. 18.

Score AB 28, YZ 0. Z deals and leaves it to Y who declares no-trumps. Y's and Z's hands are as follow:—

Y's Hand (Dummy).

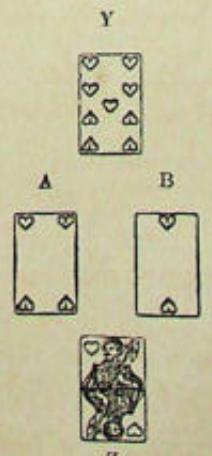
Y's Hand (Dummy): Hearts, ace, queen, 10, 9; diamonds, 4; clubs, king, 10, 8, 7; spades, ace, queen, 9, 8; clubs, king, 10, 8, 7; spades, ace, queen, 9, 8.

Z's Hand (The Dealer.)

Z's Hand (the Dealer): Hearts, knave, 8, 6; diamonds, queen, knave, 8, 3, 2; clubs, 9, 2; spades, king, knave, 10.

The first trick is as foliows:—

Trick 1.



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ON the 11th October last we published under the above heading an article which discussed a subject of considerable interest to Indian sportsmen, and which again introduces us to those "amenities" of shooting which have doubtless existed ever since we came to this country, and will probably continue until we leave it.

If we look into the sporting literature of India in the past it will be seen that the pursuit of *shikar* has always been attended by a certain amount of friction among its votaries. This friction over what we may call the "shikar question" exists, of course, in all countries, and is really almost as common to present day human nature as it was to that of the first savage that ever flinted a rival for possession of the sporting rights over a stone age jungle. Civilisation has to a certain extent repressed or veneered over this natural tendency to jealousy in hunting matters, for in most parts of the old world game has become the private property of individuals. Yet in many ways we may see that, even in the most civilised communities, it not only exists but is very much alive.

When we come to parts of the world in which game is practically common property we find these very human feelings much more in evidence. *Shikar* in such surroundings partakes far more of the old natural prehistoric hunting; and the instinct that comes down to us from a savage past is so strongly stirred that the man who happens to have a full dose of it in his blood would find it difficult to disobey.

So it comes that, even in these days of what seems to us a rather namby-pamby decadence, there are a good many devotees of Diana in India, and a yet larger number of men who have some leaning towards *shikar*—all of whom desire to indulge their inclination for sport in the more or less common hunting grounds of this country.

Since this common field cannot, humanly speaking, fail to become a bone of contention, friction is bound to result, regulate we never so wisely. And as the elemental nature of Indian shooting tends to engender rather elemental feelings in connection with it, these *shikar* jealousies seldom lack *vis*.

Now, the peculiarities of India and the form of her administration have brought about this situation that the rivals for enjoyment of the so-called common hunting grounds of this country find themselves divided broadly into two categories—first, the general resident public, official and non-official; second, the officials who administer the civil government (especially, perhaps, in a local capacity), and thus command the entry to shooting grounds. Even in the absence of forest reservation it is clear that the latter class occupies this advantageous position of door-keeper, in that its members usually hold the keys of their districts in the shape of "purwans and takeeds"—without which an outsider is often helpless to move, far less shoot.

Thus we have two classes of sportsmen; one privileged, the other not possessed of such advantages, both of which desire to hunt over common grounds.

Under these circumstances—being mindful of human nature, and disregarding for once the rather transparent veil that here separates the professed from the real—can it be denied that the privileged

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class is inclined to develop a sense of proprietorship in the shooting grounds over which it exercises sway, or that the temptation to benefit by their advantages is sometimes too much for some of its members?

Such consideration, combined, no doubt, with faults on the part of the unprivileged people, naturally tend to create an undercurrent of suspicion; and this is liable to develop into worse feeling when partisans are found ready to jump at any conclusion that seems to afford some opportunity of damaging the other side.

We may incidentally remark that some of the new shooting rules seem to have considerably aggravated this feeling between the two classes of Indian sportsmen.

We have hitherto given human nature its due, and have tried to allow for the rather elemental feelings that *shikar* tends to rouse. But a line must be drawn somewhere; and, having the interest of all sportsmen at heart, to whichever category they may belong, we feel that it is our duty to minimize as much as possible the friction to which we have alluded.

In our article of the 11th October the subject was regarded from the point of view apparently taken by some of the second class of claimants to the shooting grounds of India—the district official. We write "apparently" since the individual whose views we then expressed is not himself a member of what we have termed the privileged class—although we presume that he obtained at least some of the material for his remarks from a district or forest official. In the present article we propose to examine the other side of the question, to turn over the interesting coin that lies before us and inspect its obverse; and, in doing so, to point a certain moral that all sportsmen would do well to lay to heart, and which, we feel, would prevent many a misunderstanding on either side.

Although, in the particular instance with which we are at present concerned, good may be said to have resulted in that erroneous impressions have been removed, it is a matter of much regret to us that the personal statements on which most of the article of the 11th October hinged were not verified before publication. Examination shows that they conveyed, to put it mildly, a grossly erroneous impression.

The statements referred to attracted the attention of one of our readers by certain coincidences, and he began a correspondence the result of which has satisfied him that the inference that he was the person referred to was correct. He has now laid a complete refutation before us—including all correspondence which passed regarding the arrangement of his visit to the jungles indicated, and a minute description of all events bearing on the question. This entirely disproves the assertions which we unfortunately accepted at their face value and is so well worth comparing with them that we give extracts in full.

"The statement that I left the country without paying for supplies and coolies is a very old trick and one that is commonly tried on by village headmen—and even by more responsible persons—after an outside visitor has left a district. However, having once been 'had' in this way, in my early days, I have ever since been particularly careful to get receipts and otherwise provide against these little attentions. So I am prepared to meet any definite complaints on this subject. As it happens, by the kindness of the district officials who arranged for my visit, *I was attended by various subordinate district and revenue officials during the greater part of my trip, and payments were made through them and receipts taken in full!* Most of the coolie payments I saw to myself, although receipts were obtained through these officials. Where receipts could, for obvious reasons not be had, I personally supervised payments, and knew enough of the local language to satisfy myself that payees had no complaints. The only people unpaid by me were 40 coolies on one occasion, 10 on another. Since in each case they deposited my kit in the jungle, and disappeared, never to return, I suppose I am justified in reserving payment! I used to carry about a big sack of parched gram and raw sugar to establish my usual amicable relations with my jungle friends, and my 40 deserters had been given a good tuck in of this just before they made off! Since one of them had also taken two of my spotted deer heads and two skins, without my blessing, I somehow feel that after all they may have been defaulters rather than I?"

"Of course you can't get round *dastûri*; nor can the omniscient district official himself. This is often levied even *after* the dibs have been placed in payee's own paw. While on this subject, it is obvious to anyone who understands India that inhabitants suffer far more from the stately progresses of district officials than from outside sportsmen's camps, the latter usually being much smaller, far less exacting, and unattended by the harpies who are attached in various capacities to the former, all wielding local power by virtue of their office, and seldom missing a chance. Nobody can help this, of course. But the fact remains."

"Your correspondent further states that twelve bison were shot in the district. The correct total number is *two!* These were shot at ———where I stayed with———the Assistant Superintendent of Police."

"Some time previous to this I had shot six bison elsewhere; two at———, three in the———country, and one near ———, all these localities being in quite separate districts and averaging fifty miles apart. For my total bag of eight bison I covered over five hundred miles on my feet, out of a total itinerary of 640 miles in that country."

"All those bison were solitary bulls, except one; and that one carried a bigger head than some of the solitaries."

"It is quite untrue that none of the heads exceeded 34 inches spread. Several were larger. That bison heads seldom run to record 'spread' in that country seems proved by the fact that most of those bagged are thick and much worn, and belonged to very old bulls, some of those being of a curiously 'cobby' appearance."

"As regards the buffaloes, your correspondent seems to have obtained equally misleading information. It is presumed that he or his informant saw the heads before making such definite statements? Yet the bull's head is not difficult to distinguish. It may be seen in——at present."

"I do not defend the shooting of cow buffaloes which is, of course, a catastrophe—although they often carry good heads, and are apparently still shot in some places; but anyone who knows these beasts is aware that occasions arise when they have to be fired at in self-defence."

"If the responsible authorities of any of the districts in which I travelled had the smallest reason to believe that I did not settle up all dues, it was their duty to let me know at once; and I presume that they would have done so. To let complaints pass in silence, and then harbour unjust ideas is not playing the game. If complaints founded on native report were more frequently enquired into, in an impartial spirit, they would, in the majority of cases, be found to consist of nothing but the usual Indian attempt to set one sahib against another."

"As to the eight bison I shot. Put in a garbled and distorted way, this might possibly seem excessive; but, considering the great extent of country in which they were shot, in localities so far apart, the extraordinary numbers of them (I saw 127 bison myself in following my own narrow line through that huge jungle) the sanctuary afforded by the impenetrable nature of the country, deadly climate, and difficulties of travelling, and the unlikelihood of the slightest harm having been done to the enormous head of game, it reads rather differently."

"I worked hard, risked much, broke no rules, and injured neither game nor anybod'y prospects for what I got—one bison per week. This I think will bear comparison with a bag of OVER TWENTY BISON OF BOTH SEXES AND ALL SIZES, *which, so I am informed on credible authority, was made* ON ONE HILL BY A DISTRICT OFFICIAL *in one of the very districts I visited.* I only mention this on the principle that sauce for the goose is likewise sauce for the gander, and that, apparently, it is not only 'outsiders' who are accused of making out these butchers' bills."

Recrimination of this kind is, after all, only natural, even in so commendably moderate a letter; but both tort and retort might have been avoided had enquiry been made before indulging in such reckless partisanship as our original contributor displayed. And this is the object lesson which we desire to convey to those of our readers who may be interested. District official or outsider, each should assume the other as good a fellow as himself, and avoid forming hasty and off-hand opinions. Even when there seems to be clear ground for complaint, the parties concerned would do well to address each other first with a view to ascertaining the facts direct. We are, however, well aware of the sentiments that stand in the way of this counsel of perfection. Outsiders—as we have called them—are sometimes inconsiderate, and district officials do not in all cases appear to realize the extremely equivocal position they occupy with reference to the *shikar* question. We have already referred to the bad feeling produced by some of the new Indian shooting rules. While ready to make reasonable allowance for the "proprietorial" feelings of district officials, whom nobody grudges the reservation of a little bit for themselves, there is a distinct impression abroad that some of them turn the regulations too largely to their own advantage. There have also been many complaints of late that shooting areas are being closed to outsiders for no apparent good reason; and this, added to the fact that privileged individuals have been known to make too free use of their official position to command shooting facilities, does not help to allay suspicion.

Only the most scrupulous care and sincerity on the part of district officials can relieve them of the responsibility for a difficult and undesirable situation. To argue from the particular to the general, and to jump at the misdeeds of one individual—which, as we have shown, may be entirely imaginary—as an excuse to close jungles to "outsiders" would hardly serve to improve their case.

It is only fair to district officials as a body that the whole situation should be cleared up, and more light thrown on the regulation of *shikar*.

Officials have no greater right to sporting facilities than the public of which they are the servants; and, while we blame them no more than we do outsiders for these shooting amenities, it is plain that their position demands the publication—in detail—of their control of shooting grounds as much as that of a Banker does his Balance Sheet or a Government its Budget.

Sporting Notes.

THE racing at the Calcutta First Extra Meeting does not call for much comment. Of the favourite Santa Maria alone pulled back her proverbially lucky owner's money and gave him a real good start on the new season's ventures. Otherwise the Hastings stable was out of luck, however, as Bonita and Mercedes both failed to score, the latter being beaten by the outsider Lady Metal, about which almost any price was offering in the ring before the race.

Poor Old Psalm, who was given up a year ago, came out in the pony race and won with astonishing ease, giving weight to such speedy opponents as Silphoe, Pat C. and Picture.

Mr. Galstaun opened his account with Rustler's victory in the first race, and Olynthus in receipt of 10lbs. could only finish second.

We were pleased to see that the "eliminating" process adopted by the Turf Club has already had its effect in more ways than one. It was noticed that "Johnny Armstrong" was conspicuous by his absence. A dozen stands were occupied by the knights of the pencil; the public and the bookies seemed to have gained confidence, and a fair amount of money changed hands. In the first race, perhaps, only two horses were backed for money, but we noticed in the other four nearly every horse was backed at some price, and we have never seen the bookies so liberal. The price at one time was 6 to 1 Rustler in the First Race, in the second 7 to 1 was laid about Plover. As much as 20 to 1 was laid about Lady Metal, which we have been told was an even money chance. Psalm and Santa Maria could have been had at 6 to 1, although the latter started at 2 to 1.

Incidentally we may observe that some good prices have been laid in the Cup, such as 4 to 1 Long Tom, 11 to 2 Fitzgrafton and 10 to 1 Mallard, while others were priced at 20 to 1.

In the Trials 7 to 1 has been laid on the field. We must say such liberal odds were never before quoted in India. We only hope that the penciller's liberality will continue throughout the season.

The new stands and enclosures have raised a roar of disapproval from the public and a small storm in the daily press. The principal complaints are launched against the special enclosure for the members of the Turf Club and the lack of accommodation for the public in the big stand.

A private paddock is to be seen on every English race-course and is a luxury to which Turf Club members are undoubtedly entitled now that the "gate" has swollen to such large proportions. The position of the present enclosure, however, is perhaps at first sight such as to give annoyance to the public using the big stand, and they think the Club might well have waited until the increase of paddock accommodation to be obtained next season enabled them to provide themselves with this luxury without giving the great offence to the public, which is caused by the present arrangement.

But the complainants evidently do not realize that this year's stands are quite temporarily arranged. A third large stand is to be built in place of the relic of the old stand now existing. The Turf Club stand is neither intended nor supposed to fully accommodate the public, who are this year requested to put up with half the C. T. C. stand and the remaining portion of the old stand.

We must remember that Rome was not built in a day, and that it takes time to put up Grand Stands: it is extremely creditable after all, if one reflects, that the C.T.C. has achieved what it has in a few months. Patience, my masters, a *little* patience.

The reduction in paddock accommodation is actually very small, and it is really the detour enforced by the Turf Club enclosure which has raised the ire of the grumblers.

With the complaints of ladies not entitled to use the club enclosures it is difficult to deal. A Racing Club cannot provide separate pens for each and every grade of female society, for one very obvious reason that the difficulty of sorting would be superhuman. The growls of trainers and owners are more legitimate and will no doubt receive immediate attention. Many useful suggestions have been made, and the Executive may be trusted to give due consideration to them all. Further criticism

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at this juncture is scarcely necessary. There are, however, two matters we think the Stewards ought to attend to at once. A pen might be found for the betel spitting, eructating, low-class Aryan—not the native *gentleman* he is always welcome ; the *demi monde* should be rigorously excluded.

The Viceroy's Cup market has been little agitated during the week and the only noticeable feature in the betting list is the rapid decline of Munderah, whose lameness or soreness on the track is persistently reported. The favourite has put in two long gallops and his appearance pleases his admirers well enough. Cherson has surprised the critics by his excellent condition, but they cannot make up their minds about Steinhager and Rosanule. The former's record entirely eclipses that of his stable companion, but on their present appearance and gallops Rosanule has more friends. Fitzgrafton and Mallard are another strong pair and barring accidents the first named is bound to run up towards the head of the list very soon. Sacristan II attracts a little money at long prices for the big race ; but none of the others, except perhaps Clear Artist, are attracting much attention on the course. A number of the cracks are entered for the December Plate next Saturday, but scratchings for this event are found to be numerous.

Entries for the Second Extra Meeting look very healthy. In the December Plate just mentioned twenty-three are billed, including Long Tom, Footprint, Sacristan II, Paddy's Darling, Munderah, Contest, The Master, Rosanule, Signorina, Amplify, and Saloon. This is the kind of race in which to back condition as very few of these fliers can be anything like ready to give their best form.

The Master is perhaps the most advanced of the party and his connections will probably be glad enough to pick up this race instead of training on for a bigger prize at the Christmas Meetings. The Hurdle Race has drawn a splendid field of no less than fourteen horses, including Decoration, Olynthus and all the new cracks in addition to Hoop Iron and the Monsoon contingent. On the top of the ground Hoop Iron must make the best of them gallop. Lord D. has been put to lepping and appears in this somewhat high class company. There are twenty-one maiden horses, so we have every prospect of big fields on Saturday and some bad crushes at the home bend. An improvement at that point of the course is very urgently called for now that fields have swollen to such big figures.

The Annual Meeting of the Paperchase Club was held in Russell Street last Friday evening when some twenty of the most prominent riding members appeared to record their votes. No new rules were proposed this year and no changes suggested from last year's code. The only question of interest was that of course making and the carrying on of the secretaryship, which Mr. Allen after several years' hard work, has resigned. Messrs. M. Turner and Stokes, who made the courses last season, have agreed to put through the secretaryship work in addition to the field operations and Mr. Deakin promised to help in the latter. Few realise the responsibility and labour involved in this work and any relief from the daily ride out to the Salt Lake country must be extremely welcome to those who have taken it upon themselves to see that the Friday morning throng is not disappointed. The following members of Committee were duly elected : Messrs. Dudley Myers, Dring, Turner, Deakin, Gresson, and Stokes. The Cup donors, Messrs. Gresson, Macpherson, Rodocanachi and McLeod were accorded a grateful vote of thanks and the meeting closed in peaceful harmony.

Colonel P. K. Beaver was welcomed back to the Calcutta course last Saturday ; his little string is expected to reach Heywood in the course of the week and his many friends trust that the cerise jacket will run forward during many years yet to be unfolded.

Another welcome guest is Mr. R. Boteler, whose final departure from these shores was confidently reported. No longer can he mystify backers with inscrutable handicaps and delight the stands with three and four-horse finishes, but nevertheless he has been speedily impressed into the public service. Mr. Boteler will preside at the scales and very pleased will both riders and backers be to hear it. Jockeys will not now be allowed to leave the scales to fetch a forgotten martingale and then be promptly disqualified for leaving the weighing room without orders, to the utter dismay of their backers. The public, who pay the money at the gate, like to know that the reins are held by experienced men, and Mr. Boteler's return is welcomed by them accordingly. It is a treat to stand in the weighing room and see him pass a big board of riders through.

Some misapprehension seems to have arisen at the races last Saturday in respect of the refreshment arrangements, many, who grumbled at the disposition of seating and other accommodation by the C. T. C., finding a little spare criticism to bestow upon the caterers. Many thought the bar and tea pavilion, tiffin room, etc., were also *taboo*. Not so ; this is quite a mistake. Messrs. Kellner's bar and tea pavilion in the paddock is for the use of *non-members* of the C. T. C. ; in the Grand Stand Enclosure the tiffin supplied is also for the general public as is the tea and liquid refreshments in the Monsoon Stand or Eastern Enclosure. And it may be useful to note that tiffins are served from 1 to 3 P.M.

The following domestic occurrence will be read with pleasure by very many of our readers :—

Stokes—King.—On the 30th November 1906, at St. Paul's Cathedral, by the Rev. Canon Jackson, assisted by the Rev. Canon Luckman, Harry Stokes, of Lincoln's Inn, Barrister-at-Law, son of the late A. Allen Stokes, of Pauntley, Newent, Glostershire, and Naomi Kathleen, third daughter of Lorraine King, of Knebworth, Hertfordshire.

We join their hosts of friends in tendering Mr. and Mrs. Harry Stokes our very hearty felicitations.

Some good race horses leave shortly for India. Mr. Joe Kendall, the well known trainer has only made a short stay in England and is returning to India with some few of the best blood stock which he has fortunately succeeded in securing from gentlemen breeders. Those who entrusted Mr. Kendall to purchase the horses will be sure to be pleased with them we are told, and will hope they may prove as good as Up Guards, Countess, Schomberg, Apthorp, etc. One selection among his ponies may turn out a gem as she is an exceptionally well bred one by Dog Rose, winner of the Stewards' Cup and many races. She has never run, but has, we learn, pleased the trainer in many ways. A fine upstanding gelding by Grand Duke is another of his purchases which has won golden opinions from judges. Rosewater, a Merman colt, stands forth as an exceptionally promising one, and if he only proves as good as his sire Mr. Kendall will have reason to be proud.

On the 15th ultimo in the course of an article on the recent restrictions on the importation of rifles to this country we took occasion to express our confidence in the ability of the British gunmaker to come to the rescue of the Indian sportsman and meet the difficulty, and that without loss of time. It is therefore with much pleasure we publish to-day in our Shooting Columns a special article on the successful efforts of Messrs. Westley Richards to improve the Accelerated Express system. They have just introduced a new bore on this line, the ·318 bore, shooting a bullet of 250 grains with a muzzle velocity of 2,500 ft. secs. and a striking energy of 3,466 ft. lbs., *i.e.* 15 per cent. greater than the ·375/303, and is, we can well believe, the most perfect development of the small bore sporting rifle yet attained. We direct the particular attention of all shikaris to the article for it must be of interest to them, not only on account of the step in advance made on the small bore sporting rifle, but coming so opportunely as a satisfactory substitute for the now prohibited ·450 bore.

A Bhamo correspondent writes to the *Rangoon Gazette :* "Three *cheetahs* which took up their abode in a well-grassed nullah between the polo ground and the *dhobie-ghat* adjacent to Fort effected a considerable diminution in the number of pie-dogs in the station. One of the *cheetahs*, a well-grown male, had the temerity to do his hunting by daylight and was promptly bagged by Lieutenant Barnett, 91st Punjabis, who, with Corporal Massey, the King's Own, lay in wait for him. The other two, a female and her cub, have not been seen since."

On the subject of "puppy walking"—fascinating hobby of our youth, ere "India's coral strand" claimed us as a victim—a writer in *The County Gentleman* discourses thusly :—

"The hunting season proper has begun in earnest, and on every side we hear of the crowds which have turned out to honour the opening meets. Foxhunting was never so popular ; never before did so many people ride to hounds. Therefore, surely, this is the truly psychological moment when the hunting world should remind itself of what a vast amount of their amusement they owe to an oft-forgotten class of beings—the puppy walkers. Of course, every summer there are hound-puppy shows, and then conviviality and champagne make the speakers say nice things of everyone, and the puppy walkers in particular. But it is not then, in the height of summer, when hunting is for the time

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a vanished happiness—it is not then that the debt the sport owes to the puppy walkers is realised except in a very transitory manner. It is when we come face to face with things and weigh up in our minds the causes which contribute most solidly to the sport—then it is that the enormous importance of the puppy walker makes itself felt.

"It will come almost in the nature of a surprise to many of those who come out hunting to be told that the most interesting and the most important things in the hunt are the hounds. So many who come out never see hounds, and never care to see hounds, that it, as I say, rather surprises them to be reminded, that it is on the hounds that everything depends. But when those hounds gather round the huntsman, as they sedately accompany him to the meet, just ask this question, 'Where do they come from'? Only in a secondary sense do they come from the kennels. Not one of those hounds has been reared at the kennels nor could be. They have been handled at the kennels and their corporate life as a pack has been disciplined at the kennels; in short, a kind of top-dressing has been given them at the kennels, but that is all. But each of those hounds, on whose stamina, condition, and constitution all the hunting depends, is the product of the puppy walker. Each hound is a testimony to the infinite patience, worry, sacrifice, and devotion which has been expended with him in some quiet home far away from the kennels, where he has been supplied with the conditions necessary to make him of any ultimate use in the field. Of course, there are old hounds in their fourth or fifth season, but they, too, years ago, were the nurslings of the puppy walker, and the fact that a hound can last four or five seasons in these days when they are bred so much for pace only proves that their early days must have been very carefully provided for.

"Suppose, at one of these opening meets, that a Master were to ask how many sportsmen present would like to walk a hound puppy, how many hands would go up? I very much doubt if one in twenty would. The reply would much more likely be, 'I wouldn't have one of those mischievous, thieving sheep-worrying brutes hanging about my place for anything in the world.' Masters of hounds are always complaining, not that they cannot get walks for their puppies, but that they cannot get good walks. And a hound puppy is not an easy thing to walk. It is not the least use to think you can take a puppy and leave him to take care of himself. Nothing in the world so much needs a personal interest taken in him, as a hound. His first instinct is to hunt, and hunt something he will. But next to that he is capable of great affection, and if you can get him to love you and trust you, then, and only then, will you be able to discipline and control his native puppy instincts without breaking his spirit. All this means that somebody somewhere has taken infinite pains to put into the field on the opening day of the hunting season a hound on whose sagacity, physique, and constitution you can rely for giving you a good sporting run. Of course, the puppies will not display their real form in the first season. No Master of hounds, I think, would ever draft a hound because he did not hunt well his first season. It takes at least two, perhaps more, seasons to bring some hounds to their best. But the huntsman will soon get their hunting powers out of them if they only possess the constitution and hardiness necessary to stand the fatigues of work. What a huntsman cannot do is to hunt without hounds, and neither can he show sport unless the foundations of his handiwork have been laid strongly in the days when the puppy was entrusted for his moulding and making of the puppy walker. Of the crowds which attend the opening meets, the proudest man in the field is the man who has a hound in the pack. You won't notice him, but you may perhaps catch sight of him as he steals quietly up behind hounds and peers into their faces, and a smile comes over his face as he recognises the features of his puppy who has survived the evil days of mischief and distemper and the drafting process, and now at last figures in the pack of working hounds. This is the coronation moment for the puppy walker. He can laugh to scorn the decision of the judges on the show day, when they wouldn't look at his puppy, but now when the mighty on the flags are out of sight with kennel lameness, and the huntsman's knowing eye singles his puppy out as a worker, he is a happy man for the whole of the season, and that day will always have a particular thrill for him when his 'beauty' is out. Puppy walking, in spite of its worries and disappointments, is a fascinating study, and this I think is the moment when those who hunt should remember that, without the interest and self-sacrifice of the walkers of hounds, they could have no hunting at all. Every consideration is needed to make the work of the walker of hound puppies more easy, and when it is remembered what foxhunting means to the country, what money it distributes, what geniality it inspires, and what amusement it affords, then it will be realised how much is dependent on the quiet and unobtrusive and absolutely indispensable services of the puppy walkers. Take them away, and hunting totters to its fall."

The Lahore Dog Show looks like having record entries this year; we are glad to learn that many new owners are coming forward as exhibitors.

Information is to hand of yet another brutal outrage by villagers on a couple of young British officers while out shooting. A telegram to the *Englishman* says:—

"Authentic details of a brutal assault on two British officers doing duty at Purandhar at the military sanitarium, 26 miles from Poona, have been brought in. The officers were Lieutenant Ramsay, East Lancashire Regiment, and Lieutenant White, Connaught Rangers. They were out buck shooting on the 27th ultimo near the Pipli village, and as they were stalking a herd a few women happened to get in front of them. They had their rifles loaded and were only waiting for the women to get away to allow them to fire. The women persisted in remaining where they were, and to make matters worse they set up a howl, which brought one of the villagers out. This man, without the remotest idea what had occurred, rushed up to the officers and assumed a most threatening attitude towards them. He in his turn shouted for the other villagers to turn out and in a few minutes thirty men arrived with lathies and stones, set upon the two officers, who maintained marvellous composure during the furious attack. The gang first pelted stones at the officers and subsequently rushed upon them, using their lathies freely. Lieutenant Ramsay was knocked down and assaulted almost to the point of death. His injuries are serious enough to cause alarm. Lieutenant White was not so badly treated, but he was subjected to the grossest indignities by these thirty or more ruffians, who hastily made away when they were told by the shikari doing duty with the officers that the persons whom they had attacked were officers and not soldiers, as they imagined. The injured officers were conveyed to Purandhar and admitted into hospital there. It is impossible to overlook the fact that the officers, armed with loaded guns, never at any moment attempted to take advantage of their possession of weapons. The District Superintendent of Police has left for the scene of the outrage."

There were two bad accidents at the Rangoon Races on Saturday last. One was caused by the stupidity of a mounted policeman who sallied forth on to the course to keep the crowd back, failed to regain a place of safety in time, got his horse at right angles to the rails as the field swept round the home bend in the Lieutenant-Governor's Cup and brought down Satina, who was being ridden by F. Clark. Horses and riders were little the worse for the fall, but some people will regret the bobby was not damaged. The other accident occurred in the Autumn Plate, in which the mare La France crossed her legs, broke both fetlocks and had to be shot.

The W. I. T. C. Stewards, we notice, have lately been enforcing the penalties for presenting ponies for measurement when in an unfit condition; they are also determined to be strict in the matter of granting licenses to jockeys, judging by recent announcements in their *Calendar*.

Two events in connection with the Quetta Hunt Point to Point races were brought off on the 26th ultimo. A field of seventeen turned out for the Light Weight Cup (Rs. 49) presented by Colonel T. O'Donnell, D.S.O., for all ponies 13-2 and under. Catch weights above 10st. 7lbs. This was won by Mr. C. Newall on Banzai, Mr. Roberts second riding Mr. H. Allen's Songstress, Mr. T. Lean third on Sportsman, Captain G. Moore's Bayswater fourth. Miss Jackson on The General ran prominently throughout and looked like finishing second when her mount came down, luckily without injuring his sporting rider. Captain Swettenham's Sheikh Hants fell early in the race, breaking his neck, his rider escaping without injury. The Hunt Cup (Rs. 49) presented by the officers of the Royal Warwickshire Regiment: for all ponies 14-2 and under; catch weights above 12st. 7lbs. Seven competed. Mr. E. Carter on Benmore finishing first, Mr. J. Waring second on The Badger, Captain Gray third riding Mr. H. Eliot's Tommy.

Fourth entries for the Civil Service Cup closed on the 1st instant; they are four in number: Flo (*late* Maud) the property of Mr. W. B. Green, and Haden, S. S., and Plover (a winner at the Calcutta First Extra Meeting) owned by two native racing men.

Alas! another polo fatality to record. In the opening game of the Agra Tournament on Monday Lieutenant E. C. C. Lloyd, of the Royal Welsh Fusiliers, came down as the result of his pony stumbling and succumbed to his injuries a few hours after. The tournament has been postponed for a week.

Entries for the Calcutta Second Extra Meeting, next Saturday, are given in the usual place to-day. They show an improvement, in numbers at least, on those of the First Extra.

We have to thank Messrs. Francis, Harrison and Hathaway for a copy of their price list for the current season, setting forth the attractions of millinery, dress-making, furnishing, etc., replete with the latest productions and exclusive novelties of London and Paris. Every department has been heavily and thoroughly restocked, and the artistic Christmas gifts, varying in character and price to suit all tastes and purses, are in themselves quite a feature of this old and well established house, known to us for so many years in its convenient corner of Government Place, that its name has become a household word in this city. At a time when our purse strings must of necessity be frequently loosened it is comforting to reflect that they need not be stretched beyond their capacity do we only select with wisdom and discretion gifts for young and old, from the inviting pages of the catalogue before us.

Quite a good buck-jumping exhibition was given at Mr. Love's stables, Garden Reach, the other day and there is a general desire that a show of this kind might be got up on the Calcutta maidan. It would be certain to draw a big gallery: we haven't had any extensive buck-jumping display, if we are not mistaken, since that given many years ago on the race-course in which the late Captain H. M. Hayes took a prominent part as promoter and M. C.

We have not in the time at our disposal been able to verify the rumour, but it was put about on the Calcutta course early in the week that H. H. the Maharajah of Cooch Behar's Coin II. had broken down. Extremely bad luck if this is so: the Maharajah will have everybody's sympathy.

The boxing exhibition at the Opera House on the 28th ultimo ended in favour of Pickering. The affair lasted the advertised twenty rounds and opinions as to the verdict were, as usual, divided. The display at no stage was very exciting. Powell had apparently taken too much out of himself in training down to the weight and his work lacked vigour. Pickering, who was giving away 10lbs., was in good condition, but was without the experience of his better known opponent. Mr. W. O. Rees acted as referee, Mr. Smallman as timekeeper, while Mr. Vernon was master of ceremonies. At the close of the show there was the usual crop of challenges, Bill Fisher and Sam Newman both desiring to meet the winner. Three minor bouts preceded the "big event" and these made up in humour what they lacked in fistic merit. The gentleman who appeared to be giving an impersonation of a praying mantis and the wag who appeared in the ring with Rozario were intensely amusing.

On Tuesday morning, during the schooling on the Calcutta course, that real good horse Scotch Thistle broke his neck at the flight near the Zoo Bridge. He struck the hurdle heavily, turned turtle

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and, landing on his head, was killed on the spot. This is very hard luck on his fair owner. Drew, who was riding him, was knocked out of time and rather cut about. Among others who were schooling we noticed Bucentaur, Rustler, Lord D., Kingpin, Hoop Iron, and Footlight: there was nothing particularly interesting to see or report.

The following was the betting on the Trials and Viceroy's Cup yesterday :—

THE TRIALS.

9 to 2 agst. Sacristan II. | 5 to 1 agst. Fitzgrafton
5 to 1 „ Signorina. | 7 to 1 „ Contest.

8 to 25 to 1 others

VICEROY'S CUP.

5 to 2 agst. Long Tom. | 7 to 1 agst. Signorina.
3 to 1 „ Fitzgrafton. | 10 to 1 „ Sacristan II.
7 to 1 „ Mallard. | 12 to 1 „ The Master.

15 to 100 to 1 others.

Athletic Notes.

THE Oxford and Cambridge boat crews have declined the American invitation to attend the regatta in connection with the Jamestown Exhibition.

The following cars have been entered for the Bangalore-Kolar-Madras run, to be held this month :—

MOTOR-CARS.

Mr. E. E. Bryant's 6 h.-p. De Dion.
Mr. F. C. Carr's 8 h.-p. De Dion.
Messrs. Oakes and Co.'s 9 h.-p. Swift.
Mr. J. H. Barker's 9 h.-p. Cardillac.
Mr. A. L. Hannay's 10-12 h.-p. Humber.
Mr. W. A. Beardsell's 10-12 h.-p. Franklin.
H. H. the Maharajah of Vizianagram's 12-10 h.-p. Fiat.
H. H. the Maharajah of Vizianagram's 24 h.-p. Napier.
Mr. G. V. Scovell's 15 h.-p. De Dion.

MOTOR-CYCLES.

The entries for the motor cycle class are :—

Mr. G. F. Brierley's 3½ h.-p. Minerva.
Mr. Henderson's 3½ h.-p. Brown.
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Mr. J. Fairley's 3 h.-p. Chase.
Mr. B. Rigold's 3½ h.-p. F. N.
Mr. G. W. Talbot's 5 h.-p. Roc.

The Committee have decided to extend the date of closure of entries till to-morrow and hope to receive many more entries by that date.

The home papers report a fatal wrestling match in Sunderland in which a wrestler, well known in the North, was thrown heavily twice; the second time failing to rise to time he was found to be dead.

Among the motors exhibited at Olympia, Londoners flatter themselves that in the "Mascot" they have at length been furnished with an ideal substitute for the time-honoured "growler" as well as the hansom. In the crowded streets, the huge omnibi are out of place, many municipalities prohibiting their entrance into the towns now that they have seemingly come to stop.

Except upon racing tracks or long stretches of highways where the motorist can see all round, the speed limit at home has been reduced from 20 to 12 miles an hour.

A gentleman asserting that he witnessed a car being driven at 25 miles an hour in Park Lane, London, by some one so wrapped in furs that identity of sex was impossible, a wag suggests that it was probably a dancing bear in training for the "Kaiser's Cup" next year.

Our Bangalore correspondent writes :—It is very difficult to condense remarks upon a three-days' assault-at-arms into reasonable space. There were 56 competitions to be decided, besides many displays and in a column of print, it is clear that all these cannot be discussed. However, the most striking points can be tackled. Rough-Riding Squadron Sergeant-Major C. Carnegie, of the 14th Hussars, was the best mounted man-at-arms amongst the British troops, and Lance-Corporal Walker, Essex Regiment, occupied a similar position as regarded dismounted corps. Good Old Natha Singh, of Gordon's Horse, whose name must be growing familiar to readers of the *Indian Field*, simply squandered his opponents for the best native mounted man-at-arms. As a matter of fact he won the sword *vs.* bayonet, the sword *vs.* sword and the lance *vs.* sword. He was second in the lance *vs.* bayonet and 3rd in the jumping for native troops. Finally he won the tent-pegging (individuals) for native troops. *And* he has for years been the Gordon's Horse back in the polo team. Something like a Duffadar this; and his comrades' repeated cries of "Shabash," were indeed well deserved. Rangaswamy Naicker, of the 77th Moplah Rifles, won the prize for the best native dismounted man-at-arms almost as easily, and this man is also an old winner, having enjoyed his present distinction in this particular assault-at-arms for six years. Major Barnard, 30th Lancers, was the best British officer, and everyone was pleased. Major Barnard is as keen as mustard, an excellent G. R. and a good all-round man; he only missed being best British officer last year by a single point, and his personality is a most popular one here, for he is courteous and pleasant to everyone and the very *beau ideal* of a sportsman who only wants fair play.

Points for discussion crowd into my memory, but only those which are most important can be touched upon. "Riding and Jumping" was this year allowed to count towards the best man-at-arms, and there was much division of opinion on the point. Personally I do not think that it should count, it is not a feat-at-arms at all. Competitors ride any horse they like, and this to my mind is sufficient to condemn it as a factor towards deciding the "best man-at-arms." There are horses upon which the veriest tyro, if he only let his mount alone, would go round an easy jumping course well. Again, if a real good cross-country jockey were up, he would probably steer nine out of ten ordinary horses round the course in good style. But a man who is only a fair horsemen might easily be a very much better soldier on service. The result of this rule, so far as I can make out this year, is that Sergeant Studdert, of the Carabiniers, has been beaten by a narrow majority by Rough-Riding Sergeant-Major Carnegie, of the 14th Hussars. The winner has already been referred to as an excellent man, and his lime cutting was quite marvellous, but had "riding and jumping" not been allowed to count, Studdert would have beaten him. And as an old soldier, I do not think it should count. [We agree. —ED.]

As regards the British officers' competitions there is not much to be said. Captain the Hon'ble H. E. Joicey, 14th (King's) Hussars, did well in several events, and his tent-pegging was a treat to watch. Style and pace alike "top hole," and accuracy leaving nothing to be desired. Major Barnard's excellent performances have already been referred to, and the only other officer who did really well was Mr. H. T. Walker, of the 30th Lancers. He actually beat Major Barnard, after a hard fight, in the sabre *vs.* sabre, mounted and had bad luck in being just out of prizes in one or two other events. The displays by the various corps were uncommonly good, and it is difficult to say whether the trick riding of the Imperial Service Lancers or the 30th Lancers was the cleverer. The Royal Horse Artillery's jumping and driving show combined, was absolutely magnificent, and as General Scallon put it in his speech, "men and horses were equally splendid." Before the General made his speech, there was a wonderfully realistic representation of an attack upon a hill stockade, and it was quite clear that the men had been carefully drilled in their parts Moreover many of them—especially the 2nd (Q. O.) Sappers and Miners, had probably seen the real thing. The 14th Hussars are not as yet—they will forgive a faithful chronicler—*quite* so clever at vaulting on horseback as were our late cavalry regiment, the Carabiniers, but an officer who should know was watching the display with me, and he said "not quite so good at present, but by and bye they'll take on anybody." The King's Hussars were especially strong at lime-cutting; and Squadron Sergeant-Major C. Carnegie's rides were the best things I have seen in this line in India. His style was splendid and his pace terrific; he never missed a lime, and three out of the four were divided with nothing less than mathematical precision. The involuntary reflection struck one that there would be very little chance for a retreating enemy had they a few sabres like this Sergeant-Major's after them.

Socially the assault-at-arms was most successful. General Scallon and the officers of the Indian Army were "At Home" on the first day, Colonel Connolly and the officers Royal Artillery on the second day, and Colonel O'Brien and the officers of the 14th (King's) Hussars on the third day. The bands of the various corps, that is to say the 14th Hussars, the Essex Regiment, the 77th Moplah Rifles, the 125th Napier Rifles and the B. R. V. played excellent selections of music and the hospitality of the various messes when "At Home" was unbounded. Altogether it was a very successful show, and whilst many thanks are due to the general executive committees especial credit must be given to to Mr. St. George, R. A., the Honorary Secretary, whose efforts were unceasing and whose courtesy to all sorts and condition of men was invariable.

The first race night at the Columbia Rink attracted a great many competitors as well as spectators, and the couple of events on the programme were keenly contested, the mile scratch race being won easily by Mylne. Intervals between the events, and the pauses from the delights of roller skating

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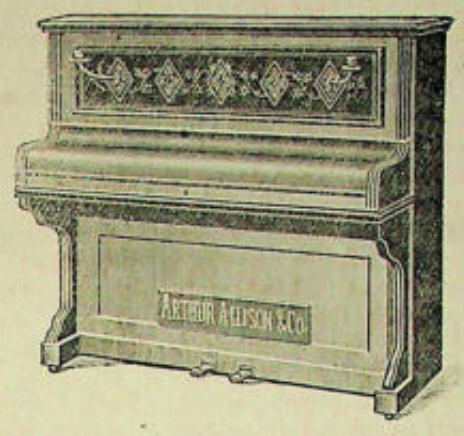

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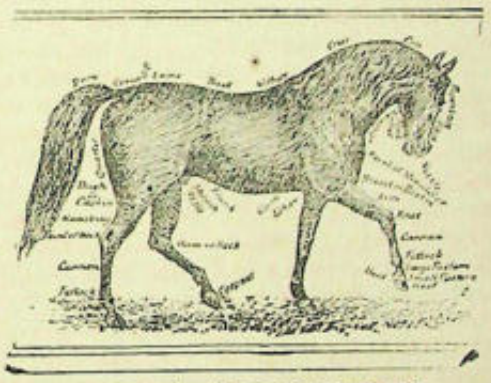

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which the devotees of the art occasionally permitted themselves were pleasantly filled in by the Bioscope, quite one of the features of the evening's entertainment. The Club session continues to fill well, and the skaters are then twice a week enlivened by strains from the Viennese Orchestra. Judging from the excellence of the floor, which is now in perfect condition, and the completeness of the arrangements of every minor detail, under the personal supervision of the Managing Proprietor the Rink will hold its own, as it has ever done, amongst our cold weather attractions.

To the enterprise of Messrs. Whiteaway, Laidlaw and Company of Calcutta, and many other Indian cities, is due the capital idea of a price list in no less than seven parts, each being well printed and got up. That devoted to requirements in the shape of furniture, which we note may be had on hire, or on the "easy payment hire-purchase system," will commend itself to householders. The ladies will not find themselves forgotten in a price list which also aims at the higher function of a fashion guide; and our small folk—like the poor—ever with us, at this festive season, will possibly revel in elaborate descriptions and representations of toys, dolls, and games, which seem to burn a bigger hole than ever in the willing pockets of parents and guardians. The advantages of a separate catalogue for each department will readily be admitted by those anxious to find something in a hurry, not always so easy in the somewhat bulky price lists issued by this firm in previous years. The new arrangement should make the choice of presents even more enjoyable than so many of us usually find it at this time of year.

Sam Newman, the American boxer, has arrived in Calcutta from the Straits, where he has been distinguishing himself: he may be able, at catch weights, to fix up a meeting with Pickering, who last week gave a fairly good exhibition with Powell.

The International Rugby match between Wales and the South Africans was played at Swansea on the 1st instant and attracted the greatest interest. An enormous crowd witnessed the game and the Principality was expected to win. But the result proved a victory for the Springboks by 11 points to *nil*.

An unusual musical treat has been offered to Calcutta and, of course, unmusical Calcutta has been slow to take advantage of it. We refer to the two concerts given at the Calcutta Concert Hall on the 29th ultimo and 3rd instant by the young Polish violinist, Herr Premslav, who scored two pronounced artistic successes before a few musicians backed by a depressing array of empty chairs. Since the visit of the renowned Remenyi, many years ago, Calcutta has had the privilege of hearing no performer of this calibre. Herr Premslav is at once a brilliant and refined violinist with a *repertoire* of such range as to include examples of every Master. He exhibits a splendid musical memory, in that all he does is without a note of music before him; he interprets the most difficult and the most soul-stirring efforts of the greatest composers with an ease and in a style which leaves no doubt as to his high musical perception, and in his correct and clean bowing, his faultless technique, accurate intonation and really marvellous and pure intonation he seldom failed to arouse his listeners to enthusiasm. We have no space to deal with these two programmes, and indeed musical criticism is beyond our boundary: all we can say is Herr Premslav acquitted himself fully up to the reputation he brought with him and gave his audiences a delightful hour or two which will often be recalled with pleasure. Mrs. W. Bushby, who played every accompaniment, took a big share in these successes. Calcutta well knows and appreciates her musical talent and on these occasions she was at her very best. At the first recital Miss Bushby sang a couple of charming little songs and at the second Mr. Calderwood supplied two well-rendered vocal items.

The Calcutta season has practically begun, not quite perhaps, but it will have fully started in many people's opinion next Tuesday when Harmston's Circus opens its doors once more on the maidan with a mammoth tent, a programme to match and a full head of talent. They have secured their old pitch we are glad to see, and though they will be the last tent on the maidan they will certainly not be the least. Our old friend Colonel Bob Love, tells us that he has a good many novelties wherewith to amuse, interest or startle us according to their kind, and when he says this long experience teaches us that he will keep his word. One of the chief attractions will be the Frantz Troupe, seven in number, whose marvellous acrobatic turns have astonished and delighted audiences all over the world. In addition there are the Collins Princess Quartette of song and dance artistes from London; the Wheelers, trick cyclists and first flighters at that; the Electric Trio; Elderita described as *the* only lady jockey before the public just now: Diavolo, who loops the loop and the comic tramp who hoops the hoop; the ever popular Harmston-Love family, some of the members of which are held in affectionate regard by our youngsters; and any amount of other stars of varying magnitude, human, equine, ursine, canine and feline. For the rest we refer our readers to the opening programme printed in another part of this paper.

The annual General Meeting of the Bengal Presidency Athletic Association was held last evening. The date of the meeting was fixed for Saturday the 2nd March, entries closing on the 20th February. The officials remain practically the same as last year, a few vacancies on the General Committee were filled up with Messrs. W. S. and W. C. Burke again as Honorary Secretaries. The programme was altered in two respects—the Half Mile for Amateurs is to be a scratch race instead of a handicap and for the Tug of War Rs. 200 will be awarded to the winning team instead of pewters as hitherto.

London Week by Week.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

Friday, 16th November 1906.

THE heavy fog that made Tuesday miserable cleared away sufficiently on Wednesday to make the city visit of the King and Queen of Norway fairly successful. There was a thin mist still hanging about, but a huge crowd turned out along the route and the decorations in Oxford Street were more elaborate than those usually provided for a Royal function. A lady of my acquaintance who saw Queen Maude in Norway last July went to see the show for the particular purposes of discovering how Her Majesty looked: after seven weeks of post-coronation ceremony in Norway, travelling continually, the poor Queen looked, she says, so utterly worn out that she could not even raise that gracious (if as I venture to suspect rather mechanical) smile a sovereign is expected to bestow upon her subjects. My informant supposes that Her Majesty was not suffering from such fatigues on Wednesday or was rejoiced to find herself at home again, for she looked radiant and seemed to enjoy the function thoroughly.

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The correspondence between Sir Bampfylde Fuller and the Simla authorities has been published. It does not tell us much more than we knew already, beyond letting a little new light on the fear of the Supreme Government lest firmness and commonsense should be "misunderstood" in this country. The only criticism on Sir Bampfylde Fuller's conduct of the affair that deserves notice is the suggestion that when he found the necessary and judicious measures he proposed were disliked—or should one not say "funked"—by the Viceregal adviser the Lieutenant-Governor would have done well to lay the case more pointedly—in person if necessary—before the Viceroy. It is difficult to believe that any man worthy to fill the Viceregal throne would have accepted the resignation had he been really aware of the real situation his Lieutenant Governor had to deal with.

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The Committee of Public Accounts has issued a Report on the methods of Military Account keeping: and this document makes some revelations which should make the tax-payer open his eyes. There is the case of Mr. Noreen who claimed £4,000 odd for cattle captured in South Africa. He claimed £810 and was paid £800 in South Africa as a "bonus," his main claim for £1,721 for captured cattle being refused. Then he came home and claimed his £4,009 again and this, being passed by Colonel Hickman, was paid without referring to the authorities in South Africa. Then there is the strange case of the Tempe Farm at Blomfontein bought by Government for a remount depôt at a cost of £23,000. The Tempe Farm was reported on as possessing good water in abundance, a good dam and good grazing. Next year the Government authorities took Bishop's Glen Farm on short lease spending £2,000 on building thereon, in consequence of "the scarcity of water, poor grazing and prevalence of disease" on its £23,000 farm at Tempe, at best there seems to be some want of understanding of the Orange River Colony climate in this transaction. The Committee also falls foul of the officers' wound pension system where under-officers draw wound pensions, though certified to be fit for service on full pay and while so serving, their main objection to this lies in the fact that it creates "a class distinction" private soldiers not benefiting by it. Recent contracts made in respect of Bulford Camp are severely criticised, and altogether the War Office has to answer a charge of inability to administer properly its financial affairs.

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A comical situation arose in the High Court of Justice on Saturday, Counsel for the L. and N.-W. Railway Co. wished Mr. Justice Darling to hear an action brought by the Company to restrain a person from trespass. Mr. Justice Darling declined to hear it because he is a shareholder: counsel then applied to Mr. Justice Jelf, and he could not hear it for the same reason: Mr. Justice Bucknill was then applied to do and was found to be suffering from the same disability, but in the capacity of trustee; he also declined. It appears that were a judge who has interest in any undertaking to issue such an injunction as is sought in the present case it would be rescinded on the appeal of the person affected. The L. and N.-W. Co.'s action was not opposed, but appeal would be a certainty were a "tainted" judge to issue the injunction.

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The de Maupas divorce case was decided yesterday in one day's hearing before Mr. Justice Bargrave Deane. It has attracted some attention by reason of the fact that the people engaged are rich; more by reason of the praiseworthy methods employed by the injured husband. Having warned the co-respondent, a man named Dickson, to keep away from his wife, he found the two together at Tregarvan Bay, near Anglesey. In Mr. de Maupas' own words, he "did not waste any words on him, gave him a good thrashing and ordered him to walk into the sea up to his neck. I then told him to dip his head into the sea three times and he did so. When he came out I was going to give him some more, but Mrs. de Maupas begged me not to kill the father of her child." Result decree *nisi* and £10,000 damages. I like Mr. de Maupas' methods much. [So do we.—Ed.].

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There was a strike of motor 'bus drivers on a small scale last week: its most obvious result was the restoration during Saturday and Sunday of comparative peace to the streets along which the Barnes-Liverpool streets service runs. The trouble seems to have arisen out of the London General Company's decision to pioneer the way in changing the system of paying the men: heretofore they have been paid a weekly wage: the new scheme proposes payment by completed journey, and having regard to the frequency of breaksdown and the rigour of police supervision, the men's objection does not seem unreasonable. The trouble has been practically settled this week by mutual concessions.

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The *Times* Book Club *cs.* Publishers' quarrel drags its slow length along. A fillip has been given to the sordid business this week by the awful iniquity of Sir Frank Swettenham. Sir Frank entrusted Mr. John Lane with publication of his remarkable book on Malaya. Mr. Lane refused to give the *Times* Book Club copies on trade terms: whereupon the Book Club got Sir Frank to procure as many as it wanted under the usual clause in his agreement which allows the author to buy as many copies as he pleases of his own book on trade terms. Mr. Lane is very sore about what he calls Sir Frank's disloyalty to him: as though the author were bound to be the sufferer when his publisher pleases to play the pig head. I know that if ever I should find myself in the same case I should do exactly what Sir Frank Swettenham has done.

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It must be a very good farce that will last three acts, and I am afraid "The Electric Man" produced at the Royalty on Saturday evening has too much of the knock-about clown atmosphere to answer the description. It is our ancient friend *Frankenstein* reduced to farce: Mr. Everest's father, dying, enjoined his son to complete the manufacture of his wonderful electric automaton; and when the Electric Man appeared on the stage the exact duplicate of Mr. Walter Everest we knew what to expect. The Electric man runs amok in the streets, smashes the crockery at home and makes himself generally a boisterous nuisance keeping the entire cast on the run. At first the thing amused, then it grew dull, then it became a burden and a bore. There are people who can enjoy this sort of business and to them "the Electric Man" will closely appeal. Mr. Harry Nicolls played the parts of Walter Everest and his electric duplicate and was particularly good as the automaton. Mr. De Lange was amusing as the timorous detective Jobbins, who is entrusted with the task of arresting the automaton. Miss June van Buskirk as Walter's intended suffered from the credulity required of Stella Dudgeon, who accepts the electric nuisance as Walter.

The Electric Man was preceded by a commonplace play of the Vicar of Wakefield type called "The Setting of the Sun:" too slight and of theme much too hackneyed to be worth notice, though not badly played.

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The long-promised new ballet at the Empire was produced last night. "The Debutante" is a definite story in three scenes: I say "definite" as one can really follow it without the aid of the printed synopsis, and that is more than one can do in a musical comedy. It is of course another triumph for Mdlle. Genée who figures as a dancing slave girl to some Eastern potentate, and in that capacity gives us a more liberal display of her wonderful talents than she has done in any ballet we have seen her in yet. The third scene, the gardens of the Sultan's Palace, is very beautiful and as Madame Kath. Lanner has surpassed herself in the arrangement of the dances the new ballet ought to hold the Empire stage for a long time to come.

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"Peter Pan" is to be revived again this winter at the Duke of York's. The "Cricket on the Hearth" is likely to be put on at the Playhouse, which name Mr. Maude proposes to bestow on the theatre rebuilt on the site of the Avenue wrecked in the Charing Cross Station roof collapse. A Winter's Tale will be told for the last time at a special *matinée* next Wednesday. Have I mentioned that Madame Patti's last appearance is billed in three-foot letters at the Albert Hall for the afternoon of Saturday, 1st December?

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The Theatres and Music Halls Committee of the L. C. C. continue hearing the usual applications for licences. The moribund Coliseum received the desired licence as a music hall, as it was stated that negociations for sale of the theatre were a foot and likely to be brought to a successful issue. The Canterbury, one of the oldest halls in London, has been refused a licence. An undertaking was given last year to limit the audience in balcony and gallery to 500 persons in each: that undertaking had not been carried out, hence the refusal. Objections were urged to the granting of the music licence required for the as yet unbuilt new concert hall in Great Portland Street: quite an array of counsel appeared in support of the objections, but the licence was granted nevertheless.

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The St. George's Hall programme includes a clever and humorous "turn" by Mr. H. M. Hemsley, whose name is new to me. He is provided with an easel and crayons, and thus equipped proceeds to interpret a sentimental poem about a girl's attractions: her eyes are stars: he makes them so; her cheeks peaches: he makes them nice ripe ones her ears are shells: it is done with a few deft strokes: her neck is snow white and swan like; he faithfully draws it so. It sounds almost silly but the thing is done so skilfully and the result is so comical that the house roared with delight. Mr. Hensley also gives some very clever imitations of girls, but these are less amusing than his "literal drawings."

By the way Mr. Maskelyne is bringing an action against the adventurous cleric Archdeacon Colley, whose challenge to him to produce a certain illusion and Mr. Maskelyne's successful accomplishment of it I mentioned some weeks back. The case ought to be an amusing one for the jury.

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The J. L. Toole "relics" were sold by auction this week. The number of stage relics was not large. The old-fashioned spectacles worn by Toole as Caleb Plummer went for £4-10 and this was really the only real stage property associated with the late owner to fetch a fair price. On the other hand lots which had any connection with his life-long friend Irving elicited brisk bidding: a gold locket with a lock of Irving's hair, given to Toole by Bram Stoker last March brought 33guineas. Miss Ellen Terry paid £20 for a ring Irving had given Toole. A locket containing a lock of Edwin Booth's hair given to Irving by Toole in 1894 and restored to the donor by the former's sons in February last brought 64 guineas: Irving was wearing it when he died.

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The Alien's difficulty is well illustrated just now. A few nights ago Mr. Pickersgill drew Mr. Herbert Gladstone's attention to the illegal action of the Warwickshire Police in preventing a herd of Hungarian gypsies from entering that county. At the same time we have the spectacle of 40 constables engaged in Leicestershire and adjoining counties in herding from place to place a gang of 90 German gypsies. These people are beggars and would-be thieves but for the police who have been watching them for the last two months. They are so dirty and unwholesome that the local authorities are afraid to prosecute them for begging lest confinement should produce an epidemic. And nothing can be done to relieve the country of these vagabonds!

The motor-car show at Olympia opened on Wednesday. It is the first to be held under the patronage of the King; it is also the first from which business vehicles are excluded. The restriction to pleasure cars is due to the growth of the industry and the impossibility of finding adequate space for cars of all kinds.

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WHY WOUNDED DUCKS DISAPPEAR.

A WRITER, Frank T. Noble, in the Journal of the Maine Ornithological Society, in writing under the above caption, of the disappearance of wounded sea fowl, tells of his experience in relation to the escape of a duck he had shot, which dove in the water, and, as he afterward discovered, clung with its bill to a marine plant at the bottom, where it remained until it was disturbed, brought to the surface, and captured, and inquires if other duck shooters have had similar experiences which would account for the well known habit of the wounded sea ducks often being absolutely lost to the gunner.

I confess I was a little surprised at the inquiry, for I had supposed that everyone on the Atlantic coast who was in the habit of shooting our various sea fowl was well acquainted with what had been regarded as a mysterious propensity, which was in former days accounted for by the belief that the wounded ducks on diving had been seized and devoured by sharks, dogfish, or other predatory species.

On reflection, however, I believe that the habit as described by Mr. Noble is not generally known for the ordinary duck gunner in the hurry and excitement of watching the incoming flocks of sea fowl firing at them, and gathering up those which have been killed, does not devote much time to watching for the wounded birds which have disappeared. He knows that some have gone beneath the surface, but does not ordinarily keep account of those which rise again, and kills only those cripples which appear to view. So that, if a dozen wounded fowl have sunk in the water, and eight of them come to the surface again, he does not keep any account of the four which have been lost; in fact, may not have noticed their absence.

As an example of this fact, I will state that in a recent conversation with a Nova Scotia duck gunner, who shoots many hundred birds every season, he said that a good many of the fowl that he shot down dove and were lost to him, but in what manner he could never conjecture; and I now recall many similar statements from gunners, which show that the duck's habit of clinging by the bill to the bottom is far from being well known to them.

The literature on the subject is very meagre; in fact, I find but little mention of it made in the standard ornithological works in my library. This is only another example of the importance of the work that I have often wished might be carried on, of collating annually and publishing in book form a record of all the statements and descriptions regarding various phenomena which have been printed in the various sportman's publications; it would make a yearly handbook of incalculable value, and the wonder to me is that some enterprising publisher has not long since undertaken the work.

I became acquainted with this peculiar habit of the wounded sea fowl of diving and clinging to the bottom many years ago, and have described it in several of the books I have written.

In my work on the Birds of New England and Adjacent States and Provinces, published in 1867, I make mention several times of the fact, and give one or two detailed descriptions of this habit. This book, I am sorry to say, is not now on the market, the electrotype plates having accidentally been injured at the auction bankruptcy sale of the Worthington Publishing Company, who published the work.

But fortunately, there are thousands of copies scattered throughout the United States in public and private libraries, and there is a copy in every free public library, and every important educational institution in Massachusetts, and, I believe, in several other of the New England states; so that, if reference to it is desired, it may be easily obtained.

In this book is described the habits of the longtailed duck, *Harelda glacialis*, called in different localities south southerly, old squaw, and old wife, I said: "It is a difficult bird to kill; and when wounded it always dives and clings to the bottom, where it dies. I once brought down seven birds out of a flock at one discharge, when they dove, and I did not secure a single bird."

And in treating of the scaup duck, *Fulix affinis*, which is known under other names, such as the blue bill coot, and the little black head, I stated that: "It is an expert diver and can remain a considerable time under water. When wounded, it often dives, and, clinging to the weeds or rocks at the bottom of the water, remains there until dead; and often the bird does not rise to the surface until the whole warmth of it has left its body, when the muscles losing their contractibility, permit the body to float off. Very often it does not come to the surface at all, when thus wounded and dying, but remains like a stone on the bottom until its parts become separated by the waves or devoured by crabs or other crustaceans."

In the late sixties, I, with two of my friends, Dr. Orrin Rice, of Boston and William E. Hall, an official connected with the Boston Water Board, owned a yacht, which we humorously named the Lick-a-ter-split, because we could not, even when the wind was blowing a half gale, drive her ahead faster than eight miles an hour.

With this yacht we had an immense amount of sport among the sea ducks in Massachusetts bay all the way from Cape Ann to Barnstable harbour. The boat was admirably adapted to the work we wanted her for, probably much better than a swifter craft would have been, and the bags we sometimes made were very satisfactory.

In following the coots, or rather sea ducks, we sailed down upon them from the windward, and as those birds in springing from the water almost always rise against the wind, we shaped the course of the boat in such a manner that we secured good quartering shots on their approach, abreast shots as they passed us, and astern quartering shots if they succeeded in getting by.

Instead of rising, the sea fowl sometimes adopted different tactics, and although we perhaps followed a flock for an hour or more, we were unable to get within gunshot of them; for the ducks, without taking wing, as soon as we approached them to within a distance of a couple of gunshots, sank beneath the surface like so many stones, after the manner of the common loon, and swimming under water for almost a quarter of a mile, appeared in a locality where we least expected to see them, sometimes immediately astern of our boat, at others in a direction at right angles to the course which we supposed they had taken.

Of course we dropped numbers which were simply wing-tipped, or wounded in other ways, most of which were secured with spare guns; but some of them dove to the bottom from which they failed to rise again, and although we hovered about the spot where they had gone down, in the vain hope that they would again come to the surface, we were finally obliged to abandon them, believing as many others have before done, that they had been captured by ground sharks, which were not uncommon in those waters.

On one occasion, however, as we were slowly drifting over a spot where a number of white-winged coot had been fired into, some of which had been wounded and disappeared beneath the surface, as I was leaning over the rail and intently gazing into the water I discovered at a depth of about two fathoms one of the large ducks holding to a marine plant, commonly known as the devil's apron-string, the bird's black and white plumage showing distinctly against the dark background.

The speed of the yacht though slow was sufficient to carry us by the bird before anchor could be dropped and effort made to secure our quarry, but we swung back again and fortunately found the spot where the coot still remained clinging to the plant, and with the aid of the boat-hook we lifted the duck and the plant to which it was clinging with its mandibles, together with the small stone to which the plant was attached, into the boat.

The bird had died, probably more from drowning than the effects of the shot, for the time in which any duck can live beneath the water is limited to not much more than a minute. But the firmness of its grasp on the plant was astonishing; and my friend, the doctor, explained the phenomenon by stating that the condition resulting from rigor mortis had not subsided.

Now, right here, let me throw a little light upon what the doctor meant.

According to the books, rigor mortis is the term usually given to the peculiar temporary rigidity of the muscles that occurs shortly after death; and in animals which have been overdriven, hunted to death, etc., it comes on very quickly, lasts for a short time, and is rapidly succeeded by the beginning of putrefaction. This explanation by my friend, Dr. Rice, appears to me to completely solve the problem.

The habit of clinging by their mandibles does not occur among the *Anatinae*, or so-called river ducks, such as the mallards, teals, summer ducks, etc., but is common to all the *Fuligulinae*, or sea ducks. The former are not expert divers and very rarely when wounded endeavour to escape beneath the surface of the water; but the sea ducks are divers, *par excellence*, and it is more natural for them, when wounded, to go down into the water to the bottom as they are accustomed to do in their search for mussels and other mollusks, crustaceans, etc.

In securing the mussels which are attached quite firmly to rocks at the bottom of the water, the birds, which seize the mullusks with their mandibles, are obliged to exert considerable force, and the strength thus acquired by the muscles of the head and neck, together with the habit of diving, seems to indicate to the wounded bird the natural course of diving deep into the water, and seizing and holding rigidly to some object until life is extinct.

The condition of rigor mortis does not remain long with a wounded duck, but the rigidity of the muscles of the mandibles is sufficient to hold birds attached to the plant, which they have seized with a death grip, long after life is extinct; and in fact even when decomposition sets in and gasses are formed, they do not furnish sufficient buoyancy to lift to the surface the fowl whose plumage has now become thoroughly water soaked.

Since the days when we used to follow the sea fowl in our poky old yacht, I have shot many hundreds of sea ducks, and have found that all of them without exception adopt the habit when wounded of diving to the bottom and clinging until life is extinct, and have discovered most of the species still changing by the mandibles to the plants they had seized.—E. A. S. in *Shootin, and Fishing*.

Fishing.

"FAR FROM THE MADDING CROWD."

SEASON, early August ; place, tributary of the Jhelum in Kashmir. I had been advised to try this place by a friend who had told me that I should find the fish plentiful, and should have the place to myself as it was not generally known and very few Sahibs ever went there. I found that he had not over-stated the case at all for I had ten days as good fly-fishing as I could hope to get in this country, and the stream was practically my own, for there was not another soul there.

My boats were tied up beneath the willows over-hanging a bluff bank, on the top of which there was a nice stretch of turf shaded by a chenar and a couple of old gnarled mulberry trees. Beneath these I could idle away the day for I had found by experience that it was useless to fish until the late afternoon.

The stream where my boats were was smooth and sluggish, and although I had seen fish rising near all day long, I had never been able to take any. I had tried them with fly and fly-spoon, in the middle of the stream and under the willows at the bank where I lost much temper and no few casts, but rose nothing.

But about half a mile above the character of the stream changed entirely. Here it gave a sharp bend, flowing swiftly under some mud cliffs, (which it was gradually undermining) into a long gravelly pool at the tail of which it settled down into a regular south county stream. Above these cliffs it partook more of the character of a Scotch stream, flowing in many channels over a pebbly bed with deep pools alternating with gravelly runs. It was impossible to take a boat on it here and one had to wade ; the illusion of fishing on a home stream being thereby increased.

Knowing that it was not any use attempting to fish much before four in the afternoon, I used to start out in the shikara shortly after three, going up as far as the pool beneath the cliffs. Pulling the shikara up on the bank on the opposite side, and pushing my way through the bushes on the bank a walk of about a mile and a half brought me to the pool in which I always started operations.

It was in a bend and about a hundred yards long with deep water underneath the bluffs on the left bank, while the right had a shelving gravelly bottom. At the head of the pool was a backwater under each bank with the swift deep water running between.

Fording the tail of the pool I start at the top of the top of the backwater under the right bank. This I have found is the only spot where the fish will take at all while the sun is high, the most I have taken out of it in an afternoon being eight fish varying from half a pound to a pound and a half. Also I found that while there was a bright light on the water the fish would look at nothing but a black fly. My cast to start with, then, is made up of a "Blackamoor," a "Zulu," and as tail fly a black fly with a silver twist to it. I had a theory that the reason was that the fish took these black flies for mulberries, of which trees numbers grew on the banks. All Kashmir fish feed greedily on these fruit when they are in season, and I found that it was best to let the fly sink a little when it would more closely resemble a belated mulberry floating down the stream.

The fish lay out close to the edges of the swift water which one had to reach by wading. But as the bottom of the back water was here covered with a soft silt into which one at times sank suddenly up to one's knees, it made wading extremely difficult and often necessitated a long cast. But in other places in the pool the bottom was firm and good ; as the entire length of the pool would stand fishing over twice, it was always a safe place to start with.

After fishing that, one had to walk up the bank some little way to cross over at a ford from which all down the left bank to the head of the original pool there was a long swift run. This could be fished either from the bank or by wading a little way out, and sometimes yielded a fish and at other times did not. One very bright and sunny afternoon I had fished this run three times with a fly but with no result, so I determined to see what luck a fly s oon would bring me. Standing knee deep in the water a few yards out from the bank, I had worked the spoon two or three times across the stream in front of me and was just thinking of moving a few yards lower down when there was a gleam of an orange belly ; a tug : and out went my line with the reel whirring merrily. I could feel I was into a good fish, and in that heavy water and with the light tackle I was using I knew to check him would be disastrous, so I let him run until he brought up in the slack water of the pool below me. But, with deep water and bluff banks below me I could not work down towards him, but had to stay where I was and coax him up against the heavy water towards me. It took me about ten minutes to land him, a nice "Chirroo" of three and a half pounds. Hoping to have a repetition of this performance I tried a fly spoon there on other afternoons, but never touched a thing, although when I returned to the fly the fish "took" again.

Below this was the long pool, only half of which I had been able to fish from the right bank. By careful wading down the centre of the deep swift water it was possible to reach the outer edge of the right hand back water and also the deep water under the bluffs on the left bank. But as one had to wade up to one's waist in swift water and a careless step would have landed one in up to one's neck it was not worth much unless the fish were well on the feed. As the rest of the pool was unfishable owing to the bluff banks and the deep water I used to leave it and move down to the run below the pool. It was about fifty yards long with low grassy banks from which with a long cast the whole of the stream could be covered, and it eventually ran into another pool formed by the junction of a small tributary stream.

The sun is now beginning to get low so I change my "Blackamoor" for "Teal and Green." This Grey Teal fly is put on as a "feeler," for I found that the fish would only look at a black fly when the sun was high, and when it was sinking a grey or a white fly were the only successful ones. But the difficulty was to find the opportune moment to change. Therefore when I found that the fish were taking the grey fly alone I knew the hour of the black had passed, and that it was time to change to white.

Then the "Zulu" would be changed for a "White Moth" and the tail fly for a home-made fly composed purely and simply of a piece of the white thread tag off a bath towel. It looks just like a miniature tassel, but I found it more killing than the best dealers' flies. It has the further advantage of being heavy when wet and sodden, and so assisting one in getting out a long line or in throwing against the wind.

Standing on the bank and casting right across the stream I either rise a fish as the fly is carried down stream or as I draw it up under the bank. The bigger fish are lying out in the heavy water in mid-stream while the smaller ones are sheltering behind the stones near the bank. Unfortunately many of the rises are short, but the compensation comes when a heavy fish, meaning business, takes it in mid-stream. There is no hesitation in it then : he takes the fly with a rush and goes away with it. This particular reach stood fishing several times and on a good evening it was only the sinking sun which warned me that it was time to be off if I wanted to have a chance before dark at the good water further down.

The pool immediately below is never any use, so I walk down the stream trying all the broken water and pools as I come to them. None of these, individually, is worth lingering over, but there was always a chance of getting a few fish out of them. If a cast or two in each was not successful I would move on to the next, working my way down to the reach above the cliff pool. The method here was the same as up above, casting across the steam and letting the flies swing round with the current. But is was never much of a success, as there did not seem to be any big fish lying out in the heavy water and it was useless to fish it more than twice.

The sun has now disappeared leaving the sky all crimson and gold and the time has come to try the big pool below the cliffs. On some evenings the fish were lying under the cliffs on the further bank, and on others on the gravelly shores of the left bank. But before starting to fish this it is as well to find out under which bank the fish are, for whichever they choose they do it with wonderful unanimity and it is useless trying the side they have abandoned. A few moments watching will soon convince one where the fish are, for there will come a commotion among the "chilwa" under the bank and in the middle of it will be the flop-flop of a heavy fish chasing them. If this happened on the left bank it was fairly plain sailing. Directly I saw a big one on the feed among the small fry I cast just outside them, and then letting the stream swing the fly in towards the bank I would draw it up stream among the shoal. One evening I got into an excellent fish in this way, and from the way he fought I could almost believe I was into an English trout once more and not a chirroo, His first rush took him straight across, and not down stream, and then down into the pool just below, where he jumped clear of the water. In the half light I saw him and I put him down as eight pounds. Unfortunately I never had the opportunity of testing the accuracy of my judgment for the next minute he came past me going up stream through the heavy water at a pace which made it hard to reel up quick enough. After fighting me and the stream for a few minutes he came in towards the bank and went down stream again, which made me think he was done. My boatman had waded in a little way below me and was standing ready with the net. The fish was just out of his reach and being over confident I put on a bit more strain to bring him in closer. But the fish still had a kick left in him and the result was that I lost a large portion of my cast, three flies, and the fish. But the next evening I hooked another good one in the same place, and this one I treated with greater respect. He scaled six pounds when I landed him and as he had not fought so well as the lost one I am inclined to think that my surmise as to the latter's weight was about correct. But there is no fish so big as the lost fish, for one's disappointment at losing him makes one magnify his size which increases as time passes. It is always the same : "If I had only landed that 10-pounder it would been perfect" one says to one's self as one thinks over the events of the day.

If the fish were rising under the cliffs on the other side it was harder, as it meant crossing in the shikara at the tail of the pool, walking along the top of the cliffs, and then climbing down to the water's edge. With a precarious foothold and the cliffs rising straight behind one it was extremely difficult, and often next to impossible, to get one's fly out to the place one wanted. But they were all good fish here so I have sometimes fished on until it was too dark to see the fly upon the water & the whole thing had to be done by sense of touch. The mosquitoes which came out in swarm would then drive me home.

I fished that water for a week, the average number of fish caught in an evening being fifteen, with which I was quite content, as I only used to fish from half past four to eight every evening. The average size of the fish was a little over the pound. Although this is not very big, and the chirroo is not a very sporting fish yet I got a lot of fun out of it and on many occasions would have no small difficulty in landing my fish successfully. Those who have only caught chirroo in the big river on a heavy rod, with a wire trace and have formed their opinions of them from that would be surprised to find what a game little fish he can be when in these higher waters on a light rod and with light tackle. He starts in then with a handicap in his favour, and a two-pound chirroo on a light rod and a fine trout cast is by no means to be despised. A deal of enjoyment can be had with them by suiting one's tackle to one's fish, for I dare say that even the lordly Mahseer would not be such a tough customer if caught on Tarpon tackle. Personally I fully intend having more than a week with the chirroo in this particular spot next year.

X.

Shooting.

THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE SPORTING SMALL BORE RIFLE.

RIFLES of the well-known military small bores have long been used by sportsmen and with varying results. Some pronounce the high velocity ·256 Mannlicher effective at small deer and soft skinned dangerous animals, others condemn this bore as failing to stop or immediately kill animals like the Chamois or the Ibex. Similar experience has resulted from the use of the Mauser ·276, the British Service ·303, and the Magazine rifles of ·311 bore.

An ideal sporting rifle may then be described as one in which the maximum advantage in flat trajectory co-exists with an increased standard of smashing power or expansion. In short a combination of the best qualities of the military small bore and of the high velocity larger bore Nitro express rifles.

The first attempt at such a desirable combination was made by Westley Richards and Co. when they introduced their accelerated Express rifle ·375/303, which was editorially noticed some time ago by us This weapon, it may be recalled, possesses the following advantages over the highest type of military small bore, viz., the Mannlicher ·256.

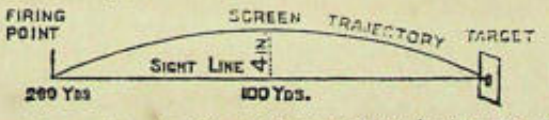
Higher velocity
Flatter trajectory.
Heavier weight of bullet.
Larger bore.
Greater muzzle energy.
Superior sporting bullet.

MANNLICHER ·256.
Weight of bullet 162 grains.
Muzzle velocity 2,400 ft. seconds.
Muzzle energy 2,000 foot lbs.

·375/303 ACCELERATED EXPRESS.
Weight of bullet, 214 grains.
Muzzle velocity 2,500 ft. second.
Muzzle energy 3,000 foot lbs.

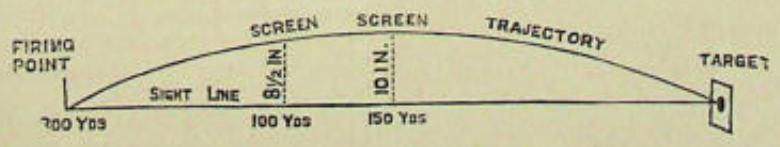
As regards the trajectory, the following comparative tables compiled from the results of firing through screens placed in front of the target at various distances show the advantage secured by the increased velocity of the ·375/303 bore.

A ·375/·303 WESTLEY RICHARDS UNDER-LEVER ACTION RIFLE.
Barrels, 28 inches.
Axite powder, 44 grs.
Bullet, 215 grs.
Muzzle velocity, 2,500 feet per second.



Distance of target from shooter 200 yards. At 100 yards away from shooter was placed a paper screen. The diagram illustrates the point at which the bullet passed through the screen, and shows a rise of 4 inches above the line of sight at this range.

Distance of target from shooter, 300 yards. At 100 yards and 150 yards respectively from shooter were placed paper screens.



This diagram illustrates the points at which the bullets passed through the screens, and shows over this range a rise of 8½ inches above the line of sight at 100 yards, and of 10 inches above the line of sight at 150 yards.

The following particulars show the exact amount above or below the point aimed at, the bullet would strike under certain errors of taking sight at various distances indicated—

(1) Shot at 100 yards with 200 yards sighting, the bullets go 4" high.
(2) " " 100 " " 300 " " " " " 8½" "
(3) " " 200 " " 300 " " " " " 8½" "
(4) " " 200 " " 100 " " " " " 8½" low.
(5) " " 300 " " 200 " " " " " 18" "
(6) " " 300 " " 100 " " " " " 27" "

I.—MANNLICHER, ·256 BORE.

Barrels, 26 inches; cordite powder, 31 grs.; bullet, 160 grs.; muzzle velocity, 2,395 feet per second.

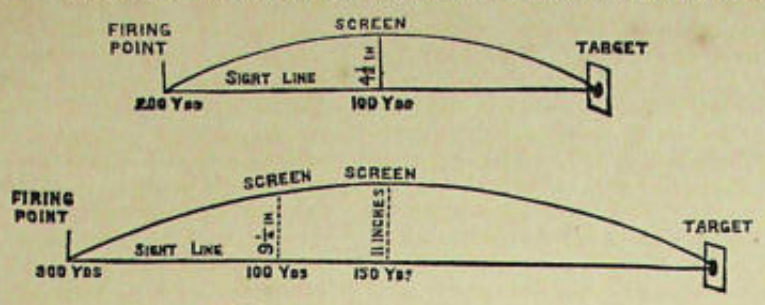


FIG. 155.—TRAJECTORY

Shot at	100	yds.	with	200	yds.	sighting,	bullets go	4½	inches high.
,,	100	,,	,,	300	,,	,,	,,	9½	,, ,,
,,	200	,,	,,	300	,,	,,	,,	10	,, ,,
,,	200	,,	,,	100	,,	,,	,,	10	,, low
,,	300	,,	,,	200	,,	,,	,,	15	,, ,,
,,	300	,,	,,	100	,,	,,	,,	28½	,, ,,

This rifle is made to shoot the ordinary type of cartridge with rim which is adapted to both magazine, and single and double, drop down rifles, but is not capable of use in conjunction with a cartridge clip so advantageous in magazine weapons.

Messrs Westley Richards have now succeeded in advancing the Accelerated Express system an important step further. The improvements comprise (a), superior ballistics and (b) the substitution of the grooved or rimless cartridge for the rimmed kind which permits the use of a strip or clip of the Mauser type for the magazine rifles and further ensures consistent and reliable action of the cartridge within the magazine; and (c) the employment of these rimless cartridges in drop down, sliding block and other sporting arms.

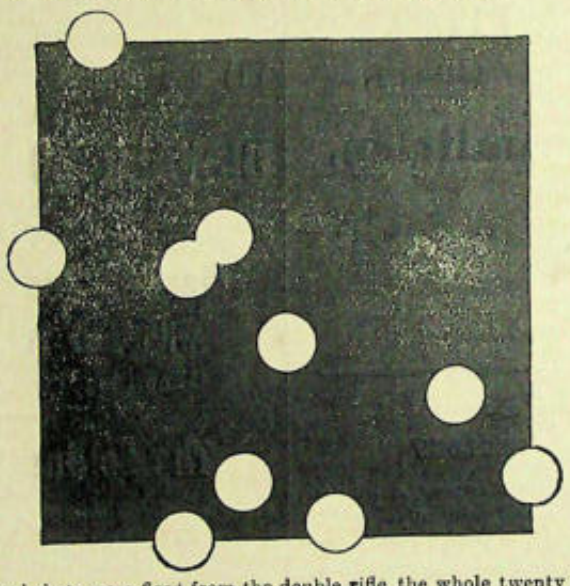
The new accelerated express rifle is ·318 bore.
Weight of bullet 250 grains.
Muzzle velocity 2,500 feet seconds.
Muzzle energy 3,466 foot lbs.
Powder Axite.

Bullet—Westley Richards copper capped expanding.
Weight of magazine rifle.
Weight of single loader rifle.
Weight of double rifle.

The following diagrams with the single and double rifles were made in a public trial before the Shooting Editor of the *County Gentleman* and *Land and Water* and myself on 10th and 11th October last. Single rifle, six consecutive shots on a penny piece at 100 yards.



Double rifle, ten consecutive shots five each, right and left, in a space of 2½" × 2½".



Without a break ten additional shots were fired from the double rifle, the whole twenty consecutive shots grouping in a space of 3" × 2½" convincingly establishing both the accurate shooting of the new cartridge and the solid reliable construction and careful adjustment of the two barrels and their sights. Hitherto, the rimless cartridge used with a clip or strip has been confined to the magazine principle; but now Messrs. Westley Richards have designed a special form of extractor suited to the grooved or rimless cartridge for use in single loader and double drop down rifles. The new ·318 accelerated express cartridge was tested, as stated, in these weapons and the loading, extraction and ejection under all conditions were perfect.



FIG. 1.



FIG. 2.

FIG. 1. Five cartridges and clips ready for magazine.
FIG. 2. New ·318 copper capped bullet after firing.

The following table shows the respective velocities and energies over 100, 200, and 300 yards.

	Velocity.	Energy.
100 yards.	2,257 F. S.	2,900 feet lbs.
200 ,,	2, 88 ,,	2,418 ,,
300 ,,	1,916 ,,	2,036 ,,

Comparing these with the ·375/303 it will be seen that there is an increase of both velocity and striking force at these sporting ranges of over 15 per cent.

On consulting the trajectory tables of the ·375/303 bore we also see the advantage of the ·318 over other small bore rifles and this advantage is further augmented by its heavier bullet and larger striking area.

Now that the new regulations concerning the importation of arms into India prohibit the ·450 bore, the ·318 bore accelerated express rifle will prove a good substitute.

It is only second to the ·400 bore in point of smashing power and when used in conjunction with the copper- capped bullet will be found an all-round powerful weapon especially adapted to Indian sport.

The ·318 accelerated express rifle stands at the head of the small bores. It is first and last a sporting rifle possessing all the qualities I have described as vital and essential to sport, and Messrs. Westley Richards are to be congratulated upon this step in advance.

An interesting feature of this ·318 bore rifle is that the magazine model is now made with the well-known patent detachable barrel associated with the name of that firm.

HENRY SHARP.

Correspondence.

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THE ·35 REMINGTON AUTOMATIC RIFLE.

TO THE EDITOR OF "THE INDIAN FIELD."

SIR,—Since writing about the Winchester Automatic rifle of this description I have seen an account of the new Remington rifle—which is an exceedingly powerful little weapon of its kind—its bullet being 200 grains in weight with a muzzle velocity of 2,000 feet per second which gives it the fairly high muzzle energy of 1,774 foot pounds and, of course, a flat trajectory at sporting ranges, while the bullet is not heavy enough to have a very dangerously long range. It is like the Winchester Automatic, on the Browning principle. It has a solid breech and locking system and loads with a 5-round clip. It is a handy little weapon with a shot barrel and ought to do very well for antelope, etc. It shoots a bottle-shaped rimless cartridge with a soft-nosed bullet. The price is very moderate.

B.

HORSE'S WEIGHT AND CARRYING POWER.

TO THE EDITOR OF "THE INDIAN FIELD."

SIR,—With reference to your leader on "Horse's weight and *carrying* power" which appeared in your issue of the 22nd ultimo surely the weight of a horse is a very unimportant factor indeed with regard to its carrying power, as compared with the strength of its legs, general conformation and breeding.

A horse's carrying capacity and the actual weight of the animal must vary in inverse ratio, if the strength of its understandings remains constant.

As a proof that there can be little, if any, relation between a horse's weight and carrying power, it may be instanced that an average-sized Arab 14-1 will, in the majority of cases, carry a weight as well as an Arab of 14-3.

RESSALLA.

NOTES ON RIFLES.

THE NEW AUTOMATIC REPEATER OF ·35 CALIBRE.

TO THE EDITOR OF "THE INDIAN FIELD."

SIR,—This is a very handy and fairly powerful little weapon of moderate price and eminently suitable for black buck, etc., and will shortly be introduced by the Winchester Repeating Arms Company. It is a self-loader of a type similar to their ·22 calibre miniature automatic rifle of 2 or 3 years ago, but is fitted with a box magazine holding five rounds. It is a great improvement on a similar weapon put on the market by the firm a short time ago, as its bullet, though of the same weight, 180 grains, has a muzzle velocity of 1,860 feet seconds instead of 1,400—which gives it about 1,380 foot pounds of energy at the muzzle against about 780 of the latter and, of course, a very flat trajectory at sporting ranges. One advantage of a comparatively light bullet of 180 grains over those of the usual weight of from 250 to 320 grains for this calibre is that it does not travel so far and is consequently like the old light express bullets safer to use in populous districts. The automatic rifles of the Winchester firm as well as most American repeating rifles and shot guns are the inventions of Mr. Browning, whose automatic pistols, made by the Colt's Company and in Belgium, are now so well known.

The ·32 calibre automatic rifle with its 1,400 feet per second velocity and bullet of 160 grains would be a nice little weapon for antelope also. Years ago a friend of mine using a 32-40 black powder weapon of similar power bagged ten buck with an expenditure of only 12 cartridges.

The Winchester firm have in the last few years put on the market some very moderately priced high velocity nitro rifles which are good enough for most purposes. Of these the ·35 and ·405 calibre repeaters of model 95 are suitable for those who want rifles of greater power than the usual small bore military cartridge weapons with the same flatness of tragectory at sporting ranges. The ·33 calibre of 86 model with its 200 grain bullet is of course less powerful but is a lighter and handier weapon, suitable for antelope. The two former have muzzle velocities of over 2,100 feet per second and the letter about 2,000.

Those who possess the old black powder 45/70, ·45/90 and ·50 Express Winchesters can by the use of special cartridges loaded with smokeless powders very considerably increase their power, as velocities from 1,850 to over 2,000 feet per second are said to be obtainable with them in place of 1,300 or 1,400 Similar cartridges are made also for the 32/40 with about 2,000 feet velocity the ·38/55 with 1650 and the ·44/40 and ·32/20 with about 1,600, enormously increases the power of these weapons.

The ·303 bore also when chambered for the new ·375—·303 axite cartridge has its power increased enormously its velocity being raised from 2,000 feet seconds to 2,500 and even 2700—and according to an announcement in your issue of the 18th October its performance on game of all kinds leaves nothing to be desired. The U. S. Government have been trying experiments with light bullets of the German Spitzer pattern in their service rifle, with a 150 grain bullet driven by an increased charge giving a muzzle velocity of 2 750 foot seconds. The elevation for 600 yards on the service sight carried

be bullets to 1,000 yards and gave good target results at that distance. It would be interesting to experiment with light bullets at extremity high velocities in the new cordite sporting rifles. The gain in velocity and flatness of trajectory would more than compensate for loss of weight and would be no loss of power according to the German Spitzer bullet experiments. This bullet, though of only 154 grains as compared with the service 227 grain bullet, gave superior ballistic results to over 2,000 yards. A ·450 bullet of 360 grains' weight driven at 2,500 feet a second would give an energy of very nearly 5,000 foot pounds against about 4,250 foot pounds of a ·480 grain bullet driven at 2,000 feet a second. The light bullet would not only develop higher energy, but have a flatter trajectory at sporting ranges. It would remain to be seen how the higher velocity would affect the rifle as regards pressure, fouling, recoil, etc.

Sighting of a rifle is quite as important as its accuracy; as without accurate sights a weapon is useless. The peep or orthoptic sight in its various forms is undoubtedly superior to any open sight and this is beginning to be recognised, but not anything like as much as it should be. It does away with difficulty of focussing and if properly made with a sufficiently large peep hole it is just as good, for snap shooting as the open sight—and far superior to it for stationery shots. The American New York Militia team who beat the Queen's Westminsters recently in a rifle match had peep holes on their sight bars—which undoubtedly gave them an advantage. I think it is a pity the peep sights are not used in our service arms.

B.

SPORTSMEN'S CAMERAS AND BINOCULARS.

Most of our readers, at any rate those who include photography among their hobbies, are more or less familiar with the Goerz-Anschutz camera; they will be interested to hear that Messrs. James Murray and Co., of Calcutta, are the Agents of the manufacturers. We are reminded of the fact by the receipt of beautifully illustrated pamphlets showing what can be done with the Goerz lens, and among all the pictures we find none to surpass in clearness and artistic merit those dealing with sports and pastimes, they are perfect and have an additional interest apart from that naturally felt by those who have been engaged in the particular sports illustrated, when it is remembered that the whole of the originals, with but one or two exceptions, are the work of amateur photographers with the Goerz-Anschutz Folding Camera. This apparatus, which has long been in the hands of professional photographers, is daily becoming more and more popular among amateurs, and especially with those desiring a graphic chronicle of their sports and pastimes. Such photographs have a value and interest seldom possessed by ordinary snapshots, and are easily obtained with this Camera. Everything necessary to perfect work is embodied in this instrument—an efficient shutter enabling the fastest exposures to be given or snapshots made on dull days, and good results obtained—a perfect lens, and all the adjustments required for a Hand Camera, while the apparatus is distinguished by its compactness and its light and elegant form. The Camera is free from complications and adjustments without practical value but bewildering to the worker, and has been specially designed for fast instantaneous exposures such as are necessary for sporting pictures.

Messrs. James Murray and Co. have also the Goerz-Trieder Binoculars, the ideal glasses for racing men and sportsmen

The ordinary field glass has always been disappointing in its definition, which, if good in the centre, falls rapidly away to the margins, and the field of view has been extremely limited in area; the glasses, too, are heavy and bulky. Goerz-Trieder Binoculars have none of the faults of the ordinary field glass, and have merits possessed by no other prismatic binocular.

They are compact, being about one-third the length of old style glasses.

The definition is exquisite, and being obtained by patented object-glasses—reserved exclusively to the manufacturer—is superior to that given by other glasses of similar form. The field of view is as brilliantly illuminated and well-defined at the edges as at the centre. The angle of view is considerably larger than that given by the old form of field glass, and in excess of that obtained with other prismatic binoculars. The prisms have no silvered surfaces to deteriorate and impair the definition of the glass. The two eye-pieces can be adjusted to suit any interocular distance and are focussed simultaneously by means of a rack and wheel, as in the ordinary opera glass. Differences in vision can be allowed for.

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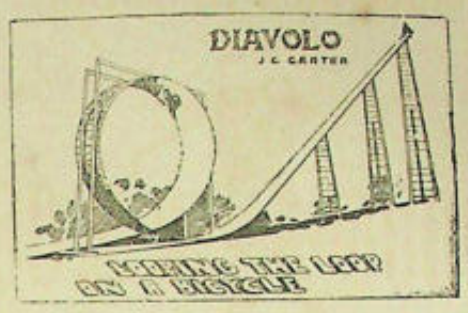

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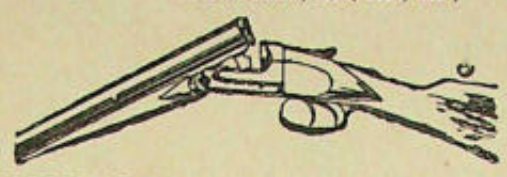

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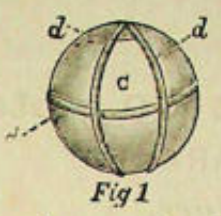

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Rangoon Autumn ..	Dec.	6
Tezpur ..	,,	6 &
Calcutta Second Extra ..	,,	8
,, Third ,, ..	,,	15
Rangoon Fourth Extra ..	,,	8
Chittagong ..	,,	11 & 13
Rawalpindi ..	,,	13 & 15
Bombay First Extra ..	,,	15
,, Second ,, ..	,,	22
,, Third ,, ..	,,	29
Peshawar Autumn ..	,,	19 & 21
Calcutta First Meeting ..	,,	22, 26, 29 &
Lahore Xmas, ..	,,	26, 28 & 31
Bhamo	,,	27 & 29
Tollygunge Steeplechases ..	Jan.	1 & 5
Bombay Fourth Extra ..	,,	5
,, Fifth ,, ..	,,	12
,, Sixth ,, ..	,,	19
,, Seventh ,, ..	,,	26
Agra New Year ..	,,	6 & 10
R. W. Fusiliers Steeplechases ..	,,	12
Calcutta Second Meeting ..	,,	12, 15 & 19
Dibrugarh	,,	22 & 26
Calcutta Fourth Extra ..	,,	26
Lucknow Spring ..	Feb.	2, 4 & 6
Bombay Eighth Extra ..	,,	2
,, Ninth ,, ..	,,	9
Bombay — ..	,,	13, 16, 18, 20 & 23
Rangoon Spring ..	Mar.	9, 12 & 14
Bombay Tenth Extra ..	,,	2
,, Eleventh ,, ..	,,	9
,, Twelfth ,, ..	,,	16
,, Thirteenth ,, ..	,,	23
,, Fourteenth ,, ..	,,	30
Meerut Spring ..	,,	2, 5 & 7
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Lahore Spring ..	,,	20 & 22
Rawalpindi Spring ..	,,	23, 26 & 28

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Peshawar Autumn ..	..	Third ..	.. 10th December.
Chittagong	..	Second ..	.. 12th December.
Lucknow Spring C. S. Cup	..	Final ..	.. 15th January.
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Calcutta Second Meeting	..	Second ..	.. 2nd January.
Bhamo	..	First ..	.. 24th December.
	..	Second ..	.. 27th December.
Lahore Xmas ..	..	Third ..	.. 15th December

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Messrs. Jones and Pugh's b aus g Olynthus, 10st.	Mr. Pugh	2
Mr. A. L. Butler's ch aus m Bonita, 10st. 7lbs.	Thomas	3
Mr. G. H. L. Mackenzie's br e m Colina, 10st. 3lbs.	Mr. Barrow	4

(*Winner trained by Tingey.*)

Totalisator paid Rs. 59 to win ; Rs. 35 and Rs. 27 for places.

BETTING : 6 to 4 on Bonita, 3 to 1 agst. Colina, 4 to 1 Olynthus, 6 to 1 Rustler.

Bonita went away with the lead and was closely followed by Olynthus till they entered the straight where Olynthus got in front. Rustler came with a rush at the finish and secured the verdict by two lengths ; a short head between second and third ; Colina last ten lengths away. Time—1min. 49⅘secs.

LILLIPUTIAN PLATE.—Rs. 1,000 to the winner, Rs. 300 to the second, and Rs. 200 to the third. For Arabs 14-2, C.-B.'s 14-1, and other ponies 14 hands and under which have not won a flat race value Rs. 1,000 or upwards since 31st March 1904. Above heights to carry 9st. 3lbs. W. I. 5 furlongs.

Thakur Sripal Singh's b or br aus m Plover, 8st. 8lbs.	Evans	1
H. H. Mah. of Cooch Behar's bk aus m Matin Bell, 8st. 5lbs.	Southall	2
Mr. A. Price's br aus m Half Price, 9st. 5lbs.	Mr. Evers	3
Aga S Shah's b e g Hooded Monk, 9st. 3lbs., ...	Baichan	4
Mr. R. D. Coggan's br aus g Ivanhoe II., 10st.	White	0
Mr. J. D. Scott's b ch m Esmeralda, 9st. ...	Robinson	0

(*Winner trained by Marriott.*)

Totalisator paid Rs. 72 to win ; Rs. 23 and Rs. 14 for places.

BETTING : 6 to 4 agst. Matin Bell, 5 to 2 Esmeralda, 6 to 1 Plover, 7 to 1 Ivanhoe II., 10 to 1 Hooded Monk, 15 to 1 Half Price.

Plover was quickest away, with Hooded Monk and Esmeralda closest up. At the turn Matin Bell came up second, but was unable to catch Plover, who eventually won by two lengths ; Half Price third half a length behind ; a length dividing third and fourth. Time—1min. 6⅕secs.

CRITERION PLATE.—Rs. 1,000 to the winner, Rs. 300 to the second, and Rs. 200 to the third. For horses which have not won a flat race value Rs. 1,000 or upwards since 31st March 1904. W. A. and C. reduced 7lbs. 6 furlongs.

Mr. Dartmoor's b aus m Lady Metal, 9st. 7lbs.	O'Brien	1
Messrs. Hudson and Butler's bk e m Mercedes, 9st. 10lbs.	Murdison	2
Mr. A. N. Dass' ch e m Carnival, 8st. 10lbs.	W. Kaesen	3
Mrs. A. Grosser's b aus g Cyril, 9st. 10lbs.	Bradshaw	4
Mr. A. N. Dass' b aus g Mulison, 8st. 10lbs.	Taylor	0
Mr. B. B's b e m Bouquet, 9st. 10lbs. ..	W. White	0
Mr. D. B. Myers' b aus g Bon Bon, 9st. 6lbs.	Lansdown	0
Mr. O. M. D. Bell's br aus g Dramatic, 9st. 4lbs.	Firth	0
Mr. Charles' bk aus g Foy, 9st. 2lbs. ...	Bullock	0
Mr. W. H. Walmsley's b e g Jack Shepard, 9st. 2lbs.	Mr. Bell Irving	0
Mr. O. M. D. Bell's br aus h Mount Dane, 8st. 13lbs.	Norman	0
Mr. Galstaun's br aus m Windy, 8st. 11lbs.	Robinson	0
Mr. Austin's bk aus m Eclipse, 8st. 4lbs ...	Baichan	0

(*Winner trained by Taylor.*)

Totalisator paid Rs. 174 to win ; Rs. 48, Rs. 19 and Rs. 83 for places.

BETTING : 3 to 1 agst. Foy, 4 to 1 Mercedes, 5 to 1 Cyril, 8 to 1 each Bon Bon and Windy, 12 to 1 each Lady Metal, Carnival and Bouquet, 20 to 1 the others.

Bon Bon jumped away with Foy and Lady Metal in attendance. At the hospital corner Lady Metal took command and was never headed, winning by a length easily ; Mercedes secured second place half a length ahead of Carnival ; a length and a half between third and fourth. Time—1min 17⅗secs.

PONY PLATE.—Rs. 1,000 to the winner, Rs. 300 to the second, and Rs. 200 to the third. For ponies 14-2 and under which have not won a flat race value Rs. 1,000 or upwards since 31st March 1904. Ponies 14-2 to carry 9st. 3lbs. W. I. 5 furlongs.

Mr. O. M. D. Bell's br e m Psalm, 9st. 10lbs.	Firth	1
Mr. F. Potter's bk aus m Hazelnut, 9st. 3lbs.	Bradshaw	2
Mr. J. C. Galstaun's b e g Silphoe, 9st. 10lbs.	Robinson	3
Mr. J. D. Scott's b sth afr h Pat C., 9st. 5lbs	Southall	4
Mrs. J. M. Gregory's b aus m Picture, 9st. 2lbs.	O'Brien	0
Lt-Col. J. Desaraj Urs' ch aus m Lucretia, 9st. 11lb.	Bullock	0
Mr. A. N. Dass' ch aus g Pineal, 8st. 8lbs.	Mr. Evers	0

(*Winner trained by Firth.*)

Totalisator paid Rs. 86 to win ; Rs. 31 and Rs. 46 for places.

BETTING : 7 to 4 on Silphoe, 11 to 2 agst. Psalm, 6 to 1 Pat C, 12 to 1 Hazelnut, 20 to 1 Picture, 30 to 1 each Pineal and Lucretia. Psalm and Silphoe led to the turn, where Silphoe dropped back, leaving Psalm to go on and win easily by a length and a half, Hazelnut second a length behind ; a length and a half between second and third. Time—1min. 4⅗secs.

THE CLUB PLATE.—Rs. 1,000 to the winner, Rs. 300 to the second, and Rs. 200 to the third. For horses which have not won a flat race value Rs. 1,000 or upwards since 31st March 1904. W. A. and C. reduced 7lbs. 1¼ mile.

Mr. Holmes' b e m Santa Maria, 9st. 3lbs.	Murdison	1
Mr. Galstaun's br e m Sainte Marquise, 9st. 6lbs.	Robinson	2
Mrs. A. Grosser's b e m Merry Elsie, 9st. 6lbs.	Bradshaw	3
Mr. Charles' b e g Pendred, 9st. ...	Bullock	4
Mr. C. Pearson's bk aus g Lord Boyne, 9st. 10lbs.	Drew	0
Mr. Galstaun's b e h Applause, 9st. 3lbs. ...	Vining	0
Mr. A. N. Dass' b e m Child Adopted, 8st. 9lbs.	O'Brien	0

(*Winner trained by Wishart.*)

Totalisator paid Rs. 53 to win ; Rs. 18 and Rs. 17 for places.

BETTING : 2 to 1 each Santa Maria and Sainte Marquise, 6 to 1 each Merry Elsie and Child Adopted, 8 to 1 Applause, 15 to 1 Lord Boyne, 20 to 1 Pendred.

Sainte Marquise and Pendred were most prominent to the six furlong, where Lord Boyne assumed the lead. At the turn Santa Maria, Sainte Marquise and Merry Elsie drew away, a good finish resulting in favour of Santa Maria by three-quaters of a length ; a length between second and third ; half a length between third and fourth. Time—2mins. 15⅖secs.

TRAINERS' LOTS.

CALCUTTA RACES, 1906-1907.

HORSE.	DESCRIPTION.	OWNER.	TRAINER.
A.			
Annamulloch	bk e m	Mr. Holmes	Wishart.
Amplify	ch e m	Mr. J. D. Scott	Owner.
Applause	b e h	Mr. J. C. Galstaun	Tingey.
Au Fait	br e m	Capt. Farquharson	Saunders.
Airlock	bk aus m	Hon. Mr. A. A. Apcar	Watson.
Amyas	ch aus g	Mr. Dartmoor	Taylor.
Adviser	b aus g	Mr. S. F. Reynolds	Wishart.
Aberfoyle	b or br aus g	Mr. R. S. Hart	Ferguson.
B.			
Black Duke	bk or br e e	Mr. D. B. Myers	Dignum.
Bon Bon	b aus g	Mr. D. B. Myers	Dignum.
Baron II	ch aus g	Mr. Locke	C. Hoyt.
Blitzen	bk or br e m	Messrs. Hudson and Butler	Wishart.
Ballark	bk aus g	Hon. Mr. A. A. Apcar	Watson.
Beaunero	ch e g	Mr. G. B. Deakin	Owner.
Bundook	b e g	Mr. Dartmoor	Taylor.
Branga	ch aus g	Mr. T. G. Evers	Owner.
Botha	br aus g	Mr. O. M. D. Bell	Firth.
Bouquet	b e m	Mr. B. B.	Walker.
Belle Cole	b aus m	Mr. Stead	Torpey.
Bubble	br aus g	Messrs. Rodocanachi and Mackenzie	Norton.
Bucentaur	b aus g	Mr. J. A. Manning	Marriott.
Bonita	ch aus m	Mr. A. L. Butler	Wishart.
C.			
Child Adopted	b e m	Mr. A. N. Dass	Taylor.
Carnival	ch e m	Mr. A. N. Dass	Taylor.
Curfew	ch aus g	Mr. J. B.	Ramshaw.
Craigendarrie	b e g	Mr. J. C. Galstaun	Tingey.

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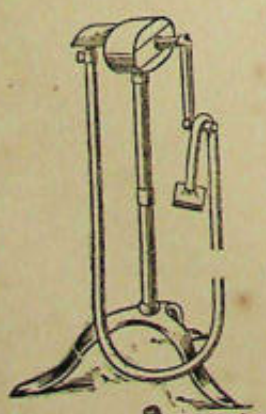

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Contest	ch aus h	Mr. R. S. Hart	Ferguson.
Clear Artist	b or br e g	Mr. North	Bleach
Coin II	ch aus m	H. H. Mah. of Cooch Behar ...	Ramshaw.
Curlew	b aus m	Mr. B. N. Burjotjee	Owner.
Clynder	b e m	Mr. A. N. Dass	Taylor.
Curfew Bell	ch aus m	Messrs. Wood and Badger ...	Penton.
Coronet	b aus g	Mr. S. F. Reynolds	Wishart.
Circus Girl	b aus m	Mr. J. C. Galstaun	Tingey.
Claribell	ch aus m	Mr. J. C. Galstaun	Tingey.
Cingalee	ch e m	Mr. Cecil	Ramshaw.
Clodian	b aus g	Mr. J. G. Ballantyne	Mr. Evers.
Camira	b aus g	Mr. E. J. Marshall	J. D. Scott.

D

Downland	br or bk e m	Mr. J. M. Rodocanachi	Norton.
Dea	br aus m	Hon. Mr. A. A. Apcar	Watson.
Decoration	b aus g	Mr. R. S. Hart	Ferguson.
Duplex II	b us g	Mr. J. D. Scott.	Owner.
Dirty Boy	bk e g	Mr. J. C. Galstaun	Tingey.
Dulcimer	bk aus g	Mr. J. C. Galstaun	Tingey.
Dramatic	br aus g	Mr. O. M. D. Bell	Firth.
Dormant	b aus g	Mr. P. B. Avasia	Bleach.
Diakkaway	ch e m	Mr. J. C. Galstaun	Tingey.
Dunsinane	ch e f	Messrs. Wood and Badger ...	Penton.

E.

Esmeralda	ch e m	Mr. J. D. Scott	Owner.
Envious	b aus c	Mr. Cowper	Owner.
Esperanto	b aus m	Mr. R. D. Coggan	T. White.

F.

Footprint	b e h	Mr. E. L. F. de Soysa	Harper
Fitzgrafton	b aus h	Hon. Mr. A. A. Apcar	Watson.
Flo	bk or br aus m	Mr. F. Potter	Owner.
Footlight	br aus m	Mr. W. H. Walmesley	Ramshaw.
Ferndown	br e b	Messrs. Wood and Badger ...	Penton.
Flotsam	b aus g	Thakur Sripal Singh	Thomas.
Foy	bk aus g	Mr. Charles	Pringle.

G.

Galley Slave	ch e g	Mr. E. J. Marshall	J. D. Scott.
Greenstone	b aus g	Mr. North	Bleach.
Gum	b aus g	Mr. J. C. Galstaun	Tingey.
Gladstone	b aus g	Mr. Locke	C. Hoyt.
Ground Glass	b e m	Mr. Cowper	Pringle.
Good Chap	br aus g	Mr. R. M. Hamilton	Mr. Cowper.
Gowan	ch aus m	Mr. J. C. Galstaun	Tingey.

H.

Hoop Iron	b aus g	Mr. J. C. Galstaun	Tingey.
Handelian	br e g	Mr. J. C. Galstaun	Tingey.
Honest Lady	b e m	Mr. J. D. Scott	Owner.
Henrique	br aus m	Hon. Mr. A. A. Apcar	Watson.
Hooded Monk	b e g	Aga S. Shah	Owner.
Half Price	br aus m	Mr. Price	Owner.
Hazlenut	bk aus m	Mr. Dartmoor	Taylor.
Hint	br aus m	Mr. J. M. Rodocanachi	Norton.

I.

Insurrection	b e g	Mr. A. N. Dass	Taylor.
Ivanhoe II	br aus g	Mr. R. D. Coggan	T. White.

J.

Jacquelin	b aus m	Mr. R. S. Hart	Ferguson.
Jolly Abbot	gr e c	Mr. D. B. Myers	Dignum.
Jackeroo	br aus g	Mr. O. M. D. Bell	Firth.
Jack Sheppard	b e g	Mr. W. H. Walmesley	Pringle.
Jubilant	b aus m	Mr. G. K.	Munroe.
Jacinth	br aus g	Mr. Cowper	Owner.

K.

Kipling	b aus g	Mr. E. J. Marshall	J. D. Scott.
Killeevan	br e m	Mr. J. C. Galstaun	Tingey.
Kendal King	ch e g	Mr. Charles	Pringle.
Kingpin	ch aus g	Mr. Austin	Heywood.

L.

Loch Lochie	b aus g	Mr. R. S. Hart	Ferguson.
Look Out	b aus g	Mr. Locke	C. Hoyt.
Long Tom	br aus g	Mr. J. C. Galstaun	Ferguson.
Lady Avon	bk or br aus m	Mr. J. D. Scott	Owner.
Lady Veera	b e m	Mr. Bunting	J. D. Scott.
Lady Grey	gr e m	Mr. Bunting	J. D. Scott.
Lord D.	b aus g	Mr. Alec	Heywood.
Lucretia	ch aus m	Lieut.-Col. J. Desaraj Urs ...	Vinall.
Little Dolly	ch aus m	Col. P. K. L. Beaver	Heywood.
Lady Metal	b aus m	Mr. Dartmoor	Taylor.
Lamrock	br aus g	H. H. Kour Sahib of Patiala	T. Scott.
Lorette	br aus m	Mr. B. N. Burjorjee	Owner.
Lord Boyne	bk aus g	Mr. C. Pearson	T. White.
Loyal	ch aus g	Mr. J. A. Manning	Marriott.
Leda	ch aus m	Mr. B. B.	Walker.
Lady Viola	b aus m	Mr. J. D. Scott	Owner.
Leading Lady	b aus m	Mr. W. B. Green	Mr. H. E. Smith.

M.

Merry Elsie	b e m	Mrs. A. Grosser	Smallman.
Meadow Saffron	ch e m	Mr. G. B. Deakin	J. D. Scott.
Mother Goose	br e g	Messrs. Wood and Badger...	Penton.
Mount Dane	br aus h	Mr. O. M. D. Bell	Firth
Munderah	br aus h	H. H. Maharajah of Mysore	Ferguson.
Matin Bell	bk aus m	H. H. Maharajah of Cooch Behar	Ramshaw.
Mayroid	br aus m	Mr. W. Griffiths	T. White.
Minimus	b aus g	Lieut.-Col. J. Desaraj Urs	Vinall.
Matalgia	b aus h	Mr. J. C. Galstaun	Tingey.
Meg	ch aus m	Mr. D. B. Myers	Dignum.
Massachusselts	b aus m	Mr. J. D. Scott	Owner.
Mary Jane	ch aus m	Mr. J. D. Scott	Owner.
Master, The	br aus h	Mr. Maxwell	Wishart.
Martinique	br aus m	Hon. Mr. A. A. Apcar	Watson.
Master Charlie	br e g	Mr E. J. Marshall	J. D. Scott.
Mercedes	bk or br e m	Messrs. Hudson and Butler	Wishart.
Mistlebird	b aus m	Mr. R. A. C. Pugh	Owner.
Mulison	b aus g	Mr. A. N. Dass	Taylor.
Musette	br aus m	Mr. Maxwell	Wishart.
Malinyook	bk aus g	Mr. C. Pearson	T. White.
Mallard	b aus h	Hon. Mr. A. A. Apcar	Watson.
Manlock	b aus g	Col. P. K. L. Beaver	T. Scott.
Miss Hopson	ch e m	Mr. Charles	Pringle.
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Miss Stone	ch aus m	Mr. Holmes	Wishart.

N.

Nightingale	br e m	Capt. Farquharson	Saunders.
Nak Our	ch aus m	Hon. Mr. A. A. Apcar	Watson.
Nirvana	b e g	Mr. Field	Heywood.
Nurse Kitty	b e m	H. H. Kour Sahib of Patiala	T. Scott.
Nigam	b aus g	Thakur Sripal Singh	Thomas.
Narwanah	ch aus g	Mr. C. Pearson	T. White.

O.

Olive Lee	br aus m	Mr. H. V. Low	Norton.
Olynthus	b aus g	Messrs. Jones and Pugh ...	Mr. R. Pugh.
Our State	b aus g	Mr. J. C. Galstaun	Tingey.
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P.

Pennant	b aus g	Mr. Borneo	Norton.
Pat C.	b sth afr. h	Mr. J. D Scott	Owner.
Pineal	ch aus g	Mr. A. N. Dass	Taylor.
Plover	br aus m	Thakur Sripal Singh	Marriott
Palas	ch aus m	Mr. R. D. Coggan	T. White.
Pendred	b e g	Mr. Charles	Pringle.
Palindrome	br or ch aus m	Mr. Stead	Torpey.
Paddy's Darling	b e m	Mr. J. C. Galstaun	Tingey.
Prince Lyon	br aus g	Mr. J. C. Galstaun	Tingey.
Presbyterian	ch e g	Mr. P. B. Avasia	Bleach.
Psalm	br e m	Mr. O. M. D. Bell	Firth.
Projecture	b aus m	Mr. F. Potter	Owner.
Pure Gold	b e g	Mr. J. C. Galstaun	Tingey.
Prince Moorefield	b aus g	Mr. R. B. Lamotte	Owner.
Pretender	b aus g	Mr. K. M. Hamilton	Mr. Cowper.
Picture	b aus m	Mrs. J. N. Gregory	Taylor.

R.

Red Coral	b aus g	Lieut.-Col. J. Desaraj Urs ...	Vinall.
Rosanule	b e h	Mr. Charles	Pringle.
Refuge Bay	b aus g	Mr. Charles	Pringle.
Riverside II	b nth aus g	Mr. J. C. Galstaun	Tingey.
Rustile	ch aus m	Mr J. C. Galstaun	Tingey.
Rezia	b aus m	Mr. A. N. Dass	Taylor.
Rustler	b aus g	Mr. J. C. Galstaun	Tingey.
Rather Rakish	ch aus g	Mr. Holmes	Wishart.
Roseland	b ch g	Mr. J. D. Scott	Owner.

S.

Seclusion	ch aus m	Hon. Mr A. A. Apcar	Watson.
Strathspey	bk aus g	Hon. Mr. A. A. Apcar	Watson.
Scotch Thistle	bk aus g	Mrs. Fraser Nash	Smallman.
Spark	b aus g	Mr. K. R Tomkinson	C. Hoyt.
Senator	ch aus g	Mr. W. T. Miles	Owner.
Spero	b aus g	Mr. S. Margrett	Smallman.
Signorina	b aus m	Mr. J. B.	Ramshaw.
Son of a Gun	b e h	Mr. Bunting	J. D. Scott.
S. S.	b aus g	Thakur Sripal Singh	Thomas.
Sainte Marquise	br e m	Mr. J. C. Galstaun	Tingey.
Santa Maria	b e m	Mr. Holmes	Wishart.
Squire Alfred	b e g	Messrs. Wood & Badger	Penton.
Scamander	ch e m	Mr. W. H Walmsley	Pringle.
Sacristan II	ch e g	Mr. Dartmoor	Taylor.
Solace	b aus m	Mr. Field	Heywood.
Silphoe	b e g	Mr. J. C. Galstaun	Tingey.
Sea Spray	b e f	Mr. G. B. Deakin	Owner.
Sermon	ch e g	Messrs. Wood & Badger	Penton.
Saloon	br ch g	Mr. J. B. Scott	Owner.
Steinhager	b e c	Mr. Charles	Pringle.
Stepaway	b e m	Mr A. L. Butler	Wishart.
Swindle	br aus g	Mrs. A. Grosser	Smallman.
St. Michael	b aus g	Mr. S. Margrett	Smallman.

T.

Tattoo	b aus g	Mr. R. B. Lamotte	Owner.
Thomond	br e g	Messrs. Wood & Badger	Penton.
Trencherman	b aus h	Mr. A. N. Dass	Taylor.
Trenayr	b aus g	Mr. C. Pearson	T. White.
Tartan	ch aus g	Mr. M. R. K. Hodgson	Owner.
Terence	ch aus g	Hon. Mr. A. A. Apcar	Watson.
Tycannah	b aus g	Mr. J. S. Love	Marriott.
Trenton	b aus g	Lt.-Col. J. Desaraj Urs	Vinall.
Testwood	br e g	Mr. P. B. Avasia	Bleach.

V.

Veera	ch aus m	Mr. G. K.	Munroe.
Vespasia	b e m	Mr. D. B. Myers	Dignum.
Vanity Fair	b aus m	Mr. Dartmoor	Taylor.
Vinolia	b or br aus m	Mr. H. V. Low	Norton.

W.

Wal	b aus g	Mr J. W. Scott	Owner.
Wakeful	br aus m	Mr. E. C. Ramshaw	Owner.
White Heather	ch e g	Capt. H. D. McNeil	Owner.
Whitefoot	br aus g	Mr. J. C. Galstaun	Tingey.
Windy	br aus g	Mr. J. C. Galstaun	Tingey.
Wake up	b aus m	Mr. H. E. Smith	Owner.
Watch Fire	gr aus g	Mr. R. A. C. Pugh	Owner.
Wales	gr aus g	Mr. Beaumont	Owner.
Woodbine	ch aus m	Mr. Charles	Pringle.

Y.

Yardley	ch aus m	Mr. J. D. Scott	Owner.
Yankee Boy	ch aus h	Mr. J. D. Scott	Owner.

Z.

Zig Zag	b aus g	Mr. Glen	Mr. Cowper.

Entries for Races.

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FIRST ENTRIES CLOSED 1ST MAY 1906.

1 Lt. Col. C. H. Stisted's	ch aus g	First Bell, 14-0.	
2 H. H. the Maharajah of Cooch Behar's	ch aus m	Bells, 13-3½.	
3 H. H. the Maharajah of Cooch Behar's	bk aus m	Matin Bell, 13-3.	
4 Major Young's	b e h	Fabias, 13-2½.	
5 Capt. J. W. Jeffreys'	br aus g	Koorlong, 13-3¼.	
6 Mr. J. C. Galstaun's	b aus m	Circus Girl, 13-2½.	
7 Mr. J. C. Galstaun's	ch aus m	Claribell, 14-0.	
8 Capt. J. T. Coley's	br e m	Sago, 13-3.	
9 Mr. D. N. Burjorjee's	dk b aus m	Lorette.	

SECOND ENTRIES CLOSED 2ND JULY 1906.

10 H. H. Koer Sahib of Patiala's	ch aus m	Parlourmaid, 13-3¼.	
11 Mr. G. K.'s	ch aus m	Veera, 14-0.	
12 Mr. J. D. Scott's	b aus g	Wal, 14-0.	

THIRD ENTRIES CLOSED 15TH SEPTEMBER 1906.

13 H. H. the Maharajah of Cooch Behar's	ch aus m	Coin II., 13-3½.	

FOURTH ENTRIES, CLOSED 1ST DECEMBER 1906.

14 P. Nuthoobhoy's	ch aus g	Haden, 14-0.	
15 Thakur Sripal Singh's	b aus g	S. S, 13-3½.	
16 Thakur Sripal Singh's	br aus m	Plover, 13-3½.	
17 Mr. W. B. Green's		Flo (late Maud).	

N.B.—The Final Entries close at midnight 1st January 1907.

J. H. ENSOR, Major
Secretary, Lucknow Races.

LUCKNOW, *2nd December 1907.*

CALCUTTA SECOND EXTRA MEETING.

Saturday, 8th December, 1906.

THE MAIDEN HORSE PLATE.—7 furlongs.

Mr. A. N. Dass' b e m Child Adopted.
Mr. A. N. Dass' ch e m Carnival.
Mr. J. B's ch aus g Curfew.
Mr. J. C. Galstaun's b e g Craigendarrie.
Mr. J. C. Galstaun's b e g Silphoe.
Mr. R. D. Coggan's ch aus m Pallas.
Mr. D. B. Myers' bk br e c Black Duke.
Mr. D. B. Myers' b aus g Bon Bon.
Mrs. A. Grosser's b e m Merry Elsie.
Mrs. A. Grosser's b aus g Cyril.
Mr. C. Pearson's b aus g Trenayr.
Mr. H. V. Low's br aus m Olive Lee.
Mr. J. M. Rodocanachi's br or br e m Downland.
Mr. G. H. L. Mackenzie's br e m Colina.
Mr. G. B. Deakin's ch e m Meadow Saffron.
Messrs. Wood and Badger's b e g Squire Alfred.
Messrs. Wood and Badger's br e f Mother Goose.
Mr. A. L. Butler's b e m Stepaway.
Hon Mr. A. A. Apcar's br aus m Dea.
Mr. O. M. D. Bell's br aus h Mount Dane.
Mr. Holmes' b e m Santa Maria.

DALHOUSIE PLATE.—6 furlongs.

Mr. J. C. Galstaun's ch aus m Claribell.
Mr. J. C. Galstaun's b aus m Circus Girl.
Lt.-Col. C. H. Stisted's ch aus g First Bell.
H. H. Mah. of Cooch Behar's bk aus m Matin Bell, 13-3.
Mr. A Price's br aus m Half Price.
Mr. R. D. Coggan's br aus g Ivanhoe II.
Mr. J. D. Scott's b aus g Wal.
Mr. J. D. Scott's ch eb m Esmeralda.

THE DECEMBER PLATE.—1 mile.

Capt. H. D. McNeile's ch e g White Heather.
Capt. Farquharson's br e f Au Fait.
Mr. E. L. F. DeSoysa's b e h Footprint.
H. H. Kour Sahib of Patiala's br aus g Lamrock.
Mr. Dartmoor's ch e g Sacristan II.
Mr. J. C. Galstaun's br aus g Long Tom.
Mr. J. C. Galstaun s b e m Paddy's Darling.
Mr. O. M. D. Bell's br aus g Dramatic.
Mr. Field's b e g Nirvana.
Mr. A. N. Dass' b aus h Trencherman.
Mr. A. N. Dass' b e g Insurrection.
Mr. Cecil's ch e m The Cingalee.
Mr. D. B. Myers' b aus g Bon Bon.
Mr. North's b or br e c Clear Artist.
Mr. E. M. Bishop's ch aus m Token.
Mr. S. Hart's ch aus h Contest.
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Messrs Rodocanachi and Mackenzie's br aus g Bubble.

HURDLE RACE.—R. C. and a distance over 7 flights.

Mr. J. G. Ballantyne's b aus g Clodian.
Messrs. Jones and Pugh's b aus g Olynthus.
Mr. J. A. Manning's b aus g Bucentaur.
Mr. J. C. Galstaun's b aus g Hoop Iron.
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Mr. R. B. Lamotte's br aus g Tattoo.

THE CORINTHIAN PLATE.—R. C.

Capt. Farquharson's br e m Nightingale.
Mr. J. C. Galstaun's b e h Applause.
Mr. J. C. Galstaun's br e m Sainte Marquise.
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THE TURF.

LIVERPOOL.

WITH flat, hurdle, and steeplechasing, the programme on Saturday afforded that variety which is charming, and with two favourites and three second favourites in the six events to which the card by a walk over was reduced, for the second time during the week, the talent did not do so badly. Rules must be adhered to, and though perhaps the non-compliance was occasioned by want of thought in the hurry and excitement of the moment, the four jockeys—Trigg on Glucose, Plant on Catapult, Watts on Barat, and Escott on Isabelita—are not likely to forget the command to canter past the stands on the way to the post again, as in the Grosvenor Cup their omission to do so cost them a "fiver" apiece.

LIVERPOOL NOVEMBER HURDLE HANDICAP—Of 200sovs; second receives 20sovs. 2 miles, over 8 hurdles.

Mr. C. Hibbert's br c Savernake, by Sir Michael—Sweet Notes, 4yrs., 10st. 11lbs.	J. Nightingall	1
Mr. V. P. Misa's ch c Orison, 4yrs., 10st. 13lbs.	A Birch	2
Major E. Loder's b c Maggio, 4yrs., 10st. 7lbs.	A. Anthony	3
Mr. F. C. Graham Menzies' Alyth, 4yrs., 11st. 4lbs.	T. Dunn	0
Col. R. L. Birkin's Mr. Delamere, 4yrs., 11st. 3lbs.	G. Williamson	0
Mr. H. M. Hartigan's Domino, 4yrs., 12st. 7lbs.	R. Morgan	0

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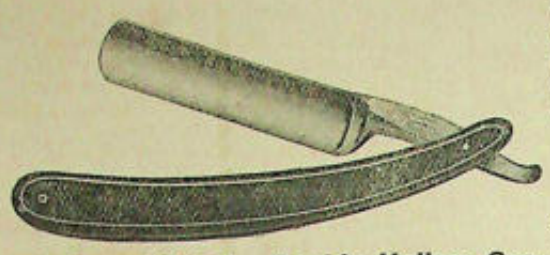

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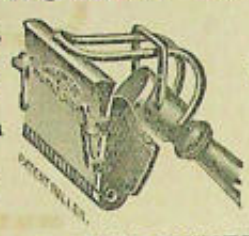

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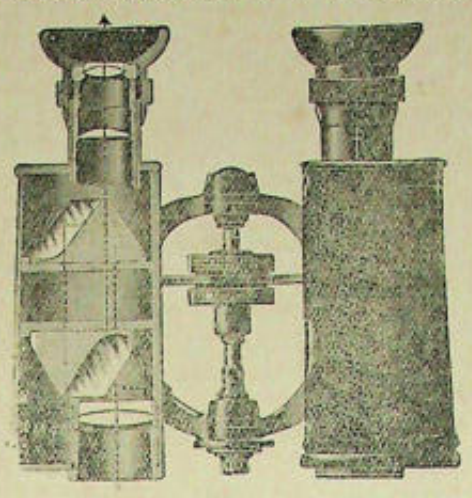

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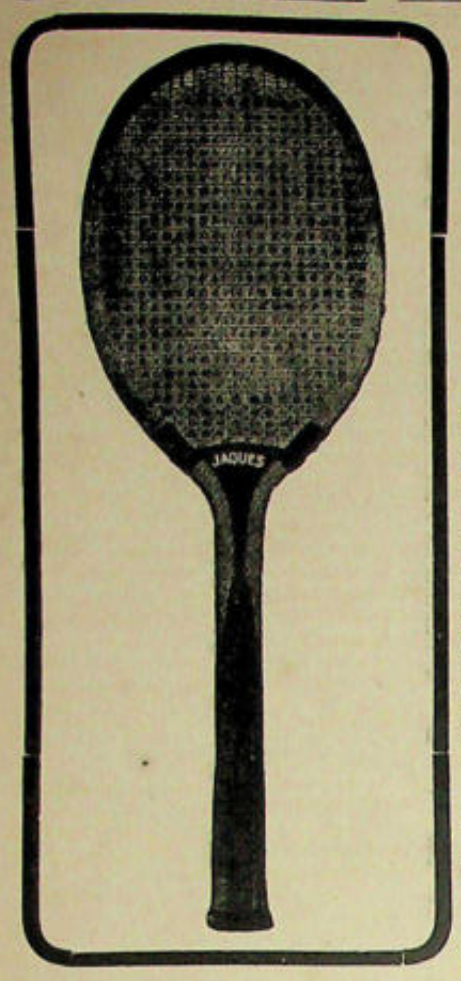

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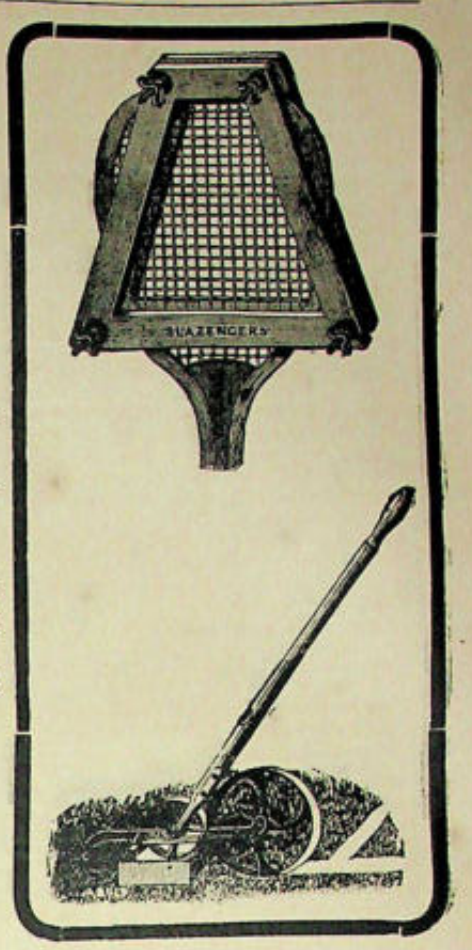

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Mr. C. Hibbert's b g Ballymac, by Uncle Mac—Accurate II, 7st. 4lbs. ...	C. Trigg	1
Mrs. Sadler Jackson's br f Lady Hasty, 7st. 10lbs	C. Aylin	2
Mr. R. Burns' ch f Lady Clio, 7st. 8lbs. ...	A. Templeman	3
Mr. P. Nelke's Fairy Footstep, 7st. 7lbs. ...	J. Howard	4
Mr. C. Penhurst's Royal Fox, 8st. 2lbs. ...	E. Wheatley	0
Mr W. R. Wyndham's Maya, 7st. 12lbs. ...	G. McCall	0
Lord Derby's gelding by Persimmon—Ormskirk, 6st. 13lbs.	A. Flanagan	0
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Mr. E. Cohen's Sir Frusquit, 7st. 9lbs. ...	H. Watts	0
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Capt. J. G. R. Homfray's Fort Myers, 8st. 6lbs.	W. Higgs	0
Mr. W. Bass' colt by Sir Edgar—Maggie Stuart 7st	C. Heckford	0
Sir R. Waldie Griffith's Simon Square, 9st.	W. Griggs	0
Capt. M. Hughes' Balavil, 7st. 6lbs. ...	J. Plant	0

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BETTING: 3 to 1 agst. Royal Fox, 100 to 30 Ballymac, 100 to 14 Fort Myers, 10 to 1 each Ormskirk gelding, Maya, Lady Clio, and Balavil, 100 to 8 Pericline, and 100 to 7 each of the others (offered.)

Won in good style by half a length; three lengths between second and third. Time—1min. 31⅕secs.

GROSVENOR CUP (Handicap)—Of 500sovs. 50sovs. being in plate; second receives 25sovs. 1 mile.

Mr. L. Robinson's b h Roseate Dawn, by Enthusiast—Honeydew, 5yrs., 9st. ...	W. Halsey	1
Sir R. W. Griffith's b f Charis, 4yrs., 6st. 6lbs.	J. Howard	2
Mr. V. P. Misa's b m Isabelita, 5yrs., 6st. 10lbs.	C. Escott	3
Mrs. H. V. Jackson's Velocity, 4yrs., 9st. 6lbs.	D. Maher	0
Mr. F. Stroud's Sweet Katie, 5yrs., 7st. 10lbs.	W. Higgs	0
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Mr. W. M. G. Singer's Kuroki, 4yrs., 8st, 2lb.	G. McCall	0
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Lord Derby's Glucose, 3yrs., 7st. 3lbs. ...	C. Trigg	0
Lord Coventry's Catapult, 3yrs. 7st. ...	J. Plant	0

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BETTING: 5 to 2 agst. Velocity, 4 to 1 Sweet Katie, 100 to 15 Charis, 8 to 1 Isabelita, 100 to 12 Roseate Dawn, 10 to 1 each Kuroki and Catapult, 100 to 8 Barat, and 100 to 6 each of the others (offered).

Won in good style by a length: three lengths away, Isabelita (staying on) was third. Time—1min. 43⅗secs.

DERBY.

The paddock at Derby on Wednesday was thronged by the wealth and beauty of the county, and the club stand was crowded by fair women and brave men, while Tattersall's, as usual, showed the appreciation the business portion of the community have for Derby, and, owing to a rumour that the Prince of Wales was expected, the country folk mustered in strong force. It was a pity that better weather had not favoured the occasion, as with a half-hearted frost over-night, and a total absence of wind, the fog that brooded over the lowlands did not shift, and thereby spoilt half the view of a capital afternoon's sport, as the fields flashed out of the fog a quarter of a mile from home, and the rest, the first part of the struggle, was silence. Better going could not have been desired.

RANGEMORE STAKES.—of 5sovs. each for starters only, with 100sovs. added; second to receive 10sovs. 5 furlongs straight.

Baron de Forest's b f Bellatrix, by Melton—Minera, 9st. 5lbs	O. Madden	1
Mr. H. E. Beddington's ch g Tui, 9st. 5lbs.	B. Lynham	2
Mr. F. C. Graham Menzies' The Spider, 8st. 9lbs.	A. Templeman	3
Duke of Devonshire's Rosalind, 8st. 9lbs.	W. Higgs	0
Sir P. Walker's Osmaston, 8st. 9lbs. ...	W. Halsey	0
Sir R. W. B. Jardine's Jovial, 8st. 12lbs.	M. Cannon	0
Sir R. Waldie Griffith's Lady Jean, 8st 9lbs.	Walter Griggs	0
Mr. J. W. Larnac's Mussulman 8st. 12lbs	Wm. Griggs	0
Mr. L. Neumann's Traviata, 8st 9lbs. ...	B. Dillon	0
Lord Durham's Finchale, 8st. 12lbs. ...	Poole	0

(*Winner trained by G. Blackwell.*)

BETTING: 5 to 4 agst. Bellatrix, 4 to 1 The Spider, 6 to, Tui 8 to 1 Rosalind, and 100 to 8 each of the others (offered).

Won very easily by a length and a half; two lengths away, The Spider was third.

MARKEATON PLATE (a handicap)—Of 500sovs., second receives 25sovs., the straight mile.

Mr. W. Bass' ch f Gold Riach, by Bend Or—Wasp, 3yrs., 8st. 4lbs.	O Madden	1
Col. H. T. Fenwick's b f Ospedale, 3yrs., 6st. 11lbs.	J. Howard	2
Mr. T. E. Liddiard's br c Succory, 3yrs., 7st. 7lbs.	J. Plant	3
Major E. Loder's Barat, 6yrs., 6st. 13lbs. (car. 7st.)	A. Templeman	0
Mr. W. R. Wyndham's Farasi, 3yrs., 7st. 4lbs.	C. Trigg	0
Sir R. W. Griffith's Charis, 4yrs., 7st. 2lbs.	Walter Griggs	0
Mr. F. Alexander's Andover, 5yrs. 9st. ...	B. Lynham	0
Mr. E. A. S. Watts' Marcristine, 3yrs., 6st. 11lbs.	C. Heckford	0
Mr. J. Davis' Romer, 5yrs., 7st. 9lbs. ...	G. McCall	0
Mr. F. Langstaff's Catty Crag, 6yrs., 8st. 10lbs.	W. Halsey	0
Mr. S. Hill-Wood's Cyanean, 4yrs., 8st. 4lbs.	E. Wheatley	0
Mr. J. A. de Rothschild's Royal Romance, 3yrs., 6st. 11lbs.	C. Escott	0

(*Winner trained by A. Taylor.*)

BETTING: 3 to 1 each agst. Andover, and Charis, 11 to 2 Farasi, 7 to 1 Gold Riach, 10 to 1 Royal Romance, and 100 to 8 each of the others (offered).

Won in very easy fashion by a length and a half; two lengths away Succory was third, a neck in front of Barat.

CHESTERFIELD NURSERY PLATE (Handicap)—Of 1,000sovs, second receives 50sovs. and the third 25sovs. 5 furlongs, straight.

Duke of Devonshire's ch c Hillsprite, by Cyllene—Elf, 7st. 6lbs. (car. 7st. 8lbs.)	W. Higgs	1
Sir S. Scott's br Colt by Ladas—Ardvourlie, 7st. 2lbs. (car. 7st. 6lbs.) ...	Wm Griggs	2
Mr. W. Clark's ch f Meadow Rue, by Sainfoin—Lily of the Valley, 8st. 4lbs. ..	G. McCall	3
Mr. R. J. K. Mott's Offer, 7st. 11lb. ...	A Templeman	0
Sir E. Vincent's Angoulême, 7st. 7lbs. ...	C. Trigg	0
Col. H. T. Fenwick's Rockbourne, 8st. 3lbs.	B. Lynham	0
Lord Carnarvon's Billidere, 7st. 6lbs. ...	H. Pike	0
Mr. W. M. G Singer's Filly by St. Serf—Great Dame, 7st. 13lbs.	O. Madden	0
Mr. A. Steadall's The Rialto, 6st. 9lbs. ...	C. Escott	0
Mr. F. Gretton's Oreb, 7st.	J. Plant	0
Mr. T. E. Liddiard's Pop Gun, 7st. 2lbs. ...	H. Blades	0
Sir H. Randall's Prince of Piedmont, 6st. 8lbs.	J. Howard	0
Mr. Persey's Petchora, 7st.	H. Watts	0
Sir M. Fitzgerald's The Cherub, 7st. ...	A. Saxby	0
Lord Wolverton's Performance, 7st. 5lbs. ..	A. Thoburn	0
Mr. Fairie's Comus, 9st. 7lbs.	W. Halsey	0
Mr. W. Bass' Filly by Martagon—Simola, 6st. 12lbs.	C. Heckford	0
Mr. P. P. Gilpin's Corriemore, 6st 10lbs. ...	F. Templeman	0
Mr. Vyner's Crow Cup, 6st. 4lbs. ...	A. Flanagan	0

(*Winner trained by W. Goodwin.*)

BETTING: 7 to 2 agst. Hillsprite, 9 to 2 Corriemore, 8 to 1 each Great Dame, f Meadow Rue and Rockbourne, 100 to 8 each Ardvourlie c and Offer, and 100 to 6 the others (offered).

Won comfortably by a length and a half; a similar margin separated second and third.

Despite the unpromising morning yesterday another goodly company followed the example set by the Chatsworth party, again headed by the Duke of Devonshire, and the attendance all round was an excellent one, the holiday makers braving the elements in sportsman like style. Not sufficiently heavy to take any hold on the ground, the rain simply refreshed the course, and the good going was the redeeming feature of the day, while with the arrival list materially increased, fields kept interest keenly sustained throughout.

ALLESTREE PLATE (A Welter Handicap)—of 250sovs.; second receives 20sovs.; 1 mile and 3 furlongs.

Mr. E. Carlton's ch c Ulysses, by Isinglass—Pintail 4yrs, 7st. 9lbs.	S. Blades	1
Mr. W. R. Wyndham's b c Machakos, 3yrs. 7st. 12lbs.	W. Higgs	2
Mr. C. Hibbert's br c Savernake, 4yrs. 7st. 16lbs.	C. Trigg	3
Sir G. Farrar's Frustrator, 3yrs. 7st. 5lbs....	J. Boardman	0
Mr. C. Wadia's Veno, 3yrs. 7st 7lbs. ...	H. Robbins	0
Mr. L. Newman's Manuka, 3yrs 8st. 7lbs.	B. Dillon	0
Mr. J. F. Appleyard's Given Up, 5yrs., 9st. 4lbs.	A Templeman	0
Mr. C. S. Newton's Galhampton, 3yrs., 8st. 2lbs.	W. Halsey	0
Mr. W. Bass' colt by Ramapo—Ashley, 3yrs., 7st. 11lbs.	O Madden	0
Mr. Vyner's Killigrew, 5yrs., 7st. 11lbs. ...	G McCall	0
Mr. S. Loates' Mansvelt, 4yrs., 7st. 7lbs. ...	E. Sadgrove	0
Lord Harewood's Fakir, 3yrs., 7st. 7lbs. ...	J. Howard	0
Mr. R. B. Dobell's Ladislas, 3yrs., 7st. 7lbs.	F. Howey	0
Mr. J. Osborne's Birk Gill, 3yrs., 7st. ...	A. Flanagan	0

(*Winner trained by T. Leader.*)

BETTING: 11 to 10 agst. Machakos, 6 to 1 Savernake, 100 to 12 Frustrator, 10 to 1 Given Up, 100 to 9 Killigrew, 100 to 8 Ulysses, and 100 to 6 each the others (offered).

Won in a sensational manner by a neck; Savernake three lengths away was third. Time,—2mins. 26⅘secs.

OSKASTON NURSERY PLATE. (Handicap).—Of 500sovs.; second receives 25sovs.; 7 furlongs straight.

Mr. W. Bass' Colt by Collar—Wafer II, 7st. 10lbs.	O. Madden	1
Mr. C. Penhurst's b c Royal Fox, 8st. 2lbs.	E. Wheatley	2
Mrs. Sadleir Jackson's br f Lady Hasty, 7st. 7lbs. (car. 7st. 9lbs.)	C. Aylin	3
Mr. W. R. Wyndham's Maya, 7st. 9lbs. ...	F. Scourse	4
Duke of Devonshire's colt by Black Sand—Word of Honour, 7st. 6lbs., (car. 7st. 8lbs.,)	W. Higgs	0
Mr. G. S. Davis' Bell Flower, 7st. 7lbs., ...	J. Plant	0
Mr. C. Hibbert's Ballymac, 7st. 11lbs., ...	C. Trigg	0
Mr. H. J. Higham's Kiosque, 6st. 4lbs., ...	H. Watts	0
Capt. M. Hughes' Balavil, 7st. 3lbs., ...	C. Heckford	0
Mr. R. McCreery's Paso Robles, 7st. 2lbs.,	P. Quinn	0
Mr. F. Gretton's Spume, 7st. 6lbs., ..	C. Escott	0
Mr. G. Edwardes' Raytoi, 7st. 7lbs., ...	H. Robbins	0
Major E. Loder's Spring Chicken, 7st. 9lbs., ...	A. Templeman	0
Mr. P. Nelke's Fairy Footstep, 7st. 4lbs., ...	Walter Griggs	0
Mr. W. Hall Walker's Knight of Tully, 9st.,	B. Lynham	0
Lord Cadogan's Fine Sun, 8st. 9lbs. ...	H. Randall	0
Mr. J. Bremer's Athlete, 8st. 11lb., ...	T. Brady	0
Sir G. Farrar's filly by Mackintosh—Orpah, 7st. 10lbs., ...	H. Blades	0
Mr. Vyner's Young Lochinvar, 7st. 6lbs., (car 7st. 7lbs.,)	G. McCall	0
Sir H. Randall's Jujitsu, 6st. 4lbs., ...	F. Templeman	0
Mr. V. Carlton's Tydides, 6st. 4lbs., ...	H. Leader	0

(*Winner trained by A. Taylor.*)

BETTING: 7 to 2 agst. Young Lochinvar, 7 to 1 Wafer II, colt, 8 to 1 each Lady Hasty and Word of Honour colt, 10 to 1 each Royal Fox, Ballymac, and Paso Robles, 100 to 8 each Orpah filly, Maya, and Bell Flower, and 20 to 1 each the others (offered)

Won easily by a length and a half: three parts of a length away. Lady Hasty was third.

CHATSWORTH PLATE (Handicap)—Of 200sovs.; second receives 10sovs. 5 furlongs, straight.

Mr. A. H. Ruston's b g Early Bird by Juggler—Early to Bed, 6yrs., 7st. 4lbs.	E. Charters	1
Mr. L. Neumann's b c Nero, 3yrs., 8st. 6lbs.	B. Dillon	2
Mr. Ned Clark's b g King Sapphire, 3yrs., 7st. 2lbs.	F. Howey	3
Mr. C. Dalgairn's Desma, 4yrs., 7st. 3lbs.	H. Blades	0
Lord Dalmeny's Deal, 4yrs., 7st. 13lbs. ..	W. Higgs	0
Mr. J. A. de Rothschild's Mistle, 4yrs., 7st. 11b.	E. Piper	0
Mr J. Shepherd's Lady Helen, 3yrs., 6st. 13lbs	Walter Griggs	0
Mr. C. Hibbert's My May, 4yrs., 7st 3lbs.	C. Trigg	0
Mr. N. Nelke's Aspendale, 5yrs., 7st. 7lbs.	W. Saxby	0
Mr. E. Dresden's Home Truth, 5yrs., 9st. 7lbs.	W. Halsey	0
Sir E. Cassel's Venetian, 3yrs., 6st. 7lbs. (car. 6st. 11lbs.)	C. Heckford	0
Mr. A. E. Bowen's Sophron, 3yrs., 7st. 10lbs.	Wm. Griggs	0
Mr. A. Steadall's Gold Coin, 3yrs., 7st. 7lbs.	C. Escott	0
Mr. H. J. King's Light o' Day, 3yrs, 7st. 11lb.	J. Plant	0
Mr. N. H. Scott's Lingy Moor, 3yrs., 6st. 11lbs. -	J. Howard	0

(*Winner trained by A. B. Sadler.*)

BETTING: 4 to 1 agst. My May, 5 to 1 Deal, 7 to 1 each Nero and Desma, 100 to 14 King Sapphire, 8 to 1 each Home Truth and Early Bird, 100 to 12 Sophron, and 100 to 7 each the others (offered).

Won very cleverly by a neck. King Sapphire, baulked by the winner, was half a length away third. Time—1min. 3⅘secs.

A more miserable day than that which attended the final proceedings at Derby could not very well be imagined. Rain fell in torrents from an early hour in the morning, and the course was terribly holding. Very naturally, the attendance suffered, and there was a great falling off in the county club enclosure.

THE BELPER SELLING PLATE (A high-weight handicap)—Of 106sovs.; winner to be sold for 50sovs. The Straight Mile.

Mr. N. J. Woot's Vidame, by Raeburn—Navaretta, aged, 8st. 6lbs.	A. Templeman	1
Mr. H. Hartigan's Crepuscle, 5yrs., 8st. 9lbs.	Pike	2
Mr. J. Cannon's Hubbie, 9yrs., 7st. 10lbs. (car. 7st. 11lbs.)	O. Madden	3
Lord Westbury's Bramber, 3yrs., 9st. ...	C. Aylin	0
Mr. Dawe's Wauken Phast, 5yrs., 9st. ...	Blades	0
Mr E. Polehampton's Peaceful Lady, 3yrs., 8st. 6lbs.	B. Lynham	0
Mr. F. Pritchard's Bridle Road, 5yrs., 8st. 2lbs	W. Higgs	0
Mr. E. Burns's Wavecrest, 4yrs., 7st. 6lbs	Howey	0
Mr. A. Stevens's Wild Despair, 5yrs., 6st. 11lbs	Cowdrey	0
Mr. J. Hare's Puck, 5yrs., 7st. 11b. (car. 7st. 2lbs.)	Trigg	0
Mr. J. Woolley's Dashaway, 6yrs., 6st. 9lbs.	Heckford	0

(*Winner trained by Hallick.*)

BETTING: 4 to 1 agst. Hubbie, 9 to 2 each Vidame and Wavecrest, 5 to 1 Bramber, 100 to 12 each Wauken Phast and Crepuscle, 100 to 8 any other (offered)

Won by a neck; same distance between second and third. Wavecrest was fourth, Wauken Phast fifth, Puck sixth, and Bramber last. The winner was bought in for 85 guineas.

THE CHADDESDEN PLATE (A high-weight handicap)—Of 250sovs; second to receive 20sovs. 6 furlongs, straight.

Mr. C. Hibbert's Fire Clay, by Worcester—Simonia, 3yrs., 6st. 11lbs. ...	H. Watts	1
Mr. T. Whipp's Longcroft, 3yrs., 7st. 2lbs.	Blades	2
Mr. J. Buchanan's Ormeron, 3yrs., 6st 9lbs.	Howey	3
Mr. G. A. Prentice's Dumbarton Castle, 6yrs., 9st. 4lbs.	Scourse	0
Mr. F. S. Barnard's Kaffir Chief, 4yrs., 8st. 12lbs.	O. Madden	0
Mr. James Hare's Uninsured, 6yrs., 7st. 12lbs.	W. Higgs	0
Sir E. Cassel's Goldfrock, 3yrs., 7st. 5lbs	Heckford	0
Duke of Devonshire's g by Campan—Red Wing II., 5yrs., 7st. 5lbs.	A. Templeman	0
Major Joicey's Cumnock Lad, 3yrs., 7st. 5lbs.	Trigg	0
Mr. M. D. Peacock's Flamston Pin, 5yrs., 7st. 5lbs.	A. Flanagan	0
Mr. W. Bass's Cement, 3yrs., 6st. 11lbs. ..	Plant	0
Mr. E. Carlton's Telemon, 3yrs., 6st. 10lbs.	Halder	0
Mr. N. C. Cockburn's Harmston, 3yrs., 6st. 8lbs.	Howard	0
Mr. F. Bibby's Airapadam, 3yrs., 6st. 7lbs.	Wright	0

(*Winner trained by W. Nightingall.*)

BETTING: 5 to 2 agst. Kaffir Chief, 4 to 1 Fire Clay, 8 to 1 each Cumnock Lad and Uninsured, 10 to 1 Dumbarton Castle, 100 to 8 any other (offered).

THE DERBY GOLD CUP (Handicap)—Of 2,000sovs. (250sovs. in plate and the remainder in specie); second to receive 100sovs. and the third 50sovs. out of the stakes. 1 mile and 6 furlongs.

Lord Derby's Gourd, by Persimmon—Canterbury Pilgrim (5lbs. ex.), 4yrs., 6st. 8lbs.	J. Plant	1
Mr. A. A. Apcar's Great Scot, aged, 7st. 13lbs.	A. Templeman	2
Mr. J. Buchanan's Golden Measure, 4yrs., 8st. 8lbs.	B. Lynham	3
Mr W. M. G. Singer's Manaton, 5yrs., 7st. 13lbs	O. Madden	0
Mr. R. J. Farquharson's Dalkeith, aged, 7st. 11lbs.	S. Walkington	0
Sir E. Cassel's Killeagh (5lbs. ex.), 3yrs., 7st. 8lbs.	C. Aylin	0
Mr. G. A. Prentice's Hong Kong, 5yrs., 7st. 7lbs (car. 7st. 8lbs.)	W. Higgs	0
Mr. George Faber's Mountain Rose, 6yrs., 7st. 11b	H. Blades	0
Mr. H. J. King's Whistling Crow, 6yrs., 7st. (car. 7st. 11b.)	C. Trigg	0
Mr. W. R. Wyndham's Machakos, 3yrs., 6st. 2lbs.	J Howard	0
Lord Dalmeny's Maundy, 3yrs., 6st. ...	A. Thoburn	0
Mr. C. Hibbert's Magic Balm, 3yrs., 6st.	H. Watts	0

(*Winner trained by Mr. G. Lambton.*)

BETTING: 4 to 1 agst. Manaton, 6 to 1 each Hong Kong and Magic Balm, 8 to 1 Golden Measure, 100 to 12 Killeagh, 9 to 1 each Great Scot and Machakos, 100 to 6 Mountain Rose, 20 to 1 each Dalkeith and Maundy, 25 to 1 any other (offered).

Won in a canter by twelve lengths; half a length between second and third.

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FOOTBALL.
ASSOCIATION RULES.

The distinguishing feature of Saturday's football in the principal Leagues is the phenomenally low scoring. It is remarkable that 60 clubs should each be striving for an hour and a half, and that the aggregate result of their efforts should be only 67 goals. The total would have been much less had there not been a high-scoring game in each League. The Liverpool-Preston North End game produced seven goals, the Wolverhampton Wanderers-Burslem Port Vale match eight, and the Millwall-Luton contest six. Subtracting these 21, there is a grand total for the other 54 clubs of only 46 goals! This is not to be accounted for by the super-excellence of the defence, but the impotence of the forwards. From every field of play the story of missed chances comes, and altogether they form a chapter which is not encouraging reading. Eight Southern League teams failed to score, a dozen of the sides that took part in First League football drew a blank, and six in the Second Division did not obtain a legitimate goal.

Southern League.

The home clubs had matters very much their own way. In the ten Southern League games two visiting teams were successful, three games were drawn, and five home elevens obtained the full quota of points. In League I. home teams were successful in six instances, one win was credited to a visiting side, and three games resulted in a division of the spoils In the Second Division of the League the successes of home clubs were more emphatic. Eight sent their opponents away empty-handed, one game was drawn, and one visiting club returned with the two points. It is probably a record that the losing teams in the League First Division should be able to muster between them only a solitary goal. The total registered in the ten games was 19, and 18 of these were claimed by the six winning teams, not a goal being scored in the three drawn games. In the Second Division there was a total tally of 28 goals, 20 of which were obtained by winning teams, 4 by the nine losing clubs, and there were 4 in the drawn game. The losing clubs in the Southern League were as lacking in goal scoring power as the teams in the upper division of the League. One goal is the total of their efforts, and the aggregate of the ten games is 20. Of these 13 were credited to the winning clubs, and there were a half-dozen in the drawn games. It is likely to be a long time ere the losing teams in the three leagues will again be content with a combined total of 6 goals.

There was only one instance on Saturday of a Metropolitan Club in the Southern League being worsted by a provincial organisation. The Queen's Park Rangers, who had placed a win to their credit when they last went to Watford in search of Southern League points, did not repeat their success, nor did they deserve to do so on the run of the game. The Rangers have gone from bad to worse, and they now figure at the bottom of the table, thanks to the ineptitude of the forwards, who have obtained only eight goals in twelve matches. 22nd September was the last date on which the Royalists won a match, but the management are buoyantly confident that success will soon wait upon their efforts. Both Tottenham and Fulham were on foreign soil, the former at New Brompton, and the latter at Reading. The 'Spurs found themselves confronted with a heavy task, for the Bromptonians played a most dashing game, and at times they completely broke up the scientific methods of the North Londoners, but the latter scored the only goal, and consequently booked the points. This is the second successive home loss of New Brompton, and the third of the season. There was a ding dong struggle at Elm Park, and it was fortunate for the champions that Fryer was in goal, for he certainly saved them from defeat. Fryer is a great keeper, and his coolness and resources on Saturday were features of a keenly fought game. As the West London forwards on one occasion defeated Whittaker, they added two points to their total and thus retain their useful lead in the table. At Millwall there was a plethora of goals, the Dockers completely routing Luton, who failed to reproduce recent form. The two points were very welcome to Millwall, for they are now in the first half of the table.

There was only one instance of London clubs meeting in the S.L., Crystal Palace paying their initial Southern League visit to Brentford. They provided opposition of a keen and skilful character, but the forwards did not complete their work. They had chances, but they did not accept them. At the same time full credit must be given to Brentford, for they played a hard, resolute game and they were no more successful than they deserved to be Football in Leyton has caught on, and there will be even larger attendances than those which have recently been seen on the ground if the East Enders continue to serve up displays such as those to which they have treated their supporters of late. Not since 1st September have Leyton been humiliated at home, and they fully deserved both points on Saturday, but Norwich are opportunists, and Ross equalising the scores early in the second half they returned with 1 point in their possession. Northampton did well to draw with Bristol Rover at the Midland town, and Brighton deserve congratulations on their two clear goals win over Southampton. Swindon played a hard game at Portsmouth, and West Ham United, by drawing at Plymouth, accomplished one of the best performances of the afternoon.

The S. L. table to date shows that Watford are one of the most improved teams, while Queen's Park Rangers, Reading, Luton, and Southampton show a marked decline as compared with last season.

	P.	W.	L.	D.	Goals For	Goals Agst.	Pts.
Fulham ...	14	7	1	6	20	13	20
Tottenham Hotspur	13	5	2	6	23	14	16
Portsmouth ...	11	6	2	3	20	13	15
Watford ...	12	5	2	5	14	10	15
West Ham United	13	5	4	4	23	17	14
Bristol Rovers	13	5	4	4	16	13	14
Norwich City	11	4	2	5	21	16	13
Brighton & Hove Albion	11	5	3	3	16	13	13
Millwall ...	11	5	4	2	20	18	12
Swindon Town	13	4	5	4	15	14	12
Brentford ...	11	5	5	1	15	17	11
Plymouth Argyle	12	3	4	5	15	20	11
Southampton	11	4	5	2	19	15	10
Leyton ...	11	3	4	4	12	14	10
Luton Town ...	11	4	5	2	19	21	10
New Brompton	11	4	6	1	13	17	9
Crystal Palace	12	3	6	3	15	20	9
Reading ...	12	4	8	0	13	16	8
Northampton	11	1	5	5	11	20	7
Queen's Park Rangers	12	2	7	3	8	18	7

League I.

The Arsenal were not seen to advantage on the heavy, slippery surface at Clayton on Saturday. The Manchester United players, however, seemed to revel in the condition which obtained, and they were fully entitled to the two points which the Gunners had to yield up. While making this unequivocal statement, it must not be overlooked that the Arsenal forwards threw away easy chances, and Garbutt is the only one who has not anything to reproach himself with in this respect. The attacking quintette of the United team were just as erratic in their shooting, but they managed to send in several hot shots, all of which were dealt with by Ashcroft, and the only occasion he was beaten was from a shot by Dosnie, who fastened on the ball in a scrimmage, and Ashcroft had the mortification of seeing it rebound off one of his own men into the net. This defeat was very disappointing, but the Arsenal have no complaint to make. They lost because the standard of play which they have reached in many previous matches this season was not approached. Ashcroft was splendid, Bigden was the best of the halves, and Garbutt was the star artist among the forwards.

It is a striking fact that not one of the first four teams in the League managed to annex a couple of points. Stoke, who had won only one game previously, met Everton, the leaders, on the Victoria Grounds, and won by 2 clear goals, thanks to their resolute work. It was an unexpected blow for Everton, who were hustled out of their usual game, the halves alone playing up to their reputation. Sheffield Wednesday, whose form has several times been suggestive of a top of the table position at the end of the season, did exceedingly well to halve the points at Bolton, but Newcastle United did not do quite so much as was expected of them in playing Aston Villa to a draw at Birmingham. The great surprise of the afternoon was provided by Derby County. They had not won a match away prior to Saturday, and the critics with one accord gave them to lose at Sunderland. They confounded the prophets by winning, the home team offering no reply to the 2 goals scored by the Midland team Liverpool overwhelmed Preston North End, Sheffield United won in comfortable style against Bury, Blackburn just scraped through against Birmingham. Bristol City were too good for Middlesbrough, and Notts County played their seventh drawn game of the season, Manchester City being their opponents at Nottingham.

The table of results to date is appended :—

	P.	W.	L.	D.	Goals For	Goals Agst.	Pts.
Everton ...	13	8	3	2	30	14	18
Newcastle United	12	7	2	3	25	13	17
Sheffield Wednesday	12	6	1	5	22	16	17
Woolwich Arsenal	12	7	3	2	24	16	16
Bolton Wanderers	11	5	2	4	19	14	14
Sheffield United	11	6	3	2	22	18	14
Manchester United	12	5	3	4	15	16	14
Aston Villa ...	13	6	5	2	24	20	14
Bristol City ...	12	5	4	3	19	15	13
Liverpool ...	12	5	5	2	24	19	12
Derby County	12	4	4	4	15	16	12
Sunderland ...	11	4	4	3	17	17	11
Birmingham ...	12	4	6	2	16	31	10
Bury ...	13	3	6	4	20	24	10
Preston North End	11	4	6	1	15	22	9
Notts County	12	1	4	7	8	13	9
Blackburn Rovers	11	3	6	2	15	20	8
Manchester City	12	2	6	4	19	33	8
Stoke ...	13	2	7	4	13	21	8
Middlesbrough	11	1	8	2	11	25	4

League II.

Chelsea had an opportunity to improve their position on Saturday, and they took it. Nobody suggests that Chelsea are doing so well as their supporters desire, but they are still well in the running, and the happenings of Saturday have vastly improved the outlook. In the first place Chelsea defeated Burnley, who were running a neck-and-neck race with the Pensioners, and the result was in accordance with the game. Secondly, West Bromwich Albion were pegged back by lowly Blackpool, and Leicester Fosse could not do more than share the honours with Glossop. The two teams at the bottom of the table had to meet the two at the top, and the latter did not come very creditably out of the fray. Nottingham Forest, who have been steadily climbing the table of late, gave Hull City another push down the ladder. Hull escaped defeat until 20th October, when Bradford won by a goal to love, but they have lost every match since. Clapton Orient had one of their stiffest home tasks of the season in meeting Grimsby, and they beat the Fishermen after a very hard game, in which plenty of vigour was shown on both sides. The other results do not require special mention, except that Wolverhampton Wanderers ran up a score of a half-dozen goals against Burslem Port Vale.

It will be observed from the subjoined table that only a couple of points separate West Bromwich Albion, the leaders, from Bradford City, who are fifth.

	P.	W.	L.	D.	Goals For	Goals Agst.	Pts.
West Bromwich Albion ...	12	8	3	1	29	10	17
Notts Forest ...	12	8	3	1	25	15	17
Leicester Fosse ...	12	7	3	2	19	9	16
Chelsea ...	11	7	3	1	25	11	15
Bradford City ...	12	6	3	3	17	14	15
Wolverhampton Wands...	12	6	5	2	23	16	14
Stockport County ...	13	6	3	3	15	11	13
Burnley ...	11	5	3	3	15	11	13
Hull City ...	12	6	5	1	18	11	13
Gainsborough Trinity ...	11	5	4	2	17	11	12
Clapton Orient ...	13	5	6	2	16	21	12
Grimsby Town ...	11	4	4	3	12	17	11
Lincoln City ...	12	5	6	1	17	18	11
Leeds City ...	12	4	5	3	17	20	11
Barnsley ...	12	3	5	4	12	21	10
Burslem Port Vale ...	11	4	6	1	18	15	9
Chesterfield ...	12	4	7	1	21	32	9
Blackpool ...	12	3	7	2	11	17	8
Burton United ...	12	2	6	4	10	18	8
Glossop ...	11	3	7	2	11	26	8
	11	3	7	1	17	37	7

RUGBY RULES.

THE SOUTH AFRICANS' TOUR.

Match v. Cambridge University.—The 9,000 odd spectators assembled on the 'Varsity ground on Saturday, for the South Africans' game with the Light Blues, witnessed probably the finest exhibition of Rugby football the oldest supporter of the game at Cambridge can remember.

Perfect weather prevailed when the South Africans led the way to the field. The 'Varsity kicked off from the top end, and the returns left the ball in mid-field, but before a couple of minutes had expired the visitors were attacking. Their halves were very smart, and De Villiers, getting an opening, rushed through, scoring the first try in four minutes. W. Morkel converted. The Cambridge forwards were playing a good game, Dellschaft being very conspicuous. Wright making a mistake let in Stegmann, who ran in unopposed, W. Morkel securing the second goal in nine minutes. The Springboks continued to force the game, and then Scoular checked dangerous rushes. Koop had a chance to relieve the pressure, but was tackled before he had gone many yards, and from a scrum the ball travelled to the Colonials' left, when Dobbin scrambled over near the corner flag. This time W. Morkel was unsuccessful with the place kick. The footwork of the Africans was very fine, and the halves continued to back up the efforts of the forwards, and Stegmann was soon within five yards of the University line, when Scoular pulled him down. A free kick for off-side was given against Young, D. Morkel having a penalty shot at goal, the kick being taken and missed—only by inches. The visitors did not relax their efforts. The "S. A." forwards followed up smartly a long punt, so that Scoular failed to get in his kick. A good scrum was formed on the line, and at the expiration of nineteen minutes Loubser got over, and D Morkel was entrusted with the place kick, but failed. Cambridge played up, and at last worked into South African territory, which was owing to the Light Blue skipper having intercepted a pass. Still the visitors returned to the attack, but Macleod put in a useful punt. Brookes, W. Morkel, and Millar led an attack, when Macleod made his mark. Hearson just now was playing a fine game and Koop roused the enthusiasm of the home supporters by grassing Loubser when another try seemed certain, and Wright and Macleod put in some splendid defensive work. The interval arrived with the score :—

South Africans, (2g. 2t.) ... ... Pts. 16
Cambridge University ... ... „ 0

The opening of the second half betokened better things for the Light Blues. The forwards packed grandly and in the scrums held their own. It was when play opened that the visitors asserted their superiority. Try all they could, the visitors could not break away, and Cambridge just now certainly had the best of the play and with a little luck would have scored. Having more than held their own for twenty minutes, the home team failed to sustain the effort, and resuming the attack, Krige de Villiers, and Dobbin very nearly got through. Hearson made a great effort to get through, dribbling well within the Colonials' "25." In the ensuing scrum work Mellor was foremost. Koop, receiving from Young, sprinted along the line, but the effort was fruitless. Down the field the visiting pack swept, and overcame all opposition. Scoular, usually sound, was beaten, and Burdett was on the point of scoring when Macleod averted disaster. For a few minutes the home forwards were conspicuous for their rushes, and they were finely led by Alexander. Marsburg throwing himself upon the ball just in the nick of time, and thus Cambridge's last opportunity of crossing the line was gone. Cambridge were now forced to act on the defensive. D. Morkel had another shot at penalty goal, and again failed. During the last ten minutes the light Blue defence broke down, and Krige and Stegmann securing tries, both of which were converted by W. Morkel, the game ended :—

South Africans (4g. 3t.) ... ... Pts. 29
Cambridge University ... ... „ 0

Cambridge University.—†*J. G. Scoular (St. John's), back; *G. G. Koop (Cains), †*K. G. Macleod (Pembroke), C. C. G. Wright (Pembroke), and *H. F. P. Hearson (King's) (capt.), three-quarters; T. A. Goodby (Magdalene) and J. V. Young (Emmanuel), half-backs; *J. W. Alexander (Clare), M. E. Dellschaft (Jesus) *R. B. Gibbins (King's) *R. McCosh (Trinity), G. V. Carey (Cains), A. E. Evans (St. John's), J. E. Mellor (Jesus), and W. G. Lely (Emmanuel), forwards.

†Signifies an International. *Signifies an Old Blue.

South Africans.—A. F. Marsburg, back; J. A. Loubser, J. D. Krige, H. A. de Villiers, and A. Stegmann, three-quarters; D. C. Jackson and F. J. Dobbin, half-backs; D. Mare, D. F. T. Morkel, A. F. Burdett, W. S. Morkel, W. A. Millar, D. Brookes, H. G. Reid, and H. J. Daneel, forwards.

Refree, Mr. F. W. Marsh. Linesmen, Messrs H. Mainprice, and J. S. Le Roux.

Match v. South of Scotland.—The South African played the first of their Scottish matches on the 13th, when they met the South of Scotland at Hawick in fine weather.

The South of Scotland started, and the first maul took place in Colonial territory. The home forwards played well, and it was a struggle between them and the South African backs, whose passing was capital. It was a long time, however, before they pierced the South's defence, half an hour elapsing before Loubser, with a fine swerving run, got over near the corner. The kick at goal failed.

Immediately afterwards Loubser again ran over near the corner, no goal resulting. Scott got clear away for the South of Scotland, but no one backed him up, and the opening was wasted, as he was far too slow for the fliers opposed to him. Before half-time Dobbin struggled over for the Colonials, and the first period ended with the score :—

South Africans (3t) ... ... Pts. 9
South of Scotland ... ... „ 0

The pace had been a hot one, and it seemed doubtful if the Scottish pack could stand the strain, but they surprised their critics, and had they had better men behind them, the result would certainly not have been so one-sided.

The South African passing was excellent in the second halft and it looked as if the score was to be a very large one, but after Hirsch had scored twice, and Brookes and Loubser had also crossed the Scottish lines, a tremendous cheer proclaimed that the Scotsmen had scored in a typical Scottish forward rush. Johnstone, the Hawick captain, was the scorer of the try, which was obtained in a fairly good position, and Jardine added the extra points.

The South Africans were not, however, done with, as before the finish hand-to-hand passing resulted in Martheze scoring a brilliant try, which Jackson converted, and the match resulted:—

South Africans (4g 4t) ... ... Pts. 32
South of Scotland (1g)... ... ... „ 5

The Scottish backs were completely outclassed, but the forwards played a sterling game. There would be a gate of 3,000.

South Africans.—D. C. Jackson; J. S. Le Roux, J. G. Hirsch, S. C. de Melker, and J. Loubser; H W. Carolin and F. J. Dobbin; W. A. Burgar, A. F. Burdett, H. J. Daneel, D. J. Brink, W. C. Martheze, W. A. Millar, D. Brookes, and W. A Neill.

South of Scotland.—Robson (Jed Forest); Shannon (Hawick), Haigh (Hawick), Scott (Gala), Elliot (Gala; Neil (Hawick), and McCirrich (Gala); Henderson (Gala), Huggan (Hawick), Jardine (Jed Forest), Waugh (Jed Forest), McVittie (Langholm, Johnstone (Hawick), Fairbairn (Melrose), and Aitchison (Gala).

Blackheath vs. London Welsh.—That no more than about 2,000 spectators were attracted to the Rectory Field on Saturday, when the strongest possible representative sides of Blackheath and the London Welsh met, was due no doubt to the uneven record of the visitors hitherto this season. Blackheath were anxious naturally to avenge their defeat, on the only occasion that the two had ever met, while the Cymric men were determined to reproduce their championship form.

Kicking off against a dazzling sun, the home forwards with commendable zest established play in the visitors' territory, being considerably helped by the display of Timmins as custodian, which compared unfavourably with that of Harrison. Only eight minutes had elapsed, however, when a combined movement of the Welsh resulted in the ball reaching Maddocks, who showed rare resource and enabled Harding to dash over under the bar, and convert his own try. Subsequent play ruled, for the most part, on the visitors' side of the centre, Hill, Cave, and Co excelling to the extent that they enabled their half and five-eighths effectively to smother all efforts of the Welsh pair to set their machinery going; the passing and the general notion of attacking by the home backs were, however, altogether too crude to pierce the defence. The tackling on both sides was superb. Whenever the Welsh forwards did succeed in heeling out, Rowlands received Morgan's expresses smartly, and generally managed to give to Lewis or Maddocks, whose respective wings were, however, admirably watched by Stokes and Marsden. Priday's kicks into touch also were useful.

After a strenuous spell of attack in the home territory, where Teddy Morgan was thrice pushed into touch near the twenty-five line, and Harrison had prevented David from scoring by kicking "dead," a forward rush brought the Heathens into Welsh territory again, where Timmins twice saved with good length kicks. Eventually their reward came in an unexpected manner; Robertson, standing almost on the touch-line near the centre, held the ball from a long kick, and took a shot for goal—a magnificent drop, which reduced the Welshmen's lead appreciably. The speed of Stokes, who just reached and kicked the ball "dead," averted immediate retaliation by the visitors.

It was after the interval, however, that the Welshmen asserted undoubted superiority. The visiting forwards heeled out better and Morgan and Rowlands developed some excellent combination with Lewis and Maddocks. The latter, picking up Maddocks from a loose dribble, "doubled" through a bunch of opponents, and scored under the bar, Harding converting.

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It was Maddocks, too, who kicked across in front of goal to Teddy Morgan who gathered cleverly and scored in his characteristic way. Harding kicked his third goal. Morgan also got over from a cross-kick by David but Mr. Mabey disallowed it. The Blackheath line had a series of marvellous escapes, while fortune further smiled upon the Heathens when Stokes got off, and punted across; Morgan waited to hold, but the ball slipped through his hands and Robinson fell upon it, scoring a try, which Robson converted. Result:—London Welsh, 3 goals (15 points.); Blackheath, 1 converted goal 1 dropped goal, (9 points.)

HARLEQUINS *vs.* OXFORD UNIVERSITY.—Owing to the Harlequins' ground being so much affected by the recent rains, this match was played on the upper ground of the Richmond Athletic Association before a large crowd. On play settling down a good rush of the Harlequin forwards was well stopped and returned by M. A. Mathew. After some heavy scrummaging on the Harlequin lines Williamson passed out to Mathew, who scored, Batchelor kicking the goal. On resuming a good passing movement by Stoop, G. H. Birkett, and Nesbitt, the latter passed in but there was no one up and Parker picking up was held on his own line. Oxford worked back, but G. H. Birkett with a good dribble averted danger. Then a good run by J. G. G. Birkett, who kicked over the line, resulted in Stoop beating the Oxford back and gaining a try, the shot at goal being missed. Oxford were awarded a penalty for offside against H. E. Ward, but no goal resulted and with a good dribble by G. H. Birkett which was capitally stopped by Oliphant, the Oxford back, half-time, was called. The Oxford forwards started the second half with a fine rush which was effectively stopped by Nesbitt. Then Stoop getting the ball made an opening and passing to Birkett that player gave to Lambert who, beating all the opposition for pace, gained a fine try, which was not, however, converted. A good kick by Lambert drove the 'Varsity back, and then Milton, breaking away and passing to Parker, who repassed to him, Milton all but scored. From the ensuing scrum Gardner by a good dash scored, but Batchelor's shot at goal missed the mark. A very fine kick by J. G. Birkett placed the Harlequins on the attack, and Lambert by a great run was only just stopped in time. Very shortly after Stoop made a fine opening, passing to J. G. G. Birkett, who in turn handed to his elder brother, G. H., who, with a fine and determined dash, scored in the corner, this being the finest try of the match, but it was not converted. Play being resumed, a good dribble by R. O. C. Ward put the Varsity on the defence when the whistle sounded no side, and Harlequins won by 9 points (or 3 tries) to Oxford's 8 points (or a goal and a try).

CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY *vs.* EDINBURGH ACADEMICALS.—The Light Blues, although still feeling the effects of their great game on Saturday last, defeated the Edinburgh Academicals yesterday by 13 points to 3, in a match that was scrambly and uninteresting.

The University played the same team as that defeated by the South Africans, except that the captain, H. F. P. Hearson, who put his shoulder out on Saturday, was standing down. His place was taken by T. G. Pitt, the half-back Blue.

The game was especially scrambling, during the opening half. At the outset Macleod found a fine touch three yards from the visitors' line, but nothing came of it. After ten minutes' play, when the 'Varsity were still pressing, the same player made a good effort to drop a goal, his shot just going wide. It was not until just on half-time that the ball was passed out to Pitt, who obtained the first try. Young's shot at goal was a failure.

After ten minutes' play in the second period matters improved, from the spectators' point of view. Wright slipped under the posts for Cambridge, and Macleod converted. Two minutes later Cotterill got in for the Scotsmen, Murray failing with the place kick. Then Koop ran across the field, and, dodging the full back, scored at the corner flag. Again Macleod was successful with the place kick, and the 'Varsity won by 2 goals and 1 try (13 points) to 1 try (3 points).

ATHLETICS.

OXFORD UNIVERSITY FRESHMEN'S SPORTS.

Although no rain actually fell, the weather on Friday afternoon was again of a most unfavourable character, and if no good performances were accomplished it was not surprising. The sprinters had to face a strong northerly wind, which also told against the times in the other events. The best performance on the track was the mile of Chandler, who shaped in very promising form, considering the day. The high jump was fair, but the best item was the hammer throw of Cameron, an American Rhodes scholar, who just beat 108ft. Details:—

100 YARDS.—Final: C. L. Parker (Merchant Taylors and St. John's), 1; E. A. Hunter (Fettes and Christ Church) 2; E. V. Rieu (St. Paul's and Balliol), 3; E. F. Chinnery (Brasenose), 0. Won by a yard; four feet. Time—11⅕secs.

QUARTER-MILE HANDICAP.—N. G. Chavasse (Trinity), 3 yards, 1; C. M. Chavasse (Trinity) scratch, 2; T. B. Deakin (Hertford), 19, 3, H. H. Fyffe (University), 3, 0; M. G. Holmes (Balliol), 7, 0; A. W. Bowman (New College), 12, 0; G. A. Fuller Maitland (Oriel), 15, 0; S. H. Carnelly (Exeter), 16, 0; F. E. Benison (Keble), 20, 0. Won by two yards; eight yards. Time—52⅖secs.

120 YARDS HURDLES.—E. F. Chinnery (Eton and Brasenose), 1; J. S Huxley (Eton and Balliol), 2; A. L. Yorke (Haileybury and Lincoln), 3. Chinnery went to the front at the third flight and retained the lead to the finish, winning easily by one and a half yard; two yards. Time—19⅕secs.

QUARTER-MILE.—E. V. Rieu (St. Paul's and Balliol), 1; E. Ratcliffe Cousins (Westminster and Christ Church), 2; C. L. Parker (Merchant Taylors and St. John's), 3. Parker was unfortunately spiked after going 100 yards, and Rieu, making all the running, won easily by twenty-five yards. Time—55⅖secs.

HIGH JUMP.—S. S. Huxley (Eton and Balliol), 5ft. 0¼in., 1; E. F. Chinnery (Eton and Brasenose), 5ft. 0¼in.,†; E. G. Joseph (St. Paul's and Lincoln), 5ft. ¼in.,†.

THROWING THE HAMMER.—A. G. Cameron (Queen's University, Ontario, and Balliol), 108ft. 1in., 1.

ONE MILE.—A Chandler (Charterhouse and Hertford), 1; D. H. Whippel (Exeter School and Exeter), 2; H. V. Hodson (Cheltenham and Oriel), 3; H. L. P. Baker (Balliol), 0; R. H. W. Brinsley Richards (Hertford), 0; R. V. Hodson (Wadham), 0; M. G. Haigh (New College), 0; G. S. Rivington (non-collegiate), 0; F. Sutton (Worcester), 0; J. H. Vickers (University), 0. A quarter of a mile from home Chandler came right away and won by thirty yards; six yards. Time—4mins. 51secs.

† Dead-heats.

CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY FRESHMEN'S SPORTS.

The concluding instalment of the Freshmen's sports, postponed from 8th November until yesterday, on account of the bad state of the path, did not attract many spectators, which was not surprising considering that they clashed with the important 'Varsity-Edinburgh Academicals match. The conditions were in striking contrast to those prevailing last week, and were favourable for good performances. Two of the best sprinters were unable to compete. C. C. G. Wright was playing against the Edinburgh Academicals, and V. G Thew was assisting his 'Varsity against Tottenham Hotspurs. In their absence E. E. Jenkins easily accounted for the 100 Yards. Most of the other events were well contested. A splendid finish was witnessed in the one mile for Freshers. C. J. Miln, the Etonian, winning on the post. Details:—

100 YARDS.—Final: E. E. Jenkins (Warwick and King's), 1; D. C. F. Burton (Rugby and Jesus), 2; C. H. Williams (S. E. College and Emmanuel), 3. Won by a yard. Time—11secs.

HURDLES.—Final: E. Chapple (Prince Alfred College, Australia and Jesus), 1; S J. Edwards (St. Paul's and Sidney), 2; Won by half a yard in 18⅕secs.

THROWING THE HAMMER.—G. E. Weston (Marlborough and Magdalen), 71ft. 7in., 1; J. C. Sherburn (Uppingham and Trinity Hall), 73ft. 6in., 2.

ONE MILE.—C. J. Miln (Eton and Pembroke), 1; R. M. Jones (Birkenhead and Emmanuel), 2; A. V. Coke (Aldenham and King's), 3. Jones made the running, but Miln spurted finely, and beat him on the post by inches in 4mins 48⅖secs.

LONG JUMP.—C. H. Williams (S.E. College and Emmanuel), 19ft. 2½in., 1; F. Ricardo (Eton and Trinity), 17ft. 10in., 2.

QUARTER-MILE.—Final: A. R. Thompson (Horsham G.S. and St. John's), 1; G. A. Matthey (Clifton and Pembroke), 2; Won by two yards. Time—55⅖secs.

200 YARDS Strangers' Handicap.—Final: A. V. Hill (Trinity), 9½yds., 1; E. F. Wise (Sidney), 9, 2†; S. Maugham, Emmanuel, 9½, 2†. Won by two yards; dead-heat. Time, 21⅖secs.

ONE MILE HANDICAP.—F. M. Edwards (Queen's), 40yds. 1; G. N. Bower (Corpus), 55, 2; A. H. Pearson (Queen's), 55, 3. Edwards went ahead a quarter of a mile from home, and won by two yards in 4min. 27⅖secs.

Judges, K. Powell (King's) and A. R. Welsh (Trinity); starter, W. Watts; timekeeper, J. Newton Digby.

ROWING.

UNIVERSITY TRIAL EIGHTS.

OXFORD.

The trials went below locks for the first time yesterday afternoon, although the weather was about as unfavourable as it could well be. They worked by easy stages to Sandford, and then did some hard rowing along the Common to Nuneham Boathouse, subsequently bringing the boat home with several breaks on the way. The president and secretary coached, and Captain Willis also accompanied them. No new men were tried, but there were one or two alterations, Heard going to No. 3 in No. 1 boat, while Cadmore went to No. 4, and Dewar to No. 3 in No. 2 boat. Names and weights:—

No. 1 Crew.—C. D. Hannan (Trinity) (bow) 10st. 7lbs.; R. M. Peat (Trinity), 11st. 8½lbs.; H. T. Heard (Balliol), 11st. 3lbs.; J. A. Gillan (Magdalen), 12st. 1½lb.; G. E. Hope (Christ Church), 12st. 9½lbs.; R. T. Monier Williams (University), 12st. 8lbs.; H. R. Barker (Christ Church), 11st. 6lbs.; E. V. Culme Seymour (New) (stroke), 11st. 2lbs.; A. W. Donkin (Magdalen), (cox), 8st. 8lbs.

No 2 Crew.—G. Stanger (Lincoln) (bow), 11st. 7lbs.; Ll. A. F. Jones (University), 10st. 12lbs.; J. Dewar (New), 12st. 4½lbs. C. R. Cudmore (Magdalen), 11st. 6lbs.; J. C. Plimpton (Trinity), 13st. G. Pilling (Keble), 12st. 3lbs.; H. B. Southwell (Magdalen) 11st. 9½lbs.; O. N. Chadwick-Healey (Trinity) (stroke), 11st. 2½lbs.; A. St. J. Kekewich (Christ Church) (cox).

CAMBRIDGE.

The trial eights got through some important work yesterday in rough weather. There were several changes, Messrs. Bland, Bartram, and Hawdon coming in place of Messrs. Jerwood, Lawson, and Campbell. Messrs. B. C. Johnston and H. M. Goldsmith coached, and the order of rowing was:—

No. 1 Crew.—J. Fraser (Lady Margaret) (bow) 11st. 3lbs; G. N. M. Bland (King's), 11st. 3lbs.; J. H. Parker (Third Trinity), 11st. 4lbs.; H. Bartram (Trinity Hall), 12st. 1lb.; L. T. S Barrett (Christ's), 12st. 12lbs.; W. B. Mosefield (Jesus), 12st. 5½lbs.; W. E. Thrash (Christ's), 11st. 8lbs.; P. J. Lewis (Lady Margaret) (stroke), 10st. 10lbs.; F. Hoare (First Trinity) (cox), 8st. 2½lbs.

No. 2 Crew.—G. L. Kirk (Third Trinity) (bow), 10st. 13lbs.; F. G. Hudson (Jesus), 12st. 1lb.; J. Walmsley (First Trinity), 11st. 11lbs.; N. E. Hawdon (Jesus), 12st. 4lbs.; J. S. Burn (First Trinity), 12st. 8lbs.; G. L. Thomson (Trinity Hall), 12st. R. C. Freeth (Selwyn), 11st. 3lbs.; W. A. Simpson (Trinity Hall) (stroke), 10st. 6lbs.; S. Milson (Selwyn) (cox), 8st. 2lbs.

COLQUHOUN SCULLS AT CAMBRIDGE.

From a racing point of view the conditions were excellent on Tuesday for the first round of the Colquhoun Sculls, in which seven competitors took part. Owing to the heavy rainfall there has been a flood stream for the past few days, but it was quite normal yesterday, and what little wind there was assisted the competitors over the course. Details:—

Heat A: (Second Station)—N. E. Hawdon (Jesus), 12st. 4lbs., 1; First Station—H. S. Hooper (Emmanuel), 12st., 2.

Hawdon was always the winner. He reached the Little Ditch in 1min 46secs., and was three lengths to the good. Still gaining gradually, he was 35 yards ahead at the Grind, where his time was 5min. 12secs. He eventually won by 55 yards, his time being 8mins. 29sec. Hooper then ran into the 'Varsity Trial Eight, and capsized. The winner was steered by Alf. Parsons, while Bill Taylor assisted the Emmanuel man.

Heat B: (First Station)—E. W. Powell (Third Trinity), 11st. 6lbs., 1; (Second Station)—H. K. Douglas (Pembroke), 10st. 10lbs., 2.

Powell got away splendidly, and pulled four strokes to his opponent's three. He pulled 38 strokes in the full minute, and on reaching the Ditch in 1min. 16sec. had fully 30 yards in hand. From here he never extended himself, being 45 yards ahead at the Grind in 4min 41secs., and eventually winning by 60 yards in 8mins. 20secs. Jack Anthony steered the winner, while the Pembroke man was advised by Fred Foyster.

Heat C: (Second Station)—T. M. Sibley (Lady Margaret), 11st. 4lbs., 1; (First Station)—R. M. Arnold (Jesus), 10st. 10lbs., 2.

This was a fine race. Up the Post Reach there was a great struggle for the lead, but there was very little in it at the Ditch where Sibley's time was 1min. 42secs. The John's man continued to gain in the Gut and Plough Reach, and was three lengths up at the Grind, which he reached in 4min. 16secs. He gained a little round Ditton Corner, but once in the Long Reach, Arnold held him, and at the Willows began to go away. There was an extremely fine struggle for the last 200 yards, but Sibley had gained a lot, and despite Arnold's fine effort, the Lady Margaret man gained the victory by two yards. The time was 8mins. 29secs. Mr. L. H. K. Bushe-Fox, steered the victor, and the Jesus representative was assisted by Mr. W. H. Thompson.

D. C. R Stuart (Trinity Hall), 11st. 4lbs., accompanied by Arthur Pamplin, sculled a bye between the second and third races.

Again on Wednesday for the semi-finals of the Colquhoun Sculls, the conditions were favourable for fast times, but inasmuch as both competitors had second stations, and that they were reserving their energy for to-day's struggle, neither of them really extended himself after reaching Grassy. Details:—

Heat E. (Second Station)—E. W. Powell (Third Trinity), 11st. 6lbs., 1; (First Station)—N. E. Hawdon (Jesus), 12st 4lbs., 2.

Although both of the oarsmen pulled ten strokes in the first quarter of a minute, Powell drove his craft along splendidly, and was gaining hand over hand. At the Ditch he was forty-five yards up, and sixty at Grassy corner. After reaching the Grind in 5mins. dead, he contented himself with maintaining his lead, and eventually won by 80 yards in 8mins. 14secs. Powell was steered by his coach, Jack Anthony, and Hawdon by Mr. R. M. Arnold.

Heat F: (Second Station)—D. C. R. Stuart (Trinity Hall), 11st. 4lbs., 1; (First Station)—T. M. Sibley (Lady Margaret), 11st. 4lbs., 2

Stuart, sculling well up to form, gained on his opponent at an alarming pace, and at the Ditch (1min. 38secs.) he had a good 50 yards in hand. He eased down after shooting Grassy, and took exactly the same time to make the Grind as did the Etonian in the previous heat Fifty yards from the winning post he showed what he is capable of by sprinting for a few strokes, winning by 95 yards in 8mins. 22⅕secs. He was steered by Arthur Pamplin, while Mr. L. H. K. Bushe-Fox assisted Sibley.

In spite of the bad weather there was a large crowd of spectators on the towing path yesterday afternoon to witness the final of the Colquhoun Sculls. All over the course a gale of wind was blowing against the competitors and it was particularly in the rough water that Stuart was able to show his magnificent watermanship. Although E. Powell was well beaten, he was not by any means disgraced, as he lost to one of the finest amateur scullers of the day. In the Colquhoun Sculls last year Stuart was only beaten by a second in the final by R. V. Powell, the Etonian who lowered the record by 11secs. Since then Stuart has rapidly gained fame and everyone will recollect how he stroked Cambridge to victory against Oxford and against Harvard, while he also stroked the Trinity Hall crew in the final of the Grand Challenge Cup at Henley. Details:—

Second Station—D. C. R. Stuart (Cheltenham and Trinity Hall), 11st. 4lbs. 1

First Station—E. W. Powell (Eton and Third Trinity), 11st. 6lbs. 2

Although Stuart had matters all his own way Powell retained his form throughout, and sculled hard right up to the last stroke. Mr. L. H. K. Bushe Fox despatched the competitors to a capital start, but Stuart, sculling a faster stroke, gained rapidly on the Etonian, who arrived at the Ditch in 1min. 25secs., a good two lengths behind. The leader was a good 40 yards ahead at the Grind, when his time was 5min. 2⅖secs. Stuart never relaxed his efforts, and eventually won by about eighty yards. After the race he had to be lifted from his boat. Stuart was steered by Albert Pamplin, and Powell by Jack Anthony.

BILLIARDS.

There is no disguising the fact that the form shown by Dawson and Reece in the first heat of Messrs. Burroughes and Watts' big tournament was most disappointing. Excuses of one kind or another are ever the refuge of a player when he is not doing what the public or he himself expected, and so it was in the cases of Dawson and Reece. In this instance the excuse that the cloth was much too "slow" was, for once in a way, a reasonable one. But that was no fault of Messrs Burroughes and Watts, who put on the very best quality of cloth that it was possible to obtain. Explanation is simple. Damp atmosphere always affects the cloth on a table and causes the balls to run dead slow. In their efforts to drive the balls into the required positions, the players lose their touch, and, of course, their effectiveness. A whole column of explanation could not get nearer the root of the "evil" than these two sentences.

If any proof were needed that the excuse offered by the players was a reasonable one, we have only to glance at the big performances accomplished on Saturday. That day was fine and dry. Mark the result. Dawson compiles the first "fifth-century" break seen in town this season, and, incidentally, he increases his banking account to the extent of five guineas. Reece gets within 15 points of his record break, and thus just missed the 25 guineas offered him by Messrs. Burroughes and Watts should he create a fresh individual record in this or any other heat in the tournament. However, in the course of his great break of 567 Reece made his highest sequence (110) of close cannons, so that, if pecuniary advantage did not accrue, he at least had the satisfaction of placing a new record to his name. Then, again, Dawson scored no fewer than 1,137 points at the final session.

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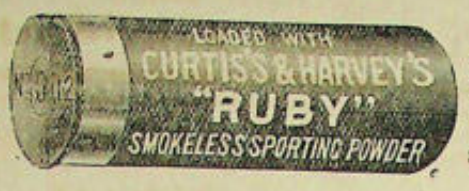

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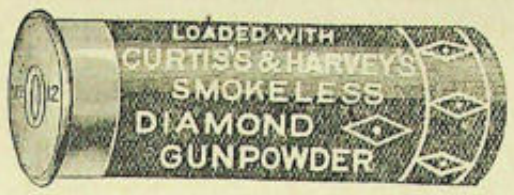

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Under normal conditions we would probably have had a great game, but as it was the heat fizzled out in a remarkable and very easy victory for Reece.

The causes operating against a bright game at Soho Square were also in evidence at Messrs. Thurston's Grand Hall, where Diggle and Inman were seen to singularly poor advantage for most of the week. Inman certainly marked up two superb breaks of 343 and 388, but for the most part he found the collecting of points anything but an easy matter. Up till Friday evening Diggle fared even worse than his determined rival, but with better conditions prevailing on Saturday he proved that he retains all his masterly skill and resource. A stake of £100 depends on the result of this match, and one is safe in asserting that a great struggle for supremacy will be witnessed ere either player qualifies for the prize. The original articles of agreement stipulated for ivory balls to be used, but prior to the commencement both players agreed that the game should be played with "Bonzolines."

The one bright spot in a series of mediocre performances was supplied by that much-improved and popular professional, Walter Lovejoy. At Cox and Yeman's he has been performing brilliantly against Cook, and gained quite a runaway victory on Saturday evening. On Thursday evening he averaged 167 points per innings—the record average of the season. In addition to this he averaged 111 on Friday evening. No wonder they say he is a coming champion! A few more such performances and he will have "arrived."

Now that the season is in full swing the figures in the tables below are beginning to represent the full merits of the various professionals whose names appear therein. In compiling sixteen breaks of over 100, seven over 200, and one over 300 (aggregating 4,278 points by these means), Lovejoy has by far done the best work. In view of the failures of the "cracks," the ex-amateur's work in this direction has been quite remarkable, and he deservedly ascends the table from 39·44 to 42·64. Diggle, it will be noted, has had to yield up premier place to Stevenson—who, by the way, has been resting during the week—and is not now even second, that position falling to Dawson despite the latter's poor return of three-figure breaks for the week. From present appearances we shall again have a rare struggle for supremacy for the leading berth between those great rivals and best of friends, C. Dawson and H. W. Stevenson, with Diggle pushing them hard all the way. Appended are the tables :—

THREE-FIGURE BREAKS TO DATE.

	100 and over.	200 and over.	300 and over.	400 and over.	500 and over.	Total.	Actual pts. scored.	Aver.
H. W. Stevenson	113	22	8	4	2	149	48,310	55·26
C. Dawson ...	96	29	9	1	2	137	48,161	51·82
E. Diggle ...	53	14	3	0	0	70	23,054	51·06
W. A. Lovejoy ...	70	13	4	2	0	80	35,074	42·64
M. Inman ...	94	12	4	1	0	111	41,844	42·19
C. Harverson ...	84	11	1	0	0	96	34,536	41·81
W. Cook ...	42	8	2	0	0	52	24,917	32·86
T. Reece ...	27	1	1	0	0	29	13 821	30·00
W. Osborne ...	31	2	0	0	0	33	17.285	25·72
W. Mitchell ...	21	2	1	0	0	24	14,011	24·39
G Nelson ...	6	0	0	0	0	6	7,000	10·31
A. Taylor ...	1	0	0	0	0	1	4,599	3·32

Note.—The final column gives the percentage of points scored by the agency of three-figure breaks.

RECORD OF MATCHES TO DATE.

	P.	W.	L.	Possible Points.	Actually scored.	Per-centage.
*E. Diggle... ...	1	1	0	16,000	16,000	100·00
G. Nelson... ...	1	1	0	7,000	7,000	100·00
H. W. Stevenson ...	5	4	1	49,500	48,310	97·59
*M. Inman ...	3	2	1	37,250	35,866	96·28
C. Harverson ...	3	1	2	36,000	34,536	95·93
T. Reece	2	1	1	14 500	13,821	95·31
W. A. Lovejoy ...	5	3	2	36 850	35,074	95·18
C. Dawson ...	6	4	2	54,000	48,161	89·18
W. Osborne ...	3	1	2	20,000	17,285	86·42
W. Cook	5	1	4	30 000	24,947	83·15
A. Taylor	1	0	1	7,000	4,599	65·70
W. Mitchell ...	2	0	2	21,600	14,011	64·86

Note.—The average column shows percentage of possible points scored.

* Diggie and Inman match being unfinished is not included in the table.

Hunting.

THE MADRAS HOUNDS.

ON Sunday, the 25th November, the meet of the Madras Hounds was at Lattice Bridge, which is usually a favourite meet. The weather was fairly cool and fresh, but there was only a small field out, about twenty men and three ladies meeting the Master. The smallness of the field is most likely accounted for by the fact that there had been a dance at the Adyar Club the previous evening and even in the coolest of cool weather here most of us find it too great a tax upon our energies to rise in time for an early meet after a night's festivity. The Master made a move from the Bridge to the cocoanut tope close by, and just outside it hounds picked up the line of a jack. He had evidently been gone some time, however, and scent at first proved difficult, being catchy and uncertain. Hounds carried the line slowly towards Vellacheri, but after a time they began to improve their pace and soon were going at best pace on what was evidently a red hot scent and for a time we were riding as hard as the most exacting could desire. Swinging left-handed hounds ran to the edge of Fox Hill, where the jack turned right-handed again and ran the scrub round the north side, pointing evidently for the casuarina covert. Before he reached it, however, hounds viewed him and there was an exciting race, the jack reaching the covert just in front of the pack. He was given no time to escape, hounds forcing him through the covert without a pause and in the open beyond they ran into and killed him. The run, though it lasted little over ten minutes, was a merry one and the pace very hot. The going was good on the whole, but treacherous in parts. There were two spills, two gentlemen taking falls in very wet places, but no serious damage was done.

After the jack had been broken up the Master took hounds to the long casuarina woods and here there was a lengthy interval, a patient draw, which lasted for some considerable time, being without result. Luck was with us after all, however, for as hounds were being taken home, about a quarter past eight, no fewer than three jacks broke cover just in front of them. The pack divided at first, but fortunately got together again on one line and had it been earlier in the day we might have had an excellent run. But it was late and the morning was by this time anything but cool and the Master decided to take the opportunity offered by a check to draw hounds off and save them for another day.

On Wednesday morning, the 28th November, the meet took place at Saidapet on a dark, damp, monsoon morning and at first sport seemed likely to be as depressing as the weather. The Saidapet coverts and the tall crops with which they are interspersed were drawn without success and when at last hounds picked up a line while crossing the Butts Plain they feathered on it for some time on a hill by the side of the river bank. Shortly afterwards, however, after entering the Korakapillais on the other side they settled down to work in earnest and the pace improved. The jack was unluckily, not a straight necked one and would not make for the open. He ran several rings round the covert where he was found and then went up along the river bank, crossing the road near Nantambakam Bridge. He then ran the whole length of Scavenger Covert and looked like making for Sheep's Head, but his heart failed him and he doubled back along Scavenger towards the Bridge again. This sharp turn brought hounds to their noses and while they were at fault the appearance of another jack complicated matters. Apparently, hounds changed, but, anyway, they held the line slowly back to near the Bridge, where they again got on better terms with their quarry and bustled him merrily across the road and into the Korakapillais. Here, after running a ring or two, he found matters too hot for him and took to the river, which he swam with the leading hounds only the width of the water behind him. This manœuvre gained him a fresh start, but the pack were soon on terms with him again and were not to be denied. After running a wide ring on the left bank, the jack took to the river again and recrossed the road to Scavenger Covert. Here hounds were at fault for a few minutes, but a hulloa from over the road put them on the line again and after a few more turns they bowled him over. They had hunted well and deserved blood. From a hound point of view a better hunt could not have been desired, but it was a thick and bad country for horses. The run lasted about 45 minutes and there was only one serious check.

B. B. B.

Rowing.

POONA REGATTA.

A VERY sporting little regatta was brought off at the Royal Connaught Boat Club on Thursday, 29th instant. The card consisted of four events to wit a half mile for scratch fours, a half mile for scratch eights, a quarter mile mixed double sculls and a quarter mile tub fours.

In view of the shortness of the notice the crews were not perhaps strung up to concert pitch in the way of fitness, but this only reflects greater credit on the fact that all the events filled well with the exception of the eights for which two crews were got together, both representing Kirkee, Poona having failed at the last moment to fill up a crew.

The club grounds were looking their best, and there was no cause for complaint as regards the attendance. All the world and his wife were there and the "creations" worn by the fair sex were quite bewildering.

Two out of the four events provided close finishes, the most exciting perhaps being the mixed double sculls in which Colonel Hale and Miss Fooks scored a very popular victory by a very narrow margin, the little lady rowing in a style which many a mere male might envy. The proceedings opened at 5-15 which was a trifle late and resulted in the last two races being rowed by moonlight, but fortunately the moon was obliging enough to provide sufficient illumination for all practical purposes.

The intervals were enlivened by the band of the 107th Pioneers and the excitement was kept up by an *al fresco* dinner which was attended by about 70 members, and was a somewhat chilly amusement, and was followed by a dance. Major Morris, R.A., officiated as starter and Mr. Giles as judge. Details as follows :—

SCRATCH FOURS.—¼ MILE.

SAPPERS AND MINERS—	3 H. C. West, 12-0.
Bow Col. Fooks, 10-7.	*Str.* H. W. Atlay, 12-5.
2 C. G. Ling, 12-0.	*Cox* Mr. Butler.
3 E. K. Squires, 13-3.	MOUNTED INFANTRY.
Str. G. H. Boileau, 11-12.	*Bow* O'Flynn.
Cox Mr. Lesslie.	2 Capt. Bradley.
R. A.—	Major Rowlandson.
Bow C. W. Cripps, 10-2.	*Str.* Capt. Haggard.
2 H. N. Nornabell, 10-6.	*Cox* H. Ker.

The Sappers led throughout and drawing away at the finish won comfortably by one and a half lengths. Time—3mins. 10⅘secs.

SCRATCH EIGHT.—¼ MILE.

KIRKEE	vs.	EAST KIRKEE.
Bow Cann.		Pike, 107th
2 Jones, R.A.M.C.		McLaughlin, 107th.
3 Lucas, R.A.M.C.		Col Fooks, I.M.S.
4 Cripps, R.A.		McLeod, 121st.
5 Nornabell, R.A.		Capt. Baines, I.M.S.
6 West, R.A.		Linz, R.E.
7 Capt. Atlay, R.A.		Squires, R.E.
Str. Col. Hale, R.A.M.C.		Capt. Boileau, R.E.
Mrs. Butler.		Mrs. Lesslie.

Kirkee held their own for half the journey after which East Kirkee drew out and won a good race by a length and a quarter. Time—3mins. 9⅘secs.

MIXED DOUBLE SCULLS.—¼ MILE.

Mrs. Field.	Miss Winby.
Mr. Squires.	Capt. Haggard.
Miss Fooks.	Capt. Wilson.
Col. Hale.	Mrs. Wilson.

Captain and Mrs. Wilson led from the start to within half a dozen lengths of the post, when Colnel Hale and Miss Fooks spurted and snatched the verdict by a bare half length.

SCRATCH FOUR.—¼ MILE.

To be rowed in tub boats, lady coxswains.
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3 Mr. Squires
Mr. Powell
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DATES.	OPPONENTS.	GROUND.	TIME.
1906			
December 8th	Aryan Club ...	Home ...	2-30 P.M.
" 9th	Ishapur Park ...	Away ...	12-0 noon.
" 15th	Presidency College...	Home ...	2-30 P.M.
" 16th	Howrah United Club	Away ...	11-30 A.M.
" 22nd	Caledonians ...	Away ...	2-30 P.M.
" 23rd	.....	.....	.....
" 29th	Rangers ...	Away ...	2-30 P.M.
" 30th	Howrah United ...	Away ...	11-30 A.M.
1907.			
January 1st	Y. M. C. A. ...	Away ...	11-30 A.M.
" 5th	.....	.....	.....
" 6th	.....	.....	.....
" 12th	Y. M. C. A. ...	Home ...	2-30 P.M.
" 13th	Sporting Union ...	Away ...	12-0 noon.
" 19th	Hornets ...	Away ...	2-30 P.M.
" 20th	St. Xavier's College	Away ...	12-0 noon.
" 26th	Burn and Co. ...	Home ...	2 30 P.M.
" 27th	Ishapur Park ...	Away ...	12-0 noon.
February 2nd	Rajah of Nattore's XI.	Home ...	2-30 P.M.
" 3rd	.....	.....	.....
" 9th	Town Club ...	Away ...	2-30 P.M.
" 10th	City Athletic Club...	Away ...	12-0 noon.
" 16th	Sporting Union ...	Home ...	2-30 P.M.
" 23rd	Ballygunge ...	Away ...	2-30 P.M.

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TOWN CLUB *vs.* BALLYGUNGE.—Played on the Town Club ground last Saturday, the visitors winning easily. Batting first they made 124 for three wickets and declared. The Town Club were dismissed for 61, Gould taking seven wickets. Score :—

BALLYGUNGE.

T. C. Manders, c C. Dutt, b R. Ghosh		18
E. Studd, b B. Mukerji		17
F. Gould, b N. Mitter		10
F. N. Whiteley, not out		39
V. Sherman, not out		20
J. R. Coulthard, H. E. Skinner, E. C. Cowdrey, E. W. Antram, A. V. Shorter, J. D. Keith-Sim	did not bat.	
Extras		20
Total (for 3 wkts.*)		124

* Innings declared closed.

TOWN CLUB.

C. Dutt, b Gould		0
J. Sircar, b Gould		2
B. Mukerji, c Coulthard, b Gould		0
S. K. Bose, hit wicket, b Gould		2
Akaruddin, l-b-w, b Gould		1
D. Lahiri, b Gould		8
N. Mitter, b Gould		6
R. Ghosh, b Manders		2
Henry, b Whiteley		4
A. Ahmed, not out		6
B. G. Roy, b Cowdrey		19
Extras		11
Total		61

RANGERS *vs.* HORNETS.—These teams met on the Rangers' ground last Saturday, the Hornets winning by 10 runs. Score :—

HORNETS.

A. B. Rosser, b Templeton		3
A. A. Browne, b Buckley		25
B. A. Hollow, b Lees		17
S. Boo, c Jewell, b Cumber		14
H. A. Bayley, b Cumber		1
N. Hudson, b Cumber		11
A. Greene, b A. Hodges		12
H. Vanspall, b Lees		2
W. Thomson, c G. Hodges, b A. Hodges		0
F. Jackson, b A. Hodges		0
R. Simmons, not out		7
Extras		8
Total		100

RANGERS.

J. Cumber, b Bayley		15
H. Jewell, c Rosser, b Bayley		3
C. V. Warden, b Hudson		20
G. Schumacher, c Browne, b Bayley		25
A. Hodges, b Bayley		0
G. Hodges, b Rosser		11
E. Templeton, c Hollow, b Rosser		3
P. Margrett, b Rosser		2
J. Buckley, b Rosser		3
G. Nugent, c Jackson, b Rosser		0
F. Lees, not out		1
Extras		7
Total		90

Y.M.C.A. *vs.* CUSTOMS.—Played on Saturday, the Customs winning by 6 wickets. Score :—

CUSTOMS.

F. Jewell, b Reynolds		0
H. Barlow, c Foucar, b Dyer		47
F. Harcourt, b Dyer		38
A. McCready, b Reynolds		3
M. Quiterio, not out		1
J. Anderson, not out		11
F. Hogan, E. Adams, C. Marsden, W. G. Brown, H. Vears	did not bat.	
Extras		1
Total (for 3 wkts.*)		101

* Innings declared closed.

Y.M.C.A.

F. H. Reynolds, b Brown		22
W. Price, b Brown		0
A. Price, b McCready		32
T. Shuldham, c Jewell, b Harcourt		28
J. Grant, c Adams, b Marsden		9
W. Dyer, b Harcourt		1
A. Maclean, b Harcourt		0
F. Vanspall, b Marsden		0
L. Foucar, not out		0
J. Winter, b Harcourt		0
F. Creed, b Harcourt		0
Extras		8
Total		100

BARRACKPORE *vs.* BALLYGUNGE.—This match at Barrackpore resulted in a win for the visitors by 49 runs. Appended are the scores :—

BALLYGUNGE.

B. A. White, c Stephen, b Mackenzie		23
R. C. Hill, b Mackenzie		20
T. C. Manders, c Salier, b Otto		28
M. R. Quin, b Salier		0
V. Sherman, b Otto		14
A. C. Tatam, not out		38
J. R. Coulthard, c Otto, b Salier		8
F. Gould, b Salier		0
A. V. Shorter, c Lapsley, b Mackenzie		9
C. C. Eastgate, l.-b.-w., b Salier		0
J. D. Keith-Sim, b Salier		1
Byes 10, leg-byes 1		11
Total		147

BARRACKPORE.

J. More, b Gould		5
T. Mackenzie, b Gould		0
G. Bunbury, b Gould		30
E. L. Salier, b Gould		14
W. R. Russell, l.-b.-w.-b., Gould		3
A. H Otto, b Gould		0
W. Jenkins, b Gould		24
S. B. Stephen, b Manders		9
G. K. Rogers, c Gould, b Manders		0
E. J. Lapsley, b Gould		0
S. Wadsworth, not out		0
Byes 12, leg-byes 1		13
Total		98

CALCUTTA C. C. *vs.* NORTHUMBERLAND FUSILIERS.—Played last Saturday. The soldiers batted first and made 158. Russell (32), Adams (31) and Beckingham (20) being the highest scorers. For the C. C. C. Eddis and Guise batted well, the former scoring 88 not out, and Guise 62. Calcutta thus won by 8 wickets. Scores :—

NORTHUMBERLAND FUSILIERS.

Major Fishbourne, b Eddis		1
Sergt. Wilkinson, c sub., b Guise		12
Pte. Russell, l.-b.-w., b Quin		32
E. A. Salier, l.-b.-w., b Eddis		4
Pte. Locker, b Guise		10
Pte. Adams, b Quin		31
Pte. Panant, b Eddis		8
Major Ainslie, b Eddis		17
Sergt. Beckingham, c Collin, b Quin		20
Sergt. Marshall, not out		12
Lce.-Corpl. Wadsworth, l.-b.-w., b Quin		6
Extras		3
Total		156

CALCUTTA.

J. D. Guise, c Major Fishbourne, b Locker		62
E. W. Collin, b Beckingham		1
B. E. G. Eddis, not out		88
R. C. R. Hill, not out		0
M. R. Quin, A. Turnbull, A. Simson, C. M. Pope, A. Lethbridge, H. F. Yeoman, H. Claughton	did not bat.	
Extras		7
Total		158

CALCUTTA C. C. *vs.* ARYANS.—This match resulted in a draw. Calcutta batted first and made 256 for 9 wickets. Major Ainslie retired after scoring 104 in excellent style. Turnbull also played a brilliant innings for 91. The Aryans put up 151 for 5 wickets, D. Bose (47 not out), B. Mukerjee (38) and K. Bose (31 not out) being the chief contributors. Scores :—

CALCUTTA.

J. D. Guise, b D. Bose		0
C. P. Beachcroft, c Mukerjee, b Banerjie		8
Major Ainslie, retired		104
G Turnbull, b Banerji		91
M. F Blake, b Banerji		0
A. Simson, c Bagchi, b D. Bose		10
G. Treadaway, c Banerji, b D. Bose		0
E. G. Breithaupt, c Ghosh, b Banerji		16
H. Claughton, b Banerji		2
H. E. Miller, not out		6
H. E. Pearson, did not bat.		
Byes 13, leg-byes 6		19
Total for 9 (wkts.*)		256

* Innings declared closed.

ARYANS.

B. Mukerjee, c Beachcroft, b Guise		38
O. Mozumdar, b Guise		4
K. Bagchi, b Guise		5
S. Banerji, c Claughton, b Guise		4
D. Bose, not out		47
B. Banerji, c Turnbull, b Simson		4
K. Bose, not out		31
Byes 14, leg-byes 3, wides 1		18
Total (for 5 wkts.*)		151

* Innings declared closed.

CALEDONIANS *vs.* CITY A. C.—An even draw was the result of this match, after a somewhat poor display of batting on both sides. The Caledonians went in first and lost Chandler in the second over. Christensen and Rogers, however, improved matters, and took the score to 51 before the former was bowled for 20. Rogers knocked up 24 before he fell a victim to Dass, who kept a good length throughout the Caledonian innings. H. W. Beer played well for 19 not out, the Caledonians declaring at 102 for 9 wickets. On going in the City secured 85 for 7 wickets, so that had time allowed a close finish might have been witnessed, Banerjee 20 and Sircar 16 were the chief run getters. Rogers secured 4 wickets for 33 and Elliot 2 for 21. Appended are the scores :—

CALEDONIANS.

H. Chandler, b Sircar		2
E. H. Christensen, b Dass		20
E. Rogers, b Dass		24
A. H Greene, c P. Guha, b Dass		6
G. V. Wade, c S. Roy, b Sircar		7
H. W. Beer, not out		19
E. O. Elliot, c Chatterjee, b Sircar		3
E. G. Durant, b Sircar		5
R. H. Byers, b Dass		1
H. Dunne, b Dass		0
J. H. Dimsdale, not out		5
Extras		10
Total (for 9 wkts.*)		102

* Innings declared closed.

CITY A. C.

B. Banerjee, b Elliot		20
P. Guha, c Christensen, b Elliot		8
B. Mukerjee, b Rogers		5
S. Sircar, b Rogers		16
Chakel Dass, b Rogers		9
Chaterjee, c and b Christensen		4
S. Singha, not out		6
A Sukul, run out		6
Roy, not out		4
Extras		7
Total (for 7 wkts.*)		85

* Innings declared closed.

ST. XAVIER'S *vs.* CALEDONIANS.—St. Xavier's administered a severe defeat to the Caledonians on their own ground at the beginning of the week, and the dangerous state of the wicket was no excuse for the wretched display of the visitors. Going in first the Caledonians could only get 57 runs. Rogers was unfortunate in playing on before he had scored, and the loss of this batsmen had a disastrous effect on the rest of the team. Durant was top scorer with 13 and Brown's 12 was the only other double figure contribution. St. Xavier's started none too well, losing 3 wickets for 2 runs, but Newton and Purcell took the score to 43 before the former was bowled by Rogers. When Greenway and Vaughan got together the score was rapidly taken to 119 when the home team declared with 6 wickets down. Elliot and Rogers bowled well, the former having hard lines in continually beating the batsmen and just missing the wicket. On going in again the Caledonians were got rid of by Marsden and Vaughan for 61, thus suffering defeat by an innings and one run. Vaughan for St. Xavier's bowled very well throughout both innings, but the ground helped him considerably. Appended are the scores :—

CALEDONIANS.

	1st Innings.		2nd Innings.	
A. Green	3	not out		11
E. Rogers, b Vaughan	0	b Vaughan		16
E. Christensen, c Swinhoe, b Vaughan	0	c Greenway, b Marsden		6
J. H. Dimsdale, b Vaughan	7	b Vaughan		1
G. V. Wade, c Manuel, b Purcell	1	c and b Marsden		0
E. O. Elliot, b Purcell	0	c Vaughan, b Marsden		4
E. Durant, c Purcell, b Vaughan	13	b Marsden		7
J Dunne, c Green b Purcell	3	b Vaughan		1
S. T. Meggitt, b Vaughan	0	c and b Power		0
J. West, b Purcell	4	b Vaughan		7
A. Brown, not out	12	c Purcell, b Vaughan		0
Extras	11	Extras		8
Total	57	Total		61

ST. XAVIER'S OLD BOYS.

A. Manuel, b Elliot		0
D. Ready, b Rogers		0
C. Marsden, b Elliott		0
J. Lawton, b Rogers		19
E. Purcell, b Elliot		26
C. Power, b Rogers		0
F. Greenway, not out		32
A. Vaughan, not out		29
A. Green, C. Agacy, F. F. Swinhoe	did not bat.	
Extras		15
Total (for 6 wkts*).		119

* Innings declared closed

SPORTING UNION *vs.* DALHOUSIE C. C.—The Calcutta C. C., who were to have played the Sporting Union C. C. on the latter's ground on Sunday, cancelled their game as they could not get up an XI, and the Dalhousie C. C. very sportingly came down to the Marcus Square as the guests of the Sporting Union. Both the teams lacked the services of two or three of their best players. A very enjoyable day's cricket resulted in a win for the home team by 39 runs on the first innings. The Sporting Union batted first and totalled 85 runs for 3 wickets, but then a rot set in and the whole side was out for 100. N. Roy-Chowdhury (37), G. Gupta (29), and S. Roy (12) reached double figures, the battings of the two former being delightful to watch D. Stewart got 5 wickets for 36 runs and he took 4 wickets with 4 consecutive balls. Bath also bowled well and got 4 for 15. The Dalhousie C. C. could only total 61 against S. Dutta-Gupta and P. Bose (Junior,) who captured 5 for 24 and 4 for 11, respectively. H. Beadle played well for his 18. In the second innings which was not completed owing to want of time, the Sporting Union made 90 for 9 wickets (the last three batsmen losing their wickets in attempting to force the game) and declared their innings closed, G. Gupta (16), C. Guha (23), S. Roy (13), and A. Gupta (13) reaching double figures. Bath again bowled well, taking 7 wickets for 61 runs. The Dalhousie Club had three-quarters of an hour's batting during which they lost 6 wickets for 59 runs, Wickens (24), Walton (not out 11) and Holman (not out 14) reaching double figures. P. Bose (Senior,) got 3 wickets for 16 runs. The game was played twelve a side. Appended are the scores :—

SPORTING UNION.

	1st Innings.		2nd Innings	
N. Roy-Chowdhury, b Wickens	37	l.-b.-w., b Bath		3
A. Gupta, b Beadle	4	l.-b.-w., b Bath		13
G. Gupta, b Stewart	29	c Wickens, b Bath		16
S. Roy, b Stewart	12	b Stewart		13
P. Bannerjee b Bath	5	st. Sharp, b Bath		0
P. Bose (Sr.), b Stewart	0	b Bath		4
S. K. Ghoshal, b Stewart	0	c Wickens, b Bath		0
P. Bose (Jr.) l.-b.-w., b Stewart	0	did not bat.		
N. Biswas, b Bath	4			
C. Guha, not out	3	l.-b.-w., b Bath		23
S. Dutta-Gupta, c Wickens, b Bath	3	st. Sharp, b Stewart		5
M. Roy, b Bath	0	not out		2
Extras	3	Extras		6
Total	100	Total (for 9 wkts.)*		90

*Innings declared closed.

DALHOUSIE C. C.

	1st. Innings.		2nd Innings.	
J. Morrell, run out	1	b Bose (Sr.)		0
D. Stewart b Dutta-Gupta	9	l.-b.-w., b Bose (Sr.)		1
F. Sharp, b P. Bose (Jr)	0	b M. Roy		0
H. Beadle, b Dutta-Gupta	18	b P. Bose (Sr.)		0
J. Wickens, l.-b.-w., b P. Bose (Sr.)	7	St. b Dutta-Gupta		24
N. E. Bath, c M. Roy, b Dutta-Gupta	1	c Guha, b M. Roy		4
H. Holman, c Bose (Sr.), b P. Bose (Jr.)	5	not out		14
N. Ball, c Roy-Chowdhury, b Dutta-Gupta	0	did not bat.		
J. Chaplin, c and b Dutta-Gupta	0			
E. Walton, c Dutta-Gupta	7	not out		11
E Dearing, c Sub. Bose (Jr.), b P. Bose (Jr.)	0	did not bat		
J. Williams, not out	2			
Extras b. 6, l.-b, 2, n. b. 3	11	Extras		5
Total	61	Total (for 6 wkts.)*		59

*Innings declared closed.

ST. XAVIER'S *vs.* NORTHUMBERLAND FUSILIERS.—This match on the College ground on Monday resulted in an easy win for the

home team by an innings and 24 runs. Appended are the scores :—

ST. XAVIER'S.

A. Klemis, b Salier	6
K. Hoff, b Parrant	5
A. Green, b Locker	36
F. Hoff, b Salier	30
C. Fischer, b Salier	7
A. Vaughan, c Adams, b Wadsworth	10
P. McGuire, b Salier	13
H. Vanspall, b Wadsworth	0
E. D'Cruz, c Priestley, b Locker	0
J. Owens, not out	6
S. D'Silva, run out	1
Extras	11
Total ...	115

NORTHUMBERLAND FUSILIERS.

	1st Innings.		2nd Innings.	
Pte. Russell, b Owens ...	6	c and b Owens ...	1
Lieut. Salier, b Vaughan ...	22	run out	15
Pte. Adams, b Vaughan ...	1	b Vaughan ...	0
Pte. Locker, b Vaughan ...	2	run out	1
Lance-Corpl. Wadsworth, c K. Hoff, b Owens	0	not out	0
Pte. Carr, b Vaughan ...	0	b Hoff	0
Lance Corpl. Parrant, b Vaughan	12	b Owens	0
Lance-Corpl. Priestley, b Owens	0	c and b Fischer ...	3
Pte. Harris, b Vaughan ...	0	b F. Hoff ...	2
Pte. Godfrey, b Owens	0	b Fischer ...	0
Pte. Newton, not out ...	0	c Klemis, b Fischer ...	14
Extras ...	2	Extras ...	10
Total ...	45	Total ...	46

CRICKET AT LAHORE.

LAHORE GYMKHANA *vs.* GOVERNMENT COLLEGE.—Played on the 23rd and 24th ultimo, the Gymkhana winning very easily. They batted first and lost nine wickets for 439 when they declared their innings closed. Kirke (176) and Short (102 not out) were in good form and punished the bowling severely. The College were dismissed for 78 in their first innings, Ross taking eight wickets for 12 runs. They followed on and made 100, to which Abdul Ghani contributed 42 and Dhanpat Rai 36. Score :—

LAHORE GYMKHANA.

V. H. Wilson, c Abdul Majid, b Ahmed Hassan ...	10
Capt. Lang, b Ghulam Mustafa	1
W. R. Henry, L-b.-w, Ahmed Hassan	5
E. L. French, b Abdul Ghani	17
Capt. L. S. Browne, b Abdul Majid	28
Capt. Bedwell, c Dhanpat Rai, b Abdul Majid ...	28
Capt. H. Ross, c Ghulam Mustafa, b Ahmed Hassan ...	12
E. St. G. Kirke, b Ghulam Mustafa	176
V. A. Short, not out	102
C. Farquhar, b Ghulam Mustafa	24
S. M. Robinson, not out	2
Extras	34
Total (for 9 wickets*)	439

*Innings declared closed.

GOVERNMENT COLLEGE.

	1st Innings.		2nd Innings.	
Chetan Anand, c Kirke, b Ross	26	st. Farquhar, b Browne	1
Akram Beg, c Browne, b Robinson	0	b Browne ...	1
Abdul Ghani, b Lang ...	16	b Robson	42
Hassan Shah, b Ross ...	6	b Browne ...	1
Ahmed Hassan, not out ...	15	c Bedwell, b Ross ...	1
Abdul Majid, b Ross ...	11	b Ross	3
Dhanpat Rai, c Henry, b Ross	0	b Ross	36
Gur Dyal, b Ross	0	b Rose	4
Ghulam Mustafa, b Ross ...	1	not out	0
Durga Dass, b Ross ...	4	b Robinson ...	2
Bhup Singh, c Lang, b Ross ...	1	c and b Robinson ...	6
Extras ...	4	Extras ...	2
Total ...	78	Total ...	100

PUNJAB COMMISSION TOURNAMENT.

10TH ROYAL HUSSARS *vs.* S. AND T. CORPS, NORTHERN COMMAND.—This match was played at Rawalpindi on the 22nd, 23rd, and 24th ultimo the Hussars being defeated by an innings and 2 runs. They went in first and made 200, Chaplin (74) and Gibbs (45 not out) being the chief scorers. The S. and T. Corps replied with 383. Sergeant-Major Cullen gave a fine display, compiling 145 before he was dismissed. Captain Lushington batted freely for 74 and useful scores were contributed by Lyttle, Leicester, and Carroll. The Hussars' second innings produced 181, of which Chaplin made 35, Gibbs 27, and Palmes 24. Appended are the scores and analyses :—

10TH ROYAL HUSSARS.

	1st Innings.		2nd Innings.	
E. W. E. Palmes, run out ...	1	run out	24
Sergt. Mitchell, b Lancaster ...	12	b Kilgour ...	0
C. H. Peto, c and b Lancaster	1	c and b Lushington ...	17
H. P. Chaplin, c Lushington, b Kilgour	74	c Carroll, b Lushington	35
Pte. Holliday, c Cullen, b Carroll	13	b Lancaster ...	17
W. O. Gibbs, not out ...	43	b Kilgour ...	27
Major E. R. A. Shearman, b Lushington	11	b Lancaster ...	15
Pte. Sharples, c Kilgour, b Lushington	10	c Kilgour, b Lushington	4
Pte. Jackson, b Lancaster	10	not out ...	11
E. A. Fielden, b Lancaster ...	0	b Lancaster ...	5
Sergt. Price, b Lancaster ...	2	b Lancaster ...	6
Extras ...	13	Extras ...	20
Total ...	200	Total ...	181

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

	1st Innings.				2nd Innings.			
	O.	M.	R.	W.	O.	M.	R.	W.
Lancaster ...	19·1	2	51	5	19·1	1	59	4
Cullen ...	11	1	70	0	6	0	33	0
Lushington ...	10	0	53	2	15	2	48	3
Carroll ...	4	0	20	1	—	—	—	—
Kilgour ...	2	1	4	1	8	0	21	2

S. AND T. CORPS.

E. H. Lancaster, b Chaplin	17
H. O. Carroll, c Holliday, b Price	24
Sergt.-Major Cullen, c Peto, b Sharples	145
Capt. E. Campion, l-b-w, b Price	2
P. E. Collen, b Price	2
Capt. W. N. Lushington, c Shearman, b Price ...	74
Capt. H. P. M. White, b Price	7
H. F. Kilgour, b Price	0
Sergt. Leicester, c Mitchell, b Price	35
Sub-Condr. Lyttle, c Holliday, b Gibbs	37
Sub-Condr. Hann, not out	17
Extras	23
Total ...	383

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Price	21	3	96	7
Jackson	12	1	51	0
Chaplin	18	3	71	1
Sharples	13	2	54	1
Shearman	2	0	26	0
Gibbs	44	0	27	1
Peto	3	0	16	0

CRICKET IN BANGALORE.

BANGALORE GYMKHANA *vs.* BANGALORE AMATEURS.—Played on the 24th ultimo, the Amateurs, who are the strongest local native team, being defeated by 11 runs. Score :—

BANGALORE GYMKHANA.

P. L. Moore, l-b.-w, b K. Pillay	20
C. G. M. Plumer, b K. Pillay	30
L. G. Burmeister, c Murugesam, b K. Pillay ...	16
K. E. Cooper, c Murugesam, b K. Pillay	23
J. H. Pattisson, c Runganathan, b V. Pillay ...	1
Corpl. Copeland, b K. Pillay	5
J. Meldon, b K. Pillay	13
Capt. Jacomb, c P. Pillay, b V. Pillay	18
W. Leith-Ross, b K. Pilly	9
Pte. Howe, c and b K. Pillay	2
Capt. Dredge, not out	6
Extras	22
Total	160

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

	O.	R.	M.	W.
K. Pillay ...	23	65	6	8
Puthan ...	9	29	2	0
P. Pillay ...	4	24	0	0
V. Pillay ...	9·1	20	3	2

BANGALORE AMATEURS.

Veeraswamy, c Dredge, b Pattisson	14
Rajah, st Meldon, b Howe	5
Pathanabam, b Cooper	18
V. Pillay, c Plumer, b Pattisson	13
Y Pillay, l-b-w, b Pattisson	2
K Pillay, b Cooper	56
P. Pillay, c Burmeister, b Cooper	2
Murugesam, b Plumer	12
Subramaniam, c Howe, b Plumer	6
Narasimaloo, b Cooper	0
Govindaraj, not out	4
Extras	17
Total ...	149

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

	O.	R.	M.	W.
Pattisson	11	28	1	3
Howe	7	21	—	1
Cooper	8·2	33	—	4
Plumer	7	32	—	2
Jacomb	2	15	—	0

CRICKET AT SECUNDERABAD.

SECUNDERABAD GYMKHANA *vs.* FATTEH MAIDAN GYMKHANA.—Appended are the scores in this match played on the 28th ultimo and won by the Fatteh Maidan Gymkhana by 57 runs.:—

SECUNDERABAD GYMKHANA.

	1st Innings.		2nd Innings.	
Plumer, c Oates, b Wahid ...	16	c Kurshed Beg, b Wahid	0
Yates, b Marrett ...	88	b Mahomed Ali ..	1
MacNicol, c Marrett, b Ahmed Ali ...	24	b Mahomed Beg ...	57
Manson, b Ahmed Ali ...	21	b Mahomed Beg ...	38
Capt. Greenwood, c Wahid, b Ahmed Ali ...	3	c Syed Hasan, b Wahid	29
Major Smythe, c Wahid, b Mahomed Beg ...	1	l.-b.-w., b Wahid ...	4
Mockler, b Ahmed Ali ...	11	b Marrett ...	18
Stevenson, b Ahmed Ali ...	6	Mahomed Beg ...	3
Blenkinsop, b Ahmed Ali ...	3	not out ...	6
Capt. Davidson, did not bat.		b Ahmed Ali ...	12
Sargent, not out ...	0	run out ...	29
Extras ...	8	Extras ...	13
Total ...	181	Total ...	210

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

	1st Innings.				2nd Innings.			
	O.	B.	M.	W.	O.	B.	M.	W.
Wahid ...	14	54	2	2	26	80	2	6
Marrett ...	2	50	2	2	3	12	0	1
Ahmed Ali	10	42	2	5	12	63	0	1
Mahomed Beg	11	27	1	1	2	42	2	2

FUTTEH MAIDAN GYMKHANA.

	1st Innings.		2nd Innings.	
Ali Raza, run out, b Smythe ...	15	c Yates, b Smythe —	15
Mahomed Ali, b Smythe ...	1	b Sargent	2
Mahomed Beg, b Smythe ...	11	b Smythe	34
Kurshed Beg, b Smythe ...	12	l.-b.-w., b Sargent ...	0
Ahmed Ali, b Smythe ...	0	b Mockler	96
Oates, c Greenwood, b Sargent ...	6	b Sargent	15
Marrett, c Davidson, b Sargent...	5	l.-b.-w., b Smythe ...	15
Wahid, b Smythe	3	b Sargent	94
Siraj Ali, b Sargent ...	—	3 run out	22
Syed Hasan, not out ...	5	c Mockler, b Plumer ...	14
Griffin, b Sargent	1	not out — ...	35
Extras ...	11	Extras —	33
Total ...	73	Total ...	375

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

	1st Innings.				2nd Innings.			
	O.	B.	M.	W.	O.	B.	M.	W.
Smythe ...	13	14	4	6	17	71	3	3
Yates ...	3	20	0	0	9	42	1	0
Sargent ...	9	28	1	4	22	104	3	4
Manson ...	—	—	—	—	7	52	3	0
Davidson ...	—	—	—	—	2	14	0	0
Mockler ...	—	—	—	—	8	21	0	2
Plumer ...	—	—	—	—	2	33	0	1

Golf.

GOLF IN MADRAS.

THE CAPTAIN'S PRIZE.—The tournament for this Trophy began in September and attracted a record number of entries, no fewer than 32 taking part. The conditions were 18 holes by match play handicap on the Island Links. Four rounds were gone through, Mr Urquhart and Major Gabbett eventually meeting in the final. This ended in a victory by 1 up for Mr. Urquhart who had played good golf all through. Results :—

FIRST ROUND.

H. A. B. Vernon (11) beat J. F. Simpson (11).
G. W. McBean (8) beat W. Ure (8).
W. C. Lowe (12) beat F. H. Thornton (12).
Major Gabbett (8) beat T. Fisher (8).
G. S. White (9) beat F. A. Pawley (9).
W. R. Carruthers (8) beat G. W. Talbot (7).
L. H. Bewes (4) beat R. Littlehailes (11).
J. H. Peebles junior (scr.) beat Captain Cotter (12).
C. Morrison (scr.) beat Rev. Stevenson (8).
W. A. Beardsell (8) beat C. R. T. Balston (7).
A. M. Urquhart (3) beat G. W. Giles (12).
C. L. Bidie (7) beat T. M. Ross (7).
D. Annan (4) beat R. Lecky (11).
P. W. Partridge (4) beat R. H. Meredith (5).
F. M. Robinson (3) beat W. Alexander (9).
J. W. Crusha (12) beat C. E. Ross (8).

SECOND ROUND.

Vernon beat McBean.
Gabbett beat Lowe.
White beat Carruthers.
Peebles beat Bewes.
Beardsell beat Morrison.
Urquhart beat Bidie.
Partridge beat Annan.
Robinson beat Crusha.

THIRD ROUND.

Gabbett beat Vernon.
White beat Peebles.
Urquhart beat Beardsell.
Partridge beat Robinson.

SEMI-FINALS.

Gabbett beat White.
Urquhart beat Partridge.

FINAL.

A. M. Urquhart (3) beat Major Gabbett (8) by 1 up.

RANGOON GOLF CLUB.

THE annual "Opening Day" and "At Home" took place on Saturday, 24th November, and proceedings commenced with Tiffin at 1-30 P.M., but owing to the early start only about 30 members were able to be present. By 2-30 P.M., when the competitions commenced, their numbers had been largely augmented, however.

The following are the results of the various events :—

Long Hole.—Competitors to drive from the 7th Tee and play to the 9th Hole, a maximum of 5 strokes allowed :—

J. M. Sime	1
G. Ballance.	2

Mr. Sime laid his fifth shot within two yards of the hole.

Long Drive.—Best of three drives :—

H. Woodham, 246 yards	1
J. Stuart Smith, 245 yards	2

The measuring tape had to be produced to decide who was first.

Approach and Putt for Gentlemen.—Competitors had to play three balls from a Tee 50 yards from the green, over a hurdle placed halfway ; and hole out each ball.

J. M. Sime	1
J. B. Orr	2

Messrs. Higinbotham, Sime, and Orr tied with 8 strokes each, and on the replay Messrs. Sime and Orr again tied with 9 strokes, Mr. Higinbotham getting into difficulties. As it was getting dark the second tie was decided by putting one ball six yards from the green, and Mr. Sime holed his ball in two to his opponent's three. In this competition Mr. Ballance holed one ball from the Tee.

Ladies' Putting.—Three balls were putted from a mark 12 yards from the green. Mrs. Ure holed in 7 strokes and won the prize, several other competitors taking eight.

The Annual Trophies played for during the past season were won by the following members :—

Club Gold Medal (Scratch).—E. Higinbotham.
The Captain's Cup.—E. Higinbotham.
The Glasgow Trophy.—A. W. K. McEwen.
Calcutta Silver Medal.—H. Woodham.
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Mr. M. Macrae	...	3	4 down.

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home team by an innings and 24 runs. Appended are the scores :—

ST. XAVIER'S.

A. Klemis, b Salier	6
K. Hoff, b Parrant	5
A. Green, b Locker	36
F. Hoff, b Salier	30
C. Fischer, b Salier	7
A. Vaughan, c Adams, b Wadsworth	10
P. McGuire, b Salier	13
H. Vanspall, b Wadsworth	0
E. D'Cruz, c Priestley, b Locker	0
J. Owens, not out	6
S. D'Silva, run out	1
Extras	11
Total	115

NORTHUMBERLAND FUSILIERS.

	1st Innings.		2nd Innings.	
Pte. Russell, b Owens	6	c and b Owens		1
Lieut. Salier, b Vaughan	22	run out		15
Pte. Adams, b Vaughan	1	b Vaughan		0
Pte. Locker, b Vaughan	2	run out		1
Lance-Corpl. Wadsworth, c K. Hoff, b Owens	0	not out		0
Pte. Carr, b Vaughan	0	b Hoff		0
Lance Corpl. Parrant, b Vaughan	12	b Owens		0
Lance-Corpl. Priestley, b Owens	0	c and b Fischer		3
Pte. Harris, b Vaughan	0	b F. Hoff		2
Pte. Godfrey, b Owens	0	b Fischer		0
Pte. Newton, not out	0	c Klemis, b Fischer		14
Extras	2	Extras		10
Total	45	Total		46

CRICKET AT LAHORE.

LAHORE GYMKHANA *vs.* GOVERNMENT COLLEGE.—Played on the 23rd and 24th ultimo, the Gymkhana winning very easily. They batted first and lost nine wickets for 439 when they declared their innings closed. Kirke (176) and Short (102 not out) were in good form and punished the bowling severely. The College were dismissed for 78 in their first innings, Ross taking eight wickets for 12 runs. They followed on and made 100, to which Abdul Ghani contributed 42 and Dhanpat Rai 36. Score :—

LAHORE GYMKHANA.

V. H. Wilson, c Abdul Majid, b Ahmed Hassan	10
Capt. Lang, b Ghulam Mustafa	1
W. R. Henry, l.-b.-w, Ahmed Hassan	5
E. L. French, b Abdul Ghani	17
Capt. L. S. Browne, b Abdul Majid	28
Capt. Bedwell, c Dhanpat Rai, b Abdul Majid	28
Capt. H. Ross, c Ghulam Mustafa, b Ahmed Hassan	12
E. St. G. Kirke, b Ghulam Mustafa	176
V. A. Short, not out	102
C. Farquhar, b Ghulam Mustafa	21
S. M. Robinson, not out	2
Extras	34
Total (for 9 wickets*)	439

*Innings declared closed.

GOVERNMENT COLLEGE.

	1st Innings.		2nd Innings.	
Chetan Anand, c Kirke, b Ross	26	st. Farquhar, b Browne		1
Akram Beg, c Browne, b Robinson	0	b Browne		1
Abdul Ghani, b Lang	16	b Robson		42
Hassan Shah, b Ross	6	b Browne		1
Ahmed Hassan, not out	15	c Bedwell, b Ross		1
Abdul Majid, b Ross	11	b Ross		3
Dhanpat Rai, c Henry, b Ross	0	b Ross		36
Gur Dyal, b Ross	0	b Rose		4
Ghulam Mustafa, b Ross	1	not out		0
Durga Dass, b Rose	4	b Robinson		3
Bhup Singh, c Lang, b Ross	1	c and b Robinson		6
Extras	4	Extras		2
Total	78	Total		100

PUNJAB COMMISSION TOURNAMENT.

10TH ROYAL HUSSARS *vs.* S. AND T. CORPS, NORTHERN COMMAND.—This match was played at Rawalpindi on the 22nd, 23rd, and 24th ultimo the Hussars being defeated by an innings and 2 runs. They went in first and made 200, Chaplin (74) and Gibbs (43 not out) being the chief scorers. The S. and T. Corps replied with 383. Sergeant-Major Cullen gave a fine display, compiling 145 before he was dismissed. Captain Lushington batted freely for 74 and useful scores were contributed by Lyttle, Leicester, and Carroll. The Hussars' second innings produced 181, of which Chaplin made 35, Gibbs 27, and Palmes 24. Appended are the scores and analyses :—

10TH ROYAL HUSSARS.

	1st Innings.		2nd Innings.	
E. W. E. Palmes, run out	1	run out		24
Sergt. Mitchell, b Lancaster	12	b Kilgour		0
C. H. Peto, c and b Lancaster	1	c and b Lushington		17
H. P. Chaplin, c Lushington, b Kilgour	74	c Carroll, b Lushington		35
Pte. Holliday, c Cullen, b Carroll	13	b Lancaster		17
W. O. Gibbs, not out	43	b Kilgour		27
Major E. R. A. Shearman, b Lushington	11	b Lancaster		15
Pte. Sharples, c Kilgour, b Lushington	10	c Kilgour, b Lushington		4
Pte. Jackson, b Lancaster	10	not out		11
E. A. Fielden, b Lancaster	0	b Lancaster		5
Sergt. Price, b Lancaster	2	b Lancaster		6
Extras	13	Extras		20
Total	200	Total		181

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

	1st Innings. O.	M.	R.	W.	2nd Innings. O.	M.	R.	W.
Lancaster	19·1	2	51	5	19·1	1	59	4
Cullen	11	1	70	0	6	0	33	0
Lushington	10	0	83	2	15	2	48	3
Carroll	4	0	20	1	—	—	—	—
Kilgour	2	1	4	1	8	0	21	2

S. AND T. CORPS.

E. H. Lancaster, b Chaplin	17
H. O. Carroll, c Holliday, b Price	24
Sergt.-Major Cullen, c Peto, b Sharples	145
Capt. E. Campion, l-b-w, b Price	2
P. E. Collen, b Price	2
Capt. W. N. Lushington, c Shearman, b Price	74
Capt. H. P. M. White, b Price	7
H. F. Kilgour, b Price	0
Sergt. Leicester, c Mitchell, b Price	35
Sub-Condr. Lyttle, c Holliday, b Gibbs	37
Sub-Condr. Hann, not out	17
Extras	23
Total	383

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Price	24	3	96	7
Jackson	12	1	51	0
Chaplin	18	3	71	1
Sharples	13	2	54	1
Shearman	2	0	26	0
Gibbs	44	0	27	1
Peto	3	0	16	0

CRICKET IN BANGALORE.

BANGALORE GYMKHANA *vs.* BANGALORE AMATEURS.—Played on the 24th ultimo, the Amateurs, who are the strongest local native team, being defeated by 11 runs. Score :—

BANGALORE GYMKHANA.

P. L. Moore, l-b.-w, b K. Pillay	20
C. G. M. Plumer, b K. Pillay	30
L. G. Burmeister, c Murugesam, b K. Pillay	16
K. E. Cooper, c Murugesam, b K. Pillay	23
J. H. Pattisson, c Ranganathan, b V. Pillay	1
Corpl. Copeland, b K. Pillay	5
J. Meldon, b K. Pillay	13
Capt. Jacomb, c P. Pillay, b V. Pillay	13
W. Leith-Ross, b K. Pilly	9
Pte. Howe, c and b K. Pillay	2
Capt. Dredge, not out	6
Extras	22
Total	160

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

	O.	R.	M.	W.
K Pillay	23	65	6	8
Puthan	9	29	2	0
P. Pillay	4	24	0	0
V. Pillay	9·1	20	3	2

BANGALORE AMATEURS.

Veeraswamy, c Dredge, b Pattisson	14
Rajah, st Meldon, b Howe	5
Pathanabam, b Cooper	18
V. Pillay, c Plumer, b Pattisson	13
Y Pillay, l-b-w, b Pattisson	2
K Pillay, b Cooper	56
P. Pillay, c Burmeister, b Cooper	2
Murugesam, b Plumer	12
Subramaniam, c Howe, b Plumer	6
Narasimaloo, b Cooper	0
Govindaraj, not out	4
Extras	17
Total	149

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

	O.	R.	M.	W.
Pattisson	11	28	1	3
Howe	7	24	—	1
Cooper	8·2	33	—	4
Plumer	7	32	—	2
Jacomb	2	15	—	0

CRICKET AT SECUNDERABAD.

SECUNDERABAD GYMKHANA *vs.* FATTEH MAIDAN GYMKHANA.—Appended are the scores in this match played on the 28th ultimo and won by the Fatteh Maidan Gymkhana by 57 runs.:—

SECUNDERABAD GYMKHANA.

	1st Innings.		2nd Innings.	
Plumer, c Oates, b Wahid	16	c Kurshed Beg, b Wahid		0
Yates, b Marrett	88	b Mahomed Ali		1
MacNicol, c Marrett, b Ahmed Ali	24	b Mahomed Beg		57
Manson, b Ahmed Ali	21	b Mahomed Beg		38
Capt. Greenwood, c Wahid, b Ahmed Ali	3	c Syed Hasan, b Wahid		29
Major Smythe, c Wahid, b Mahomed Beg	1	l.-b.-w., b Wahid		4
Mockler, b Ahmed Ali	11	b Marrett		18
Stevenson, b Ahmed Ali	6	Mahomed Beg		3
Blenkinsop, b Ahmed Ali	3	not out		6
Capt. Davidson, did not bat.		b Ahmed Ali		12
Sargent, not out	0	run out		29
Extras	8	Extras		13
Total	181	Total		210

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

	1st Innings. O.	R.	M.	W.	2nd Innings. O.	R.	M.	W.
Wahid	14	54	2	2	26	80	2	6
Marrett	2	50	2	2	3	12	0	1
Ahmed Ali	10	42	2	5	12	63	0	1
Mahomed Beg	11	27	1	1	2	42	2	2

FUTTEH MAIDAN GYMKHANA.

	1st Innings.		2nd Innings.	
Ali Raza, run out, b Smythe	15	c Yates, b Smythe		15
Mahomed Ali, b Smythe	1	b Sargent		2
Mahomed Beg, b Smythe	11	b Smythe		34
Kurshed Beg, b Smythe	12	l.-b.-w., b Sargent		0
Ahmed Ali, b Smythe	0	b Mockler		96
Oates, c Greenwood, b Sargent	6	b Sargent		15
Marrett, c Davidson, b Sargent	5	l.-b.-w., b Smythe		15
Wahid, b Smythe	3	b Sargent		94
Siraj Ali, b Sargent	3	run out		23
Syed Hasan, not out	—	c Mockler, b Plumer		14
Griffin, b Sargent	5	not out		35
Extras	1	Extras		33
Total	73	Total		375

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

	1st Innings. O.	R.	M.	W.	2nd Innings. O.	R.	M.	W.
Smythe	13	14	4	6	17	71	3	3
Yates	3	20	0	0	9	42	1	0
Sargent	9	28	1	4	22	104	3	4
Manson	—	—	—	—	7	52	3	0
Davidson	—	—	—	—	2	14	0	0
Mockler	—	—	—	—	8	21	0	2
Plumer	—	—	—	—	2	38	0	1

Golf.

GOLF IN MADRAS.

THE CAPTAIN'S PRIZE.—The tournament for this Trophy began in September and attracted a record number of entries, no fewer than 32 taking part. The conditions were 18 holes by match play handicap on the Island Links. Four rounds were gone through, Mr Urquhart and Major Gabbett eventually meeting in the final. This ended in a victory by 1 up for Mr. Urquhart who had played good golf all through. Results :—

FIRST ROUND.

H. A. B. Vernon (11) beat J. F. Simpson (11).
G. W. McBean (8) beat W. Ure (8).
W. C. Lowe (12) beat F. H. Thornton (12).
Major Gabbett (8) beat T. Fisher (8).
G. S. White (9) beat F. A. Pawley (9).
W. R. Carruthers (8) beat G. W. Talbot (7).
L. H. Bewes (4) beat R. Littlehailes (11).
J. H. Peebles junior (scr.) beat Captain Cotter (12).
C. Morrison (scr.) beat Rev. Stevenson (8).
W. A. Beardsell (8) beat C. R. T. Balston (7).
A. M. Urquhart (3) beat G. W. Giles (12).
C. L. Bidie (7) beat T. M. Ross (7).
D. Annan (4) beat R. Leeky (11).
P. W. Partridge (4) beat R. H. Meredith (5).
F. M. Robinson (3) beat W. Alexander (9).
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SECOND ROUND.

Vernon beat McBean.
Gabbett beat Lowe.
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Peebles beat Bewes.
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THIRD ROUND.

Gabbett beat Vernon.
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Partridge beat Robinson.

SEMI-FINALS.

Gabbett beat White.
Urquhart beat Partridge.

FINAL.

A. M. Urquhart (3) beat Major Gabbett (8) by 1 up.

RANGOON GOLF CLUB.

THE annual "Opening Day" and "At Home" took place on Saturday, 24th November, and proceedings commenced with Tiffin at 1-30 P.M., but owing to the early start only about 30 members were able to be present. By 2-30 P.M., when the competitions commenced, their numbers had been largely augmented, however.

The following are the results of the various events :—

Long Hole.—Competitors to drive from the 7th Tee and play to the 9th Hole, a maximum of 5 strokes allowed :—

J. M. Sime	1
G. Ballance.	2

Mr. Sime laid his fifth shot within two yards of the hole.

Long Drive.—Best of three drives :—

H. Woodham, 246 yards	1
J. Stuart Smith, 245 yards	2

The measuring tape had to be produced to decide who was first.

Approach and Putt for Gentlemen.—Competitors had to play three balls from a Tee 50 yards from the green, over a hurdle placed halfway ; and hole out each ball.

J. M. Sime	1
J. B. Orr	2

Messrs. Higinbotham, Sime, and Orr tied with 8 strokes each, and on the replay Messrs. Sime and Orr again tied with 9 strokes, Mr. Higinbotham getting into difficulties. As it was getting dark the second tie was decided by putting one ball six yards from the green, and Mr. Sime holed his ball in two to his opponent's three. In this competition Mr. Ballance holed one ball from the Tee.

Ladies' Putting.—Three balls were putted from a mark 12 yards from the green. Mrs. Ure holed in 7 strokes and won the prize, several other competitors taking eight.

The Annual Trophies played for during the past season were won by the following members :—

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The following were the best scores :—

	1st Round.	2nd Round.	Gross Score.	Handi-cap.	Net Score.
Mr. E. E. Coombs ...	48	41	89	—5	83
Mr. G. Miller ...	44	46	90	—6	84
Mr. C. A. Russ ...	44	47	91	—6	85
Mr. H. F. Souter ...	51	50	101	—16	85
Mr. W. R. Sharpe ...	53	53	106	—20	86
Mr. G. Wittet ...	47	48	95	—8	87
Mr. M Botting ...	53	50	103	—16	87
Mr. A. H. Compton ...	48	59	107	—20	87
Mr. A. L. S. Roberts ...	48	41	89	Scr	89
Mr. J. G. Ridland ...	48	49	97	—8	89
Mr. J. S. Mackenzie ...	45	49	94	—4	90
Mr. M. A. Murray ...	44	52	96	—6	90
Mr. G. W. Dawson ...	46	52	97	—4	93
Mr. P. W. Cresswell ...	53	53	106	—8	98

Boxing.

LUCKNOW BOXING TOURNAMENT.

THE programme for the Lucknow Boxing Tournament, which came to a close on Thursday night, the 22nd November, was not a very formidable one, the bouts being got through on two evenings, but the fighting was of a high standard. The Durham Light Infantry were fortunate in securing two of the three competitions, Bandsmann McGill winning the middle weights and Private Smith the feather weights. The light weights was won by Corporal Strath, Royal Dragoons. Major-General Sir E. Locke Elliot, who takes a keen interest in boxing, officiated as Referee The Judges were Lieutenant R. R. Forbes, Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders, and Mr. D. J. Daly. Lieutenant P. K. Wise, Wiltshire Regiment, was time-keeper, and Sergeant-Major Jones, Gymnastic Staff, was responsible for the arrangements. The following is the result of the night's fighting :—

FEATHER WEIGHTS.

Semi-Finals.—Pte. Smith, 1st Durham L. I. *vs.* Lce.-Corpl. Deamley, 1st Oxford L. I.—Smith early in the first round got in a smashing left on the jaw, which floored his opponent. Deamley was up in six seconds, but came in for severe punishment and was all but beaten when time was called. In the second round Deamley tried rushing tactics, but Smith was too good for him, and he had to give in before the round closed.

Lce.-Corpl. Yufa, 2nd East Surrey Regiment, *vs.* Lce.-Corpl. Sheppard, 1st Oxfordshire L. I.—There was any amount of hard hitting in the first round, Sheppard, although quite a novice putting up a splendid fight. In the second round Yufa punished him so severely that he had to retire.

Final.—Smith *vs.* Yufa.—Smith led for jaw, but Yufa guarded very cleverly. The men clinched, and after the break away some hard hitting followed, Smith finishing up with a damaging blow on the other's jaw. After a minute's fighting in the second round, during which Smith went for his man hammer and tongs, Yufa gave up. Smith was declared the winner.

LIGHT-WEIGHTS.

Semi-finals.—Lce.-Corpl. Church, Royal Scots Fusiliers, *vs.* Pte. Marshall, Durham L. I.—Marshall was knocked out in the first minute with a hard hit on the body.

Corpl. Strath, Royal Dragoons, *vs.* Pte. Payne, Somerset L. I.—Strath had the best of the opening round, but in the second both were level. Strath got in more blows than his opponent in the third round, and was given the verdict on points.

Final.—Strath *vs.* Church.—Church did the leading, but Strath showed a good deal of science in avoiding the blows, and the round ended level. Both men got in some telling blows in the second round. The third round was in Strath's favour, who was declared the winner.

MIDDLE WEIGHTS.

Final.—Bandsman McGill, Durham L. I. *vs.* Lce.-Corpl. Sunderland, Shropshire L. I.—In the first round McGill was leading on points. He continued to punish his man in the second round, and Sunderland had to retire.

SPECIAL CONTEST.

Pte. Smith, 1st Oxfordshire L. I. *vs.* Pte. Swires, King's Royal Rifle Corps. Smith won after a very game contest, in which Swires made a good show.

The Story Teller.

COACHING "DOWN UNDER."

RABY WARREN was the driver of the Wee Waa mail coach. Raby was a character out back in the Far West, and his fame had penetrated even unto Sydney. Raby Warren had driven the Wee Waa mail even since the township became important enough to have a delivery on its own account. He was a little man, brimful of determination, and accustomed to have his own way. His face was red and weather-beaten, and his fierce moustache curled and twisted in divers directions, being utterly independent of its owner's control. Not many men could handle a team of horses better than Raby Warren. He drove the team in his own particular way, two horses behind three in front, and he managed them admirably. Raby's horses knew him upon short acquaintance. When he had a fresh horse in his team Raby interviewed it, and explained to the animal that there was only one boss on the road, and that was Raby Warren.

The mail coaches out West are not the most comfortable vehicles of locomotion in existence. They do not possess springs, and consequently the jolting is of a high order, infinitely superior to the mere oscillation of the common or ordinary carriage. Raby Warren, having been jolted about on the box seat of his mail coach for a number of years, felt uneasy when he reached ground. He missed the vibration and the sudden electric shocks caused by the wheels passing over logs and cannoning against stumps. Consequently, when on land he walked with a springy, jerky motion, and had a roll somewhat similar to a sailor. Raby's hands and his pockets were very much attached to each other, and seldom parted company, and there would have been something wanting about his mouth had his old short stumpy pipe not been stuck in one corner and elevated towards his eye. Raby's adventures during the time he was driving the Wee Waa mail were numerous, and he was nothing loth to relate them. A silent man on the box seat of the Wee Waa coach constituted an offence in Raby's eyes. The Wee Waa driver was a conversationalist, and hated silent folk worse than mosquitoes.

Commercial travellers are seldom quiet men, but a certain Jonas Pilkington had earned the undying ill-will of Raby Warren by his persistency in selecting the box seat, and his obstinacy in refusing to converse. Jonas Pilkington had frequent business at Wee Waa, and Raby Warren determined to have his revenge.

"Morning," said Raby as Jones Pilkington settled himself next the driver. "You are the only passenger?"

A grunt from Pilkington sealed his fate. Had he even returned Raby's salutation the driver of the Wee Waa mail would have hoped for better things, and forgiven him.

It had been raining hard, and the track was in bad condition, and the creeks were swollen, and favourable to Raby's plans.

"Bad travelling," said Raby; "a heap of water in the creeks."

"No danger I hope," mumbled Jonas, "you have no business to run the coach if there is any danger."

"I don't run the coach," said Raby. "Them 'osses run it. They fairly revel in running this coach, and I wouldn't offend 'em on any account."

Raby gathered up the reins and proceeded to send his team along. Jonas Pilkington commenced to think either Raby Warren was not sober, or the coach had gone wrong. Every run in the track, every stray log or standing stump the coach appeared to bound over in a marvellous manner. Jonas held his peace, and he also held on to the coach with a firm grip. From time to time Raby took a look at the traveller and smiled as he saw a pained expression upon his face, as though he were having a tooth extracted.

"Anything wrong with the coach," ejaculated Jonas, the words coming separately at decent intervals after each jolt.

"Near hind wheels, and off fore wheel a bit loose," said Raby; "two fresh young horses in, and the old mare's in a nasty temper. Hold hard on Mr. Pilkington and don't attempt to jump off if you feel we're going over. It is much safer to sit still and go with the coach."

"This is abominable," said Jonas, who seemed to have found his tongue, and inclined to use it.

"Wonder they don't put down a blue metal road to Wee Waa," said Raby.

"I mean it is abominable running a coach in this unsafe condition," gassed Jonas.

Raby saw a beautiful jagged stump ahead and made for it. The jolt was terrific. Jonas Pilkington bounded into the air, came down with a dull thud on to the seat again, rolled violently against the iron rail, grasped Raby's arm, and felt stiff, sore, and out of breath.

"Baggage gone," said Baby looking over his shoulder.

Jonas Pilkington saw the leather cases containing his samples deposited in the mire some distance from the coach.

"Sorry I can't leave the 'osses," said Raby, "or I'd get down for it."

"Do you mean to say I must pick these things up myself?" said Jonas.

"That's what it amounts to" said the imperturbable Raby; "I'll give you a hand with them when you get 'em on the wheel."

Jonas Pilkington scrambled down looking black as thunder. As his foot touched the wheel Raby gave the reins a sly jerk, and the horses tugged at the traces. Jonas Pilkington slipped and fell into the soft ground spattering the mud around him.

"You blaguard, you did that on purpose," roared Jonas.

"Speak up," said Raby. "It's a good distance up here," and he proceeded to light his pipe.

Boiling over with rage, Jonas Pilkington picked himself up, and then did likewise to his baggage.

"The other side," said Raby, when Jonas had the heaviest case on the wheel. "I can't reach 'em there."

There was nothing for it but to drag the cases round to the other side of the coach.

"Now then," said Raby as he pulled at the handle, "heave up."

Jonas heaved, then he slipped in the mud, and gave way, and Raby, with an eye to the advantages of the situation, let go his hold.

"That's your fault," he said as he leaned over the side of the coach, and saw Jonas struggling out from under his baggage.

When the baggage was all on the coach again Jonas Pilkington was almost too exhausted to scramble into his seat. He was wet, dirty, and miserable, and in a towering passion. He showered his abuse upon Raby in an eloquent manner.

"Dashed if I thought he had it in him," said Raby admiringly, deciding at the same time to carry on his experiments still further.

He touched up the horses, and they went along at a hand gallop, the coach swaying sideways, and bumping in a most outrageous manner.

"The brutes are running away," groaned Jonas.

"Not all of 'em," said Raby. "That fellow's got the bit between his teeth," he added, pointing to the near side leader with his whip; "and the old mare's beyond control; but if Providence befriends us the other three will check 'em before we've gone many miles."

Jonas Pilkington wished himself safe in Sydney. He was cold and wet, and his teeth chattered, and he felt he was in great danger. The calm look on Raby's face exasperated him.

"You take it coolly," he said.

"Used to it," said Raby. "These 'osses do it often. They're not fairly going yet. Wait another ten minutes."

"There's water ahead," said Jonas Pilkington hoarsely.

"And a flood on," said Raby. "Like as not we'll be upset. Can you swim?"

"No," groand the miserable man.

"That's bad," said Raby. "You see I've got the mails aboard. I'm responsible to Government for 'em, and I'm bound to save them first. When I've picked out the mail bags I'll fish about for you Try and hold on to the coach."

"This is terrible," said Jonas.

"Hold hard," yelled Raby as the horses dashed into the creek.

Jonas Pilkington felt the water splashed all over him, and clung to his seat like a drowning man. The coach lurched, and every part of it creaked and strained. The horses snorted, plunged, and stamped, and Raby shouted at the top of his voice. The roar of the waters through the coach wheels sounded to poor Jonas like the death knell of all his hopes. A final strain and tug, a grating sound, and the coach safely landed on the other side.

"Over Jordan," laughed Raby; and, by way of consolation, added, "Only one of your packages gone."

Jonas Pilkington was too far gone to resent his remark. He merely said in a doleful voice, "Are we safe?"

"There's a chance for us yet," said Raby, "if we can manage to get across Oakey Swamp."

Now the reputation of Oakey Swamp was as great as that of Raby Warren. Many a good horse had been done to death in Oakey Swamp.

"Don't go that way," said Jonas, terrified.

"Must," said Raby. "It's a short cut, and I'm bound to get the mails in to time if I can."

Jonas consigned the mails to a place where stamps and sealing wax are unknown, and gasped out, "I'll give you a note if you'll go round the other way."

"More than my place is worth," said Raby.

"I'll give you two notes," said Jonas.

"Make it three, and I'll chance it," said Raby.

"I will! I will!" said Jonas eagerly.

"Money down," said Raby, who knew his man.

Jonas groaned, and with trembling fingers fumbled in his pocket. He produced three one-pound notes, and handed them to Raby.

"Keep it dark," said Raby as he pocketed the notes. "If the Government knew I had gone round the other way I'd lose my place."

On went the Wee Waa coach carrying the bruised and battered form of Jonas Pilkington, commercial traveller of Sydney, minus one package and his wealth diminished by three pound notes. Wee Waa was reached at last, and Raby Warren pulled up the reeking horses at the door of the Nugget Inn.

"You don't look well, Mr. Pilkington," said the landlord, as he helped him down. Then, as he caught sight of Raby Warren's face, Bob Hare had much ado to keep from laughing. He grasped the situation at once, and, as he looked at the dilapidated form of Jonas Pilkington, he fancied he knew the sort of ride that gentleman had gone through.

"We've had a good trip," said Raby, descending from the box. "One or two narrow escapes, but considering the state of the track we've done very well. Mr. Pilkington has done a heap of talking to-day. Never knew him so friendly before," went on Raby, with a wink at Bob Hare.

"That man's a fiend," said Jonas to the landlord, and he commenced a recital of his grievances to Bob Hare, who had never enjoyed a story so much for weeks.

That night in the snug bar of the Nugget, Raby Warren gave an account of "How I made Jonas talk," to an admiring crowd of Wee Waaites.

Jonas Pilkington, sitting in the next room, heard the bulk of the story, and shook his fist in the direction of the speaker.

"I'll be even with Raby Warren for this," said Jonas to the landlord as he bid him good-night.

"Take my advice and leave Raby alone," said Bob Hare. "There's no telling how far he'll go."

"Will you ask him to be careful on the return trip," said Jonas.

"Yes," said Bob Hare, "but I'd advise you to talk to him."

Jonas Pilkington has never forgotten that drive on the Wee Waa coach, and Raby Warren propounds the opinion that "It's wonderful how a man will talk after he's been shook up a bit."

Chess.

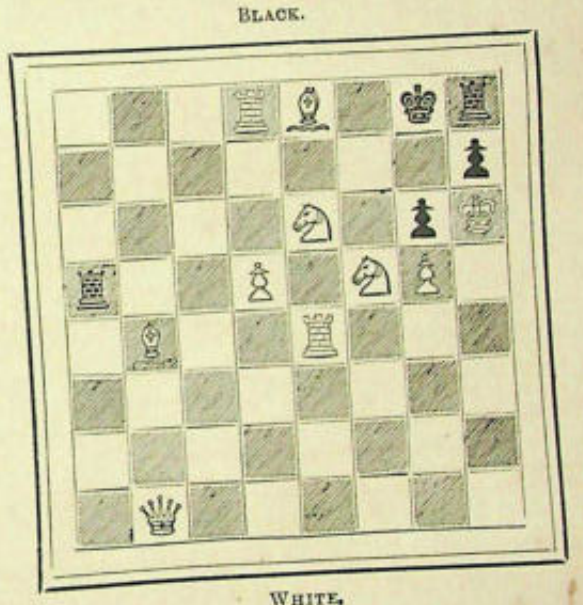
Solution to Problem No. 383.

WHITE.	BLACK.
1. R. to Q 7	1. K. to K 5 (*a*)
2. B. to Q 4	2. P. to K 4
3. R. to Q 8	3. P. takes B
4. R. to K 8 mate.	

(*a*) 1. K to B 3.
2. Kt. to Q 3
2. P. to K 4
3. B. to Q 8 (ch) and Kt. mates next move.

Problem No. 384.

BLACK.



WHITE.

White to play and self-mate in four moves.

Game.

WHITE.	BLACK.
1. K. Kt to B 3	1. P. to Q 4
2. P. to Q 4	2. K. Kt to B 3
3. P to Q B 4	3. P. to K 3
4. Kt. to B 3	4. B. to Kt 5
5. P. to K 3	5. Castles
6. B. to Q 3	6. P. takes P
7. B. takes P	7. P to Q Kt 3
8. P. to Q R 3	8. B. takes Kt
9. P. takes B	9. B. to Kt 2
10. Castles	10. Q. Kt to Q 2
11. B. to Q 3	11. B. to K sq
12. Kt. to Q 2	12. P. to K 4
13. Q. to B 2	13. P. takes Q P
14. B. P takes P	14. Q. Kt to B sq
15. P. to B 3 (*a*)	15. R. takes K P
16. B. to Kt 2	16. R. to K sq
17. Kt. to K 4	17. Kt. to Q 4
18. Q. to Q 2	18. Kt. to K 3
19. P. to Kt 3	19. P. to K R 3
20. Q. R to K sq	20. Kt. to K 2
21. Kt. to B 6 ch (*b*)	21. P. takes Kt
22. Q. takes P (*c*)	22. Kt. to Kt 3
23. B. takes Kt	23. P. takes B
24. Q. takes P ch	24. Kt. to Kt 2
25. P. to Q 5	25. R. to K B
26. R. to K 6	26. R. to B 2
27. K. R to K sq	27. Q. to K B sq
28. K. R to K 4	28. B. takes P
29. R. to K R 4	29. B. to Q 2 (*d*)
30. Q. checks, winning Queen next move.	

(*a*) White here gives up a Pawn to win the exchange; but afterwards finds it would cost too much.

(*b*) Very good and sound.

(*c*) White should have first played R. takes Kt, and Black could not save the game.

(*d*) An unaccountable oversight; Black had only to check with the Q, and afterwards take R with B to secure at least a drawn game.

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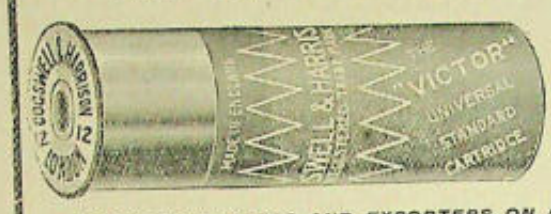

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MAMMOTH STAKES.

"THERE are signs," wrote the racing authority of the London *Sportsman* a few weeks back, "that their day is nearly over;" and he is frankly of opinion that the Ten Thousand Pound stakes are of little benefit to racing and that their abolition would be productive of no harm. The writer does not give definite reasons for the faith that is in him, but we can find perhaps satisfactory reasons for objection to these great prizes. The Eclipse Stakes, established in 1886, was the first and has been the most successful: in some few years the field has run into double figures as in 1886, 1888, and 1901, while on occasion there has been no race at all; such was the case in 1887 and in 1890; in other years the field has fallen to four, five or six horses; but on such occasions it is only fair to admit that quality atoned for paucity of numbers. This by the way: the conditions of the Eclipse Stakes have no doubt much to do with the greater success it has enjoyed over the two Newmarket "Ten Thousand Pounders." The distance is a mile and a quarter, whereas that of the Princess of Wales' Stakes is a mile and a half, while that of the Jockey Club Stakes is a mile and three-quarters. The system of sub-cription to the Eclipse, moreover, allows the owner, who decides in time not to run his horse, to forfeit on very easy terms. We are inclined to think that the distance 1 mile 2 furlongs, is the great attraction; Mr. Charles Richardson, one of the most capable and discriminating of Turf authorities, has remarked that "when a really high class four-year-old has been entered for the Eclipse or for the Princess of Wales' Stakes he is not, as a rule, trained for the Ascot Cup. There are exceptions to the rule: Isinglass and Persimmon won both these races; but these are exceptions such as prove the rule, and the reason is not far to seek. The Gold Cup is a two and a half miles race and it is only a real stayer that can hope to win it; therefore when the owner has to decide what his horses can run for with the best chances of success he reserves the non-stayer for the shorter race. Thus it happens that very many of the horses which have filled a foremost place in the public eye during the three seasons of their active career, and it is not often that a first class horse is seen on a race course after his five-year-old season, he goes to the stud without having proved his ability to stay over a distance which, as things go nowadays, is quite a severe test of an animal's staying power.

The idea that distance has something to do with the popularity or reverse of a Mammoth Stake receives some colour from the change in the Princess of Wales': this race, established at the same time as the Jockey Club, in 1894, is the longest of the three, being 1½ mile against the 1¼ mile of the Eclipse and Jockey Club Stakes, and the longest has been the first race to show signs of weakness, the value of the Princess of Wales' Stakes having been reduced from £10,000 to £6,000 or the same nominal value as the Derby. We must not, of course, lose sight of the dates upon which the two Newmarket races are run: the Princess of Wales' Stakes is run on the third day of the First July meeting, the height of the racing season, while the Jockey Club Stakes is the big event of the First October meeting,

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when there are fewer races of sufficient importance to compete with it in the consideration of owners. Still we cannot get away from the question of distance, which would seem to be paramount. It will be within the recollection of our readers that the enterprising management of Sandown Park founded its second mammoth prize in the Century Stakes six years ago. The first and only race was run in 1900 (won by Osbech): there were eight runners: the value of the stake worked out at £8,950—a sufficiently handsome prize one might suppose to tempt owners in April; but the race was not repeated. Should we be wrong in conjecturing that it was not repeated because it was a two-mile race and as such failed to attract owners? We find difficulty in suggesting any other reason.

It is much to be deplored; but we fear there is no getting away from the conviction that long new races cannot be made sufficiently attractive; that it is not worth while trying to win a large stake if the horse be asked to travel over ten furlongs to do it. The Gold Cup at Ascot has the glamour of fashion to attract, or long, we imagine, might its, comparatively, modest trophy be set in the sight of owners; the Derby with its mile and a half—is the Derby; and the St. Leger for all its 1 mile 6 furlongs will, we hope, remain the St. Leger and a race of great desire till, let us say, Puritan faddism has made an end of all racing. Money it would seem, however, will not produce support for a new race unless it be a short one: the feeling of the time is dead against long races whether because horses are too unsound to stand the training for a sustained effort or because it takes too much out of them or because in a word it pays better to train and run for short races, we cannot take upon ourselves to say.

It is much to be regretted, for the great want on the British Turf of the present day is races of a length which provide test of stamina. Practically speaking, the only long races that now exist are those of Ascot where tradition reigns supreme unvexed by questions of gate money, public support or other sordid considerations. If the Mammoth Stake movement had brought about a change in the direction most to be desired; had it succeeded in re-establishing long races by sheer "weight of metal" there would be every reason to desire their increase and multiplication, but experience seems to prove that £10,000 more or less is no sufficient inducement: a circumstance which says much for the wealth behind English racing if it say little for the soundness and stamina of the horses. This being so there does not appear much ground for their threatened disappearance from the programmes altogether.

Inasmuch, however, as horses are always forthcoming for the Ascot Cup and other long races at the Royal Meeting: and these horses could run two miles or more on another course as well as at Ascot, we are tempted to wonder what stake, if any, would be big enough to successfully establish a two miles or two and a half miles race at Sandown or anywhere else. £10,000 will not, as the Century Stakes showed, bring entries for a two-mile event. Would £15,000 do it? or £20,000? We doubt it much. Money is not the most potent factor in English racing, partly because many of its votaries are men rich enough to count their winnings lightly, partly because the traditional importance attached to certain events is so strong. Royal encouragement might contribute to make long races popular, but we confess our inability to see how it is to be applied. "Ten thousand pounds in a lump," as somebody has put it, will not make a long race acceptable, and this being the case we fail to see that the decay of the Mammoth Stake affords food for any regret: it serves no particular purpose that is left unserved by £5,000, £3,000 or any other sum we care to name.

THE CALCUTTA KENNEL CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP SHOW.

THE well got up schedule of the newly formed Calcutta Kennel Club in which they announce their first Show—a "Championship" Show be it noted—is deserving of a special word of praise. It is a pattern of what a dog show prospectus should be, states distinctly the rules and regulations under which the show is held, displays the classes clearly, gives an extract from the rules of the Northern India Kennel Association to which the Calcutta Kennal Club is affiliated, and encloses an entry form which is a model of what such a form should be. And this reminds us to say that all entry forms, when sent in, *must be accompanied by an application for registration on forms obtainable from the Honorary Secretary, vide* Rules 2, 3 and 4, to which we invite the particular attention of all prospective exhibitors.

There are no less than one hundred and twenty-one classes figured on the list, and as these cover no less than forty-one distinct breeds it is obvious that the promoters of the show are desirous of encouraging everybody and his or her dog, and so keeping well before them the main object for which the Club exists. We have in previous issues referred to the judging which will be entrusted chiefly to one of the acknowledged canine authorities now in the country and one whose experience of judging at Indian dog shows is quite extensive; we will just point out once more that the show will be held in connection with Lady Minto's Fancy *Fête* on the 6th February and that entries close on the 15th proximo. The rules and regulations tell us other things which it will be as well to bear in mind—one is that "no exhibit will be allowed to be taken away before the show closes, without the sanction of the Committee;" it is to be hoped that unsuccessful exhibitors will cheerfully assist the executive by close observance of this very necessary rule.

Sporting Notes.

DURING the past week some considerable changes have taken place in the betting lists for the big races. For the Viceroy's Cup Fitzgrafton is nominal favourite, being quoted at a shade shorter odds than last year's winner. The appearance of Mallard's name among the second entries for the Trials has perhaps suggested the idea that Mr. Apcar's new horse will be reserved for the longer race, but hitherto he has not shown any very remarkable form on the track. When the horse first arrived in India it was stated that his heart was not quite in the right place and lack of courage is now freely suggested. Munderah has dropped out of the list altogether, but still continues to work on the course in spite of his seeming infirmities. Sinister rumours had been afloat since Saturday last about Signorina and the news now comes of her scratching for the big race, a sad disappointment to her connections. On the other hand Cherson, said to have broken down hopelessly a few weeks ago, is now climbing the lists again. If the horse is as well as he looks, his present quotation for the Trials seems a very fair one. The Master, Saloon, and Sacristan were seen out on Saturday last, as also was Rosanule, in the December Plate. The Master and the last-named had an exercise gallop and gave no indication of Cup form. Mr. Dartmoor's horse, however, put up a fine race with Saloon, although he could not have been ready to run so hard a race. The little country-bred, in receipt of three stone, beat him by a short head, but after the race the chestnut was quickly installed favourite for the Trials, in which event with the advantage of the weights, he should have no difficulty in turning the tables on his opponent. Steinhager, the Irish crack, does not please the critics on the course, but he seems to be going on steadily and cannot as yet be altogether overlooked. Long Tom did not appear at the Second Extra Meeting and is still reported lame, but Ferguson continues to rub the work into him. Sacristan has been backed for the Cup, but his chance in the shorter race seems so bright that he will surely be specially prepared to run the mile. In the uncertainty about Signorina, Blitzen would appear to be his most serious opponent.

The Second Extra Meeting proved a day out for backers, as the favourites rolled home in uninterrupted succession. For the Hurdle Race most of the cracks declined, but a big field faced the starter. Kingpin, ridden by Johnson, was taken out in front at a great pace and driven right on until he compounded at the last hurdle. Advisor, ridden with discretion, then came up and won with considerable ease from Rustler, both of these horses being well backed. In the Pony Race Claribell was a piping hot favourite and won very comfortably. Matin Bell, who ran second, is a beautifully shaped mare and may yet compensate the Maharajah for his recent misfortunes with Bells and Coin II.

After a long wait for the Viceregal party the field for the December Plate went to the post. A number of Cup horses appeared, but Long Tom and Signorina were both absentees. Clear Artist and Rosanule were both somewhat disappointing in appearance, but, on the other hand, Footprint, the Ceylon horse, found many friends. Saloon and Sacristan, however, attracted most attention. The chestnut looked well, but distinctly on the big side. Seeing him in the paddock the public could rely on having a run for their money so that there was plenty of support in the Ring for Mr. Dartmoor's bright little horse. Saloon looked better than ever, but was known to be practically untried since his victories last year. A great race resulted and the lustre of Saloon's win was only dimmed by the general sympathy for Sacristan, who is one of the most popular horses on the course.

Psalm added yet another laurel to the new crown she is weaving for herself this year by winning the Bentinck Plate with consummate ease, and in the Maiden Horse Plate Mr. Apcar's Dea justified public confidence by another easy victory. Carnival, somewhat unexpectedly ran second, while the third place was very much filled. Four or five horses passed the post abreast and the gentleman who was taking the third and fourth horses in the Judges' Box was given a very hard task. Mr. Deakins's green jacket had been prominent all up the straight and Meadow Saffron's nomination was obviously necessary. It is a great pity that the Judges were not content with this, for a most unfortunate *contretemps* occurred. With a blue jacket in his mind's eye and a programme in his hand, the gentleman concerned named Craigendarrie and up went his number. Robinson, his jockey, was duly weighed out, when some interested parties suggested to the Judges that the prominent blue jacket had really been carried by Santa Maria, and on consideration the Judges consented and ordered Craigendarrie's number to be taken down. This they were fully entitled to do under Rule 118 of the Rules of Racing. But by that time, the bookies, and it is said the totalizator, had begun to pay place dividends, and, further, it transpired that Santa Maria's jockey, although presenting himself under Rule 131, had not been weighed in under Rule 133. This on the reading of the Rules of Racing, was an absolute bar to the placing of the mare. Rule 134 gives the Stewards discretion in certain cases, but none in the event of a jockey not being weighed in, and the ordinary mortal seemed justified in believing that the third place thus belonged to Meadow Saffron alone. The Stewards, however, held a meeting to decide the question and at the end of the day declared Santa Maria entitled to a half share of place money. This decision has been commented upon as establishing a "dangerous precedence." This is a very mild and tender criticism. Owners and the public put down their money in the belief that the Rules of Racing will be enforced strictly and interpreted with competent care and they expect that the discretion of the Stewards will not be exercised blindly, that is to say directly in the face and in contravention of those rules. This is perhaps a matter of small importance, but many a big storm has arisen, one at least is historically recorded, out of a cloud no bigger than a man's hand.

In the Corinthian Plate Ballark started an odds on favourite and punters' money was never in doubt. Mr. Apcar's horse won in great style and will have to be remembered later on in the big handicaps, such as the Macpherson and Cooch Behar Cups.

The agitation about the Stands is slowly simmering down. It might have done so ere this had it not been for ill-advised letters purporting to support the Turf Club, which have appeared in the Press. As a matter of fact a closer consideration seems to disclose the wisdom of the Stewards' arrangements. The Members' lawn, which has been shut off by a barrier, is so narrow and small that its opening up would only result in a most unpleasant crush round the Judges' box and the impeding of the work of the officials themselves, without affording any appreciable relief to the general pressure of a Cup Day crowd. The one

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serious grievance, the détour required to reach the paddock, has been relieved by the opening of a passage along the rails. The only persons now incommoded in this way by the barrier are the members of the Turf Club themselves who must make a long détour to reach the boxes and betting ring. The jibes launched at the Club by writers with socialistic tendencies fall very flat when it is remembered and observed that elections to the club must obviously be governed by the test question of whether the nominee is a racing man and a straight one withal, rather than whether and where his name appears on the Government House list.

There is one trouble, however, which seems a very real one, and that is the lack of an enclosure or rather reserved seats for European ladies in the outer Stand. If some of the Stewards will watch the happenings in that part of the stand during Saturday's races, they will marvel that they have not yet observed what a crying need this is.

We have a small suggestion to make. When there is a band could not the programme of the music be printed on the race card?

The paperchasing country is still heavy, as the crops are late this year, but the opening meet is expected to take place to-morrow week, somewhere in the six-milestone country, which is generally the first to dry up.

The programme of the Lucknow Spring Meeting of 1907 is published in our issue of date: the dates, as already announced, are the 2nd, 4th and 6th February, and entries close 15th December, 1st and 15th January.

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Trainer to S. S. Death, Esq.

It seems a pity, especially after the extra trouble taken over the Calcutta polo ground, that the prospects of the Tournament fixed for Christmas should be marred by the decision to have a big tournament at Agra, chiefly for the amusement, one supposes, of that particularly non-sporting person the Amir of Kabul. It can't be helped we presume, but it is hard lines on the Calcutta Polo Club and on the Calcutta public all the same.

The Dehra Dun Polo Tournament was concluded on the 1st instant when the Rifle Brigade and the Imperial Cadet Corps met in the final; the former won by 3 goals and 3 subsidiaries to 1 goal an 1 subsidiary.

Those of our readers who go forth to slay the tiger in—or out of—his lair and turn their thoughts in the direction of the Government reward may find matter of interest in the letter of "High Velocity," which appears in our Correspondence columns to-day.

In the last issue of *P.T.O.* are given some interesting details concerning the notorious Lord Kennedy, a member of the house of Cassils, and son of the twelfth Earl, who did some extraordinary feats in the first half of the nineteenth century. He was one of the finest game shots and pigeon shots of his day. His feats with the gun were marvellous. On one occasion he backed himself for one thousand guineas to shoot forty brace of grouse and ride from his shooting quarters at Feloar, in Perthshire, to his house, Dunottur, near Stonehaven in Aberdeenshire, and back to Feloar, a distance of eighty miles, in one day. He started soon after daybreak, and was back at 8 P. M., having shot forty brace of grouse and ridden 160 miles in less than fifteen hours, and was not in the least knocked up by the feat. He backed himself once, after a dinner party at Black Hall, in Kincardineshire, for £2,500, to walk Sir Andrew Leith-Hay to Inverness. They started at nine o'clock at night in evening dress, with their shoes and silk stockings, each attended by an umpire. Lord Kennedy, with Captain Ross in attendance, struck right across the Grampians. Amid pouring rain he walked all that night, all the next day and the following night, reaching Inverness at 6 A. M. on the third day. Sir Andrew Leith-Hay, who had chosen the longer, but easier route, did not arrive till four hours later. At Doncaster, once, Lord Kennedy won eight mains at hazard in succession, and it was as much as the friend at his side could do to stuff the banknotes into his Lordship's pockets. But he soon ran through the £10,000 a year which came to him through his wife, Miss Allardice, and the £5,000 a year which he inherited from his mother, with £100,000 in ready money besides. His death was characteristic of him. He was under strict medical treatment, and was one day expecting a visit from his doctor. The appointed hour came, but no doctor. His Lordship was in an irritable mood. "I'm damned if I'll wait in for all the doctors in the world if they don't keep time; I'm off fishing," said he. When the doctor arrived and heard what had happened he exclaimed, "Then if he's in the water he is a dead man." Lord Kennedy was in the water up to his middle, and, despite the doctor's warnings, he continued to fish for several hours. The next day he had a chill, and within a week he was dead.

The Rangoon Horse Show has been fixed for the 11th and 12th January.

The Rangoon race Stewards have referred to the C.T.C. the case of a native jockey named Eusoof, who struck Elliott with his whip during a race, in order to prevent his passing him; the little beast is suspended pending the C.T.C. decision.

The South India Infantry Polo Tournament was concluded at Secunderabad on the 10th instant. The 1st Manchesters and the 2nd Royal Fusiliers were the only teams entered and the game resulted in a win for the Fusiliers by 4 goals 7 subsidiaries to 2 goals.

The Polo Tournament for the Tradesmen's Cup was held at Rawalpindi last week. Five teams entered—11th Lancers, 23rd Cavalry, two teams from the 10th Hussars and the Hammerkops. In the first round the 10th Hussars "A" team beat the Subalterns' team from the same regiment and in the second round they defeated the Hammerkops by 3 goals to 1. The other match was between the 11th Lancers and the 23rd Cavalry, the former winning by 8 goals to 2. The finals provided an exciting game, the Lancers beating the Hussars "A" team by 6 goals to 3 goals 3 subsidiaries. The 11th were represented by Mr. A. F. Hartley, 1; Captain T. R. C. Price, 2; Captain R. H. Anderson, 3; Mr. A. deC. Rennick, *back*.

We are requested to draw attention to the change of address of Messrs. Coutts, who are now at Spence's Hotel, Calcutta.

The Bombay Hunt opened its season last week with a meet at the Jackal Club. The Master had twenty odd couple out and began by drawing the scrub near Parla. A jack was soon viewed away and scent improving as they got well on the line a rattling good burst took them in the direction of Shahar Hill *viâ* Bamanwadi, thence to the Andheri Road and Chuckla Woods. After a check or two the jack got into a garden from which he was routed out after some delay and then followed a good gallop towards Goregaon. But scent failed and hounds were called off among the Jegeshwari Caves, after a couple of miles of it, a forty-five minutes' run with capital work shown by the new pack.

That real good sportsman and smart G. R., Lieutenant-Colonel C. H. Stisted, has succeeded to the command of the 1st Somersetshire Light Infantry, a matter for congratulation to himself and his popular regiment.

Herr Schiller, chief keeper of the Berlin Zoo, was recently the victim of a murderous attack by "Harry," a famous Indian elephant. His injuries are said to be fatal. On entering the pen the keeper had to pass the elephant's mate, who will shortly give birth to a calf. Apparently fearing that Schiller intended some harm to the female, Harry, who had been eyeing him viciously, advanced and pinioned him violently against the bars of the pen with the crushing weight of his gigantic forehead. Schiller was able to shout for help, and the first to appear was a young Sikh named Sukko, who

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trained Harry in India and brought him to Europe. A single word from Sukko caused the elephant to release Schiller, but the keeper swooned from agonising internal pains. Harry is one of the largest elephants in Europe. Only twenty-six years old, he is the particular pet of Berlin children ; but, as he has committed three previous attacks on Schiller, he will now probably be sentenced to death.

With the near approach of the New Year Messrs. Traill and Co., of Calcutta, notify the publication of their invaluable "Indian Diaries," adjuncts to the outfit of office or private dwelling which Anglo-Indians have long been used to and the annual reappearance of which is generally welcomed. For no less than twenty-one consecutive years these diaries have laid claim to the notice of the public and they have steadily kept pace with the demand for an accurate reference book and handy repository of all that one wishes recorded. We possess a copy of their first issue and have before us a copy of their latest—the improvement in every respect is striking. Traill's Indian Diaries appear to us to be as perfect as such compilations can hope to be made, they are useful to everybody, absolutely necessary to most of us and they range in price from six annas—and you really *cannot* get a good diary for less—up to six rupees.

"It is not considered 'good form' observes 'Ranger' in the *I. S. and D. N.* for the disciples of Nimrod, ramrod, or fishing-rod to publicly discuss the £ s. d. aspect of their various sports. But why? It seems to me to be quite a legitimate subject for discussion, especially amongst those keen 'hunters' of fur, feather and fin whose resources are much smaller than their love of the chase. There is no cheap sport nowadays ; cheap and nasty are synonymous terms in this connection. I have just been foregathering with a man who took the back-end fishing on a Northern river. He had good sport, until the heavy rains came and flooded him out. Asked what the total cost worked out at, per head of salmon taken, he confessed that they cost him £5 apiece, exclusive of personal expenses. There is cheaper salmon fishing to be had, by those who can spare the time to try a holiday in Iceland or Finland—the latter for preference. Norway has become as costly as Scotland, thanks to the prodigality of those Englishmen who make sport prohibitive to people of limited means. A London member of the Sea Angling Club has just been giving his brother anglers a tempting description of what tarpon fishing is like in the Gulf of Mexico. He put the cost of his six weeks' trip down at £150 ; but this sport is very uncertain, and it is quite as easy to waste your time and money at this game as it is to do ditto on the banks of a salmon river. And be it remembered that tarpon are useless for food purposes. They are towed ashore, and allowed to rot for manure."

As the result of a lengthy correspondence and inquiry, a very interesting Parliamentary Blue Book has just been published on the preservation of big game in Africa. In 1900, it will be remembered, a convention was signed by Great Britain, Germany Spain, France, Portugal, Italy and the Congo State, by which the export of tusks of less than five kilogrammes weight was prohibited, and thus all incentive to the killing of young animals was withdrawn. By this convention, also, a system of reserves was established, the destruction of females was to a certain extent prohibited, and precautions were taken to prevent interference during the breeding season with those animals which it was desirable to preserve. At the conference of the Powers, Sir Harry Johnston submitted a report on the elephant, and said he had come to the conclusion that, provided the Brussels Act was enforced, and guns and gunpowder were kept from the natives, especially from the Arabs, and Europeans only allowed to shoot elephants by taking out a licence, the elephant was likely to exist for all time, and yet supply a sufficiency of ivory for the trade. The bulk of the elephant-killing should be left to those natives who kill the elephant with trap and spear, as they do not cause anything like the same destruction as the natives armed with guns, who indiscriminately shoot every elephant they come across. On the contrary, the natives who use only the spear naturally select bull elephants with good ivory, as it is almost as dangerous to attack a cow with small tusks, or with none at all, as to attack the biggest bull elephant. For the same reason, they do not kill the young elephants.

As regards traps and pitfalls, they were not very effective, and were generally so constructed that a young elephant might succeed in passing where a large and heavy beast would fall in. There are certain marshy districts of vast extent, such as those which surrounded the south end of Lake Mweru, where the elephant would appear to have found a naturally guarded preserve—a refuge where only the white man would have the pluck to follow him. To these preserves, there is no doubt, the female elephant retires when about to give birth to its young. Consequently, if the white hunter is kept under control, and gunpowder is kept from the natives, there might be a chance of the elephant's existence being prolonged indefinitely. Existing regulations might be made more stringent, and it might be made a penal matter to shoot cow elephants or young elephants with tusks under a certain weight and size. As to whether the African elephant could be tamed, he hesitated to pronounce an opinion. Young elephants in captivity invariably die, because it is usually impossible to procure enough milk to rear them. Even, however, if one reached maturity, Sir Harry thinks the disposition of the African elephant is too capricious and naturally savage to make him a reliable beast of burden.

Sir Harry Johnston is severe on the hippopotamus, and considers him a great pest. He is extremely dangerous to boats and canoes, and maliciously attacks without the least excuse. He commits great ravages amongst the crops. His tusks are moderately valuable, and his hide very valuable. The extermination of the hippo is recommended, but Sir Harry says this is easier said than done, as there are many parts of the country where the hippopotamus, like the elephant, finds natural preserves into which it is almost impossible to follow him, and as the hippopotamus breeds at a quicker rate than the elephant, he can keep pace with the attacks made on him. Local settlers object to the preservation of big game also, because the ravages of the tsetse fly amongst herds of cattle are very serious, and the planters state that these insects are harboured by the larger wild animals. The Society for the Preservation of the Fauna of the Empire has urged on the Colonial Office that should not be accepted till inquiry has been made as to whether there are not other means of destroying the tsetse fly than by the butchery of the wild animals. Since the convention was signed, the Society for the Preservation of the Fauna of the Empire has pressed the Colonial Secretary for greater stringency in the enforcement of the regulations. This summer a new ordinance was promulgated for Southern Rhodesia, embodying very strict regulations. In a final dispatch, Lord Elgin instructs Commissioner Sir A. Sharpe, of the British Central Africa Protectorate, to prohibit the sale of elephant tusks under 25lbs., and to permit no shooting in a reserve.

The Madras Polo Tournament for the Novice's Cup began on Monday when the 13th Hussars met and defeated Rajah Venugopal's team by two goals to a subsidiary after an even and fairly fast game.

Six teams have entered for the Connell Cup Polo Tournament at Allahabad, and on Monday play began with the tie between the 14th Cavalry "B" and the 24th Punjabis, the latter emerging victorious by 6 goals and 2 subsidiaries to 2 goals and 1 subsidiary. The Oxfordshire L. I. beat the Allahabad Gymkhana in the second game by 7 goals and 2 subsidiaries to 5 goals and 1 subsidiary.

The usual Indian Riding Statistics will be found in our Turf columns to-day.

We give below the betting on the Trials and Viceroy's Cup :—

Trials.				Viceroy's Cup.			
5 to	2 agst		Fitzgrafton	5 to	2 agst.		Sacristan II.
7 ,,	2	,,	Long Tom	4 ,,	1	,,	Fitzgrafton
4 ,,	1	,,	Mallard	11 ,,	2	,,	Saloon
10 ,,	1	,,	Sacristan II.	7 ,,	1	,,	Contest
20 ,,	1	,,	Saloon	10 ,,	1	,,	Cherson
20 ,,	1	,,	The Master	12 ,,	1	,,	Mallard
20 ,,	1	,,	Amplify	12 ,,	1	,,	Annamulloch
20 ,,	1	,,	Munderah	14 ,,	1	,,	P. Lyon
20 ,,	1	,,	Cherson	15 ,,	100	,,	The others
25 ,,	500	,,	The others				

Athletic Notes.

THE Bengal Presidency Amateur Athletic Association will hold its next meeting in March, as announced in our last issue. This is unavoidable, the Calcutta Cricket Club having a match fixed for the last Saturday in February—the 23rd. After all as regards the weather there is not much difference in the heat conditions between the last day or two of February and the 2nd of March : but whatever they may have in the shape of weather we hope they will escape a repetition of last year's deluge, which, up to within eighteen hours of the meeting, threatened to wreck the whole show.

Local Amateur runners, we think, will welcome the change of the Half Mile from a handicap to a scratch event. For some years those who fancied themselves at this distance have grumbled at the handicap and not without reason. True the race has nearly always drawn a good field, but it has seldom provided a good race, for the simple reason that many starters merely run a few yards and leave the track at the opening near the dressing tents, leaving two or three to finish. This does not make for sport, the public certainly do not look on approvingly at this sort of thing and the speculative athlete who enters in handicaps chiefly in the hope of being "chucked in" by some lucky fluke on a long mark and who declines to run and show what he really *can* do is not of the class the B. P. A. A. A. ought to encourage. We hope the race, under the new conditions, will fill (and there is no reason why it should not, when we begin to jot down likely entrants even at this stage) because if the experiment proves a success it is quite possible the Association may in 1908 make it a championship, in which case the sprinter, the middle distance and long distance man will all be provided with Championships to compete for.

The decision to offer money instead of pewter pots to the winners of the British Army Tug-of-War is sound. "Mr. Atkins," we should say, would infinitely prefer the Rs. 200 now liberally offered, than the half dozen "bloomin' mugs" hitherto bestowed on the winners. It was felt that the absence of a money prize caused certain teams to fight shy of the event—indeed this was the general opinion of the officers and men to whom the falling through of the event last year was a disappointment and as a matter of fact the money prize suggestion came from them. Let us hope to see at least half a dozen brawny teams entering next March.

The Kincaid Smith cricket cup has been won by the 1st Battery R. F. A. who beat "H." Coy. Royal Fusiliers in the final at Secunderabad on the 28th ultimo by an innings and 19 runs.

The following will represent the Bombay Gymkhana on their cricket tour to Calcutta during Xmas week :—Capt. J. G. Greig, Major C. Wigram, Major Deas, Capt. Bradfield, Capt. Rutter, Mr. R. H. Spooner, Mr. L. Cookson, Mr. J. O. Airy, Mr. S. T. Crump, Mr. C. T. Beaumont, Mr. F. P. West, and Mr. R. E. A. Elliott.

The Motor Union of Western India announce the postponement of their trials, but have not yet notified the altered date.

Mr. W. Beach Thomas, in *Outlook* 9th (November) :—"It is very necessary to call attention to the shameless approval of unsportsmanlike dodges which begin to delight the crowds of all classes that now flock to professional games. . . . I have played not once or twice on village football grounds with professional players, and found them even on these small occasions, when playing with men of infinitely inferior capacity, to use knee and foot and elbow in 'foul,' that is illegal, and in very dangerous fashion—and generally boast of it afterwards. Intensely strict refereeing prevents very frequent abuses in more exalted matches, but the tendency of the game, is to encourage in actual and vicarious athletes a gladiatorial delight in trickery. In America the game is much more brutal, if the percentage of serious and fatal accidents is reckoned. . . . But if more brutal the American is less unfair. He at least fights an unscientific game with self-sacrificing courage—devotion is hardly too strong a word. Moreover, the game is likely soon to be mended or ended ;

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and very many Americans would be glad to see introduced an alternative such as Rugby football, which has the long record and natural growth on which the proper spirit of a game seems wholly to depend. The spirit has never been properly developed in Association football, a game which is at present a social curse to the country and as it seems to me many recent excesses—not least the unlovely squabble between the Football Association and some of the Old Boy clubs—make it necessary that all amateurs should play under their own Association and their own rules as to what is fair and what is foul. At present they are ruled by financiers, dragooned into distasteful regulation, and subject to aspersions not consistent with proper dignity."

Since writing upon the subject of alcohol for driving motors, some statistics have come to hand of considerable interest to wheelmen ; besides encouraging landholders to cultivate those items from which the spirit can be economically distilled, thus bringing down the price and getting rid of the objections preferred against the former. The internal tax in America, hitherto levied upon alcohol for the arts and sciences (not for the saloon bars), is to be abolished from the 1st January next ; it being computed this will reduce the cost of the spirit to between 6 and 7 annas of Indian currency per gallon. The reduction of the excise in Germany has jumped up the outturn to 3½ million gallons, so considering the numerous bases from which alcohol is derivable in India, we ought to get our requirements for 4 annas at most. The forthcoming pamphlet upon this subject will be published at the beginning of the year by the American Department of Agriculture and should be in the hands of all planters, zemindars and those interested in the matter. Potatoes are perhaps too valuable to be devoted to the purpose, but among the numerous bye-products and other things hitherto reckoned of no account, we learn that eka and other grass roots can be made to furnish their quota, together with fruits, edible and the reverse, maize and other stalks, those of the sunflower, cactus, prickly pear, the cherry of the coffee pods now thrown away, and in lesser degree, sawdust ; but a complete list would fill a column.

Some years since, in another place, we penned a recommendation for the more extensive farming of pigs, which a number of our contemporaries deemed it worth while to reproduce. Our remarks were then dictated by gastronomic considerations. In returning to the subject we learn that piggy or his *umbles* (not chitlings) is destined to play an important part in the concoction of the "cereal rubber" introduced by a Mr. W. T. Carr, who, by the way, affirms his preparation is not a substitute but genuine caoutchouc. The main basis is wheat or "some other cereal," hence the name, but the *pepsin*, or whatever the solvent is called, exists to a greater extent in the "innards" of swine than in many other known creatures. The compound is turned out in six varieties, but we are only concerned with the two which affect tyres and golf balls. The inventor asserts that the "cereal" can be supplied at very much less than the present article, but as both grain and pork are hardly equal to the demands for the usual purposes, we shall await with interest the development of Mr. Carr's enterprise.

Those artistically minded amongst *la monde qui s'amuse* of which, if report speaks true, there is, at present, no lack in our gay metropolis, have during the current week been enabled to feast the eye on a charming collection of early English prints, facsimiles of the originals, exquisitely hand tinted. For this treat, the picture-loving section of the public are indebted to Messrs. Thacker, Spink and Co., of this city, London and Simla, who have on view in their spacious premises opposite Government House, exact reproductions of some of the most celebrated of the works of Reynolds, Gainsborough, Romney, Raeburn and others, also a few domestic and sporting subjects by other celebrated artists. The majority have never been exhibited in Calcutta before, and the plates—limited in number—having been destroyed, there is no possibility of any further exhibition at any future time. "Maternal Care," a very beautiful Romney, with which are associated some of the most romantic incidents in the painter's [illegible]er ; a portrait of the beautiful Mrs. Robinson, the [illegible]ginal of the "Sweet Glass of Richmond Hill," by [illegible] same, and one of the best examples of Romney's [illegible]rt ; the celebrated Gainsborough, "The Duchess of Cumberland," the original of which is in the Royal Collection at Windsor Castle ; the famous portrait of Helen Le Brun painted by herself ; and "The Sisters" by John Hoppner are only a few amongst a collection of famous pictures. To those to whom these early English masters are familiar, it is a revival of old associations to see them so faithfully reproduced, while to those as yet unacquainted with the originals in the various museums, public galleries, and private collections of Europe, a visit to the specimens now on view is in itself an education.

Our Bangalore correspondent writes :—Entries for the South Indian Reliability Motor Trials are coming in fairly well. Particulars as to the competition have already been sent you, but it may be added that in view of the postponement of the Bombay Motor Trials, the Committee of the South Indian Motor Union have decided to extend the date on which entries close to the 15th instant.

Colonel Anderson and the officers of the 2nd (Q.O.) Sappers and Miners, were "At Home" to a huge gathering of their friends on the afternoon of the 8th instant, when the final events of their annual sports were decided. These sports occupy three days each year and the competitions being largely technical, full details would scarcely interest your readers. But there are several events and general points which deserve touching upon. The tug-of-war was especially good and tremendous interest attached itself to the pull off for second place between No. 14 Company and No. 12 Company, because the fate of the championship shield practically hung on the result. No. 14 Company at this point were three points ahead, but No. 12 Company pulled them over and tied for the shield. No. 14 had one more chance, as if they had got second place in the water polo they would have won, but they were again beaten, and the shield will be held for six months by each Company.

The water polo, which is a sport seldom seen in India, was very clever, and one of the two goals obtained by No. 12 Company, who won the final, was distinctly good. The attacking man got to the ball a tenth of a second before the goal-keeper who promptly soused him under water, but instead of resisting, the ducked Sapper dived with the ball still deeper, and coming up behind the baffled goal-keeper, threw the ball through the goal. The marvellous escalading of the Sappers also deserved special remark. The men had to run about 100 yards, surmount a palisade 15 feet high and fire a stated number of rounds and the winning team did the business in one minute nineteen seconds, or eight seconds better than the time in which another of their teams won at the late assault-at-arms. The speed with which these military "handy men," made a pyramid, ascended, swarmed up the rope and dropped on the other side must have been seen to be believed. A mule jump race created much amusement, most of the mules prefering to push the low hurdles over, or going round them to jumping them, although one or two were quite good "leppers." A well-known "G. R." ran third in the handicap race for officers, but having left my glasses at home I could not "read" the race accurately. Mrs. Scallon presented the shield and the officers' prizes and a very pleasant evening closed.

The Rangoon Boat Club regatta will be held on Saturday. The programme consists of—Senior and Junior Sculls, Skiff Race, Mixed Doubles, Ladies' Doubles, Challenge Fours, Dongola Race and Scratch Fours, assuredly a big enough bill to get through in an afternoon. All the crews have been hard at work, including the ladies. Four crews are in for the Challenge Fours—Bullochs, the Military, the Volunteers and the Public Schools, the latter instead of the German Club crew who have not entered after all. The first-named are hot favourites ; "they swing very well together," writes our correspondent, "get plenty of work on and keep it long. The volunteers are inclined to be short and lack beginning. They want to hold their slides longer ; the Public Schools are well together both in time and swing, but they too are short, though they get a fair amount of work on at the beginning and a good leg drive. In the Military crew bow and 2 are very short indeed and the bulk of the work at present is done by 3 and stroke, both of whom row clean and with plenty of length. The crew are all very slow away with their hands and the boat stops between each stroke."

Sam Newman will fight Phil Pickering on Boxing Day. The contest is to be one of fifteen rounds for a purse of Rs. 1,000 and the Middle Weight Championship of India.

The International Rugby match between England and the South Africans, played on the 8th instant, resulted in a draw—a try each.

The Poona Royal Connaught Boat Club will hold its thirty-ninth annual regatta on the 14th and 16th February. There are twelve races, including the Challenge Fours, the Service Fours, Regimental Fours, Regimental Eights, Senior, Junior and Double Sculls. The race for the Challenge Fours was instituted in 1869 ; it has been won thirteen itmes by Poona, five times by Bombay and once by

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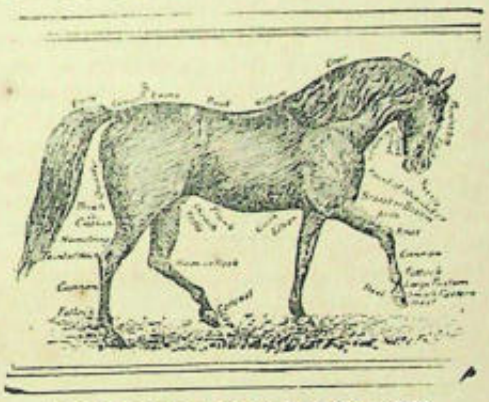

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Calcutta, Madras and Karachi. Pity Calcutta cannot send representatives this time, but one of the desiderata for rowing is a stretch of water and this the C.R.C. are at present without.

The victims of the motor-car catastrophe on the Shalimar Road last Sunday week are, we are glad to hear, making some progress towards recovery. How they managed to escape death is remarkable. We cycled down that road on the morning of the day the accident occurred and returned the same way in the evening: there was nothing to show the road was up either at the Shalimar or the Botanical Garden end—not even a bamboo across the road. When we passed the chasm at 5 P.M. there were two or three light bamboos tied to ricketty posts, near the edge and on the south side (from which the car approached) there was a bamboo only a part of the way across and the end, instead of being lashed to a post was lying on the ground. With no barrier at either end of the road, no lights around this excavation and (as we left it) practically no protection or warning to the public the place was a veritable death trap and that it did not prove to be one was due to circumstances hardly short of miraculous. Should legal proceedings result we should be glad to give evidence (if needed) and so doubtless would the friend who was cycling with us.

At the invitation of the Heinz Company—famous in both hemispheres for their pure food products—we last week assisted, in the capacity of a delighted and astonished guest, at a practical demonstration of their specialities charmingly, and we may say most convincingly, put before us by their representative Miss McQueen McLeod, of Boston, United States America. This "fairy lunch" with its dainties and delicacies served in alluring little dishes, its relishes and sweets, each in tiny *plat*, its toothsome novelties, its ambrosial surprises, all designed *per amusare la bocca* or fulfil those twen' cent dietetic conditions which insist on the best food in the most palatable and concentrated form came as a revelation. For the Heinz Company introduce many things with which we Ditchers have been strangely unfamiliar up to now, but which, with the assistance of Messrs. G. F. Kellner and Company and their Agents, we ought to be soon well acquainted. We shall not attempt to describe what we tasted or what we learned; that would be rather trespassing on the Company's ground, for their chief method of advertising their goods is to give these practical demonstrations and explain their system, from cultivation (which by the way, is entirely done by themselves on the enormous areas owned by them in Canada and elsewhere) through manufacture to that time when their products reach the hands of the consumer, elegantly canned or bottled and guaranteed pure food of the highest quality. We can only suggest to all who have not yet responded to the Company's invitation not to neglect the opportunity of learning something new and useful. It is the duty of every one who evolves the commissariat schemes of a household, runs a Chummery or a Club, to sample what Messrs. Heinz and Company offer them and acquire the information so felicitously imparted by the fair lecturer.

London Week by Week.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

Friday, 23rd November 1906.

MONDAY saw a less formal procession of royalties but one quite as much appreciated as the city visit of last week. The King and Queen and Princess Victoria with King Haakon and Queen Maud came up to Buckingham Palace from Windsor. The hero of the occasion was H. R. H. Prince Olaf, aged three. The guard-of-honour appealed to his fancy and he insisted on standing on the carriage seat throughout the drive from Paddington and drew the attention of his grandmother, mother and aunt to everything that pleased his fancy in the streets with an exuberance and candour unusual in royalty. London was delighted with him.

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For some time past it has been freely stated at the clubs that Mr. Haldane is unable to bring the Army Council round to the way of thinking which would content the dictators of C. B.'s Government. It seemed a very probable thing that he was at issue with the Council: and when on Wednesday he announced that he should not be able to bring forward his Army Reorganisation scheme as a whole this session, the statement was regarded as confirmation of the rumours. It is averred that what he will say this session refers to the auxiliary forces, thus bearing out the average professional soldier's idea that he "can do what he likes with the Militia and Volunteers." By the way, though Piershill Barracks are to be given up as insanitary, the cavalry now quartered there will be quartered again in Scotland as soon as we can afford to build the necessary barracks somewhere else.

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Meantime Mr. Haldane has appointed a consultative committee to initiate measures for the effective training of selected officers to qualify them for the higher appointments of the Administrative Staff of the Army. The members are Sir Hugh Bell, Sir F. Harrison, Manager of the L. and N.-W. Railway, General H. D. Hutchinson, General H. S. G. Miles, Sir Felix Schuster, Mr. Sidney Webb, and Mr. Macknider, three leading lights of the London school of economics, and Sir Edward Ward. The scheme is admittedly an excellent one: the only objection to it is that by the time these trained officers are ready to administer the affairs of the Army we shall probably have no Army left. It all depends upon the strength or weakness of the "anti-militarism" party in Parliament. If it *can* dictate to C. B. and Co., it naturally will be obeyed.

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The politicians have been striving to make some more capital out of the Chinese Labour question. The "slavery" lie having been exhausted an endeavour is being made to rouse the country by enlarging on Chinese immorality, his Right Reverence of Hereford, of course, leading the van. It were too much to expect that the great B. P. should glance at the difference between Eastern and Western standards of morality, or at the wild improbability that Chinese example is likely to corrupt Europeans, who regard them as inferior beings. The new cry is too obviously political to carry much weight; a greater difficulty confronts the Bishop and his allies in the deep-rooted objection of his countrymen to admit any discussion of the immoralities against which he would have them war.

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The precincts of the Houses of Parliament have been specially approved by the suffragists as the most suitable scene for those disturbances which, their spokeswomen tell us, are to be a conspicuous feature of their campaign. A few of them got up a little scene in Old Palace Yard on Tuesday, but the police put a summary stop to the speeches, and there was the usual police-court sequel; a refusal to pay half a sovereign and choice of seven days "martyrdom." The most indulgent now recognise that the suffragist campaign is objectionable: where suffragists essay to speak there mobs of idlers, vagabonds and ruffians gather together in hopes of a row. There is some hope that the fact that a Woman's Suffrage Bill is to be introduced next session may have some effect in procuring us a rest from these troublesome follies.

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I do not suppose that "suffragism" has anything to do with the feelings of the clergy of Gloucester Cathedral, but if women want a grievance their attitude in the matter of Miss Beale's burial would furnish it. This lady had for many years been recognised as a real "force" in educational matters and enjoyed a measure of esteem rarely accorded to women other than public characters. When Miss Beale died the Dean offered a place of sepulture in Gloucester Cathedral and thereby raised a storm among his clergy, who were scandalised at the idea of burying a woman in the Cathedral! Their point of view to my mind is both novel and entertaining: I should dearly like to hear one of these persons argue his case against the proceeding.

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Miss Alexandra Dagmar, known in private life as Mrs. De Celle, has obtained £250 damages against the editor and proprietor of the *Encore*, a weekly paper devoted to the affairs of the music hall. The libel consisted of a translation from a Berlin paper called *Das Programm* with comments. The German journal asserted that Miss Dagmar was associated with a Mr. George Harland in taking a troupe to Calcutta and in leaving them stranded there. Also that she imposed impossible tasks and unjust fines on the members, and when compelled to resign obtained by misleading statements £700 from Cook's; which £700 had been deposited for the purpose of bringing the troupe home. The *Encore* reproduced these charges ostensibly to give Miss Dagmar an opportunity of refuting them. The leading defendant pleading that he wrote the article "to prevent foreigners from besmirching the plaintiff's name." Mr. Justice Grantham's summing up was all in favour of the plaintiff and the jury did not take long to arrive at their verdict.

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A very sound and sensible article on the situation of young natives of India in London appeared in the *Times* of Monday. All who know anything about the matter are agreed that residence in London does the plastic baboo no good. Turned loose to find his own friends and his own level he naturally drifts into the society of a class which takes him at his own valuation and returns home objectionable alike to his own people and to Europeans, who will not associate in this country with the people whose tone the Londonised baboo so successfully catches. An appeal is made to those who wish well to the relations of East and West to extend a hand to the young baboo adrift in England. It would be a good work: but I think the difficulty could be better overcome by appointing such an official as the judicious Siamese court appointed, to wit an "Inspector of Students," to whom all youngsters from Siam are consigned. He finds or approves quarters for them during their stay in town, officiates as guide, philosopher and friend, and only stops short indeed of administering deputy paternal correction of which youth, East and West alike, so often stands in need.

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"The Doctor's Dilemma" grew out of the war between his heart and his professional duty. When Mrs. Dubedat came to him, Sir Colenso Ridgeon, the great consumption specialist, and implored him to save her husband, the artist Louis Dubedat, Sir Colenso assented out of the wealth of his regard for Mrs. Dubedat: but he at once found himself in a dilemma, the saving of Dubedat, who was a very clever artist but a wholly bad man, could only be compassed by turning away one of the forty patients who occupied the forty beds in Sir Colenso's hospital. Sir Colenso, when he comes to know Louis better, decides that he will not take the responsibility of saving him and hands the case over to Sir Bloomfield Bonnington, under whose care Louis dies: leaving his widow to accept Sir Colenso if she pleases. She does not so please and marries somebody else, but whom we are not told. After the death scene I felt that I did not want to know.

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The impression left on one's mind up to the death scene is that of Bernard Shaw among the Doctors, as the de'il among the tailors. There are six doctors; the physicians sneer at the surgeons, and the surgeons sneer at the physicians, while each expert makes it clear that he has no opinion whatever of any of the other five. The man I liked best was poor old Blenkinsop, the struggling general practitioner, who takes the opportunity in consultations, to beg the great men for their discarded frock-coats. Medical and surgical discussion relieved by Shavian irony and wit really form the backbone of the play: like other Shavian plays it is more a discussion than a play, and it is much to the playwright's credit that he contrives to make it so amusing. The death scene, to which I have referred, marked a distinct turning point in the friendly feeling with which the play had been received. Dubedat gasping his life out in his wife's arms, dies jibing at all things in terms as void of taste as the whole scene. There may not have been in the audience anyone who *was* shocked at Dubedat's creed—"I believe in Michael Angelo—Vellasquez and—the Message—of Art;" but everyone supposed his or her neighbour must be, and the scene was received in the stoniest silence. If one could imagine it true to life, there would be some extenuation: one can't, and the cheap, shoddy cynicism only offended. The piece was acted as admirably as the Court plays always are.

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"Richard II" was revived at His Majesty's on Monday. It is to run for three weeks, until Mr. Tree is ready to revive "Antony and Cleopatra." I do not know that there is much to say about the play; Mr. Tree's "Richard II" is one of his best Shakespearian personations and it is as good as ever. Miss Viola Tree is the Queen: she acts with intelligence and charm and looks the part: but it seemed to me that there is more in Shakespeare's Queen than the lady found herself able to put into the part. We are well used to jugglings with Shakespeare's text, but the propriety of taking lines from one character, the Welsh Captain in this case, to give them to another, the Queen in this revival, seems open to much criticism. Mr. G. W. Anson as the Gardener was inimitable.

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"The Yeomen of the Guard" is to be the opening piece of the Gilbert and Sullivan series at the Savoy, on 8th December; the series is to run for five weeks. I shall be very curious to see how the modern theatre-goer regards these operas after a surfeit of musical comedy. Mrs. Brown Potter vanished from the London stage proper and has t acting in suburban theatres. Her latest appearan is at Fulham, where she takes the title *rôle* "Charlotte Corday." The patrons of the Fulham theatre are surely less profoundly ignorant than the management assumes. The programme kindly assures us that the piece is "founded on facts!"

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Lord Kilmorey appeals to the public for support in organising a concert next May as a tribute to

Mr. Charles Santley, who made his appearance as a vocalist over 49 years ago. Lord Kilmorey reminds the world, quite truly, that Mr. Santley "never disappointed his public" and has probably been the most popular public singer of his age. Mr. Santley ought to be in comfortable circumstances measuring the possibility by the success of his career, but I suppose the case is otherwise.

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Miss Vivien Chartres, the violin prodigy, appears to be making a royal progress of her tour in Italy. At Genoa the city fathers invited her to play on Paganini's violin, which is kept with all the precautions of regalia: and the Queen has invited her to stay at the Royal Castle at Stupinigi.

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It looks as though we were going to see a real wave of reform in affairs municipal. The latest is that the Local Government Board is going to hold an enquiry into allegations of extravagance against the Hammersmith guardians in respect of the "Wormwood Scrubbs Place" as their new workhouse is called. It is stated that a minority of guardians were so disgusted with the recklessness of their fellows that they ceased to attend meetings. Having regard to the class from which the majority of our workhouse population is drawn, the irreclaimable loafer, feeling runs high on the subject. There has been one definite result of the Poplar enquiry: two of the guardians have been committed for trial on a charge of misappropriating the ratepayers' money: in legal language for "conspiring to obtain by false pretences from the guardians the sum of £1-6-0."

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A mysterious public benefactor has been meandering about central London: the Strand and that region is his favourite hunting ground, and he has been known to visit Covent Garden. The man is supposed to be mad or at least eccentric and certainly his curious habit of presenting bank notes to total strangers gives much colour to the rumour. I heard some days ago of a elderly bank clerk to whom this ministering angel presented a £20 note: then of a well-to-do shop-keeper who had a similar sum given him. Of course the matter "got into the papers and yesterday a market porter informed the Commission which is enquiring into the Police and their Ways that he had had a £100 note given him.

ONLOOKER.

Shikar.

A MIDNIGHT WATCH.

A SWELTERING day in the latter part of June was drawing to its close, as I reached the spot, some two miles from my camp, where I was to spend the night in a machan in the hopes of getting a shot at a tiger.

It was a likely spot indeed that had been chosen for the tie—a sandy nullah meandering amid dense jungle through which even the rays of an Indian sun could scarcely pierce, and where the tiger could obtain shelter from the fierce midday heat. Close to the tree in which my machan was built, was a pool of water, one of the very few pools within many miles

The previous night there had been a kill at this spot, and the men whom I had sent out in the morning had found the tiger lying in the cool sand by the pool. Rudely disturbed in his morning slumbers he had sprung up the steep bank of the nullah, but, heavy with buffalo meat, had missed his footing and rolled back into the nullah! A second spring was more successful, and on the bank he had turned to stare coolly at the intruders before trotting slowly off to seek the shelter of some shady nook.

The buffalo had been found half eaten some 30 yards from where it had been tied. The jungle here was too dense to afford any chance of a shot after dark; I therefore had the carcase removed and a fresh buffalo tied up some ten yards from the foot of the tree in which my machan was built.

I had no one with me in the machan: a native is almost certain to move or cough at the critical moment, besides not being a very pleasant companion in such a confined space. My orderly and several village men were ordered to remain within call until about 8 o'clock, and then if they heard no shot to return to the village.

The hour of sunset soon drew near, that magic hour when the denizens of the jungle approach the pool with cautious steps to slake their thirst, and when beasts that prowl by night begin to come forth, rejoicing at the approach of darkness. I had hoped that in such a favourable position the tiger might have returned early to his kill, but the short Indian twilight soon merged into night and there was no sign of his approach.

The moon would not rise until 10 o'clock and I resigned myself to an all-night watch.

It was perhaps an hour after dark when I heard a loud sniff and recognised with a beating heart that the tiger was smelling at the spot where he had left the half eaten buffalo. He was only 30 yards from the freshly picketted buffalo, and I expected every moment to hear the rush of the tiger as he sprang on his victim. It was a moment of intense excitement as I gazed, my eye glued to the loophole and every nerve on the alert, peering out into the gloom where the form of the poor little buffalo was dimly discernible. It seemed hours that I thus gazed, when suddenly, far down the nullah, rang out the alarmed bark of a spotted deer: the tiger had gone off as quietly as he had come and was now in search of fresh prey.

Another hour passed when I heard a growl and another and another. The tiger was returning along the nullah, disappointed evidently of deer as well as of buffalo and in no sweet frame of mind

The growls came nearer and nearer, but the buffalo lay still and gave no sign. Suddenly the growls ceased and it was clear that the tragedy was approaching. When the tiger was within a few yards the buffalo stood up; then came a rush and a heavy fall, and then a ghastly silence, broken only by the heavy breathing of the tiger as he drained the life blood of his victim.

It was still an hour to moonrise, and though the dark form of the buffalo was dimly discensible, the tawny hide of the tiger was quite invisible and a shot in the dark was foredoomed to failure.

There was nothing for it but to wait.

Presently the tiger left the body of the buffalo and went to the pool where I could hear him lapping deeply of the water.

Then there was silence. The moon arose and crept higher and higher up the heavens but the tiger did not return: the night passed wearily and the dawn approached, but still there was no sign. And so the daylight came and I descended from my machan weary and disheartened to pass another burning day. Evening again saw me in position in the machan, but this time with no great hopes of success. The tiger had evidently become suspicious or he would not have left his kill untouched the previous night.

Darkness fell without the tiger turning up and I had to reconcile myself to another night in the jungle. About 9 o'clock the spotted deer began barking some distance down the nullah and I knew that the tiger was on the prowl.

Some time after this the tiger's roar echoed through the silence of the night. The brute was then only a few hundred yards away and there he lay roaring for a full half hour.

The moon, now a week past the full, rose shortly before 11 o'clock, and as there was no sign of the tiger's approach, I began to fear that he had become too suspicious to come up to his kill.

The night passed wearily enough. There was not a breath of air stirring; it was the most sultry part of the year, the week that precedes the bursting of the rains, and even in the midst of the jungle the heat was intense.

About 3 A.M. it began to rain and I now gave up all hopes of getting a shot. I put up my umbrella, got into my waterproof coat, and made myself as comfortable as possible for the remainder of the night. I was just dozing off to sleep when suddenly I heard an unmistakable tug at the buffalo, and peering from the loophole could dimly discern the form of the tiger standing by his kill. He seemed to find something suspicious in the rope that prevented him from dragging the carcase away, and suddenly turned and sneaked off In a minute or two he was back again, and after vainly tugging at the buffalo several times, he lay down and started feeding. It was now a matter of some difficulty to get into a position to shoot; however, with great care I succeeded in closing the umbrella and getting out of my overcoat without alarming the tiger. The moon was still clouded over and it was too dark to shoot, though the tiger was not 15 yards from the muzzle of my rifle. Half an hour passed and the moon was just coming out from behind the clouds when the tiger got up and walked to the pool to quench his thirst.

As he passed my machan the moon shone out and every stripe showed out distinctly on his huge form.

Presently he returned, but as I was preparing to fire, he turned off into the jungle and disappeared in the gloomy undergrowth. I began to be afraid that he had again escaped me. However in a short time he was back again tugging at the body of the buffalo. The moon was now shining clearly on the tiger and his victim: my rifle was levelled and the white cardboard night sight showed up distinctly. I felt certain of my spot.

As the rifle rang out the tiger disappeared from my view. Had the bullet missed? I seemed to hear a muffled groan, but I could not be sure: even the bicycle lamp which I now lighted failed to reveal the striped form which I longed to see. It was but an hour to dawn, but this hour seemed the longest of all the night.

At last the day broke and the first dim light discovered the form of the tiger lying in his tracks by the body of his victim.

While he was standing, he was clearly visible but when he had fallen his tawny hide so matched the sandy bed of the nullah that he could no longer be distinguished.

The bullet had struck him in the base of the neck and, passing through the spinal column, had dropped him without a groan.

In his death agony the tiger had bitten clean through his own forearm. It was a noble prize that I had earned by the night watch; though not very long, the tiger was very massive in all his proportions.

What though the exposure in the jungles brought on a severe attack of malaria which laid me low for nearly a month! The fever passed away, but the striped skin remains to conjure up pleasant memories when the land of tigers shall be far away.

CERTUS.

Fishing.

RIVER AND LAKE FISHING IN INDIA.

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THE size of flies most suitable for mahseer fishing varies considerably in different rivers, and also in lakes. I have generally found that in big rivers large flies should be used, and in small rivers smaller flies, while in lakes the flies should be considerably smaller than in rivers. There are so many different scales of sizes for hooks, and for different sorts of hooks, that it might be misleading to quote from any scale, and perhaps the best way of indicating approximately the sizes you require, when ordering your flies from a tackle shop, would be to mention large salmon, small salmon, lake, and large trout sizes, it being understood that by lake size you mean those used for British lakes (I will mention the flies and sizes suitable for Indian lakes later on). This may hardly seem a satisfactory way of getting the sizes you want, but it is about as near as you can get, especially if ordering from a shop in India. Flies used at and after dusk may with advantage be rather larger than those used in the daytime I notice that in a book on angling by that well-known writer and expert, Francis Francis, he mentions the confusion caused by the various methods of numbering sizes of hooks, and he goes so far as to say that "it often happens that makers are not true even to their own sizes." Mr. Thomas in the "Rod in India" endeavours to elucidate matters by giving one or two scales of sizes, but perhaps you or your tackle shop in India may not happen to possess his book, so for want of a more definite guide I can only suggest approximate sizes in a general way, as I have done above. On large rivers I have found mahseer down to 1½ or 2lbs. take a large salmon fly. In the smaller submontane rivers and streams which feed the larger rivers, and in which a fly is perhaps more successful than anywhere else, I have taken mahseer up to 3 or 4lbs. on flies of trout size, but in all I have found the four flies mentioned in my last article, to be the most killing. This may possibly be because I have used them far more than any others owing to my having been successful with them when I first tried fly-fishing for mahseer, many years ago, so you need not necessarily pin your faith on these, to the exclusion of others which may have been recommended to you. The Jock Scott has the drawback of being about the most expensive fly obtainable. I have paid two rupees eight annas each for those of large salmon size, and the Silver Doctor is almost as expensive. These, however, were purchased from a tackle shop whose proprietor seems to consider every fisherman a millionaire, but I see that Little, of 63, Haymarket, charges two shillings each for these two flies, on No. 4/0 hooks, (scale at page 40 of this price list of this year) which is the size I use in big rivers, so in this particular item the Indian shop abovementioned is perhaps not so very expensive.

For fly-fishing you require a slightly stiffer rod than for spinning, because though you do not require to actually strike your fish, still he *may* reject the fly when he finds it is a spurious article, and you must therefore raise your top a little as soon as you see your fish take the fly, and the first downward movement of a very flexible top, thus caused, with its subsequent rebound, means a loss of time and the risk of a sudden and dangerous jerk on your line just as the fish is turning to go off with the fly. You will find it very hard at first, in the excitement of the moment, to avoid striking when you see the swirl of the take,—especially if you have been accustomed to trout fishing,—and this is the moment when most breakages occur, therefore remember to keep your fingers off the line; let the strain when it comes fall directly upon the reel, rod, and free running line, without the check which would be imposed by the pressure of a finger on the latter. If you have no slack line between your rod top and your fly—as of course you will take care not to have—the fish will not have time to reject the fly after taking it, once in fifty times, before he is hooked, but if you strike at all violently you will probably break your gut cast about forty-eight times in fifty, if you are into a decent fish. It may seem strange to you, but it is a fact all the same, that with practice you can throw a fly further than you can a spoon, while the runs which you would ordinarily fish with a fly seldom require you to cover so much water as when spinning, so that if you habitually use a sixteen foot rod for spinning, you may use a fifteen, or even fourteen and a half foot rod, for fly fishing. And now we come to the manner of working the fly upon the water. There are two ways of doing this, and good fishermen frequently differ as to which of these is the better way. One is, to cast the fly out straight opposite you, and allow it to travel steadily and smoothly down stream until it is time to make a fresh cast; the other is, to cast the fly out in the same way, and to work it with a slight "sink and draw" movement, as it travels down stream. Mr. Thomas, in "The Rod in India," recommends the former method. I hope I may not be considered presumptuous if I differ from him and prefer the latter. After all, he practically admits that he is not in favour of fly fishing for mahseer at all, and that his experience in this respect is somewhat limited. On the other hand, ever since I discovered that mahseer were to be taken on a fly I have taken advantage of every favourable opportunity to use one. I have given both methods fair and honest trial and I believe I have taken quite five fish by the "sink and draw" method, to one by the other style, but it must not be overdone. If you can follow the

fly plainly with your eye, you will see that with a straight line out, a very slight movement of your rod top causes a considerable movement of the fly, as the latter is travelling down stream all the time, and is considerably more affected than it would be if you were working it in still water, and you should never let the movement amount to a succession of jerks. I find the best way is to cause your rod tip to sway very gently up and down, as though it were distantly bowing to the fly on its journey down the stream. This can be effected by a slow, gentle, and regular up and down movement of the right hand; three or four inches is sufficient. The swifter the stream, the more gentle should be the movement. It is impossible to say why a mahseer should take a fly, since the latter is made in imitation of no winged insect in existence, but this is a matter which has also puzzled salmon fishermen at home for many generations, and we must just accept the fact that they do take it, and be thankful. At the risk of being written down an ass, or if you are charitably disposed, as nothing worse than a harmless enthusiast, I unblushingly admit that I would sooner take a fish from 4lbs. and upwards, on a fly, than one double the size on any other bait. To me the pleasure of following the fly with your eye—(or the gut cast, as close to the fly as possible)—of seeing the swirl of a rising fish and perhaps getting a glimpse of shoulder or fin or gleaming belly, and of seeing and feeling the line tightening, is infinitely superior to the sharp shock caused by the taking of an unseen spinning bait far below the surface, while apart from this, the possibilities seem so much greater. The pleasant memories of taking, as I have done, a dozen mahseer running from one to five pound in a clear stream, in a couple of hours, with a single-handed ten foot trout rod, and a fly of large trout size, when a spoon would have been almost useless, are just as valued and as lasting as those of the taking of heavy fish on a spoon or natural bait, working at a depth of six to twelve feet, or even more, under water.

Flies for Indian fishing should always be tied on eyed hooks. There should be no exception to this, at any rate as regards mahseer fishing. Flies tied on gut, obtained from the very best makers, will draw sooner or later, generally sooner, in an Indian climate. The eyes may be either turned up or turned down. Personally, I prefer them turned down, but whichever you prefer always mention the sort when sending an order to a tackle shop. Flies of the very smallest sizes, suitable for taking the small species of fish running from five to eight inches in length, which abound in almost every small river and stream, and which are greedy fly takers, must perforce be tied on gut, owing to their diminutive size.

YUBA BILL.

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CARD QUERY.

TO THE EDITOR OF "THE INDIAN FIELD."

SIR,—I shall be very much obliged if you or any of your readers will, through the columns of your valuable paper, enlighten me as to the following points of "Draw Poker." When a "Jack Pot" is opened can it be "raised" by another player, *i.e*, can the amount to come in be increased by a player even if he has not got the necessary "openers"?

Is a dealer obliged to declare what cards he draws to a hand when he deals them to himself, or may he wait until asked how many he has taken?

If the player on the left of the "ante" straddles, and all the other players decline to come in, who bets first, the "ante" or the "straddler"?

POONA, *7th December 1906.* NAIA JANI.

[1. When a Jack Pot is opened the last to come in can be raised by any of the other players, no matter the strength of the hand; the raise can go on until equalized.

2. Dealer is not bound to declare how many cards he draws unless specially asked.

3. The age never passes although ante be straddled. In all cases the age or ante always bets last.—ED.]

REWARDS FOR SHOOTING TIGERS.

TO THE EDITOR OF 'THE INDIAN FIELD."

SIR,—The following incident may be of interest to those sportsmen who are accustomed to receive the usual rewards offered by Government for the destruction of tigers and other dangerous animals. Last July I was fortunate enough to shoot a tiger in one of the Madras districts, and sent in a claim for the reward to the Collector. After some delay I received the following letter from him:—

District Magistrate's Office.

Dated 13th August 1906.

SIR—In reply to your letter on the subject of a reward for shooting a tiger I have the honour to say that I do not think a reward is called for in your case. Rewards are primarily intended to encourage native shikaris. It is assumed that English sportsmen kill wild beasts for sport and not for rewards.

I have the honour, etc., etc.

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For District Magistrate.

This letter, with its peculiar sentiments and insinuations was just a little too much for my patience. The idea of native shikaris requiring encouragement while they are exterminating the game everywhere, and English sportsmen accumulating wealth by shooting tigers and getting rewards from the Government, must appear absolutely farcical to any one who knows anything about shikar. I knew also that no civilian I had met had the slightest hesitation about paying the rewards to Europeans, or in drawing them for himself. Fortified with this knowledge I forwarded a petition to the Board of Revenue and in course of time I received their reply.

Resolution 1 to 3 * * * *

The petitioner is referred to the Collector of—for orders.

Hoping that resolutions 1 to 3 were Mack Stingers, I wrote as directed to the Collector once more.

Here is his reply.

Dated 10th November 1906.

SIR,—With reference to your petition to the Board praying for a reward for shooting a tiger, I have the honour to inform you that the Board considers that you are entitled to a reward. The amount awarded in your case is Rs. 25/; from this must be deducted the value of the skin at Rs. 2-8-0 a foot. The tiger measured 8ft. 6in.—You are therefore entitled to a net reward of Rs. 3-12 0. From this, one anna, (money order commission) must be deducted. I have therefore the pleasure of sending you Rs. 3-11-0, which I request you to be good enough to acknowledge.

I have the honour, etc., etc.

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For Collector.

I am rejoiced naturally in these days of bank failures to receive anything, and that the pleasure of both giver and receiver seems to be mutual. I am however perplexed—what position would I have been in had my tiger been 10 ft. 6in. I should then have had a reward of minus Re. 1-4-0, and one anna (money order commission) would have been deducted. English sportsmen out of employment are strongly recommended to adopt the lucrative profession of shooting wild beasts for rewards in this district.—

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THE CALCUTTA RACECOURSE IMPROVEMENTS.

TO THE EDITOR OF "THE INDIAN FIELD."

SIR,—I, and scores of old residents who see eye to eye with me in the matter, have been much amused at the rumpus occasioned by the new arrangements on the Calcutta course. I am glad to find your paper has not joined in voicing the alleged general discontent; to us it appears that the discontent is confined to the few who have an axe to grind, a grudge to pay off, or some equally petty object to serve, and to a few of the ladies—God bless 'em—who, as the poet said years ago, are ever "uncertain, coy and hard to please." I cannot for the life of me see what the public finds to grumble at, except in respect of a few petty matters which (if they do not speedily right themselves) may be ignored or put up with.

It is admitted that the C.T. C. have not by any means completed the extensions they have begun; why not wait till they have written *finis* to their work ere we begin to pick holes? There will be ample room for everybody when the third stand is erected—surely we ought to be sportsmen enough to endure a trifling discomfort for a couple of meetings in view of the ultimate benefits we shall assuredly enjoy. But I am strongly of opinion that the outcry against want of accommodation is quite a mistake. The public have the best part of the old and original stand, which will hold several hundred, they have "down below" on the C.T. C. stand accommodation for several hundred more while on "top side" at least five hundred people can see the races in absolute comfort. In the name of common sense how many people do the grumblers expect to patronise these two stands on Cup Day? I have facts and figures up my sleeve wherewith to meet anyone who cares to discuss questions of "gate." Have any of those who complain even an approximate idea of the number of people who can be accommodated on the present space? With a bit of a squeeze some hundreds more could be provided for; and a *little* pressure on Cup Day would be only natural; it is the same on the big days at most meetings all over the world; nothing much to grumble at in this, one would think. I notice the public seem to be shy of trying the top tier; they don't know what they miss; it is without doubt the very best place to see the races from, and is moreover *much* cooler than lower down.

The C.T. C. have certainly taken a large slice of the stand this season; but I should not be surprised to find the space well filled later on by the members and their friends. Calcutta is comparatively empty just now, the big up-country contingent, the Xmas holiday makers, the globe trotters *et hoc* have not yet arrived, these will want a good deal of room in the C.T. C. reserve.

Of course that execrable BARRIER is the chief *casus belli*. We have all read about the peacocks and the goats, the sheep, the masters, the good enoughs and not quite enoughs, and we all know that the very sight of a barrier arouses in many breasts a spirit of opposition, especially among those of republican tastes; but after all said and done the growlers have been shut out of a very few yards of the lawn and if their feelings are wounded they might pause to reflect that the purpose that brought them into the enclosure *should* be to promote or witness sport and not to study the List of Precedence or render themselves miserable or angry by giving way to envy and childish anger. Besides it does not seem to have occurred to many that in order to permit of the Judges, Stewards, and other officials carrying out their duties efficiently and in comfort, and in order to permit of the fairly numerous staff which works the semaphore, the telegraph board, and other essential apparatus an unobstructed area between paddock, stand and rails is needful. This is practically *all* the C.T.C. have taken as far as my observation goes!

When I looked across the course last Saturday and saw the old Monsoon Stand memory carried me back to just thirty-three years ago when I landed in Calcutta, and when that trivial erection and its *kutcha* surroundings was all we could boast of. I have never missed a Calcutta race meeting during all those years and a rapid review of what has been done in that time conclusively proves that the C.T.C. has done a tremendous lot for racing, for owners and all connected with the business of the turf as well as for the public. This year they have erected two stands that challenge comparison with the best on both sides of Suez or "down under" and they have made many minor improvements. They are by no means through with it yet; when all *is* accomplished some of us may perhaps feel ashamed of the sentiments we now harbour.

Thirty-three years of attending the races entitles me to claim experience at least and I for one do not hesitate to say that so far from being inconvenienced by or being irritated at the innovations I never attended the Calcutta races in such comfort as I did last Saturday and I doubt if I ever had a pleasanter afternoon on the old course.

As to the refreshments, there is really no word loud enough in praise of the new order of things. At least, so say my wife and daughters, who declare that they have never enjoyed the races in such coolth and tea in such comfort. "How very much better," says the former, "to have one maximum tariff, and be one's wants what they may from a cup of tea or coffee and plate of sandwiches up to an ice and fondants, have them supplied in quiet and comfort at a dainty tea table for the modest sum of one rupee, than the usual rush, scuffle and final haggle, in the course of which a hard pressed and confused *khitmutgar* has been known in his agitation to upset a cup of hot tea over smart race toilette."

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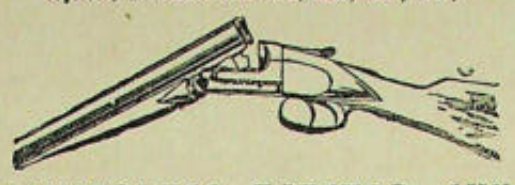

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NAME OF RACES.	MONTH.	DATE
Calcutta Third Extra	Dec.	15
Chittagong	"	13
Rawalpindi	"	13 & 1
Bombay First Extra	"	15
" Second "	"	22
" Third "	"	29
Peshawar Autumn	"	19 & 21
Calcutta First Meeting	"	22, 26, 29 &
Lahore Xmas, ...	"	26, 28 & 31
Bhamo	"	27 & 29
Tollygunge Steeplechases	Jan.	1 & 5
Bombay Fourth Extra	"	5
" Fifth "	"	12
" Sixth "	"	19
" Seventh "	"	26
Agra New Year	"	6 & 10
R. W. Fusiliers Steeplechases ..	"	12
Calcutta Second Meeting	"	12, 15 & 19
Dibrugarh	"	22 & 26
Calcutta Fourth Extra	"	26
Lucknow Spring	Feb.	2, 4 & 6
Bombay Eighth Extra	"	2
" Ninth "	"	9
Bombay	"	13, 16, 18, 20 & 23
Rangoon Spring	Mar.	9, 12 & 14
Bombay Tenth Extra	"	2
" Eleventh "	"	9
" Twelfth "	"	16
" Thirteenth "	"	23
" Fourteenth "	"	30
Meerut Spring	"	2, 5 & 7
Umballa Spring	"	12, 14 & 16
Lahore Spring	"	20 & 22
Rawalpindi Spring	"	23, 26 & 28

CLOSING DATES OF ENTRIES.

Lucknow Spring C. S. Cup ..	Final ..	..	15th January.
Agra New Year ..	Third ..	..	21st December.
Calcutta Second Meeting ..	Second ..	..	2nd January.
Bhamo	First ..	..	25th December.
	Second ..	..	27th December.
Lahore Xmas	Third ..	..	15th December.
Lucknow Spring	First ..	..	15th December.
	Second ..	..	1st January.
	Third ..	..	15th January.

INDIAN SPORTING FIXTURES

POLO.

Connell Cup Tournament (Allahabad)	Now on.
I. P. A. Championship Tournament (Calcutta ..	Begins 26th December.
Punjab Tournament (Lahore)	Xmas week.
Agra Tournament International Cup ..	Bigins 8th January.

SHOWS.

Tollygunge Club Horse Show	24th December.
Lahore Dog Show	27th and 28th December.
Rangoon Horse Show	11th & 12th January.
Calcutta Kennel Club Dog Show ..	6th February.

MOTORING.

S. I. Motor Union Reliability Trials	27th, 28th & 29th Dec.

HOCKEY.

All India Tournament (Allahabad)	Begins 24th February.

ROWING.

Rangoon B. C. Regatta	15th December.
Poona Royal Connaught B. C. Regatta ..	14th & 16th February.

GOLF.

Amateur Golf Championship of India (Tollygunge Club Links)	29th Dec.—1st January.
Ladies Amateur Golf Championship of India ..	7th, 8th & 9th January.

BOXING.

Minto Fete Tournament (Calcutta)	27th Jan.—5th February

ATHLETICS

F. Coy. 1st C. V. R. Sports	Christmas Day.
Bengal Presidency A. A. Meeting	2nd March.

FOOTBALL.

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Saturday, 8th December 1906.

THE six races on the card this afternoon provided us with excellent sport. Backers did well, for favourites rolled home in all but the first event—The Hurdle Race—won by Adviser, who started at tens. The Hon'ble Mr. A. A. Apcar scored two wins, Ballark finishing first in the Corinthian Plate and Dea in the Maiden Horse Plate. There was rather a mix up in connection with this race. Craigendarrie was placed third—by the Judge dead-heat with Meadow Saffron. It was then pointed out to him that Craigendarrie finished in the ruck and Santa Maria had passed the post level with Meadow Saffron. Accordingly the decision was reversed and Santa Maria given third place. Meanwhile the all right bell had been rung and the bookmakers and totalisator were paying out on Craigendarrie. Further Santa Maria's jockey had presented himself but had not been weighed in. Nevertheless the Stewards presumed his weight was correct and directed the bookmakers and totalisator to pay out over Santa Maria. Further comments anent this subject and details of the racing will be found in our Sporting Notes. Results:—

HURDLE RACE.—Rs. 1,200 to the winner, Rs. 300 to the second, and Rs 200 to the third. For horses which have not won a hurdle race value Rs. 1,500 or upwards since 31st March 1904. W. A. and C. raised 14lbs. R. C. and a distance over seven flights of hurdles.

Mr. S. F. Reynolds' b aus g Adviser, 10st. 4lbs.	Thomas 1
Mr. J. C. Galstaun's b aus g Rustler, 10st. 3lbs.	A. Hoyt 2
Mr. Austin's ch aus g Kingpin, 10st. 3lbs.	Johnson 3
Mr. Spooner Hart's b aus g Loch Lochie, 9st. 11lbs.	Deeble 4
Mr. J. G. Ballantyne's b aus g Clodian, 10st. 10lbs.	Mr. Evers 0
Mr. J. A. Manning's aus g Bucentaur, 10st. 8lbs.	A. Gee 0
Mr. Beaumont's ch aus g Wales, 10st. 3lbs.	Owner 0
Mr. Alec's b aus g Lord D., 10st. 3lbs. ...	Lansdown 0
Mr. R. B. Lamotte's b aus g Tattoo, 10st.	Northmore 0

(*Winner trained by Wishart.*)

Totalisator paid Rs. 83 to win; Rs. 36, Rs. 15 and Rs. 109 for places.

BETTING: 5 to 2 each agst. Loch Lochie and Rustler, 5 to 1 Lord D, 6 to 1 Bucentaur, 10 to 1 Adviser, 15 to 1 Wales, 2 to 1 each Clodian, Kingpin and Tattoo.

Kingpin was most prominent at the start and soon established a long lead from Lord D and Bucentaur; Loch Lochie and Rustler leading the others. Kingpin came back to his field at the hospital corner and was passed at the last hurdle by Rustler and Adviser, who had been coming up fast. Adviser got ahead of Rustler in the run in and won by three lengths easily; two and a half lengths between second and third; a head dividing third and fourth. Time—3mins. 29secs.

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Mr. J. C. Galstaun's ch aus m Claribell, 10st. 3lbs.	Robinson	1
H. H. Mah. of Cooch Behar's bk aus m Matin Bell, 8st 5lbs.	Southall	2
Lt.-Col. C. H. Stisted's ch aus g First Bell, 10st. 3lbs.	Firth	3
Mr. J. D. Scott's b aus g Wal, 9st. 13lbs.	Bullock	4
Mr. R. D. Coggan's br aus g Ivanhoe II., 10st.	W. White	0
Mr. A. Price's br aus m Half Price, 9st. 5lbs.	Mr. Evers	0

(*Winner trained by Tingey.*)

Totalisator paid Rs. 16 to win; Rs. 15 and Rs. 27 for places.

BETTING: 2 to 1 on Claribell, 6 to 1 First Bell, 7 to 1 Wal, 10 to 1 Matin Bell, 20 to 1 Ivanhoe II., 30 to 1 Half Price.

Half Price and First Bell led to the turn, where Claribell came brough with Matin Bell, and keeping the lead won by three-quarters of a length; two lengths between second and third; half a length between third and fourth. Time—1min. 20⅘secs.

DECEMBER PLATE.—Rs. 1,000 to the winner, Rs. 300 to the second, and Rs. 200 to the third. For horses. W. A. and C. reduced 7lbs. 1 mile.

Messrs. Scott and Marshall's br ch g Saloon 6st. 10lbs (dec 2lbs)	Melsom	1
Mr. Dartmoor's ch e g Sacristan II., 9st. 10lbs.	O'Brien	2
Mr. G. M. D. Bell's br aus g Dramatic, 8st. 4lbs.	Firth	3
Mr. E. L. F. DeSoysa's b e h Footprint, 8st. 10lbs.	Bradshaw	4
H. H. Kour Sahib of Patiala's br aus g Lamrock, 9st, 10lbs.	Southall	0
Mr. Maxwell's br aus h The Master, 9st. 7lbs.	Murdison	0
Mr. A. N. Dass' b aus h Trencherman, 9st. 6lbs.	Kaesen	0
Mr. North's br e g Clear Artist, 9st.	A. Hoyt	0
Mr. J. C. Galstaun's b e f Paddy's Darling, 9st.	Robinson	0
Mr. Fiele's b e g Nirvana, 8st. 10st.	Baichan	0
Mr. Charles' br e h Rossnule, 8st. 4lbs.	Bullock	0
Mr. G. B. Deakin's ch e g Beaunero, 7st. 11lbs. (dec. 6lbs.)	Mr. Evers	0

(*Winner trained by J. D. Scott.*)

Totalisator paid Rs. 24 to win: Rs. 13, Rs. 15 and Rs. 22 for places.

BETTING: 6 to 4 agst. Saloon, 3 to 1 Sacristan II., 6 to 1 The Master, 15 to 1 each Dramatic, Footprint, Lamrock, Paddy's Darling and Rossnule, 20 to 1 Clear Artist, 30 to 1 each Beaunero, Nirvana and Trencherman.

Saloon went away with the lead, Sacristan II., Dramatic and Footprint next in order. At the turn into the straight Sacristan II. closed with the leader and a great race home ensued, Saloon winning on the post by a head; three lengths between second and third; same distance between third and fourth. Time—1min. 43secs.

BENTINCK PLATE.—Rs. 1,000 to the winner, Rs. 300 to the second, and Rs. 200 to the third. For ponies 14-2 and under which have not won a flat race value Rs. 1,500 or upwards since 31st March 1904. Ponies 14-2 to carry 9st. 3lbs. W. I. 6 furlongs.

Mr. O. M. D. Bell's br e m Psalm, 9st. 13lbs.	Firth	1
Mr. J. D. Scott's b sth afr h Pat C., 9st 5lbs	Kaesen	2
Mr. J. C. Galstaun's b e g Silphoe, 9st. 10lbs.	Robinson	3
Mr. J. D. Scott's b aus m Duplex II., 9st. 10lbs.	Southall	4
Mr. Dartmoor's bk aus m Hazelnut, 9st. 3lbs.	O'Brien	0
Messrs Rodocanachi and Mackenzie's br aus g Bubble, 8st. 2lbs.	Fraser	0

(*Winner trained by Firth.*)

Totalisator paid Rs. 25 to win: Rs. 17 and Rs. 71 for places.

BETTING: 5 to 4 agst. Psalm, 2 to 1 Hazelnut, 6 to 1 each Silphoe and Duplex II. 10 to 1 Pat C., and 20 to 1 Bubble.

Psalm was quickest away with Pat C., Duplex II and Silphoe next. The leader was never headed and won easily by two and a half lengths; a length between second and third; half a length between third and fourth. Time—1min. 18⅘secs.

THE MAIDEN HORSE PLATE.—Rs. 1,500 to the winner, Rs. 300 to the second, and Rs. 200 to the third. For horses which were maidens on the 31st December, 1905, and which have not won a flat race value Rs. 1,100 or upwards since that date. W. A. and C. reduced 7lbs. 7 furlongs.

Hon. Mr. A. A. Apcar's br aus f Dea, 7st. 7lbs. (dec 3lbs.)	Vining	1
Mr. A. N. Dass' ch e m Carnival, 8st. 10lbs.	Kaesen	2
Mr. G. B. Deakin's ch e m Meadow Saffron, 9st. 3lbs.	Owner }	Dead heat.
Mr. Holmes' b e m Santa Maria, 9st. 3lbs.	Murdison }	
Mr. A. N. Dass' b e m Child Adopted, 8st. 10lbs	O'Brien	0
Mr. O. M. D. Bell's br aus h Mount Dane, 8st. 9lbs.	Firth	0
Mr. D. B. Myer's bk br e c Black Duke, 8st. 6lbs.	Lansdown	0
Messrs. Wood and Badger's br e f Mother Goose, 8st. 7lbs.	Bray	0
Mr. J. C. Galstaun's b e g Craigendarrie, 8st. 6lbs.	Robinson	0
Mr. R. D. Coggan's ch aus m Pallas, 7st. 4lbs.	Fraser	0

(*Winner trained by Watson.*)

Totalisator paid Rs. 20 to win: *First placed dividends* Rs. 13, Rs. 26. Rs. 13 Meadow Saffron, Rs. 25 Craigendarrie. *Second dividends* Rs. 11, Rs. 16. Rs. 11 Meadow Saffron, Rs. 11 Santa Maria.

BETTING: 2 to 1 agst Dea, 5 to 2 Santa Maria, 6 to 1 Meadow Saffron, 12 to 1 each Mount Dane and Mother Goose, 15 to 1 Child Adopted, 20 to 1 each Carnival, Craigendarrie and Pallas, 30 to 1 Black Duke.

Black Duke was first away, Dea, Santa Maria and Meadow Saffron most prominent of the other others. At the hospital corner Meadow Saffron took command, Santa Maria, Dea and Carnival in close attendance. There was a great race from the distance, Dea winning by a length. Carnival a head in front of the dead heaters Meadow Saffron and Craigendarrie were placed third. This was found to be a mistake and Santa Maria was substituted for Craigendarrie. Time—1min. 31⅘secs.

THE CORINTHIAN PLATE.—Rs. 1,000 to the winner, Rs. 300 to the second, and Rs 200 to the third. For horses which have not won a flat race value Rs. 1,500 or upwards since 31st March 1904. W. A. and C. reduced 7lbs. R. C. (1 mile 5 furlongs 48 yards).

Hon. Mr. A. A. Apcar's bk aus g Ballark, 9st. 2lbs.	Evans	1
Mr. J. C. Galstaun's br e m Sainte Marquise, 9st 6lbs.	Robinson	2
Mr. C. Pearson's bk aus g Lord Boyne, late Partyman, 8st. 10lbs.	Manly	3
Capt. Farquharson's br e m Nightingale, 9st. 10lbs.	Firth	4
Mr. J. C. Galstaun's b nth am g Riverside, II, 9st. 6lbs.	Vining	0
Mr. J. C. Galstaun's b e h Applause, 9st. 3lbs.	Melsom	0
Mr. Borner's b aus g Pennant, 8st. 7lbs.	Howie	0
Mr. J. D. Scott's b ch g Roseland, 7st. 3lbs.	Davis	0

(*Winner trained by Watson.*)

Totalisator paid Rs. 13 to win; Rs. 11, Rs. 12 and Rs. 40 for places.

BETTING: 5 to 4 on Ballark, 3 to 1 agst. Sainte Marquise, 8 to 1 Nightingale, 10 to 1 Roseland, 15 to 1 Applause, 20 to 1 each Riverside II, Low Boyne and Pennant.

Sainte Marquise and Applause went to the front and at the mile were joined by Nightingale, Riverside, II. Ballark and Lord Boyne in close attendance. At the old stand Lord Boyne took command but was quickly by Sainte Marquise, who led into the straight with Ballark and Lord Boyne at her heels. Nearing the distance Ballark caught the leaders and coming away won by two lengths easily; two lengths between second and third; three lengths between third and fourth. Time—3mins. 2⅘secs.

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First Day, Saturday, 1st December 1906.

THE autumn meeting opened this afternoon in the presence of a large gathering; H. H. the Lieutenant-Governor, Lady Thirkell-White and a large party from Government House being among those present The programme consisted of six events and the entries were big; sixteen turned out for the Griffin Plate and there were fifteen starters each in the Lilliput Plate and the Larrikin Plate. The Lieutenant-Governor's Cup produced a splendid finish, This One winning by a neck from Mascotte, who was a similar distance in front of the Bride. The presence of a mounted policeman on the course during the race resulted in an accident, Satina collided with the police horse and both the "Bobby" and Clarke were unseated Another accident occurred in the Autumn Plate, La France fell and broke her fore fetlock and was destroyed, but not till long after the races were over, there being no gun available (!) Details:—

THE LILLIPUT PLATE.—Rs 500 to the winner and Rs 100 to the second pony. A flat race for Burma-bred ponies, 12-2½, and under. 12-2½ to carry 9st. W. I About ¼ mile

Maung Oo's b bb m Chit Swe, 9st. 5lbs.	Maung Henry	1
Maung Thin's ch bb m Hla Nyun, 7st. 11lbs.	Po Khai	2
Maung Bah Khine's ca bb g Rajah Ram, 7st. 6lbs.	Po Youk	3
Mr. Burjorjee's b bb g Aung Gyaw, 8st. 4lbs. (car. 8st. 6lbs.)	Clarke	0
Maung Hla Maung's b bb g Good Boy, 9st. 5lbs.	Ba Thin	0
Maung Bah Yin's b bb m Yin Mai, 8st. 9lbs.	Mohamed	0
Mr. L. Tilly's g b g Myadoung, 8st. 4lbs. (car. 8st. 6lbs.)	Abdul	0
Ko Chan E.'s b bb g Sain Maung, 8st. 11lb.	Po Thet	0
Maung Chit Maung's b bb m Tsain Myaing, 8st 11lb.	Lu Oo	0
S. Po Young's b bb m Hla Min, 7st. 13lbs.	.....	0
Ahmed Madari's ch bb m Khorshed, 7st. 13lbs. (car. 8st. 2lbs.)	Oomer	0
Maung Po Tha's b bb g Pan Nyun, 7st. 11lbs. (car. 7st. 12lbs.)	Than Oo	0
Maung Po Myah's g bb m Blue Bell, 7st. 5lbs. (car. 7st 6lbs.)	Po Nyun	0
Mr. Torren's g bb m Sein Pu, 6st. 11lbs. (car. 7st. 10lbs.)	Maung Lin	0
Ko Po Ku's g bb g Pyin Zine, 6st. (car. 6st. 8lbs.)	Po Tun	0

Totalisator paid Rs. 221 to win; Rs. 20, Rs. 4 and Rs. 13 for places.

BETTING: 6 to 4 on Hla Nyun, 6 to 1 each agst. Chit Swe and Hla Min, 8 to 1 Rajah Ram, 10 to 1 each Aung Gyaw, Myadoung, Saing Maung, Tsain Myaing, Khorshed and Pan Nyun, 20 to 1 any other.

Won by half a length; a length between second and third. Time—58⅘secs.

THE AUTUMN PLATE.—Rs. 1,000 to the winner, Rs. 150 to the second, and Rs. 50 to the third pony. A flat race for English and Australasian ponies, 14 hands and under; and C.-B.'s 14-1 and under, and Arabs 14-2 and under, that have not won a flat race of the value of Rs. 2,500 or over, or flat races of the value of Rs. 200 or over amounting in the aggregate to Rs. 3,500 or over, outside of Burma since 1st April 1904. W. I. About 7 furlongs.

Mr. Burjorjee's br aus m Lorette, 9st. 5lbs.	Clarke	1
Mr. Mills' br e g Golcondah, 8st. 11lb.	Elliott	2
Mr. Bevill's br aus m Wattle Blossom, 8st. 7lbs.	Eusoof	3
Mr. Balthazar's b aus m Miss Beryl, 10st. 3lbs.	Torpey	0
Mr. Powell's b aus m La France, 9st. 5lbs.	Clarke	0

Totalizator paid Rs. 9 to win, and Rs. 10 and Rs. 7 over places.

BETTING: 2 to 1 on Lorette, 4 to 1 agst. Golcondah, 6 to 1 La France, 20 to 1 Miss Beryl, 30 to 1 Wattle Blossom.

Won in a canter by eight lengths; a length between second and third. Time—1min. 31secs.

THE LARRIKIN PLATE.—Rs. 1,000 to the winner, Rs. 150 to the second, and Rs. 50 to the third pony. A flat race for Griffin ponies, 14 hands and under, imported by the Stewards under the Griffin scheme, 14 hands to carry 9st. 7lbs. W. I. About 6 furlongs.

Maj. Penny's br aus g Rex, 10st. 10lbs.	Elliott	1
Mr. Bevill's ch aus g Tip Top, 9st. 5lbs.	Torpey	2
Oo Kin's b aus m Tsain Oo, 8st. 5lbs.	Maung Glay	3
Yeo Eng Pwa's b aus m Hla Mai, 10st.	Kyaw Zan Oo	0
Mr. Johns' br aus g Darketh, 10st. 3lbs.	Mr. Hope	0
Abdul Rahman's bk aus m Kemedine, 9st. 12lbs. (car. 9st. 13lbs.)	Po Tay	0
Mr. I. Tilly's ch aus g Rownuck, 9st. 9lbs.	Macmillan	0
Maung Chit Hline's b aus m Atalanta, 9st. 11lb.	Ba Tin	0
Miss Adamson's aus m Planet, 9st. (car. 9st. 11lb.)	Mr. Aldworth	0
Mr. George's b aus m Necklace, 9st.	Oomer	0
Mahomed Allauddeen's b aus g Estamboul, 9st	Md. Ebrahim	0
Mr. Kane's b aus m Ringdove, 9st.	Mr. Cullen	0
Mr. George's b aus m Josephine, 8st. 8lbs.	Williams	0
Maung Thu Wah's b aus m Thain Daw, 8st. 2lbs. (car. 8st. 3lbs.).	Po Kin	0
Ko Pe Lan's b aus m Thein Ryan, 8st. 2lbs.	Mahomed	0

Totalizator paid Rs. 10 over winner; and Rs. 11, Rs. 8, and Rs. 6 over places.

BETTING: 6 to 4 agst. Rex, 4 to 1 Tip Top, 5 to 1 each Darketh and Tsain Oo, 10 to 1 each Planet and Necklace, 20 to 1 the rest.

Won by two lengths, a length between second and third. Time—1min. 23⅘secs.

THE GRIFFIN PLATE.—Rs. 600 to the winner, Rs. 150 to the second, and Rs. 50 to the third pony. For Griffin ponies 14-0 and under, imported and drawn for in August, 1906, 14-0 to carry 9st. 7lbs, W. I. About ¼ mile.

Mr. R. A. Villa's d aus g Chieftain, 9st. 7lbs.	Oomer	1
Maung Tun Fin's bk aus g Doung Tsain, 7st. 8lbs. (car. 7st. 10lbs.)	Maung Glay	2
Mr. Burjorjee's b aus m Pansy, 7st. 11lbs. (car. 7st. 13lbs.)	Morrison	3
Maj. Penny's ch aus g Spearmint, 9st. 4lbs.	Po Mut	0
Mr. Cheong Tak's ch aus m Sea Breeze, 8st. 9lbs (car. 9st. 9lbs.)	Po Shoay	0
Mr. Maung Thin's b aus g Fortunatus, 9st. 7lbs.	Ba Tain	0
Yo Eng Pwa's b aus g Kya Nee, 9st. 7lbs.	Maung Gyi	0
Mr. Johns' b aus m Betty, 9st. 11b.	Mr. Cullen	0
Mr. I. Tilly's ch aus g Rownuck II., 8st. 12lbs. (car. 9st.)	Kyaw Zan Oo	0
Mr. Burjorjee's b aus m Pansy, 7st. 11lbs. (car 7st. 13lbs.)	Morrison	0
Capt. Williams' b aus g Pink Pills, 7st. 11lbs. (car. 7st. 13lbs.)	Watson	0
Maj. Penny's and Mr. Mills' bk aus g Fire Fly, 6st. 13lbs. (car. 7st. 12lbs.)	Boota Khan	0
Mr. Skelton's b aus g Amherst, 7st. 11lbs.	Bennett	0
Mr. Meyer's b aus m Eva, 7st. 11lbs.	Po Khai	0

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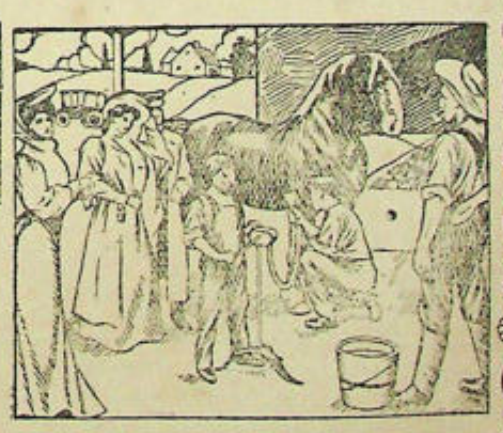

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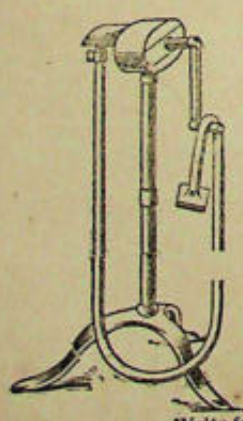

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Totalizator paid Rs. 33 to win; Rs. 10, Rs. 6 and Rs. 11 for places.

BETTING; 6 to 4 agst. Spearmint, 3 to 1 Chieftain, 5 to 1 Doung Tsain, 6 to 1 Pansy, 10 to 1 each Fortunatus and Kya Nee, 20 to 1 the rest.

Won by a neck; a length between second and third. Time—55½secs.

THE LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR'S CUP.—(A Cup valued at Rs. 500 presented by H. H. Sir Herbert Thirkell-White, K.C.I.E.,) and Rs. 2,000 from the Fund to the winner, Rs. 300 to the second and Rs. 200 to third pony.—A flat race for English and Australasian ponies, 13-2 and under, Arabs and C.-B.'s 13-3 and under W. I. About 1¼ mile.

Mr. Yeo Eng Byan's bl ro aus p This One, 9st. 4lbs. ... ... Po Mut 1
Mr. G. C. Balthazar's b aus m Mascotte, 9st. 10lbs. ... ... Torpey 2
Mr. L. Chin Tsong's br aus m The Bride, 9st. 11lb. ... ... Kyaw Zan Oo 3
Mr. H. Smith's b aus g Native, 7st. 9lbs. ... Bennett 0
Mr. Y. C Ariff's b aus m Edith, 8st. 8lbs.... Oomer 0
Mr. M. O'Brien's ch aus h Gladiator, 8st. 7lbs. ... ... Morrison 0
Mr. G. H. Bell's ch e m Money Box, 8st. 7lbs. (car. 8st. 9lbs.) ... ... Mr. Cullen 0
Mr. Burjorjee's ch aus m Satina, 8st. 4lbs. Clarke 0
Mr. J. Morris's b aus m Celia, 8st. 4lbs. ... Williams 0
Col. Frenchman's ch e m Vibrona, 8st. 11b. Elliott 0
Totalizator paid Rs. 16 to win, Rs. 6; Rs. 19 and Rs 7 for places.

BETTING: Evens This One, 6 to 4 agst. Satina, 6 to 1 each The Bride and Native, 7 to 1 Mascotte, 8 to 1 Celia, 20 to 1 Vibrona, 30 to 1 the rest.

Won by a neck; a neck between second and third. Time—2mins. 20⅘secs.

THE TRIAL PLATE.—Rs. 1,000 to the winner, Rs. 150 to the second, and Rs. 50 to the third pony. A flat race for Burma-bred ponies. 13-0¼ and under. 13-0¼ to carry 9st. 4lbs W. I. About 5 furlongs.

Tan Lwins's b bb g Aung Ban, 9st. 4lbs. ... Maung Glay 1
Mr. I. Tilly's b bh m Sein Kyaw Mai, 9st. Kusoof 2
Mr. Foy's ig bb m Velvet, 8st. 7lbs. (car. 8st. 9lbs.) ... ... Po Mut 3
Maung Po Than's b bb m Golandam, 10st. (car. 10st. 11b.) ... ... Po Tay 0
Mr. George's b bb m Tsain Chai, 9st. 11lbs. Oomer 0
Mr. Mohun Singh's ch bb g Sein Ban II., 9st. 5lbs. ... ... Ba Kin 0
Maung Bah Than's g bb g Kan Hline, 8st. 10lbs. (car. 8st. 13lbs.) ... ... Kyaw Zan Oo 0
Mr. Bell's ch bh g Chit Nyun, 8st. 12lbs. ... Mr. Cullen 0
Maung Po. Yee's bk bb g Jury, 8st. 9lbs. (car. 8st. 10lbs.) ... ... Maung Henry 0
Mr. George's g bb g Sein Myet Lone, 8st. 9lbs ... ... Williams 0
Maung Hla Maung's b bb p Good Boy, 8st. 7lbs. ... ... Ba Thin 0
Oo Hmine's b bb g Sein Pe, 8st. 5lbs. (car. 8st. 7lbs.) ... ... Po Thet 0
U. Toke Gyee's b bb m Sein Bwin, 8st. 3lbs. Maung Gyee 0
Totalizator paid Rs. 9 to win; Rs. 7, Rs. 36, Rs. 4 for places.

BETTING: 6 to 4 on Aung Ban, 4 to 1 agst. Velvet, 7 to 1 Kan Hline, 8 to 1 Tsain Chai, 10 to 1 each Sein Kyaw Mai, Chit Nyun, Good Boy, Sein Pe and Sein Bwin, 20 to 1 the rest.

Won by three lengths; one length between second and third. No time taken.

Second Day, Tuesday, 4th December 1906.

Good sport was witnessed by another big gathering to day. Seven races were down for decision, and there were large fields except in the Halpin Plate and in the Giant Plate. The Rangoon St. Leger was won by the favourite Aung Ban, after an exciting finish with Aye Saing, but favourites went down in most of the other events. Details:—

THE HALPIN PLATE.—Rs. 300 to the winner, Rs. 50 to the second. A flat race for Australian and English Ponies, 12-3 and under, Country-Breds and Arabs 13-0 and under, and Burma-breds 13-1 and under. W. I. About 1 mile.

Mr. Y. C. Ariff's ch aus g Dudley, 9st. ... Oomer 1
Mr. B. N. Burjorjee's b aus m Gwen, 10st. 4lbs. ... ... Clarke 2
Mr. B. N. Burjorjee's b aus m Queenie, 10st. 8lbs. ... ... Morrison 3
Mr. George's b bb g Aung Nyun, 7st. 5lbs. Chit Pe 0
Totalisator paid Rs. 68 to winner; Rs. 5 and Rs. 5 for places.

BETTING: 5 to 1 on Gwen, 6 to 1 agst. Queenie, 8 to 1 Dudley, 10 to 1 Aung Nyun.

Won by a length; three lengths between second and third. Time—1min. 58⅘secs.

THE MIDGET PLATE.—Rs. 500 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second, and Rs. 50 to the third pony. A flat race for Burma-bred Ponies, 12-2½ and under; 12-2½ to carry 9st. W. I. About 1 mile.

Mg. Ba Kyine's ch bb g Rajah Ram, 7st. ... Po Youk 1
Mr. Mg. Thin's ch bb g Hla Nyun, 7st. 9lbs. ... ... Po Khai 2
Mr. Burjorjee's b bb g Aung Gyaw, 8st. 4lbs. ... ... Clarke 3
Mr. Ismail Tilly's g bb g Myadoung, 8st. 6lbs. ... ... Eusoof 0
M.g Oo's b bb m Chit Swe, 9st. 10lbs. ... Mg. Henry 0
Ramzan's b bb m Sain Talone, 8st. 5lbs. (car. 8st. 6lbs.) ... ... Suban 0
Mr. S. Poo Yong's b bb m Hla Min, 7st. 11lbs. (car. 8st. 3lbs.) ... ... Lu Tay 0
Totalisator paid Rs. 9 to win; Rs. 6, Rs. 21 and Rs. 8 for places.

BETTING: 6 to 4 agst. Rajah Ram, 2 to 1 Sain Talone, 5 to 1 Hla Nyun, 10 to 1 Hla Min, 20 to 1 the rest.

Won by two lengths; ten lengths between second and third; two lengths between third and fourth. Time—2mins. 4⅘secs.

THE MEDIUM PLATE.—Rs. 1,000 to the winner, Rs. 150 to the second, and Rs 50 to the third pony. A flat race for English and Australasian Ponies, 13-2 and under, C.-B.'s and Arabs 13-3 and under. W. I. About 6 furlongs.

Mr. J. Morris's br aus m Celia, 8st. 4lbs. ... Williams 1
Mr. Burjorjee's ch aus m Satina, 8st. 4lbs. Clarke 2
Mr. H. Smith's b aus g Native, 7st. 9lbs. ... Bennett 3
Mr. L. Chin Tsong's br aus m The Bride, 9st. 11b. ... ... Kyaw Zan Oo 0
Mr. G. C. Balthazar's b aus m Mascotte, 10st. 6lbs. ... ... Torpey 0
Mr. Y. C. Ariff's br aus m Edith, 13st. 8lbs. Oomer 0
Mr. M. O'Brien's ch aus h Gladiator, 8st. 7lbs. ... ... Morrison 0
Mr. Pearson's br aus g Rhymer, 8st. 7lbs.... Watson 0
Col. Frenchman's ch e m Vibrona, 8st. 11b. Elliott 0
Oo Kin's b aus m Tsain Oo, 7st. 12lbs. ... Mg. Glay 0
Totalisator paid Rs. 32 to win; Rs. 13, Rs. 6 and Rs. 22 for places.

BETTING: 2 to 1 each agst. Satina and The Bride, 6 to 1 Celia, 8 to 1 Native, 10 to 1 each Tsain Oo and Mascotte, 20 to 1 any other.

Won by a couple of lengths; three lengths between second and third. Time—1min. 19secs.

THE IMPORTERS' PLATE.—Rs. 600 to the winner, Rs. 150 to the ecnd, and Rs. 50 to the third pony. A flat race for Griffin Ponies, 14-0 and under, imported by the Stewards and drawn for in August 1906. 14-0 to carry 9st. 7lbs. W. I. About 6 furlongs.

Mr. E. A. Villa's d aus g Chieftain, 10st. 7lbs. ... ... Oomer 1
Mg. Tun Tin's bk aus m Doung Tsain, 7st. 8lbs. (car. 7st. 11lbs.) ... ... Mg. Glay 2
Maj. Penny's ch aus g Spearmint, 9st. 4lbs. Po Mut 3
Ismail Tilly's ch aus m Rownuck II., 8st. 12lbs. ... ... — Eusoof 0
Mr. Burjorjee's b aus m Pansy, 7st. 11lbs. (car. 7st. 13lbs.) ... ... Morrison 0
Mr. Mg. Thin's b aus g Fortunatus, 9st. 7lbs. ... ... Po Khai 0
Mr. Yeo Eng Pwa's b aus g Kya Nee, 9st. 7lbs. ... ... Kyaw Zan Oo 0
Mr. Skelton's b aus g Amherst, 7st. 11lbs. (car. 8st. 11lbs.) ... ... Mr. Aldworth 0
Oo Thet Shay's b aus g Myah Maung, 8st. 6lbs. ... ... Mg Ni 0
Mr. George's bk aus m Dolly, 8st. 3lbs. ... Chit Pe 0
Capt. Williams's b aus g Pink Pills, 7st. 11lbs. (car. 8st. 6lbs.) ... ... Wood 0
Totalisator paid Rs. 4 to winner; Rs. 5, Rs. 6 and Rs. 13 for places.

BETTING: Evens Doung Tsain, 3 to 1 Chieftain, 6 to 1 Spearmint, 10 to 1 Pansy, 20 to 1 the rest.

Won by a length and a half comfortably; two lengths between second and third.

THE RANGOON ST. LEGER.—A Cup value Rs. 500 and Rs. 2,000 to the winner, Rs. 300 to the second, and Rs. 200 to the third pony. A flat race for Burma-bred ponies, 13-0½ and under; 13-0½ to carry 9st. 4lbs. W. I. About 9 furlongs.

Mr. Tan Lwin's b ib g Aung Ban, 9st. 8lbs. Mg. Glay 1
Mr. Lat's d bb m Aye Saing, 9st. 11b. ... Po Kai 2
Mr. Ramzan's b bb m Sain Talone, 7st. 7lbs. (car. 7st. 13lbs.) ... ... Suban 3
Mr. Burjorjee's b bb m Juno, 8st. 7lbs. ... Clarke 0
Mr. Foy's g bb m Velvet, 8st. 7lbs. (car. 9st. 6lbs.) ... ... Hyder 0
E. Raman's b bb g Mandalay, 8st. 11lbs. ... Ba Khin 0
Mg. Po Yee's bk bb g Jury, 8st. 9lbs. ... Mg. Henry 0
Mr. George's g bb g Sein Myet Lone, 8st. 9lbs. (car. 8st. 13lbs.) ... ... Mr. Cullen 0
Mg. Hla Maung's b bb p Good Boy, 8st. 7lbs. ... ... Ba Tin 0
Mr. Foy's b bb g Kya Bwa, 8st. 7lbs. (car 8st. 11lbs.) ... ... Macmillan 0
Mr. Kluseman's b bb m Ruby, 8st. 7lbs. (car. 8st. 8lbs.) ... ... Po Mut 0
Ko. Po Oh's ch bb g Kya Gyee, 8st. 7lbs. (car. 8st. 12lbs.) ... ... Tso Min 0
Mr. O'Hearn's ig bb g Ally Sloper, 7st. 9lbs. Ba Nyun 0
Mr. George's ch bb m Lassie, 7st. 5lbs. (car. 7st. 6lbs.) ... ... Chit Pe 0
Totalisator paid Rs. 14 to winner; Rs. 8, Rs 9 and Rs. 33 for places.

BETTING: 2 to 1 each agst. Aung Ban, Aye Saing and Ruby, 6 to 1 Juno, 15 to 1 Kya Bwa, 20 to 1 Sain Talone, 30 to 1 each Sein Myet Lone, Good Boy and Lassie; 50 to 1 the rest.

Won by half a length; four lengths dividing second and third. Time—2mins. 1⅘secs.

THE ROADSTER PLATE.—Rs. 1,000 to the winner, Rs. 150 to the second, and Rs 50 to the third pony. A flat race for ponies 14-0 and under, imported by the Stewards under the Griffin scheme, 14-0 to carry 9st. 7lbs. W. I. About 1¼ miles.

Mr. E. Johns' br aus g Darketh, 10st. 3lbs. Mr. Hope 1
Mr. Bevill's ch aus g Tip Top, 9st. 5lbs ... Williams 2
A. Rahman's bk aus m Kemmendine, 10st. Po Tay 3
Yeo Eng Pwa's b aus m Hla Mai, 10st. ... Kyaw Zan Oo 0
Mr. George's b aus m Necklace, 9st. (car. 9st. 11b.) ... ... Mr. Cullen 0
A. Wahab's d aus m Zernigar, 8st. 9lbs. ... Oomer 0
Oo Kin's b aus m Tsain Oo, 8st. 5lbs. ... Po Yong 0
Ko Pe Lan's b aus m Thein Byan, 8st. 2lbs. Mahomed 0
Totalisator paid Rs. 26 to win; Rs. 6 and Rs. 25 for places.

BETTING: 6 to 4 on Tip Top, 3 to 1 agst. Darketh, 10 to 1 the rest.

Won by a length; two lengths between second and third. Time—2mins. 2½secs.

THE GIANT PLATE.—Rs. 2,000 to the winner, Rs. 300 to the second, and Rs. 200 to the third pony. A flat race for English and Australasian Ponies, 14-0 and under, C.-B's. 14-1 and under and Arabs 14-2 and under that have not won a flat race of the value of Rs. 2,500 or over, or flat races of the value of Rs. 200 or over, amounting in the aggregate to Rs. 3,500 or over, outside of Burma since 1st April 1904. W. I. About 1¼ miles.

Mr. Burjorjee's br aus m Lorette, 9st. 5lbs. Clarke 1
Mr. R. Bevill's br aus m Wattle Blossom, 8st. 11lbs. ... ... Eusoof 2
Maj. Penny's br aus g Rex, 8st. 4lbs. ... Elliott 3
Totalisator paid Rs. 7 to winner.

BETTING: 5 to 1 Lorette, 4 to 1 agst. Rex, 10 to 1 Wattle Blossom.

Won hands down by four lengths; eight dividing second and third. Time—2mins. 25⅘secs.

Third Day, Thursday, 6th December, 1906.

Though there was not such a big gathering as on the two previous days the sport provided this afternoon was the best seen in Rangoon for many years. Two dead heats—in the Stewards' Handicap and the Griffin Handicap. An unpleasant incident occurred in the Champion Handicap. Eusoof struck Elliot with his whip and was had up before the Stewards. Details:—

THE MEDIUM HANDICAP.—Rs. 300 to the winner, Rs 50 to the second. For English and Australasian ponies, 12-3 and under, C.-B's and Arabs 13-0 and under, and B.-B.'s-13-1 and under. About 6 furlongs.

Mr. B. N. Burjorjee's b aus m Gwen, 10st. 4lbs ... ... Clark 1
Mr. Y. C. Ariff's ch aus g Dudley, 8st. 7lbs. Oomer 2
Mr. B. N. Burjorjee's b aus m Queenie, 9st. 4lbs. ... ... Morrison 3
Mr. George's b bb g Aung Nyoon, 6st. 7lbs. (car. 6st. 8lbs.) .. ... Po Hytoon 0
Totalisator paid Rs. 13 to win and Rs. 12 and Rs. 4 for places.

BETTING: 6 to 4 on Gwen, 2 to 1 agst. Dudley, 4 to 1 Queenie, 15 to 1 Aung Nyoon.

Won by two lengths; three lengths between second and third. Time—1min. 26½secs.

THE MIDGET HANDICAP.—Rs. 500 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second. For Burma-bred ponies, 12-2½ and under. About 6 furlongs.

Maung Ba Kyine's ch bb g Rajah Ram, 7st. 10lbs. ... ... Po Youk 1
Mr. S. Poo Yong's b bb m Hla Min, 7st. 2lbs. (car. 7st. 3lbs.) ... ... Ba Nyun 2
Ahmed Modary's ch bb m Khorshed, 7st. (car. 7st. 11b.)... ... ... Mahomed 3
Maung Oo's b bb m Chit Swe, 9st. 2lbs. ... Maung Henry 0
Mr. Ramzan's b bb m Sain Talone, 9st. 7lbs. ... ... Suban 0
Mr. Burjorjee's b bb g Aung Gyaw, 7st. 11lbs. (car. 7st. 13lbs.) ... ... Morrison 0
Mr. Ismail Tilly's g bb g Myadaung, 7st. (car. 7st. 3lbs.) ... ... Po Khai 0
Mr. Maung Po Tha's b bb g Pan Nyun, 6st. 10lbs. (car. 7st. 11b.) ... Ko Nyun 0
Po Myah's g bb m Blue Bell, 6st. 7lbs. (car 6st. 9lbs.) ... ... Po Tun 0
Mr. E. Tilly's b bb m A One, 6st. 7lbs. (car. 6st. 12lbs.) ... ... Gunga 0
Totalizator paid Rs. 5 to win and Rs. 7½ Rs. 8 and Rs. 52 for places.

BETTING: 6 to 4 on Raja Ram, 3 to 1 agst. Sain Talone, 10 to 1 each Hla Min and Myadaung, 20 to 1 the rest.

Won by two lengths; four lengths between second and third. Time—1min. 31⅘secs.

THE STAND HANDICAP.—Rs. 500 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second. For English and Australasian ponies, 13-2 and under, and C.-B.'s and Arabs 13-3 and under. About 1 mile.

Mr. Chin Tsong's br aus m The Bride, 9st. Kyaw Zan Oo, 1
Mr. J. Morris's br aus m Celia, 9st. Torpey 2
Mr. H. Smith's b aus g Native, 8st. 2lbs. ... Bennett 3
Mr. Y. C. Ariff's br aus m Edith 7st. (car. 7st. 3lbs.) ... ... Po Khai 0
Totalizator paid Rs. 16 to win and Rs. 7 and Rs. 8 over places.

BETTING: 6 to 4 agst. the Bride, 4 to 1 each Celia and Native, 10 to 1 Edith.

Won by a length; four lengths dividing second and third. Time—1min 51⅘secs.

THE STEWARDS' HANDICAP.—Rs. 500 to the winner Rs. 100 to the second. For Griffins 14-0 and under that had run at the meeting. About 5 furlongs.

Mr. I. Tilly's ch aus m Rownuck II., 8st. 2lbs. ... ... Morrison } D. H.
Mg. Thin's b aus g Fortunatus, 8st. 2lbs. ... Po Khay }
Mr. E. A. Villa's d aus g Chieftain, 10st. 12lbs. ... ... Oomer 3
Mg. Tun Tin's bk aus m Doung Tsain, 7st. 8lbs. (car. 7st. 11lbs.) ... ... Maung Glay 0
Maj Penny's ch aus g Spearmint, 9st. ... Po Mut 0
Mr. Burjorjee' b aus m Pansy, 7st. 6lbs. ... Bennett 0
Yeo Eng Pwa's b aus m Kya Nee, 7st. 10lbs. (car. 7st. 11lbs.) ... ... Mg. Gyi 0
Mr. E. John's b aus m Betty, 7st. 7lbs. ... Ba Nyun 0
Maung Tun Myaing's b aus g Troutbeck, 7st. 4lbs. ... ... Po Chin 0
Mr. George's bk aus m Dolly, 6st. 7lbs. (car. 6st. 8lbs.) ... ... Po Hytoon 0
Totalizator paid Rs. 18 per ticket on each of the dead heaters and Rs 9, 28 and 7 for places.

BETTING: Evens Chieftain, 3 to 1 agst. Fortunatus, 4 to 1 Spearmint, 10 to 1 Rownuck II, 20 to 1 each Doung Tsain, Betty and Pansy, any price the rest.

A dead heat for first place: Chieftain beaten; a neck third. Time—1min 10secs.

THE GRIFFIN HANDICAP.—Rs 500 to the winner Rs. 100 to the second. For all Griffins, 14-0 and under. About 1 mile.

Mr. Bevill's ch aus g Tip Top, 8st. 12lbs. ... ... Torpey } D. H.
Mr. E. John's br aus g Darketh, 10st. 7lbs. Mr. Hope }
Miss Adamson's b aus m Planet, 8st. ... Oomer 3
U. Kin's b aus m Tsain Oo, 8st. 2lbs. ... Mg. Glay 0
Mr. A. Rahman's bk aus m Kemendine, 9st. 2lbs. ... ... Md. Ebrahim 0
Major Penny's br aus g Rex, 10st. 10lbs. ... Elliott 0
Yeo Eng Pwa's b aus m Hla Mai, 9st. ... Kyaw Zan Oo 0
Mr. Kane's b aus m Ring Dove, 8st. 4lbs. ... Morrison 0
Mr. George's b aus m Necklace, 8st. ... Chit Pe 0
Maung Ba Thaik's ch aus m Aye Myah, 7st. 7lbs. (car. 7st. 8lbs.) ... ... Po Kin 0
Mr. Williams' b aus m Naughty Girl, 6st. 7lbs. (car. 6st. 11lbs.) ... ... Gunga 0
Totalizator paid Rs. 6 per ticket over dead heaters, Rs. 6, 6 and 43 for places.

BETTING: 6 to 4 agst. Tip Top, 3 to 1 each Rex and Darketh 6 to Tsain Oo. 10 to 1 the rest.

A dead heat for first place; Planet, a length off, third. Time—1min. 54⅘secs.

The dead heat was run off after the last race and resulted in the ponies running a second dead heat in 2min. 2½secs.

THE CHAMPION HANDICAP.—Rs. 500, to the winner Rs. 100 to the second. For Burma-bred ponies 13-0¼ and under. About 7 furlongs.

Maung Po Thain's b bb m Goolandam, 8st. 12lbs. ... ... Po Mut 1
Mr. George's b bb m Tsain Chai, 8st. 9lbs. Elliott 2
Mohun Singh's ch bb g Sein Ban II., 8st.... Mg. Glay 3

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Maung Hla Maung's b bb p Good Boy, 8st. Po Khai 0
Mr. Bell's cb bb g Chit Nyun, 7st. 10lbs. ... Po Chin 0
Mr. George's g bb g Sein Myet Lone, 7st. 6lbs. ... . Chit Pe 0

Totalizator paid Rs. 11 over winner ; Rs. 6, 9 and 8 for places.

BETTING : 2 to 1 agst. Goolandam, and 3 to 1 Sein Ban II, 4 to 1 Sein Kyaw Mai and Kya Bwa, 10 to 1 the rest.

Won by two lengths same between second and third. Time —1min. 45secs.

THE KOKINE HANDICAP—Rs. 510 to the winner. For English and Australasian ponies, 14-0 and under. About 1 mile.

Mr. B. Beville's br aus m Wattle Blossom, 8st. 7lbs ... .. Torpey 1
Mr. Burjorjee's b aus m Miss Beryl, 9st. 7lbs. ... ... Hyder 0

Totalizator paid Rs. 7.

BETTING : 3 to 1 on Wattle Blossom, 2 to 1 agst. Miss Beryl.

Won by seven lengths. Time—1mins 56secs.

HYDERABAD SKY MEETING.

Thursday, 6th December 1906.

AN interesting little meeting was held this afternoon when some good sport was witnessed. The and of H. H. the Nizam was in attendance and the officers of the Regular Forces were "At Home." Captain Bonifacio is to be congratulated on the success of his efforts. Results :—

THE HURDLE PLATE.—Rs. 49, and Rs. 25 to the second. For ponies. 1 mile over 5 flights of hurdles.

Mr. J. G. North-Bomford's br cb p Peter Pan ... ... Pte. Wilson 1
Nawab Furkunda Hussain Khan's g a h Tarbund ... ... Saye 2
Mr. Nazir Beg's blk aus m Investment ... Pearson 3

BETTING : 5 to 2 each agst. Investment and Tarbund, and 4 to 1 Peter Pan.

Won by half a neck ; a length between second and third. Time—2mins 6secs.

THE COLONIALS.—Rs. 49, and Rs. 25 to the second. For horses. 6 furlongs.

Capt. G. H. Hodgkinson's br aus g Tappington, 10st. 11lbs. ... ... Owner 1
Capt. H. H. Tudor's b aus g Dartmoor, 10st. 4lbs. ... ... Owner 2

Won easily. Time—1min. 24⅘secs.

THE ASIATIC STAKES.—Rs. 49, and Rs. 25 to the second. For Arab and C.-B. Ponies 14-1 and under. 4 furlongs.

Mr. M. R. K. Hodgson's g a g Sea Mew, 9st. 6lbs. ... ... Pte. Wilson 1
Mr. H. C. Jeddere Fisher's b a h Play Boy, 10st. 4lbs. ... ... Owner 2
Mr. C. E. Tayleur's b a h White Face, 11st. 2lbs. ... ... Mr. Ritchie 3

Also ran : Soheil, 10-4 ; Comely, 10-2 ; Saood, 8-0.

BETTING : 3 to 1 each agst. White Face and Sea Mew, 4 to 1 Saood, 5 to 1 Play Boy, and 6 to 1 the others.

Won by three lengths ; one and a half lengths dividing second and third. Time—56⅖secs.

THE CHUDDERGHAUT PURSE.—Rs. 49, and Rs. 25 to the second. For Ponies 14-2 and under. 4 furlongs.

Mr. M. Nazir Beg's blk aus m Investment, 10st. 11lbs. ... ... Pearson 1
Capt. G. H. Hodgkinson's br aus m Honeymoon, 10st. 9lbs. ... ... Owner 2
Mr. Mushtak Hoosain's b a h Salvation, 10st. 5lbs. ... ... Mr. Stubbs 3

Also ran : Charles Edward, 9-1 ; Plume, 7-1.

BETTING : 3 to 1 each agst. Charles Edward and Investment. 2 to 1 Honeymoon, 19 to 1 Plume.

Won by a short head ; three lengths dividing the second and third. Time—56secs.

THE BEDOUIN PLATE.—Rs. 49, and Rs. 25 to the second, For Arabs. 6 furlongs.

Capt. G. H. Hodgkinson's br a h Lawyer, 9st. 10lbs. ... ... Capt. Tudor 1
Mr. H. C. Jeddere Fisher's b a h Chieftain, 9st. ... ... Mr. Holt 2
Mr. C. E. Tayleur's b a h White Face, 11st. 8lbs. .. ... Mr. Ritchie 3

Also ran : Ameer, 9-10 ; Ekram, 9-10.

BETTING : 3 to 2 White Face, 10 to 1 Ameer, 15 to 1 Ekram, 25 to 2 Lawyer, and 4 to 1 Chieftain.

Won easily by five lengths ; ten lengths dividing the second and third. Time—27⅕secs.

THE MALLET STAKES.—Rs. 49, and Rs. 25 to the second. For *bonâ fide* polo ponies. 3 furlongs

Capt. G. H. Hodgkinson's b a h Afghanistan, 9st. 10lbs. ... ... Capt. Tudor 1
Capt. Hely Hutchingson's br c b m Comely, 10st. 6lbs. ... ... Pte. Wilson 2
Capt. Habib Boobakker's ba h Duldul, 10st. 11lbs. ... ... Jahangir Beg 3

Also ran : Honeymoon, 11-12 ; Norval, 10-8 ; Tarbund, 10 5.

BETTING : 1 to 2 on Afghanistan, evens Honeymoon, 7 to 1 Comely, 8 to 1 Tarbund, 10 to 1 Duldul, and 15 to 1 Norval.

Won by three lengths ; one length dividing second and third. Time—42secs.

RAWALPINDI SECOND OPEN GYMKHANA.

Friday, 30th November 1906.

APPENDED are the results of the Gymkhana held this afternoon :—

CHARGER STAKES.—Winner Rs. 49, second Rs. 15, and third Rs. 5. For all chargers owned or hired by officers, who have been regularly ridden on parade. Weights 12st. C.-B's allowed 1st., Arabs 2 st. 5 furlongs.

Mr. H. P. Chaplin's Myrtle, 12st. ... Owner 1
Mr. C. H. Peto's Melody, 12st. ... Mr. Fielding 2
Mr. T. Kennedy's Little Titch, 12st. ... Owner 3

Also ran : Bombay, Runaway Girl, Nautch Girl and Ugly.

Won by ten lengths, pulling up ; one length between second and third. Time—1min. 8⅕secs.

ARAB TRIALS.—Winner Rs. 49, second Rs. 15, and third Rs. 5. A handicap for Arab ponies 14-1 and under. 6 furlongs.

Capt. O. Winter's Whirlwind, 9st. 3lbs. ... Owner 1
Mr. T. Kennedy's Marsh, 10st. 3lbs. ... Owner 2
Major Moor's Gendarme, 9st. 7lbs. ... Tally 3

Also ran : Nadim, Lordling and Freckles.

Won by one length ; half a length between second and third. Time—1min. 28secs.

PONY HURDLES.—Winner Rs. 49 and second Rs. 15. For maiden Arab and C.-B. ponies 14-2 and under, and others 14 hands and under, that have never won a race value Rs. 50 or over. Arabs C and C.-B.'s 14st. 2lbs. others 14-0 to carry 12st. W. I. 1½ miles over 6 flights.

Lieut.-Col. R. Pringle's Maggie Lauder, 11st. 8lbs. ... ... Capt. Price 1
Capt. E. Campion's Pride II., 11st. 8lbs. ... Owner 2
Capt. Morgan's Brennan, 9st. 10lbs. ... Mr. Ewart 3

Also ran : Assam.

Won by one length easily. Time—3mins. 14secs.

ST. ANDREW STEEPLECHASE—Winner Rs. 49 and second Rs. 15. For maiden horses which are *bonâ fide* and unconditionally the property of and to be ridden by British Officers of His Majesty's Services on full pay. W. A. and C. raised 3st. Penalties—Winners once 5lbs., three times and oftener 1st. 1½ miles.

Mr. W. O. Gibbs's The Marquis, 12st. 3lbs. Owner 1
Capt. Price's Monte, 12st. 3lbs. ... Owner 2
Major J. Vaughan's Vedette, 12st. 3lbs. ... Owner 3

Also ran : Diable and Sheikh.

Won by three lengths easily ; half a length between second and third. Time—3mins. 3secs.

COUNTRY-BRED RACE.—Winner Rs. 49, second Rs. 15, and third Rs. 5. For C.-B. ponies 14-2 and under, 14-2 to carry 11st. 7lbs. W. I. Penalties—Winners of a race value Rs. 200 or over 4lbs. in addition. Allowances—Ponies that have never won a race, Gymkhana or otherwise, allowed 7lbs. 5 furlongs.

Col. R. Pringle's Ailsa Craig, 10st. 2lbs. ...Capt. Campion 1
Mr. T. Kennedy's Adalina, 11st. 5lbs. ... Owner 2
Mr. W. O. Gibbs' Richmond, 11st. 7lbs. ... Owner 3

Also ran : Shamrock, Witchcraft, Kitty, Damosel and Cherie.

Won by one length. Time—1min. 9secs.

THE BOOKMAKERS' GIFT.—Winner Rs. 49, second Rs. 15, and third Rs. 5. Arabs 14-1 to carry 9st., C.-B.'s 14-1 to carry 10st., and others 14-1 to carry 11st. 10lbs. W. I. Penalties—Winners of a race value Rs. 50 or over once 3lbs., twice 7lbs., three times 10lbs. Allowances—Ponies that have never won a race value Rs. 50 or over allowed 7lbs. ½ mile.

Mr. J. Smith and Capt. Winter's Arina, 10st. 10lbs. ... ... Capt. Winter 1
Mr. H. P. Chaplin's Lady Virginia, 10st. 3lbs. ... ... Mr. Kennedy 2
Col. Doran's Lucky Bell, 9st. 10lbs. ... Native 3

Also ran : Cock O'th'North, Fairy, Lodestar, Daffodil.

Won by four lengths. Time—54secs.

THE POLO SCURRY.—Winner Rs. 49, second Rs. 15, and third Rs. 5. For *bonâ fide* Arab polo ponies (I. P. A. Certificates accepted), C. W. 11st. 7lbs. 3 furlongs.

Mr. W. Williams's Freckles, 11st. 7lbs. ... Owner 1
Mr. C. Wilson's Ring Master, 11st. 7lbs. ... Mr. Fielding 2
XI. K. E. O. Lancers' Cockatrix, 11st. 7lbs. ... ... Capt. Price 3

Also ran : Akolia, Hoosainee, Non Plus, Ruccus, Mokla, and Discount.

Won by three lengths easy ; half a length between second and third. Time—not taken.

THE BANGALORE GYMKHANA RACES.

Saturday, 8th December 1906.

THERE was a lot of fun to-day, including two good finishes. In several instances fields were quite good and there were four or five "G. R.'s" distinctly above the average. One of these was Mr. Burmester, a young officer who has not been much heard of in this line hitherto. But he rode an uncommonly well-judged race on Boris, and will probably make his mark by and bye. Colonel O'Brien and the officers of the 14th Hussars were "At Home," and Colonel Jones, Colonel Brereton, Major Stephen, Mr. Pidgeon and Mr. Gwyer assisted very kindly in the offices of Starter, Time-keeper, Judge, Clerk of the Scales, and Honorary Secretary. Results :—

THE POLO SCURRY.—(For English and T. S. A. ponies). 2½ furlongs.

Maj. R. N. Hayes' ch aus g Bushranger, 11st. 11b. ... ... Col. Armstrong 1
Capt. J. B. Walker's b sth af g Tom Tucker, 11st. 4lbs. ... ... Maj. Tottenham 2

BETTING : 2 to 1 on Bushranger.

Won from start to finish by two lengths. No time taken.

THE HOSUR SCURRY.—(Handicap for Horses.) ½ mile.

Mr. P. Hannygton's bk aus g Black Knight, 11st. 7lbs ... ...Mr. Strickland 1
Capt. the Hon'ble H. E. Joicey's b aus g Achilles, 10st. 9lbs. ... ... Owner 2
Capt. R. W. Hewitt's b aus m Tina, 10st. 9lbs. ... ... Mr. Villiers 3

BETTING : 4 to 1 on Black Knight and 6 to 4 each the others.

Won in a canter by four or five lengths. Time—59secs.

THE ARAB POLO SCURRY —(For Arab Polo Ponies.) 2½ furlongs.

Col. Connolly's br a h Mauser, 10st. 12lbs. Mr. Spinks 1
Capt. J. A. White's g a h Charley II., 11st. 2lbs. ... ... Col. Armstrong 2
Mr. L. Phillips' g a h Once More, 10st. 6lbs. Mr. Neave 3
Mr. E J. Bridges' g a h Ché, 11st. 7lbs. ... Owner 0
Mr. S. W. R. Mewburn's g a g The Cat, 11st. 7lbs. ... ... Owner 0
Mr. L. Phillips' g a h Glamour, 10st. 9lbs. Owner 0

BETTING : 2 to 1 on Mauser, 2 to 1 each agst. Ché, Charley II., and Once More, 3 to 1 The Cat, and 5 to 1 Glamour.

Won easily by three lengths ; two and a half lengths between second and third. Time—36⅘secs.

THE BANGALORE CHASE.—(Handicap for horses.) 1½ miles over S. C.

Mr. H. Carnes' b aus g Boris, 10st. 10lbs. ...Mr. Burmester 1
Maj. A. E. W. Barnard's b aus g Mosquito, 11st. ... ... Owner 2
Mr. A. E. Featherstonhaugh's ch aus g Boomerang, 10st. 5lbs. ... ... Owner 3

Won by two lengths. Time—3mins. 17⅕secs.

THE MYSORE HANDICAP.—(For ponies.) 5 furlongs.

Capt. T. R. Walker's b s afr g Tom Tucker, 9st. 12lbs. ... ... Maj. Tottenham 1
Mr. A. J. Gwyer's g aus g Piscator, 10st. 7lbs. ... ... Maj. Barnard 2

BETTING : 4 to 1 on Piscator and 2 to 1 agst. Tom Tucker.

Won in a common canter by about five lengths. No time taken.

THE GYMKHANA PLATE.—(Handicap for horses.) 1½ mile.

Mr. C. W. Spink's b aus g The Gander, 11st. 4lbs. ... ... Owner 1
M. A. G. Gwyer's b aus g David, 11st. 13lbs. ... ... Major Barnard 2
Major C. B. Tottenham's br aus g Roger, 10st. 4lbs. .. .. Owner 3
Mr. P. Hannygton's b aus g Advance, 12st. 4lbs ... ...Mr. Strickland 0
Mr. G. K. Mason's b aus g Conundrum, 10st. 12lbs. ... ... Owner 0
Mr. S. R. W. Mewburn's blk aus g Porthos, 10st. ... ... Owner 0

BETTING : 2 to 1 on Advance, 6 to 4 agst. David, 2 to 1 The Gander, 3 to 1 Roger, and 5 to 1 Porthos or Conundrum.

Won by a length ; half a length between second and third. Time—2mins. 29⅘secs.

THE MAMELUKE PLATE.—(Handicap for Arab ponies). 6 furlongs.

Mr. Aga Abdoolah's b a h Nippon, 11st. 11lbs. ... .. Mr. Strickland 1
Capt. J. A. White's b a h Little Prince, 10st. 4lbs. ... ... Mr. Spinks 2
Mr. L. Phillips' g a h Once More. 10st. ... Mr. Neave 3
Maj. C. B. Tottenham's b a h Delight, 11st. 4lbs. ... ... Owner 0
Mr. L. Phillips' g a h Glamour, 9st. 7lbs. ... Owner 0
Mr. E. J. Bridge's g a h Ché, 10st. ... Owner 0

BETTING : 2 to 1 on Nippon, 7 to 4 agst. Delight, 2 to 1 Once More, and 5 to 1 the others.

The verdict was a neck ; three lengths between second and third. Time—1min. 34⅘secs.

RIDING STATISTICS.

Compiled from 1st April to 29th November 1906.

WINNING JOCKEYS.

Name.	Wins.	Second.	Third.	Unplaced.	Total.
Robinson	34	28	18	47	127
A. Hoyt	32	26	14	79	151
Barrett	22	12	16	22	72
Evans	20	11	14	35	80
Williams	17	7	3	26	53
Southall	14	21	13	39	87
Kamad	11	9	10	40	70
Heeroo	9	10	10	58	87
Oomer Khan ...	8	5	4	31	48
Vining	7	16	15	34	72
Baichan	7	12	7	24	50
Lansdowne ...	7	4	4	8	23
Bond	6	6	6	6	24
Robertson	6	5	2	17	30
Murdison	6	2	3	11	22
Melsom	5	12	8	47	72
Bray	4	4	5	16	29
McQuade	4	3	3	10	20
Taylor	4	2	3	19	28
P. Morrison ...	4	2	...	6	12
Po Kai	4	2	...	2	8
Hard	3	7	1	7	18
Forster	3	3	2	13	21
R. Fraser	3	2	2	8	15
R. Morrison ...	3	2	2	6	13
Smallman	3	1	...	3	7
Shweban	3	...	...	1	4
Firth	2	5	3	10	20
Shelldrake ...	2	4	2	10	18
Northmore ...	2	3	3	6	14
Meah Jan	2	3	2	6	13
Norman	2	2	4	3	11
Fisher	2	2	3	13	20
Po Kan	2	2	...	1	5
Bogie Singh ...	2	2	...	...	4
O'Brien	2	1	3	19	25
Ames	1	4	7	23	35
Alexander ...	1	3	3	...	7
W. White	1	3	1	17	22
Sunthajee Bao ...	1	2	1	2	6
Churchward ...	1	2	6	19	28
Davis	1	1	7	14	23
Kyaw Zan Oo ...	1	1	3	1	6
Mungroo	1	1	2	5	9
F. Clarke	1	1	1	4	7
Penton	1	1	1	...	3
T. White	1	1	...	8	10
Eli	1	1	...	4	6
Nama	1	1	...	4	6
Po Tun	1	1	...	1	3
Hashim	1	1	...	1	3
Bai Ram	1	1	...	1	3
Thomas	1	...	2	2	5
Pouk Tun	1	...	1	...	2
Hyder	1	...	1	...	2
Bennett	1	...	...	28	29
Toe	1	...	...	6	7
Mujeed	1	...	...	5	6
Oomer	1	...	...	3	4
Corpl. Murray ...	1	...	...	3	4
Jodha	1	...	...	2	3
Moonee Singh ...	1	...	...	...	1
Po Thain	1	...	...	...	1

WINNING GENTLEMEN RIDERS.

Name.	Wins.	Second.	Third.	Unplaced.	Total.
Hon. D. Bingham ...	17	12	4	18	51
Capt. O. Winter ...	15	8	10	15	48
Mr. Furnell ...	14	13	9	18	54
Capt. A. S. Toogood ...	13	8	3	5	29
Mr. Elgee	8	5	10	9	32
Mr. G. W. Williams ...	8	1	4	6	19
Capt. Hughes ...	7	4	5	3	19
Mr. B. N. Abbay ..	7	4	1	2	14
Capt. Dent	6	4	4	3	17
Mr. C. E. Reynard ...	6	3	13	14	36
Mr. Morris... ...	6	2	1	1	10
Mr. T. G. Evers ...	5	8	3	13	29
Capt. Meynell ...	5	4	2	7	18
Mr. Day	5	3	1	8	17
Capt. Palin ...	5	2	...	4	11
Capt. Cullen ...	5	1	...	...	6
Mr. Deane	4	6	3	9	22
Capt. F. W. Barrett ...	4	6	1	2	13
Major England ...	4	2	2	6	14
Mr. Deakin ...	4	...	4	6	14
Mr. Middleton ...	3	3	3	2	11
Mr. P. Fischer ...	3	3	2	5	13
Mr. Cooper... ...	3	3	1	5	12
Mr. A. S. Barrow ...	3	2	1	6	12
Major Barnard ...	3	1	...	3	7
Mr. R. R. Forbes ...	3	...	...	2	5
Mr. Evans	2	9	5	12	28
Mr. Gordon ...	2	4	3	4	13
Capt. Spencer ...	2	3	...	1	6
Capt. Pinney ...	2	2	3	2	9
Mr. Monteith ...	2	2	2	9	15
Capt. F. Bennett ...	2	2	1	...	5
Capt. Day	2	1	6	13	22
Major Swan ...	2	1	3	6	12
Capt. Marriott ...	2	1	3	...	6
Mr. Passy	2	1	2	10	15
Mr. Beaumont ...	2	1	...	1	4
Mr. J. C. Galstaun ...	2	...	5	8	15
Mr. Dudley ...	2	...	3	9	14
Mr. S. Webster ...	2	2	...	3	7
Capt. Watson ...	2	2	...	3	7
Mr. Green	2	2	...	2	6
Capt. Heseltine ...	2	2	...	1	5
Mr. Boase	2	2	...	1	5
Mr. Parcel	2	2	...	...	4
Mr. C. H. Holder ...	2	2	...	1	5
Capt. Dening ...	2	1	...	...	3
Capt. Johnson ...	1	1	7	3	12
Mr. Benn	1	1	4	4	10
Mr. W. G. Durham ...	1	1	2	3	7
Mr. J. G. Willoughby ...	1	1	2	3	7
Capt. Clarke ...	1	1	2	1	5
Mr. Ford	1	1	2	...	4
Mr. Farr	1	1	2	...	4
Mr. Bruce	1	1	1	3	6
Capt. Popham ...	1	1	1	3	6
Mr. M. Turner ...	1	1	1	3	6
Capt. Hislop ...	1	1	1	2	5

WINNING GENTLEMEN RIDERS—*cont'd.*

Name	Wins.	Second.	Third.	Unplaced.	Total.
Mr. Williams ...	1	1	1	2	5
Mr. Buckle... ...	1	1	1	1	4
Mr. F. Fail ...	1	1	...	3	5
Mr. Gretton ...	1	1	...	1	3
Capt. Dennistoun ...	1	1	—	1	3
Mr. A. Y. G. Campbell	1	1	...	...	2
Capt. V. Percy Smith ...	1	1	...	...	2
Mr. Lynch	1	1	...	...	2
Mr. Lloyd	1	...	2	6	9
Capt. Dobbin ...	1	...	2	2	5
Capt. Hopwood ...	1	...	1	2	4
Mr. Gibbs	1	...	1	...	2
Mr. A. C. Charrington ...	1	...	1	...	2
Mr. Hore	1	...	...	3	4
Dr. Hossack ...	1	...	...	3	4
Mr. Landon ...	1	...	...	1	2
Mr. C. A. K. Matterson	1	...	...	...	1
Capt. Crookenden ...	1	...	...	...	1
Mr. E. N. Drury ...	1	...	...	...	1

TRAINERS' LOTS.

CALCUTTA RACES, 1906-1907.

Horse.	Description.	Owner.	Trainer.
A.			
Annamulloch...	bk e m	Mr. Holmes	Wishart.
Amplify ...	ch e m	Mr. J. D. Scott	Owner.
Applause ...	b e h	Mr. J. C. Galstaun	Tingey.
Au Fait ...	br e m	Capt. Farquharson	Saunders.
Airlock ...	bk aus m	Hon. Mr. A. A. Apcar	Watson.
Amyas ...	ch aus g	Mr. Dartmoor	Taylor.
Adviser ...	b aus g	Mr. S. F. Reynolds	Wishart.
Aberfoyle ...	b or br aus g	Mr. R. S. Hart	Ferguson.
B.			
Black Duke ...	bk or br e c	Mr. D. B. Myers	Dignum.
Bon Bon ...	b aus g	Mr. D. B. Myers	Dignum.
Baron II ...	ch aus g	Mr. Locke	C. Hoyt.
Blitzen ...	bk or br e m	Messrs. Hudson and Butler	Wishart.
Ballark ...	bk aus g	Hon. Mr. A. A. Apcar	Watson.
Beaunero ...	ch e g	Mr. G. B. Deakin	Owner.
Bundook ...	b e g	Mr. Dartmoor	Taylor.
Branga ...	ch aus g	Mr. T. G. Evers	Owner.
Botha ...	br aus g	Mr. O. M. D. Bell	Firth.
Bouquet ...	b e m	Mr. B. B.	Walker.
Belle Cole ...	b aus m	Mr. Stead	Torpey.
Bubble ...	br aus g	Messrs. Rodocanachi and Mackenzie	Norton.
Bucentaur ...	b aus g	Mr. J. A. Manning	Marriott.
Bonita ...	ch aus m	Mr. A. L. Butler	Wishart.
C.			
Child Adopted	b e m	Mr. A. N. Dass	Taylor.
Carnival ...	ch e m	Mr. A. N. Dass	Taylor.
Curfew ...	ch aus g	Mr. J. B.	Ramshaw.
Craigendarrie...	b e g	Mr. J. C. Galstaun	Tingey.
Cyril ...	b aus g	Mrs. A. Grosser	Smallman.
Colina ...	br e m	Mr. G. H. L. Mackenzie...	Norton.
Cherson ...	b aus h	H H. Kour Sahib of Patiala	T. Scott.
Contest ...	ch aus h	Mr. R. S. Hart	Ferguson.
Clear Artist ...	b or br e g	Mr. North	Bleach
Coin II ...	ch aus m	H. H. Mah. of Cooch Behar ...	Ramshaw.
Curlew ...	b aus m	Mr. B. N. Burjotjee	Owner.
Clynder ...	b e m	Mr. A. N. Dass	Taylor.
Curfew Bell ...	ch aus m	Messrs. Wood and Badger ...	Penton.
Coronet ...	b aus g	Mr. S. F. Reynolds	Wishart.
Circus Girl ...	b aus m	Mr. J. C. Galstaun	Tingey.
Claribell ...	ch aus m	Mr. J. C. Galstaun	Tingey.
Cingalee ...	ch e m	Mr. Cecil	Ramshaw.
Clodian ...	b aus g	Mr. J. G. Ballantyne	Mr. Evers.
Camira ...	b aus g	Mr. E. J. Marshall	J. D. Scott.
D.			
Downland ...	br or bk e m	Mr. J. M. Rodocanachi	Norton.
Dea ...	br aus m	Hon. Mr. A. A. Apcar	Watson.
Decoration ...	b aus g	Mr. R. S. Hart	Ferguson.
Duplex II ...	b us g	Mr. J. D. Scott.	Owner.
Dirty Boy ...	bk e g	Mr. J. C. Galstaun	Tingey.
Dulcimer ...	bk aus g	Mr. J. C. Galstaun	Tingey.
Dramatic ...	br aus g	Mr. O. M. D. Bell	Firth.
Dormant ...	b aus g	Mr. P. B. Avasia	Bleach.
Diakkaway ...	ch e m	Mr. J. C. Galstaun	Tingey.
Dunsinane ...	ch e f	Messrs. Wood and Badger ...	Penton.
E.			
Esmeralda ...	ch e m	Mr. J. D. Scott	Owner.
Envious ...	b aus c	Mr. Cowper	Owner.
Esperanto ...	b aus m	Mr. R. D. Coggan	T. White.
F.			
Footprint ...	b e h	Mr. E. L. F. de Soysa	Harper
Fitzgrafton ...	b aus h	Hon. Mr. A. A. Apcar	Watson.
Flo ...	bk or br aus m	Mr. F. Potter	Owner.
Footlight ...	br aus m	Mr. W. H. Walmesley	Ramshaw.
Ferndown ...	br e b	Messrs. Wood and Badger ...	Penton.
Flotsam ...	b aus g	Thakur Sripal Singh	Thomas.
Foy ...	bk aus g	Mr. Charles	Pringle.
G.			
Galley Slave ...	ch e g	Mr. E. J. Marshall	J. D. Scott.
Greenstone ...	b aus g	Mr. North	Bleach.
Gum ...	b aus g	Mr. J. C. Galstaun	Tingey.
Gladstone ...	b aus g	Mr. Locke	C. Hoyt.
Ground Glass...	b e m	Mr. Cowper	Pringle.
Good Chap ...	br aus g	Mr. R. M. Hamilton	Mr. Cowper.
Gowan ...	ch aus m	Mr. J. C. Galstaun	Tingey.
H.			
Hoop Iron ...	b aus g	Mr. J. C. Galstaun	Tingey.
Handelian ...	br e g	Mr. J. C. Galstaun	Tingey.
Honest Lady...	b e m	Mr. J. D. Scott	Owner.
Henrique ...	br aus m	Hon. Mr. A. A. Apcar	Watson.
Hcoded Monk...	b e g	Aga S. Shah	Owner.
Half Price ...	br aus m	Mr. Price	Owner.
Hazlenut ...	bk aus m	Mr. Dartmoor	Taylor.
Hint ...	br aus m	Mr. J. M. Rodocanachi	Norton.
I.			
Insurrection ...	b e g	Mr. A. N. Dass	Taylor.
Ivanhoe II ...	br aus g	Mr. R. D. Coggan	T. White.
J.			
Jacquelin ...	b aus m	Mr. R. S. Hart	Ferguson.
Jolly Abbot ...	gr e c	Mr. D. B. Myers	Dignum.
Jackeroo ...	br aus g	Mr. O. M. D. Bell	Firth.
Jack Sheppard	b e g	Mr. W. H. Walmesley	Pringle.
Jubilant ...	b aus m	Mr. G. K.	Munroe.
Jacinth ...	br aus g	Mr. Cowper	Owner.
K.			
Kipling ...	b aus g	Mr. E. J. Marshall	J. D. Scott.
Killeevan ...	br e m	Mr. J. C. Galstaun	Tingey.
Kendal King ...	ch e g	Mr. Charles	Pringle.
Kingpin ...	ch aus g	Mr. Austin	Heywood.
L.			
Loch Lochie ...	b aus g	Mr. R. S. Hart	Ferguson.
Look Out ...	b aus g	Mr. Locke	C. Hoyt.
Long Tom ...	br aus g	Mr. J. C. Galstaun	Ferguson.
Lady Avon ...	bk or br aus m	Mr. J. D. Scott	Owner.
Lady Veera ...	b e m	Mr. Bunting	J. D. Scott.
Lady Grey ...	gr e m	Mr. Bunting	J. D. Scott.
Lord D. ...	b aus g	Mr. Alec ..	Heywood.
Lucretia ...	ch aus m	Lieut.-Col. J. Desaraj Urs ...	Vinall.
Little Dolly ...	ch aus m	Col. P. K. L. Beaver	Heywood.
Lady Metal ...	b aus m	Mr. Dartmoor	Taylor.
Lamrock ...	br aus g	H. H. Kour Sahib of Patiala	T. Scott.
Lorette ...	br aus m	Mr. B. N. Burjorjee...	Owner.
Lord Boyne ...	bk aus g	Mr. C. Pearson	T. White.
Loyal ...	ch aus g	Mr. J. A. Manning	Marriott.
Leda ...	ch aus m	Mr. B. B.	Walker.
Lady Viola ...	b aus m	Mr. J. D. Scott	Owner.
Leading Lady...	b aus m	Mr. W. B. Green	Mr. H. E. Smith.
M.			
Merry Elsie ...	b e m	Mrs. A. Grosser	Smallman.
Meadow Saffron	ch e m	Mr. G. B. Deakin	J. D. Scott.
Mother Goose...	br e g	Messrs. Wood and Badger...	Penton.
Mount Dane ...	br aus h	Mr. O. M. D. Bell	Firth.
Munderah ...	br aus h	H. H. Maharajah of Mysore	Ferguson.
Matin Bell ...	bk aus m	H. H. Maharajah of Cooch Behar	Ramshaw.
Mayrold ...	br aus m	Mr. W. Griffiths	T. White.
Minimus ...	b aus g	Lieut.-Col. J. Desaraj Urs	Vinall.
Matalgia ...	b aus h	Mr. J. C. Galstaun	Tingey.
Meg ...	ch aus m	Mr. D. B. Myers	Dignum.
Massachusselts	b aus m	Mr. J. D. Scott	Owner.
Mary Jane ...	ch aus m	Mr. J. D. Scott	Owner.
Master, The ...	br aus h	Mr. Maxwell	Wishart.
Martinique ...	br aus m	Hon. Mr. A. A. Apcar	Watson.
Master Charlie	br e g	Mr E. J. Marshall	J. D. Scott.
Mercedes ...	bk or br e m	Messrs. Hudson and Butler	Wishart.
Mistlebird ...	b aus m	Mr. R. A. C. Pugh	Owner.
Mulison ...	b aus g	Mr. A. N. Dass	Taylor.
Musette ...	br aus m	Mr. Maxwell	Wishart.
Malinyook ...	bk aus g	Mr. C. Pearson	T. White.
Mallard ...	b aus h	Hon. Mr. A. A. Apcar	Watson.
Manlock ...	b aus g	Col. P. K. L. Beaver	T. Scott.
Miss Hopson ...	ch e m	Mr. Charles	Pringle.
Metalwing ...	br aus g	Mr. Charles	Pringle.
Miss Stone ...	ch aus m	Mr. Holmes	Wishart.
N.			
Nightingale ...	br e m	Capt. Farquharson	Saunders.
Nak Our ...	ch aus m	Hon. Mr. A. A. Apcar	Watson.
Nirvana ...	b e g	Mr. Field	Heywood.
Nurse Kitty ...	b e m	H. H. Kour Sahib of Patiala	T. Scott.
Nigam ...	b aus g	Thakur Sripal Singh	Thomas.
Narwanah ...	ch aus g	Mr. C. Pearson	T. White.
O.			
Olive Lee ...	br aus m	Mr. H. V. Low	Norton.
Olynthus ...	b aus g	Messrs. Jones and Pugh ...	Mr. R. Pugh.
Our State ...	b aus g	Mr. J. C. Galstaun	Tingey.
Orphan Boy ...	b aus g	Mr. Glen	Mr. Cowper.
P.			
Pennant ...	b aus g	Mr. Borneo	Norton.
Pat. C. ...	b sth afr. h	Mr. J. D Scott	Owner.
Pineal ...	ch aus g	Mr. A. N. Dass	Taylor.
Plover ...	br aus m	Thakur Sripal Singh	Marriott
Palas ...	ch aus m	Mr R. D. Coggan	T. White.
Pendred ...	b e g	Mr. Charles	Pringle.
Palindrome ...	br or ch aus m	Mr. Stead	Torpey.
Paddy's Darling	b e m	Mr. J. C. Galstaun	Tingey.
Prince Lyon ...	br aus g	Mr. J C. Galstaun	Tingey.
Presbyterian ...	ch e g	Mr. P. B. Avasia	Bleach.
Psalm ...	br e m	Mr. O. M. D. Bell	Firth.
Projecture ...	b aus m	Mr. F. Potter	Owner.
Pure Gold ...	b e g	Mr. J. C. Galstaun	Tingey.
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Mr. W. H. Walmsley's b e m Scamander.
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Mr. B. B.'s b e m Bouquet.
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Mr. A. N. Dass' b aus m Rezia 14-0.
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Capt. Farquharson's br e f Au Fait.
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Mr. F. Potter's b aus m Projecture.
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Mr. D. B. Myers' gr e c Jolly Abbot.
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Peel Plate.—1 mile.

Mr. Stead's b aus m Belle Cole, 14-1½.
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Harrison Plate.—7 furlongs.

Mr. J. D. Scott's b aus g Wal, 14-0
Col C. H. Stistel's ch aus g First Belle, 14-0.
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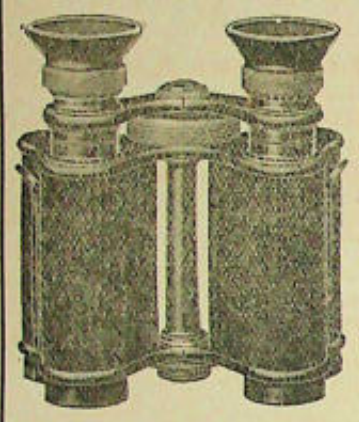

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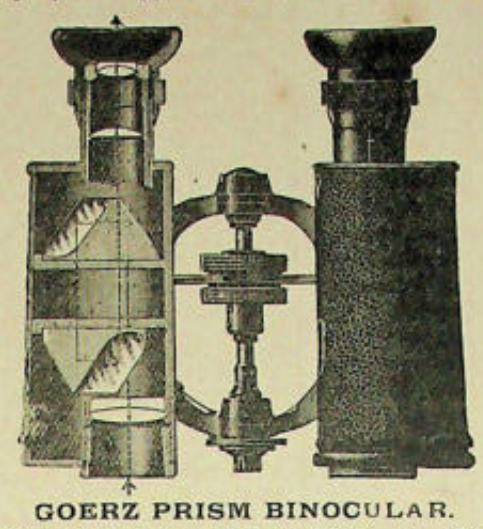

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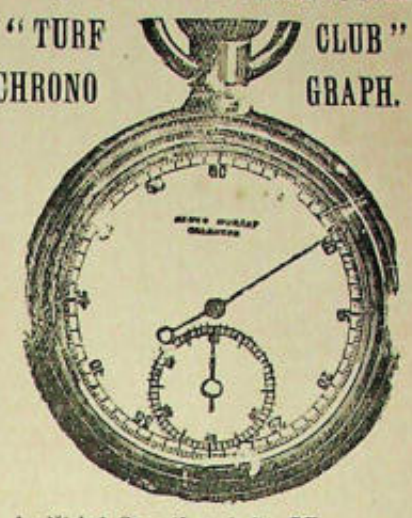

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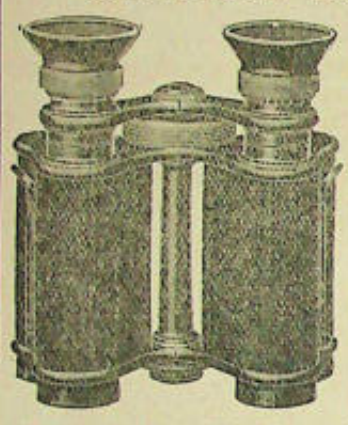

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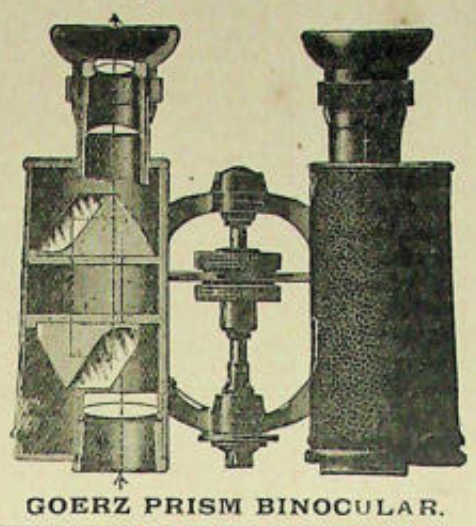

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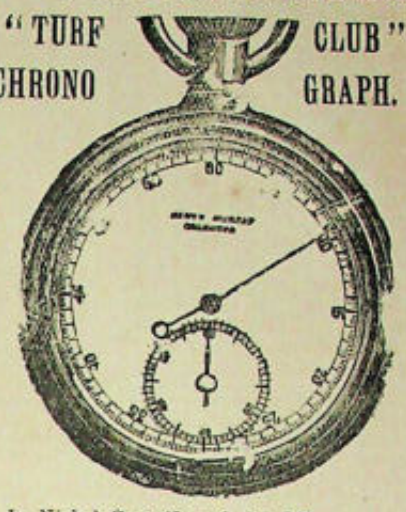

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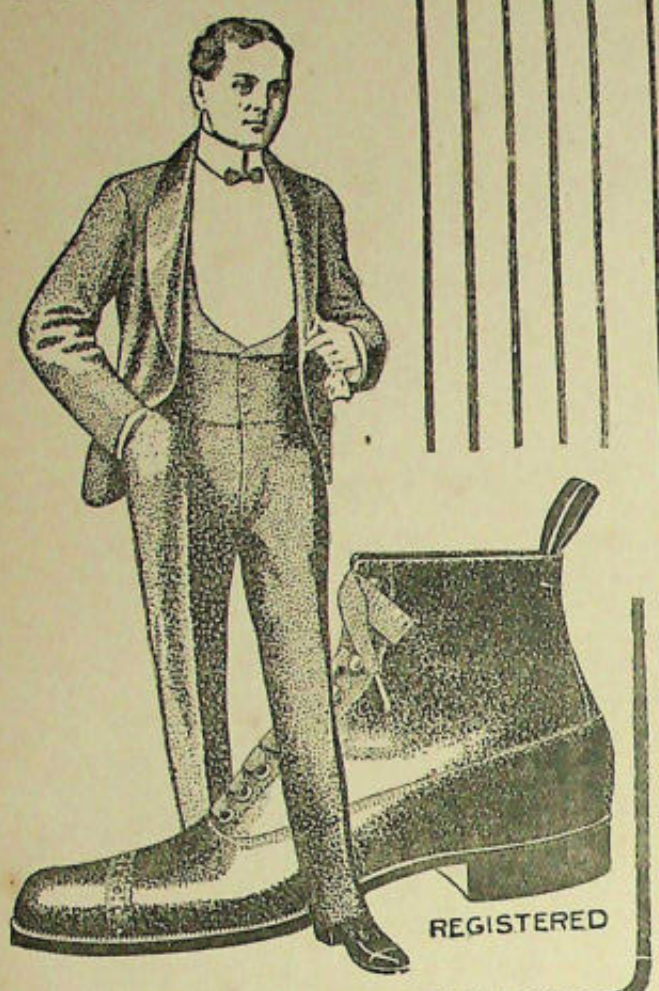

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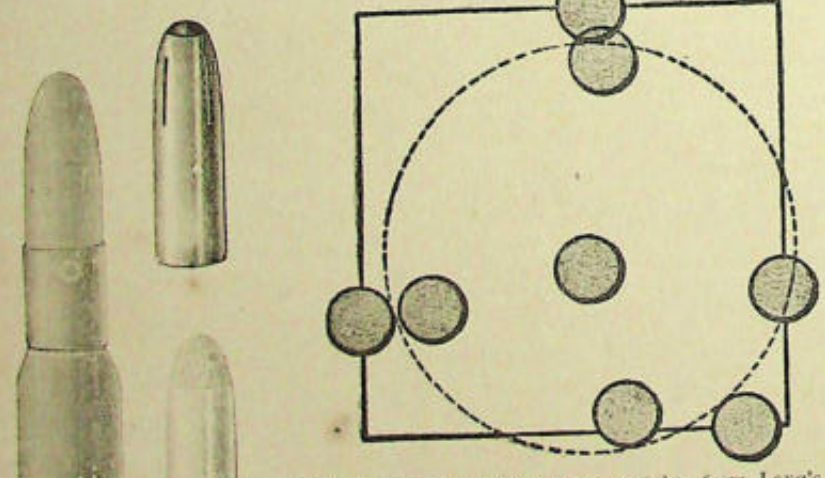

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First Day, Saturday, 2nd February.

The Martiniere Plate.—Rs. 700 to the winner, Rs. 200 to the second, and Rs. 100 to the third. A High Weight Handicap for Arab Ponies 14-1 and under. Distance—1¼ mile. Entrance—15th December 1906 Rs. 10, 1st January Rs. 25, 15th January, when the race will close, Rs. 40, with Rs. 10 extra for each pony not struck out by 12 noon, on Friday, the 25th January, and Rs. 15 more if not struck out by 12 noon, on Friday, the 1st February.

The Pony Hurdles.—Rs. 1,000 to the winner, Rs. 300 to the second, and Rs 200 to the third. A Handicap Hurdle Race for Ponies 14-2 and under. Distance. About 2 miles over 8 flights. Entrance—15th December 1906 Rs. 15, 1st January Rs. 40, 15th January, when the race will close, Rs. 60, with Rs. 15 extra for each pony not struck out by 12 noon, on Friday, the 25th January, and Rs. 20 more if not struck out by 12 noon, on Friday, the 1st February.

The Stewards Cup.—Rs. 3,000 to the winner, Rs. 1,000 to the second, and Rs. 500 to the third. A Handicap for Horses. Distance—5 furlongs. Entrance—15th December 1906 Rs. 50, 1st January Rs. 100, 15th January, when the race will close, Rs. 150 with Rs. 50 extra for each horse not struck out by 12 noon, on Friday, the 25th January, and Rs. 75 more if not struck out by 12 noon, on Friday, the 1st February.

The Great Oudh Handicap.—Rs. 1,500 to the winner, Rs. 300 to the second, and Rs. 200 to the third. A High Weight Handicap for Arab Ponies 14-1 and under. Distance—6 furlongs. Entrance—15th December 1906 Rs. 20, 1st January Rs. 40, 15th January, when the race will close, Rs. 75, with Rs. 30 extra for each pony not struck out by 12 noon, on Friday, the 25th January, and Rs. 40 more if not struck out by 12 noon, on Friday, the 1st February.

The Maiden Plate.—Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second and Rs. 50 to the third. A handicap for Maiden C.-B. Ponies 14-2 and under and other Maiden Ponies 14-1 and under. Distance—1,000 yards. Entrance—15th December 1906 Rs. 5, 1st January Rs. 10, 15th January, when the race will close, Rs. 20, with Rs. 10 extra for each pony not struck out by 12 noon, on Friday, the 1st February.

The Horse Plate.—Rs. 700 to the winner, Rs. 200 to the second, and Rs. 100 to the third. For Horses that have never won a Flat Race value Rs. 2,000 or over. C. W. A. and C. Penalties—Winners after 31st March 1901 of a Flat Race value Rs. 500 once, 4lbs., twice Rs. 500 or once of Rs 1,000 7lbs., three times Rs. 500, twice of Rs. 1,000 or once of Rs. 1,500 10lbs. Winners after the above date of Flat Races of the value of Rs. 200 or over amounting in the aggregate to Rs. 3,000 or over 7lbs. in addition to other penalties. Allowances—Maiden 7lbs. Distance—7 furlongs. Entrance—15th December 1906 Rs. 10, 1st January Rs. 25, 15th January, when the race will close, Rs. 40, with Rs. 10 extra for each horse not struck out by 12 noon, on Friday, the 25th January, and Rs 15 more if not struck out by 12 noon, on Friday, the 1st February.

The Jahangirabad Plate.—Rs. 1,000 to the winner, Rs. 300 to the second, and Rs. 200 to the third. A High Weight Handicap for Maiden Arab Ponies 14-2 and under. Distance—½ mile. Entrance—15th December 1906 Rs. 15, 1st January Rs. 40, 15th January, when the race will close. Rs. 60, with Rs. 15 extra for each pony not struck out by 12 noon, on Friday, the 25th January, and Rs. 20 more if not struck out by 12 noon, on Friday, the 1st February 1907.

Lucknow Military Handicap Chase.—Rs. 1,000 to the winner, Rs. 300 to the second, and Rs. 200 to the third. A Handicap Steeplechase for horses, which are *bona fide* property of Officers in H. M.'s Army on full pay. Distance about 2½ miles. To be ridden by Officers in the Army on full pay. Entrance—15th December 1906 Rs. 15, 1st January Rs. 40, 20th January, when the race will close, Rs. 60, with Rs. 15 extra for each horse not struck out by 12 noon, on Friday, the 25th January, and Rs. 20 more for each horse not struck out by 12 noon, on Friday, the 1st February.

Second Day, Monday, the 4th February.

The Civil Service Cup.—Rs. 8,000 (of which Rs. 2,000 is presented by the members of the Civil Service in the United Provinces of Agra and Oudh and Rs. 6,000 from the Fund) The second pony will receive Rs. 2,000 and the third Rs. 1,000 out of the entire stakes. Distance—6 furlongs. A High Weight Handicap for Arab Ponies 14-2 and under, C.-B. Ponies 14-1 and under, and English and Australasian Ponies 14 hands and under. Top Weight of Handicap not to exceed 10st. 7lbs. Entrance—1st May 1906 Rs. 50, 2nd July Rs 75, 15th September Rs. 100, 1st December Rs. 150, 15th January, when the race will close, Rs. 200, with Rs. 50 extra for each pony not struck out by 12 noon, on 25th January 1907, and a Starting Sweep of Rs. 50 to go to the Fund.

The Colvin Horse Hurdles—Rs. 1,000 to the winner, Rs. 300 to the second, and Rs. 200 to the third. A Handicap Hurdle Race for Horses. Distance—R. C. about 2 miles, over 8 flights. Entrance—15th December 1906 Rs. 15, 1st January Rs. 40, 15th January, when the race will close, Rs. 60, with Rs. 15 extra for each Horse not struck out by 12 noon, on Friday, the 25th January, and Rs. 20 more if not struck out by 12 noon, on Sunday the 3rd February.

The Calcutta Plate.—Rs. 2,000 (Rs. 1,000 presented by the Calcutta Turf Club and Rs. 1,000 from the Fund). The winner will receive Rs. 1,200, the second Rs. 500, and the third Rs. 300. A Handicap for Horses that have not won a Flat Race value Rs. 2,000 or over since 31st March 1904. Distance—1 mile. Entrance—15th December 1906 Rs. 15, 1st January Rs. 40, 15th January, when the race will close, Rs. 60, with Rs. 20 extra for each horse not struck out by 12 noon, on Friday, the 25th January, and Rs. 20 more if not struck out by 12 noon, on Sunday, the 3rd February.

The Alumbagh Plate.—Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second, and Rs. 50 to the third. A High Weight Handicap for Maiden Arab Ponies 14-1 and under. Distance—6 furlongs. Entrance—15th December 1906 Rs. 5, 1st January Rs. 10, 15th January, when the race will close, Rs. 20, with Rs. 10 extra for each pony not struck out by 12 noon, on Sunday, the 3rd February.

The February Plate.—Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second, and Rs. 50 to the third. For Arab and C.-B. Ponies 14-2 and under and other Ponies 14-1 and under that have never won a Flat Race value Rs. 900 or over. C.-B. Ponies 14-2 to carry 9st., Arab Ponies 14-2 to carry 8st., other Ponies 14-1 to carry 9st. 7lbs. W. I. Penalties—Winners after 31st March 1903 of a Flat Race value Rs. 200 or over, once 4lbs., twice 7lbs., oftener 10lbs. Winners, after the above date of Flat Races value Rs. 50 or over, amounting in the aggregate to Rs. 1,000 or over, 4lbs. extra in addition to other penalties. Allowance—Ponies that have never won a Flat Race value Rs. 50 or over allowed 7lbs. Distance—¼ mile. Entrance—15th December 1906 Rs. 5, 1st January Rs. 10, 15th January, when the race will close, Rs. 20, with Rs. 10 extra for each pony not struck out by 12 noon, on Sunday, the 3rd February.

The Chutter Munzil Plate.—Rs. 1,000 to the winner, Rs. 300 to the second, and Rs. 200 to the third. A High Weight Handicap for Ponies 14-2 and under. Distance.—6 furlongs. Entrance.—15th December 1906 Rs. 15, 1st January Rs. 40 15th January, when the race will close, Rs. 60, with Rs. 15 extra for each Pony not struck out by 12 noon, on Friday, the 25th January, and Rs. 20 more if not struck out by 12 noon, on Sunday, the 3rd February.

Third Day, Wednesday, the 6th February.

The Dilkusha Plate.—Rs. 1,000 to the winner, Rs. 300 to the second and Rs. 200 to the third. A High Weight Handicap for Horses. Distance—1¼ miles. Entrance—15th December 1906 Rs. 15, 1st January Rs. 40, 15th January, when the race will close, Rs. 60, with Rs. 15 extra for each horse not struck out by 12 noon, on Friday, the 25th January, and Rs. 20 more if not struck out by 12 noon, on Tuesday, the 5th February.

The Charbagh Plate.—Rs. 700 to the winner, Rs. 200 to the second, and Rs. 100 to the third. A High Weight Handicap for Arab and C.-B. Ponies 14-2 and under and other ponies 14-1 and under. Distance—5 furlongs. Entrance—15th December 1906 Rs. 10, 1st January Rs. 25, 15th January, when the race will close, Rs. 40, with Rs. 10 extra for each pony not struck out by 12 noon, on Friday, the 25th January, and Rs. 15 more if not struck out by 12 noon, on Tuesday, the 5th February.

The Desert Handicap.—Rs. 1,000 to the winner, Rs. 300 to the second, and Rs. 200 to the third. A High Weight Handicap for Arab Ponies 14-1 and under. Distance—1,000 yards. Entrance—15th December, 1906 Rs. 15, 1st January Rs. 40, 15th January, when race will close, Rs. 60, with Rs. 15 extra for each pony not struck out by 12 noon, on Friday, the 25th January, and Rs. 20 more if not struck out by 12 noon, on Tuesday, the 5th February.

The Open Pony Chase.—Rs. 1,000 to the winner, Rs. 300 to the second, and Rs. 200 to the third. A Handicap Steeplechase for Ponies 14-2 and under. Distance—R. C. about 2 miles. Entrance—15th December 1906 Rs. 15, 1st January Rs. 40, 15th January, when the race will close, Rs. 60, with Rs. 15 extra for each pony not struck out by 12 noon, on Friday, 25th January, and Rs. 20 more if not struck out by 12 noon, on Tuesday, the 5th February.

The Goomtee Plate.—Rs. 1,000 to the winner. Rs. 300 to the second, and Rs. 200 to the third. A Handicap for English and Australasian Ponies 14-0 and under and Arab and C.-B. Ponies 14-1 and under. Distance—6 furlongs. Entrance—15th December 1906 Rs. 15, 1st January Rs. 40, 15th January, when the race will close, Rs. 60, with Rs. 15 extra for each pony not struck out by 12 noon, on Friday, the 25th January, and Rs. 20 more if not struck out by 12 noon, on Tuesday, the 5th February.

The Handicap Horse Chase.—Rs. 1,500 to the winner, Rs. 500 to the second, and Rs. 250 to the third. A Handicap Steeplechase for horses. Distance—About 2½ miles. Entrance—15th December 1906 Rs. 25, 1st January Rs. 40, 15th January, when the race will close, Rs. 75, with Rs. 30 extra for each horse not struck out by 12 noon, on Friday, the 25th January, and Rs. 40 more if not struck out by 12 noon, on Tuesday, the 5th February.

The Produce Plate.—Rs. 700 to the winner, Rs. 200 to the second, and Rs. 100 to the third. A High Weight Handicap for C.-B. ponies 14-2 and under that have never won a flat race value Rs. 900 or over. Distance—5 furlongs. Entrance—15th December 1906 Rs. 10, 1st January Rs. 25, 15th January, when the race will close Rs. 40, with Rs. 10 extra for each pony not struck out by 12 noon, on Friday, the 25th January, and Rs. 15 more if not struck out by 12 noon, on Tuesday, the 5th February.

GENERAL CONDITIONS

1. All Entrance-money goes to the Fund—subject to Rule 139.
2. In the case of a walk-over, only half the added money will be given—subject to Rule 149.
3. Entries must be accompanied by a remittance for the full amount of such entries, otherwise they will be refused.
4. In Pony Races height must be included in entry, and if owners when making entries will notify their colours, they will be registered at the Secretary's Office, otherwise colours must be registered not later than 12 noon, the day preceding the race; any owner failing to have this done or running a horse in colours other than those registered with Secretary will be fined according to the discretion of the Stewards.
5. Except in Handicaps, the correct weight of any horse or pony that is not struck out (whether it is intended to run or not) must be notified in writing to the Secretary not later than 12 noon, the day before the race. Any owner failing to have this done will be fined according to the discretion of the Stewards.
6. Starting Declarations for each race, accompanied by a Jockey's fee for a losing mount (if not already paid), together with any forfeit money due must be made to the Clerk of the Scales not less than half an hour before the time fixed for such race. The Declaration shall be made in writing on forms, which can be obtained from the Secretary. Omissions or errors in a Declaration will render the owner or person making it liable to fine at the discretion of the Stewards.
7. Except where otherwise specified an allowance of 5lbs. will be given in all Flat Races, not Handicaps, to Jockeys and Gentlemen Riders who have never ridden the winner of a race value Rs. 50 or over. These allowances to be claimed at the Scales when weighing out. This rule does not apply to the Civil Service Cup.
8. Handicaps will be published by 10 A.M., the day before the race.
9. In all races other than Handicaps a landing allowance of 3lbs. will be given to English and Australasian Horses or Ponies landed in India, direct from the country of foaling on or after the 1st July, 1906, and the allowance will be increased to 6lbs. to horses or ponies landed on or after 1st September 1905 Allowance in both cases to cease on the winning of a race of any description.
10. A Course-fee of Rs 10 will be charged to every horse or Pony coming to run at the Meeting.
11. C. T. C. and W. I. T. C. Certificates only accepted. Ponies not in possession of the above can be measured for the Meeting only under Rule 39.
12. In all Flat Races there must be eight entries and in all Jump Races there must be six entries or the race will be declared void.
13. Should the Entrance-money in any race advertised at Rs. 200 to the winner, exceed all advertised prizes, the surplus will be divided between second and third Horses in proportion of 2 to 1. In no case will the winner receive more than Rs. 199.

J. H. Ensor, Major,
Secretary, Lucknow Races.

Ponies.

W. I. T. C. Measurements.

Bombay.

The following ponies were classed, aged and measured, by the Official Measurer, W.I.T. Club, at Bombay, on the 13th November 1906 :—

Name.	Descriptions.	Owner's Name.	Age.	Height.	Period
Advancement	... b a h ...	Mr. Dawood Essack	5	14-0	31st March 1907.
Commander	g a h ...	Mr. Hamed Hassoon	6	13-3¼	For life.
Company	b a h ...	Mr. Hajee Sheriff Sabab ...	6	14-0	For life.
Cortolvin	c h a h ...	Mr. Donaldson ...	4	14-0	31st March 1907.
Daham	... g a h ...	Mr. Tahar bin Yunis ...	6	13-3½	For life.
Dedab	... ng a h ...	Mr. Yussuff Yunasee	3	13-3½	31st March 1907.
Director	... c h a h ...	Mr. Artin A. Essayie	4	13-2	31st March 1907.
Doncaster	b a h ...	Mr. Dinshaw Dorabjee ...	6	13-2½	For life.
Elector	... b a h ...	Aga Mirza Ahmed and Sulleman Abdool Wahed ...	6	13-3¼	For life.
Faraj	... bk a h ...	Mr. Behnan Essack	5	13-2	31st March 1907.
Grey Cloak	g a h ...	Messrs. M. Goculdass & A. Nanjee	6	13-3	For life.
Hamnasti	b a h ...	Mr. Abdool Razak bin Abdool Karrim ...	4	14-0	31st March 1907.
Legislator	g a h ...	Mr. Kassim Jurjis	6	13-3¼	For life.
Lender	... g a h ...	Mr. Futhalla Essak	4	14-0	31st March 1907.
Lisbon	... b a h ...	Mr. Dinshaw Dorabjee	3	14-0	31st March 1907.
Madrid	... b a h ...	Mr. Yussuff Yunasee	6	14-0	For life.
Mayuf	... ch a h...	Mr. Futhalla Essack	4	13-3	31st March 1907.
Moscow	.. g a h ...	Mr. Dawood Essack	4	13-3¼	31st March 1907.
Mozaffary	g a h ...	Agah Haji Abdulla	4	13-2½	31st March 1907.
Muddaries	c h a h	Messrs. Mahomed Hajee Ebrahim and S. Ebrahim Hafiz ...	5	13-3	31st March 1907.
Rackhan	b a h ...	Mr. Hoosain bin Zaher ...	4	13-3½	31st March 1907.
Raius	... g a h ...	Mr. Malallah Hadit	6	14-0	For life.
Saeed	.. c h a h...	Khan Bahadur Abdool Razzak Curtas ...	5	13-2½	31st March 1907.
Safvan	c h a h ...	Mr. Malalla Hadit	4	13-1½	31st March 1907.
Scipio	... c h a h	Messrs. Mahmood Hossain and Abbas Shashtary	3	13-2	31st March 1907.
Sheehab	... b a h ...	Khan Bahadur Abdool Razzak Curtas ...	4	13-2½	31st March 1907.
Sib	... c h a h	Mr. Ali bin Hassan	5	13-2½	31st March 1907.
Squire	... g a h ...	Mr. Mahomed Ismail ...	5	13-2½	31st March 1907.
Testator	... b a h ...	Mr. Artin E. Essayie ...	6	13-3	For life.
Tester	... b a h ...	Mr. Artin E. Essayie ...	5	13-2	31st March 1907.
His Majesty	b a h ...	Messrs. M. Goculdass and A Nanjee	Aged.		
The Barb	b a h ...	Mr. A. M. Ameer ...	4		31st December 1906.

Poona.

The following ponies were classed, aged and measured, by the Official Measurer, W.I.T. Club, at Poona, on the 20th November 1906 :—

Air Motor	g a h ...	Mr. Jawad Mahomed	6	13-3¼	For life.
Albert Victor	... b a h ...	Mr. Ali bin Talib ..	4	14-0	31st March 1907.
Gold Mint	ch a h ..	Mr. Ali bin Talib	6	13-3¼	For life
Happy Land	... g a h ..	Mr. Zaid bin Mahomed ...	5	13-2½	31st March 1907.
Hazza	... b a h ...	Mr. Faraj bin Sanad	3	13-2½	31st March 1907.
Little Jack	b aus g	Mr. Priestley ...	5	13-1½	31st March 1907.
Nisban	... b a h ...	Mr. Ali bin Talib	6	13-2	For life.
Sadulla	... ch a h	Mr. Ali bin Talib ..	6	13-3¼	For life.
Salanic	... ch a h	Mr. Hoosein bin Zahar ...	5	13-3¼	31st March 1907.
Seracab	... g a h ...	Mr. Ali bin Talib...	4	13-2½	31st March 1907.
Sooroor	... bk a h	Mr. Ali bin Talib...	6	13-3¼	For life.
Spring Bok	ch a h	Mr. T. D. Moore ...	5	13-3¼	31st March 1907.

Bombay.

The following ponies were classed, aged and measured, by the Official Measurer, W. I. T. Club, at Bombay, on the 27th November 1906 :—

Farce	... g a h ...	Mr. Abdoola Farras	4	13-3¼	31st March 1907.
Golden Bridge	... ng a h	Mr. Abdool Aziz Khalevi ...	4	13-3¼	31st March 1907.
Horan	... ch a h	Mr. Salim bin Noffal	6	14-0	For life.
Kasud Karim	... g a h ...	Mr. Kadum bin Ally	6	14-0½	For life.
Mirdas	... b a h ...	Mr. Ebrahim Hamoodi ...	3	13-3¼	31st March 1907.
Mufrud	... g a h ...	Mr. Abdoola Yunasee	6	13-2¼	For life.
Nasrat	... b a h ...	Mr. Mahomedally bin Koomayes ...	6	13-2½	For life.

Nazar	... ch a h	Mr. Abdool Moshen Jeweser ...	4	13-3½	31st March 1907.
Phiroz	... b a h ...	Messrs. Mahmood Hossain and Abbas Shashtary ...	4	14-0	31st March 1907.
Rajput	... b a h ...	Mr. Sulleman Mahalia ...	5	13-2½	31st March 1907.
Repentance	b a h ...	Mr. A. M. Ameer ...	3	13-2	31st March 1907.

Sport in England.

(From the Home Papers.)

London, *Friday, 23rd November 1906.*

THE TURF.

MANCHESTER.

THE great question for Manchester of rain or no rain was answered yesterday in the negative, to the satisfaction of an enormous attendance at Castle Irwell, which, despite a bit of a mist, saw the racing under very favourable conditions for the back-end meeting. The welcome change was of incalculable value to the executive, as the going, rapidly recovering from the dose of wet, was getting better every hour, and by the time racing was over might be termed capital, and should the change, foretold by a brilliant sunset, continue, that its luster will gild the finish of the flat racing season is a consummation devoutly to be wished. It was a day of hurry and scurry on the part of all who took a working part in the programme, as plethoric fields kept the officials at top pressure, and in affording backers and layers such a varied choice, the executive can temporarily rest on their laurels.

Brackley Handicap (Welter)—Of 200sovs., added to a sweepstakes of 5sovs. each for starters; second receives 20sovs. 1¼ miles.

Col. R. L. Birkin's b c Mr. Delemere, by Love Wisely—Lady Delamere, 4yrs., 8st. 3lbs	W. Halsey	1
Sir G. Farrar's ch c Frustrator, 3yrs., 7st. 7lbs.	J. Boardman	2
Mr. M. Fitzgerald's ch c Seanchuidhe, 3yrs., 7st. 3lbs.	H. Robbins	3
Capt. Bewicke's Peter Pan, 3yrs., 7st. 9lbs. (car 7st. 10lbs.)	C. Trigg	0
Lord Rosebery's Vasco, 4yrs., 8st. 6lbs. ...	G. McCall	0
Lord Dalmeny's Maundy, 3yrs., 8st ...	W. Higgs	0
Mr. S. Loates' Mr. Whistler, 4yrs., 7st 4lbs.	C. Heckford	0
Capt. F. Bald's Gala, 3yrs., 7st. 11lb. ...	H. Watts	0
Mr. C. Penhurst's The Czar, 4yrs., 7st. 2lbs.	C. Jones	0
Mr. A. Stedall's Olitzka, 3yrs., 7st. 7lbs. ...	C. Escott	0
Mr. J. Scott's Ashcroft, 3yrs., 8st. 2lbs. ...	H. Caley	0
Mr. J. Fagan's Swannington, 6yrs., 8st. 2lbs.	Wm. Griggs	0
Mr. W. Sanderson's Rushpool, 4yrs., 7st. ...	J. Plant	0
Mr. W. Johnston's Longford Lad, aged, 8st. 5lbs. (car 8st. 7lbs.)	B. Dillon	0
Maj. Edwards' St. Kevin, 4yrs., 7st. 12lbs.	A. Templeman	0
Mr. R. C. Thompson's Whipsnade, 5yrs., 7st. 10lbs.	H. Blades	0
Mr. W. Bass' colt by Ramapo—Ashley, 3yrs, 7st. 9lbs. (car 7st. 10lbs.) ...	O. Madden	0
Mr. B. Forrest's Dionard, 4yrs., 7st. 11lb. (car 7st. 3lbs.)	G. Topping	0
Mr. J. A. deRothschild's Wee Licht, 3yrs., 6st. 12lbs.	E. Piper	0
Mr. J. E. Rogerson's Muley Rat, 3yrs., 6st. 10lbs	F. Howey	0
Mr. J. Osborne's Birk Gill, 3yrs., 7st. ...	A. Flanagan	0

(*Winner trained by W. Woodland.*)

Betting: 7 to 1 agst. Frustrator, 8 to 1 each Maundy and Whipsnade, 100 to 12 Peter Pan, 10 to 1 Gala, 100 to 8 each Longford Lad and Muley Rat, 100 to 7 Mr. Whistler, 100 to 6 Mr. Delamere, and 20 to 1 each others (offered.)

Won by a length: five lengths between second and third. Time—2mins. 17⅗secs.

De Trafford Selling Plate—Of 200sovs.; winner to be sold for £100. 1 mile.

Mr. Thompson's b g Wolfshall, by Wolfs Crag—Tacita, 6yrs., 9st. 10lbs. ...	H. Blades	1
Mr. A. W. Walton's b f Merely Mary Ann, 3yrs, 9st. 4lbs.	F. Wheatley	2
Mr. G. Walmsley's b f Java, 2yrs., 7st. 3lbs.	F. Howey	3
Mr. R. Sherwood's Gay Leg, 2yrs., 7st. 6lbs.	Walter Griggs	0
Mr. F. C. Parker's Preparation, 3yrs., 8st. 13lbs.	C. Jones	0
Lord Hamilton of Dalzell's Chemin de Fer, 2yrs., 7st. 11lbs.	G. McCall	0
Mr. G. Lyon's Windrush, 3yrs., 9st. 4lbs. ...	C. Escott	0
Mr. H. Cassell's Lychnobite, aged, 9st. 10lbs.	O. Madden	0
Mr. C. B. Lund's Stealaway, aged, 8st. 10lbs.	J. Priestman	0
Mr. H. J. King's Craigellachie, 4yrs., 9st. 10lbs.	H. Jones	0
Mr. J. Osborne's Marzio, 2yrs., 7st. 11lbs. ...	F. Osborne	0
Mr. C. Hibbert's Cross Question, 2yrs., 7st. 8lbs.	C. Trigg	0

(*Winner trained by Ambler.*)

Betting: 4 to 1 agst Wolfshall, 9 to 2 Preparation, 6 to 1 each Chemin de Fer and Craigellachie, 7 to 1 Cross Question, 10 to 1 each Gay Leg and Stealaway, and 100 to 7 each others (offered.)

Won by a head; a neck between second and third. Time—1min. 50⅘secs. The winner was bought in for 320 guineas.

Lancashire Nursery Handicap—Of 500sovs.; second receives 50sovs. 6 furlongs, straight.

Lord Rosebery's ch f Donna Caterina, by Donovan—Catriona, 7st. 10lbs. ...	W. Higgs	1
Mr. R. B. Dobell's ch c Billy the Verger, by Avington—Gold Flake, 6st. 9lbs. ...	C. Jones	2
Mr. F. S. Barnard's bl Filly by Silver Fox—Cradle Song, 8st. 5lbs. ...	B. Lynham	3
Mrs. Sadleir Jackson's Lady Hasty, 7st. 7lbs.	C. Aylin	0
Mr. A. Wagg's Pericline, 7st. 7lbs. (car. 7st. 8lbs.)	Wm. Griggs	0
Mr. A. H. Straker's Tomas-an-Appagh, 7st. 11lbs.	A. Flanagan	0
Mr. C. Hibbert's Ballymac, 7st. 9lbs. ...	C. Trigg	0
Mr. C. Bewicke's Golden Mischief, 7st. 8lbs.	H. Robbins	0
Mr. D. E. Higham's Kiosque, 6st. 5lbs. ...	H. Watts	0
Mr. S. Hill Wood's Scotch River, 6st. 5lbs.	F. Bland	0
Mr. T. Corn's Romney, 7st. 10lbs. ...	O. Madden	0
Lord Hamilton of Dalzell's O'Cullen, 8st. 6lbs.	G. McCall	0
Mr. E. Cohen's Sir Prusquin, 7st. 6lbs. ...	H. Pike	0
Maj. Edwards' Mrs. Girdle, 6st. 7lbs ...	F. Templeman	0
Mr. W. McCreery's Gelding by Bushey Park or Succoth—Crosshaven, 9st. 5lbs.	H. Jones	0
Sir R. W. Griffith's Simon Square, 8st. 12lbs.	W. Halsey	0
Mr. F. C. Graham Menzies' The Spider, 8st. 2lbs.	A. Templeman	0
Mr. J. Brimer's Marie Antoinette, 7st. 11lb.	T. Brady	0
Mr. A. Stedall's Barker, 7st. ...	C. Escott	0
Mr. C. Penhurst's Lady Forfar, 6st. 13lbs.	J. Howard	0
Sir E. Cassell's Filly by Lesterlin—Politeste, 6st. 11lbs. ...	J. Plant	0
Mr. John Scott's Will Elsey, 6st. 5lbs. ...	C. Ringstead	0
Mr. R. C. Thompson's Liana, 6st. 5lbs. ...	W. Broadwood	0

(*Winner trained by P. Peck.*)

Betting: 7 to 1 agst. Lady Hasty, 8 to 1 Tomas-an-Appagh, 10 to 1 Donna Caterina, 100 to 8 each, O'Cullen, Cradle Song filly and Romney, 100 to 7 each Golden Mischief, Ballymac, and Crosshaven gelding, 100 to 6 Pericline, 25 to 1 each others (offered.)

Won easily by three-parts of a length; a head between second and third. Time—1min. 22⅘secs.

With the weather more like May than November, things were very pleasant at Manchester to-day. Big fields were again the order of the day, eighteen doing duty in the Ellesmere Handicap, in which Longcroft repeated his victory of yesterday. A score went to the post for the Ordsall Nursery, and backers failed to solve the puzzle satisfactorily. John Gilpin, figuring at the bottom of the handicap, won quite cleverly from Sheeroe colt. Details:—

The Ellesmere Handicap (Welter)—Of 150sovs., added to a sweepstakes of 5sovs. each for starters; second to receive 15sovs. 6 furlongs, straight.

Mr. J. T. Whipp's Longcroft, by Galloping Lad—Bauble. 3yrs., 7st. 8lbs. (4lbs. ex.)	Howey	1
Mr. G. Walmsley's Wild Aster, 5yrs., 8st. 5lbs.	Wm. Griggs	2
Mr. W. Sanderson's Napper, 5yrs., 7st. ...	Plant	3
Mr. R. Craig's Canty Bay, 4yrs., 9st. 2lbs. ...	J. McCall	0
Duke of Devonshire's Fugleman, 3yrs., 9st. 2lbs.	W. Higgs	0
Mr. T. Rintoul's Kearsage, aged, 8st. 7lbs.	J. Morgan	0
Mr. W. E. Elsey's Stoneling, 5yrs., 8st. 8lbs.	E. Wheatley	0
Capt. Bewicke's Rosebury, 5yrs., 8st. 5lbs.	Trigg	0
Rear-Admiral Lambton's Eurotas, 4yrs., 8st. 2lbs.	B. Lynham	0
Mr. A. C. Gold's Chiltern, 3yrs., 8st. 2lbs. (4lbs. ex.)	A. Templeman	0
Mr. James A. de Rothschild's Royal Romance, 3yrs., 7st. 9lbs.	E. Piper	0
Mr. C. Hibbert's Fire Clay, 3yrs., 7st. 7lbs. (7lbs. ex.)	H. Watts	0
Mr. J. Buchanan's Fairy Story, 3yrs., 7st. 10lbs.	Blades	0
Mr. J. Shepherd's Lord Chancellor, 3yrs., 7st. 10lbs.	G. McCall	0
Mr. Hugh Peel's Pieman, 4yrs., 7st. 9lbs. ...	Vivian	0
Mr. W. I'Anson's Gullane, 3yrs., 7st. 11b. ...	C. Jones	0
Mr. E. Carlton's Telamon, 3yrs., 6st. 12lbs.	H. Leader	0
Mr. John Osborne's Boy King, 3yrs., 6st. 12lbs.	Heckford	0

(*Winner trained by Whipp, junior.*)

Betting: 4 to 1 each agst. Rosebery and Fire Clay, 8 to 1 Longcroft, 100 to 12 Euratas, 10 to 1 each Royal Romance, Chiltern, and Gullane, 100 to 8 each Fugleman and Wild Aster, 20 to 1 any other (offered.)

Won by three-quarters of a length; two lengths separated the second and third.

The Castle Irwell Handicap—Of 500sovs.; second to receive 50sovs. 1 mile.

Mr. F. S. Barnard's Kaffir Chief, by Racburn—Ingoda, 4yrs., 7st. 11lbs. ...	O. Madden	1
Mr. G. Menzies's Japan, 6yrs., 7st. 3lbs. ...	Trigg	2
Mr. W. Godchild's Schnapps (9lbs. ex.), 6yrs., 7st. 3lbs. (car. 7st. 4lbs.) ...	Howard	3
Mr. Lionel Robinson's Roseate Dawn (9lbs. ex.) 5yrs., 9st. 9lbs. ...	W. Halsey	0
Mr. J. B. Joel's Dean Swift, 5yrs., 8st. 9lbs.	Randall	0
Mr. F. Stroud's Sweet Katie, 5yrs., 7st. 13lbs.	W. Higgs	0
Lord Ellesmere's Koorhaan, 4yrs., 7st. 5lbs.	Plant	0
Lord Derby's Victorious, 3yrs., 7st 4lbs. ...	Blades	0
Mr. W. R. Wyndham's Farasi, 3yrs., 6st. 12lbs.	Heckford	0
Sir R. Waldie Griffith's Charis, 4yrs., 6st. 11lbs.	A. Flanagan	0
Mr. T. H. Walker's Quintet, 3yrs., 6st. 8lbs.	C. Jones	0

(*Winner trained by G. Ohalone.*)

Betting: 7 to 2 agst. Roseate Dawn, 4 to 1 Kaffir Chief, 9 to 2 Sweet Katie, 9 to 1 Koorhaan, 10 to 1 Victorious, 100 to 8 each Deab Swift and Charis, 100 to 7 Farasi, 100 to 6 Schnapps, 20 to 1 any other (offered.)

Won a good race by a neck; a head between second and third.

FOOTBALL

ASSOCIATION RULES.

The elements seriously interferred with the enjoyment of the game on Saturday, but a big programme was duly gone through, and there were very few surprises. Taking the three leading leagues, the home clubs had a large share of the spoils, seven in the Southern League and a similar number in the First and Second Divisions of the League proving successful. An examination of the figures in the two divisions of the Football League reveals one of the most extraordinary series of coincidences that football has probably ever furnished, and this will best be shown by the subjoined table:—

	League I.	League II.
Total goals ...	... 30 ...	... 30
Home team wins	... 7 ...	... 7
Home teams defeated	... 3 ...	... 3
Drawn games ...	... 0 ...	... 0
Goals scored by winners	... 24 ...	... 24
Goals scored by losers	... 6 ...	... 6
Teams failed to score	... 6 ...	... 6

In the Southern League the ten games produced 34 goals, thus giving in the three leagues a grand total of 94, as compared with 67 the preceding Saturday. Only one home club went under in the Southern League and two games were drawn. The goals scored by winning teams numbered 27 and by the losing sides 7, the four teams taking part in the drawn games being unable to find the net. Altogether eight of the twenty clubs were baffled by the opposing defence.

Southern League.

On Saturday the champions were at home at Fulham to Watford, unquestionably the most improved team in the League. Last season both games between these teams resulted in a draw, and this was also the result of the struggle last week-end. Each team has consequently been endeavouring in vain for four and a half hours to penetrate the opposing defence. The division of the points on Saturday was a fair reflex of the game because neither team deserved more or less than they obtained. It is worth pointing out that the defence of Watford is a great factor in the success of the team to date, only 11 goals having been given away in 13 matches. Notwithstanding the terrible under-foot conditions, there was a desperate struggle at Tottenham, and the result was in doubt until close on time. The Argyle played their best game of the season, although they had to admit defeat at the close, but during the first half they had to cope with a sparking line of forward who meant to obtain goals, and they did so. The two points which went to the Spurs are all the more appreciated because the Argyle bagged the quartette last season. Brighton and Hove, another team on the up-grade, and who had been beaten only twice in away matches, visited Upton Park, where last season they were defeated by two clear goals. On this occasion they returned with a point in their possession and strenuously as they worked for this they were a trifle fortunate to obtain it, the home team failing to win through the feeble work of their forwards in the neighbourhood of goal. Queen's Park Rangers, who had not won a match since 22nd September when they beat Millwall at Park Royal by the odd goal in three gave a glimpse of their old-time form against Northampton, the visitors being outplayed in every department of the game. The Rangers scored five goals without response, and this welcome win removes them from the twentieth to the eighteenth place in the table. Crystal Palace suited themselves admirably to the conditions at home against Millwall and were always the better team. It was a capital performance to beat the Dockers by three clear goals and this win will act as a much needed stimulant to the Palace.

It was quite in accordance with expectations that Southampton should repeat their last year's victory over Reading at the Dell. The visitors, however, did not go under without a stern struggle. The forwards worked well in the open, but their shooting left much to be desired, otherwise there would have been a division of the honours. Taking the game as a whole, Southampton deserved to win, but no one would have been surprised had they failed to capture both points. The game at Luton between the home club and Leyton was curiously unequal. Playing against the wind the home side put on four goals in the first half without response, while in the concluding forty-five Leyton popped on three goals as against won by the Lutonians, who deservedly won, 5—3. Brentford again found Bristol Rovers too good for them at Bristol, the Rovers winning without unduly distressing themselves, but there was a hard fight at Swindon, where New Brompton furnished the opposition. The visitors failed to profit in the first half by the advantage given them by the wind, and when they made their effort in the second half they were safely held by the railway men, who made assurance doubly sure by popping on a second goal, and as a consequence occupy a place in the first half of the table. The sensation of the afternoon was the defeat of Norwich City at home by Portsmouth. Previously only Fulham and Swindon had returned from East Anglia with a point this season, and the Citizens thus experienced their first home defeat in the present campaign. There was no fluke about Portsmouth's success, the points going to the better team.

It will be observed from the subjoined table that, while Fulham and Tottenham Hotspur are respectively first and second, Portsmouth are relatively in the best position:—

	P.	W.	L.	D.	Goals. For	Agst.	Pts.
Fulham ...	... 15	7	1	7	20	13	21
Tottenham Hotspur	... 14	6	2	6	27	16	18
Portsmouth ...	... 12	7	2	3	23	14	17
Watford ...	... 13	5	2	6	15	11	16
Bristol Rovers	... 14	6	4	4	19	14	16
West Ham. United	... 14	5	4	5	23	17	15
Brighton ...	... 12	5	3	4	16	13	14
Millwall ...	... 13	6	5	2	23	23	14
Swindon Town	... 14	5	5	4	17	14	14
Norwich City	... 12	4	3	5	22	19	13
Southampton	... 12	5	5	2	21	15	12
Luton Town ...	... 12	5	5	2	15	24	12
Brentford ...	... 12	5	6	1	16	20	11
Crystal Palace	... 13	4	6	3	18	20	11
Plymouth Argyle	... 14	3	6	5	19	27	11
Leyton ...	12	3	5	4	15	19	10
New Brompton	... 12	4	7	1	13	19	9
Queen's Park Rangers	... 13	3	7	3	13	18	9
Reading ...	... 13	4	9	0	14	18	8
Northampton	... 12	1	6	5	11	25	7

League I.

Woolwich Arsenal had played five home games prior to meeting Stoke on Saturday, and had not once tasted defeat. Looking at the position occupied in the League table by the two clubs, there was nothing to suggest that Stoke, who last season prevailed by 2—1, would be the first to compel the Gunners to eat humble pie before their own supporters. The Potters had not won a match on foreign soil, but they had shown considerable improvement, and this, coupled with the fact that the Arsenal had scarcely of late maintained the high standard of the first two months, caused a little misgiving. As events shaped themselves there was no warrant for this. It is true, that the home team won by only the odd goal in three, but the score does not by any means indicate how the game went, Stoke having to play second fiddle, except towards the close of the game, when they rallied in fine style. Contrary to expectations, Sands was in his usual place at half, and played a capital game.

Newcastle United did not allow Liverpool to repeat their last season's performance at St. James' Park, and the Novocastrians were all the more delighted with their success because in seven previous visits Liverpool had only twice had to submit to defeat. Birmingham showed good form against Sunderland, and Preston North End were too good for Bristol City. Manchester City have a wretched home record this season, Aston Villa being the only club beaten at Hyde-road, and on Saturday Sheffield United went away with the points, their two goals victory being a capital performance. On 22nd September Aston Villa beat Everton at Goodison Park 2—1, but since then they had consistently lost away from home, nor was there any good ground for supposing they would be the first team to beat Derby County this season at the Baseball Grounds. Only one goal was scored in Saturday's game, and this went to the credit of the Villa. Everton did what was expected of them in defeating Blackburn Rovers, and Sheffield Wednesday romped round Manchester United at Owlerton. Sheffield therefore humiliated Manchester in both capitals. Middlesbrough obtained their second success, and their first home win, of the season, Notts County being well beaten at Ayresome Park, and Bolton Wanderers immensely pleased their supporters by defeating Bury at Gigg-lane, this being the third success of the Wanderers away from home this season.

This table to date is appended:—

	P.	W.	L.	D.	Goals. For	Agst.	Pts.
Everton ...	... 14	9	3	2	32	14	20
Newcastle United	... 13	8	2	3	27	13	19
Sheffield Wednesday	... 13	7	1	5	27	18	19
Woolwich Arsenal	... 13	8	3	2	26	17	18
Bolton Wanderers	... 12	6	2	4	22	16	16
Sheffield United	... 12	7	3	2	24	18	16
Aston Villa ...	... 14	7	5	2	25	20	16
Manchester United	... 13	5	4	4	17	21	14
Bristol City ...	... 13	5	5	3	20	18	13
Liverpool ...	... 13	5	6	2	24	21	12
Derby County	... 13	4	5	4	15	17	12
Birmingham ...	... 13	5	6	2	18	21	12
Sunderland ...	... 12	4	5	3	17	19	11
Preston North End	... 12	5	6	1	18	23	11
Bury ...	... 14	3	7	4	22	27	10
Notts County	... 13	1	5	7	8	15	9
Blackburn Rovers	... 13	3	7	3	16	23	9
Stoke ...	... 15	2	8	5	15	24	9
Manchester City	... 13	2	7	4	19	35	8
Middlesbrough	... 12	2	8	2	18	25	6

LEAGUE II.

Chelsea went to West Bromwich on 22nd September, and won a great game by the odd goal in three. Since then they have lost at Nottingham, Burton, and Burslem, and their supporters had good cause for anxiety as to the outcome of their visit on Saturday to Leeds, notwithstanding that the City team have a poor home record. The Londoners were, however, out to win, and they took command of the game from start to finish. They were better in every department, and should have finished up with a bigger lead than the solitary goal scored in the first half. Chelsea gain a point as compared with last season, when the result was a goal-less draw. At Burslem Clapton Orient did not play with their usual vigour and dash and were defeated by the odd goal in five, Barnsley having a similar experience at Chesterfield. Stockport County surprised Burton, and probably themselves, by winning at the brewing centre, and Hull City returned to winning vein at Lincoln, the home team being beaten by the only goal scored. Wolverhampton Wanderers were well beaten at Burnley, and Blackpool went under heavily at Leicester. Nottingham Forest won in not too convincing a style against Glossop, but West Bromwich cantered home against Bradford. Gainsborough did well to beat Grimsby, and Chesterfield obtained the two points by obtaining three of the five goals scored in their match with Barnsley.

Chelsea are now well in the running, as they are only a couple of points behind the leaders with a match in hand :—

	P.	W.	L.	D.	Goals For	Goals Agst.	Pts.
West Bromwich Albion ...	13	9	3	1	32	10	19
Notts Forest ...	13	9	3	1	28	15	19
Leicester Fosse ...	13	8	3	2	24	10	18
Chelsea	12	8	3	1	26	11	17
Stockport County ...	12	6	3	3	16	11	15
Burnley	13	7	5	1	21	11	15
Bradford City ...	13	6	4	3	17	17	15
Hull City	12	6	4	2	18	11	14
Wolverhampton Wands ...	14	6	6	2	23	19	14
Gainsborough Trinity ...	14	6	6	2	18	22	14
Clapton Orient ...	12	4	5	3	14	20	11
Grimsby Town ...	13	5	7	1	18	20	11
Lincoln City ...	13	4	6	3	17	21	11
Burslem Port Vale ...	13	5	7	1	23	34	11
Chesterfield	13	4	7	2	14	19	10
Leeds City	13	3	6	4	12	22	10
Barnsley	12	4	7	1	20	18	9
Blackpool	13	2	7	4	11	23	8
Burton United ...	13	3	8	2	11	27	8
Glossop	12	3	8	1	17	39	7

RUGBY RULES.

THE SOUTH AFRICANS' TOUR.

MATCH *v.* SCOTLAND.—National events, whether political, social, or sporting, lend themselves not infrequently to the unlimited use of exaggerated language. Thus it is that we are tempted to dignify the great Test matches, in which the South Africans will be engaged for the next four weeks, and the first of which was decided at Glasgow on Saturday, to a position of eminence and importance hitherto unequalled in the history of the game. Extraordinary interest was, no doubt, taken in the Scotch engagement—an interest which may be said to have penetrated every centre devoted to Rugby football. Fortunately the match was carried through in as favourable conditions as could be expected considering the previous 48 hours' deluge, the ground being quite soft. The attendance was put down at 25,000 which is considerably in excess of anything hitherto witnessed at a Rugby match in Scotland.

A loud cheer greeted the South Africans as they emerged from the private enclosure, and an equally cordial recognition awaited the Scots. There was little or no wind. The Scots defended the west goal. It was early seen that the game would be largely taken up with forward play. Neither side seemed inclined to speculate much at the beginning; indeed, in this respect the display was featureless all through, and possibly the closeness of movement was due to the respect in which both regarded each other's worth. Munro began with a mark, which was repeated, almost immediately after, Macleod kicking to the visitors "25." Pulled up for a penalty, Scotland were driven back somewhat, but by quick rush play the ground lost was regained, and for a time there was some pretty lively work in the Colonials' "25." A neat movement by the strangers took them to mid-ground. Here Greig pounced on the ball, and what with drops by Macleod and Walter, the Africans were again and again in a tight corner.

On one occasion Munro, instead of "marking" in a position from which Macleod might have placed a goal, went away on his own and made a feeble attempt at dropping. Incident after incident now ensued, and for a time the fiercest excitement reigned. A penalty was given against Scotland, but Carolin did not make the most of the kick and Scoular had time to put in a return. The Africans at this stage were having a look-in, the forwards doing some excellent pushing, but soon Sloan, with a kick into touch, transferred play to mid ground. This was the only time the strangers were really dangerous in the first half and yet they could get no further than the Scots' "25."

Brink retired at this stage suffering from an injury to one of his limbs, but he reappeared ten minutes later and threw himself into the fray as if nothing had happened. Greig was given offside immediately play was resumed, but nothing resulted from the kick again taken by Carolin. Every inch was strenuously debated and play, which at no time was brightened up with passing work, became rather monotonous; yet for all that it held the spectators spell bound.

Still keeping the Africans in their "25," the Scots made desperate efforts to get over the line, but if the attack at this point was brilliant, the defence was impenetrable. Walter was now on the run, and seemed to have the goal within dropping reach, but he passed to Macleod, who, although making some little ground, was driven into touch. The pressure was now increased, if that were possible, and Loubser was just in time to touch down, Purvis following up very smartly.

The Africans, who had been without Brink, were now at full strength, and on his return it was noticeable that there were five three-quarters. From a mark Macleod narrowly missed scoring a goal; the ball being so well directed that many thought he had succeeded. The Africans appeared to be holding their own a little better, Carolin and Dobbin putting in several tricky runs. Half-time :—

	Pts.
Scotland	0
South African	0

Scott opened the second half, and without any ceremony both sides were again busily engaged, the scrummages sometimes being of a severe order. First Walter missed, then Scoular, and had the Africans been up there might have been a score. As it was, it took Scotland all her time to recover, and thanks largely to Sivright, the home players were again attacking vigorously. There was some open play on the part of the Scots, Greig giving Walter a chance and the London three-quarter with a cross-kick, enabled Macleod to get the first try amid sustained cheering. McCullum was entrusted with the place, which, however, was too difficult to convert.

Stegmann showed his paces in a pretty effort, but he was brought down in time and later Loubser put in the biggest run of the day from his own "25" to that of the Scots, but Scoular was a bar to his aspirations. In regard to tactics and movements the first half was almost a duplicate of the second, with this exception that Sivright with five minutes to go, scored a second try, which, like the first, was not improved.

It is only fair to state that prior to this Marsburg met with an accident which was afterwards discovered to be more serious than was generally believed at the time. All was practically over now, and the whistle blew, leaving Scotland winners of a memorable struggle with the score :—

	Pts.
Scotland (2 tries)	6
South Africa	0

MATCH *v.* NORTH OF SCOTLAND.—The South Africans concluded their Scottish tour at Aberdeen on Wednesday, when they met a representative team of the North of Scotland. A heavy night's rainfall was followed by a day of bright sunshine, and the ground, although soft in places, was in good order. Carolin, owing to a cold stood down from the African side, and Dobbin played in his stead.

The Scottish forwards were brilliant, but the "threes" were much too slow for their speedy opponents. The South African pack were strong all round, and so also were the three-quarters, of whom Joubert was by far the best. Marsburg was superb at back. There was a large and enthusiastic crowd present.

The South Africans won the toss, and during the first half had the wind and sun in their favour. Right from the kick-off the Northern men came away in dashing style, the forwards being almost over the line in the first few minutes. Marsburg stopped a determined breakaway by the Scots. The Colonials could make no headway, so persistent were the North forwards in their headlong rushes. The home players had apparently taken their cue from the Scottish side last Saturday, for they would not allow the visitors to settle down.

Finally a nice punt by Joubert brought the play towards the Scottish twenty-five, and eight minutes after the start Marsburg got behind, after some clever passing by Dobbin, Morkel and Hirsch. The kick was taken by Joubert, who failed to bring the full points. The Scottish pack forced the pace capitally, but there was too much individual work, while the three-quarters played a purely defensive game.

Following a round of brilliant passing with Joubert greatly in evidence, the South Africans got through a second time. Melker getting behind. Morkel kicked an easy goal, and the tourists were now leading by eight points to *nil*. Before half-time Millar got over again for the Africans, but Morkel failed at the place kick. Half-time score :—

	Pts.
South Africans (1 goal 2 tries)	8
North of Scotland	0

The Colonials opened the second half in brisk fashion. Marsburg had a brilliant run, but was brought down within a yard of the line. A minute later Jackson got away, and ran right through the North defence, but got winded just as he grounded the ball. He was soon brought round, however. Morkel failed to kick a goal.

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Second Round.—Barlas beat Webber; Middleton beat Grundy.
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Second Round.—Perks beat Powell; Fenwick beat Thornewill.
Final.—M. C. Perks (Oriel) beat C. B. Fenwick (Magdalen.)

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Second Round.—Freeland beat Willes; Langley a bye; A. Turner (drawn).
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First Round.—E. S. Hoerule (New) beat A. Macfadyean (University), A. Juett (Brasenose) beat P. J. Bournique (St. Catherine's), W. R. Reynell a bye.
Second Round.—Juett beat Reynell; Hoerule a bye.
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LEAGUE II.

Chelsea went to West Bromwich on 22nd September, and won a great game by the odd goal in three. Since then they have lost at Nottingham, Burton, and Burslem, and their supporters had good cause for anxiety as to the outcome of their visit on Saturday to Leeds, notwithstanding that the City team have a poor home record. The Londoners were, however, out to win, and they took command of the game from start to finish. They were better in every department, and should have finished up with a bigger lead than the solitary goal scored in the first half. Chelsea gain a point as compared with last season, when the result was a goal-less draw. At Burslem Clapton Orient did not play with their usual vigour and dash and were defeated by the odd goal in five, Barnsley having a similar experience at Chesterfield. Stockport County surprised Burton, and probably themselves, by winning at the brewing centre, and Hull City returned to winning vein at Lincoln, the home team being beaten by the only goal scored. Wolverhampton Wanderers were well beaten at Burnley, and Blackpool went under heavily at Leicester. Nottingham Forest won in not too convincing a style against Glossop, but West Bromwich cantered home against Bradford. Gainsborough did well to beat Grimsby, and Chesterfield obtained the two points by obtaining three of the five goals scored in their match with Barnsley.

Chelsea are now well in the running, as they are only a couple of points behind the leaders with a match in hand :—

	P.	W.	L.	D.	Goals For	Goals Agst.	Pts.
West Bromwich Albion ...	13	9	3	1	32	10	19
Notts Forest ...	13	9	3	1	28	15	19
Leicester Fosse ...	13	8	3	2	24	10	18
Chelsea	12	8	3	1	26	11	17
Stockport County ...	12	6	3	3	16	11	15
Burnley	13	7	5	1	21	11	15
Bradford City ...	13	6	4	3	17	17	15
Hull City	12	6	4	2	18	11	14
Wolverhampton Wands ...	14	6	6	2	23	19	14
Gainsborough Trinity ...	14	6	6	2	18	22	14
Clapton Orient ...	12	4	5	3	14	20	11
Grimsby Town ...	13	5	7	1	18	20	11
Lincoln City ...	13	4	6	3	17	21	11
Burslem Port Vale ...	13	5	7	1	23	34	11
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RUGBY RULES.

THE SOUTH AFRICANS' TOUR.

MATCH *vs.* SCOTLAND.—National events, whether political, social, or sporting, lend themselves not infrequently to the unlimited use of exaggerated language. Thus it is that we are tempted to dignify the great Test matches, in which the South Africans will be engaged for the next four weeks, and the first of which was decided at Glasgow on Saturday, to a position of eminence and importance hitherto unequalled in the history of the game. Extraordinary interest was, no doubt, taken in the Scotch engagement—an interest which may be said to have penetrated every centre devoted to Rugby football. Fortunately the match was carried through in as favourable conditions as could be expected considering the previous 48 hours' deluge, the ground being quite soft. The attendance was put down at 25,000 which is considerably in excess of anything hitherto witnessed at a Rugby match in Scotland.

A loud cheer greeted the South Africans as they emerged from the private enclosure, and an equally cordial recognition awaited the Scots. There was little or no wind. The Scots defended the west goal. It was early seen that the game would be largely taken up with forward play. Neither side seemed inclined to speculate much at the beginning; indeed, in this respect the display was featureless all through, and possibly the closeness of movement was due to the respect in which both regarded each other's worth. Munro began with a mark, which was repeated, almost immediately after, Macleod kicking to the visitors "25." Pulled up for a penalty, Scotland were driven back somewhat, but by quick rush play the ground lost was regained, and for a time there was some pretty lively work in the Colonials' "25." A neat movement by the strangers took them to mid-ground. Here Greig pounced on the ball, and what with drops by Macleod and Walter, the Africans were again and again in a tight corner.

On one occasion Munro, instead of "marking" in a position from which Macleod might have placed a goal, went away on his own and made a feeble attempt at dropping. Incident after incident now ensued, and for a time the fiercest excitement reigned. A penalty was given against Scotland, but Carolin did not make the most of the kick and Scoular had time to put in a return. The Africans at this stage were having a look-in, the forwards doing some excellent pushing, but soon Sloan, with a kick into touch, transferred play to mid ground. This was the only time the strangers were really dangerous in the first half and yet they could get no further than the Scots' "25."

Brink retired at this stage suffering from an injury to one of his limbs, but he reappeared ten minutes later and threw himself into the fray as if nothing had happened. Greig was given offside immediately play was resumed, but nothing resulted from the kick again taken by Carolin. Every inch was strenuously debated and play, which at no time was brightened up with passing work, became rather monotonous; yet for all that it held the spectators spell bound.

Still keeping the Africans in their "25," the Scots made desperate efforts to get over the line, but if the attack at this point was brilliant, the defence was impenetrable. Walter was now on the run, and seemed to have the goal within dropping reach, but he passed to Macleod, who, although making some little ground, was driven into touch. The pressure was now increased, if that were possible, and Loubser was just in time to touch down, Purvis following up very smartly.

The Africans, who had been without Brink, were now at full strength, and on his return it was noticeable that there were five three-quarters. From a mark Macleod narrowly missed scoring a goal; the ball being so well directed that many thought he had succeeded. The Africans appeared to be holding their own a little better, Carolin and Dobbin putting in several tricky runs. Half-time :—

	Pts.
Scotland	0
South African	0

Scott opened the second half, and without any ceremony both sides were again busily engaged, the scrummages sometimes being of a severe order. First Walter missed, then Scoular, and had the Africans been up there might have been a score. As it was, it took Scotland all her time to recover, and thanks largely to Sivright, the home players were again attacking vigorously. There was some open play on the part of the Scots, Greig giving Walter a chance and the London three-quarter with a cross-kick, enabled Macleod to get the first try amid sustained cheering. McCullum was entrusted with the place, which, however, was too difficult to convert.

Stegmann showed his paces in a pretty effort, but he was brought down in time and later Loubser put in the biggest run of the day from his own "25" to that of the Scots, but Scoular was a bar to his aspirations. In regard to tactics and movements the first half was almost a duplicate of the second, with this exception that Sivright with five minutes to go, scored a second try, which, like the first, was not improved.

It is only fair to state that prior to this Marsburg met with an accident which was afterwards discovered to be more serious than was generally believed at the time. All was practically over now, and the whistle blew, leaving Scotland winners of a memorable struggle with the score :—

	Pts.
Scotland (2 tries)	6
South Africa	0

MATCH *vs.* NORTH OF SCOTLAND.—The South Africans concluded their Scottish tour at Aberdeen on Wednesday, when they met a representative team of the North of Scotland. A heavy night's rainfall was followed by a day of bright sunshine, and the ground, although soft in places, was in good order. Carolin, owing to a cold stood down from the African side, and Dobbin played in his stead.

The Scottish forwards were brilliant, but the "threes" were much too slow for their speedy opponents. The South African pack were strong all round, and so also were the three-quarters, of whom Joubert was by far the best. Marsburg was superb at back. There was a large and enthusiastic crowd present.

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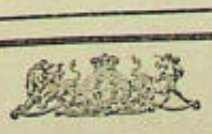
By Royal Warrant to  His Majesty the King.

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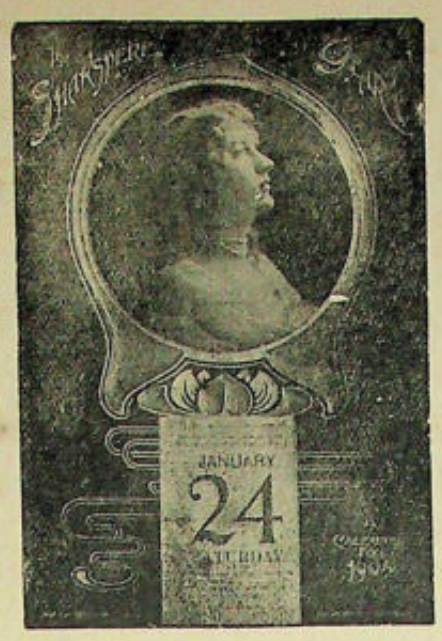

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had a hard two mile row to Nuneham Island, where a halt was called. They subsequently worked back to the raft at an average of 28, with an occasional bit of rowing on the way. The President coached No. 2, and Mr. Bucknall No. 1. Wednesday's alterations were maintained. Names and weights :—

No. 1 Crew.—C. D. Hannan (Trinity) (bow) 10st. 7lbs ; R. M. Peat (Trinity) 11st. 8lbs., E. A. Walker (Merton) 12st. 2lbs., J. A. Gillan (Magdalen) 12st. 1½lb., G. E. Hope (Christ Church, 12st. 10½lbs., A. G. Kirby (Magdalen) 13st. 7lbs., H. R. Barker (Christ Church) 11st. 8lbs , E. V. Culme Seymour (New) (stroke) 11st. 11b , A. W. Donkin (Magdalen) (cox) 8st. 7lbs.

No. 2 Crew.—H. T. Heard (Ballion) (bow) 11st. 11lb., C. R. Cudmore (Magdalen) 11st. 10lbs., J. Dewar (New) 12st. 4lbs. D. A. Newhall (Balliol) 13st. 11lb., J C. Plimpton (Trinity) 13st., H. G. Pilling (Keble) 12st. 2½lbs., H. B. Southwell (Magdalen) 11st. 12½lbs., O. N. Chadwick Healey (Trinity) (stroke) 11st. 2lbs., A. St. J. Kekewich (Christ Church) (cox) 7st. 8lbs.

CAMBRIDGE.

Again yesterday grand weather prevailed at Cambridge. Parker (No. 3 in Lewis' crew) was back at his old seat yesterday, Fraser returning to bow to the exclusion of B. M. Arnold (Jesus.)

After all the candidates had received tubbing advice, the ships were launched and pulled in long stages of paddling, interspersed with bursts of rowing to Baitsbite. On the return journey they both rowed from the Little Bridge to the Railway Bridge, at an average stroke of 30, showing a decided improvement in form. Hoare, the freshman steering Lewi's crew, took a remarkably fine Grassy corner. The crews were coached by Messrs. B. J. Johnstone and H. M. Goldsmith, and were accompanied by the Rev. H. Sanger and Mr. L. H. K. Bushe-Fox. Latest weights :—

P. J. Lewis' Crew.—J. Fraser (Lady Margaret) (bow) 11st. 3lbs., G. N. M. Bland (King's) 11st. 4lbs., Hon'ble J. H. Parker (Third Trinity) 12st. 6lb., H. Bartram (Trinity Hall) 12st., L. T. S. Barrett (Christ's) 12st. 13lbs., W. B. Masefield (Jesus) 12st. 6lbs., W. E. Thrash (Christ's) 11st. 8lbs., P. J. Lewis (Lady Margaret) (stroke) 10st. 10lbs., F. A. Hoare (First Trinity) (cox) 8st. 1½lb.

W. A. Simpson's Crew.—E. G S. Lane (Jesus) (bow) 11st. 4lbs., F. H. Jerwood (Jesus) 10st. 4lbs., J. Walmsley (First Trinity) 11st. 10lbs., F. G. Hudson (Jesus) 12st. 3lbs., J. S. Burn (First Trinity) 12st. 11lbs., G. L. Thomson (Trinity Hall) 12st., R. E. Freeth (Selwyn) 11st. 4lbs., W. A. Simpson (Trinity Hall) (stroke) 10st. 8lbs., T. More (Caius) (cox) 8st. 4½lbs.

BILLIARDS.

When Dawson defeated Stevenson at Messrs. Thurston's Grand Hall recently there were those who sought to belittle Dawson's triumph owing to the fact that he had had a week's "practice" on the table immediately preceding his match with Stevenson. All were agreed that the latter was severely handicapped on that occasion in meeting his great rival under the somewhat unusual conditions ; hence it was that their second match of the season, at Hanley, was looked forward to with unusual interest. Here the conditions were as equitable as it was possible to make them, for both were operating on a table that neither had seen before. The first day's proceedings added point to the justifiable excuses advanced on behalf of Stevenson on the former occasion, for, starting with a superb break of 435—which also proved to be the highest of the match—Stevenson travelled at such a pace that at the close of the day's play he had established the substantial lead of 839. "What did I tell you?" or "I told you so," were the remarks of those wiseacres who probably for the moment forgot the fact that Dawson's equilibrium is never upset by a little matter of this kind. And I am quite sure Stevenson himself retained no false ideas on this score.

Ever a slow beginner, Dawson went after his man in his usual dogged manner on Tuesday, and while Stevenson at times responded brilliantly, his rival had cut down the lead considerably at the end of the day. On Wednesday, it was a case of "diamond-cut-diamond"—the one determined to hold on to his advantage by all legitimate means, and the other equally so to get in front. As a matter of fact, Dawson did forge ahead during the evening, only to find his rival flashing out in brilliant style and going once more to the head of affairs. Although there was not a penny at stake there was what was perhaps of infinitely greater value—*viz.*, the question of supremancy for the time being. Keen and determind were the exchanges up to this period, and, never a robust man, this probably had some effect on Stevenson, who subsequently did not put the same heart into his work as previously. On the other hand, Dawson fairly revels in a "battle," and once more catching his opponent on Thursday, he never afterwards looked back, and gradually increased his lead until it stood at over 1,200 on Friday evening.

Stevenson played gamely on Saturday under physical difficulties, but he was engaged in a hopeless task, and although outpointing Dawson throughout the day, he could do little more than lessen the severity of his defeat. And so ended the second battle between the giants of the billiard arena—a result which proves Dawson still capable of being spoken of in the same breath as Stevenson. What player other than Dawson could have emerged so triumphantly over such as Stevenson after that electrifying first day's work by the latter!

The re-entry of the famous Mancunian, E. Diggle, into the lists of money match players has not been a success from his point of view, as apart from the financial side of the matter, he has somewhat marred his reputation by a remarkable uneven and poor display. However, he has erred in good company, as the successful players against the "Twickenham terrier" in a money match can be counted on the fingers of one hand. True, the circle of players, he has fixed up money matches with is a somewhat narrow one, but the fact remains he has generally come out on top. The match just ended at Thursten's was strenous enough, but presented few features of interest from a public standpoint. Neither players approached anything near the form we know him capable of, and this in face of the fact that Inman three times exceeded the third century. The match attracted excellent "houses" throughout, a tribute to the personality of the players engaged. We shall probably see both to better advantage later on, and it may be they will give us something more worthy of their reputation when they meet in the tournament next week.

It will be good news to his numerous admirers in the South to know that we are likely to be favoured with at least one visit from Tom Aiken, the Scottish champion, this season. He is out with a bold challenge to play Harverson, Weiss, Inman, and Reece on level terms, and that he fancies his chance against either of them may be gathered from the fact that he is willing to stake £50 on the result. As will be seen from another part of this issue, Fred Weiss has not allowed the challenge to go a-begging long. Whether any of the others intend to take it up has not been heard, but as Weiss is the first to make a response, I presume Aiken will, in his usual characteristic manner, give the Australian champion the first chance. Aiken's wonderfully fine play in the tournament last season is well remembered, and should he and Weiss manage to fit in with dates, the match is bound to prove one of the attractions of the Metropolitan season.

The preliminary arrangements regarding a second-class professional championship, first suggested in the *Sporting Life*, are well under way. The players—W. Cook, W. Osborne, J. Chapman, and G. Nelson—who have given their adhesion to the scheme, have done me the honour of asking me to draw up rules and regulations for their guidance, including "Articles of Agreement" which all may sign. Needless to say, I shall gladly undertake the commission, and hope to formulate regulations which will meet with the approval of all the parties interested.

THREE-FIGURE BREAKS TO DATE.

	100 and over.	200 and over.	300 and over.	400 and over.	500 over.	Total.	Actual pts. scored.	Aver.
H. W. Stevenson	134	27	10	5	2	178	56,347	56·42
C. Dawson ...	108	35	14	1	2	160	57,161	52·00
E. Diggle ...	65	17	3	0	0	85	31,086	45·06
W. A. Lovejoy ...	70	13	4	2	0	89	35,074	42·64
C. Harverson ...	95	13	1	0	0	109	40,456	40·43
M. Inman ...	103	13	5	1	0	122	48,866	39·44
W. Cook ...	42	8	2	0	0	52	24,947	32·86
T. Reece ...	39	5	1	0	0	45	20,321	32·47
W. Osborne ...	31	2	0	0	0	33	17,285	25·72
W. Mitchell ...	21	2	1	0	0	24	14,011	24·39
G. Nelson ...	6	0	0	0	0	6	7,000	10·31
A. Taylor ...	1	0	0	0	0	1	4,599	3·32

Note.—The final column gives the percentage of points scored by the agency of three-figure breaks.

RECORD OF MATCHES TO DATE.

	P.	W.	L.	Possible Points.	Actually scored.	Per-centage.
G. Nelson... ...	1	1	0	7,000	7,000	100·00
M. Inman ...	4	3	1	50,250	48,866	97·24
T. Reece	3	2	1	21,000	20,321	96·76
E. Diggle... ...	2	1	1	31,500	31,086	96·68
H. W. Stevenson ...	6	4	2	58,500	56,347	96·31
W. A Lovejoy ...	5	3	2	36 850	35,074	95·18
C. Harverson ...	4	1	3	43,000	40,456	94·08
C. Dawson ...	7	5	2	63,000	57,161	90·73
W. Osborne ...	3	1	2	20,000	17,285	86·42
W. Cook	5	1	4	30 000	24,947	83·15
A. Taylor	1	0	1	7,000	4,599	65·70
W. Mitchell ...	2	0	2	21,600	14,011	64·86

Note.—The average column shows percentage of possible points scored.

Hunting.

THE KARACHI HUNT.

THE season opened on 29th November when the hounds met at The Bunnia's Crossing at 7 A.M. Mr. Graham had ten couple out, and they looked very fit and well after their summering at Quetta. A fairly good field turned out, including Mr. Lucas, Colonel Travers, Captain Lawrence and others. The fair sex were represented by Mrs. Graham and Mrs. Travers.

The Master commenced by drawing Alli's Khet and the Guavas. The morning was singularly hot and dry and it was evident from the first that scent was bad. The hounds hunted well—and made the most of a catchy scent. Our jack ran towards the Ruined Cottage, where we lost him.

Drawing the Small Bund, we got on to the line of another, and ran slowly towards the hills, where the hounds were whipped off. On our way home, we picked up a line and ran smartly to Graham's Spinney—whence three jacks had been viewed away. But it was getting late—and scent had gone from bad to worse, so the hounds were whipped off homewards.

On 2nd December the meet was fixed for The Chokidar's Khete, at 7-15 A.M. Only a very small field turned out, but they were rewarded for their early rise by a capital morning's sport. We found towards the far end of the Chokidar's Khet and the hounds ran, with a crash of music, across the open towards the Pinjrapol.—Turning sharp left handed, the hounds ran strongly through Pinjrapol fields, and on, through the long grass until they ran out of scent on the rocky hills beyond. A wide cast to the left put the hounds right again, and they ran, hunting nicely and with lots of music, towards Oomer Dosal's Khet. They rattled our jack through this, but the bare ground beyond gave him his chance, and we followed him slowly towards the river bed. This he had crossed, setting his mask for Maggar Pir Hills. A fine gallop took us within a mile of the hills, but it was getting very hot, and the hounds were badly in want of water, and were feeling the heat, so the master whipped off, and watered near a village. Hearing that the jack was close in front he quickly pushed on, and regaining the line, the hounds ran keenly, and it looked as if the fate of the rover was sealed, but the respite he had received, when the hounds were watered—short though it was—was sufficient to enable him to save his brush. The hounds were whipped off about 9, after a run lasting in all 1 hour 20 minutes, 10 miles from kennels. The morning was cold to start with, but it soon became very hot and scent was none too good.

SINDHI.

THE MADRAS HOUNDS.

WE had a fine cool morning on Sunday last, the 2nd instant when the meet was fixed to take place at St. Thomas' Mount. There was capital sport also, the only fault that could be found with the day being that there were too many jacks about! The Master trotted from the meet to Sheepshead Covert and hounds flashed on a line on the maidan, evidently that of a jack who was returning to covert from the cantonment. In the covert they soon had him moving and after a little delay he broke towards the river and ran parallel with the bank in the direction of Pallavaram for half a mile or so. Then he turned sharp in a clump of jungle and went back to Sheepshead Covert. He had evidently not thought of staying there, however, for hounds carried his line right through the covert and away across the open for Scavenger. Across the maidan they were going at racing speed and the field, who had been delayed in getting round the covert, were well left. In Scavenger the pace slackened, but hounds ran their jack at a good, holding pace, the length of the covert and across the Poonamallee Road near Nantambakam Bridge. The pace continued good as far as the Porakapillais on the edge of the Butts plain, but here the jack turned short back and made again for Scavenger. Unfortunately a single hound got ahead of the line and the rest of the pack could only hunt slowly through Scavenger to the Mount end! Here there were at least two jacks afoot, but after some delay hounds carried the line across the river and slowly on towards Poonamallee, till at last they threw up. A wide cast recovered the line and for a while hounds ran well again, but the jack was too far ahead and had eventually to be abandoned.

Then there was a short halt after which the Master moved on to a betel tope, where a cat caused some riot for a time. Hounds were then taken on to the Porakapillais tope on the left bank of the Adyar river, where they almost immediately found again. The hunt which followed is very difficult to describe, as the jack made no point, but ran several rings in the open, returning twice to the covert where he was found. A sugar-cane garden in which he took refuge in one of his excursions proved very trying to hounds, but they eventually forced him to break, although, despite the willing, if misplaced, assistance of some native ryots, who tried to cut him off, he made good his point for his original haunt, where for a time he succeeded in eluding the pack. The Master now made an attempt to call hounds off, as the morning was getting hot. He was unsuccesful, however, for they stuck to their jack and got him away again, eventually marking him to ground in a hole among some prickly pear bushes. It was now half-past eight, and as there did not seem to be much chance of getting him out, hounds were taken home.

Wednesday, the 5th instant, was wet and there had been very heavy rain during the night. We met on the Kodambaukam Road at six on a dirty, monsoonish morning, with a light rain still falling and the field was only a small one, a good many horses being at the meet whose owners failed to arrive. Sport, however, was excellent and the few riders who did brave the miserable weather were rewarded by a very merry gallop. A noteworthy feature of the meet was the number of ladies who turned out. There were five present and if we leave out of account the Master and whips the male element scarcely outnumbered them. The morning was darkened by the heavy clouds and we had to wait until it was light enough to see. As soon as there was enough light the Master moved off into the gardens south of the road and from there on to the Camel Lines Covert and back through a veritable maze of well-fenced topes and gardens, all without so much as a single whimper. Crossing to the north side of the road, the Master drew more gardens with no more success than at first.

The outlying casuarina covert was the next draw. This is a covert which seldom fails us and which has often more than one tenant. On this occasion it came nobly to the rescue, holding no fewer than three jacks. Two of these slipped away soon after hounds opened, but they had settled to the line of a third and declined to change in spite of holloas in two directions. After hounds had bustled him two or three times round the covert, the jack broke at the north-west corner and they got away on excellent terms with him.

The pace was as good as need be wished and the ground deep after the previous night's rain, gave horses as much as they could do in order to live with the pack. Keeping to the open, and, on the whole, selecting the best of the going, the jack kept bending slightly right handed till he was going almost in a straight line for Madras. He was never more than a few hundred yards ahead, but the crops in the fields prevented hounds from viewing him till he took to a tank bund, where the going was sound. Here they got a view and finally bowled him over in a bush after a quarter of an hour of the very best.

B. B. B.

Cricket.

CRICKET IN CALCUTTA.

Y.M.C.A. *vs.* Caledonians.—This match was played on the Y.M.C.A. ground, and the home team succeeded in beating their opponents by four wickets. Going in first the Caledonians began in disastrous fashion. Smith, Rogers, Elliot, and Beer all being quickly disposed of. Rogers was beautifully caught left hand high up at third man by Dyer who had the sun in his eyes. On Christensen coming to the wickets a stand was made, his partner, Wade, keeping up his wicket pluckily Christensen, who enjoyed his usual luck, slogged merrily for 53, scoring his 50 in 13 minutes. Wade and Dimsdale made 17 and 12 not out, respectively, the former playing very nice cricket. Reynolds secured 6 wickets for 62, and although he bowled with much judgment, he was helped slightly by the ground which kicked slightly at his end. The Y.M.C.A. innings was noticeable for a beautiful innings of 44 by Reynolds. It was delightful to watch his off driving, and his powers of defence were amply tested by Rogers, who throughout bowled splendidly. Time found the home team with 101 for 8, but the winning hit was made just after the fall of the sixth wicket. It was really a one man victory for the Y.M.C.A., and Reynolds once more proved himself one of the finest "all rounders" in Calcutta.

Caledonians.

L. Smith, c and b Reynolds	9
E. Bogers, c A. Price, b Reynolds	0
E. O. Elliot, b Vanspall	0
G. V. Wade, b Dyer	17
H. W. Beer, b Reynolds	0
E. H. Christensen, c Grant, b Dyer	53
J. H. Dimsdale, not out	12
A. H. Green, b Reynolds	0
E. G. Durant, b Reynolds	0
R. H. Byers, b Reynolds	5
J. F. Wilson, b Dyer	5
Total	98

Y.M.C.A.

F. H. Reynolds, c Smyths, b Rogers	44
A. M. Price, b Elliot	0
F. Knolles, b Rogers	13
W. Dyer, b Rogers	19
J. Grant, b Elliot	0
W. Price, c Durant, b Christensen	10
J. Maclean, c and b Christensen	2
P. Vanspall, c and b Elliot	10
L. Foucar, not out	0
A. Winter, not out	1
R. Horne, did not bat.	
Extras	2
Total (for 8 wkts.*)	101

*Innings declared closed.

Hornets *vs.* Customs.—Played on the Hornets' ground last Saturday, ending in a draw. Appended are scores :—

Customs.

C. Hall, b Peake	0
H. Barlow, C. Hughes, b Peake	0
C. Barlow, run out	32
M. Quiterio, b Rosser	7
C. Warden, b Bayley	17
A. McCready, not out	31
F. Harcourt, b Rosser	9
J. Anderson, b Bayley	0
C. Marsden, c Rosser, b Bayley	0
H. Vears, l.-b.-w., b Bayley	0
W. G. Brown, run out	9
Extras	1
Total	106

Hornets.

A. B. Rosser, b Marsden	8
B. A. Hollow, b Marsden	2
B. Peake, b Brown	4
F. Hoff, b Marsden	16
A. A. Browne, c Brown, b Marsden	8
H. A. Bayley, b Marsden	22
W. Hughes, not out	18
N. Hudson, b Brown	4
H. Jackson, c C. Barlow, b Brown	0
K. Hudson, F. Jewell } did not bat.	
Extras	11
Total (for 8 wkts.*)	93

*Innings declared closed.

Rangers *vs.* Maharajah of Nattore's XI.—This match on the Rangers' ground last Saturday ended in a draw. Score :—

Rangers.

H. S. Cumber, b K. Roy	9
G. Hodges, c Mehta, b Banda	10
P. G. Margrett, c Mehta, b Rashid	14
G. Nugent, c and b K. Roy	16
A. Hodges, c Bozok, b Banda	34
G. Schumacher, c Banda, b Rashid	0
H. Cronin, c Banda, b Rashid	0
C. Tripp, c Mehta, b Banda	10
E. Templeton, c and b Rashid	2
D. Y. Calderwood, not out	16
F. Lees, not out	5
Extras	7
Total (for 9 wkts.*)	123

*Innings declared closed.

Nattore's XI.

K. Roy, b Templeton	8
Kazak, not out	17
H. R. Mehta, l.-b.-w., b Templeton	4
Banda, b Templeton	0
J. Banerjee, b Templeton	3
M. Roy, not out	0
Extras	3
Total (for 4 wkts.)*	40

*Innings declared closed.

The Sporting Union *vs.* Aryan Club.—The Sporting Union played a cricket match on their own ground with the Aryan Club on Sunday last. They had to play without the services of two of their best bowlers, S. Dutta-Gupta and M. Ray. However, the game was very interesting and resulted in a win for the Aryans by 35 runs. The following are the scores :—

The Sporting Union.

N. Roy-Chowdhury, c K. Bose, b D. Bose	9
S. Ghose, b Bose	11
P. Banerjee, c Mukerjee, b Banerjee	7
S. Roy, c Banerjee, b Mukerjee	27
G. Gupta, c Banerjee, b Bose	7
C. Guha, b Banerjee	12
P. Bose (Sr.), c Mitter, b Bose	48
S. Biswas, b Mukerjee	11
P. Bose (Jr.), b Banerjee	11
P. Banerjee, not out	2
G. Singha, b Banerjee	0
Extras	12
Total	157

Aryan Club.

B. Mukerjee, run out	43
O. Mazumdar, b P. Bose (Sr.)	17
S. Banerjee, c Gupta, b P. Bose (Sr.)	25
D. Bose, c Biswas, b P. Bose (Sr.)	16
B. Banerjee, st. Roy-Chowdhury, b Bose	26
J. Mukerjee, b P. Bose (Sr.)	4
K. Bose, b Biswas	34
S. Mitter, run out	6
S. Mukerjee, not out	5
P. Mukerjee, c Banerjee, b Biswas	2
J. Sen, run out	0
Extras	14
Total	192

Ballygunge *vs.* Capt. Sitwell's XI.—Played at Ballygunge, the home team winning by 44 runs. Lieut. Walker (51) for the visitors, Eddis and White for Ballygunge, were the principal run getters. Gould bowled with success, taking seven wickets for 33. Scores :—

Ballygunge.

B. A. White, c Grand, b Lees	23
B. E. G. Eddis, c Wood, b Wolfe-Murray	48
R. C. R. Hill, c Gunn, b Wood	10
J. G. Ballantyne, c Sub, b Wood	10
G. Bunbury, c Wood, b Wolfe-Murray	0
M. R. Quin, c Lees, b Wood	9
W. E. Bayley, c Lees, b Wood	3
F. Gould, c Wood b Grant	18
C. C. T. Eastgate, c Wood, b Grant	5
O. E. Williamson, not out	0
E. W. Antram, absent	
Extras	11
Total	137

Captain Sitwell's XI.

Lt. G. H. Walker, b Gould	51
Lce.-Corpl. Sinclair, c Gould, b Ballantyne	5
A. T. Wood c Ballantine, b Gould	5
F. Lees, b Gould	0
S. E. A. Whiteway, b Gould	9
Major Wolfe-Murray, b Gould	2
Capt. N. S. H. Sitwell, c Gould b Ballantyne	4
Pte. Grant, not out	0
Lt. K. McLeod, run out	3
Lce.-Corpl, Gunn, b Gould	0
Pte. Clden, b Gould	0
Extras	14
Total	93

Sova Bazar *vs.* Northumberland Fusiliers' Sergeants.—Appended are the scores in this match, played on Saturday and won by the native team :—

Sergeants, 5th Fusiliers.

Drum-Major Hone c Nichols b K. Mukerji	2
Sergt. Afford c Nichols b K. Mukerji	4
Sergt. Beechcroft b U. Ghose	0
Sergt. McCoy Run out	14
Sergt. Smith Run out	13
Sergt. Buckingham l.-b.-w. b K. Mukerji	13
Sergt. Jones c and b K. Mukerji	0
Sergt. Thomson b N. Ghose	0
Sergt. Dickinson, c Nichols b U. Ghose	7
Sergt. Parker c Nichols b U. Ghose	0
Sergt. Parker c Nichols b U. Ghose	0
Total	53

Sova Bazar C. C.

U. Ghose c Afford b McCoy	5
W. Nichols c and b Buckingham	20
A. Gupta b Buckingham	26
T. Mullick b Buckingham	0
H. D. Sil b Buckingham	0
K. Mukerji b Buckingham	0
S. Ghose b Buckingham	1
P. Mukerji b Buckingham	15
S. Mitter Run out	0
B. Mitter Not out	0
K. Chowdhury b Buckingham	0
Total	69

C. C. C. *vs.* Town Club.—Played on the C. C. C. ground on the 8th and 9th December and resulted in an easy victory for the C. C. C. Guise (189 not out) played a brilliant innings for the winners, while Pope (73) and Beachcroft (44) also batted well. Scores :—

Town Club.

	1st Innings.	2nd Innings.
N. S. Mitter,	c Curtis-Hayward, b Simson 0	c Warden, b Curtis-Hayward 16
Aktaruddin,	c Beachcroft, b Simson 6	retired hurt.
D. Lahiri,	b Curtis-Hayward 2	b Curtis-Hayward 3
S. K. Bose	(capt.), c Curtis-Hayward, b Beachcroft 19	c Bartholomew, b Beachcroft 15
J. Sircar,	b Simson 0	c and b Simson 0
C. Dutt,	b Curtis-Hayward 22	c Simson, b Beachcroft 2
B. Mukerjee,	c Simson, b Beachcroft 4	not out 12
A. Ghani,	c Claughton, b Beachcroft 7	not out 4
Azharuddin	b Curtis-Hayward 0	c Claughton, b Curtis-Hayward 3
P. G. Roy,	not out 4	did not bat.
Amisuddin,	l.-b.-w., b Beachcroft 0	b Curtis-Hayward 3
	Extras 12	Extras 6
	Total 76	Total (8 wkts.) 64

C. C. C.

J. D. Quise, not out	189
G. Turnbull, c S. K. Bose, b Mukerjee	2
A. Simson c Amisuddin, B. Mukerjee	3
P. Curtis-Hayward, b Amisuddin	9
H. Claughton, b Amisuddin	0
H. F. Yeoman, b A. Ghani	1
C. M. Pope, c and b misuddin	73
T. N. Warden, c S. K. Bose, b Dutt	4
C. P. Beachcroft, b Amisuddin	44
C. P. Bartholomew, c and b Aktarruddin	4
H. Miller, run out	6
Extras	18
Total	353

CRICKET AT LAHORE.

Lahore *vs.* Multan.—Played on the 30th ultimo and 1st instant, ending in a draw. C. H. Lyon and V. H. Wilson made centuries for their respective sides. Scores :—

Multan.

	1st Innings.	2nd Innings.
Capt. H. Moberly,	c and b Tinker 20	l.-b.-w., c and b Short 8
C. H. Lyon,	b Kirke 112	l.-b.-w., c and b Kirke 36
E. P. Quinan,	b Kirke 32	b Kirke 12
J. B. Wynter,	b Kirke 7	b Wilson 4
H. P. Heyworth,	c Tinker, b Kirke 0	b Short 1
J. Preston,	b Ross 9	c Bedwell, b Short 16
R. E. Bate,	b Kirke 4	st. Farquhar, b Kirke 2
G. Heriz-Smith,	b Ross 2	c Ross, b Wilson 30
Lce.-Corpl. Crump,	b Ross 9	not out 46
Lce.-Corpl. Latimer,	c Jones, b Lang 21	b Ross 0
Pte. Duthoit,	not out 23	c Farquhar, b Wilson 17
	Extras 8	Extras 15
	Total 247	Total 187

Lahore.

	1st Innings.	2nd Innings.
Capt. G. Lang,	c Preston, b Bate 10	c Bate, b Preston 1
V. H. Wilson,	b Crump 117	c Moberly, b Bate 0
E. St. G. Kirke,	b Preston 4	b Duthoit 65
Capt. Bedwell,	c Moberly, b Heyworth 13	not out 0
Capt. Ross,	b Heyworth 9	c Bate, b Duthoit 17
V. A. Short,	c and b Crump 32	b Duthoit 59
S. Tinker,	c Quinan, b Crump 2	
C. Farquhar,	b Crump 7	
P. B. Jones,	b Crump 0	did not bat.
C. Kennedy,	absent	
Pte. Davill,	not out 8	
	Extras 11	Extras 5
	Total 213	Total (for 5 wkts.) 147

CRICKET AT CAWNPORE.

Civil *vs.* Military.—This match played last week resulted in a win on the first innings by 102 runs. Williams made 96 and Twiss took 6 wickets for 23 runs. Scores :—

Military.

D. J. Owens,	c B. Carpenter, b Downes 17
B. G. Peel,	b Heywood 3
H. M. Alexander,	l.-b.-w., b Heywood 0
H. R. Williams,	b Heywood 96
R. A. Currie,	b Holmes 18
E. R. Twiss,	c Cumberlege, b Heywood 5
G. H. Mortimer,	b Downes 0
Major Everrett,	b Downes 7
R. E. Coningham,	c Cumberley, b Downes 0
W. Watson,	c Carpenter, b Heywood 10
Sergt. Giggens,	not out 0
	Byes 14, wide 1, no-ball 1 16
	Total 172

Civil.

	1st Innings.	2nd Innings.
B. Carpenter,	b Alexander 6	c Peel, b Currie 42
A. Heywood,	b Twiss 1	
R. C. Cumberlege,	b Twiss 0	c Alexander, b Currie 4
F. Carpenter,	b Twiss 0	
C. T. Allen,	c Alexander, b Twiss 18	not out 52
A. G. Newcomen,	c Twiss, b Alexander 0	not out 31
A. E. Holmes,	b Mortimer 11	b Currie 0
A. Downes,	c Twiss, b Coningham 2	
G. A. Ball,	b Twiss 6	
T. W. Galloway,	not out 0	c Williams, b Currie 1
F. Slater,	b Twiss 7	
	Byes 11, no-ball 1, leg-byes 7 19	byes 5, wide 1 6
	Total 70	Total (for 4 wkts.) 140

CRICKET IN BURMA.

Match played at Meiktila on 29th October 1906 between the N.-C. O.'s and men, Detachment, 1st Middlesex Regiment, and Meiktila, resulting in a win for the later by 30 runs. Scores :—

DETACHMENT, 1ST MIDDLESEX REGIMENT.

Pte. Byron, b Williams	0
Pte. McClelland, b Cooper	5
Pte. Robinson, c Browne, b Cooper	1
Pte. O'Brien, c and b Williams	0
Pte. King, c Sub., b Williams	0
Corpl. Emery, c Scobie, b Williamson	20
Pte. Wiggington, b Cooper	1
Pte. Braine, b Cooper	0
Pte. Cranfield, b Milman	19
Pte. Summers, st. Whitworth, b Milman	0
Pte. Tyler, not out	7
Byes 8, leg-byes 6	14
Total	67

MEIKTILA.

F. L. J. Williamson, b Byron	0
Vir Singh, c Emery, b Byron	5
W. H. A. Cooper, b Wiggington	45
S. P. Williams, l.-b.-w., b Byron	1
T. S. Whitworth, b Byron	1
C. E. Edward-Collins, c King, b Byron	0
M. Browne, c King, b Tyler	11
E. W. E. Milman, st. McClelland, b O'Brien	10
I. M. Scobie, b Braine	5
Sher Baz, b Wiggington	0
Hashmut Ali, not out	1
Byes, 16, leg-byes 2	18
Total	97

CRICKET IN KHARGPUR.

KHARGPUR *vs.* RANGERS. The visit of the Rangers' team to Khargpur resulted in the defeat of the home team by 37 runs. Khargpur made 47, A Hodges securing 8 wickets for 8 runs—good enough. The Rangers put up 84 to which C. N. Warden contributed 36 runs. Score.—

KHARGPUR.

C. Dickins, b Hodges	3
E. Torris, c Nugent b Hodges	3
A. MacFarlane, b Hodges	0
R. Wilson, run out	0
W. Butler, b Hodges	4
A. Duncan, b Hodges	6
H. Duncan, not out	15
R. Robins, b Hodges	9
A. Preston, c Hodges, b McCullagh	3
W. Edwards, b Hodges	0
A. Barnes, b Hodges	0
Extras	5
Total	47

RANGERS.

C. N. Warden, c Torris, b Preston	36
G. Schumacher, b Preston	2
R. Nicol, b Wilson	12
A. Hodges, c Dunlan, b Preston	0
E. McCullagh, l.-b.-w b Preston	0
G. Nugent, run out	9
P. C. Margrett, b Duncan	6
W. Hodges, b Preston	3
C. Tripp, b Preston	2
H. Bennett, not out	0
D. H. Calderwood, c MacFarlane, b Duncan	0
Extras	14
Total	84

Golf.

CALCUTTA GOLF CLUB.

THE PENANG SILVER MEDAL.—A very interesting competition this, held on the maidan on the 7th and 8th instant. The winner, Mr. B. Severs, is fast working his way to a short handicap and for a practical novice he showed exceptionally good form. Mr. Sinclair did two very good rounds for his 83. Appended are scores :—

	Total	Hcp.	Nett.
B. Severs	92	14	78
B. Sinclair	83	scr.	83
F. E. McEwan	97	14	83
E. H. Townend	86	scr.	86
K. B. Dunlop	87	scr.	87
A. Mann	87	scr.	87
R. W. Williamson	93	6	87
J. G. Melrose	88	scr.	88
Lt.-Col. F. J. Drury	94	5	89
M. Innes Ker	94	4	90
W. E. D. Fyfe	94	4	90
Capt. D. McCay	95	5	91
J. A. Tassie	100	9	91
D. Pym	93	scr.	93

CALCUTTA LADIES' GOLF CLUB.

A COMPETITION was held over the Ladies' links last week. There were about 18 competitors and the winning card was handed in by Mrs. Brodie Thomas. Scores :—

Mrs. Brodie Thomas	84 – 16 = 68
Mrs. E. J. Oakley	81 – 12 = 69
Mrs. H. C. Begg	76 – 2 = 74
Miss H. Binning	92 – 18 = 74
Miss E. L. Smith	85 – 10 = 75
Mrs. L. Walker	76 – scr. = 76
Mrs. Bruce	82 – 4 = 78
Miss Law	96 – 18 = 78
Miss Cubitt	87 – 8 = 79
Mrs. Ormond	87 – 8 = 79
Miss Michie	119 – 22 = 97

ROYAL BOMBAY GOLF CLUB.

FORTY TWA MEDAL.—The fourth competition in connection with this medal was played on the 6th instant—nine holes handicap against Bogey whose score was fixed at 42. Messrs W. R. Sharpe and A. S. Bishop were 3 up but the latter's card being incomplete he was disqualified. The following were the best scores :—

Mr. W. R. Sharpe	—8	3 up
Mr. A. S. Bishop	—6	3 up disqualified.
Mr. R. P. Scott	scr.	1 up
Mr. C. A. Russ	—2	1 up
Mr. E. B. Ouseley	—8	1 up
Mr. G. Wittet	—3	1 up
Mr. G. B. Ramsey	—9	1 up
Mr. J. W. Dawson	—2	all square
Mr. E. E. Coombs	—2	1 down
Mr. A. L. S. Roberts	scr.	1 down
Mr. L. Cooke	—5	1 down
Mr. R. Peel	—7	1 down
Mr. G. Miller	—2	2 down
Mr. A. E. Baker	—9	3 down

GOLF IN THE BRITISH ISLES.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

23rd November.

AGAIN has the serene calm of the golfing sea been agitated and convulsed by an all-important event. It will be remembered how at the conclusion of the great "News of the World" Tournament in the beginning of October, when Sandy Herd carried off premier honours, and what was perhaps of minor importance, the big stake, defeating in the finals young, Mayo of Chipsteads two young professional, "presumed" to challenge any other pair of golfers to mortal combat, and to make the challenge worthy of acceptance "The World of Golf" (this is a weekly pennyworth of news from the green) most generously came forward and offered a large sum of money as a reward to the victors. Then did those two old veterans, Braid and Vardon, determine to combine against the presumptuous youngsters, whose combined ages makes only 45 years ; a 72 holes match was arranged ; 36 holes at Walton Heath and 36 holes at Timperley, for the convenience of the enormous crowds which it was confidently expected would "spectate" the match ; "The World of Golf" chartered one of the South-Eastern and Chatham Railway's fastest and most express specials, which laden with upwards of 500 golfing enthusiasts steamed laboriously out of Charing Cross Station on Tuesday morning, 20th November. Those who know Walton Heath can fully appreciate the joy these travellers must have experienced when the Heath, flooded with glorious autumn sunshine, came in sight, but so great was the crowd that an imposing and authoritative number of amateur policemen, aided by the local constabulary, the typical stoical Police! could not quite control their movements, and once (at the 17th hole) a sliced ball of Mayo's struck the coat an onlooker was carrying and rebounded into a bunker. In the second round the rope was abandoned ; it needs too much to keep more than 4,000 men and women in its rear, but we must talk of the game or our available space will be used up.

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The great feature of the play was the splendid long game of the junior pair, not that they outshone their formidable opponents in this department, but they fully equalled them ; seeing that one was "Big Jamie" this is no small tribute to the driving and brasseying powers of the "young 'uns." The style of these two is strikingly different. Duncan has the reputation of being the quickest player of all the "Pros" ; he is extraordinarily brilliant, with dash and dare devilness which all admire, whilst Mayo's deliberation and steadiness act as a splendid tempering foil and is just what is required in a foursome ; but they had during this 32 holes match three unfortunate incidents to contend with ; the first happened at the 9th hole in the first round when Duncan sliced three or four yards off the course and his ball was lost in the thick secretive bracken. At the 14th again a spectator through sheer carelessness diverted a slightly sliced ball into a bunker, and at the 17th, as before narrated, when they had a chance of squaring the match, the coat and the man conspired against the challengers. Then after an indifferent attempt by Duncan to get out of the bunker Mayo made the sensational stroke of the day ; those quite near by declared that tears of desperation stood in the Chipstead man's eyes, as he made his magnificent effort and with a cleek and through the blinding mist of tears (this sounds more poetical than golphical, but must be pardoned for "*on dit*" that it is true) he made a wonderful recovery ; but even this did not help to win the hole. Is it meet that I should describe the strokes from start to finish: 36 holes as played alternately by the four great golfers? or shall these remarks deal more with the generalities of the day, and leave the items to the dailies? Of course Brandi's intimate knowledge of the course must have stood him in good stead and the veteran's lead of 4 holes up will want a lot of pulling down even when Duncan is on his own familiar green at Timperley.

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In the crowd one heard remarks of all sorts, most amusing some of them were, but the generally prevalent opinion seemed to be that Vardon looked ill and was not playing his usual game. One cannot help feeling really sorry for this "pro of pros," but he has this consolation that should illness overtake him again, he has made himself such a name that while Golf endureth it will never die. Among the crowd were many and many a famous player, the referee was "H. L." (Mr. Henry Leach), Mr. Horace Hutchinson and Mr. Harold Hilton acted as fore-caddies, Lieut. Cecil Hutchison and Sir Thos. Parkyns were umpires, and the home club left no pains unspared to ensure the success of the day, whilst truly glorious weather certainly did more than anything else to contribute to the enjoyment of all. Walton Heath is a very long course, the total distance measuring 6,322 yards ; it is one of the finest in the kingdom ; the greens are large and very true, the lies throughout are good, and the course has been laid out according to the now prevalent idea of how a course should be. With pot bunkers to catch the undesirable slice or pull and to succeed in making a good score on Walton Heath one must play real good golf. Anyhow here we must leave the foursome with Braid and Vardon 4 holes up and with their young opponents determined to do or die nobly at Timperley *to-day*.

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Before the great Professional foursome took place golfers were by no means idle, despite the truly anti-golf weather which has been prevalent over the British Isles. Prominent among interesting events was the match between the Oxford and Cambridge Golfing Society and the Sunningdale Club, an annual excitement which is productive of keen enjoyment among the 12 a-side participators. On 10th November the rival teams met at Sunningdale, each being strongly represented as the subjoined tables show. :—

SUNNINGDALE.		OXFORD AND CAMBRIDGE GOLFING SOCIETY.	
Hon. Osmund Scott	0	Mr. Horace G. Hutchinson (4 and 3)	1
Mr. H. S. Colt	0	Mr. B. Darwin (4 and 3)	1
Mr. C. C. Lingen	0	Mr. R. H. de Montmorency (2 and 1)	1
Mr. Horace Castle (7 and 6)	1	Mr. H. W. Beveridge	0
Hon. Denys Scott	0	Mr. P. W. Leathart (2 and 1)	1
Mr. D. Stanley Froy (1 up)	1	Mr. R. O. J. Dallmeyer	0
Hon. R. Graham Murray	0	Mr. A. C. M. Croome (2 and 1)	1
Mr. Guy C. Campbell	0	Mr. H. D. Gillies	0
Mr. M. W. Mossop (1 up)	1	Mr. C. H. Alison	0
Hon. Evan Charteris (3 and 1)	1	Mr. H. N. Braybrooke	0
Mr. H. J. Ross (6 and 4)	1	Mr. O. T. Falk	0
Mr. J. F. Tindal Atkinson (5 and 3)	1	Mr. E. C. P. Boyd	0
	6		5

As was to be expected when both sides were composed of such well-known players, there was no great discrepancy in the result, and most of the matches were concluded not far from the home green ; Mr. Horace Castle very much at home, however, gave that strong player, Mr. Beveridge, no chance whatever and won in a canter 6 holes from home, he next biggest win being that of Mr. Ross over Mr. Falk ; but all this can be seen on the above tablets, and so as space is limited a few words must be said concerning another extremely interesting contest proceeding at Woking between that club and Oxford University ; in this the scoring was by holes and not by matches, which made all the difference in the result of the match, which was as below :—

WOKING CLUB.		OXFORD UNIVERSITY.	
Mr. F. H. Mitchell	5	Hon. C. N. Bruce	0
Mr. T. M. Hunter	0	Mr. J. A. Robertson-Durham	2
Mr. V. A. Pollock	0	Mr. A. R. Gidney	2
Mr. C. Leese	4	Mr. J. H. Gordon	0
Mr. J. C. Watt	4	Mr. J. M. Challinor	0
Mr. H. F. Caldwell	0	Mr. E. F. Clements	5
Mr. Walter Carr	0	Mr. C. H. Gidney	0
Mr. J. E. Tomkinson	0	Hon. C. T. Mills	1
Mr. J. S. Paton	0	Mr. N. R. Wilkinson	5
Mr. P. R. Selby	5	Mr. J. H. C. Bongnes	0
	18		15

Any reader inclined to dive deep into figures will see as the result of his investigation, that had the match been counted by the result of contests the visiting team would have scored a win, but as it was by holes the home team emerged victorious ; it is not for me to give my humble unsolicited opinion on the advantage of either method and so the matter ends.

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The London Press Golfing Society, although of only two years' standing, is going very strong ; it comprises very nearly 100 members, which, considering the qualification necessary, is very good. On 3rd December the Society have been invited by Mr. Riddell on behalf of the Walton Heath Club to compete for prizes generously given by himself in foursomes against Bogey. Mr. Riddell has recently been elected Captain of this Society in succession to Mr. Emsley Carr, who has held office for two years. Mr. Riddell is a well-known figure at Walton Heath and is one of the staunchest supporters of a worthy cause. Really it matters not during which season of the year one is recording events of interest ; the supply of details worthy of comment is now lacking and it requires no small amount of discrimination to select what one thinks will be of interest to readers. Mr. C. S. Grace has resigned the Secretaryship of the Rules of Golf Committee, a very important much-in-request body, and his mantle has fallen on Mr. Thomas Law, Secretary of the Royal and Ancient Club, who, it is confidently expected, will carry out his new duties in a manner worthy of all praise.

M. E. S.

Sports.

SKITTLE GYMKHANA AT BANGALORE.

BANGALORE, *8th December.*

OWING in a great measure to the efforts of Mr. A. G. Gwyer of the Carabiniers, who is at present the Gymkhana Honorary Secretary, we have had quite a sporting week. The Gymkhana races were preceded on Tuesday by a Skittle Gymkhana which much transcended the general run of such things, there being more "Gymkhana" and less "Skittle" about the events. There are a good many new faces at present in Bangalore so I cannot give a tithe of the names of those present, but the attendance was excellent and the fact that no less than nine ladies—Miss Goodrich, Mrs. Dredge, Mrs. Heycock, Mrs. Forster, Miss White, Mrs. Stephen, Mrs. Thomas, Mrs. Nethersole and Mrs. Muspratt were competing, shows that there was plenty of keenness. There was a tenth "lady," but "she" proved to be a gallant subaltern of the 14th Hussars, who made, it must be confessed, an uncommonly pretty girl, and the deception was excellent. But "Miss Cuddle" had evidently not practised the feminine art of tilting at the ring with a walking stick.

The various events are noticed briefly in their places, but Mr. Neave, of the Essex Regiment, put up a great performance in winning both the mule and pony races. It does not seem to matter much to this young gentleman what he rides and I should suggest trying him with a pig, were it not that wholesome pigs in this country are scarce. A really good polo player in Major Barnard, of the 30th Lancers, appropriately won the polo ball race, and it may be doubted if Bangalore has seen a better all-round man than this officer for some years. Details :—

POLO BALL RACE.—Competitors to hit a polo ball round a given course, and finish with a goal. Major Barnard, 30th Lancers, 1st ; Captain the Hon'ble H. E. Joicey, 14th Hussars, 2nd. Also entered :—Captains Heyland, Forster and Evans, Majors Hayes and Stephens, and Messrs. Napper, Hills, Spinks, Leslie, Boyd and Maydwell. Won very easily.

LADIES' BENDING RACE.—Between flags, 8 to 10 feet apart. Mrs. Stephen, 1st ; Mrs. Thomas, 2nd. Also entered :—Miss Goodrich, Miss White and Mrs. Nethersole. The two prize-winners came together in the final heat and Mrs. Thomas was actually in first, but unfortunately knocked down a flag.

MULE RACE—No Whips Allowed.—Mr. Neave, Essex Regiment, 1st ; Mr. Strickland, Essex Regiment, 2nd. Won by a length.

PIG STICKING.—*First Heat.* Mr. Hill (Royal Fusiliers). (Also started :—Mr. Maydwell, Captain the Hon'ble H. E. Joicey and Mr. Leslie). *Second Heat.* Mr. Gibbs (A. V. C). (Also started :—Captains Heyland, Forster and Mr. Napper), *Third Heat.* Mr. Spinks (R. A.). (Also started :—Major Barnard, Mr. Boyd and Mr. Raymond). *Final Heat.* Mr. Hill (Royal Fusiliers), 1st ; Mr. Spinks, R. A., 0 ; Mr. Gibbs, A. V. C., 0.

AFFINITY STAKES.—Lady to tilt at a ring—gentleman to take a peg with a lance, on horse or pony ; marks for style and pace. Major and Mrs. Stephen, 1st ; Mrs. Thomas and Mr. Cornes, 2nd.

SCURRY-BAREBACKED.—For ponies that have never won Rs. 50. Mr. Neave, Essex Regiment, 1st ; Major Barnard, 30th Lancers, 2nd. Also started :—Captain the Hon'ble H. E. Joicey, Mr. Hewitt, Mr. Mason, Mr. Hill, Mr. Leslie and Mr. Featherstonhaugh. Won fairly easily.

SADDLE-UP AND CIGAR RACE.—Competitors will start with their saddles on the ground and an unlighted cigar—to finish properly saddled up (two girths) and cigar alight. Mr. Spinks, R.A., 1st ; Mr. Raymond, Essex Regiment, 2nd. About a dozen starters, although several of those entered, scratched.

Mrs. Scallon presented the prizes and a real good evening's fun ended.

The Veterinarian.

PARALYSIS IN ANIMALS.

PROBABLY to the majority of non-professional readers paralysis in the lower animals will suggest an immediate ending of all trouble by slaughter. The professional attendant, even though anxious to do the best he can for his patient, may regard the arrival of the knacker's cart with a sense of relief as saving his client further useless expenditure. Paralysis is, doubtless, in all instances a serious matter, but many cases of paralysis, in bovines end in recovery under favourable conditions, and it is possible that paralysed animals are too often condemned where the cause is evanescent or the disease capable of amelioration. With regard to domestic animals other than the ox, there is very little difficulty in diagnosis, but the skill of the expert is often severely taxed to distinguish between pure obstinacy and paralysis. There is not an experienced drover who cannot narrate cases of obstinacy, where driven bullocks will go down and absolutely refuse to move, whether the *suaviter in modo* or *fortiter in re* be resorted to. Cases have been known of cattle remaining on the ground for a week at a time, regardless of the appearance of dogs, which, at other times, would cause intense excitement. It may, of course, be suggested that there is some physical cause for what appears to be only pure stubbornness ; but all the means available to the modern veterinarian may fail to lead to its detection, and when the animal gets up again no sign may be present of stiffness, lameness or derangement of any kind.

Where one of a herd of cattle lies down, does not rise and follow the rest in their movements, it may generally be assumed that there is some cause other than temper, and a consideration of age, sex and condition of the animal may assist in a correct diagnosis. In very wet rather than in very cold seasons in England the greater number of cases occur. In the winter now passing away, a continuance of wet weather and a high temperature appears to have had the effect of washing out much of the natural grease and skin *débris*, while the coat, in many instances, has not grown to the length it attains in colder seasons, and those cases of paralysed animals which have been observed have shown particularly clean white skins on parting the hair. The majority of the subjects have been cows, late calved, and more or less bare, but the well-conditioned are not by no means immune. While the greater number of cases occur among animals that lie out all the winter, the stall-fed do not always escape.

The symptoms, as already indicated, are obscure, but it will generally be observed that the afflicted animal will make efforts to rise, using the fore-legs effectively, but failing to bring into use the muscles of the loins, while the sulky simulating paralysed one makes no effort to kneel or otherwise respond to inducements to rise. After a few ineffectual attempts, the genuinely-afflicted will behave in like manner, and submit to cuffs and blows. It is essential, therefore, to ascertain from the attendant if such efforts have been made, and so avoid needlessly distressing an animal which would gladly get up if it could. To determine whether the will or the actual disease is the cause of the inaction, Professor Simonds, with his unequalled experience of cattle diseases, used to recommend the dog test, even in parturient paralysis.

Among the causes of bovine paralysis may be mentioned external violence from their fellows—the master bullock being the victim when a rival has displaced him or her, since there is a master cow in every herd—unluckily falls, getting into ditches, exposure to continuous wet, rheumatism, sprain of the muscles of the loins, particularly of those underneath (the psoæ muscles) ; constipation and pressure upon the great nerve trunks supplying the hind extremities, pressure of the fœtus acting in the same way.

Of preparturient paralysis there are many cases due, not to spinal trouble, but to the turning over of the calf and temporary pressure interrupting the nerve current in the hind limbs. External manipulation of the abdomen will often enable the experienced hand to feel the head of the fœtus, which, in the last week or ten days of gestation, appears to turn a somersault, and during its movements—or its arrested movements we should rather say—such results as partial paralysis, loss of cud, fear, and excitement are not uncommon, but pass off with the completion of the colf's movements, or as a result of unloading the intestines by aperients. In weakly animals, particularly old cows which have wintered on short commons, a preparturient paralysis confined to the hinder part of the body may compel them to remain down for many days, and even weeks, without other symtoms, and if pretty well fed, may calve in a recumbent posture and regain their feet afterwards, the lightening of their load and maternal solicitude, both probably contributing to restoration.

Besides the paralysis of parturient apoplexy, commonly, but erroneously, named milk fever, there is an extremely fatal disease, a form of paralysis in which the subject remains in possession of its faculties, the temperature continues normal, the appetite and digestion leave no cause of complaint, and, if sufficient trouble is taken to obtain it, the milk supply is not far short of what might be expected in a healthy cow on its feet. In some districts this form of paralysis is known as the "drop," differing, however, from the "fatal drop" of so-called milk fever. The period of its duration varies from two or three days to as many weeks, and in the great majority of cases results in complete restoration, although sores, from lying down so long, may have disfigured the animal on the more prominent points, or the loins have been rendered raw by all sorts of heroic remedies, some of which merit the attention of the R. S. P. C. A.

TREATMENT.—As paralysis arises from several causes, it is obvious that different remedies will be required. The treatment of what may be called sulks is usually adopted by drovers, generally without reference to the animal's feelings, but of that class of cases occurring among animals exposed to climatic vicissitudes, and specially to continued wet weather, an anti-rheumatic treatment is most promising. The primary difficulty is to get the bullock under cover. The ancient method of rolling the patient on to a gate still commends itself to many practical men ; a gate can nearly always be obtained and is readily unshipped, and harnessing a horse to it is but the work of a few minutes. The process will sometimes lead to the detection of a malingerer, who finds it by no means a pleasant conveyance. If the distance from the homested or absense of some means of transit make it impossible to remove the animal a temporary shelter should be erected. It is worse than useless to cover a sick beast up with sacks, as they are soon thrown off, and the patient is worse rather than better for the treatment. There are so many ways of erecting a covering which will occur to the practical stockman that it is only necessary to name the easiest of all, and that is, where hurdles exist, to get four of them, and fixing one in the ground at each end of the patient, to lay the other two on the top and spread over a rickcloth that shall fall to the ground on the windward side. Under such protection two or three doses of ½oz. of salicylate of soda and stimulating the loins with a liniment that will bear frequent repetition, such as soap liniment, is to be recommended. The best results have accrued from this treatment when rheumatism of the lumbar muscles has been the cause.

The paralysis of cows approaching the period of parturition, if traceable to movements of the fœtus, may often be relieved by exercise, an aperient dose, and a restricted diet. Of the aperients to be chosen at such a time the simplest will commend themselves to our use, treacle, linseed oil, and Epsom salts being as safe and efficacious as anything we can suggest, and if the loss of motive power continues and is associated with excitability rather than resignation to the situation, a dose or two of bromide of potassium, or an ounce of laudanum, may be advised.

In some of the cases of prolonged lying down which follow on parturition, there is a temptation to try the effect of slings, but they rarely serve any good purpose. The natural obstinacy of cattle has the usual effect of making the subject rest heavily in them. In a recent case of the kind, where it was evident that the animal could stand if she liked, the men in charge of the pully were ordered to give the cow a sudden drop, but not to let her actually come to the ground ; the effect was excellent, for feeling herself going, she put out her feet to save herself for the moment until, remembering the *rôle* she was playing, she again appeared perfectly helpless. The slings were at once removed, and next day the cow was found on her feet, and able to go round the box in either direction as quickly as any healthy beast.—*The Field*

The Story Teller.

SPOILING THE SHIP.

WE were a merry party on the night of Troutbeck's Leger, and the best that one of Yorkshire's most famous hostelries could produce had been circulating pretty freely.

One of our party had helped himself in no stinted fashion to the long price that the bookies had tendered against the "boy in yellow," and was jubilant in consequence of having had the courage of his convictions.

The usual *pros* and *cons* of the exciting struggle had been discussed *ad lib.*, some declaring one thing, others another, but Archie Fairburn stuck to his idea that nothing short of an earthquake would have prevented his favourite winning.

"You've got the best of the argument, Archie," said the senior of our party, Chuff Barton, an old racing hand and thorough sportsman, "you've pouched your winnings."

"Yes," mused Archie, as he blew out a big cloud of smoke, "the hand that backs the winner draws the oof. I'm much obliged to our friends the enemy for laying such a nice price. Here's to their health."

He emptied his glass, an example which we were not slow in following, but as Chuff Barton put his down on the table he shook his head thoughtfully.

"When you've had as much experience of the game as I've had, Archie, my boy, you'll know what it means to go against the market."

"But it came off all right."

"For once in a way."

"Well, it was much the same with the favourite. What made you back it? She looked to me like a 'stiff' un all through."

The old man laughed.

"A fair hit, Archie, but she looked like the genuine article at the finish, and the older we get at the game the nearer we get to the favourite you know."

"Well, something had to win, and it isn't the first time by a long chalk that the bookies have made a bloomer."

"Right you are, my boy ; you just happened to strike lucky. It reminds me of a certain Cesarewitch a good many years back, when horses were backed for as many pounds as they are shillings nowadays."

"A story, a story," we exclaimed, delighted to get the old man to spin us a yarn out of his varied repertory ; glasses were refilled, and Chuff, after a preliminary drink and a final pull at his briar-root, proceeded with his narrative:—

"About the time I am talking of, longer ago than some of you boys will remember, there was a certain owner noted for giving the layers some pretty hard knocks, and taking it all round I think I can safely say that Jack Brownson played the game as straight as most men. He was not above throwing a bit of dust in the handicappers' eyes at times, but owners have to live like other people, and Brownson had a fairly large string of horses. He trained privately, and the stable secrets were well kept, though old Jack often launched out after his money was on and put his friends on the good thing.

"I don't quite know how it happened, but in the course of his travels Brownson got pally with a chap named Howie, and after a time they became almost inseparable. None of us ever liked the chap, nor could we make out what old Jack found in him, for he was one of the strangest-looking devils you ever clapped eyes on. We come across some odd-looking characters on a racecourse, but I must say I never saw anybody like Howie before or since ; he had a pair of eyes that seemed to go right through you, and I, for one, always felt uncomfortable in his company.

"However, Brownson and he appeared to get along all right, and things went on in pretty much the same sort of way for some time, until the summer of the year I am speaking about. Then the stable did not seem to be able to do right, their good things coming undone with the most exasperating regularity.

"'Having a bad time, Mr. Brownson?' I remarked, as we travelled back to town from Newmarket after the First October Meeting.

"He laughed in his cheery way.

"'It'll all come right in the end, my lad ; they'll not shout so loud by the time the next meeting is over.'

"It was useless to question him further, but I knew if I left him alone he would give me the tip sooner or later.

"'Left your friend Howie behind?' I asked. 'You don't seem to have had much luck since you met him.'

"'No, he hasn't been exactly a mascot,' laughed old Jack.

"'Funny chap,' I remarked. 'He always makes me feel as if I want to clear out of his way when he looks at me with those eyes of his.'

"'Ah! you've noticed that too, have you? Master Chuff ; he has got an uncomfortable way of looking at you. Something like the cat and the mouse business'

"'Exactly,' I said, and as Brownson didn't appear anxious to continue the conversation, we relapsed into silence.

"The next time I spoke to him was on the Saturday before the Cesarewitch, when he accosted me in the paddock and pulled me on one side.

"'Chuff,' he said, quietly, 'I want you to get me a monkey on mine for the Cesarewitch at anything over twenties. Can you do it?'

"'Easy as kiss your hand,' I replied. 'It's Barmeston you mean?'

"'Yes, the other one's no good ; you can help yourself to this, don't talk about it, that's all.'

"After a bit of dodging about I succeeded in getting old Jack's monkey on, and a hundred for myself, at an average of 'twenty-two's,' and having every confidence in Brownson's judgment, I reckoned myself on a fairly good thing.

"However, after becoming as good a favourite as anything else in the race, I had the mortification of seeing the bookies make a dead-set against Barmeston on Monday afternoon, and long twenties were on offer in the Ring at Newmarket on Tuesday morning.

"As soon as I caught sight of Jack Brownson I tackled him about the opposition to his horse.

"'He's as fit as hands can make him, my boy ; if you want to get rid of your little bit I'll take it of you. My advice is stick to it, and have a bit more on at this price.'

"I had a bit of luck during the day, and though I didn't half like the look of things, I followed Jack's advice, after seeing him book a big bet, and had a bit more on Barmeston.

"Well, to make a long story short, the more he was backed the worse they peppered him' but as the horses went down to the post the situation changed like magic. Everybody was in a hurry to get on Barmeston, and before the flag dropped he was absolute favourite.

"He simply lobbed home, five lengths ahead of everything, and I was one of the first to congratulate old Jack.

"'Nearly missed the good thing, eh, Chuff?' he laughed, but I sought in vain for a smile on the face of his pal Howie. He looked as if he'd struck a rock, while the layers had faces as long as kites. Jack Brownson had netted close on a hundred thousand over the race."

"What was the meaning of it all, Chuff?" asked Archie Fairburn, as the old man took a pull at his glass.

"Wait a bit ; I'm coming to that. There was a lot of nasty feeling about the way Barmeston had travelled in the market and old Jack got very sore about it. He said he'd got a good thing and had backed it like one. The stewards could see his betting book if they liked, and be hanged to 'em. It wasn't until settling day that I got to the bottom of the business. I called at Brownson's house to square up with him about six o'clock, and found him in a rare state of excitement.

"He said nothing until we had finished our little bit of business ; then quite abruptly he remarked—

"'I had a letter from Weatherby's this morning, asking me to call.'

"'The deuce you did. What did they want? Stewards got ratty?'

"'No ; directly I got there they showed me an order signed by myself to scratch Barmeston for the Cesarewitch, dated Tuesday night.'

"'A forgery, of course?'

"'Devil a bit ; it was my own signature right enough ; but, thank goodness, some careless beggar of a postman had jammed it between the sides of the letter-box, and they only received it on Saturday, one of the clerks happening to spy it. Of course I had to tell 'em it was a forgery, or there might have been trouble.'

"'You don't mean to say you actually intended to scratch the horse?

"Why, certainly not. Listen to what I'm going to tell you, and don't look at me as if I was a madman. I told that infernal scoundrel Howie the full strength of Barmeston's trial over dinner on Sunday night, and advised him to do himself a bit of good. What happened after that I don't exactly remember. I have a hazy idea that we went into my sitting-room, as Howie said he wanted to write a letter. I seemed to be acting under some influence that I was incapable of shaking off.

"'He hypnotised you,' I suggested.

"That's about what did happen, for when I came back to my right senses he was sitting quietly smoking, looking into the fire. During the interval I must have written that letter at his dictation. As soon as it was handed to me to-day I seemed to have some dim recollection of it.'

"'You're sure it was Howie's doing?'

"'Absolutely. As the letter had been delayed Weatherby's had saved the envelope, which was in that scoundrel's handwriting.'

"'Extraordinary,' I remarked. 'Never heard of anything like it in my life before.'

"'Nor I, and to think that if he had registered that letter I should have lost a fortune makes my flesh fairly creep.'

"'By George, that was spoiling the ship for a ha'p'orth of tar, if you like,' I remarked as I bade the old chap good-bye."

"What happened to Howie?" we asked in chorus, as Chuff relit his pipe.

"Nothing. Jack Brownson let the thing drop. But a few months later Howie got seven years for trying to get a big cheque signed on the same racket."

Chess.

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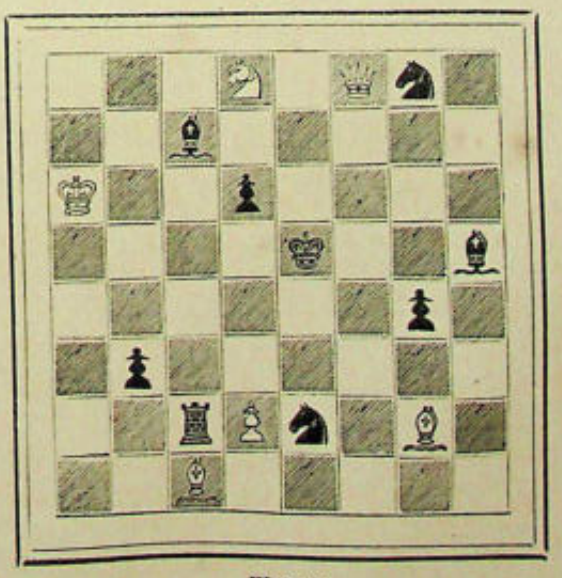

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LAWN TENNIS POLITICS.

THE differences of opinion between the Lawn Tennis Association and the All England Lawn Tennis Club at Wimbledon have been settled, at all events for a time. The Annual General Meeting of the Lawn Tennis Association furnished opportunity for discussing the points at issue and of that opportunity due advantage was taken: but in a fashion which resulted rather in debate than in definite result. The main points of disagreement between the governing body and the premier club were two: the first was a strong feeling: that the Association ought to have a voice in the management of the Championship Meetings; to which proposition the All England Lawn Tennis Club, which heretofore has organised and controlled these meetings, demurred. The second was of a somewhat delicate nature. There has for some few years past been a growing sense that the secretary of the All England Lawn Tennis Club should not be a man intimately connected with the trade in implements of the game: and this resolution was moved on the 14th November by Mr. Macfie. "That no person engaged in business as a manufacturer or retailer of lawn tennis requisites, either as employer or employee shall be eligible to act as referee, handicapper, secretary or manager of any prize meeting promoted by the Lawn Tennis Association or by any affiliated association or club: nor shall such person nor any referee, handicapper, secretary or manager, in receipt of monetary remuneration for services rendered to any such prize meeting, be eligible to serve as an officer or member of the council. All questions as to eligibility shall be decided "by the council." There was no secret whatever concerning the purpose of this proposition and the mover made none. It would have been foolish if he had done so in view of the universal knowledge that it was aimed direct at the position of Mr. Aschdale Palmer, who, since the year 1902, has combined the office of Secretary to the All England Lawn Tennis Club with that of Manager to Messrs. Slazenger, the well-known maker and seller of lawn tennis racquets, balls and other implements for the game However well Mr. Palmer may have discharged the duties with which the Lawn Tennis world has concern—those pertaining to the office of secretary to the principal club in England—and his assiduity and capacity have never been called in question, we cannot get away from the fact that such a combination of occupation is wholly undesirable. Mr. Palmer in his vigorous speech at the meeting defended his dual position with great spirit and candour. He stated, what everyone knows, that since 1902 Messrs. Slazenger had supplied the balls for the Championship Meetings, but that he had not attempted to influence his committee in their choice of balls; that he had scrupulously refrained from being present in the committee room while this question was under discussion and had never since he became manager to Messrs. Slazenger exercised the vote to which he is entitled. It is, we imagine, a matter of common knowledge among tennis players who follow the course of events bearing on the management of the game at Home that Mr. Palmer tendered his resignation of the secretaryship at the beginning of the year 1905, when the agitation against his position assumed definite shape: that he was desired to retain his office and did so,

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controlling the International Championship Meeting of that year and the Championships of the year now closing. Mr. Macfie's resolution was lost and Mr. Palmer retains his dual position; it should be added that a considerable majority voted in favour of the resolution when it was put to the meeting shorn of the second clause ("nor shall any such person" to "an officer or member of the Council" inclusive). Fifty-three votes were cast in favour of the resolution and thirty-five against; but the majority, falling short of the requisite two-thirds, was defeated by what the French courts-martial call "the minority of favour."

Frankly we regret the fate of the resolution, the innocuous nature of the practice as represented by Mr. Palmer's discharge of two conflicting duties may be conceded, but the objectionable nature of the principle remains. Practice may be more easily corrected than a principle can be set right; and the Lawn Tennis Association by a minority of favour have given their adhesion to the principle that a person closely identified with the trade may hold an important office in the governing organisation of the game on which that trade depends. Mr. Palmer has the firmness of character, the integrity and the loyalty to keep the interest of his business employers and those of the game rigorously apart; but we hold it a misfortune that the success which attends practice in this case should be allowed to regulate principle. The objections may become more clearly obvious—the practical objections—when Mr. Palmer is succeeded by a man who possesses his organising talent and knowledge of the game without firmness of character and the integrity which enable him to discharge a very delicate combination of duties. The L. T. A., in our judgment, have fallen into the generous mistake of legislating with an eye on the individual instead of on the interests of the game. The choice of implements for the Championships would perhaps be a small matter were it confined to those series of matches and went no further: but nobody who has an elementary understanding of these matters needs be told that it goes much further. Championship players in all parts of the country must, in their own interests, insist upon it that the clubs to which they belong shall supply balls identical with those with which they will be called upon to play at Wimbledon: no player of any pretentions to good style will, if he can help it, play with balls of one make to-day and of another make to-morrow. Variations of resilience, density, weight and texture of covering may be small matters to those of us who belong to the rank and file; but to the expert they are details of real importance and make no small difference in his game. Hence the necessity for fidelity to one make of ball and that the make selected for the Championships. Then it must be conceded that the best players in any club are those who have sway on its committee: their preferences guide the lesser lights; thus their choice of ball decides the clubs' purchases: and thus the privilege of supplying the balls for the Championship matches becomes a very valuable monopoly to the makers who succeed in obtaining it. It were surely well that the choice of the All England Lawn Tennis Club should be above the faintest breath of suspicion; and it cannot be so under the conditions which the L. T. A. in general meeting assembled have by its minority of favour confirmed: this body now consists of 37 associations, 50 tournament committees and 365 clubs directly affiliated; and we must assume that the votes of the delegates represent the sense of those bodies.

We have left ourselves little space to deal with the other principal matter before the meeting. The fact that the Lawn Tennis Association has no voice in the control or management of the Championships has long been felt an anomaly: it is as though the M. C. C. should be without a voice in the arrangement of the county championship. The A. T. C. is a younger body than the club at Wimbledon, and it has suffered for its youth as youth always suffers up to a certain point when the tables begin to be turned on growing decrepitude. When the Association was founded the All England Club surrended its copy right interest in the rules of the game with the very important stipulation that its Championship Meeting should not be interfered with. It is difficult to maintain that the spirit of this pact is observed in the resolution, duly carried, that the council of the Association shall have power for the future "to appoint not more than two of its number to act on the committee of management of any advertised open meeting in Great Britain." This proposition was admittedly most impalatable to the Wimbledon Club: but the feeling that the Association must be the supreme body has been made so manifest latterly that acceptance of the change or severance from the Association were the only alternative. The club accepted the situation with a good grace as becomes men of the world: and we conceive that the matter might have been settled with less heartburning had irresponsible critics said and written less concerning the anxiety of the L. T. A. to share in the supposed great pecuniary profits of the championships to the All England Club.

Sporting Notes.

LAST Saturday's racing in Calcutta had very little effect on the betting market beyond improving the position of Saloon, whom some apparently fancy even for the Viceroy's Cup. Fitzgrafton remains favourite on the strength of his work on the track, where he is the best observed horse that leaves the rubbing down sheds, and Mallard's defeat last Saturday has decreased the number of those who believe him to be the better of Mr. Apcar's pair. This horse has always been a slow beginner, but he surely beat all the previous performances in this respect last Saturday. Beyond the six furlong post he still lay absolutely last and was in consequence greatly delayed in threading his way through the field, far ahead of which Saloon was gaily careering to victory. In the Cup, very different tactics may be expected, and a different result. His public gallop must have brought him on considerably and at the time of writing it is impossible to desert such a courageous and proven stayer as Mallard in favour of a new comer like Fitzgrafton, grand mover though he has shown himself to be on the training track. On the other hand the deposit of stable money is a very convincing argument and if Fitzgrafton is selected by his own connections on the day of the big race few will venture to back their second string. At the present stage, however, Mallard seems to offer the better investment.

Dealing next with the outsiders, both Sacristan and Saloon have been backed. The latter will be asked to do something much bigger than he has ever tackled hitherto, and at the difference in the weights will have all his work cut out to beat Mr. Dartmoor's chestnut without considering the big striding favourites, Long Tom, Fitzgrafton, and Mallard. All may go well with the smaller fry until the final turn for home, but how often have we not seen the field telescope at the Zeerut Bridge opening to let through the horses, whose class and staying power will not be denied. Munderah, whose chance was a great one, has disappeared from the list, Cherson gave so disappointing a display last Saturday that he can scarcely be considered except as a possible place-filler and The Master's recent performances seem to place him in the same category.

Amplify, also figures in the recent lists and is undoubtedly a grand mare, but she has not yet shown her capacity to run the full Cup distance and at the present stage can only be warmly recommended to the attention of backers. As in the case of Watson's pair the state of the betting will, on the day of the race, indicate the stable opinion as to the relative capabilities of this mare and Saloon, and he is a brave man who disregards the settled opinion of any well-managed stable. One horse, perhaps the best of all, does not figure in the list at all. On Steinhager's English form he ought to be right in the middle of the final tussle in the straight, but the intentions and expectations of his connections have been carefully veiled. The horse does not look cherry ripe, it is true, and the general opinion as to his unpreparedness is probably tolerably accurate, but the cautious tipster cannot forget that in Pringle's stable stands a sound healthy young horse, who may very well be able to come out and run rings round all the present favourites for the Viceroy's Cup. What is going to beat this Irishman if he shows his English form? But without attempting to answer this question it is perhaps best to rely on the improbability of a freshly landed horse defeating a good-class field such as we are promised this Xmas. The detractors of Long Tom have never ceased their cries since his arrival from Bangalore. "No work, no gallops, no clockings" they say; how is it possible that this big horse will be ready to race on Wednesday next? But Ferguson brought him to Calcutta much farther forward than he was last year, and to-day he seems to have none of that gross appearance which was remarked by the critics shortly before his surprising victory. Moreover it is remarkable that those shrewd judges, the bookmakers decline to loosen his price and stand waiting grimly for the rush of backers who will pour in next Saturday afternoon if the old horse stands his preliminary gallop in the Trials without mishap. This, we believe, he will do, but we have to take the risk of a breakdown when selecting him at this stage to enhance our prophetic reputation. LONG TOM, MALLARD, and FITZGRAFTON should finish in that order unless STEINHAGER finds his English form, in which case he should beat the lot.

The Trials is a still more open race even after the departure of Signorina. Amplify, Blitzen, Contest, Annamulloch, Cherson, and Prince Lyon are all backed in addition to the Cup contingent, Mallard, Fitzgrafton, Sacristan, and Saloon. Of all the outsiders, Blitzen seems to stand pre-eminent. The mare was looking splendid if a little gross, last Saturday, and when her performances are considered it seems certain that she will be in the thick of it at the finish of this race. Unless Fitzgrafton is reserved for the Cup he should run well over this distance, but we cannot fancy Mallard in the first three.

There may be a difficulty about Melsom's riding Saloon, and until this is finally settled, the country-bred can only be tipped with a proviso attached. In any event Sacristan will probably turn the tables on him and anything that beats Sacristan will assuredly win this race. Writing three days before the race we place them.

Sacristan II.
Saloon
Blitzen

and of the outsiders Prince Lyon might prove a profitable investment.

The new rule reducing the status of maiden horses was unanimously passed at the preliminary meeting in Theatre Road last week. Twelve Members were present, many of them officials and mostly, if not all, interested chiefly in first-class racing. There seems, however, to be no organized opposition to the change.

Two paperchases have been arranged before the Tollygunge Steeplechases to give everyone a chance to qualify their horses. Both are billed to take place in the sixth mile-stone country, where the galloping is open and the courses easy.

The card for the Calcutta Third Extra Meeting did not promise very exciting racing and the afternoon's sport proved somewhat dull. In the Pony Hurdle Race Olga and Footlight could make rings round the rest of the party and after suffering Mistlebird, fencing beautifully, to lead to the bend came away together and made a match of it. Olga seemed to win very comfortably. In the Peel Plate only two ponies remained to compete with Psalm, who was considered an absolute certainty by crowds of eager speculators in the ring. For some reason or other her jockey reversed the ordinary tactics adopted by the topweights in long distance handicaps and set the pace from the fall of the flag. In the straight the old mare tired and Robinson brought Silphoe cleverly home by half a length. The Stewards thought it necessary to enquire into Psalm's running, but were satisfied on finding that the mare had cut herself with a twisted plate and pulled up very lame.

The Wellesley Plate was interesting in that so many of the leading lights were exhibited. Blitzen made her first appearance this season and was looking very bonny. Her day of trial has not yet come although the gallop last Saturday will no doubt have served its turn in her preparation. The Master ran better and finished well forward, but Cherson both looked and ran disappointedly. One of the nicest horses in the paddock was The Cingalee, a very handsome chestnut mare. She has won a couple of good races in England and is

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worth keeping an eye upon in the January handicaps. Mallard and Saloon attracted much attention and most of the money. For all his hard work on the track, Mr. Apcar's horse was by no means fine-drawn and this race has done much to bring him forward. He began very slowly, lay last until half the distance was covered and lost much ground in threading his way through the strung out field between himself and Saloon. Melsom took the little country-bred to the front, as usual, and made the pace a good deal hotter than on the preceding Saturday, when he was so nearly caught by Sacristan II. Mallard failed to get within challenging distance and Saloon's admirers aver that Sacristan was more easily beaten than most of the spectators believed, or rather that he was lucky to catch the little horse at all, as the race was run on the preceding Saturday.

In the Fort Plate Airloch, another Lochiel mare, was made favourite and justified public confidence by winning handsomely from Manlock and Killeevan. The disappointment of this race was Lady Metal, whom her connections greatly fancied. They backed her down to three to one and failed to save even their place money. Their chagrin was intensified by the unexpected victory of Bundook in the Cornwallis Plate. This race must be marked down as a very decided success obtained by the new handicappers. Their compilation evoked any amount of betting and a great deal of money was poured on to Ballark, while Refuge Bay, Lord Boyne, and Jolly Roger were all fancied. The favourite was beat by a short head and the finish between the first five or six horses was as close a thing as we have seen for some time. In the last race Mr. Galstaun's pair realised expectations and there seems to be nothing much between Claribell and the Civil Service Cup except a breakdown or other accident. Rosanule fell and gave Mr. Bell-Irving a bad shaking, in addition to returning very lame to the paddock.

Our Bombay correspondent writes:—On Saturday was held the first of the fourteen extra meetings arranged by the W.I.T.C. and, in regard to the success of punters, it must be a record. Six events figured on the card and the favourite in each came home a pretty easy winner, despite the fact that the majority filled remarkably well. For such an auspicious occasion as the opening of a racing season the attendance was very meagre.

It was a regular day out for Byramji, the trainer, as four of his charges came home; of these F. Williams, who arrived in Bombay on the day of the races, rode three. European jockeys who attend the early extras in the hopes of getting a monopoly are nowadays likely to be disappointed as those now here are Williams, Ames, Teddy O'Neill, Fisher, Reyes, Trahan, Robertson, Coomber, Bond, Brown, and Donald Greenhalgh who has once more taken to the saddle, and we saw a new lad in Mirza, whereas all the best native lads are starting at the beginning.

The day opened with the Pony Plate in which five came under the starter's orders and, after finding all the money, Comeback completed the cake-walk he had started in the Paddock. Recovery was thought to have a great chance but, when it was seen the race-card had made a bloomer of 10lbs., most of the cash for him was for a shop. Comeback came out again three races later for the December Plate, and once more spread-eagled his field. A pot of money went on Epitome, and her stable could not have had a worse run for their money. Leach, her trainer, rode, and I think lost any chance he had by riding the mare all the way to keep with the leaders. It was that disappointing horse, Baritone, that troubled the winner, but he continues to zig-zag his way down the straight in his endeavours to get on the rails on the left, and lost a deal of ground by finishing under the Judge's box.

That champion Arab, Bay Middleton, got into the Arab Pony Plate about a stone less than he would have, had Mr. Cursetjee had a finger in the pie, and won cantering by himself.

The Novice Plate provided a hot finish for places, Antica and Shabib dead-heating, but Mudlool came again when challenged and brought home the money in the fast time of 1min. 8⅕secs. Dublin won the Arab Plate equally easily after having the pace made for him by the two-year-old Gallopin, a pony that may do some good in half mile sprints.

Last on the list was the Old Year Plate with quite a classy lot of sprinters. It was known to be a moral for Sherali if he got away with the rest—he did and the race was over.

Following the death of old Dumbell, that great old racer and hunter whose best days were over, comes the news of a loss to Bleach and Mr. Avasia. Testwood did nothing much of late, but he had many a race left in him.

The racing community will be sorry to hear of the critical condition in which poor Tommy Tingey is from dysentery. He has been ailing for some time, but it is to be hoped he will soon pick up.

Lieut.-Col. G. H. Bull, I.M.S., and the Hon'ble Mr. Justice Russell have been appointed Trustees of the Western India Turf Club.

The list of winning owners on the English turf during the recent season, shows that eight owners won upwards of £10,000. The list is headed by the Earl of Derby, £33,000; then Major Eustace Loder, £17,000. The list of winning jockeys is headed by Higgs, with 681 mounts, 149 wins, 109 second place, 87 third, and 36 unplaced. Madden comes next on the list, with 104 wins; then Maher with 103 wins.

The list of successful trainers is headed by George Lambton, who sent out 122 winners of races, aggregating £34,000 in value. The premier place in the list of winning sires is secured by His Majesty's horse Persimmon, sixteen of whose stock won 31 races, aggregating £21,000. Lord Rosebery's first Derby winner, Ladas, sires 11 winners of £20,000. We shall deal with these matters editorially in our next issue.

Too late for insertion in our last issue we received news of the appointment of Mr. R. Hood Wright as one of the judges of the forthcoming Calcutta Kennel Club Dog Show to be held at Lady Minto's *Fête*. Mr. Hood Wright, who is now living in Ceylon, is known the world over as the breeder of the famous Selwood strain of Deerhounds and as a judge—especially of the larger breeds—he has a big reputation. With him, as we said before, will be associated the Rev. H. W. Bush, of Jullundur. Mr. Bush is considered to be one of the best "all round" judges of dogs in India, especially of terriers and the smaller breeds. He is the Editor of *The Indian Kennel Gazette* and also Honorary Secretary of the Northern Indian Kennel Association. He has devoted a very considerable amount of his spare time for years to the furthering of canine interests in India and the East, and his services as a judge are greatly sought after.

We draw special attention to the announcement made by the Secretary of the Tollygunge Horse Show, which appears among the advertisements in our sporting columns.

First entries for the Lucknow Spring Meeting are published to-day.

We are very glad to hear that there is every prospect of a record entry for the Horse Show to be held at the Tollygunge Club on the 24th December. The entries are larger than last year and taken all round the horses and ponies promise to be, perhaps, of a better class. In the jumping competition for horses there are 30 entries and for ponies 22 entries. In the polo pony class also there is the large entry of 35 ponies—Walers—English, Arabs, being represented. H.E. the Viceroy has entered about 15 horses in the different classes. One of the features of the Show will be the hackney carriage class for which handsome prizes have been presented by well-known Calcutta sportsmen.

Their Excellencies Lord and Lady Minto have accepted the Club's invitation to luncheon. They will arrive on the ground at 2 o'clock and at 4-30 Lady Minto will present the prizes. A special word of praise should be given to Mr. Jamieson, the Secretary, who is entirely responsible for the arrangements and who has worked most diligently to make the show a great success.

At the general meeting of the Calcutta Kennel Club last Monday evening the officials were elected, the voting giving the following results:—

PRESIDENT:—Hon'ble Mr. A. A. Apcar, C.S.I.

VICE-PRESIDENTS:—Messrs. J. D. West, J. M. G. Prophit, G. A. Ormiston, and W. K. Dodds.

COMMITTEE:—Messrs. W. S. Burke, F. S. Kerr, H. Tremearne, J. G. Tredaway, D. R. Wallace, W. A. Ferguson, Warwick H. Smith, H. Bradley Birt, L. Watson, G. F. Greenhill, and two others to be elected hereafter.

HONORARY SECRETARY:—Mr. E. A. Lyon.

The rules of the Club were adopted, the prospectus of the forthcoming show passed, and some minor items of business transacted. His Excellency the Viceroy has been approached with a view to securing his patronage for the Club.

With reference to the recently issued official papers on the preservation of wild animals in Africa, Major von Weissman gives as his opinion that the main blame rests with Europeans. "I have," he states, "too often seen how every European who possesses a gun on board a Congo steamer fires in the most reckless fashion, especially at hippopotami, without having any regard as to whether or no he

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can possess himself of the animal when killed. I have seen so much big game killed or mortally wounded in this wanton fashion, and, indeed, only by Europeans." On the other hand, Mr. F. C. Selous states that 997 of every 1,000 elephants whose tusks come to the London market are killed by African natives. He advocated a close season for every species, and that certain areas should be reserved. In his view the white rhinoceros had been exterminated in Northern and North-Eastern Matebeleland entirely by native hunters. Professor E. Ray Lankester states that the blaubok was exterminated more than a century ago by the Cape Dutch; that the true quagga, which was extirpated in the seventies, might have been saved by protection; that the only hope of saving the white rhinoceros in Upper Mashonaland was by the most stringent protection. Then, in addition, the white-tailed gnu, bontebok, Hangal stag, and Guezeza guenon were threatened with extinction. The white-tailed gnu existed in 1900 only on a single farm in the Orange Free State.

Whilst on a tour in America, Mr. Alfred Butt discovered what will possibly prove one of the most extraordinary equine curiosities that has yet been seen. It is a horse that is capable of thinking, independent of any collusion in which the trainer might assist. Princess Trixie made her first appearance at the Palace before an audience composed of the Press, zoologists, and those interested in the science of animal education. The horse spells words suggested by the audience, makes simple additions and subtractions, and picks out from a heap of pieces of silk any colour asked for by those who care to test. Mr. W. H. Barnes, the trainer of the horse, claims that he has used the same education to which young children are accustomed, namely, by signs, and afterwards by an elementary system of Kindergarten.

The *Evening News* to hand this mail dresses up a very old chesnut of the betting subaltern in a nice drawing room garb and unloads it thus:—

"When Brown was transferred to another regiment his Adjutant wrote to the Adjutant of the new regiment, saying, 'We are sending you Brown. He is a nice boy, but he has a shocking bad habit of betting on every conceivable subject. Try and choke him off.' Brown arrived. At mess on the first night he sat next the Colonel, and, turning the conversation on Bermuda, made the astounding assertion that every white man who went there developed a curious green patch between the shoulder-blades. This rubbish annoyed the Colonel. He said that he had soldiered in Bermuda himself, and certainly had no green patch on his back. Brown, with all deference, offered to bet him £10 that he had. The bet was accepted by the indignant officer, and in the ante-room afterwards he pulled off his shirt. There was no patch. Brown apologised and paid up. Next day the Adjutant wrote to Brown's former regiment:—'Brown turned up. . . . I think we have choked him off betting a bit. Last night he bet the Colonel, etc., etc., ... and lost.' The reply came:—'Thanks for yours. Before Brown left here he bet us £10 a piece all round the mess that he would make the Colonel take off his shirt in the ante-room on the first night he arrived.'"

We remember this was one of the stories that confronted us shortly after we had tackled and thrown Mavor's Spelling, say forty years ago; but, if we remember, it was not a green patch on the shoulder-blades they looked for, eh what?

Several sportsmen have asked me questions about tracking, says a writer in *Baily's Magazine*. Some of the questions have been intelligent, and proved that the art has attracted more than ordinary interest. It must be distinctly understood that I do not pretend to be a Sherlook Holmes, but simply an amateur disciple of Oriental hunters in whom the art of tracing the movements of men, and beasts is almost inborn.

My greatest triumph in tracking occurred when in the company of Lieutenant P., R.A., after an immense amount of walking we found four bison on a high plateau. One was a fine bull, the others were cows which we had no intention of killing. The cows persistently got in the way of the bull; but we were patient, and at last I saw an open shot at 200 yards. P. asked me to fire, and I did so, hitting the bull behind the shoulder. The cows fled in one direction and the bull in another, leaving a fine trail of blood for 500 yards, after which it ceased to be found on the ground. I proceeded leisurely with P. behind me and never left the tracks. With no ground blood to guide me, and no black tracker to assist, I sauntered along, pointing out to P. the turned pebbles, the bruised grass, and the drops of blood on bamboos and leaves, which were my sole guides. After two miles we found the bison's droppings, eight inches high, and I knew I was going the right way.

Suddenly I confronted the bison standing on sheet rock. He was below a high bank, and I fired again, smashing his spine. My first bullet had not caused a mortal wound, and even then, though the bison lay helpless on sheet rock, he looked the incarnation of malice. He snorted at us, but attempted in vain to rise, and we therefore had an opportunity of approaching him closely before P. killed him. I have seen the same impotent rage in a paralysed tiger, but there is no doubt which is the more majestic beast in his death throes.

I will give one more instance of simple tracking which occurred to me near Delhi in 1892. I was hunting a rather uncommon black buck, one of whose horns was extremely long, while the other ram-like, described a circle and a half. The animal was very shy, and it was after midday when I had my first chance of getting a shot. Neither the buck nor the long shot is to the point; suffice it to say I hit the animal and wounded him severely. He travelled far, and I had but his slots and a drop of blood at long intervals to guide me. After tracking him for over three miles I found myself beside a small lake surrounded by reeds. No one was there except a solitary villager smoking a *hookah* on a mound. I asked him if he had seen the buck, and he replied in the negative. I went round the pond carefully and noted that at one place the earth bore a damp appearance, while it also seemed that some heavy animal had been dragged over the spot towards the water. I examined the place still more carefully, and found male antelope's hairs, both white and black, on the ground. There was no blood that I could discern, but with one other clue I instantly realised the situation.

I ran back to the native and seized him by the arm, and said, "Bring that *kala hern* (black buck) out of the water at once, or take the consequences."

The would-be thief did as I demanded without demur. The buck had been shot in the bowels and dropped by the pond. There the native had stoned the remaining life out of the beast and hidden the carcase in a pool. The absence of blood baffled me a little, but the trail of a single horn pencilled on the sand was what finally convinced me that my quarry was near at hand, and under water.

Appended was the state of the betting market on the Trials and Cup yesterday.

Trials.	Viceroy's Cup.
3 to 1 Saloon.	2 to 1 Fitzgrafton.
3 to 1 Sacristan II.	4 to 1 Mallard.
7 to 3 Fitzgrafton.	4 to 1 Long Tom.
8 to 1 Contest.	8 to 1 Sacristan II.
12 to 1 Prince Lyon.	9 to 1 Saloon.
12 to 1 Paddy's Darling.	20 to 1 The Master.
12 to 1 Mallard.	20 to 1 Steinhager.
15 to 1 The Master.	20 to 1 Clear Artist.
15 to 1 Annamulloch.	20 to 1 Amplify.
20 to 50 Others.	25 to 100 Others.

Athletic Notes.

THE forthcoming Golf Championship of India, of which the qualifying rounds are due to be played on the 29th instant, promises this year to be more than usually interesting. The number of entries, as will be seen, is well above the average and all or nearly all of the best Indian players are among the competitors.

This year for the first time the number of those qualifying for match play has been increased to 16, a change which has met with universal approval. The tournament will be played over the full 18-hole course (for the first time) which also tends to lend additional interest and variety. It is too early yet to form an opinion as to who the new champion is likely to be. Many of our local players are at present playing exceedingly well and of these Messrs. Drimmie, Sinclair, and Mitchell Innes are perhaps the most likely to come out near the top. We are pleased to notice that Lieutenant Campbell has been able to come and defend his title, and if he can but produce the form which won him last year's Championship he should be very hard to beat. The entries are:—

Angus B. Crole.	R. L. Morgan.
J. H. Beaves.	A. E. Todd.
R. McLean.	H. Danks.
A. R. MacAllan.	H. C. Begg.
B. Sinclair.	F. H. E. Lamb.
D. M. Carr.	L. G. Dunbar.
T. McKenzie.	Norman McLeod.
T. Drimmie.	C. S. McKenzie.
D. Pym.	S. H. McKenzie.
J. G. Melrose.	L. Robertson.
J. Inglis.	C. E. Newton.
E. Stapledon.	Major T. A. Tancred.
D. C. Scroggie.	Col. Renny Tailyour.
E. Rainy.	H. W Dick.
L. R. Dunlop.	D. Youngson.
A. Mann.	Lieut. C. Campbell.
L. W. Ogilvy.	C. E. Stevenson.
J. S Armstrong.	C. B. Elliott.
Major Henley.	B. Abdy Collins.
C. M. Hutchinson.	J. C. H. Petersen.
A. D. Anderson.	S. Lethbridge.
E. H. Townend.	S. H. Browne.
A. A. Wolfe-Murray.	G. Walker.
N. Mitchell Innes.	

Mr. A. E. Todd, the Honorary Secretary of the Calcutta Golf Club, has been transferred to Shanghai and will leave Calcutta next month: he will be much missed by many.

The following will probably represent the Behar Wanderers during their cricket tour at Xmas:—Messrs. W. J. Marsham, F. M. Luce, A. W. Bentinck, P. Hudson, T. Macnamara, E. C. Danby, C. G. Danby, Gordon, Brett, Lang, Pickford, and Sharling.

A remarkable scene occurred at Omaha, Nebraska, when "Kid" Wedge, the champion light-weight boxer of Arkansas, declined to take part in a boxing contest on the ground that he had been converted, and that it was wrong to fight, save in self-defence.

Wedge entered the ring, says the New York correspondent of the *Express*, in the presence of two thousand people, and astounded everybody by handing his opponent a tract, with the wish that he would read it carefully.

The amazed boxer seemed to regard this as a personal insult, and he promptly smote the "Kid" on the nose. Wedge then said: "We are told to turn the other cheek." He did so, and was rewarded with a terrific blow which sent him against the ropes.

"I have not been told what to do next," said Wedge, "but I guess I can pound you to a pulp without interfering with my conscience."

The fight which followed was much livelier than the one advertised. Both pugilists were badly disfigured, but the victory was given to Wedge, who promised to pray for his opponent. He has retired permanently from the prize ring.

The annual regatta of the Madras Boat Club will be held on the 26th proximo. The following is the programme of events:—

Service Fours.—Half mile—To be competed for by crews representing professions, etc., *e.g.*, Law, Army, Mercantile, Banking, etc.

Senior Sculls.—Half mile—In carvel boats. For a Cup to be held for one year in addition to a prize.

Junior Sculls.—Half mile—In whiffs. Open to members who have never won a single sculling race.

Senior Pair Oar.—Half mile—Clinker boats, coxswainless.

Junior Pair Oar.—Half mile—Clinker boats, with cox. Open to members who have never won a Club rowing race.

Intermediate Sculls.—Half mile—In whiffs. Open to members who have never won the Senior Sculls here or an open single sculling race elsewhere.

Tub Race.—Quarter mile—Double Sculling in tubs. Lady cox. Prize to the lady.

By way of practice for the coming Association Football Tournament at the Minto *Fête* a game was played on the Calcutta ground last Saturday between the Calcutta F. C. and the Northumberland Fusiliers. The home team had a very scratch eleven out and were beaten by a goal to *nil*.

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Messrs. Simpson and Platnauer, of Calcutta, have on view at their Chowringhee Show-rooms the gold medals destined for the winners and runners up in the forthcoming Football Tournament to be held in connection with Lady Minto's *Fête*. These little trophies are all they should be, artistic, appropriate, and valuable.

Harmston's Circus and Menagerie of performing wild animals—beloved of young and old for so many years in Calcutta—is with us once again, having opened last Wednesday on the *maidan*. It seemed hardly credible that the show billed to open on that day, would really do so, when on Tuesday one viewed a hopeless looking mass of wood and matting and canvas, with John Chinaman presiding over the chaos, on the Monday previous—but there, like Alladin's fairy palace, apparently rai-ed by magic during the night, was "Harmston's" ready on the Wednesday, right enough! The opening night was a record one, and in spite of *swadeshi* and other counter attractions, Harmston's continues, as it ever has done, to hold its own. The genial and ubiquitous Colonel Bob Love and Mrs. Harmston-Love have, in addition to other novelties, been fortunate enough to secure the services of the talented Frantz family, a troupe of acrobats, lately performing in London, of European and American reputation, who, in their own specialties, are second to none, and who are really worth a visit to the Circus, on their own account alone. But they are by no means the sole attraction. Many old favourites, after an absence of some time, are back with fresh turns. Amongst these may be mentioned the Wheelers, really marvellous in their clever manipulation of the bicycle; little Jennie Harmston-Love, now blossomed out into the tiniest circus jockey in the world, who does a very pretty horseback turn with her sister Nellie; and the enterprising Diavolo, whose "looping the loop" seems as popular as ever, though run hard by the comic wheeler who does "hooping the hoop" accompanied by shouts of laughter. So many and varied are the turns put on, the circus bill (barring its elephant and wild animal acts) embraces many charming items of the genuine "variety" type, and those who have not already patronised "Harmston's," are reminded that they will certainly get their money's worth, when they do. In addition to the three tigers already performing, two others will shortly make their *début*, and the whole programme will constantly be changed. The first *matinée* on Saturday drew a crowded house, literally packed with smiling rosy youngsters—happy small people to whom the clown's oldest and best worn jokes will ever be new, the sight of whose bright faces and sound of whose merry laughter are, to some of us, almost as entertaining as Harmston's itself.

As far as athletics are concerned, Bombay, writes our correspondent, is dead, though hockey and cricket will start soon after the next month. The team the Bombay Gymkhana is sending to Calcutta is practically made up definitely; Captain J. G. Greig will, after all, skipper the team and others are Major Deas, Captain Rutter, Captain Bradfield, Lieutenants J. O. Airey and P. Beaumont, Messrs. R. H. Spooner, L. Cookson, S. T. Crump, R. E A. Elliott and F. P. West. Leaving next Saturday, they play Ballygunge on the 25th and 26th, Behar Wanderers on 27th and 28th and Calcutta 31st and 1st and 2nd January. It is on paper an excellent batting side, but as far as I can see, they have a very poor attack to follow Major Deas.

At the same time as the hockey season starts we are to have a junior Football League to wind up, after two months, with a junior tournament. Mr. F. Hogan, the popular Honorary Secretary, is back again after a trip Home and tells me teams as far away as Calcutta and Madras have expressed their intention of entering. It is an excellent move to encourage the game as well as to coach the youngsters up for the Senior League; the same might, with advantage, be done for hockey.

The Northumberland Fusiliers brought off a very successful gymkhana on the Ellenborough course on Tuesday evening. Colonel James, Major and Mrs. Enderby and the officers of the regiment were "At Home," and there was a big gathering, including Lady Minto, Lady Fraser and a party from Government House. The Circus race was won by Mr. Kitson, the Polo Stick and Ball race by Captain Salkeld from 14 competitors. Mrs. Paris and Major Fishbourne were declared winners of the Royal Academy Stakes which was run off in four heats. The Needle and Pincushion race went to Captain Mackenzie nominated by Lady Eileen Elliot, Mrs. Stuart won the Egg and Spoon race and the last event, the Bridge Hand race, was won by Lady Ruby Elliot and Captain Rennie.

London Week by Week.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

Friday, 30th November 1906.

THE agreeable task of compiling this weekly letter, dear Editor, like some other agreeable tasks has, I begin to find, a somewhat demoralising effect upon me. I detect a feeling of personal resentment against the calm and peaceful flow of life: regarding as one must the week merely as a reservoir whence to draw material for these columns, such uneventful calm as has distinguished these last few days, savours of aridity and waste. In this hour am I one with the harassed slave of necessity who racks his brain to provide the Contents Bill for the evening paper. Like him have I acquired a morbid taste for scandal, murder, and sudden death: unlike him I have no use for Battle, for Reuter steals the thunder, and enow battle there is none without the purlieus of Westminster. There rages battle and to spare after the manner approved of washerwomen, seasoning little labour with much talk.

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Truly the way of your correspondent this week is hard. You know that the Christmas season has broken, Christmas numbers and all, with its accustomed severity, because it is the recognised habit of the Christmas season to begin early and get itself well over by the 26th December. You know that the martyrs of Holloway, the shining band of suffragists, have been unexpectedly released, half their sentences having been remitted. I am inclined to think that the month's imprisonment—such as it was—may have done them some good. They have had visitors at the rate of three and one-third per day, including Mr. Keir Hardie, who brought chocolates; perhaps it was *because* Mr. Keir Hardie thus brought healing on his wings or in his pockets that not one of the band protested against being turned out. Martyrdom tempered by chocolate creams has not the ring of true martyrdom. Anyway, one of the martyrs so far forgot herself, or her part, as to tell a sympathetic reporter she was very glad to be out again.

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The Report of the Commons Committee on Income-tax has been published; it is not a very illuminating work and differs from the usual Report in so far as it guardedly mentions certain measures as "practicable" but refrains from making recommendations. It would be practicable to extend the present system of abatements to incomes of £1,000, or even more. It would be practicable to introduce a "super tax" on incomes over £5,000. It would be practicable to differentiate between earned and unearned incomes, especially as regards incomes not exceeding £3,000: and the Committee thinks a "compulsory personal declaration" of income would go far to prevent evasion. The Committee recognises the difficulties which surround the whole question; in fact as one reads one gathers that its recognition has been so complete, the Committee prefers to say as little as it decently can on the whole subject.

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The sentence of five years' penal servitude passed by the Portsmouth court-martial on the ringleader of the mutinous stokers, of course gave some of the champions of "freedom" an opportunity to heckle the Secretary to the Admiralty about the order "On the knee!" and also to challenge the propriety of courts-martial altogether. Where oh where, would discipline be, with the unmitigated radical as top dog? The sentence was admittedly a heavy one, and Mr. Robertson's statement that it was open to revision quite satisfied the great majority. Ten stokers in all were tried and the sentences of the nine seem lenient enough. Mr. Collard, the officer who gave the order that made all the pother, will I suppose get into trouble: it seems that he said "go down on your knee, you dog," to a fractious stoker, an indiscretion likely to cost him dear. The wont of the whole business was the apathy shown by the petty officers.

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The new Lord Mayor has lost little time in organising a scheme which, as many people have known for long past, has been uppermost in his mind for some years. To wit, the establishment of an Institution, preferably somewhere on the coast, for the reception and technical eduction of crippled children. For several Christmases we have been familiar with Alderman Treloar's Hamper scheme, which involves the employment of dozens of huge furniture vans: this has been his method of expressing his practical sympathy with the cripples. Now he appeals for £60,000 to start the Home of his ambition, and I have no doubt he will

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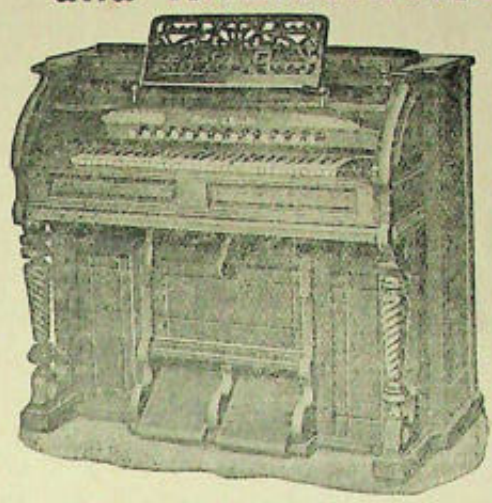

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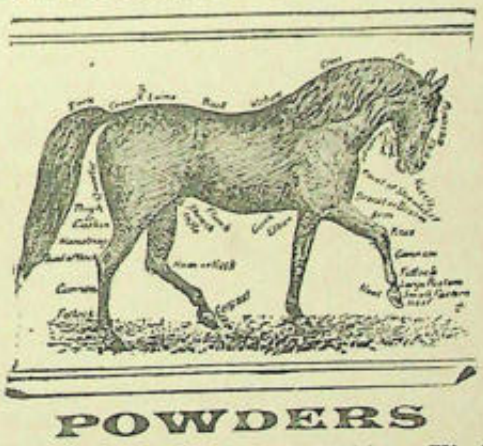

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The publication of the "attack" made by certain of the electors of Thanet on Mr. H. Marks, gave rise to a somewhat sensational scene in the House on Monday when Mr. Redsdale brought it up as a point of privilege. The attack consists of a review of the libel cases wherein Mr. Marks figured not very successfully as regards clearance of his character as a financier and a private individual: and a vigorous objection to him as representative of the division. Mr. Marks, looking very pale, rose to say that he had been re-elected by a large majority, thus proving the confidence of the electors, and that he intended to take steps "consistent with his honour." So it is to be inferred that the old charges will be thrashed out again: you would remember the *Financial News* case and subsequent proceedings, no doubt.

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Vigorous endeavours have been made for some weeks past to work up a scare in connection with St. Paul's and the new L. C. C. drainage works. The Cathedral, it was stated, had shown in its fabric, signs of injury resulting from the driving of a main sewer; subsidence, the alarmists affirmed, had actually been observed by competent men. Either the Cathedral or the competent men were a little premature, as it now transpires that the sewer has not, so far, come within two miles of St. Paul's. When it is completed it will pass 35 or 40 feet in a horizontal line from the building, and 40 feet below the level of its foundations. The soil here consists of London clay and gravel, and the architects and engineers regard the proposal with undisturbed equanimity.

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Captain R. W. Gillespie, formerly of the Rifle Brigade, has had to pay dearly for an indiscretion. The affair has been a good deal canvassed at the clubs, and the upshot of the business would not much surprise those who knew the facts. The vicar of the parish wherein Captain Gillespie lives (Appleshaw, Hants) thought it necessary to scold two of that gentleman's maids for giggling in church: the girls were frightened and the incident was made known to their employer, who forthwith wrote a foolish letter to the Rev. A. Lefroy, wherein he suggested insanity or intoxication as the excuse for the Vicar's proceeding; told him he was not "a fit person to have anything to do with a respectable girl" and made not obscure reference to the prospect of a thrashing should it occur again. Result, criminal action for libel, defendant bound over in £200 to come up for judgment if called upon. 'Tis parlous work acting on the testimony of affrighted and untruthful handmaids.

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The two Poplar Guardians who were tried at the Old Bailey for conspiring to defraud the Union were acquitted on Tuesday. One can only conclude that the charge was badly drawn, for it is hard to know how to describe the proceedings of Messrs. Smith and Gibbs' if not as swindling. A brougham was hired for them to go 26 miles to Leatherhead (where they "inspected" one pauper) and charged the Union for cab fares to stations and railway fares in addition! The defence was that their bill showed not what they actually spent but what they thought they were entitled to charge. There lies the kernel of the business. The trial has been as useful as the Poplar enquiry in that it brings into glaring light the reckless extravagance with which these people squander the rate-payers' money in "doing themselves well," their counsel's phrase. What a miserably rotten sham is that priceless blessing local Self-Government, or elective Government at all!

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If "Julie Bonbon" produced at the Waldorf on Monday is a sample of the successful American play one can only take refuge in the general statement that there is no accounting for tastes. It is a four-act musical comedy without any music; and without music I confess that the love of John Schuyler Van Brimb for the milliner of the play's title, the manœuvres of John's ambitious mamma who wants to stop their philandering, and the drunken vagaries of Julie's appalling papa did not appeal to me. The piece owed any attraction it has to the powers exhibited by Miss Clara Lipman as Julie, who is also author of the play: she could do finer work than she has set herself here. The American accent and atmosphere helped the performance not a little, so much so indeed that I caught myself wondering how the audience would have received it had the American accent been wanting. Miss Lipman can act but she has hazy ideas of writing a play; now sentimentality prevails, now pure farce, anon sheer melodrama. The humour is thin and I am afraid we missed many jokes we ought to have detected.

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"A Midsummer Night's Dream" is to be revived at the Adelphi to-morrow evening. Mr. Oscar Asche will be the Bottom and Mr. Walter Hampden the Oberon, in which part he was so successful before. Miss Lily Brayton is cast for Helena.

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There are many changes in "The New Aladdin" at the Gaiety, more than one usually sees or expects in the first few weeks of such a piece, but the alterations are decidedly for the better. Act I has been cut down and Act II has been much modified; more important is the fact that Miss Gertie Millar now plays Aladdin, a part that suits her admirably. There are new songs and dances, Miss Millar being particularly considered by the authors in the matter of songs: her duet with "Professor Teddy Payne "Down where the vegetables grow," wherein she appears as a "coster gal" and he as the male complement, was immensely popular. "Bed Time at the Zoo" caught the fancy of the house also, the words being more humerous than those of most such songs. Mr. Alfred Lester continues to play the poet Policeman in the London of the genie's contriving and has worked up the possibilities of a good part until it is really exceedingly comical.

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"The Yeomen of the Guard," to be revived at the Savoy on Saturday week does not include a single member of the original cast of 1888. This is unusual; any given Gilbert and Sullivan opera recalls the name of one or more of the actors who had part in it—generally more—and we look for their reappearance as adding additional interest to a revival.

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By the way I see that Mr. George Alexander is going to stand as a candidate for the London County Council in March (I think the elections are in March). There can be little doubt but that he will get in. He seeks election as the champion of the theatrical interests which have suffered so much at the hands of Bumble of Spring Gardens.

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Woolfries, the young man who passed himself off as the brother of the Misses Dare and in that character libelled Miss Plyllis Dare and Mr. Seymour Hicks in the foulest fashion was tried at the Liverpool Assizes on Wednesday. He pleaded guilty and escaped cheaply enough with eight months' hard labour. The best defence counsel could offer was that Woolfries fabricated his lies in order to gain notoriety: the motive strikes one as an aggravation of the offence.

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There is a new performing horse—mare this time—at the Palace. Princess Trixie is a grey, almost white, by reason, I suppose, of her eleven years, and is American by birth. Whether she is educated or performs her tricks under covert direction of the trainer it is impossible to say, but accepting the performance at its face value, she is a very clever mare indeed. She spells simple words (sometimes wrong) by picking out blocks with letters on them: picks out from a number of coloured handkerchiefs that of the hue she is told, gave the correct change for two American dollars and added up short sums. She is a good-looking mare with, I suspect, some Arab blood in her: and her gentleness and friendly ways made quite an impression on those who went on the stage to improve acquaintance with her.

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Would I were young enough to enjoy again the Covent Garden Fancy Dress Balls, alas, I shall soon be old enough to sail a toy yacht all by myself on the Round Pond: become, perchance, member of a Model Yacht Club, warn ragamuffins and nursemaids to 'stand back' and revere "our Commodore"! Some there be who are never young: others who are never too old to revel in a little harmless frivolity in the small hours. One of these latter—I should never have respected His Sedateness of "Covent Gardening" in motley—tells me that last Friday's ball was the liveliest and best attended he has been at for a long time. There were some remarkably clever dresses, the one that most appealed to my informant's fancy being "The Golden Pheasant," though his sportsmans' instincts were outraged by part of the design which insinuated that the golden pheasant is shot like any mere *torquatus*. To correct Ingoldsby "it was four in the morning before they broke up."

ONLOOKER.

Review.

AN ENCYCLOPEDIA OF MODERN SPORTING FIREARMS AND GUNNERY.*

MANY books relating to the use and abuse of firearms have, during the past few years, found a place in the library of the modern sportsman. During the present times unless a volume on this vastly written upon subject contains information quite apart from the stereotyped matter that such works usually contain, that particular work will inevitably go to the wall. It was with great pleasure we anticipated another sporting volume from the able and versatile pen of Mr. Henry Sharp. We have no hesitation in saying that "Modern Sporting Gunnery" has exceeded in a very marked degree even our most sanguine expectations. We consider that for many years to come this book will be recognised by sportsmen in every corner of our globe as being the standard work on the modern sporting firearm, both rifled and non-rifled. In our opinion it is the best book of its type that has appeared this century.

The work opens with an interesting retrospect of the history of the firearm from its infancy. The first 160 pages of the volume deal most exhaustively with the intricacies of the modern shot-gun and its many descriptions of ammunition. In these chapters will be found information of a nature that is the outcome of several years of high scientific research. The reader, however, need have no fear that the contents are of such a mathematical or ultra-teennical cast as to render the perusal more of a bore than a pleasure. The explanations are lucid and easily understandable by the veriest novice, and fully and clearly exemplified by excellent plates and diagrams. Space prevents us from attempting to touch upon one tithe of the matter that is contained within the covers of "Modern Sporting Gunnery," though that matter will furnish the twentieth century sportsman with much food for thought and discussion. The respective advantages and disadvantages of the Tumbler and Trigger Safety bolts probably form a subject that the ordinary gunner has never even paused to consider, yet the question is an important one as affecting the safety and lives of those who spend their leisure hours in the pursuit of fur and feather. The experiments quoted should prove conclusively that reliance only should be placed on the automatic trigger safety bolt. We cannot do better than to repeat the wholesome advice tendered by the author:—

> "Sportsmen will therefore be well advised to sink personal habits and tastes and adopt an automatic trigger safety bolt as the only means of preventing those exceptional accidents which may arise even when the utmost care is used."

The ejector mechanism has long since been recognised in Home circles as being indispensable. There are, of course, many types of ejectors on the market, all of which are discussed; the advantages of the gun-lock and sear ejector over that of the two-limb system is forcibly explained. In dealing with the one-trigger mechanism much attention is given to the subject of "release." Many a gunner, even in these advanced times, still harbours the idea that the single-trigger mechanism is a gim-crack. This notion is, of course, quite erroneous. This attitude no doubt arose through a misunderstanding as to the true merits of the single trigger system when compared with the old-established double trigger plan. It is a generally accepted statement in this connection that the advantage consists in the one-trigger giving the same length of stock for both barrels, whereas with the two-trigger a different length of stock obtains for each barrel. Mr. Sharp aptly proves the extreme fallacy of this notion.

The evolution of the shot-gun is treated thoroughly and the reproductions of types of modern English, Belgian and French gun engravings show to what a wonderful pitch of excellence this art has attained.

The subject of recoil, pattern and penetration etc., is discoursed upon in an eminently practical manner, and the results of many trials are given *in extenso*. Passing on to the question of "gun-headaches" we think the author has, in many cases at any rate, more especially out in the East, effectively solved the problem when he suggests that this malady more frequently arises through the medium of the visual than the acoustic organs. The strain on the eyes on a bright day at Home during a series of drives, when the gaze has to be constantly fixed skywards has only to be experienced once to be realised. In this peninsula the glare from a dusty road, or the glint off a stretch of water, frequently affects the brain seriously, and headache is contracted purely through strain on the eyes. The next 160 pages of this volume are devoted to the study of the modern sporting rifle and its numerous accessories. We may safely say that every description of rifled weapon employed for sporting purposes both East and West of Suez is duly commented upon. We are glad to notice that such an expert on matters pertaining to rifles, as Mr. Sharp has proved himself to be, thoroughly endorses the opinions that we have always maintained namely, the undoubted supremacy of the D.-B. rifle over the magazine in the pursuit of game. The arguments set forth in detail *pro and con* should suffice to convince even the most biassed upholder of the magazine arm. We can especially recommend our readers to take stock of the contents of Chapter IX, dealing with the new accelerated express rifles and axite powder. That marvellous production of modern ingenuity the ·375/303 Westley Richards' Axite rifle, propelling a bullet weighing 260 grs. at a velocity of 2726 per ft. second has undoubtedly surpassed all previous inventions in the matter of rifled firearms. The ·318 bore weapon by the same firm of gunmakers is yet another step forward in the same direction.

Ball and Shot Guns are carefully described and those sportsmen who show a partiality to this form of weapon will find much that will appeal to them in the performances of the "Explora" and the "Fauneta Express Ball and Shot Gun." Much instructive reading will be obtained from the pages set apart for the discussion of the sightings of rifles and trajectories, and the chapter on sporting bullets is one to be studied minutely.

The importance to the nation of having a considerable portion of the civilian element of Great Britain trained to the accurate use of the rifle is patent to every thinking man. Owing to the efforts of the late Marquis of Salisbury and the persistent and praiseworthy manner in which Earl Roberts has kept this matter before the eyes of the public the practice of miniature rifle shooting has now been steadily advanced. It is not possible for the majority of Britishers at Home to accustom themselves to the use of the service weapon, for the opportunities are not open to all. To those, however, who care to make themselves proficient in the handling of rifles (the art is the same for miniature as for full charged weapons) Chapter XIII will afford a mine of information, and we would draw the particular attention of our readers to the facts quoted in connection with the Westley Richards' Sherwood Rifle.

Much has been written *àpropos* of gun-fitting, and the use of try-guns. Mr. Sharp has, however, evidently entered very thoroughly into this all-important question, and his remarks will assuredly carry with them their due weight. Having instructed us as efficiently as would seem humanly possible concerning the implements with which the gunner circumvents his quarry, the author proceeds to describe the habits, etc., of the game encountered in the British Isles. It is a well-known and most regrettable fact that as the years roll by the

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"Blackcock" and his partner the "Greyhen" are steadily diminishing in numbers. This is a condition of affairs that would seem to call for intervention. We trust that such intervention will be put into effect before it is proved too late. The reasons for this decrease are not far to seek. We fully endorse the sentiments expresed by the author which we reproduce :—"Personally," says Mr. Sharp "I am of the opinion that it would be well if black game were not shot before the 1st of September. This both in the interests of sport and the proper preservation of the indigenous avifauna of Great Britain. In August the young birds have not properly matured; they are deficient as regards size, muscle, and feather. Consequently they then present an easy mark which only the veriest tyro or arrant duffer should miss.

In dealing with the red grouse Mr. Sharp broaches the intricate problem of a suitable size of shot. The object of the gunner should always be to kill, and kill outright, failing that a clean miss is far preferable to a "plastered" bird. In grouse driving when the birds are coming down with a strong wind behind them, No. 5's frequently fail to kill, and the loss of pattern entailed by using No. 4's is also a distinct disadvantage. Mr. Sharp has introduced a new size of pellet which it would seem will be called "Celerita." Briefly this shot will correspond to 4½ size, *i.e.*, it will be heavier than No. 5's but lighter than No. 4's. The former, be it known, contains 245 pellets to the charge, the latter 193 and "Celerita" 125. We think this size will prove itself most reliable—with it pattern will not be sacrificed for penetration. Choke bores *versus* cylinders—this knotty problem as discussed by the author, we feel sure will interest the sportsman.

A chapter is devoted to wild fowl shooting in Great Britain. The new duck gun invented by Messrs. Westley Richards for Mr. Sharp would indicate that a truly marvellous development in the 12-bore has been attained. Mr. Sharp says :—

> "I am convinced that on several occasions birds must have been brought down from a height of close on 180 feet."

We all know that distances at which birds are dropped, like tigers, are liable to become *elongated*, but with such an experienced sportsman as Mr. Sharp we are fully satisfied that the information he gives us is free from exaggeration. This weapon should prove a very valuable asset to the batteries of many sportsman in the East whose tastes incline towards "wild fowling." Armed with this shot gun we should now be able to hurl pellets with a sure knowledge of their fatal-producing effects where before we could hurl nothing but invectives.

A book on modern gunnery could by no means be considered complete unless some reference were made to the British sportswoman. In "Modern Sporting Gunnery" two chapters are given over to our sporting sisterhood. The first chapter has been compiled by the author and the second comes from the pen of one of our leading sportswomen, Her Grace the Duchess of Bedford.

There are many people who consider that the gentler sex has overstepped its bounds when its members take up a position behind the butts. There are others who object to the female gunner in the field on the score of the "voluminous chatter" (as the author aptly terms it) thereby produced. It is always a pleasure to see the line of guns composed of both sexes, provided the sportswomen present are fully cognisant with the laws of safety and deportment. The problem of a suitable description of shot-gun is often a puzzle to father and husband; we cannot give better advice to those placed in such difficulties than to refer to the volume under review.

There are many sportswomen, who in "their heart of hearts, are only too eager to be included in the ranks (literally speaking) of gunners, but through want of seasonable advice are reluctant to do so. To all such we recommend a reference to the chapter in "Modern Sporting Gunnery" written by Her Grace. The advice preferred on "dress" is eminently sound. We could imagine nothing more uncomfortable than a wet skirt clinging round the ankles; under such circumstances accurate shooting must be impracticable. The man, or perhaps zealous daughter of Eve who will look askance at a skirt reaching only 8 inches below the knee must per force be narrow minded and as such can, without loss, be ignored. Comfortable clothing both for man and woman, in the field is the first consideration; there is no reason to suppose that comfort need preclude neatness. The costume adopted by Her Grace embraces both, and is at the same time thoroughly workmanlike. Fourteen maxims for the benefit of the sportswoman are tabulated. These include the golden rules of gunnery. They should be learnt by heart, and constantly borne in mind. As practice makes perfect they will become a matter of instinct; the sportswoman when practice has given confidence, should never make this an excuse for a breach of these rules.

This manual of practical information closes with an alphabetical list of the sport-affording countries of the world the game abounding in these localities and other useful points concerning duties on importation of firearms, etc. In the sections devoted to both British India and Malay Peninsula we notice that under the heading "Fur and Game" the mungoose in one instance has been placed alongside the antelope, markhor and ibex, in the other it has been given an entry immediately after the tiger and leopard. Such information might lead the blood-thirsty Nimrod to lay himself open to much unwished for chaff.

The value of the work has been materially enhanced by the addition of a copious and exceptionally handy index.

Shikar.

MY FIRST BARA SINGH.

EARLY in October, last year, I arrived in Kashmir, and after a few days spent in Srinagar buying stores, etc., I went up the river a couple of marches in a boat to Awuntipur, and from there started to march to a nullah where my shikari said he had seen a stag a week ago. I had previously sent on a man to engage five baggage ponies; and so on landing I went for a stroll round the village while they were loading up. When I returned I found the ponies ready to start, but instead of five there were eight ponies loaded, and the drivers assured me that there was enough luggage for nine. I had, however, had plenty of experience in the three days I had been in the country of the lying capabilities of the Kashmiri; and so had weighed all my kit before leaving Srinagar, so I had the three smallest ponies unloaded, and made them distribute the luggage among the other five. We were then ready to start, and the lumbadar came up and demanded *bakshish* for collecting the ponies. He was paid and we began our march. But we had only gone a short way when another man came up and said that he was the lumbadar and wanted his *bakshish*. Explanations followed, and we found that the second man was the real lumbadar, while the first had been lying. His luck was out, however, as we caught him, and as, of course, he had not got the money on him, we took enough luggage off the ponies to make him a very heavy load and forced him to carry it a couple of marches. He had a very poor time of it, as the servants and shikaris who were carrying nothing kept chaffing him all the time; calling him the lumbadar sahib, and asking him if he were tired. We marched to Tral at the foot of the hills, and there camped for the night. There my Kashmiri servant came and informed me that my cash box had been broken open and 15 rupees stolen. When I told him, however, that it did not matter to me, but that it was hard luck on him as, of course, it meant that he would get no pay for the first month, he very quickly found it again. I also found that all my kerosine oil had been stolen, so I cut the price of a new tin off the servant. After this I never had anything else stolen. The native of India, though never honest is a perfect saint compared with the Kashmiri, a more cowardly, mean, lying brute I never met before, and this is the same everywhere one goes and with all classes. If ever the line of the hymn "Where every prospect pleases and only man is vile" applied to any country it certainly does to Kashmir.

The next day I arrived at the nullah I was making for on the right bank of the Liddar; but found that another sportsman had got *khubber* of the same place, and by marching all night had got there first. We decided to go to the Lidroo nullah on the left bank, and were just starting off when word was brought in that another sahib had just passed along the road on his way to the Lidroo. He, however, was walking so I soon caught him up on a pony and got there first. I then sent the shikari and his coolies up the nullah to look for tracks and sat down to eat my lunch.

What a lovely place Kashmir is, after the plains of India, and what a relief are the refreshing greens of its woods and fields to the eyes tired by the everlasting brown of sand and bushes that seem to dance with the heat of the hot weather sun. A tiny brook that babbled at my feet between banks of the greenest grass carried my thoughts homewards. And indeed the spot where I was sitting might well have been in the Western Highlands. Fir trees stood all around, the grass sprang from a carpet of pine needles, just below me I could see the brilliant green of a field through the trees, and far away the other side of the Liddar the pine clad hills rose high their green sides seamed by the dark shadows of the nullahs. Above these nearer hills there rose from behind them a grey rocky peak crowned with snow. It was a restful scene, and with my back against a log I was dozing off, when I was awakened by the shouts of the drivers as they urged their ponies up the hill. I soon had my camp pitched and trenches dug to prevent my tent being flooded by the rain, then putting my rifle on my shoulder I went out for a look round. The Lidroo nullah, which by right of being first man there I occupy, is a valley running some six miles up into the hills. On the side facing north are dense pine forests stretching right up to the open ground below the snow, with only a narrow intervening band of birch just below the grass level. On the other side the ground faces west, and is more open with fir forests alternating with open grass stretches; the forests on the north facing and the grass on the south facing slopes. This is the arrangement of the woods all over Kashmir. During the day the deer are resting in the cool woods, and morning and evening come out to feed on the grassy slopes. In my nullah there was a small hill standing apart from the main range, and on this several bears were said to live, coming down every night to raid the fields near the village. I went down and was shown the fresh marks of the bears in the Indian corn, so told the lumbadar to have coolies ready the next day to beat the small hill.

The next morning the shikaris came in and reported no signs of bara singh above, so I had my beat for bear. We had four beats, the last one ending at the top of the small hill. I was completely done by the stiff climb when I got to the top and sat down for the last beat. A musk deer came and stood a few yards off and looked at me, and then raced off with its curious jumping gallop. When the beaters were getting near I heard a great crashing behind me, and before I could get over the crest a bear who had been sleeping under an old pine had got clear away. We returned to camp very tired, but on arrival there my shikari's father came in to say that he had seen a big stag in a small nullah some ten miles off. He also said that another sahib was on his way there. So off we rushed, and getting a pony from the village went at our best pace to the place. The pony had a foal running with it on whose neck were the fresh marks of a leopard's teeth. It had been seized by a leopard a few days before, but the mare had driven off the beast, and the foal had escaped. As a result, however, she was extremely nervous, shied at every shadow in the road, and kicked at anyone who came near her. When we got to the nullah we found that the other sahib had not yet arrived; so we lighted a fire, rolled ourselves up in blankets, and went to sleep.

The next day I took a servant's tent with me, and after making arrangements to have my food sent up daily, I climbed to the head of the nullah and pitched my tent in a bit of thick jungle under a big rock, where it could not be seen by any wandering deer. For the next three days I was at the top of the hill before light, and stayed there till after dark. I could not have a light in the tent for fear of frightening game, so had to eat my meals in the dark. It was curious trying to find out what one was eating by taste only; and I was amused afterwards to find out that on two occasions I had mistaken duck for chicken! During these three days I did not hear or see anything, but found the fresh tracks of a stag and several hinds on one of the lower hills where they had been out on the grass to feed. On the morning of the fourth day I saw a small stag and three hinds walk across the top of a hill a mile or so away. I went up there in the evening, but they did not come out. Just as I was coming down a weird sound came up from a small bit of wood near which we had seen the marks of stag. It was something between a moan and a bellow. My shikari became wildly excited, and told me it was a stag calling; but that he was lying down at present, this moaning call always being given by a stag lying down when he is about to get up. We sat down and listened; and soon another louder call came up, like a steam siren in distress. The stag had now risen and was calling properly. It was quite dark before he called again, still in the same place; so we went down to our tent. The hill was very steep here, and the soil crumbly, so it was a case of two steps and a slip and a slide of a yard or two till one caught hold of a bush, all the way down.

The next morning before light I was sitting at the top of a grassy slope on the far side of which was the bit of wood in which the stag had called the night before. He called once in the early grey of the morning, but did not come out. We sat still all day in the shadow of a tree. In the evening, when our side of the nullah had passed into shadow, I heard a stick break in the jungle opposite about three hundred yards off. I put up my glasses but the trees were too thick to see anything. Then about ten minutes after there came the loud whistling call, so near did it seem that I instinctively turned and picked up my rifle. Another pause followed, and then we could hear the boughs crashing and breaking as he forced his way through the thick jungle. Twice more he called, and the crashing seemed to be getting nearer. Then I saw a bush shake, and putting up the glasses caught my first sight of him. His head and horns alone were visible above the low jungle; and when I saw what a magnificent head he carried my heart started beating so wildly, and my hands trembled so with excitement, that for a short time I could not hold the glasses steady enough to count his points. When I did I made him out to be a ten pointer with very massive well spread horns. While I was looking at him, he threw back his head and called. It was a grand sight he was only some 250 yards distant and with my powerful glasses I could see his eyes and nostrils and the very expression on his face as clearly as if he had been only twenty yards away.

After standing in this low jungle for a few minutes, calling at intervals, he began to move again; and lifting the branches out of his way with his horns, disappeared in a belt of higher jungle that intervened between the low bushes he had been standing in before and the open grassy slope at the top of which I was sitting. I could hear him breaking the boughs in this as he came towards me. So as the wind was right I very cautiously climbed down a bit nearer him, and sat waiting for him to come out. At last he came out into the grass, and stood for a few minutes looking round while I watched him with the glasses. Again he called, and then began to walk across the grass. When he got directly below me, and was only about a hundred yards off, I raised my rifle, and aiming low as he was so far below, fired. There was a thud as the heavy ·450 bullet struck, but he continued to walk slowly on. I thought I had missed him, and quickly fired again as he disappeared round the shoulder of the hill.

I shall never forget the awful disappointment of that moment, the sinking feeling in the heart after the wild excitement before, and the utter sense of desolation. I turned to the shikari and asked him if the beast was hit. 'No, sahib" he said in a voice of utter misery at having all his visions of *bakshish* thus rudely shattered. By this time I had reloaded my rifle; and more to give vent to my feelings than with any hope of seeing the stag again, I started running along the hill. But when I got over the shoulder, what a leap my heart gave when I saw the beast standing just below me, evidently hard hit, with his legs all stuck out in the way an animal hit in the belly often stands. I fired again and he started to walk slowly forward. I rushed along the steep hill side, several times slipping and falling, firing as quickly as I could get the cartridges into my rifle. The sixth shot knocked him over, and he began to roll down the hill. Faster and faster he rolled, till at last he was going in big bounds like a stone would, and then he went crashing into the jungle below. I could hear him going for some distance, and then there was an extra loud crash, and he had fetched up some half a mile below.

The shikari, by this time, was a hundred yards down the hill, running like mad over the steepest places. I followed as fast as I could, but the hill was very bad going, and I fell every few yards. How the shikari did not break his neck was a marvel; and I know I deserved to have broken mine two or three times over. He was soon out of sight in the trees below, but, of course, I could not keep up with him and was left far behind. I was certain that the stag must have broken his horns in his fall, and was dreadfully afraid that the head would be worthless. So I raced down as fast as I could. At last I could see the shikari standing below me, uttering the most piercing yells and waving his bloody knife above his head like a madman. I shouted to him, and heard to my great relief that the head was not damaged, and that it was an eleven pointer.

I soon got down to him, and sat down to admire my prize. It was a lovely head, very massive, an eleven pointer, and the tape showed it to be 39 inches with a tip to tip measurement of 39 inches. My first shot had hit him in the belly; and of the other five shots, most of them snaps, four had hit him, one in the lungs, another in the belly, another in the face smashing the lower jaw to bits and reducing the bones of the head up to the level of the eyes to pulp, and my last bullet had

passed through his heart. So he had been hit by three bullets at least either of which if it had been the first to hit him would probably have proved instantly fatal.

I have noticed this repeatedly with these high velocity cordite rifles. The first shot, if placed well forward or in the neck, invariably drops an animal stone dead, when a low velocity bullet would not necessarily have done so. Apparently this is partly due to the greater shock given to the system by the high velocity bullet; as I have seen a case where an animal dropped dead to a shot in the neck, which on subsequent dissection was found to have passed close to, though without actually injuring, any structure which would prove instantly fatal. Once, however, the animal has been struck by a high velocity bullet which has not proved fatal, any subsequent similar bullets which strike him seem to lose this shock giving power So he may, as in this case, receive several wounds, any one of which if it had been the first, would have killed him. The low velocity bullet, however,t hough it has not such shock-giving qualities when it strikes an unwounded animal yet seems to knock down a wounded beast better than the high velocity bullet. It is this, I believe, which is the reason of the failure of the high velocity bullet to stop a charging beast of which one sometimes hears.

I found, when I reached the fallen stag that I had lost my topi, my glasses, and my sight protector in my hurried descent. So telling the shikari to look for them in the morning, I went down to my big tent in the valley below and enjoyed a bath and a hot meal immensely. Late at night the shikari and his coolies came in with the head and the meat. He was not really a shikari at all, but a villager with a great poaching reputation whom I had engaged as being more likely to try his best than the ordinary "big shikari." The latter are awful rascals, their only aim and object is to extract as much money out of their sahib as possible, and by long practice they have become perfect adepts at this, their trickery and lies being exceedingly difficult to spot Sport is quite a secondary matter in their eyes, the villager whom they engage in whatever nullah one is in, is responsible for that. He does all the work, and if the sahib gets any sport it is entirely due to the local man. But it is the "big shikari" who gets all the reward. His idea of a successful shoot is an easy loaf for himself and his satellites for three parts of the sahib's leave. Then he will condescend to take him somewhere where there is a chance of sport, and will tell the local man that he must find something. If the latter succeeds, and the sahib kills something just before his leave is up, the shikari is certain that he will forget the previous blank weeks, and when he leaves will give him good *bakshish* and a chit. The chit he will use as a bait for some other sahib on whom he will play the same tricks. My man, however, was only the local man, and I had promised him that if he showed me good sport I would try and get him made into a "big shikari." So now that I had got a stag he was delighted, and he and his friends sat talking round the fire all night of the grand times ahead for them when sahibs fresh from England—the Kashmiri shikari's richest prize—would pour money into their hands, while he sat and loafed with his "big shikari's" license in his pocket. By the morning his head had swelled to such an extent that I found it necessary to be very sharp with him. I told him I did not consider one stag good sport, and that if he could not do much better than that he would never become a big shikari. He talked it over with his friends; and I suppose decided that I was a very "hard sahib," but that as he had not got his license yet he must try and please me.

A short time after the man who had been to look for the topi, etc., dropped yesterday came in to say that a big black bear had gone into a little bit of jungle just above the village. So we went down to the village, and collected about thirty coolies for a beat. The jungle in which the bear was said to be, consisted of a few clumps of big fir trees scattered over the side of a small hill covered with low scrub about as high as a man. In one place was a thick patch of young fir some hundred yards each way, but not much higher than the scrub around. I took up my position on the hill opposite the jungle, which was all open grass, on a rock some fifty yards from the edge of the jungle. From here I could see any animal breaking on the side of the hill. We posted coolies all along the top of the hill, and sent the beaters round with orders to beat straight along the hillside towards me. I was thus between the bear and the thick forests higher up the nullah, to which he would presumably go when disturbed.

The coolies soon got round and the beat began with the usual yelling and banging of sticks. They were only about four hundred yards away, and I could see them coming through the more open parts of the jungle. I did not really believe that there was a bear there at all, as the cover seemed too scanty and the place too near the village. So I sat on my rock enjoying the warm sun, and wondering what a wild bear would look like—I had never seen one yet. Suddenly there were three loud roars, followed by a perfect pandemonium of yells from the coolies, and then a sound like a stick hitting a bag of corn twice. My shikari said that the bear had charged and got hold of a man. But presently the yelling subsided, and we heard that the bear had broken back; one man having been upset, though not hurt, and another had hit the bear with his stick.

After a great deal of shouting and promises of *bakshish*, we got the coolies to go back and begin the beat afresh. The bear had not gone far, and soon another outburst of yells told us that he had been put up again. The men on the top of the hill now began to shout that he was going upwards, so I left my post and moved a couple of hundred yards higher up. The beaters had arrived at the edge of the patch of young fir, but would not go into it; so I sent a couple of my own men to strengthen the line there. While they were going round the men on the crest were rolling great boulders down into the firs. I could see these go crashing and bounding through the jungle to the bottom of the hill. But the bear would not move. At last my men got round, and the line began to advance. When they were in the middle of the thick bit, we heard two more roars and out came the bear, bounding over the low bushes like an enormous black pig, the beaters flying from him in all directions. He had again broken back, but did not go far, the men on top signalling that he was in the bit of cover from which he had originally been roused. A large number of villagers had come out to see the fun on hearing that a bear was on foot. So after some time we got the line reformed, putting a dozen more men opposite the place where the bear was. The excitement was intense, everyone was shouting at the top of his voice, my shikari, who was with me, yelling out directions to all. I was accustomed to beats down country for tiger and panther, where the slightest sound from the neighbourhood of the guns is sufficient to make the game break back in the face of any number of yelling coolies. So I told my shikari to keep quiet, but he said that a bear did not care what noise there was ahead, and that if he wanted to come this way he would come in spite of any shouting. I did not know anything about bear so let him have his way.

When the beaters got near the bear he stole quietly away evidently finding that breaking back did him no good. The beaters shouted that he was going down hill so I went down at my best pace to intercept him Before, however, I had gone far he broke cover far below, and began to cross the open grass slope on which I was standing. I saw that I could not get any nearer him, and as he was making for a large thick jungle higher up out of which I could not drive him I decided to fire. It was merely an off chance as he was going fast and it was a very long shot. I put up the 300 yards sight and lying down rested my rifle on a rock. I took a full sight on the front of his chest and fired. It seemed quite a long time after I fired before the loud thud of the bullet striking told me I had hit something solid. Even then I did not realise that I had hit the bear, and I was immensely astonished when it stopped and began to roll down the hill. It rolled a short way and was then stopped by some bushes. I ran down and found that it was dead, my bullet, by great luck, having hit it exactly in the right place and passed through the heart. The coolies were all standing round it, heaping abuse on it and now and then one would hit it a blow with his stick at which all the others shrieked with laughter. I made them stand back and examined it. It was a female bear 5 feet 6 inches measured between stricks stuck in fore and aft, the bear having been rolled away from between the sticks before measuring. We soon had its skin off and I returned to my tent, and sent off both stag's head and bear's skin to Srinagar together, and sat down to clean my rifle, well pleased with my luck for the last two days.

HANGUL.

Fishing.

TO MY BROKEN FLY-ROD.

POOR old rod! You are broken beyond repair at last! No more chance of patching up those splintered fibres to withstand the hardship of another season's angling. And now I can only lay you aside with regret, in your wooden form and cloth bag to adorn some unpretentious corner of my den. Nay! I will not part with you, for have you not been a trusty companion on many an eventful occasion by lake and river, and around you shines a halo of incident and event which may only fade when the great change claims your owner.

Well do I remember the day, three years ago, when you came into my charge, resplendent in your shining coat of varnish, your silvery ferrules, your red silk bindings, and polished corrugated grip. How quickly I changed your character. Off came the little loose hanging line guides, and in their places went the good old standing snake rings. Your tip did not suit me, for I wanted you for bait fishing and the handling of heavy fish. So, little by little, your slender six-sided tip was cut away, until but a third of it was left. Only then, when a sensible turned down ring which would not hinder the free rendering of the line was mounted at your point, did I doubtfully pronounce you fit for action. Then you were straight and true and ready to pit yourself against any fish that swam the waters of river or lake. But now! After a short life of three seasons what are you?—a wreck.

But what a life it has been! What neglect you have suffered at my hands! Year in and year out you have hung under the eaves of my porch, ever ready to be taken to the water-side. No wonder you are broken backed and broken butted; yet when the last great trial came you died a noble death. Let us glance into the old angling register, and seek there the record of your triumphs and defeats. Yes! It is all there; but to tell the tale would require more space than our editor could spare us in many of issues. You cost me little; yet the pleasure you have given me cannot be computed in coin. Let us hark back to your early days and view in retrospect some few of the trials which led to your undoing a few days ago.

One evening in April I took you to Lake Alden to give you your first test. Minnows were plentiful and a score or so were soon captured and stowed in the bailer of the old punt. Out among the patches of grass which stud this shallow lake I poled and anchored in about three feet of water. A lively minnow impaled on a No. 6 hook mounted on a fine gut leader had barely touched the water when you were playing your first bass. Only a little one of a pound or thereabouts, but it was your first blood, and only a drop in the pail which has long since run over with the blood of your captures. The bass bit well, as, indeed, they always do in that lake, though they average but a pound in weight, and in less than an hour the minnows were all gone and fifteen bass were flopping in the sack which hung over the punt's side.

Out on the Marshall lake one windy morning I had tried in vain to keep my boat to her anchorage, so allowed it to drift across and bring up against the fringe of grass which—except at the one small landing—until the lake attains a depth of nine to ten feet, forms a living barrier to the shore. For a long time I angled without success; then, as I drew in my bait preparatory to starting for home, a slight boil in the water and the loss of the shiner I was baiting with caused me to pause. I had thrown away all my live bait, except one perch of nearly half a pound weight which I intended to eat myself; but for curiosity I hooked it on and dropped it overboard How well you, my old rod, behaved at this your first real trial! No sooner did the bait strike water than it was taken, with a mighty swirl. No time for thought as the reel screeched out its song and the line burnt a red weal in my fingers as I tried to check the fish's mad career. There were fifty yards of line on the reel, and a glance at it showed but a few coils left on the drum. Now or never, little rod. Your tip comes down until level with my hand, you vibrate and tremble under the great strain. You are too good to break; I will spare you; so a turn of the wrist and the tension is turned to the reel alone, the stout gut leader parts and all is over. But the rod is dearer to me now than it was before.

Again, on the Marshall lake one sweltering August noon—not a breath of wind to ripple the surface of the lake and temper the burning heat of the Florida sun. Yet the fish are feeding, as they have done all through the morning, and hither and yon, all over the lake, the water is breaking to the frantic leaping of small fry in their efforts to elude the hungry maw of the ravaging bass. Eight fat bass have already been safely netted, none under two pounds, and two of them close on five pounds each. But what is the matter now? Slowly the float goes down. I strike, and feel a dead resistance. Impossible that I have hooked the bottom of the lake, for out there it is sixteen feet in depth; there are no snags, and my bait was floating but four feet from the surface. After a few seconds, during which I exert all the pressure I dare put upon the tackle, the thing moves, sinks to the bottom, and slowly comes toward the boat. Still reeling in with the pliant rod almost bending double I peer into the watery depths below me. Dimly I discern a great shape which stops below the boat. A cavernous mouth, quite as large as the head of a nail keg, opens, my line flies high in the air, and the thing passes on out of sight. Twice since have I had exactly the same experience when fishing in the same place; have seen the shadowy shape ten feet below me, the great mouth open, and wondered.

At Prevat lake, the lake of big bass, in early June: The boat was on the other side of the lake, so I was forced to fish from the shore or walk two miles to get it. In the shallow, weedy water close to the banks are a few clear spaces where it is possible to drop a bait, and this I do, though with but little hope of success. Fortune smiles upon me, however, for after a few casts there comes a rush, a splash, and the taut line hisses as it cuts through the water. The lake here is but little over a foot in depth and studded thickly with lilies, bunches of grass, and gall-berry bushes. Nothing but the most extreme of measures will prevail in such a situation, and I fight hard for every inch of line that I am forced to give. Such is the tension that the good gut leader cuts through the tough lilly stems and grasses as if it were a scythe, and they leap up and lie in a floating mass in the fish's wake. But the bass turns and heads for shore, and I take my only chance of landing him, and run back up the shore, exerting the utmost pressure constantly. So great is the fish's impetus that before he can check himself, he rushes into water too shallow to turn in; and I wade in and carry out my spoil. Good rod! That was a short but most severe struggle, and that bass—which weighed 7¼ pounds—tried your mettle as none heretofore; and you suffered somewhat, for since then I have noticed that you gave more easily and did not recover yourself so quickly.

Down on the good old Rock Spring creek what have you done? Truly you have shown yourself worthy of esteem when pitted against the finny denizens of that picturesque river. Which of your many exploits there shall we tell of? They are so many and varied as to be bewildering.

It was in the first week of October I took you to the river on what was destined to be your last trip. Down stream I rowed for a couple of miles and fastened to an overhanging bush to fish the pool at Hunter's Camp. Over goes the bait—a perch of some three or four ounces—and the steady current carries it down until it floats directly below the overhanging limb of the water-oak, which spans the stream at this most picturesque bend. Here it is stopped and allowed to work at its will. Not for long, however, for there is something moving in that quiet stretch of water. Down goes the float with vicious pop. Only a mudfish of six or seven pounds; but he puts up a good fight and time and again the song of the reel disturbs the quiet of the swamp—and awakens an old owl who, from somewhere in the leafy recesses of the big oak, inquires in guttural tones, "Who-are you, who-are-you?"—before the gaff is finally driven home and the struggle ended. Three more fish follow and succumb as did the first two small bass and another mudfish; then comes the closing scene in your history.

I have replaced the usual single gut leader with one of double gut. The bait again floats down to where I

check it under the natural arch, and the current plays with it for awhile and drives it upward until it floats upon the surface. I lay down the rod to refill my pipe and inadvertently allow a coil of loose line to fall over the handle of the reel. A broad blue back appears above water a yard from my floating bait. There is a rush, a great turmoil of waters, and the old fly-rod is almost torn from my grip as I snatch it up. The line is twisted around the handle of the reel and will not run. Your time has come, old friend. Your supple being describes a circle, there is a rending and splintering of bamboo fibres, a fierce tug, and the tested double gut is unequal to the strain, and breaks.

Well! well! It is over now, but I would have liked to land that catfish, for he might have weighed fifteen pounds, or he might have weighed thirty pounds; though from what I saw of him I judged his weight to be about twenty pounds.

But the poor old wrecked fly-rod! To you I can only say farewell, and add my sincere thanks for your years of trusty service. True it is that I have seldom used you as a fly-rod. It is with the live bait that the big fish are almost invariably taken, and with the live bait have I proved you.

Once again, old warrior and captor of big fishes, my thanks and—farewell.—*Shooting and Fishing.*

WILD TURKEY.

Correspondence.

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REWARDS FOR SHOOTING TIGERS.

TO THE EDITOR OF "THE INDIAN FIELD."

SIR,—I trust "High Velocity" will not let the matter of his reward for shooting a tiger drop. I have been off and on distributing the rewards for wild animals, in Bengal, for thirty years. I have never known a European refuse the reward. Over and over again I have known big shoots in which Commissioner and Collector took part, send in their tale of game for rewards, and I know that even the individual, Commissioner or Board of Revenue man, does not neglect to put in for the reward. Now it comes to this, either the letters were written WITHOUT the Magistrate's knowledge, or the Magistrate is one of those dog-in-the-manger individuals who cannot bear to see another have a piece of luck. If the Magistrate was aware of the letters, the sooner his name is made public the better. It would be no libel. He is a public man and the matter is one of his public duties. So name, please, name. The Magistrate, however, may not have known of either of the letters, and it is quite possible, I strongly suspect, that no reference was made to him before the second letter was sent. No charge is made for the skin at all. The skin is the property of the shikari, BUT the Bengal rules say: The head with the skin on must be destroyed in the presence of the distributing officer, and he has to certify to this, or that it has been so disposed of as to never again be produced for the reward. More than once or twice, when I have wanted to secure a skin for a non-sporting friend, it has happened that my Magistrate hearing of it, demanded the skin, and on my declining to sell it for what I b ught it for from the shikari, has ordered me to cut off the skin of the head. In the case of Europeans of known straightforwardness, the cutting off of the skin of the head and the smashing up of the skull is never insisted on, except by such a specimen as I have just mentioned. I doubt very very much if the rules in Madras are different to those in Bengal, except that there appears to be more often a higher reward given, probably because man-eaters are more numerous. The Bengal rewards are Rs. 25 for full-grown tiger or tigress, anything over eight feet counting; half the reward for a half grown, one quarter for a mere cub. For a full-grown leopard Rs. 5, half grown half, and no one has a right to deduct anything. Now it may be that the officer who signed "for" the Collector is a native, who does not know the rules, and has just signed whatever his amla chose to write; do not I myself sign some hundreds of orders a day, and is it possible that I can read all? That the amla will make money out of it appears probable, and if not for this purpose then his aim is clear and that is to worry the European as much as possible. It is the same in ALL Government offices nowadays. They always worry a European whenever he can be worried without danger. Now either Mr. Collector has known and does approve of those two letters, or he does not. If he does *ad leones* with him, give up his name. But if on the other hand he is innocent, then let "High Velocity" and his friends push him (and see to it that it is done) to severely punish his amla and the officer who drafted the letter. I feel sure a further reference to the Board will get him his reward in full. "High Velocity" must not think his a single small matter; it is not. The attitude of the higher officials to all others, and especially towards small-fry officers in respect of sport, is a matter to be fought out and no longer submitted to.

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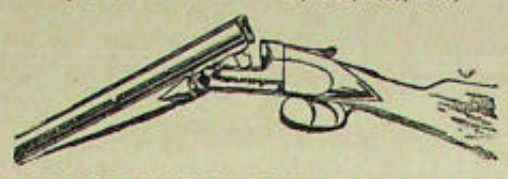

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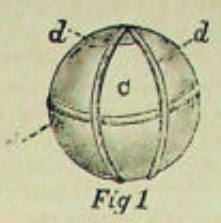

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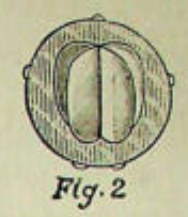

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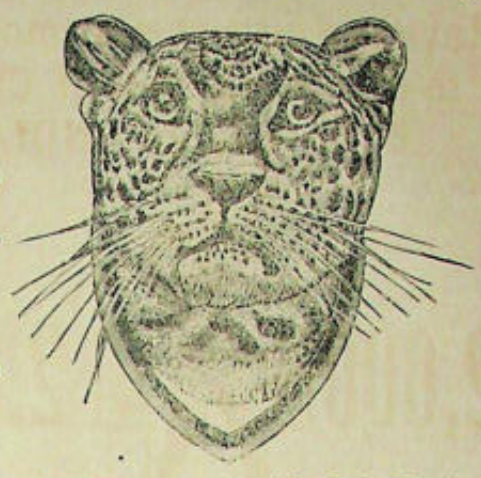

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Peshawar Autumn	,,	21
Calcutta First Meeting	,,	22, 26, 29 & 31
Madras Gymkhana	,,	26 & 28
Lahore Xmas.	,,	26, 28 & 31
Bhamo	,,	27 & 29
Tollygunge Steeplechases ..	Jan.	1 & 5
Bombay Fourth Extra	,,	5
,, Fifth ,, ...	,,	12
,, Sixth ,, ...	,,	19
,, Seventh ,, ...	,,	26
Agra New Year	,,	6 & 10
R. W. Fusiliers Steeplechases ..	,,	12
Calcutta Second Meeting ..	,,	12, 15 & 19
Dibrugarh	,,	22, 24 & 26
Calcutta Fourth Extra	,,	26
Lucknow Spring	Feb.	2, 4 & 6
Bombay Eighth Extra	,,	2
,, Ninth ,, ...	,,	9
Bombay	,,	13, 16, 18, 20 & 23
Meerut Spring	Mar.	2, 5 & 7
Jorhat	,,	6 & 8
Rangoon Spring	,,	9, 12 & 14
Bombay Tenth Extra	,,	2
,, Eleventh ,, ...	,,	9
,, Twelfth ,, ...	,,	16
,, Thirteenth ,, ...	,,	23
,, Fourteenth ,, ...	,,	30
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Rawalpindi Spring	,,	23, 26 & 28

CLOSING DATES OF ENTRIES.

Lucknow Spring C. S. Cup ..	Final ..	.. 15th January.
Agra New Year ..	Third ..	.. 21st December.
Calcutta Second Meeting ..	Second ..	.. 2nd January.
Bhamo	First ..	.. 25th December.
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Lucknow Spring ..	Second ..	.. 1st January.
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SHOWS.

Tollygunge Club Horse Show ..	24th December.
Lahore Dog Show	27th and 28th December.
Rangoon Horse Show	11th & 12th January.
Calcutta Kennel Club Dog Show ..	6th February.

MOTORING.

S. I. Motor Union Reliability Trials ..	27th, 28th & 29th Dec.

HOCKEY.

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ROWING.

Madras B. C. Annual Regatta ..	26th January.
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GOLF.

Amateur Golf Championship of India (Tollygunge Club Links)	29th Dec.—1st January.
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GOOD sport was witnessed this afternoon, the most important item being the race for the Wellesley Plate in which six of the Cup horses faced the starter. The result was a comfortable victory for Saloon, Mallard, who carried 3 stone more, finishing second. The pony races brought out poor fields—three in the Peel Plate, five in the Harrison Plate, and six in the Hurdle Race. On the other hand the horse events showed well filled cards. A splendid finish was served up in the Cornwallis Plate when Bundook provided a big surprise by beating the favourite, Ballark, by a short head: a similar distance dividing second and third. Favourites rolled home in four of the events, the only other public fancy to go down being Psalm. Details in our Sporting Notes. Results:—

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Mr. R. A. C. Pugh's b aus m Mistlebird, 8st. 10lbs.	Northmore 4
Col. P. K. L. Beaver's ch aus m Little Dolly, 9st. 8lbs.	Thomas 0
Mr A. N. Dass' b aus m Rezia, 8st. 12lbs.	Lansdown 0

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Mr. J. C. Galstaun's b e g Silphoe, 9st. 10lbs.	Robinson 1
Mr. O. M. D. Bell's b e m Psalm, 10st. 3lbs.	Firth 2
Mr. J. D. Scott's ch aus m Yardley, 8st. 2lbs.	Southall 3

(Winner trained by Tingey.)

Totalisator paid Rs. 34 to win.

BETTING: 5 to 2 on Psalm, 4 to 1 agst. Silphoe, and 10 to 1 Yardley.

Psalm led all the way till they entered the straight where Silphoe came up alongside and passing Psalm in the last few strides won by half a length: Yardley eight lengths behind. Time—1min. 46⅘secs.

WELLESLEY PLATE.—Rs. 1,000 to the winner, Rs. 300 to the second, and Rs. 200 to the third. For horses. W. A. and C. reduced 7lbs. 1¼ miles.

Messrs. Scott and Marshall's br cb g Saloon, 6st. 10lbs.	Melsom 1
Hon. Mr. A. A. Apcar's b aus h Mallard, 9st. 10lbs.	Evans 2
Mr. D. B. Myers' bk or br e c Black Duke, 7st. 8lbs. (car. 7st. 9lbs.)	Bradshaw 3
Mr. Maxwell's br aus h The Master, 9st. 7lbs.	Murdison 4
H. H. Kour Sahib of Patiala's br aus h Cherson, 9st. 10lbs.	Southall 0
Messrs. Hudson and Butler's br e m Blitzen, 9st. 6lbs.	Thomas 0
Mr. J. C. Galstaun's b aus g Our State, 9st. 11lb.	Robinson 0
Mr. North's br e g Clear Artist, 9st. ...	A. Hoyt 0
Mr. Cecil's ch e m The Cingalee, 9st. ...	O'Neil 0
Mr. E. L. F. DeSoysa's b e h Footprint, 8st. 10lbs. (car. 9st. 11lb.)	Firth 0
Mr. C. Pearson's b aus g Trenayr, 8st. 10lbs.	Manley 0
Mr. G. B. Deakin's ch e g Beaunero, 7st. 11lbs. (car. 8st. 5lbs.)	Mr. Evers 0

(Winner trained by Mr. J. D. Scott.)

Totalisator paid Rs. 24 to win; Rs. 14, Rs. 15, and Rs. 55 for places.

BETTING: Evens Saloon, 5 to 2 agst. Mallard, 12 to 1 each Cherson, Blitzen and the Master, 4 to 1 the others.

Saloon was quickest away and had soon established a long lead, Black Duke and Beaunero next in order. At the hospital corner, Mallard came through and took third place and on entering the straight was Saloon's nearest attendant. He went after the leader at the distance but could not get on terms, Saloon winning easily by two lengths, three lengths between second and third: same distance between third and fourth. Time—2mins. 10secs.

THE FORT PLATE.—Rs. 1,000 to the winner, Rs. 300 to the second, and Rs. 200 to the third. For horses. W. A. and C. reduced 7lbs. 5 furlongs.

Hon. Mr. A. A. Apcar's bk aus m Airloch, 9st. 3lbs.	Evans 1
Col. P. K. L. Beaver's b aus g Manlock, 9st. 6lbs.	Southall 2
Mr. J. C. Galstaun's br e m Killeevan, 9st. 11lb.	Robinson 3
Mr. D. B. Myers' gr e c Jolly Abbott, 7st 12st.	Baichan 4
Mr. Stead's bk or ch aus m Palindrome, 9st. 4lbs.	Bradshaw 0
Mr. Dartmoor's b aus m Lady Metal, 9st. 11lb.	O'Brien 0
Mr. C. Pearson's ch aus g Narwanah, 8st. 10lbs. (car 8st. 11lbs.)	T. White 0
Mr. P. B. Avasia's ch e g Presbyterian, 8st. 10lbs.	Vining 0
Mr. Field's b e g Nirvana, 8st. 10lbs. ...	Elliot 0
Mr. Holmes' ch e m Rather Rakish, 8st. 10lbs.	Murdison 0
Mr. F. Porter's b aus m Projecture, 8st. 7lbs.	Bennett 0
Mr. O. M. D. Bell's b aus g Botha, 8st. 7lbs.	Firth 0
Mr. C. Pearson's bk aus g Mallinyook, 8st. 4lbs.	Manley 0
Mr. Austin's bk aus m Eclipse, 7st. 5lbs. ...	Fraser 0

(Winner trained by Watson.)

Totalisator paid Rs. 25 to win; Rs. 16, Rs. 31 and Rs. 25 for places.

BETTING: 6 to 4 agst. Airloch, 5 to 2 Lady Metal, 8 to 1 each Manlock and Presbyterian, 12 to 1 Killeevan, 15 to 1 Jolly Abbott, 30 to 1 the others.

Airloch was first out of the machine and led from Manlock and Killeevan, Jolly Abbott in front of the rest. This order was maintained to the end. Airloch winning comfortably by two lengths: three lengths between second and third: a short head between third and fourth. Time—1min. 2secs.

THE CORNWALLIS PLATE.—Rs. 1,000 to the winner, Rs. 300 to the second, and Rs. 200 to the third. A High-weight Handicap for Horses which have not won a flat race value Rs. 1,500 or upwards since 31st March 1904. 1½ miles.

Mr. Dartmoor's b e g Bundook, 8st. 10lbs.	O'Brien 1
Hon. Mr. A. A. Apcar's bk aus g Ballark, 10st. 4lbs.	Evans 2
Mr. C. Pearson's bk aus g Lord Boyne, 8st. 7lbs.	Manley 3
Mr. A. N. Dass' b e g Insurrection, 8st. 5lbs.	Kaesen 4
Mr. Charles' b e h Rosanule, 9st. 10lbs.	Mr. Bell Irving (fell)
Mr. J. C. Galstaun's br e m Sainte Marquise, 10st.	Robinson 0
Mr. B. B.'s ch aus m Leda, 9st. 6lbs. ...	W. White 0
Mr. J. C. Galstaun's b e h Applause, 9st. 6lbs.	Melsom 0
Mr. J. C. Galstaun's b nth am g Riverside II., 9st. 4lbs.	O'Neil 0
Mr. B. B.'s b e m Bouquet, 9st. 2lbs. ...	Balgobin 0
Hon. Mr. A. A. Apcar's ch aus m Nak Our, 8st. 13lbs.	Vining 0
Mr. D. B. Myers' b aus g Bon Bon, 8st. 13lbs.	Lansdown 0
Messrs. Paris and Marshall's b e m Goldstamp, 8st. 10lbs.	Murdison 0
Mr. Charles' b aus g Refuge Bay, 8st. 11lb.	Bullock 0
Mr. Austin's ch aus g Kingpin, 7st. 8lbs. ...	A Ferguson 0
Col. P. K. L. Beaver's ch e g Jolly Roger, 7st. 4lbs.	Baichan 0
Mr. G. H. L. Mackenzie's br e f Colina, 3yrs., 6st. 7lbs. (car. 7st. 11lb.) ...	Fraser 0

(Winner trained by Taylor.)

Totalisator paid Rs. 256 to win; Rs. 44, Rs. 16 and Rs. 15 for places.

BETTING: 7 to 4 agst. Ballark, 6 to 1 Insurrection, 8 to 1 each Goldstamp and Refuge Bay, 10 to Lord Boyne, 12 to 1 each Bundook, Jolly Roger and Colina, 20 to 1 Nak Our, 40 to 1 the others.

Colina and Bon Bon were quickest away, but Refuge Bay soon went to the front and led to the turn where Ballark took command, with Bundook, Lord Boyne as his nearest attendants. It was a splendid finish, Bundook got ahead opposite the stands and won by a short head from Ballark who was the same distance in front of Lord Boyne: half a length between third and fourth. Time—2mins. 46⅘secs.

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Mr J. C. Galstaun's ch aus m Claribell, 10st. 3lbs. ... ... Robinson 1
Mr. J. C. Galstaun's b aus m Circus Girl, 8st. 9lbs. ... ... Melsom 2
Mr. J. C. Scott's b aus g Wal, 9st. 13lbs. ... Bullock 3
Lieut.-Col. C. H. Stisted's ch aus g First Bell, 10st. 3lbs. ... ... Firth 4
Mr. R. D. Coggan's br aus g Ivanhoe II., 10st. ... ... T. White 0

(*Winner trained by Yingey.*)

Totalisator paid Rs. 14 to win; Rs. 11 and Rs. 14 for places.

BETTING: 3 to 1 on Claribell, 6 to 1 agst. First Bell, 7 to 1 Circus Girl, 12 to 1 each Wal and Ivanhoe.

Circus Girl followed by First Bell and Claribell, led to the turn. The last named came away in the straight and won as she liked by two lengths: two and a half lengths between second and third: a short head between third and fourth. Time—1min. 33⅗secs.

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Mr. S. Poo Yong's b bb m Hla Min, 8st. 5lbs (car. 8st. 6lbs.) ... ... Owner 1
Ahmed Modary's ch bb m Khorshed, 8st. 11b. (car 8st. 2lbs.) ... ... Mg. Nge 2
Ko Po Myah's g bb m Blue Bell, 7st. 7lbs. (car. 7st. 13lbs.) ... ... Mg. Glay 3
Mr. I. Tilly's b bb m A One, 8st. 13lbs. (car. 9st.) ... ... Morrison 0
Ko Chan Aye's b bb g Sine Maung, 8st. (car. 8st. 11b.) ... ... Mg. Gyi 0
Maung Tun Yin's b bb m Karen Girl, 7st. 12lbs. (car. 7st. 13lbs.) ... ... Po Kin 0
Mahomed Hossain's ch bb g Krishna, 7st. 12lbs. (car. 7st. 13lbs.) ... ... Mahomed 0
Mr. Torrens' g bb m Sein Pu, 7st. 7lbs. (car. 7st. 9lbs.) ... ... Po Khai 0

The totalisator paid Rs. 7 to win, Rs. 4, Rs. 21 and Rs. 7 for places.

BETTING: 6 to 4 on Hla Min, 2 to 1 agst. Sein Pu, 6 to 1 Blue Bell, 10 to 1 each A One and Khorshed, 20 to 1 the rest.

Won by half a length; three lengths between second and third. Time—1min. 6⅘secs.

THE BURMA HANDICAP.—Rs. 300 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second and Rs. 50 to the third. For maiden Burmabred ponies, 13-0¼ and under. About ¼ mile.

Mr. Foy's ig bb m Velvet, 9st 7lbs. ... Hyder 1
Mr. George's g bb m Sein Myet Lone, 8st. Chit Pe 2
U. Hmin's bk bb g Sein Pe, 8st. 2lbs. (car. 8st. 3lbs.) ... ... Po Thet 3
Ko Po Oh's ch bb g Kya Gyee, 7st. 12lbs. (car. 8st. 11b.) ... ... Po Lay 0
Maung Po Yee's bk bb g Jury, 8st. (car. 8st. 11b.) ... ... Maung Henry 0
U. Toke Gyee's b bb m Tsain Bwin, 7st. 7lbs. (car. 7lbs 9lbs.) ... ... Mg. Gyi 0

Totalizator paid Rs. 10 to win; Rs. 9 and Rs. 11 for places.

BETTING: Evens Velvet, 2 to 1 agst. Jury, 10 to 1 Sein Pe, 15 to 1 each Kya Gyee and Tsain Bwin 20 to 1 Sein Myet Lone.

Won hands down, by three lengths; a neck between second and third. Time—59⅕secs.

THE VETERAN HANDICAP.—Rs. 199 to the winner, Rs. 50 to the second, and Rs. 25 to the third. For all griffin winners, 14-0 and under. About 7 furlongs.

Major Penny's Rex, 10st. 11b. ... ... Elliott 1
Abdool Rahman's bk aus m Kemmendine, 8st. 7lbs. (car. 8st. 12lbs.)... .. Po Mut 2
Mr. Maung Thin's b aus g Fortunatus, 8st. (car. 8st. 11b.)... ... ... Po Khai 3
Mr. Villa's d aus g Chieftain, 8st. 7lbs. ... Oomer 0
Mr. Bevill's ch aus g Tip Top, 9st. 3lbs. ... Torpey 0
Yeo Eng Pwa's b aus m Hla Mai, 8st. 5lbs. Maung Glay 0

Totalizator paid Rs. 9 to win; Rs. 4 and Rs. 5 for places.

BETTING: 6 to 4 on Rex, 4 to 1 agst. Tip Top, 5 to 1 Kemendine, 8 to 1 each Chieftain and Hla Mai, 10 to 1 Fortunatus.

Won by half a length; a neck between second and third. Tip Top was fifth. Time—1min. 38⅖secs.

THE SECOND MEDIUM HANDICAP.—Rs. 199 to the winner, Rs. 50 to the second, and Rs. 25 to the third. For ponies 13-2 and under. About 5 furlongs.

Mr. George's br aus m Celia, 9st, 5lbs. ... Torpey 1
Mr. Yeo Eng Byan's ro aus p This One, 10st. ... ... Po Mut 2
Mr. Burjorjee's ch aus m Satina, 8st. 11lbs. Morrison 3
Mr. L. Chin Tsong's br aus m The Bride, 9st. 7lbs. ... ... Kwya Zan Oo 0
Mr. Ariff's br aus m Edith, 7st. 7lbs. ... Mahomed 0

Totalizator paid Rs. 21 to win; Rs. 8 and Rs. 15 for places.

BETTING: Evens Celia, 6 to 4 agst. Satina, 8 to 1 This One, 10 to 1 the rest.

Won by a length, the same distance dividing second and third, and third and fourth. Time—1min 6⅘secs.

THE WINNERS' HANDICAP.—Presented by the Bookmakers Rs. 199 to the winners Rs. 50 to the second, and Rs. 25 to the third. For B.-B. winners, 13-0½ and under. About 5 furlongs.

Tan Lawin's bb g Aung Ban, 10st. 4lbs. Mg Glay 1
Maung Lat's d bb m Aye Saing, 9st. 4lbs. Po Mut 2
Mr. George's b bb m Tsain Chai, 9st. ... Elliott 3
Maung Hla Maung's b bb p Good Boy, 8st. (car. 8st. 11b.) ... ... Ba Thin 0
Maung Po Thain's b bb m Goolandam, 9st. 10lbs. ... ... Hyder 0
Maung Oo's b bb g Chit Swe, 8st 12lbs. ... Mg Henry 0
Mr. I. Tilly's b bb m Sein Kyaw Mai, 8st. 12lbs. ... ... Mr. Cullen 0
Maung Ba Kyine's ch bb g Raja Ram, 7st. 12lbs. ... ... Po Youk 0
Mr. E. Tilly's g bb g Myadaung, 7st. (car. 7st. 3lbs.) ... ... Po Khai 0

Totalizator paid Rs. 12 to win; Rs. 11,7 and 9 for places.

BETTING: Evens Aung Ban, 2 to 1 agst. Aye Saing, 4 to 1 Tsain Chai, 10 to 1 each Chit Swe, Goolandam and Sein Kyaw Mai, 15 to 1 the rest.

Won by two lengths; one length between second and third. Time—1min. 14secs. (record for Burma-breds and Indo-Burmans at this height.

THE SECOND ROADST. HANDICAP.—Rs. 199 to the winner, Rs. 50 to the second, and s. 25 to the third. For maiden griffins, 14-0 and under. Abou furlongs.

Miss Adamson's b aus m Planet, 9st. 7lbs. Morrison 1
Mr. George's br aus m Necklace, 8st. 11lbs. Oomer 2
Maung Ba Thaik's ch aus m Aye Myah, 7st 8lbs. (car. 7st. 11lbs.) ... ... Mg. Glay 3
Mr. Kane's b aus m Ring Dove, 9st. ... Mr. Cullen 0

Totalizator paid Rs. 10 to win; Rs. 6 and Rs. 6 for places.

BETTING: 6 to 4 each agst. Planet and Necklace, 3 to 1 Ring Dove, 20 to 1 Aye Myah.

Won by three lengths; two lengths between second and third. Time—1min 25⅕secs.

THE GRAND HANDICAP.—Rs. 199 to the winner, Rs. 50 to the second, and Rs. 25 to the third. For ponies 14-0 and under. About 5 furlongs.

Mr. Williams' b aus m Jiffy, 8st. 12lbs. (car. 8st. 13lbs.) ... ... Po Mut 1
Mr. Yeo Eng Byan's ro aus p This One, 9st. 2lbs. ... ... Elliott 2
Mr. G. Mills' br e g Golcondah, 9st. 4lbs.... Mr. Cullen 3
Mr. R. Bevill's br aus m Wattle Blossom, 9st. 4lbs. ... ... Torpey 0

Totalizator paid Rs. 12 to win; Rs. 6 and Rs. 9 for places.

BETTING: 6 to 4 each agst. Jiffy and This One, 3 to 1 Golcondah, 10 to 1 Wattle Blossom.

Won by a neck; two lengths between second and third. Time—1min. 7secs.

THE SELLING PLATE.—Rs. 400 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second, and Rs. 50 to the third. For griffins 14-0 and under, entered to be sold for Rs. 500, 14-0 to carry 10st. W. I. 7lbs. allowed for every Rs. 100 in price below Rs. 500. Winner to be sold.

Mr. George's br aus m Josephine (Rs. 400) 9st. 11b. ... ... Williams 1
Mr Bell's bk aus m Wee Lassie, 7st. 11b. (Rs. 300) (car. 7st. 2lbs.) ... ... Po Khai 2
Mr. A. Wahab's d aus m Zernigar, (Rs. 400) 8st. 9lbs ... ... Oomer 3
Mr. Allauddin's b aus g Estamboul (Rs. 500) 10st. ... ... Mahd. Ebrahim 0
Miss Colker's ch aus m You Mai (Rs. 500) 8st. 10lbs. ... ... Pereira 0
Mr. Ismail Tilly's ch aus g Rownuck (Rs. 300) 8st. 2lbs. ... Ba Tin 0

Totalizator paid Rs. 19 to win; and Rs. 7 and Rs. 38 to places.

BETTING: Evens Josephine and Zernigar, 10 to 1 You Mai, 20 to 1 the rest.

Won by half a length; one and a half lengths dividing second and third. Time—1min. 24⅖secs.

Josephine was put up to auction after the race and was knocked down to Mr. Maung Thin for owner for Rs. 600, the fund benefiting to the extent of Rs. 200.

Native, Rhymer, Money Box were also put up for sale, but in no case was the reserve price reached. Native was bought in for Rs. 6,000.

ALLAHABAD GYMKHANA.

Saturday, 15th December 1906.

A CAPITALLY run Gymkhana was brought off to-day before a large and select gallery, which included all local society and several cold weather visitors of note. Most of the races, had good fields, but the issues were not very closely contested save in the Allenganj Plate in which Ali Baba and Vasco de Gama made a short head finish of it. There was a bookmaker and a totalisator and both were not neglected. Mr. Coldwell, the Honorary Secretary, scored a deservedly popular success in respect of his arrangements and was not without reward in a couple of wins with Infant and Ali Baba. Details:—

POLO SCURRY.—For a Cup, value Rs. 49. Open to *bonâ fide* Arab and C.-B. polo ponies. Catchweights 11st 7lbs. 1st prize presented by General Woolcombe; 2nd prize by Officers, 2nd S. Stafford Regiment. 3 furlongs.

Mr. Edwards' Corunna ... ... Owner 1
Mr. Coldwell's Vasco de Gama ... Owner 2
Mr. Justice Richards' Cyclops ... Capt. Southey 3

Also ran: Ali Baba and Jerusalem.

BETTING: Evens Cyclops, 3 to 1 each agst. Vasco de Gama and Corunna, 5 to 1 Ali Baba, 10 to 1 Jerusalem.

Won by two lengths; a length between second and third.

The totalisator paid Rs. 8 on the winner.

JUMPING COMPETITION.—For horses over 14-2. Prize presented by Mr. H. Z. Darrah.

Mrs. Jackson's Tara 1
Miss Harenc's Sweetheart 2

Ten competed.

JUMPING COMPETITION.—For ponies 14-2 and under. Prize presented by Sir William Burkitt.

Mr. Harenc's Assurance 1
Major Greenfield's Yuba 2

Six competed.

THE GANGES CUP.—For a Cup, value Rs. 40. Open to *bonâ fide* chargers and pig-stickers 14-3 and over. Catchweights 11st. 7lbs. 1st prize presented by Sir John Stanley; 2nd prize by Officers, 4th Cavalry. 6 furlongs.

Mr. Coldwell's Infant ... ... Owner 1
Mr. Howson's Snowstorm ... .. Owner 2
Mr Macpherson's Sir Bevis ... .. Mr. Williams 3

Also ran: Beelzebub, Reveille and Sligo.

BETTING: Evens Infant, 3 to 1 Beelzebub, 15 to 1 Sir Bevis, 20 to 1 each Sligo and Snowstorm.

Won easily by ten lengths; three lengths between second and third.

Totalisator paid Rs. 3-12 on the winner.

THE ALLENGANJ PLATE.—For a Cup, value Rs. 49. Open to Arab ponies 14-1 and under, 14-1 to carry 11st. 7lbs. W. I. 1st prize presented by Sir Walter Colvin; 2nd prize by Race Fund. 1 mile.

Mr. Coldwell's Ali Baba ... ... Mr. Farran 1
Mr. Coldwell's Vasco de Gama ... Owner 2
Mr. Durack's Hatum ... ... Owner 3

Also ran: Nettle, Jerusalem and Faust.

BETTING: 1¼ to 1 agst. Nettle, 3 to 1 each Jerusalem, Ali Baba and Vasco de Gama, 8 to 1 Hatum, 20 to 1 Faust.

A capital race and good finish.

Won by a short head; five lengths between second and third.

Totalisator paid Rs. 3-2 on the winner.

POLO SCURRY.—For a Cup, value Rs. 49. Open to English and Colonial *bonâ fide* polo ponies. Catchweights 11st. 7lbs. First prize presented by Mr. Justice Aikman; prize second by Race Fund. 3 furlongs.

Mr. Farran's Sunbeam ... ... Owner 1
Capt. Sproule's Surang ... ... Mr. Williams 2
Mr. Bradley's Thakur Singh ... ... Owner 3

BETTING: Evens Surang, 1¼ to 1 Sunbeam, 3 to 1 Broncho Bill, 10 to 1 Red Rover, 20 to 1 each Archangel, Wild Lady and Thakur Singh.

Won easily by eight lengths. Seven ran.

Totalisator paid Rs. 4-4 on the winner.

HYDERABAD SKY MEETING.

Second Day, Saturday, 8th December 1906.

Appended are details of the second day's racing.

THE SUBSTITUTION STEWARDS' PLATE.—Rs. 49 to the winner, and Rs. 25 to the second. W. for I. 3 furlongs.

Capt. G. H. Hodgkinson's b aus m Honeymoon, 11st. 5lbs. ... Capt. Tudor 1
Capt. Habib Bookmaker's b a h Duldul, 9st. 7lbs. 2
Capt. R. G. Hely-Hutchinson's br cb m Comely, 14st. ... ... Pte. Wilson 3

Also ran: Tarbund, 14-0½.

BETTING: 5 to 2 agst. Honeymoon, 15 to 1 Duldul, and 2 to 1 Comely.

Won in a canter by five lengths; three lengths dividing second and third. Time—43⅖secs.

THE SAIFABAD PURSE.—Rs. 49 to the winner and Rs. 25 to the second. For Arabs. Handicap. 1 mile.

Capt. G. H. Hodgkinson's br a h Lawyer, 10st. 3lbs. ... ... Capt. Tudor 1
Capt. Sirdar Premsingh's b a h Ameer, 8st. Jan Mahomed 2
Mr. H. C. Jeddere-Fisher's b a h Chieftain, 9st. 5lbs. .. .. Mr. Holt 3

BETTING: 3 to 1 each agst. Lawyer and Chieftain, and 15 to 1 Ameer.

Won by four lengths; bad third, Chieftain finished second but was disqualified for short weight.

THE DESERT PLATE.—Rs. 49 to the winner and Rs. 25 to the second. For Arabs 14-1 and under. Handicap. 5 furlongs.

Capt. G. H. Hodgkinson's b a h Afghanistan, 10st. 2lbs. ... ... Capt. Tudor 1
Mr. C. E. Tayleur's b a h White Face, 10st. 12lbs. ... ... Pearson 2

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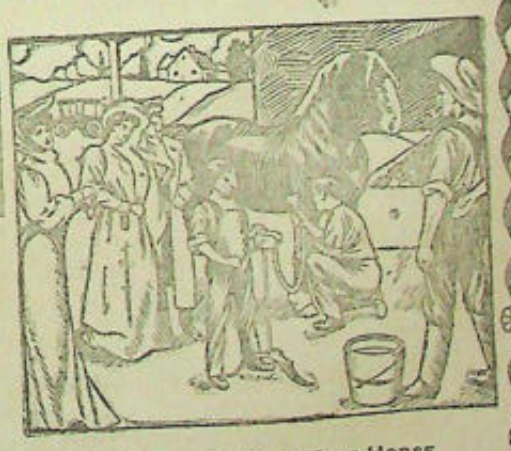

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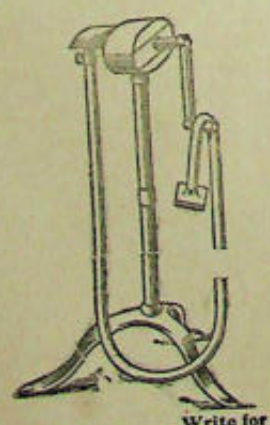

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Mr. S. Poo Yong's b bb m Hla Min, 8st. 5lbs (car. 8st. 6lbs.)	Owner	1
Ahmed Modary's ch bb m Khorshed, 8st. 11b. (car. 8st. 2lbs.)	Mg. Nge	2
Ko Po Myah's g bb m Blue Bell, 7st. 7lbs. (car. 7st. 13lbs.)	Mg. Glay	3
Mr. I. Tilly's b bb m A One, 8st. 13lbs. (car. 9st.)	Morrison	0
Ko Chan Aye's b bb g Sine Maung, 8st. (car. 8st. 11b.)	Mg. Gyi	0
Maung Tun Yin's b bb m Karen Girl, 7st. 12lbs. (car. 7st. 13lbs.)	Po Kin	0
Mahomed Hossain's ch bb g Krishna, 7st. 12lbs. (car. 7st. 13lbs.)	Mahomed	0
Mr. Torrens' g bb m Sein Pu, 7st. 7lbs. (car. 7st. 9lbs.)	Po Khai	0

The totalisator paid Rs. 7 to win, Rs. 4, Rs. 21 and Rs. 7 for places.

BETTING : 6 to 4 on Hla Min, 2 to 1 agst. Sein Pu, 6 to 1 Blue Bell, 10 to 1 each A One and Khorshed, 20 to 1 the rest.

Won by half a length ; three lengths between second and third. Time—1min. 6⅖secs.

THE BURMA HANDICAP.—Rs. 300 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second and Rs. 50 to the third. For maiden Burmabred ponies, 13-0½ and under. About ½ mile.

Mr. Foy's ig bb m Velvet, 9st 7lbs. ...	Hyder	1
Mr. George's g bb m Sein Myet Lone, 8st.	Chit Pe	2
U. Hmin's bk bb g Sein Pe, 8st. 2lbs. (car. 8st. 3lbs.)	Po Thet	3
Ko Po Oh's ch bb g Kya Gyee, 7st. 12lbs. (car. 8st. 11b.)	Po Lay	0
Maung Po Yee's bk bb g Jury, 8st. (car. 8st. 11b.)	Maung Henry	0
U. Toke Gyee's b bb m Tsain Bwin, 7st. 7lbs. (car. 7lbs 9lbs.)	Mg. Gyi	0

Totalizator paid Rs. 10 to win ; Rs. 9 and Rs. 11 for places.

BETTING : Evens Velvet, 2 to 1 agst. Jury, 10 to 1 Sein Pe, 15 to 1 each Kya Gyee and Tsain Bwin 20 to 1 Sein Myet Lone.

Won hands down, by three lengths ; a neck between second and third. Time—59½secs.

THE VETERAN HANDICAP.—Rs. 199 to the winner, Rs. 50 to the second, and Rs. 25 to the third. For all griffin winners, 14-0 and under. About 7 furlongs.

Major Penny's Rex, 10st. 11b.... ...	Elliott	1
Abdool Rahman's bk aus m Kemmendine, 8st. 7lbs. (car. 8st. 12lbs.)... .	Po Mut	2
Mr. Maung Thin's b aus g Fortunatus, 8st. (car. 8st. 11b.)...	Po Khai	3
Mr. Villa's d aus g Chieftain, 8st. 7lbs. ...	Oomer	0
Mr. Bevill's ch aus g Tip Top, 9st. 3lbs. ...	Torpey	0
Yeo Eng Pwa's b aus m Hla Mai, 8st. 5lbs.	Maung Glay	0

Totalizator paid Rs. 9 to win ; Rs. 4 and Rs. 5 for places.

BETTING : 6 to 4 on Rex, 4 to 1 agst. Tip Top, 5 to 1 Kemendine, 8 to 1 each Chieftain and Hla Mai, 10 to 1 Fortunatus.

Won by half a length ; a neck between second and third. Tip Top was fifth. Time—1min. 38⅘secs.

THE SECOND MEDIUM HANDICAP.—Rs. 199 to the winner, Rs. 50 to the second, and Rs. 25 to the third. For ponies 13-2 and under. About 5 furlongs.

Mr. George's br aus m Celia, 9st. 5lbs. ...	Torpey	1
Mr. Yeo Eng Byan's ro aus p This One, 10st.	Po Mut	2
Mr. Burjorjee's ch aus m Satina, 8st. 11lbs.	Morrison	3
Mr. L. Chin Tsong's br aus m The Bride, 9st. 7lbs.	Kwya Zan Oo	0
Mr. Ariff's br aus m Edith, 7st. 7lbs. ...	Mahomed	0

Totalizator paid Rs. 21 to win ; Rs. 8 and Rs. 15 for places.

BETTING : Evens Celia, 6 to 4 agst. Satina, 8 to 1 This One, 10 to 1 the rest.

Won by a length, the same distance dividing second and third, and third and fourth. Time—1min 6⅘secs.

THE WINNERS' HANDICAP.—Presented by the Bookmakers Rs. 199 to the winners Rs. 50 to the second, and Rs. 25 to the third. For B.-B. winners, 13-0½ and under. About 5 furlongs.

Tan Lawin's bb g Aung Ban, 10st. 4lbs.	Mg Glay	1
Maung Lat's d bb m Aye Saing, 9st. 4lbs.	Po Mut	2
Mr. George's b bb m Tsain Chai, 9st. ...	Elliott	3
Maung Hla Maung's b bb p Good Boy, 8st. (car. 8st. 11b.)	Ba Thin	0
Maung Po Thain's b bb m Goolandam, 9st. 10lbs.	Hyder	0
Maung Oo's b bb g Chit Swe, 8st 12lbs. ...	Mg Henry	0
Mr. I. Tilly's b bb m Sein Kyaw Mai, 8st. 12lbs.	Mr. Cullen	0
Maung Ba Kyine's ch bb g Raja Ram, 7st. 12lbs.	Po Youk	0
Mr. E. Tilly's g bb g Myadaung, 7st. (car. 7st. 3lbs.)	Po Khai	0

Totalizator paid Rs. 12 to win ; Rs. 11,7 and 9 for places.

BETTING : Evens Aung Ban, 2 to 1 agst. Aye Saing, 4 to 1 Tsain Chai, 10 to 1 each Chit Swe, Goolandam and Sein Kyaw Mai, 15 to 1 the rest.

Won by two lengths ; one length between second and third. Time—1min. 14secs. (record for Burma-breds and Indo-Burmans at this height).

THE SECOND ROADSTER HANDICAP.—Rs. 199 to the winner, Rs. 50 to the second, and Rs. 25 to the third. For maiden griffins, 14-0 and under. About 6 furlongs.

Miss Adamson's b aus m Planet, 9st. 7lbs.	Morrison	1
Mr. George's br aus m Necklace, 8st. 11lbs.	Oomer	2
Maung Ba Thaik's ch aus m Aye Myah, 7st 8lbs. (car. 7st. 11lbs.)	Mg. Glay	3
Mr. Kane's b aus m Ring Dove, 9st. ...	Mr. Cullen	0

Totalizator paid Rs. 10 to win ; Rs. 6 and Rs. 6 for places.

BETTING : 6 to 4 each agst. Planet and Necklace, 3 to 1 Ring Dove, 20 to 1 Aye Myah.

Won by three lengths ; two lengths between second and third. Time—1min 25⅕secs.

THE GRAND HANDICAP.—Rs. 199 to the winner, Rs. 50 to the second, and Rs. 25 to the third. For ponies 14-0 and under. About 5 furlongs.

Mr. Williams' b aus m Jiffy, 8st. 12lbs. (car. 8st. 13lbs.)	Po Mut	1
Mr. Yeo Eng Byan's ro aus p This One, 9st. 2lbs.	Elliott	2
Mr. G. Mills' br e g Golcondah, 9st. 4lbs....	Mr. Cullen	3
Mr. R. Bevill's br aus m Wattle Blossom, 9st. 4lbs.	Torpey	0

Totalizator paid Rs. 12 to win ; Rs. 6 and Rs. 9 for places.

BETTING : 6 to 4 each agst. Jiffy and This One, 3 to 1 Golcondah, 10 to 1 Wattle Blossom.

Won by a neck ; two lengths between second and third. Time—1min. 7secs.

THE SELLING PLATE.—Rs. 400 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second, and Rs. 50 to the third. For griffins 14-0 and under, entered to be sold for Rs. 500, 14-0 to carry 10st. W. I. 7lbs. allowed for every Rs. 100 in price below Rs. 500. Winner to be sold.

Mr. George's br aus m Josephine (Rs. 400) 9st. 11b.	Williams	1
Mr Bell's bk aus m Wee Lassie, 7st. 11b. (Rs. 300) (car. 7st. 2lbs.)	Po Khai	2
Mr. A. Wahab's d aus m Zernigar, (Rs. 400) 8st. 9lbs	Oomer	3
Mr. Allauddin's b aus g Estamboul (Rs. 500) 10st.	Mahd. Ebrahim	0
Miss Colker's ch aus m You Mai (Rs. 500) 8st. 10lbs.	Pereira	0
Mr. Ismail Tilly's ch aus g Rownuck (Rs. 300) 8st. 2lbs. ...	Ba Tin	0

Totalizator paid Rs. 19 to win ; and Rs. 7 and Rs. 38 to places.

BETTING : Evens Josephine and Zernigar, 10 to 1 You Mai, 20 to 1 the rest.

Won by half a length ; one and a half lengths dividing second and third. Time—1min. 24⅗secs.

Josephine was put up to auction after the race and was knocked down to Mr. Maung Thin for owner for Rs. 600, the fund benefiting to the extent of Rs. 200.

Native, Rhymer, Money Box were also put up for sale, but in no case was the reserve price reached. Native was bought in for Rs. 6,000.

ALLAHABAD GYMKHANA.

Saturday, 15th December 1906.

A CAPITALLY run Gymkhana was brought off to-day before a large and select gallery, which included all local society and several cold weather visitors of note. Most of the races, had good fields, but the issues were not very closely contested save in the Allenganj Plate in which Ali Baba and Vasco de Gama made a short head finish of it. There was a bookmaker and a totalisator and both were not neglected. Mr. Coldwell, the Honorary Secretary, scored a deservedly popular success in respect of his arrangements and was not without reward in a couple of wins with Infant and Ali Baba. Details :—

POLO SCURRY.—For a Cup, value Rs. 49. Open to *bonâ fide* Arab and C.-B. polo ponies. Catchweights 11st 7lbs. 1st prize presented by General Woolcombe ; 2nd prize by Officers, 2nd S. Stafford Regiment. 3 furlongs.

Mr. Edwards' Corunna	Owner	1
Mr. Coldwell's Vasco de Gama ...	Owner	2
Mr. Justice Richards' Cyclops ...	Capt. Southey	3

Also ran : Ali Baba and Jerusalem.

BETTING : Evens Cyclops, 3 to 1 each agst. Vasco de Gama and Corunna, 5 to 1 Ali Baba, 10 to 1 Jerusalem.

Won by two lengths ; a length between second and third.

The totalisator paid Rs. 8 on the winner.

JUMPING COMPETITION.—For horses over 14-2. Prize presented by Mr. H. Z. Darrah.

Mrs. Jackson's Tara		1
Miss Harenc's Sweetheart		2

Ten competed.

JUMPING COMPETITION.—For ponies 14-2 and under. Prize presented by Sir William Burkitt.

Mr. Harenc's Assurance		1
Major Greenfield's Yuba		2

Six competed.

THE GANGES CUP.—For a Cup, value Rs. 40. Open to *bonâ fide* chargers and pig-stickers 14-3 and over. Catchweights 11st. 7lbs. 1st prize presented by Sir John Stanley ; 2nd prize by Officers, 4th Cavalry. 6 furlongs.

Mr. Coldwell's Infant	Owner	1
Mr. Howson's Snowstorm	Owner	2
Mr Macpherson's Sir Bevis ... _	Mr. Williams	3

Also ran : Beelzebub, Reveille and Sligo.

BETTING : Evens Infant, 3 to 1 Beelzebub, 15 to 1 Sir Bevis, 20 to 1 each Sligo and Snowstorm.

Won easily by ten lengths ; three lengths between second and third.

Totalisator paid Rs. 3-12 on the winner.

THE ALLENGANJ PLATE.—For a Cup, value Rs. 49. Open to Arab ponies 14-1 and under, 14-1 to carry 11st. 7lbs. W. I. 1st prize presented by Sir Walter Colvin ; 2nd prize by Race Fund. 1 mile.

Mr. Coldwell's Ali Baba	Mr. Farran	1
Mr. Coldwell's Vasco de Gama ...	Owner	2
Mr. Durack's Hatum	Owner	3

Also ran : Nettle, Jerusalem and Faust.

BETTING : 1½ to 1 agst. Nettle, 3 to 1 each Jerusalem, Ali Baba and Vasco de Gama, 8 to 1 Hatum, 20 to 1 Faust.

A capital race and good finish.

Won by a short head ; five lengths between second and third.

Totalisator paid Rs. 3-2 on the winner.

POLO SCURRY.—For a Cup, value Rs. 49. Open to English and Colonial *bonâ fide* polo ponies. Catchweights 11st. 7lbs. First prize presented by Mr. Justice Aikman ; prize second by Race Fund. 3 furlongs.

Mr. Farran's Sunbeam	Owner	1
Capt. Sproule's Surang	Mr. Williams	2
Mr. Bradley's Thakur Singh	Owner	3

BETTING : Evens Surang, 1½ to 1 Sunbeam, 3 to 1 Broncho Bill, 10 to 1 Red Rover, 20 to 1 each Archangel, Wild Lady and Thakur Singh.

Won easily by eight lengths. Seven ran.

Totalisator paid Rs. 4-4 on the winner.

HYDERABAD SKY MEETING.

Second Day, Saturday, 8th December 1906.

Appended are details of the second day's racing.

THE SUBSTITUTION STEWARDS' PLATE.—Rs. 49 to the winner, and Rs. 25 to the second. W. for I. 3 furlongs.

Capt. G. H. Hodgkinson's b aus m Honeymoon, 11st. 5lbs. ...	Capt. Tudor	1
Capt. Habib Bookmaker's b a h Duldul, 9st. 7lbs.	.....	2
Capt. R. G. Hely-Hutchinson's br ch m Comely, 14st.	Pte. Wilson	3

Also ran : Farbund, 14-0½.

BETTING : 5 to 2 agst. Honeymoon, 15 to 1 Duldul, and 2 to 1 Comely.

Won in a canter by five lengths ; three lengths dividing second and third. Time—43⅖secs.

THE SAIFABAD PURSE.—Rs. 49 to the winner and Rs. 25 to the second. For Arabs. Handicap. 1 mile.

Capt. G. H. Hodgkinson's br a h Lawyer, 10st. 3lbs.	Capt. Tudor	1
Capt. Sirdar Premsingh's b a h Ameer, 8st.	Jan Mahomed	2
Mr. H. C. Jeddere-Fisher's b a h Chieftain, 9st. 5lbs.	Mr. Holt	3

BETTING : 3 to 1 each agst. Lawyer and Chieftain, and 15 to 1 Ameer.

Won by four lengths ; bad third, Chieftain finished second but was disqualified for short weight.

THE DESERT PLATE.—Rs. 49 to the winner and Rs. 25 to the second. For Arabs 14-1 and under. Handicap. 5 furlongs.

Capt. G. H. Hodgkinson's b a h Afghanistan, 10st. 2lbs.	Capt. Tudor	1
Mr. C. E. Tayleur's b a h White Face, 10st. 12lbs.	Pearson	2

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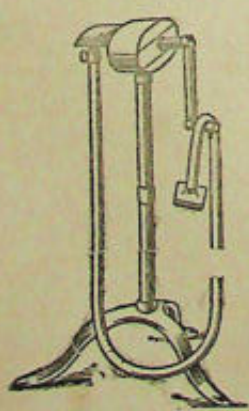

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Mr. H. C. Jeddere-Fisher's b a h Play Boy, 9st. 12lbs. ... ... Mr. Holt 3
Also ran: Sea Mew, 10-4; Tarbund, 9-3; Sohail, 8-12.

BETTING: 2 to 1 agst. White Face, 6 to 1 Sea Mew, evens Afghanistan, 20 to 1 Salvation, 8 to 1 Play Boy, 20 to 1 Tarbund, and 50 to 1 Sohail.

Won by two lengths; one length between second and third. Time—1min. 12secs.

THE HOLADARS' SCURRY.—Rs. 49 to the winner and Rs. 25 to the second. For Arab troop horses of Regiments in the Secunderabad Garrison and His Highness the Nizam's Regular Force, to be ridden by Non-commissioned Officers or troopers. 3½ furlongs.

Mr. Lafrenai's ns b a h Nalbund 1
Lce-Duffadar Mahomed's Baber 2

Won easily by four lengths. Time—48⅘secs.

THE CHEVRON STAKES.—Rs. 49 to the winner and Rs. 25 to the second. For Australian troop horses of Regiments of the Secunderabad Garrison and His Highness the Nizam's Regular Force, to be ridden by Non-Commissioned Officers or troopers. 4 furlongs.

Mr. W. Fallon's ns aus m Bonnie Kate, Sergt-Major Baines 1
Mr. W. Fallon's ns b aus g Gun Metal. Sergt-Major Duffield 2

Also ran: Lady, Golightly.

BETTING: 2 to 1 Lady Golightly, 2 to 5 Bonnie Kate, and evens Gun Metal.

Won by three lengths. Time—57secs.

THE STAND PLATE.—Rs. 49 to the winner, and Rs. 25 to the second. For ponies 14-2 and under. Handicap. 6 furlongs.

Capt. G. H. Hodgkinson's b aus m Honeymoon, 10st. 11lbs. ... ... Capt. Tudor 1
Mr. Nazir Beg's blk aus m Investment, 11st. ... ... Pearson 2

Also ran: Marjory, 9-10.

Won by one and half length; streets between second and third. Time—1min. 25⅘secs.

THE LILLIPUTIAN FLUTTER.—A Cup, value Rs. 20, presented by Colonel Afsar-ul-Mulk, Bahadur, C. I. E. For ponies to be ridden by boys under 14 years of age. ½mile.

Mr. Ikbal Ali Beg's b a p Togo ... Owner 1
Mr. Abdur Raheem's b a p Tiny ... Owner 2
Mr. Mahomed Hassan's b a p Golkonda ... Owner 3

Won easily by three lengths. No time taken.

BOMBAY FIRST EXTRA MEETING.

Saturday, 15th December, 1906

A LARGE attendance witnessed the opening day's racing. There were six events, all won by favourites. Mr. R. R. S.'s stable scored three wins. Comeback accounting for two firsts. Results:—

THE PONY PLATE.—Winner, Rs. 500; second, Rs. 200; third, Rs. 100. For ponies 14-2 and under which have not won flat race value Rs. 1,000 or over since 31st March 1904. 14-2 to carry 8st. 12lbs. W. I Penalties—Winners, since 31st March, 1904, race value Rs. 50, or over; once 4lbs.; twice, 7lbs.; thrice, 10lbs.; oftener, 14lbs. Allowance—Ponies landed since 1st September, 1906, 4lbs., in addition to landing allowance in General Conditions. 5 furlongs.

Mr. R. R. S.'s Comeback, 9st. 9lbs. ... Williams 1
Capt. Meynell's Recovery, 8st 11lb. (car. 8st. 8lbs.) ... ... Bond 2
Aga S. Shah's Welsh Love, 8st. 3lbs. (car. 8st. 7lbs.) ... ... Kamad 3

Also ran: Judy, 9-2 and Patricia, 7-11 (car. 8-3.)

(Winner trained by Byramji Rustomji.)

BETTING: 6 to 4 on Comeback, 3 to 1 Recovery, 4 to 1 Welsh Love, 6 to 1 Judy, and 7 to 1 Patricia.

Won by half a length; a neck between second and third. Time—1min. 3secs.

THE NOVICE PLATE.—Winner, Rs. 200; second, Rs. 100; third, Rs. 50. For Arab ponies 14 hands and under which have not won flat race value Rs. 150 or over. 14 hands to carry 9st. 3lbs. W. I. 5 furlongs.

Mr. Readymoney's Mudlool, 7st. 13lbs. (car. 8st. 3lbs.) ... ... Heeroo 1
Mr. Hajee Suleman's Gaucho, 8st. 2lbs (car. 8st. 3lbs.) ... ... Oomerkhan 2
Mr. Pestonjee Framji's Antica, 8st. 11lbs. C.B. Mahomed } Dead-heat.
Mr. Kalaf Bin Saif's Shabib, 7st. 13lbs. (car. 8st. 8lbs.) ... ... Foster }

Also ran: Retreat, 9-3; Canter, 9-3; Bourbon, 8-5; Councillor, 8-5; Breechloader, 3-5; Royal Red, 8-5; Silver Prince, 8-5; Silver Stream, 7-13 (car. 8-11); and Nagnshi, 7-7.

(Winner trained by Byramji Rustomji.)

BETTING: Evens Mudlool, 5 to 1 Antica, 6 to 1 each Shabib and Bourbon, 10 to 1 and longer odds the others.

Won by one and a half length; length between second and dead heaters. Time—1min. 8⅕secs.

THE ARAB PONY PLATE.—Winner, Rs. 500; second, Rs. 200; third, Rs. 100. For Arab Ponies 14 hands and under, 14 hands to carry 10st. W. I. Allowance—Ponies which have not won since 31st March, 1904, race value Rs 1,800 or over, 7lbs.; Rs. 1,200 or over, 14lbs.; Rs. 500 or over, 21lbs.; Rs. 150 or over, 28lbs. (not accumulative.) 6 furlongs.

Messrs. M. Gokuldass and A. Nanji's Bay Middleton, 9st. 2lbs. ... ... Ames 1
Aga Farook Shah's Grey Falcon, 7st. 7lbs. Kamad 2
Mr. A. Razak's Osborne, 8st. 11lb. (car. 8st. 3lbs.) ... ... Oomerkhan 3
Ali Bin Talib's Gold Belt, 7st. 9lbs. ... Trahan 0

Also ran: Bandit II., 9-7; Cardiff, 8-7; Young Kohinoor, 8-7; Panhalla, II., 7-11 (car. 8-2); and Little Joker, 7-5 (car. 7st. 7lbs.)

(Winner trained by N. A. Fowler.)

BETTING: 5 to 4 on Bay Middleton, 2 to 1 Little Joker, 4 to 1 Bandit II., 6 to 1 Grey Falcon, and 10 to 1 and longer odds the others.

Won by three and a half lengths, one and a half length between second and third. Time—1min. 21⅘secs.

THE DECEMBER PLATE.—Winner, Rs. 500; second, Rs. 200; third, Rs. 100. For horses which have not won flat race value Rs. 500 or over, since 31st March 1904. W. A. and C. reduced 10lbs. Penalties—Winners since 31st March, 1904, race value Rs. 150 or over: once, 5lbs.; twice, 10lbs.; thrice, 14lbs.; oftener, 18lbs. Allowance—Horses landed since 1st September, 1906, 5lbs., in addition to landing allowance in General Conditions. Ponies 14-2 and under, 7lbs. 5 furlongs.

R. R. S.'s Comeback, 9st. 11lb. ... ... Williams 1
Mr. Maine's Baritone, 9st. 2lbs. ... Fisher 2
Messrs. M. Gokuldass and A. Nanji's Freelance, 9st. 8lbs ... ... Ames 3

Also ran: Sanfoin, 9-9; Epitome, 8-9; and Lochelle, 8-4.

(Winner trained by Byramji Rustomji.)

BETTING: Evens Comeback, 6 to 4 agst. Epitome, 4 to 1 Baritone, 6 to 1 each Freelance and Sanfoin, and 10 to 1 the others.

Won by a length; one and a quarter length between second and third. Time—1min. 8secs.

THE ARAB PLATE.—Winner, Rs. 200; second, Rs. 100; third, Rs. 50. For Arabs which have not won flat race value Rs. 500 or over. W. A. reduced 10lbs. Penalties—Winners since 31st March, 1904, race value Rs. 100 or over: once, 4lbs.; twice, 7lbs.; thrice, 12lbs.; oftener, 16lbs. Allowance—Ponies 14 hands and under, 5lbs. 6 furlongs.

Mr. Vaid's Dublin, 8st. 12lbs. ... ... Kamad 1
Mr. R. R. S.'s Vasco, 9st. 4lbs. ... ... Williams 2
Mr. K. Dooree's Makool, 8st. 11lbs. ... Native 3
Mr. Md. Talib's Forath, 8st. 11lbs. ... Reyes 0

Also ran: Hadur, 8-5; Royal, 9-3; Young Kaiser, 8-11; Kummar, 8-7; Sahab, 8-7; Darwin, 8-2; Katherfelto, 8-4; and Galopin, 6-6.

(Winner trained by Sheik Kassum.)

BETTING: 6 to 4 on Dublin, 3 to 1 Galopin, 4 to 1 Vasco, 6 to 1 Royal, 10 to 1 and longer odds the others.

Won by one and three-quarter lengths; a length between second and and third. Time—1min. 2⅘secs.

THE OLD YEAR PLATE.—Winner, Rs. 200; second, Rs. 100; third, Rs. 50. Arab ponies 13-3 and under which have not won flat race value Rs. 500 or over, 13-3 to carry 8st. 10lbs. W. I. Penalties.—Winner since 31st March, 1904, race value Rs. 150 or over: once, 4lbs.; twice, 7lbs.; thrice, 10lbs; oftener, 14lbs. ½ mile.

Mr. R. R. S.'s Sherali, 9st. 9lbs. ... Williams 1
Mr. D. Runchordass's Muzeade, 8st. 5lbs. Kamad 2
Hajee S. Shahib's Shanwar, 9st. 3lbs. C. B. Mahomed 3

Also ran: Advocate-General, 8-11; Dhaman, 8-10; Namdar, 8-8; Musket, 8-8; Calcutta, 8-8; Sahab, 8-8; Sahoon, 8-8; (car. 8-11.); Angler, 8-7; Settler, 8-6; and Salbook, 8-4.

(Winner trained by Byramji Rustomji.)

BETTING: 7 to 4 agst. Sherali, 5 to 2 Muzeade, 4 to 1 Settler, 6 to 1 Musket, and 10 to 1 and longer odds the others.

Won easily by one and a three-quarter length; three-quarters of a length between second and third. Time—53secs.

TRAINERS' LOTS.

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Bon Bon	b aus g	Mr. D. B. Myers	Dignum.
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Blitzen	bk or br e m	Messrs. Hudson and Butler	Wishart.
Ballark	bk aus g	Hon. Mr. A. A. Apcar	Watson.
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Bundook	b e g	Mr. Dartmoor	Taylor.
Branga	ch aus g	Mr. T. G. Evers	Owner.
Botha	br aus g	Mr. O. M. D. Bell	Firth.
Bouquet	b e m	Mr. B. B.	Walker.
Belle Cole	b aus m	Mr. Stead	Torpey.
Bubble	br aus g	Messrs. Rodocanachi and Mackenzie	Norton.
Bucentaur	b aus g	Mr. J. A. Manning	Marriott.
Bonita	ch aus m	Mr. A. L. Butler	Wishart.
Bull's Eye	br aus g	Mr. M. Turner	Private.
C.			
Child Adopted	b e m	Mr. A. N. Dass	Taylor.
Carnival	ch e m	Mr. A. N. Dass	Taylor.
Curfew	ch aus g	Mr. J. B.	Ramshaw.
Craigendarrie	b e g	Mr. J. C. Galstaun	Tingey.
Cyril	b aus g	Mrs. A. Grosser	Smallman.
Colina	br e m	Mr. G. H. L. Mackenzie	Norton.
Cherson	b aus h	H. H. Kour Sahib of Patiala	T. Scott.
Contest	ch aus h	Mr. R. S. Hart	Ferguson.
Clear Artist	b or br e g	Mr. North	Bleach
Coin II	ch aus m	H. H. Mah. of Cooch Behar	Ramshaw.
Curlew	b aus m	Mr. B. N. Burjotjee	Owner.
Clynder	b e m	Mr. A. N. Dass	Taylor.
Curfew Bell	ch aus m	Messrs. Wood and Badger	Penton.
Coronet	b aus g	Mr. S. F. Reynolds	Wishart.
Circus Girl	b aus m	Mr. J. C. Galstaun	Tingey.
Claribell	ch aus m	Mr. J. C. Galstaun	Tingey.
Cingalee	ch e m	Mr. Cecil	Ramshaw.
Clodian	b aus g	Mr. J. G. Ballantyne	Mr. Evers.
Camira	b aus g	Mr. E. J. Marshall	J. D. Scott.
Chippy Norton	bk aus g	Mr. F. B. Avasia	Bleach.
Craig	br aus g	Capt. H. V. Holden	Owner.
D.			
Downland	br or bk e m	Mr. J. M. Rodocanachi	Norton.
Den	br aus m	Hon. Mr. A. A. Apcar	Watson.
Decoration	b aus g	Mr. R. S. Hart	Ferguson.
Duplex II	b aus g	Mr. J. D. Scott.	Owner.
Dirty Boy	bk e g	Mr. J. C. Galstaun	Tingey.
Dulcimer	bk aus g	Mr. J. C. Galstaun	Tingey.
Dramatic	br aus g	Mr. O. M. D. Bell	Firth.
Dormant	b aus g	Mr. P. B. Avasia	Bleach.
Diakkaway	ch e m	Mr. J. C. Galstaun	Tingey.
Dunstnane	ch e f	Messrs. Wood and Badger	Penton.
E.			
Esmeralda	ch e m	Mr. J. D. Scott	Owner.
Envions	b aus c	Mr. Cowper	Owner.
Esperanto	b aus m	Mr. R. D. Coggan	T. White.
F.			
Footprint	b e h	Mr. E. L. F. de Soysa	Harper
Fitzgrafton	b aus h	Hon. Mr. A. A. Apcar	Watson.
Flo	bk or br aus m	Mr. F. Potter	Owner.
Footlight	br aus m	Mr. W. H. Walmesley	Ramshaw.
Ferndown	br e b	Messrs. Wood and Badger	Penton.
Flotsam	b aus g	Thakur Sripal Singh	Thomas.
Foy	bk aus g	Mr. Charles	Pringle.
First Bell	ch aus g	Col. Stisted	Firth.
G.			
Galley Slave	ch e g	Mr. E. J. Marshall	J. D. Scott.
Greenstone	b aus g	Mr. North	Bleach.
Gum	b aus g	Mr. J. C. Galstaun	Tingey.
Gladstone	b aus g	Mr. Locke	C. Hoyt.
Ground Glass	b e m	Mr. Cowper	Pringle.
Good Chap	br aus g	Mr. R. M. Hamilton	Mr. Cowper.
Gowan	ch aus m	Mr. J. C. Galstaun	Tingey.
Goldsamp	b e m	Messrs. Paris and Marshall	Wishart.
Golden	ch e f	Mr. A. Gamble	Norton.
H.			
Hoop Iron	b aus g	Mr. J. C. Galstaun	Tingey.
Handelian	br e g	Mr. J. C. Galstaun	Tingey.
Honest Lady	b e m	Mr. J. D. Scott	Owner.
Henrique	br aus m	Hon. Mr. A. A. Apcar	Watson.
Hooded Monk	b e g	Aga S. Shah	Owner.
Half Price	br aus m	Mr. Price	Owner.
Hazlenut	bk aus m	Mr. Dartmoor	Taylor.
Hint	br aus m	Mr. J. M. Rodocanachi	Norton.
I.			
Insurrection	b e g	Mr. A. N. Dass	Taylor.
Ivanhoe II	br aus g	Mr. R. D. Coggan	T. White.
J.			
Jacquelin	b aus m	Mr. R. S. Hart	Ferguson.
Jolly Abbot	gr e c	Mr. D. B. Myers	Dignum.
Jackeroo	br aus g	Mr. O. M. D. Bell	Firth.
Jack Sheppard	b e g	Mr. W. H. Walmesley	Pringle.
Jubilant	b aus m	Mr. G. K.	Munroe.
Jacinth	br aus g	Mr. Cowper	Owner.
Jolly Roger	ch e g	Col. P. K. L. Beaver	Heywood.
K.			
Kipling	b aus g	Mr. E. J. Marshall	J. D. Scott.
Killeevan	br e m	Mr. J. C. Galstaun	Tingey.
Kendal King	ch e g	Mr. Charles	Pringle.
Kingpin	ch aus g	Mr. Austin	Heywood.
L.			
Loch Lochie	b aus g	Mr. R. S. Hart	Ferguson.
Look Out	b aus g	Mr. Locke	C. Hoyt.
Long Tom	br aus g	Mr. J. C. Galstaun	Ferguson.
Lady Avon	bk or br aus m	Mr. J. D. Scott	Owner.
Lady Anna	b e m	Messrs. Paris and Marshall	Wishart.
Lady Veera	b e m	Mr. Bunting	J. D. Scott.
Lady Grey	gr e m	Mr. Bunting	J. D. Scott.
Lord D.	b aus g	Mr. Alec	Heywood.
Lucretia	ch aus m	Lieut.-Col. J. Desaraj Urs	Vinall.
Lord Harry	b aus g	Capt. H. V. Holden	Private.
Little Dolly	ch aus m	Col. P. K. L. Beaver	Heywood.
Lady Metal	b aus m	Mr. Dartmoor	Taylor.
Lamrock	br aus g	H. H. Kour Sahib of Patiala	T. Scott.
Lorette	br aus m	Mr. B. N. Burjorjee	Owner.
Lord Boyne	bk aus g	Mr. C. Pearson	T. White.
Loyal	ch aus g	Mr. J. A. Manning	Marriott.
Leda	ch aus m	Mr. B. B.	Walker.
Lady Viola	b aus m	Mr. J. D. Scott	Owner.
Leading Lady	b aus m	Mr. W. B. Green	Mr. H. E. Smith.
M.			
Merry Elsie	b e m	Mrs. A. Grosser	Smallman.
Meadow Saffron	ch e m	Mr. G. B. Deakin	J. D. Scott.
Mother Goose	br e g	Messrs. Wood and Badger	Penton.
Mount Dane	br aus h	Mr. O. M. D. Bell	Firth.
Munderah	br aus h	H. H. Maharajah of Mysore	Ferguson.
Matin Bell	bk aus m	H. H. Maharajah of Cooch Behar	Ramshaw.
Mayroid	br aus m	Mr. W. Griffiths	T. White.
Minimus	b aus g	Lieut.-Col. J. Desaraj Urs	Vinall.
Matalgia	b aus h	Mr. J. C. Galstaun	Tingey.
Meg	ch aus m	Mr. D. B. Myers	Dignum.
Massachusselts	b aus m	Mr. J. D. Scott	Owner.
Mary Jane	ch aus m	Mr. J. D. Scott	Owner.
Master, The	br aus h	Mr. Maxwell	Wishart.
Martinique	br aus m	Hon. Mr. A. A. Apcar	Watson.
Master Charlie	br e g	Mr E. J. Marshall	J. D. Scott.
Mercedes	bk or br e m	Messrs. Hudson and Butler	Wishart.
Mistlebird	b aus m	Mr. R. A. C. Pugh	Owner.
Mulison	b aus g	Mr. A. N. Dass	Taylor.
Musette	br aus m	Mr. Maxwell	Wishart.
Malinyook	bk aus g	Mr. C. Pearson	T. White.
Mallard	b aus h	Hon. Mr. A. A. Apcar	Watson.
Manlock	b aus g	Col. P. K. L. Beaver	T. Scott.
Miss Hopson	ch e m	Mr. Charles	Pringle.
Metalwing	br aus g	Mr. Charles	Pringle.
Miss Stone	ch aus m	Mr. Holmes	Wishart.
Morsel	ch e f	Mr. J. H. L. Mackenzie	Norton.
N.			
Nightingale	br e m	Capt. Farquharson	Saunders.
Nak Our	ch aus m	Hon. Mr. A. A. Apcar	Watson.
Nirvana	b e g	Mr. Field	Heywood.
Nurse Kitty	b e m	H. H. Kour Sahib of Patiala	T. Scott.
Nizam	b aus g	Thakur Sripal Singh	Thomas.
Narwanah	ch aus g	Mr. C. Pearson	T. White.
O.			
Olga	b aus m	Messrs Gocaldas and Nanji	Harper.
Olive Lee	br aus m	Mr. H. V. Low	Norton.
Olynthus	b aus g	Messrs Jones and Pugh	Mr. R. Pugh.
Our State	b aus g	Mr. J. C. Galstaun	Tingey.
Orphan Boy	b aus g	Mr. Glen	Mr. Cowper.
P.			
Pennant	b aus g	Mr. Borneo	Norton.
Pat C.	b sth afr. h	Mr. J. D. Scott	Owner.
Pineal	ch aus g	Mr. A. N. Dass	Taylor.
Plover	br aus m	Thakur Sripal Singh	Marriott.
Palas	ch aus m	Mr. R. D. Coggan	T. White.
Pendred	b e g	Mr. Charles	Pringle.
Palindrome	br or ch aus m	Mr. Stead	Torpey.
Paddy's Darling	b e m	Mr. J. C. Galstaun	Tingey.
Prince Lyon	br aus g	Mr. J. C. Galstaun	Tingey.
Presbyterian	ch e g	Mr. P. B. Avasia	Bleach.
Psalm	br e m	Mr. O. M. D. Bell	Firth.
Projecture	b aus m	Mr. F. Potter	Owner.
Pure Gold	b e g	Mr. J. C. Galstaun	Tingey.
Prince Moorefield	b aus g	Mr. R. B. Lamotte	Owner.
Pretender	b aus g	Mr. K. M. Hamilton	Mr. Cowper.
Picture	b aus m	Mrs. J. N. Gregory	Taylor.
R.			
Red Coral	b aus g	Lieut.-Col. J. Desaraj Urs	Vinall.
Rosanule	b e h	Mr. Charles	Pringle.
Refuge Bay	b aus g	Mr. Charles	Pringle.
Riverside II	b nth aus g	Mr. J. C. Galstaun	Tingey.
Rustile	ch aus m	Mr J. C. Galstaun	Tingey.
Rezia	b aus m	Mr. A. N. Dass	Taylor.
Rustler	b aus g	Mr. J. C. Galstaun	Tingey.
Rather Rakish	ch aus g	Mr. Holmes	Wishart.
Roseland	b ch g	Mr. J. D. Scott	Owner.
S.			
Seclusion	ch aus m	Hon. Mr. A. A. Apcar	Watson.
Strathspey	bk aus g	Hon. Mr. A. A. Apcar	Watson.
Spark	b aus g	Mr. K. B. Tomkinson	C. Hoyt.
Senator	ch aus g	Mr. W. T. Miles	Owner.
Spero	b aus g	Mr. S. Margrett	Smallman.
Signorina	b aus m	Mr. J. B.	Ramshaw.
Son of a Gun	b e h	Mr. Bunting	J. D. Scott.
S. S.	b aus g	Thakur Sripal Singh	Thomas.
Sainte Marquise	br e m	Mr. J. C. Galstaun	Tingey.
Santa Maria	b e m	Mr. Holmes	Wishart.
Squire Alfred	b e g	Messrs. Wood & Badger	Penton.
Scamander	ch e m	Mr. W. H. Walmsley	Pringle.
Sacristan II	ch e g	Mr. Dartmoor	Taylor.
Solace	b aus m	Mr. Field	Heywood.
Silphoe	b e g	Mr. J. C. Galstaun	Tingey.

Sea Spray	b e f	Mr. G. B. Deakin	Owner.
Sermon	ch e g	Messrs. Wood & Badger	Penton.
Saloon	br cb g	Mr. J. B. Scott	Owner.
Steinbager	b e c	Mr. Charles	Pringle.
Stepaway	b e m	Mr A. L. Butler	Wishart.
Swindle	br aus g	Mrs A. Grosser	Smallman.
St. Michael	b aus g	Mr. S. Margrett	Smallman.
Spain	ch e g	Capt. Milvain	Penton.
Sir Walter	b aus g	Mr. D. Norton	Owner.

T.

Thomond	br e g	Messrs. Wood & Badger	Penton.
Trencherman	b aus h	Mr. A. N. Dass	Taylor.
Trenayr	b aus g	Mr. C. Pearson	T. White.
Tartan	ch aus g	Mr. M. R. K. Hodgson	Owner.
Terence	ch aus g	Hon. Mr. A. A. Apcar	Watson.
Tycannah	b aus g	Mr. J. S. Love	Marriott.
Trenton	b aus g	Lt.-Col. J. Desaraj Urs	Vinall.
Trentside Lad	b aus g	Mr. J. M. Rodocanachi	Norton.
Turk	gr aus g	Mr. W. O. Rees	Owner.

V.

Veera	ch aus m	Mr. G. K.	Munroe.
Vespasia	b e m	Mr. D. B. Myers	Dignum.
Vanity Fair	b aus m	Mr. Dartmoor	Taylor.
Vinolia	b or br aus m	Mr. H. V. Low	Norton.

W.

Wal	b aus g	Mr J. W. Scott	Owner.
Wakeful	br aus m	Mr. E. C. Ramshaw	Owner.
White Heather	ch e g	Capt. H. D. McNeil	Owner.
Whitefoot	br aus g	Mr. J. C. Galstaun	Tingey.
Windy	br aus g	Mr. J. C. Galstaun	Tingey.
Wake up	b aus m	Mr. H. E. Smith	Owner.
Watch Fire	gr aus g	Mr. R. A. C. Pugh	Owner.
Wales	gr aus g	Mr. Beaumont	Owner.
Woodbine	ch aus m	Mr. Charles	Pringle.
Watchfire	gr aus g	Mr. Gutshcke	Mr. Pugh.

Y.

Yardley	ch aus m	Mr. J. D. Scott	Owner.
Yankee Boy	ch aus h	Mr. J. D. Scott	Owner.

Z.

Zig Zag	b aus g	Mr. Glen	Mr. Cowper.

HARRY GOLDSPINK

BETTING ON

Trials and Viceroy's Cup.

7 & 8, Great Eastern Hotel,

CALCUTTA.

Entries for Races.

CALCUTTA RACES.

FIRST MEETING.

FINAL ENTRIES.

First Day, Saturday, 22nd December.

BURDWAN CUP.—R. C. and distance over 7 flights of hurdles.

Nil.

THE TRIALS.—1 mile.

Hon'ble Mr. A. A. Apcar's	b aus h	Mallard.

THE MAIDEN PONY PLATE.—5 furlongs.

Messrs. Oakley and Davidson's	ch aus g	Bellringer.
Mr. P. Nathoobhoy's	ch aus g	Haydn.

THE INTERNATIONAL PONY PLATE.—7 furlongs.

Mr. O. M. D. Bell's	br e m	Psalm.
Mr. P. B. Avasia's	br aus g	Chippy Norton.
Mr. Dartmoor's	bk aus m	Hazelnut.

THE PADDOCK PLATE.—1½ miles.

Mr. J. M. Rodocanachi's	b aus g	Trentside Lad,
Messrs. Paris and Marshall's	b e m	Goldstamp.
Capt. Milvain's	ch e g	Spain.

Second Day, Wednesday, 26th December 1906.

PONY HURDLE HANDICAP.—2 miles over 8 flights of hurdles.

Messrs. A. Goculdas and A. Nanji's	b aus m	Olga.
Mr. M. Turner's	br aus g	Bull's Eye.

THE VICEROY'S CUP.—1½ miles.

Nil.

THE CALCUTTA PLATE.—7 furlongs.

Nil.

THE DEALERS' PLATE.—6 furlongs.

Mr. D. Norton's	b or br aus g	Sir Walter.
Mr. Gutshcke's	gr aus g	Watchfire.
Mr. David Clark's	b aus m	Thetis.

THE ECLIPSE PONY PLATE.—7 furlongs.

Col. C. H. Stisted's	ch aus g	First Bell.
Thakur Sripal Singh's	br aus m	Plover.
Mr. P. Nathoobhoy's	ch aus g	Haydn.

THE PAVILION PLATE.—R. C.

Mr. J. M. Rodocanachi's	b aus g	Trentside Lad.
Mr. B. B.'s	ch aus m	Leda.
Capt. Milvain's	ch e g	Spain.

Third Day, Saturday, 29th December 1906.

THE GRAND ANNUAL.—2 miles over 8 flights of hurdles.

Mr. M. Gutshcke's	gr aus g	Watchfire.
Mr. A. L. Butler's	ch aus m	Bonita.

THE COOCH BEHAR CUP.—1½ miles.

Hon'ble Mr. A. A. Apcar's	bk aus g	Ballark.

THE SANDOWN PARK PLATE.—5 furlongs.

Mr. J. M. Rodocanachi's	b or br e m	Downland.
Mr. G. H. L. Mackenzie's	ch e f	Morsel.

THE LAWN PLATE.—6 furlongs.

Mr. O. M. D. Bell's	b aus g	Botha.
Hon'ble Mr. A. A. Apcar's	bk aus g	Strathspey.
Mr. J. M. Rodocanachi's	b or br e m	Downland.
Mr. G. H. L. Mackenzie's	ch e f	Morsel.
Mr. H. V. Low's	br aus m	Vinolia.
Messrs. Paris and Marshall's	br e m	Lady Anna.
Mr. A. Gamble's	ch e f	Golden.

THE GUNNY MEAH CUP.—R. C.

Mr. Dartmoor's	bk aus m	Hazelnut.

THE STAND PLATE.—6 furlongs.

Col. C. H. Stisted's	ch aus g	First Bell.
Mr. Hepworth's	br aus m	Skipping Girl.

Fourth Day, Monday, 31st December 1906.

THE MACPHERSON CUP.—St. Leger Course. (1 mile 6 furlongs 132 yards.)

Hon'ble Mr. A. A. Apcar's	bk aus g	Ballark.
Mr. C. Pearson's	bk aus g	Lord Boyne.
Mr. Dartmoor's	b e g	Bundook.

CHOWRINGHEE PLATE.—6 furlongs.

Mr. R. D. Coggan's	ch aus f	Pallas.
Mr. J. M. Rodocanachi's	b or br e m	Downland.
Mr. G. H. L. Mackenzie's	ch e f	Morsel.
Messrs. Paris and Marshall's	br e m	Lady Anna.

INNOVATION HANDICAP.—1 mile.

Mr. Dartmoor's	bk aus m	Hazelnut.

PONY HANDICAP.—1 mile.

Col. C. H. Stisted's	ch aus g	First Bell.

THE NEW YEAR PLATE.—R. C.

Mr. D. B. Myer's	b aus g	Bon Bon.
Mr. J. M. Rodocanachi's	b aus g	Trentside Lad.
Mr. G. H. L. Mackenzie's	br e f	Colina.
Messrs. Paris and Marshall's	b e m	Goldstamp.
Capt. Milvain's	ch e g	Spain.

SECOND MEETING.

FIRST ENTRIES.

First Day, Saturday, 12th January 1907.

THE TALLY-HO PLATE.—2 miles over eight flights of hurdles.

Messrs. Jones and Pugh's	b aus g	Olynthus.
Messrs. Wood and Badger's	br e g	Thomond.
Mr. Spooner Hart's	b aus g	Loch Lochie.
Mr. Spooner Hart's	b or br aus g	Aberfoyle.
Mr. Spooner Hart's	b aus g	Decoration.
Mr. R. B. Lamotte's	br aus m	Tattoo.
Hon'ble Mr. A. A. Apcar's	ch aus m	Nak Our.
Hon'ble Mr. A. A. Apcar's	ch aus m	Seclusion.
Mr. J. C. Galstaun's	b aus g	Hoop Iron.
Mr. H. A. Tomkinson's	b aus g	Spark.
Mr. Borneo's	b aus g	Pennant.
Mr. A. L. Butler's	ch aus m	Bonita.
Mr. Austin's	ch aus g	Kingpin.
Mr. Alec's	br aus g	Lord D.
Mr. E. J. Marshall's	b aus g	Kipling.

THE KING'S PLATE.—R. C. (1 mile 5 furlongs 48 yards.)

H. H. Kour Sahib of Patiala's	br aus g	Lamrock.
H. H. Kour Sahib of Patiala's	br aus h	Cherson.
Mr. J. B.'s	b aus m	Signorina.
Mr. P. B. Avasia's	br e g	Testwood.
Mr. E. L. F. DeSoysa's	b e h	Footprint.
Mr. Spooner Hart's	b aus m	Jacqueline.
Mr. Spooner Hart's	b aus g	Decoration.
Mr. Spooner Hart's	ch aus h	Contest.
Hon'ble Mr. A. A. Apcar's	b aus h	Fitzgrafton.
Hon'ble Mr. A. A. Apcar's	b aus h	Mallard.
Hon'ble Mr. A. A. Apcar's	ch aus m	Seclusion.
Hon'ble Mr. A. A. Apcar's	bk aus g	Ballark.
Mr. J. C. Galstaun's	br aus g	Long Tom.
Mr. J. C. Galstaun's	b aus g	Our State.
Mr. J. C. Galstaun's	bk e g	Dirty Boy.
Mr. J. C. Galstaun's	br aus g	Prince Lyon.
Mr. Cecil's	ch e m	The Cingalee.
Lieut.-Col. J. Desaraj Urs'	b aus g	Trenton.
Mr. Maxwell's	b aus h	The Master.
Messrs. Scott and Marshall's	ch e m	Amplify.
Mr. Dartmoor's	b e g	Bundook.
Mr. E. J. Marshall's	b aus g	Kipling.
Mr. Dartmoor's	ch e g	Sacristan II.

THE METROPOLITAN.—6 furlongs.

Mr. J. B.'s	b aus m	Signorina.
Capt. Farquharson's	br e m	Nightingale.
Mr. P. B. Avasia's	ch e g	Presbyterian.
Capt. Farquharson's	br e f	Au Fait.
Messrs. Wood and Badger's	ch e g	Sermon.
Messrs. Wood and Badger's	br e f	Ferndown.
Mr. E. L. F. DeSoysa's	b e h	Footprint.
Mr. Spooner Hart's	ch aus h	Contest.
Mr. Spooner Hart's	b aus m	Jacqueline.
Col. P. K. L. Beaver's	b aus g	Manlock.
Hon'ble Mr. A. A. Apcar's	bk aus m	Airlock.
Hon'ble Mr. A. A. Apcar's	br aus m	Martinique.
Hon'ble Mr. A. A. Apcar's	br aus f	Dea.
Mr. J. C. Galstaun's	br e m	Killeevan.
Mr. J. C. Galstaun's	br aus g	Prince Lyon.
Mr. J. C. Galstaun's	bk aus g	Dulcimer.
Mr. J. C. Galstaun's	b e m	Paddy's Darling.
Mr. A. N. Dass'	b aus g	Mulison.
Mr. A. N. Dass'	b aus g	Trencherman.
Mr. A. N. Dass'	b e m	Clynder.
Messrs. Hudson and Butler's	br e m	Blitzen.
Mr. Holmes'	bk e m	Annamulloch.
Mr. Dartmoor's	ch e g	Sacristan II.
Mr. Dartmoor's	ch aus g	Amyas.
Mr. Dartmoor's	b aus m	Lady Metal.
Messrs. Scott and Marshall's	bk or br aus m	Lady Avon.
Messrs. Scott and Marshall's	ch e g	Amplify.
Mr. E. J. Marshall's	b aus g	Camira.

THE SOURRY HANDICAP.—5 furlongs.

H. H. Maharajah of Cooch Behar's	bk aus m	Matin Bell.
H. H. Maharajah of Cooch Behar's	ch aus m	Coin II.
Mr. Dartmoor's	b aus m	Vanity Fair.
Mr. J. C. Galstaun's	ch aus m	Claribell.
Mr. J. C. Galstaun's	b aus m	Circus Girl.
Mr. Hepworth's	br aus m	Skipping Girl.
Mr. P. Nathoobhoy's	ch aus g	Haydn.
Mr. J. D. Scott's	b aus g	Wal.
Mr. J. D. Scott's	ch ch m	Esmeralda.

THE NEW PLATE.—5 furlongs.

Mr. J. B.'s	b aus m	Signorina.
Mr. E. C. Ramshaw's	br aus m	Wakeful.
Mr. Bunting's	b e m	Lady Vera.
Mr. Bunting's	gr e m	Lady Grey.
Mr. Charles'	ch e m	Miss Hopson.
Mr. J. C. Galstaun's	b aus h	Matalgia.
Mr. J. C. Galstaun's	b e g	Silphœ.
Lieut.-Col. J. Desaraj Urs'	b aus m	Minimus.
Mr. P. B. Avasia's	b aus g	Chippy Norton.
Messrs. Rodocanachi and Mackenzie's	b aus g	Bubble.
Col. P. K. L. Beaver's	ch e g	Jolly Boger.
Mr. J. D. Scott's	b aus g	Duplex II.
Messrs. Scott and Marshall's	bk br or aus m	Lady Avon.
Mr. J. D. Scott's	ch aus h	Yankee Boy.
Mr. Dartmoor's	bk aus m	Hazelnut.
Mrs. J. M. Gregory's	b aus m	Picture.

THE KIDDERPORE PLATE.—1¼ miles.

Capt. Farquharson's	br e m	Nightingale.
Mr. P. B. Avasia's	br e g	Testwood.
Messrs. Wood and Badger's	br e f	Mother Goose.
Messrs Wood and Badger's	b e g	Squire Alfred.
Mr. E. L. F. DeSoysa's	b e h	Footprint.
Mr. Spooner Hart's	b aus g	Loch Lochie.
Mr. Spooner Hart's	b aus m	Jacqueline.
Mr. Charles'	b e h	Rosanule.
Mr. Charles'	b e g	Pendred.
Mr. W. H. Walmsley's	b e m	Seamander.
Hon'ble Mr. A. A. Apcar's	bk aus g	Ballark.
Hon'ble Mr. A. A. Apcar's	ch aus m	Nak Our.
Hon'ble Mr. A. A. Apcar's	br aus f	Dea.
Mr. J. C. Galstaun's	bk aus g	Dulcimer.
Mr. J. C. Galstaun's	b e h	Applause.
Mr. J. C. Galstaun's	b aus g	Our State.
Mr. J. C. Galstaun's	bk e g	Dirty Boy.
Mr. Cecil's	ch e m	The Cingalee.
Mr. D. B. Myers'	gr e c	Jolly Abbot.
Mr D. B. Myers'	bk e c	Black Duke.
Mr. A. N. Dass'	b e g	Insurrection.
Mr. A. N Dass'	b e m	Child Adopted.
Mr. A. N Dass'	ch e m	Carnival.
Mr. G. B. Deakin's	ch e m	Meadow Saffron.
Mr. Stead's	br or ch aus m	Palindrone.
Mrs. A. Grosser's	c e m	Merry Elsie.
Mr. J. D. Scott's	c aus g	Massachusetts.
Mr. Dartmoor's	c e g	Bundook.
Mr. E. J. Marshall's	ch e g	Galley Slave.
Mr. E. J. Marshall's	br e g	Master Charlie.

Second Day, Tuesday, 15th January 1907.

PRINCE OF WALES' PLATE.—1 mile.

Mr. J. B.'s	b aus m	Signorina.
Capt. Farquharson's	br e m	Nightingale.
Capt. Farquharson's	br e f	Au Fait.
Mr. E. L. F. DeSoysa's	b e h	Footprint.
Mr. Spooner Hart's	ch aus h	Contest.
Mr. Spooner Hart's	b aus m	Jacqueline.
Mr. Charles'	b e h	Rosanule.
H. H. Kour Sahib of Patiala's	br aus h	Cherson.
Hon'ble Mr. A. A. Apcar's	br aus h	Fitzgrafton.
Hon'ble Mr. A. A. Apcar's	bk aus g	Ballark.
Hon'ble Mr. A. A. Apcar's	br aus f	Dea.
Mr. J. C. Galstaun's	br aus g	Long Tom.
Mr. J. C. Galstaun's	br aus g	Prince Lyon.
Mr. J. C. Galstaun's	bk aus g	Dulcimer.
Mr. J. C. Galstaun's	b e m	Paddy's Darling.
Lieut.-Col. J. Desaraj Urs'	b aus g	Red Coral.
Mr. D. B. Myers'	bk e c	Black Duke.
Mr. A. N. Dass'	b aus h	Trencherman.
Mr. A. N. Dass'	b e m	Clynder.
Mr. Maxwell's	br aus h	The Master.
Mr. Holmes'	bk e m	Annamulloch.
Messrs. Hudson and Butler's	br e m	Blitzen.
Messrs. Scott and Marshall's	br cb g	Salloon.
Messrs. Scott and Marshall's	ch e m	Amplify.
Mr. Dartmoor's	ch e g	Sacristan II.
Mr. Dartmoor's	ch aus g	Amyas.
Mr. Dartmoor's	b aus m	Lady Metal.

Third Day, Saturday, 19th January 1907.

THE HOOGHLY PLATE.—5 furlongs.

Mr. P. B. Avasia's	ch e g	Presbyterian.
Mr. P. B. Avasia's	b aus g	Dormant.
Capt. Farquharson's	br e f	Au Fait.
Messrs. Wood and Badger's	ch e g	Sermon.
Messrs. Wood and Badger's	br e f	Ferndown.
Mr. E. L. F. DeSoysa's	b e h	Footprint.
Mr. Spooner Hart's	ch aus h	Contest.
Mr. Spooner Hart's	b aus m	Jacqueline.
Col. P. K. L. Beaver's	b aus g	Manlock.
Hon'ble Mr. A. A. Apcar's	bk aus m	Airlock.
Hon'ble Mr. A. A. Apcar's	br aus m	Martinique.
Hon'ble Mr. A. A. Apcar's	br aus f	Dea.
Mr. J. C. Galstaun's	bk aus g	Dulcimer.
Mr. J. C. Galstaun's	br e m	Killeevan.
Mr. J. C. Galstaun's	b e m	Paddy's Darling.
Mr. J. C. Galstaun's	br aus g	Prince Lyon.
Mr. J. C. Galstaun's	ch e m	Diakkaway.
Mr. D. B. Myers'	gr e c	Jolly Abbot.
Mr. J. M. Rodocanachi's	b or br e m	Downland.
Mr. G. H. L. Mackenzie's	ch e f	Morsel.
Mr. H. V. Low's	br aus m	Vinolia.
Mr. A. N. Dass'	b aus g	Mulison.
Mr. A. N. Dass'	b e m	Clynder.
Mr. A. N. Dass'	b aus g	Springlock.
Messrs. Hudson and Butler's	bk e m	Mercedes.
Messrs Paris and Marshall's	br e m	Lady Anna.
Mr. Holmes'	bk e m	Annamulloch.
Mr. A. Gamble's	ch e f	Golden.
Mr. Dartmoor's	ch e g	Sacristan II.
Mr. Dartmoor's	ch aus g	Amyas.
Mr. Dartmoor's	b aus m	Lady Metal.
Mr. J. D. Scott's	bk aus m	Lady Avon.
Mr. E. J. Marshall's	b aus g	Camira.

THE MERCHANTS' PLATE.—1½ miles.

H. H. Kour Sahib of Patiala's	br aus g	Lamrock.
Mr. J. B.'s	b aus m	Signorina.
Capt. Farquharson's	br e m	Nightingale.
Mr. P. B. Avasia's	br e g	Testwood.
Mr. E. L. F. DeSoysa's	ch e h	Footprint.
Mr. Spooner Hart's	ch aus	Contest.
Mr. Spooner Hart's	b aus m	Jacqueline.
Mr. Spooner Hart's	b aus g	Decoration.
H. H. Kour Sahib of Patiala's	br aus h	Cherson.
Hon'ble Mr. A. A. Apcar's	b aus h	Fitzgrafton.
Hon'ble Mr. A. A. Apcar's	b aus h	Mallard.
Hon'ble Mr. A. A. Apcar's	ch aus m	Seclusion.
Hon'ble Mr. A. A. Apcar's	bk aus g	Ballark.
Mr. J. C. Galstaun's	br aus g	Long Tom.
Mr. J. C. Galstaun's	b aus g	Our State.
Mr. J. C. Galstaun's	bk e g	Dirty Boy.
Mr. J. C. Galstaun's	br aus g	Prince Lyon.
Mr. J. C. Galstaun's	b e h	Applause.
Mr. Cecil's	ch e m	The Cingalee.
Lieut.-Col. J. Desaraj Urs'	b aus g	Trenton.
Mr. A. N. Dass'	b aus h	Trencherman.
Mr. A. N. Dass'	b e m	Clynder.
Messrs. Hudson and Butler's	br e m	Blitzen.
Mr. Maxwell's	br aus h	The Master.
Mr. Dartmoor's	ch e g	Sacristan II.
Mr. Dartmoor's	b e g	Bundook.
Messrs. Scott and Marshall's	ch e m	Amplify.
Mr. E. J. Marshall's	b aus g	Kipling.

THE BELVEDERE PONY PLATE.—1 mile.

Mr. J. B.'s	c aus m	Signorina.
Mr. E. C. Ramshaw's	br aus m	Wakeful.
Mr. Bunting's	b e m	Lady Vera.
Mr. Bunting's	gr e m	Lady Grey II.
Mr. Charles'	ch e m	Miss Hopson.
Mr. J. C. Galstaun's	b aus h	Matalgia.
Mr. J. C. Galstaun's	b e g	Silphoe.
Lieut.-Col. J. Desaraj Urs'	b aus m	Minimus.
Messrs. Rodocanachi and Mackenzie's	br aus g	Bubble.

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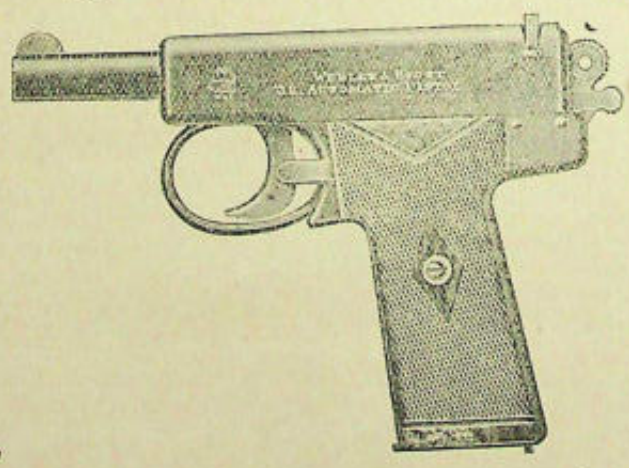

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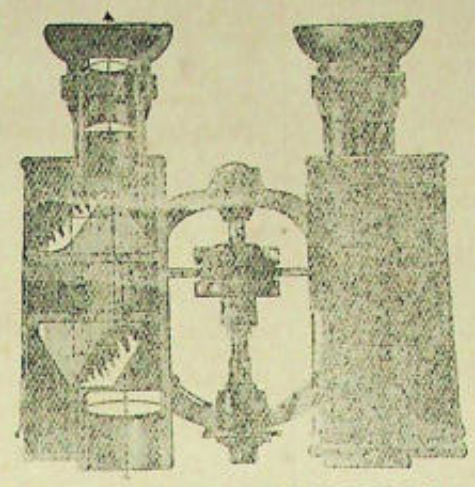

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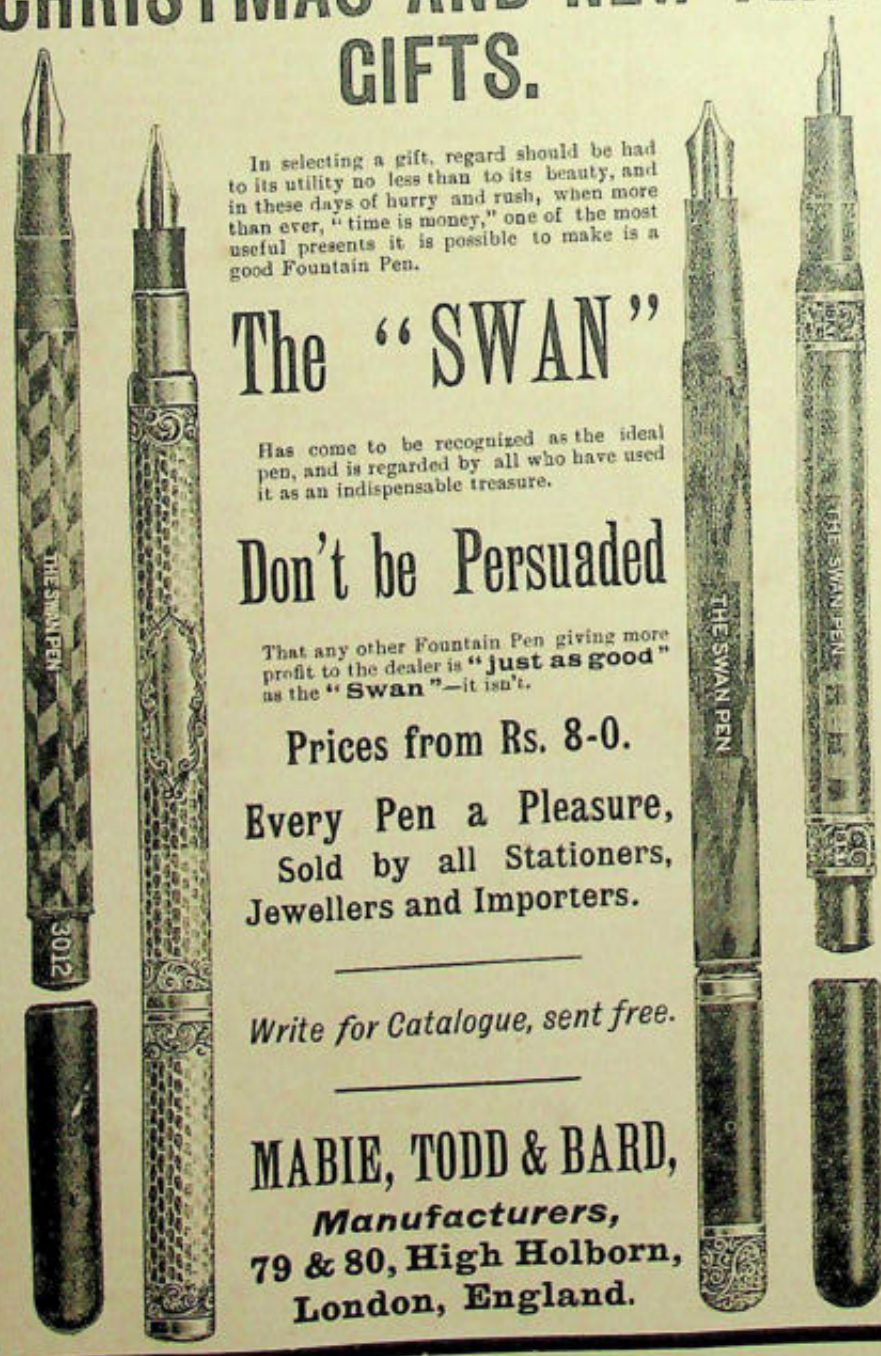

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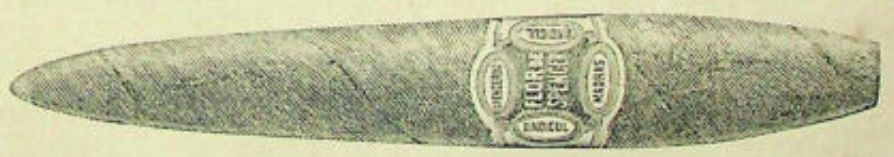

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SECOND ENTRIES.

THE TRIAL CHASE PLATE.—About 2½ miles.

Capt. J. H. M. Davies'	... b aus g	... Corrie Roy.
Mr. D. Norton's ...	... b or br aus g	Sir Walter.
Mr. A. L. Butler's	... ch aus m	... Bonita.
Mr. Austin's ...	... ch aus g	... Kingpin.
Capt. H. V. Holden's	... br aus g	... Craig.
Mr. W. O. Rees' ...	... gr aus g	... Turk.
Messrs. Wood and Badger's	... br e g	... Thomond.

THE PONY STEEPLECHASE.—About 2½ miles.

Mr. R. A. C. Pugh's	... b aus m	... Mistlebird.
Messrs. M. Goculda's and A. Nanji's ...	... b aus m	... Olga.

THE INDIAN GRAND NATIONAL.—About 3 miles.

Hon'ble Mr. A. A. Apcar's	... ch aus m	... Nak Our.
Mr. A. L. Butler's	... ch aus m	... Bonita.

FIRST ENTRIES.

Second Day, Saturday, 5th January 1907.

THE TOLLYGUNGE PLATE.—About 3 miles.

Mrs. Fraser Nash's	... bk aus g	... Scotch Thistle.
Mr. W. T. Miles'	... ch aus g	... Senator.
Mr. Beaumont's ...	... ch aus g	... Wales.
Messrs. Jones and Pugh's	... b aus g	... Olynthus.
Hon'ble Mr. A. A. Apcar's	... ch aus m	... Seclusion.
Mr. Alec's ...	... b aus g	... Lord D.
Mr. E. J. Marshall's	... b aus g	... Kipling.
Dr. Spooner Hart's	... b aus g	... Decoration.
Mr. Borneo's ...	... b aus g	... Pennant.
Dr. Spooner Hart's	... b aus g	... Loch Lochie.
Dr. Spooner Hart's	... b or br aus g	Aborfoyle.
Mr. J. C. Galstaun's	... b aus g	... Hoop Iron.
Mr. J. C. Galstaun's	... b aus g	... Rustler.
Messrs. Wood and Badger's	... br e g	... Thomond.
Mr. North's ...	... b aus g	... Greenstone.
Mr. Locke's ...	... b aus g	... Look Out.
Mr. Locke's ...	... ch aus g	... Baron II.

THE PONY HANDICAP STEEPLECHASE.—About 2½ miles.

Mr. M. R. K. Hodgson's	... ch aus g	... Tartan.
Mr. T. G. Evers' ...	... ch aus g	... Branga.
Mr. W. H. Walmsley's	... br aus m	... Footlight.
Mr. J. C. Galstaun's	... b aus g	... Whitefoot.
Mr. A. N. Dass' ...	... ch aus g	... Pineal.
Mr. J. D. Scott's ...	... ch aus m	... Mary Jane.
Mr. J. D. Scott's ...	... b sth afr h	Pat C.
Messrs. Wood and Badger's	... ch aus g	... Curfew Bell.
Col. P. K. L. Beaver's	... ch aus m	... Little Dolly.
Mr. Locke's ...	... b aus g	... Gladstone.

THE SUBURBAN PLATE.—About 2½ miles.

Mr. K. R. Tomkinson's	... b aus g	.. Spark.
Mrs. Fraser Nash's	... bk aus g	... Scotch Thistle.
Capt. H. D. McNeile's	... ch e g	... White Heather.
Mr. Beaumont's	... ch aus g	... Wales.
Mr. R. A. C. Pugh's	... gr aus g	... Watchfire.
Hon'ble Mr. A. A. Apcar's	... ch aus m	... Seclusion.
Hon'ble Mr. A. A. Apcar's	... br aus g	... Henrique.
Hon'ble Mr. A. A. Apcar's	... bk aus g	... Strathspey.
Mr. Alec's ...	... b aus g	... Lord D.
Mr. J. C. Galstaun's	... b aus g	.. Hoop Iron.
Mr. J. C. Galstaun's	... b aus g	... Rustler.
Mr. Borneo's ...	... b aus g	... Pennant.
Dr. Spooner Hart's	... b aus g	... Loch Lochie.
Mr. S. F. Reynold's	... b aus g	... Coronet.
Mr. S. F. Reynold's	... b aus g	... Adviser.
Mr. R. B. Lamotte's	... br aus g	... Tattoo.
Messrs. Wood and Badger's	... br e g	... Thomond.
Mr. Locke's ...	... b aus g	... Look Out.

CALCUTTA RACES.

FIRST MEETING.

First Day, Saturday, 22nd December 1906.

ENTRIES EXTRA RACES.

ELLENBOROUGH PLATE.—5 furlongs.

Mr. O. M. D. Bell's br aus g Dramatic.
Mr. O. M. D. Bell's g aus g Botha.
Mr. Biddy's ch aus m Token.
Mr. Charles' b e g Pendred.
Mr. Charles' bk aus g Foy.
Captain Farquharson's b e m Nightingale.
Mr. F. Potter's b aus m Projecture.
Mr. D. B Myers' gr e c Jolly Abbot.
Hon. Mr. A. A. Apcar's bk aus g Strathspey.
Hon. Mr. A. A. Apcar's br aus m Dea.
Mr. Borneo's br e m Colina.
Thakur Sripal Singh's g aus g Flotsam.
Captain H. D. McNeile's ch e g White Heather
Mr. Dartmoor's b aus m Lady Metal.
Mr. A. N. Dass' b e m Child Adopted.
Mr. A. N. Dass' ch e m Carnival.
Mr. A. N. Dass' b e m Clynder.
Mr. J. A. Manning's b aus g Bucentaur.
Mr. R. D. Coggan's ch aus m Pallas.
Mr. Austin's b aus g Bundook.
Mr. Field's b e g Nirvana.
Mr. W. H. Walmsley's b e m Seamander.
Mr. W. H. Walmsley's g e g Jack Sheppard.
Mr. R. A. C. Pugh's b e m Manon.
Mr. Galstaun's ch aus m Rustile.
Mr. Galstaun's b aus g Gum.
Mr. Galstaun's br aus m Windy.
Mr. B. B.'s ch aus m Leda.
Mr. B. B.'s b e m Bouquet.
Mr. C. Pearson's bk aus g Mallinyook.
Mrs. A. Grosser's b aus g Cyril.
Mr. E. J. Marshall's b aus g Camira.
Mr. E. J. Marshall's b aus g Lipscombe.
Messrs. Hudson and Butler's bk e m Mercedes.
Messrs. Paris and Marshall's gr e m Lady Anna.
Mr. Holmes' bk e m Annamulloch.
Mr. J. D. Scott's b e m Honest Lady.
Mr. G. B. Deakin's ch e g Meadow Saffron.

Third Day, Saturday, 29th December, 1906.

XMAS SELLING HANDICAP.—5 furlongs.

Mr. W. H. Walmsley's b e g Jack Sheppard.
Mr. Roland's b aus g Oom Paul.
Mr. J. S. Love's b aus g Tycannah.
Mr. J. A. Manning's b aus g Bucentaur.
Mr. A. N. Dass' b aus g Springlock.
Mr. Dartmoor's b aus g Defendant.
Mr. A. Gamble's ch e f Golden.
Mr. Charles' ch aus m Woodbine.
Mr. Charles' ch e g Kendal King.
Mr. R. A. C. Pugh's b e m Manon.
Mr. M. Gutschke's gr aus g Watchfire.
Mr. J. C. Galstaun's bk aus g Dulcimer.
Mr. J C. Galstaun's b aus g Gum.
Mr. J. C. Galstaun's ch aus m Rustile.
Mr. B. B.'s b e m Bouquet.
Mr. H. P. Banker's b aus m Queen of Gems.
Mr. R. B. Lamotte's b aus g Prince Moorefield
Mr. E. J. Marshall's b e g Master Charlie.
Mr. E. J. Marshall's b aus g Lipscombe.
Mrs. A. Grosser's b aus g Swindle.
Mr. J. D. Marshall's b aus g Gambetta.
Mr. Wishart's br aus g Warstripe.
Mr. H. E. Smith's b aus m Wake Up.
Mr. H. E. Smith's b aus g Lynwood.
Mr. A. Schwerdtfeger's g aus m Sal.
Mr. J. D Scott's b e g Young Sirdar.

Fourth Day, Monday, 31st December 1906.

HOLLY PLATE.—5 furlongs.

Mr. W. H. Walmsley's b e g Jack Sheppard.
Mr. Field's b e g Nirvana.
Mr. R. D. Coggan's ch aus m Pallas.
Mr. J. S. Love's b aus g Tycannah.
Mr. A. N. Dass' b aus g Springlock.
Mr. A. N. Dass' b aus g Mulison.
Mr. Dartmoor's b aus m Lady Metal.
Thakur Sripal Singh's b aus g Florsam.
Captain H. D. McNeile's ch e g White Heather.
Mr. Rodocanachi's b e m Downland.
Mr. Mackenzie's ch e m Morsel.
Mr. H. V. Low's br aus m Vinolia.
Mr. J. B.'s ch ch g Sir Trenton.
Mr. F. Potter's b aus m Projecture.
Mr. P. B. Avasia's b aus g Dormant.
Mr. A. Gamble's ch e f Golden.
Mr. Charles' ch e m Miss Hopson.
Mr. Charles' b e g Pendred.
Mr. Charles' bk aus g Foy.
Mr. O. M. D. Bell's br aus g Bell Dhu.
Mr. O. M. D. Bell's b aus g Botha.
Mr. J. C. Galstaun's ch aus m Rustile.
Mr. J. C. Galstaun's b aus g Gum.
Mr. J. C. Galstaun's br aus m Windy
Mr. R. A. C. Pugh's b e m Manon.
Mr. McGeorge's br e m Devil's Limit.
Mr. E. J. Marshall's b aus g Camira.
Mr. E. J. Marshall's b aus g Lipscombe.
Mrs. A. Grosser's b aus g Swindle.
Mr. Holmes' bk e m Annamulloch.
Messrs. Hudson and Butler's bk e m Mercedes.
Mr. Holmes' ch e m Rather Rakish.
Messrs. Paris and Marshall's br e m Lady Anna.
Mr. D. B. Myers' gr e c Jolly Abbot.
Mr. D. B. Myers' b e m Vespasia.
Mr. J. D. Scott's b e m Honest Lady.

MISTLETOE PLATE.—7 furlongs.

Mr. Spooner Hart's b aus m Jacqueline.
Mr. R. D. Coggan's ch aus m Pallas.
Mr. A. N. Dass' b e g Insurrection.
Mr. A. N Dass' b e m Child Adopted.
Mr. A. N. Dass' ch e m Carnival.
Mr. Dartmoor's b aus m Lady Metal.
Captain H. D. McNeile's ch e g White Heather.
Mr. Borneo's br e m Colina.
Hon. Mr. A. A. Apcar's bk aus g Strathspey.
Mr. D. B. Myers' b aus g Bon Bon
Captain Farquharson's b e m Nightingale.
Mr. Charles' bk aus g Foy.
Mr. Charles' b e g Pendred.
Mr. Charles' b aus g Refuge Bay.
Mr. Biddy's ch aus m Token.
Mr. O. M. D. Bell's b aus g Dramatic.
Mr. J. C. Galstaun's br e m Sainte Marquise.
Mr. J. C. Galstaun's b e h Applause.
Mr. J. C. Galstaun's br aus m Windy.
Mr. J. C. Galstaun's b e g Silphoe.
Mr. B. B.'s b e m Bouquet.
Mr. C. Pearson's bk aus g Mallinyook.
Mr. R. J. Farquharson's b aus g Recoil.
Mrs. A. Grosser's b aus g Cyril.
Mr. Holmes' b e m Santa Maria.
Mr. Holmes' bk e m Annamulloch.
Messrs. Paris and Marshall's b e m Goldstamp.
Mr. W. B. Green's b aus m Leading Lady.
Mr. J. D. Scott's b e m Honest Lady.
Mr. G. B. Deakin's ch e g Meadow Saffron.
Mr. G. B. Deakin's ch e g Beaunero.

LUCKNOW SPRING MEETING, 1907.

2ND 4TH AND 6TH FEBRUARY.

(List of First Entries closed 15th December.)

First Day.

THE MARTINIERE PLATE.—1¼ miles.

1 Lieut.-Col. Stisted's	... ch a h	... Modesty, 13-3½.
2 Lieut.-Col. Stisted's	... b a h	... Pounds, 13-1½.
3 Mr. F. Fail's	... ch a g	... Chance, 13-2½.
4 Major P. Young's	... b a h	... Surkhab, 13-3½.
5 Messrs. Chapman and Charrington's ...	... b a h	...Sweet William, 13-2.
6 Hon'ble D. Bingham's	... gr a h	... Obara, 14-1.
7 Thakur Sripal Singh's	... gr a g	... Soheil, 14-1.
8 Mr. Sydney Smith's	... b a h	... Palmy Days, 13-2.
9 Mr. Johnstone's	... ch a h	... The Ranger, 14-0.

THE PONY HURDLES.—About 2 miles over 8 flights.

1 Major-Genl. Blewitt's	... ch aus g	... Corbett, 14-0½.
2 Major Williamson's	... b aus m	... Irish, 14-1.
3 Capt. R. Milvain's	... b e m	... Cosy Corner, 14-0½.
4 Mr. W. H. Walmsley's	... br aus m	... Footlight, 14-1.
5 Mr. Locke's ...	... b aus g	... Gladstone, 14-1½.
6 Mr. H. H. Sandbach's	... ch aus m	... Double Keys, 13-3½.
7 Mr. R. W. Willan's	... ch aus m	... Duchess.
8 Mr. C. E. Reynard's	... br aus m	... Small Scotch, 14-2.
9 Messrs. M. Goculdas and A. Nanjee's ...	... b aus m	... Olga, 14-0½.
10 Capt. F. Bennett's	... br aus m	... Pinfire, 14-0½.
11 Mr. H. E. Norton's	... ch aus m	... Daphne, 14-1.
12 Col. P. K. L. Beaver's	... ch aus m	... Little Dolly, 14-0½.
13 H. H. Kour Sahib of Patiala's ...	... b e m	... Nurse Kitty, 14-1½.
14 Thakur Sripal Singh's	... ch aus m	... Elsie, 13-3½.

THE STEWARDS' CUP.—5 furlongs.

1 Col. P. K. L. Beaver's	... b aus g	... Manlock.
2 Mr. J. C. Galstaun's	... br e m	... Killeevan.
3 Mr. J. C. Galstaun's	... b e f	... Paddy's Darling.

THE GREAT OUDH HANDICAP.—6 furlongs.

1 Lieut.-Col. Stisted's	... ch a h	... Sublime, 13-2½.
2 Lieut.-Col. Stisted's	... ch a h	... Modesty, 13-0½.
3 Major Williamson's	... b a h	... Jeddah, 13-2.
4 Mr. E. C. Ramshaw's	... gr a h	... Girjistan, 13-3½.
5 Thakur Buldeo Saha's	... b a h	... Hazard, 14-0.
6 Hon'ble D. Bingham's	... gr a h	... Obara, 14-1.
7 Mr. F. M. Garda's	... b a h	... Kour Sahib, 13-3½.
8 Col. P. K. L. Beaver's	... ch a g	... Rufus, 13-2½.
9 H. H. Kour Sahib of Patiala's ...	... b a h	... Mooslat, 13-2½.
10 Thakur Sripal Singh's	... ch a h	... Omar, 13-3½.
11 Thakur Sripal Singh's	... gr a h	... Soheil, 14-1.
12 Mr. Sydney Smith's	... b a h	... Palmy Days, 13-2.
13 Capt. Winter's...	... .	... Whirlwind.

THE MAIDEN PLATE.—1,000 yards.

1 Lieut.-Col. Stisted's	... ch aus m	...Forget-me-Not, 14-1.
2 Mr. McLeod's ...	... b aus f	... Dainty Lady, 14-0½.
3 H. H. Maharaja of Cooch Behar's ...	... bk aus m	... Matin Bell, 13-3.
4 H. H. Maharaja of Cooch Behar's ...	... ch aus m	... Coin II., 13-3½.
5 Major Popham Young's	... b e h	... Fabius, 13-2½.
6 Capt. Jeffrey's...	... br aus g	... Koorlong, 13-3½.
7 Col. P. K. L. Beaver's	... ch aus m	... Little Dolly, 14-0½.

THE HORSE PLATE.—7 furlongs.

1 Capt. H. D. McNeile's	... ch e g	... White Heather.
2 Thakur Sripal Singh's	... b aus g	... Florsam.
3 Capt. Winter's...	... b e h	... M. P.

THE JAHANGIRABAD PLATE.—½ mile.

1 Lieut.-Col. Stisted's	... ch a h	... Sublime, 13-2½.
2 Capt. Percy Smith's	... gr a g	... Wareed, 13-3½.
3 Capt. F. Bennett's	... ch a h	... Pardon.
4 Col. P. K. L. Beaver's	... ch a g	... Rufus, 13-2½.
5 H. H. Kour Sahib of Patiala's	b a h	... Mooslat, 13-2½.
6 H. H. Kour Sahib of Patiala's	ch a h	... Machine Gun, 13-3½.
7 Thakur Sripal Singh's	... b a h	... Hurrah, 14-0.
8 Thakur Sripal Singh's	... b a h	... Nusrat, 14-1.
9 Mr. Sydney Smith's	... gr a g	... Canopus, 14-0.
10 Capt. Winter's	... .	... Whirlwind.

LUCKNOW MILITARY HANDICAP CHASE.—About 2½ miles.

1 Mr. W. T. Miles'	... ch aus g	... Senator.
2 Mr. G. H. Beaumont's	... ch aus g	... Wales.
3 Mr. K. Robertson's	... ch aus g	... Ryong.
4 Mr. Locke's ...	... b aus g	... Lookout.
5 Mr. Locke's ...	... ch aus g	... Baron II.
6 Mr. H. A. Tomkinson's	... b aus g	... Spark.
7 Capt. Percy Smith's	... rn aus m	... Goodwin.
8 Mr. H. H. Sandbach's	... br aus g	... Wallace.
9 Mr. H. E. Norton's	... b aus g	... Gaylad.

Second Day.

THE COLVIN HORSE HURDLES.—2 miles over 8 flights.

1 Mr. G. H. Beaumont's	... ch aus g	... Wales.
2 Capt. R. Milvain's	... ch e g	... Spain.
3 Mr. Locke's ...	... b aus g	... Lookout.
4 Mr. Locke's ...	... ch aus g	... Baron II.
5 Capt. Percy Smith's	... rn aus m	... Goodwin.
6 Mr. H. A. Tomkinson's	... b aus g	... Spark.
7 Capt. H. D. McNeile's	... ch e g	... White Heather.
8 Mr. J. C. Galstaun's	... b aus g	... Hoop Iron.
9 Mr. J. C. Galstaun's	... b aus g	... Rustler.
10 Thakur Sripal Singh's	... b or br aus g	Toreador.
11 Mr. Johnstone's	... br aus g	... Hautboy.

THE CALCUTTA PLATE.—1 mile.

1 Mr. J. C. Galstaun's	.. br e m	... Killeevan.
2 Mr. J. C. Galstaun's	... b aus g	... Our State.
3 Capt. Winter's	... b e h	... M. P.

THE ALUMBAGH PLATE.—6 furlongs.

1 Lieut.-Col. Stisted's	... ch a h	... Sublime, 13-2½.
2 Major Popham Young's	... b a h	... Surkhab, 13-3½.
3 Capt. H. D. McNeile's	... b a h	... Colonel, 13-1½.
4 Hon'ble D. Bingham's	... gr a h	... Obara, 14-1.
5 Capt. F. Bennett's	... ch a h	... Pardon.
6 Col. J. S. Brown's	.. gr a h	... Saglawi, 13-2.
7 Col. P. K. L. Beaver's	... ch a g	... Rufus, 13-2½.
8 H. H. Kour Sahib of Patiala's	b a h	... Mooslat, 13-2½.
9 H. H. Kour Sahib of Patiala's	ch a h	... Machine Gun, 13-3½.
10 Thakur Sripal Singh's	... b a h	... Nusrat, 14-0.
11 Thakur Sripal Singh's	... b a h	... Hurrah, 14-0.
12 Mr. Sydney Smith's	... b a h	... Palmy Days, 13-2.
13 Mr. Johnstone's	... ch a h	... The Ranger, 14-0.
14 Capt. Winter's	... .	... Whirlwind.

THE FEBRUARY PLATE.—½ mile.

1 Lieut.-Col. Stisted's	... ch aus m	... Forget-me-Not, 14-1.
2 Capt. R. Milvain's	... b e m	... Cosy Corner, 14-0½.
3 H. H. Maharaja of Cooch Behar's ...	... bk aus m	... Matin Bell, 13-3.
4 Major Popham Young's	... b e h	... Fabius, 13-2½.
5 Messrs. Goculdas and A. Nanjee's	... b aus m	... Olga, 14-0½.
6 Major Williamson's	... b aus m	... Irish, 14-1.
7 Thakur Sripal Singh's	... b e m	... Silver II., 13-3½.
8 Mr. Johnstone's	... gr ch m	... Begum, 13-1½.

THE CHUTTER MUNZIL PLATE.—6 furlongs.

1 Mr. Bunting's	... b e m	... Lady Vera, 14-1½.
2 Mr. Bunting's	... gr e m	... Lady Grey II, 14-1½.
3 Major Williamson's	... b aus m	... Irish, 14-1.
4 Mr. W. H. Walmsley's	... br aus m	... Footlight, 14-1.
5 Capt. Percy Smith's	... bk or br aus m	Welcome Jane, 14-1½.
6 Col. P. K. L. Beaver's	.. ch e g	... Jolly Roger, 14-2.
7 Thakur Sripal Singh's	... b aus g	... Nigam, 14-1½.

Third Day.

THE DILKUSHA PLATE.—1½ mile.

1 Capt. R. Milvain's	... ch e g	... Spain.
2 Capt H. D. McNeile's	... ch e g	... White Heather.
3 H. H. Kour Sahib of Patiala's ...	... br aus g	... Lamrock.
4 Mr. J. C. Galstaun's	... b aus g	... Our State.
5 Capt. Winter's	... b e h	... M. P.

THE CHARBAGH PLATE.—5 furlongs.

1 Lieut.-Col. Stisted's	... ch aus m	...Forget-me-Not, 14-1.
2 Major Williamson's	b aus m	... Irish, 14-1.
3 H. H. Maharaja of Cooch Behar's ...	... ch aus m	... Coin II., 13-3½.
4 H. H. Maharaja of Cooch Behar's ...	... bk aus m	... Matin Bell, 13-3.
5 Major Popham Young's	... b e h	... Fabius, 13-2½.
6 Messrs. Goculdas' and A. Nanjee's ...	... b aus m	... Olga, 14-0½.
7 Col. P. K. L. Beaver's	... ch aus m	... Little Dolly, 14-0½.
8 Thakur Sripal Singh's	... br aus m	... Plover, 13-3½.
9 Thakur Sripal Singh's	... b aus g	... S. S.

THE DESERT HANDICAP.—1,000 yards.

1 Lieut.-Col. Stisted's	... ch a h	... Sublime, 13-2½.
2 Major Williamson's	... b a h	... Jeddah, 13-2.
3 Mr. E. C. Ramshaw's	... gr a h	... Girjistan, 13-3½.
4 Capt. D. Percy Smith's	... gr a g	... Wareed, 13-3½.
5 Thakur Buldeo Shaha's	... b a h	... Hazard, 14-0.
6 Major Popham Young's	... b a h	... Surkhab, 13-3½.

7	Capt. F. Bennett's	ch a h	...	Pardon.
8	Mr. F. M. Garda's	b a h	...	Kour Sahib, 13-3½.
9	Col. P. K. L. Beaver's	ch a g	...	Rufus, 13-2½.
10	H. H. Kour Sahib of Patiala's	b a h	...	Mooslat, 13-2½.
11	Thakur Sripal Singh's	ch a h	...	Omar, 13-3½.
12	Mr. Sydney Smith's	gr a g	...	Canopus, 14-0.
13	Capt. Winter's	.....	...	Whirlwind.

THE PONY OPEN CHASE.—R. C. about 2 miles.

1	Major-Genl. Blewitt's	ch aus g	...	Corbett, 14-0½.
2	Major Williamson's	b aus m	...	Irish, 14-1.
3	Capt. R. Milvain's	b e m	...	Cosy Corner, 14-0½.
4	Mr. W. H. Walmsley's	br aus m	...	Footlight, 14-1.
5	Mr. Locke's	b aus g	...	Gladstone, 14-1½.
6	Mr. H. H. Sandbach's	ch aus m	...	Double Keys, 13-3½.
7	Mr. R. H. Willan's	ch aus m	...	Duchess.
8	Mr. C. E. Reynard's	br aus m	...	Small Scotch, 14-2.
9	Messrs. Goculdas and A. Nanjee's	b aus m	...	Olga, 14-0½.
10	Capt. F. Bennett's	br aus m	...	Pinfire, 14-0½.
11	Mr. H. E. Norton's	ch aus m	...	Daphne, 14-1.
12	Col. P. K. L. Beaver's	ch aus m	...	Little Dolly, 14-0½.
13	H. H. Kour Sahib of Patiala's	b e m	...	Nurse Kitty 14-1½.

THE GOOMTEE PLATE.—6 furlongs.

1	Lieut.-Col. Stisted's	ch aus g	...	First Bell, 14-0.
2	H. H. Maharaja of Cooch Behar's	ch aus m	...	Coin II., 13-3½.
3	H. H. Maharaja of Cooch Behar's	bk aus m	...	Matin Bell, 13-3.
4	Major Popham Young's	b e h	...	Fabius, 12-3½.
5	Mr. G. K.'s	ch aus m	...	Veera, 14-0.
6	H. H. Kour Sahib of Patiala's	ch aus m	...	Parlourmaid, 13-3½.
7	Mr. J. C. Galstaun's	ch aus m	...	Claribell, 14-0.
8	Mr. J. C. Galstaun's	b aus m	...	Circus Girl, 13-2½.
9	Thakur Sripal Singh's	b aus g	...	S. S., 13-3½.
10	Thakur Sripal Singh's	br aus m	...	Plover, 13-3½.

THE HANDICAP HORSE CHASE.—About 2½ miles.

1	Mr. W. T. Miles'	ch aus g	...	Senator.
2	Mr. G. H. Beaumont's	ch aus g	...	Wales.
3	Mr. Locke's	b aus g	...	Lookout.
4	Mr. Locke's	ch aus g	...	Baron II.
5	Capt. D. Percy Smith's	rn aus m	...	Goodwin.
6	Mr. H. A. Tomkinson's	b aus g	...	Spark.
7	Mr. J. C. Galstaun's	b aus g	...	Hoop Iron.
8	Mr. J. C. Galstaun's	b aus g	...	Rustler.
9	Mr. Johnstone's	br aus g	...	Hautboy.

THE PRODUCE PLATE.—5 furlongs.

1	H. H. Kour Sahib of Patiala's	br cb g	...	Hard Harry, 14-1½.
2	Mr. Johnstone's	ch cb h	...	Bob Major, 13-3½.

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Ponies.

W. I. T. C. Measurements.

POONA.

The following ponies were classed, aged and measured, by the Official Measurer, W.I.T. Club, at Poona, on the 29th November 1906 :—

Horse's Name. Description.	Owner's Name.	Age.	Height.	Period.
Dalgety ... b a h	Mr. Kelso ...	4	13-2½	31st March 1907.
Encourage ch aus g	Mr. Kelso ...	6	14-1½	For life.
Liberal ... g a h	Mr. R. R. S. ...	6	13-3	For life.
Typhoon ... ng a h	Mr. Ardeshir Curset-jee	5	13-3¼	31st March 1907.

BOMBAY.

The following ponies were classed, aged and measured, by the Official Measurer, W. I. T. Club, at Bombay, on the 4th December, 1906 :—

Cherry Ripe ...	b aus m	Lieut. R. Osborne	6	14-1	For life.
Glass ...	g a h	Mr. Sulleman Mahalla ...	4	13-3	31st March 1907.
Grey Lady	g aus m	Lieut. R. Osborne	6	13-0½	For life.
Ian ...	ch aus g	Lieut. R. Osborne	6	13-3	For life.
Robert Macaire	ch a h...	Mr. Cowasjee Turner	6	13-3½	For life.
Rocketter	ch aus m	Lieut. B. Osborne	6	14-1	For life.
Star of Bombay	ch a h...	Aga Mirza ...	6	13-2	For life.
Supporter	b a h ...	Aga Mirza ...	5	13-3½	31st March 1907.
The Shah	b a h ...	Mr. A. Razak ...	Aged	13-2½	For life.
Tiger Smith ...	b a h ...	Mr. F. N. Furdoonji	4	13-3½	31st March 1907.
Young Cicero ...	g a h ...	Mr. A. K. Ready-money ...	3	14-0	31st March 1907.

Sport in England.

(FROM THE HOME PAPERS.)
LONDON, *Friday, 30th November 1906.*

THE TURF.

MANCHESTER.

IF only by reason of the glorious weather, marvellous for Manchester, the wind-up of the season will be memorable, and the more so for the extraordinarily high pressure at which the game was played throughout. Big fields look well on paper, and kept the executive rattling along each day. For the third time in succession the sun was as beniguant as in July, the temperature wonderfully mild, and par consequence the attendance enormous in every department. The executive have indeed every cause to be thankful, as the course was simply splendid, and sounder and more suitable going could not have been furnished anywhere. From start to finish, proceedings went with a vim, very little breathing time being allowed, but as was the case all round, backers met with persistent ill, fortune, and went all to pieces on the big race, in which no favourite has got home for the past sixteen years.

STAND PLATE—Of 200sovs.; winner to be sold for £50. 6 furlongs, straight.

Mr. E. Robson's br c Dark Blair, by Blairfinde—Rosmarine, 2yrs., 8st. ... H. Randall
Sir E. Cassel's br g Goldrock, 3yrs., 9st. ... W. Halsey
Mr. W. Elsey's br h Stoneling, 5yrs., 9st. 7lbs. ... ... E. Wheatley 3
Mr. W. Johnston's Longford Lad, aged, 9st. 7lbs. ... ... C. Trigg 0
Mr. C. B. Lund's Stealaway, aged, 9st. 4lbs. ... ... J. Priestman 0
Mr. Thorneycroft's colt by The Rush—Aloha, 2yrs., 8st. ... ... W. Higgs 0
Mr. H. F. Clayton's Grampian, 2yrs., 8st. ... G. Bradshaw 0
Mr. J. Rhode's Gold Lock, 6yrs., 9st. 7lbs. A. Templeman 0
Mr. H. Keswick's Csardas, aged, 9st. 7lbs. ... M. Cannon 0
Mr. J. Perkin's Magnolia II., 6yrs., 9st. 4lbs. ... ... B. Dillon 0
Mr. T. Sparrow's colt by Revenue or Wild Monk—Easter Gift, 2yrs., 7st. 9lbs. ... J. Morgan 0
Mr. H. V. Jackson's Central Park, 5yrs., 7st. 11lbs. (car. 8st.) ... ... G. McCall 0
Mr. G. A. Prentice's Piece d'Or, 2yrs. 8st. O. Madden 0
Mr. A. Sadler jun.'s Sadler's Wells, 2yrs., 7st. 6lbs. ... ... C. Heckford 0

(*Winner trained by Owner.*)

BETTING : 6 to 4 agst. Piece d'Or, 6 to 1 Csardas, 100 to 12 Central Park, 10 to 1 each Dark Blair, Stoneling, Goldrock and Gold Lock, 100 to 8 Aloha colt, and 100 to 7 each others (offered.)

Won by a head ; a neck divided second and third. Time—1min. 21⅘secs. Csardas, after breaking his foreleg, was destroyed.

MANCHESTER NOVEMBER HANDICAP—Of 1,500sovs. ; second receives 100sovs., and third 50sovs. out of the plate. Cup Course. 1½ miles.

Capt. Orr-Ewing's ch c Spate, by Rush—Chemistry, 3yrs., 7st. 5lbs. ... W. Saxby 1
Mr. G. A. Prentice's br h Spinning Minnow, by Isinglass—Go Lightly, 6yrs., 6st. 11lbs. ... ... J. Howard 2
Mr. A. A. Apcar's ch h Great Scot, by Lochiel—Scotch Mary, aged, 8st. 11lb. ... W. Halsey 3
Mr. H. Lawson's b g Galloper, by King's Messenger—Senlac, 3yrs., 6st. 6lbs. (5lbs. ex.) ... ... Ringstead 0
Col. R. L. Birkin's b h Goring Heath, by Cyllene—Vagrant, 5yrs., 7st. 11lb. ... J. Plant 0
Col. Kincaid Smith's b g Succour, by Succoth—Lady Gough, 3yrs., 7st. 13lbs. (car. 8st.) ... ... H. Randall 0
Mr. J. Buchanan's ch c Golden Measure, by Florizel II.—Fairy Gold, 4yrs., 8st. 8lbs. ... ... B. Lynham 0
Mr. H. J. King's b h Whistling Crow, by Crowberry—Sedge Warbler, 6yrs., 6st. 12lbs. ... ... C. Heckford 0
Lord Hamilton of Dalzell's br c Cherry Ripe, by Cherry Tree—Fine Lady, 4yrs., 7st. 9lbs. ... ... G. McCall 0
Mr. W. M. G. Singer's b or br h Manaton, by Matchmaker—Lottie Hampton, 5yrs., 8st. 11lb. ... ... O. Madden 0
Lord Cholmondeley's b h Alderman, by Isinglass—Butterfly, 6yrs., 6st. (car. 6st. 2lbs.) ... ... R. Crisp 0
Mr. C. Hibbert's b c Magic Balm, by Balsamo—Therese II., 3yrs., 6st. 5lbs. ... H. Watts 0
Mr. F. Stroud's b c Speculor, by Pride—Speculatrix, 4yrs., 7st. 7lbs. ... C. Trigg 0
Mr. A. Stedall's b g Rassendyl, by Loved One—Princess, aged, 6st. 13lbs. ... C. Escott 0
Mr. A. Buckley jun.'s b c Creangate, by Walmsgate—Crean, 3yrs., 7st. 3lbs. ... H. Blades 0
Capt. Bewicke's ch h Wild Lad, by Gone Coon—Wild Mint, 6yrs., 6st. 8lbs. (car. 6st. 9lbs.) ... ... A. Flanagan 0
Mr. R. B. Dobell's b g Jenkins, by Simontault—Eugenia, 4yrs., 6st. 7lbs. ... C. Jones 0

(*Winner trained by E. Robson.*)

BETTING : 9 to 2 agst. Great Scot, 10 to 1 each Magic Balm, Succour, Goring Heath and Golden Measure, 100 to 7 each Spate and Spinning Minnow, 100 to 6 each Creangate, Cherry Ripe and Wild Lad, 20 to 1 each Manaton and Speculor, 25 to 1 each Galloper, Alderman and Whistling Crow, 33 to 1 others (offered.)

Won very easily indeed by three lengths ; six lengths away, Great Scot was third. Time—2mins. 42⅖secs.

FINAL PLATE—Of 200sovs. 1¼ miles.

Mrs. H. V. Jackson's b c Velocity, by Speed Baliast, 4yrs., 9st. 7lbs. ... ... H. Jones 1
Mr. F. Alexander's b m Bitters, 5yrs., 8st. 11lbs. ... ... B. Lynham 2
Mr. L. Robinson's b h Roseate Dawn, 5yrs., 9st. 7lbs. ... ... W. Halsey 3
Lord Howard de Walden's Lorgnette, 3yrs., 8st. 4lbs. ... ... F. Baker 0

(*Winner trained by Peebles.*)

BETTING : 6 to 5 agst. Roseate Dawn, 6 to 4 Velocity, 5 to 1 Bitters, and 20 to 1 Lorgnette (offered.)

Won in game fashion by a length ; three parts of a length away Roseate Dawn, who ran ungenerously, was third.

PRINCIPAL WINNING JOCKEYS IN 1906.

		Mounts.	Lost.	Won.
1	Higgs, W. ...	682	533	149
2	Madden, O. ...	564	460	104
3	Maher, D. ...	353	250	103
4	Wheatley, E. ...	503	410	93
5	McCall, G. ...	418	342	76
6	Randall, H. ...	415	347	68
7	Trigg, C. ...	555	492	63
8	Lynham, B. ...	357	296	61
9	Halsey, W. ...	407	348	59
10	Griggs, Wm. ...	514	455	59
11	Templeman, A. ...	496	441	55
12	Jones, H. ...	321	267	54
13	Dillon, B. ...	337	286	51
14	Priestman, J. ...	248	202	46
15	Martin, J. H. ...	334	293	41
16	Howard, J. ...	318	280	38
17	Saxby, W. ...	259	227	32
18	Plant, J. ...	328	298	30
19	Cockeram, J. ...	250	221	29
20	Blades, H. ...	340	311	29

PRINCIPAL WINNING OWNERS IN 1906.

	Winning Horses.	Races Won.	£	s.
H. M. the King ...	3	4	2,788	0
Lord Derby ...	20	44	32,926	15
Major E. Loder ...	8	12	17,849	0
Mr. W. Hall Walker	7	24	14,355	0
Mr. Sol Joel ...	12	24	13,852	0
Mr. Reid Walker	5	10	12,018	0
Duke of Westminster	2	11	11,270	15
Lord Rosebery ...	7	11	10,772	10
Mr. L. Neumann	3	3	10,360	0
Mr. J. A. de Rothschild	4	9	9,324	0
Sir E. Vincent ...	5	10	9,096	17
Mr. W. Bass ...	12	23	8,415	0
Mr. Arthur James	6	12	8,368	10
Mr. J. B. Joel ...	11	17	7,681	10
Mr. William Clark	7	10	7,471	0
Lord Wolverton ...	4	9	7,428	10
Capt. Greer ...	2	8	6,834	10
Mr. W. Raphael ...	5	12	6,368	0
Lord Howard de Walden	14	24	6,290	0
Capt. J. Orr-Ewing ...	5	12	6,039	0
Mr. W. M. G. Singer	7	12	5,860	0
Mr. E. Dresden ...	8	11	5,557	10
Mr. A. Bailey ...	5	14	5,256	0
Sir E. Cassel ...	10	19	4,670	0
Duke of Portland	7	10	4,478	0
Mr. W. E Elsey ...	21	35	4,284	0
Mr. L. de Rothschild	10	21	4,274	0
Sir D. Cooper ...	2	2	4,197	0
Mr. O. W. Rayner	2	6	3,827	0
Duke of Devonshire	9	13	3,621	0
Mr. F. Alexander	5	9	3,568	0
Mr. C. Hibbert ...	12	20	3,541	10
Lord Ellesmere ...	7	13	3,539	0
Mr. F. Stroud ...	5	15	3,530	0
Mr. Fairie ...	2	4	3,488	10
Capt. J. G. Homfray	6	18	3,315	10
Mr. W. B. Purefoy ...	1	3	3,039	0

PRINCIPAL WINNING HORSES IN 1906.

	Races won.	£	
Keystone II. (3yrs.), b f, by Persimmon—Lock and Key	5	12,837	0
Troutbeck (3yrs.), b c, by Ladas—Rydal Mount ...	9	10,988	15
Bridge of Canny (3yrs.), b c, by Love Wisely—Santa Brigida	9	10,255	15
Dinneford (4yrs.), br c, by Dinna Forget—Gracie...	3	10,017	0
Llangibby (4yrs.), ch c, by Wildfowler—Concussion	1	9,285	0
Beppo (3yrs.), br c, by Marco—Pitti	2	8,440	0
Traquair (2yrs.), ch c, by Ayrshire—Chelandry ...	4	8,117	0
Bachelor's Button (aged), ch h, by Winkfield—Milady	3	6,500	0
Spearmint (3yrs.), b c, by Carbine—Maid of the Mint	1	6,450	0
Galvani (2yrs.), ch c, by Laveno—Gallinaria ...	4	6,139	0
Polar Star (2yrs.), ch c, by Pioneer—Go On ...	12	5,937	0
Prince of Orange (2yrs.), b c, by Florizel II.—Marsh Marigold	3	5,379	10
My Pet II. (2yrs.), b c, by Perth—My Mary ...	6	4,906	0
Black Arrow (3yrs.), br c, by Count Schomberg—Black Cherry...	3	4,870	0
Gorgos (3yrs.), br c, by Ladas—The Gorgon ...	2	4,822	10
Slieve Gallion (2yrs.), br or bl c, by Gallinule—Reclusion	3	4,090	10
Flair (3yrs.), b or br f, by St. Frusquin—Glare ...	1	4,000	0
Orwell (2yrs.), b f, by Matchmaker—Queen of the Rivers	5	3,965	0
Auber (2yrs.), br g, by Islington—Umbrosa ...	5	3,929	17
Polymelus (4yrs.), ch c, by Cyllene—Maid Marion	3	3,925	0
Feather Bed (4yrs.), ch c, by Ravensbury—Bed of Roses	4	3,273	0
Lally (3yrs.), ch c, by Amphion—Miss Hoyden ...	3	3,039	0
Gingal (3yrs.), br c, by Carbine—Pindi ...	3	3,023	0
Plum Tree (3yrs.), ch c, by Persimmon—Cauliflower	3	3,217	0

FOOTBALL ASSOCIATION RULES.

In the first and second divisions of the League the scoring was moderate on Saturday, but it was again very poor in the Southern League, and the latter has now a heavy deficit when compared with the other tourneys. The total to the credit of the twenty S. L. clubs on Saturday was only 24. In this competition home teams did not have what is popularly described as a rosy time. Only two of the ten managed to earn the brace of points, three were defeated, and five had the reduced pleasure of sharing the honours with their opponents. The five winning teams scored a dozen goals, but the five losing sides did not muster a goal between them. There were a dozen in the five drawn games, the only match of the afternoon in which there was no score being that between Millwall and Brentford, but there were altogether seven teams who failed to beat the opposing defence.

In the first division of the League the home teams met with qualified success, four gaining the full points, four dividing them with visiting elevens, and two being defeated. The ten games resulted in 31 goals being scored, of which 17 were credited to the six winning teams, eight to the losers, and there were six in the drawn games. Only three teams failed to score, and this unenviable distinction was the experience of a similar number of clubs in the second division. All the games here had definite results, and the home teams had a glorious time, nine winning and only one losing. Of the total of 36 goals scored, 27 were obtained by the winners and nine by the losers.

SOUTHERN LEAGUE.

When Fulham visited Northampton last season they won by three goals to one, but on Saturday they improved on this, and won by four clear goals. The West Londoners were easily the better team, and scoring twice in each half ran out easy winners. This is the second successive win away from home, and their biggest S.L. victory of the season, the three clear goals win at the Crystal Palace on 15th September standing next in order of merit. While Fulham were tightening their grip on the topmost rung of the ladder, their great rivals from North London were being pegged back by Brighton at the sea coast town. Last season in the corresponding game the verdict was a 2—0 win for the Albion, and they repeated this performance, a goal coming in each half as the result of bustling tactics. The 'Spurs played lovely football, but it did not prevail against the vigorous Brighton defence. Millwall and Brentford have started in a manner suggestive of a repetition of last season's results, when both games were drawn, as neither side was able to score on Saturday, and both sets of forwards were disappointing. Leyton were far below full strength in their game with Crystal Palace, at Leyton, and the latter also suffered from absentees, though not to so large an extent. The Palace forwards played a very masterful game, and it was largely owing to their robust skill that the home team went under by four goals. This is the first away win of the Palace in the League, and it is also their biggest S. L. win to date. At Park Royal the Rangers dropped a point against Bristol Rovers as compared with last season, but the Fates were not kind to them. It is most gratifying that the recent improved form of the Royalists is not a mere flash in the pan.

West Ham United went to Reading with memories of a 6—1 defeat last season, and with the further memory of a loss of a couple of points when Reading went to Upton Park. Remember ingthe form Reading have recently shown, it was a meritorious performance for the United to bring away a point on Saturday, and this is their fourth successive draw in the tourney. The fact that Southampton are returning to their old form was again demonstrated, for they played Watford to a draw at Cassio-road, and thus followed the example of Tottenham, Bristol Rovers, and Plymouth, each of whom shared the points with Watford, but the latter have not tasted defeat at home, and they last gave away two points on foreign soil at New Brompton on 29th September. Luton are to be congratulated on running Portsmouth to a goal at Fratton Park, but Norwich City accomplished a more noteworthy performance in scoring the only goal of the match against New Brompton, at Gillingham, this being the third successive loss of the Kent team on their own ground. Visiting elevens find that it is not quite so difficult to pick up a point at Plymouth this season as formerly, and Swindon did not have a fruitless journey, the Argyle being compelled to divide the points with them. It is now

nearly two months since Plymouth won an S. L. match on their own ground, while Swindon had previously gained only one point away from home.

	P.	W.	L.	D.	Goals For	Goals Agst.	Pts.
Fulham ...	... 16	8	1	7	24	13	23
Portsmouth ...	... 13	8	2	3	24	14	19
Tottenham Hotspur	... 15	6	3	6	27	18	18
Bristol Rovers	... 15	6	4	5	20	15	17
Watford ...	... 14	5	2	7	15	11	17
West Ham. United	... 15	5	4	6	25	19	16
Brighton and Hove	. 13	6	3	4	18	13	16
Millwall ...	... 14	7	5	2	28	23	16
Swindon Town	... 15	5		5	19	16	15
Norwich City	.. 13	5	3	5	18	19	15
Southampton	... 13	5	5	2	22	16	13
Crystal Palace	... 14	5	6	3	22	20	13
Plymouth Argyle	... 15	3	6	6	21	29	12
Luton Town ...	... 13	5	6	2	15	25	12
Brentford ...	... 13	5	7	1	16	25	11
Queen's Park Rangers	... 14	3	7	4	13	19	10
Leyton ...	13	3	6	4	15	33	10
Reading ...	... 14	4	9	1	15	20	9
New Brompton	... 13	4	8	1	13	20	9
Northampton	... 13	1	7	5	11	29	7

LEAGUE I.

Saturday's games in the first division of the League were not particularly happy experiences for the leading clubs, the Arsenal being the only team in the first seven to obtain a couple of points, and all the more credit is due to them because they captured these at Blackburn, where last season they were beaten by a couple of goals. It is always encouraging to win away from home; it is doubly pleasurable to do so when other leading clubs fall by the way. Looking at the curiously constituted forward line the Arsenal played, there did not appear much hope of victory, but Satterthwaite made an efficient deputy on the right, and Freeman at inside left proved that he has fully deserved the many nice things recently written about him. At times on Saturday the Arsenal defence was sorely pressed, but it responded in splendid style to the heavy demands made upon it, and once more Ashcroft proved himself a great keeper. The backs were solid, the halves untiring, and the forwards did well, as a line, notwithstanding a few spells of ineffective play. Woolwich are now equal in points with the leaders, Everton retaining premier position because of their better goal average.

It was indeed a dramatic afternoon for leading clubs. Everton were defeated at Sunderland, by a similar margin to that of last season; Sheffield Wednesday were not able to do more than draw at Stoke, Newcastle United had defeat inflicted upon them at Bristol by the City, Bolton Wanderers were held in check at Burneden Park by Manchester City (who halved the points), Sheffield United had to be content with a draw at Bramall-lane against Middlesbrough, and Aston Villa went down heavily at Liverpool. It must be a long time since such a small measure of success attended the efforts of the first seven teams in the table—one win, three defeats and three drawn games. Bury scored their first away win this season at Manchester, at the expense of the United, the latter having now lost two home games, and drawn three, but until Saturday no team had scored more than two goals at Clayton. Notts County played another drawn game, this being the sixth out of seven League matches at Trent Bridge, and as the County have also figured in a couple away from home, they have divided the points in eight of the 14 fixtures in the tournament, while Saturday's was the fifth game in which they have failed to score. There is no need for argument as to where the weakness lies. Birmingham continued their sequence of home wins at the expense of Derby County, but they did not have anything to spare.

	P.	W.	L.	D.	Goals For	Goals Agst.	Pts.
Everton ...	... 15	9	4	2	32	15	20
Woolwich Arsenal	... 14	9	3	2	29	19	20
Sheffield Wednesday	... 14	7	1	6	28	19	20
Newcastle United	... 14	8	3	3	28	15	19
Bolton Wanderers	... 13	6	2	5	23	17	17
Sheffield United	... 13	7	3	3	25	19	17
Aston Villa ...	... 15	7	6	2	27	25	16
Bristol City ...	... 14	6	5	3	22	19	15
Liverpool ...	... 14	6	6	2	29	23	14
Birmingham ...	... 14	6	6	2	20	22	14
Manchester United	... 14	5	5	4	19	25	14
Sunderland ...	... 13	5	5	3	18	19	13
Bury ...	... 15	4	7	4	25	29	12
Derby County	... 14	4	6	4	16	19	12
Preston North End	... 13	5	6	2	18	23	12
Stoke ...	... 16	2	8	6	16	25	10
Notts County	... 14	1	5	8	8	15	9
Blackburn Rovers	... 14	3	8	3	18	26	9
Manchester City	... 14	2	7	5	20	36	9
Middlesbrough	... 13	2	8	3	14	26	7

LEAGUE II.

Chelsea won their seventh consecutive home victory on Saturday, but they almost paid a very dear price for over-confidence against Barnsley. When some fifteen minutes from the close the home team, who had had by far the best of matters, eased up with a two goals lead, the visitors seized the unexpected opportunity, popped on a goal, and looked uncommonly like equalising. They were, however, kept out, and Chelsea, by annexing the two points are still well in the running, as they are only two points behind the Albion and Nottingham Forest with a match in hand. Burnley were provided with a surprise at Homerton, Clapton Orient, with depleted forces winning by the odd goal in three, and the Orientals are now in a respectable position in the table. Stockport County are rapidly forging ahead, and they completely outplayed Grimsby, the 3—0 defeat inflicted on the fishermen being their most severe defeat of the season. Nottingham Forest scored their sixth successive win by obtaining two of the three goals furnished by the Blackpool game, and the significance of this win is found in the fact that a fortnight earlier West Bromwich lost on the same ground, while at the beginning of the season Chelsea could do no better than share the points. On Saturday the Throstles found easy victims in Chesterfield, but Leicester Fosse were well beaten at Bradford, and they drop to fourth place in consequence. Glossop scraped home against Lincoln City. Hull had no difficulty in routing Burton United, and Gainsborough were full value for their win over Burslem Port Vale. Leeds City made a game struggle at the Molineux Grounds against Wolverhampton Wanderers, and the home team obtained their full deserts in scoring the odd goal in five.

	P.	W.	L.	D.	Goals For	Goals Agst.	Pts.
West Bromwich Albion ...	14	10	3	1	37	12	21
Notts Forest ...	14	10	3	1	29	16	21
Chelsea	13	9	3	1	28	12	19
Leicester Fosse ...	14	8	4	2	25	13	18
Stockport County ...	13	7	3	3	18	11	17
Bradford City ...	14	7	4	3	20	18	17
Hull City	13	7	4	2	21	11	16
Wolverhampton Wands....	15	7	6	2	26	21	16
Gainsborough Trinity ...	15	7	6	2	21	22	16
Burnley	14	7	6	1	22	13	15
Clapton Orient ...	13	5	5	3	16	21	13
Grimsby Town ...	14	5	8	1	18	23	11
Lincoln City ...	14	4	7	3	18	23	11
Burslem Port Vale ...	14	5	8	1	24	36	11
Chesterfield	14	4	8	2	16	24	10
Leeds City	14	3	7	4	14	25	10
Barnsley	13	4	8	1	21	20	9
Glossop	13	4	8	1	19	40	9
Blackpool	14	2	8	4	12	25	8
Burton United ...	14	3	9	2	11	30	8

RUGBY RULES.

THE SOUTH AFRICANS' TOUR.

MATCH *v.* IRELAND.—Splendid weather prevailed in the northern capital of Ireland on Saturday morning; indeed, the day was reminiscent more of midsummer than winter, the sun shining forth in all its splendour. With this condition of affairs prevailing for many days past, the playing pitch at Balmoral had dried up to a remarkable extent, and was in ideal order for a fast, open game.

When the teams arrived on the field both met with a very hearty reception from the 14,000 spectators. The play opened somewhat inauspiciously for Ireland, as three minutes after starting the home team was penalised, and Jackson landed a goal. The impetuous head-long charges of the Irishmen were all through the piece characteristic of their game as played at home, and time and again the visitors were non-plussed with the mighty avalanche of humanity dashing upon them. Even when the large total of points was being scored against them in the first half, the men of Ireland yielded not an inch, and the match, if it established one thing more than another, showed how well justified we were in considering the fine chance Ireland stood of conquering the South Africans.

It would be unfair to deny the visitors every credit for their splendid win; but, reviewing the match calmly and dispassionately, it must be said that Ireland was unlucky to lose. In the first place Heneberry cannot be said to have entirely justified his selection, and indeed more than once he threw away some brilliant chances, while his kicking left much to be desired. Then McIldowie was rather overcome by nervousness in the earlier stages of the game, but, in justice to him, it is only right to mention that he performed a great deal better than had been expected. To criticise each member of the Irish and South African teams would occupy too much space, but in a word it can be said that Maclear, Tedford, Parke, and Sugars were the bright particular stars of the Irish XV., while Loubser, Stegmann, Morkel, and Joubert, of the visitors, came in for very favourable comment.

The South African jersey being of the same colour as that of Ireland—green—the former had provided themselves with new white jerseys. The Irish captain having put the visitors to face a stiffish breeze, Carolin kicked off against the wind, and Coffey replied. Play settled down well inside the Irish lines, and the first item of note was a penalty kick taken by Jackson, who, with the game only a few minutes in progress, landed a goal.

With the ball again set in motion, Robinson was badly at fault, and lost some ground for Ireland, but a brilliant Irish rush generalled by Sugars and Coffey relieved the pressure, and the Irish forwards, following up, swept down on the South Africans' line. Amidst terrific cheering the ball went dead. A minute later Ireland again swamped the opposition, and making no mistake on this occasion, Sugars, from a scramble, dashed over at the corner for a try. Parke took the kick, but failed to add the major points.

From the drop out, Allen, Coffey, and Tedford kept the Africanders defending; but Loubser obtaining play was brought back to midway. The scene of strife remained here only for a very brief period, and Allen once more carried the war into the Colonials' territory. Robinson had a chance, but the referee was very smart in whistling back for an infringement. The game was now anything but interesting, and Stegmann infused some life into it by a huge kick, which, while bringing welcome relief, effected but little good. McIldowie, who up to now had not been very prominent, burst away with a splendid dribble, and all but gained the visitors' lines. Loubser put his side on the attack, and kicked to Heneberry. The full-back was grassed, and with H. Caddell offside, Roos made a splendid effort to land a penalty. Hirsch and Stegmann cleared on the left wing, and a further score looked imminent. Heneberry, however, was there, and took his man in splendid fashion. A cross movement saw Loubser beating the Irishman, and he got over at the corner. Joubert was powerless to land the goal against the wind.

The re-start saw the ball once again in the hands of the Colonials, and Loubser crossed the Irishmen's lines for a further try, Joubert again failing at goal. The Irish were now going badly, and Krige further increased the visitors' score with a try, which Morkel failed to improve upon. With twelve points to their credit the visitors were soon busy inside the home half, and a complete change overtook the game, Ireland, from being the aggressors, being busily engaged in checking the all-conquering South Africans. Half-time:—

	Pts.
South Africans (1 penalty goal, 3 tries)	12
Ireland (1 try)	3

After a brief interval, play was resumed, and Caddell was prominent with a dodging run, but his effort availed but little. Daneel and Marthèze dribbled right to the other end, and had even passed Heneberry, and all seemed over, when Gotto appeared on the scene and cleared—a splendid performance. Following, the Irish full-back was again at fault with a rather easy kick, which mistake was the means of letting Loubser all but in, Maclear this time coming to the rescue, grassing the Colonial within a yard of the line.

Taking their courage in both hands, Ireland's forwards made a combined movement to the centre, where Maclear smothered up Morkel, who attempted to pick up and punt. White and Tedford now indulged in a splendid piece of combination, and the battle was fiercely waged at the South Africans' "25." Here South Africa was penalised, and Parke, from outside the "25," brought off a magnificent goal against a high head wind.

Emboldened by this piece of good fortune, Ireland recovered, and Joubert only kept them out. A second later the last-named was forced into touch, and then Maclear made a fine effort right through the centre of the opposition, being only pulled down by sheer weight of numbers. Off-side at the centre saw Tedford finding touch well inside the opposing "25" and Ireland time and again seemed to hold the key to the situation, but somehow could not get "right there." With play on the very line, Joubert made a wonderful kick to near the centre.

After this Heneberry disappointed badly with a kick, which went into touch almost at right angles. This allowed the visitors to once more become the attacking party, but Thrift was more than once responsible for the safety of the Irish line.

Then followed the greatest feature of the match. With play at the Irish "25," Maclear getting the ball fairly romped away from Loubser and Joubert, and evading all opposition scored a memorable try, the most remarkable, perhaps, in the history of Rugby football. Parke failed with the kick.

Holding the South Africans as nought, Ireland was again right on top, and Maclear was just over when he was collared, and then from a rush Sugars scored, and equalised the points, Parke making another futile effort to place the goal.

With the scores equal, and only a few minutes from time, the excitement was beyond all bounds, and both sides strove hard to gain another point. The winning score occurred to the South Africans, per Stegmann, which Morkel did not convert. Ireland was sorely pressed on the left wing, and then came the end of a great game, in which South Africa was a lucky winner. Result:—

	Pts.
South Africans (1 penalty goal, 4 tries) ...	15
Ireland (1 penalty goal, 3 tries)	12

IRELAND.—H. J. Heneberry (Garryowen), *back*; H. Thrift (Dublin University), Basil Maclear (Cork County), J. C. Parke (Dublin University) (captain), and G. Gotto (North of Ireland), *three-quarter backs*; E. Caddell (Wanderers) and T. H. Robinson, *half-backs*; C. Allen (Derry), J. J. Coffy (Lansdowne), G. Hamlet (Old Wesley), H. Sugars (Dublin University), A. Tedford (Malone F. C.), G. McIldowie (Malone F. C.), H. A. Wilson (Glasgow University), and M. White (Queen's College, Cork), *forwards*.

SOUTH AFRICA.—S. Joubert, *back*; A. C. Stegmann, J. G. Hirsch, J. D. Krige, and J. Loubser, *three-quarter backs*; H. W. Carolin and D. C. Jackson, *half-backs*; P. Roos, W. A. Burger, W. S. Morkel, H. T. Daneel, A. F. Burdett, W. C. Marthèze, P. Le Roux, and D. J. Brink, *forwards*.

MATCH *v.* DUBLIN UNIVERSITY.—Fresh from their triumph over Ireland at Belfast last Saturday, the South Africans engaged on Monday a not particularly strong team, but the best available, of Dublin University, at Lansdown Road, the scene of so many historic encounters. The climatic conditions, left little to be desired, and with the atmosphere beautifully fine and mild, resembled more an afternoon in August than a mid-winter's day. The pitch, which yesterday was in excellent heart, played somewhat on the soft side, owing to some heavy rain in the small hours of the morning.

The Trinity team suffered a couple of defections, Young coming on in place of O'Rorke at back, and Purser for Huggard at left wing three-quarters. The encounter clearly demonstrated which was the better team, and save for a brief incursion made by Trinity into the visitors' territory, the South Africans had almost the whole play. From nearly every scrum the Colonial backs got possession, and the ball was flying from one wing to the other, and very probably their winning margin would have been large, but for the outsiders, Hirsch and Marsburg, dropping some of their passes.

Sharp to time, the South Africans, wearing green jerseys, took the field, the reception accorded them being enthusiastic in the extreme, while Trinity also received a hearty welcome. The home team won the toss, and took the advantage of the wind and sun. Carolin kicked off, but the ball went behind, and Young touched down. The first item of note was the getting in motion of the visiting backs, and a fine bout of passing ensued; but, with Young equal to the demands made on him, the attack was repulsed. Smartt gained some ground from a scrum formed here, and then made his mark from Jackson's kick, and play was at mid-field. The 'Varsity forwards were showing up well, and the home three-quarters getting on the move, Thrift was at fault in failing to hold a difficult pass from some scrummaging. Quinlan was hurt, and was forced to retire, but, although reduced to seven, the Irish pack fairly beat the opposition on this occasion, and swept down on Joubert. The latter extricated himself skilfully, and a moment later the Colonials were away headed by Marthèze; but the attack was short-lived.

With Quinlan resuming, the game returned to half-way, where a knock-on by De Villiers checked the visitors. This respite was only temporary, and, half a dozen breaking away on the right wing, Carolin transferred to Marthèze, who scored an easy try. Joubert failed to convert.

From the kick out Trinity got away, and Harpur made a good run, which brought hostilities to the Colonials' line. Excitement ran high as the 'Varsity swarmed on the line, and Parke was almost over, when D. Morkel held him up. Repulsing the Irishmen, Marsburg raced away in possession, and eluding Purser, reached half-way before kicking, and from this another round of passing led up to a score by Marsburg at the right-hand corner. D. Morkel failed to convert.

The next item was a grand run by Hirsch, and a few minutes later Young only saved by touching down. There was a further stoppage now, owing to an injury to Parke, but the Trinity captain was quickly himself again. A fine run and feint by De Villiers had almost the desired effect, but Marsburg missed his pass when on the line. The score was only delayed for a brief period, as the next instant Carolin dived across for a try, Joubert failing to convert. Half-time:—

	Pts.
South Africans (3 tries)	9
Dublin University	*nil.*

Sugars resumed for Trinity, and the restart was sensational, for within a few minutes Smartt gave to Thrift at the "25," and the sprinter, putting in a dashing effort, swerved past Joubert and scored a try right under the posts. Parke made a bold bid to add the major points.

To counterbalance this the visiting three-quarters set going, and some delightfully accurate passing was witnessed. After De Villiers had run and thrown to Hirsch, the latter passed inwards when tackled by Young, and De Villiers got over for a try. The kick at goal by Joubert was unavailing.

Jackson having transferred play once more to Trinity's lines, Morphy and Sugars put in some strong defensive work. Play having ranged somewhat evenly, the visiting forwards were away in the loose, but Thrift saved finely, and Joubert, receiving from his kick, made a good attempt at goal. This play was succeeded by a very anxious period for the Irishmen, whose line

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A little BOVRIL added to soups and made dishes renders them more appetising and nutritious.

was only kept intact by very resolute work by Smartt, Purser, Thrift, Parke, and Young. The last-named was called on a minute later, but his kick curled into touch, and another attack by the visiting forwards, by means of a loose rush, yielded a further score, Marthezе steadying the ball for a try after Purser and Parke had both failed to kick dead.

From this point to the end the Colonials were all over Trinity, and in quick succession Jackson went over on the right-hand corner, Joubert once more failing with the kick. Scarcely had the game been resumed when D. Morkel raced in, and Carolin converted, and, after Trinity had in vain endeavoured to stay the scoring of points, Marthezе from a pass by De Villiers scored, and Joubert converted. Millar, about half-way through the second half, was knocked out, his foot being hurt, but he resumed. Result :—

	Pts.
South Africans (2 goals, 6 tries)	28
Dublin University (1 try)	3

SOUTH AFRICA.—S. Joubert; J. J. Hirsch, H. A. De Villiers, S. C. De Melker, and A. F. Marsburg; H. Carolin and D. C. Jackson; R. Brooks, W. A. Mellor, D. Morkel, S. Morkel, W. C. Marthezе, P. Le Roux, H. G. Reid, and W. A. Burger.

DUBLIN UNIVERSITY.—Young; C. Purser, G. Beckett, J. C. Parke, and H. Thrift (captain); H. B. Aston and F. N. Smartt; M. K. Acheson, W. A. Burns, W. F. Gorston, T. G. Harper, R. M. Morphy, G. Quinlan; B. Solomons, and H. S. Sugars.

Referee:—Mr. S. Lee (North of Ireland).

SOUTH *vs.* NORTH.—The English Rugby Union are taking every possible step to discover a team worthy of upholding the honour of England when the South Africans are opposed at the Crystal Palace on 8th December. By the manner in which the South disposed of the North at Blackheath on Saturday their task has been made a very light one. The most ardent Northerner must have been considerably impressed with the display of the winners, for they were undoubtedly the superior at all points. Of course, against a team performing as did the North on Saturday there is just the possibility of a winning team's prospects appearing much brighter than they really are, but we are strongly of opinion that the predominant partner has this year some excellent material with which to build up a strong team.

Very early in the game Shewring, Birkett, and Brooks showed ability to offer and accept passes in awkward places, and the last-named went in for Cartwright to majorise. Simpson made a clever attempt only for Jackett to stay his progress, and from a scrummage Wedge secured, and crossed the Northerners' line without conversion following. The South forwards generally carried the scrum, and with Stoop at hand to carry on the movement he gave Shewring a chance which ended in an unconverted try. Northern prospects improved when Simpson again led the way past Jackett. Birkett, however, came up in the nick of time, and dropped on the ball. Shortly afterwards Shaw picked up, and handed to Birkett, but on being approached the Harlequin passed to Brooke, who ran in. This time Cartwright converted, and at the interval South led by 16 points to 0.

Re-starting, the North pressed for a short period, and in their opponents' lines Jackett was grassed. A free kick to them should have been utilised, but from an easy position Sanderson failed. It was to the leaders that the next score came, as Shewring kicking across left Brooks with a clear course, and he ran in, the kick failing. In quick succession Shewring and Birkett added tries, and then came the North's only score. Pain headed a long dribble, and touched down by the posts, but Sanderson again missed. From this point South were continually pressing and with Birkett scoring a couple of tries, without their being converted, the South won by 3 goals and 6 tries (33 points) to 1 try (3 points).

SOUTH.—*E. J. Jackett (Cornwall); F. S. Scott (Devon), *H. E. Shewring (Somerset), *J. G. G. Birkett (Surrey), and F. G. Brooks (Bedford and East Midlands); *A. D. Stoop (Surrey) and T. Wedge (Cornwall); *V. H. Cartwright (Midland Counties), *C. H. Shaw (Midland Counties), *T. S. Kelly (Devon), *W. Mills (Devon), *R. Dibble (Somerset), R. Jackett (Cornwall), *H. A. Hodges (Oxford University), and R. B. Gibbins (Cambridge University).

NORTH.—J. B. Deakin (Cheshire); *T. Simpson (Northumberland), J. I. Dixon (Manchester), A. E. Pickering (Yorkshire), and L. Hartley (Cheshire); H. C. Pain (Cheshire) and *F. C. Hulme (Cheshire) (captain); *J. Green (Yorkshire), *S. H. Osborne (Cumberland), L. A. N. Slocock (Lancashire), J. Hogarth (Durham) J. Boylan (Durham), G. Z. Pinder (Lancashire), V. A. Elliot (Cumberland), and G. C. Sanderson (Cheshire).

* Signifies an old International.

CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY *vs.* LONDON SCOTTISH.—At Cambridge on Saturday the Light Blues played well up to form, but were always well beaten. Munro, the old Oxford Blue, was irresistible, and obtained three of the tries, the London Scottish winning by 2 goals and 4 tries (22 points) to 1 goal, 2 tries (11 points). The visitors rushed up at the outset, and in the first minute Walter obtained a try, and Geddes converted; but after pressing for some time the 'Varsity scored through Pitt, who slipped away and out-paced his opponents. Macleod's kick just went wide. Within a few minutes Munro obtained a couple of unconverted tries. Four minutes before the interval Pitt punted across the field, and Koop and Macleod rushed down, and the latter, crossing the line, kicked a splendid goal. Immediately after the kick-off the visitors' three-quarters got together and Orr grounded over at the corner. Again Geddes failed, but his side were leading by eight points.

The Light Blues lost Koop after the interval, the Blue twisting his right knee. The game continued to be very hard throughout this half, and Simpson and Munro got in for the Scottish, but the tries were not improved upon. The match had an exciting finish, Pitt, Evans, and Macleod breaking away just on time, the latter grounding over. His place-kick failed, and the final score was :—London Scottish, 22 points; Cambridge University, 11 points.

RICHMOND *vs.* BLACKHEATH.—At Richmond on Saturday the first incident of note was a good run by Wilson, followed by some useful kicks by Gotley and Sykes. The Richmond forwards, headed by Dakeyne, made an incursion into the Blackheath territory, only to be beaten back, Richmond touching down. Re-starting in some loose play in the Richmond half, Hill picked up, threw to Tuckett, who, after an excellent run, scored a try, which Robson converted. Shortly after Wright made an excellent run, which he finished by a drop at goal. From a scrum directly afterwards Gotley made a dash and scored, Robson again converting. On resuming Tuckett and Robson were all but in, the tension being relieved by a good kick by Wilson, and with a fine Blackheath forward rush, which was splendidly saved by Ereant, half-time arrived.

The start of the second period saw Wilson put in smart work, and then Wright made an opening for Robson to score and convert. Having resumed, despite a good kick by Odgers, Blackheath worked up to Richmond "25" and here Upson, getting possession close to the touch-line, worked his way through the whole Richmond team and scored. Subsequently, for an offside penalty, Odgers nearly dropped a goal. From this point Richmond held the upper hand. The forwards got the ball in the scrum, and Wilson, after a great run, was nearly in. A little later Sykes passed to Wilson, who handed on to Ereant, and this player gained a very fine try, which Wilson converted. The game ended with Blackheath, 4 goals (20 points); Richmond, 1 goal (5 points.)

HARLEQUINS *vs.* ROSSLYN PARK.—Rosslyn Park paid their annual visit to Wandsworth Common on Saturday, and had the advantage over the Harlequins, inasmuch as they were fully represented, whereas their hosts' team was very much re-arranged. Luckily for the home combination, Lambert, who was reserve for the Trial, turned out soon after the kick-off, and his display was the one redeeming feature of the game, as far as the defeated side was concerned.

The opening was tame. The visitors forced play in the neighbourhood of their opponents' "25" line. King-Stephens being prominent, with little spurts and good length kicks into touch. The Harlequins' forwards, led by the Wards, made a determined rush into the visitors' side of the centre, but Rosslyn Park retaliated, the movement ending in touch near the corner flag. A moment later, W. R. Glover scored the first try which was not converted. After resuming, the home custodian only feebly responded to a free kick taken by King-Stephens and Shelton very nippily got over, but King-Stephens failed to convert. In subsequent play, Lambert roused the home enthusiasm by his individual efforts, but the Park defence was equal to its attack. Half-time arrived with Rosslyn Park leading by 2 tries to *nil*.

On the resumption, Ward's effort to get away was well checked, and the visitors carried play to the home line, which Shelton again crossed. King-Stephens for the third time failed to negotiate the goal. Smart footwork by the Harlequins' forwards gained them ground, which the backs improved, and Baxter got over, but no goal resulted. Result :—Rosslyn Park, 3 tries (9 points); Harlequins, 1 try (3 points).

OXFORD UNIVERSITY *vs.* MARLBOROUGH NOMADS.—Favourable weather attended this match at Oxford on Saturday, and there was a large attendance. Butterworth, Wix, and Hodges stood out of the Oxford side, and Vassall, Latham, and Thomson filled the vacancies. A very good game was witnessed, and at the outset it was very evident Oxford were not to have matters their own way, as within five minutes of the start Rogers made a capital run, and passing to Wragg, the latter obtained a try, which was not improved on. After a while Oxford played much better, Cozens Hardy leading a rush which threatened danger to the Nomads' line. Rogers checked, and a little later another good effort was frustrated by the sound defence of the visitors. But Oxford were soon attacking again, and ultimately, after a fine run, Batchelor transferred to Vassall, and from the try which resulted the former kicked a goal. Mitchell made a fine effort to whip off the deficit, but without success, and, Williamson running through from a scrum, Oxford led at half-time by a goal and a try to a try.

On crossing over there was some good forward work on either side, but a smart bit of play by the Oxford backs soon gave them the advantage again, and Milton got in near the corner, Batchelor kicking a splendid goal. Then Rogers passed to Wragg, who, after a capital run, obtained a try for the Nomads, which was not improved. The remainder of the game was rather in favour of the 'Varsity, and after Flemmer had worked through, Howe Browne scored another try just before the whistle blew. Neither was converted, and Oxford won by 2 goals 3 tries (19 points) to 2 tries (6 points).

ATHLETICS.

OXFORD UNIVERSITY *vs.* L.A.C.—Although the match between the University and the L.A.C. at Oxford on Saturday hardly excited the amount of interest one would have expected, the sport was of a really creditable character. Unfortunately for the chances of the Dark Blues they were deprived of the services of two of their first strings through illness, Hussey being an absentee from the hurdles and Schute from the half-mile, and their absence undoubtedly paved the way for London's success by six events to four. One hardly expects to see men at the top of their form in the middle of November, and yet some really excellent performances were recorded, the most gratifying from an Oxford point of view being that of N. G. Chavasse in the quarter. Most of the other events resulted in accordance with anticipations, except, perhaps, the long jump in which Young went down before the Old Blue, L. J. Cornish, who entirely, without practice, cleared 22ft. 4in. Sheepshanks ran with excellent judgment in the half-mile, which he credited to the L.A.C. in 2mins. ⅘secs., and thanks to his fine finishing powers, Tremeer just succeeded in beating his club mate in the hundred.

OFFICIALS.—Judges, C. N. Jackson (O.U.A.C.) and P. L. Fisher (A.A.A.); referee, Montague Shearman, K.C. (O.U.A.C. and L.A.C.); timekeeper, H. M. Turner; starter, David Burrin. Details :—

100 YARDS.—L. F. Tremeer, L.A.C., 1; H. S. Harmer, L.A.C., 2; C. M. Chavasse, Trinity, 3; C. L. Parker, St. John's, 0. Harmer held a clear lead to the enclosure, but Tremeer, finishing strongly, got up a few yards from the tape and won by half a foot; a foot. Time—10⅘secs.

LONG JUMP.—L. J. Cornish, L.A.C., 22ft. 4in., 1; P. M. Young, Oriel, 21ft. 8¼in., 2; H. A. Birrell, University, 20ft. 11in., 3; S. S. Abrahams, L.A.C., 20ft. 10¼in., 0.

THROWING THE HAMMER.—A. M. Stevens, Balliol, 140ft. 5in., 1; A. H. Fyffe, University, 130ft., 2; H. A. Leake, L.A.C., 123ft., 3; E. F. Flaxman, L.A.C., 107ft. 8in., 0.

HALF MILE.—R. Sheepshanks, L.A.C., 1; P. S. Darling, New, 2; T. B. Deakin, Hertford, 3; G. V. Mills, L.A.C., 0. Mills made the running for two-thirds of the distance and then gave way to Darling and Deakin, who came into the straight on nearly even terms. Sheepshanks, however, made a fine effort at the hundred yards post, and catching Darling at the enclosure, won by eight yards; six yards. Time—2mins. ⅘secs.

120 YARDS HURDLES.—E. E. Leader, L.A.C., 1; O. Groenings, L.A.C., 2; A. E. Wilken, Keble, 3; J. H. L. Yorke, Oriel, 0. Leader led over the first flight, and holding his advantage to the end won by a yard and a half; half a yard. Time—17⅕secs.

TWO MILES.—N. F. Hallowes, Keble, 1; F. B. Thompson, L.A.C., 2; D. F. McNicol, L.A.C., 3; W. W. Wagstaff, New, 0. Close order was kept for the first mile (5mins. 16secs.), but in the next circuit McNicol went to the front and at the Pavilion led Hallowes and Wagstaff by six yards. Wagstaff retired soon afterwards, and Thompson went up first. Entering the straight, however, Hallowes made his effort, and drawing away from Thompson a hundred yards from home, he won by eight yards; seventy yards. Time—10mins. 14⅘secs.

PUTTING THE WEIGHT.—H. A. Leake, L.A.C., 39ft., 1; A. B. Sale, L.A.C. 35ft. 7½in., 2; R. L. Robinson, Magdalen, 33ft. 11in., 3; A. M. Stevens, Balliol, 33ft. 9in., 0.

HIGH JUMP.—O. Groenings, L.A.C., 5ft. 9in., 1; E. E. Leader, L.A.C., 5ft. 8ins., 2; J. H. L. York, Oriel, 5ft. 7in., 3; A. N. Doorly, St. John's, 5ft. 6in., 0.

QUARTER MILE.—N. G. Chavasse, Trinity, 1; S. S. Abrahams, L.A.C., 2; E. V. Rieu, Balliol, 3; L. J. de B. Reed, L.A.C., 0. Chavasse went off at a tremendous pace and leading from end to end, won by fourteen yards; five yards. Time—50⅘secs.

ONE MILE.—S. P. L. Lloyd, Magdalen, 1; A. Chandler, Hertford, 2; F. B. Thompson, L.A.C., 3; P. S. Darling, New, 0; F. Heyes, L.A.C., 0; D. N. Bower, L.A.C., 0. Darling and Lloyd made joint running for a lap (1min. 32secs.), but at the half mile the former retired, leaving Lloyd with a six yards lead. This he improved as he went on and eventually won by fifteen yards; thirty yards. Time—4mins. 42secs.

ROWING.

CAMBRIDGE TRIAL EIGHTS.

After one of the finest exhibitions of rowing remembered in this race for a number of years, W. A. Simpson's crew yesterday defeated P. J. Lewis' over the famous Queen Adelaide course below Ely. Almost ideal surroundings prevailed, and there was, of course a large attendance. There was a strong breeze blowing down stream, and, as in former years under similar conditions, the course was shortened to about two and a half miles.

With one or two exceptions the men rowed remarkably well, and specially may be mentioned Hudson, Burn, Thomson, and Simpson, of the winning boat; and Fraser, Bland, Bartram, Masefield, and Lewis, of the losing combination. A strong array of famous Blues and coaches were present, including Messrs. S. D. Muttlebury, F. J. Escombe, B. C. Johnstone, H. M. Goldsmith, D. C. R. Stuart, S. M. Bruce, C. W. Powell, G. D. Coachrane, L. H. K. Rushe Fox, Dr. Michael, &c.

In all 72 candidates received trials, the men being divided amongst the chief colleges as follows:—Jesus and Lady Margaret, 7 each; First Trinity and Trinity Hall, 6; Third Trinity, 5; and Cains, Emmanuel, and Christ's, 4. All the clubs, except St. Catharine's and Fitzwilliam Hall were represented. Only three of the Jesus men failed to find places. This year, for the first time, the President has been experimenting with an untrained coxswain (Hoare), and although at Cambridge he took some really remarkable corners, up to the present he has not been altogether a success, and steered very badly yesterday.

A notable feature was the absence of Eton representatives, the famous rowing school having fewer "Caps" than for five years. This, and other things, point to the probable downfall of Third Trinity next May. They have carried everything before them for the past five years, but Trinity Hall, First Trinity, and Jesus will all be strong aspirants to the "Headship" next year. A change will do Cambridge rowing a wonderful lot of good. Four old Trial Eight "Caps" were in residence—O. Shimwell, M. C. Allright, R. R. Evison, and A. P. Methuen—but they did not take part in the race.

Undoubtedly there are prospects of a good 'Varsity crew being turned out next term. Quite a respectable eight could be picked from the Trials, but in addition four Blues are certain to be "up." B. C. Johnstone, H. M. Goldsmith, D. C. R. Stuart, and E. W. Powell. J. H. F. Benham may come into residence, while G. D. Cochrane and Sir W. B. Savory can row if required. Also the authorities have A. B. Close-Brooks and H. G. Baynes—who rowed against Harvard—whom they have not called upon to take part in these Trials. With such an array of talent as this, and with a reasonable amount of luck, Cambridge should have a really fine eight.

Lewis won the toss, and naturally selected the Ely side, receiving some shelter from the wind for a greater part of the course. However, what he gained by this he lost through bad steering, and it is calculated that the cox lost him the best part of a length.

The crews got a good start, but Simpson dashed away in a surprising manner, and after pulling 36 strokes in the first minute, was almost a length ahead. At the end of the first half mile there was half a length's daylight between the boats. It was then that Lewis called for a spurt, and being well backed up by his crew, he began to reduce the gap, and was almost level at the mile. It then looked as if the Johnian was going to stroke for a third time a winning crew and so create a record; but he got short and his opponents went ahead again, and were three-quarters of a length to the good at Day's Farm.

Once in the straight, a great struggle was anticipated. Lewis made several attempts at getting on equal terms, but Simpson had the advantage of being able to watch his antagonist, and answered spurt for spurt and, keeping his stroke long, continued to gain. He was then rowing at 33, but as he drew near the finishing post he quickened up, and, pulling 9 strokes in the last 15secs., won by a length and a quarter. A word of praise must be said for the splended way in which Lewis' crew rowed a losing race. The official time was 14mins. 5secs. The following are the crews:—

MR. W. A. SIMPSON'S CREW.

		st.	lb.
	E. G. S. Caine (Haileybury and Jesus) (bow) ...	11	4
2.	F. H. Jerwood (Oakham and Jesus)... ...	10	4
3.	J. Walmsley (Shrewsbury and First Trinity) ...	11	11
4.	F. G. Hudson (Private and Jesus)	12	3½
*5.	J. S. Burn (Harrow and First Trinity) ...	12	9
‡6.	G. L. Thomson (University College School and Trinity Hall)	12	0
7.	R. E. Freeth (King's Coll. School, Wimbledon, and Selwyn)	11	3
	W. A. Simpson (Radley and Trinity Hall) stroke)	10	8
	T. More (Edinburgh Academy and Caius) (cox)	8	4

Coach, Mr. H. M. Goldsmith (Honorary Secretary, C.U.B.C.).

MR. P. J. LEWIS' CREW.

		st.	lb.
	†J. Fraser (Private and Lady Margaret) (bow)	11	3
2.	G. N. M. Bland (Eton and King's)	11	4
3.	Hon. J. H. Parker (Eton and Third Trinity) ...	12	6
4.	H. Bartram (Lancing and Trinity Hall) ...	11	12
5.	L. T. S. Barrett (Cheltenham and Christ's) ...	12	11
6.	W. B. Masefield (Haileybury and Jesus) ...	12	5
7.	W. E. Thrash (Pietermaritzburg and Christ's) ...	11	8½
†*	P. J. Lewis (Hereford and Lady Margaret) (stroke)	11	9½
‡	F. A. Hoare (Tonbridge and First Trinity (cox)	8	2

Coach, Mr. B. C. Johnstone (President, C.U.B.C.)

* Signifies rowed in 1905. † Signifies rowed in 1904.

‡ Signifies a freshman.

OXFORD TRIAL EIGHTS.

The Trials concluded their practice on the home water yesterday afternoon, and at its conclusion the boats were despatched to Moulsford, where the crews are rowing this afternoon. Cudmore was sufficiently recovered from his indisposition to resume his place at No. 2 in the second boat, and Stanhope retired. The president and secretary shared the coaching, and only a limited amount of tubbing was done.

The work in the eight was accomplished in one piece, and having paddled to Iffley, they rowed up to the Freewater Stone and back to the Lasher. There the boat was put about, and on the home journey a bit of hard rowing was indulged in from the Bridges to the Red Post. Names and weight :—

No. 1 Crew.

st. lbs.		st. lbs.	
C. D. Hannam (Trinity) (bow)	10 7	A. G. Kirby (Magdalen)	13 8
A. C. McNabb (Balliol)	11 1½	H. A. Barker (Christ Church) ...	11 9
E. A. Walker (Merton)	12 1	E. V. Culme Seymour (New) (stroke) ...	11 1
J. A. Gillan (Magdalen)	12 2	A. W. Donkin (Magdalen) (cox)	8 7
G. E. Hope (Christ Church) ...	12 7		

No. 2 Crew.

st. lbs.		st. lbs.	
W. T. Heard (Balliol) (bow) ...	11 3	H. G. Pilling (Keble)	12 2
C. R. Cudmore (Magdalen)	11 5	E. H. L. Southwell (Magdalen) ...	11 12½
J. Dewar (New)	12 3½	O. N. Chadwick Healey (Trinity) stroke) ...	11 2
R. M. Peat (Trinity) ...	11 9	A. St. Kekewick (Christ Church) (cox) ...	7 7½
J. C. Plimton (Trinity)	13 0		

BOXING.

NATIONAL SPORTING CLUB.

As anticipated, the bout between "Tiger" Smith (late 10th Hussars) and Seaman Kelly (H.M.S. *Jupiter*) proved to be of a sharp and decisive character. Although lasting less than a

round, or, to be more exact, 2mins. 42secs., some very heavy exchanges took place during that period. From the sound of the gong the pair went in for "keeps," and it was a case of who would crack first, the ex-soldier's superior knowledge of the business soon began to assert itself, and after once getting his man into trouble he never left him, and brought about the sailor's downfall in a most pronounced manner. The pair, who had received a thorough preparation, looked very confident when they entered the ring. The men, it may be mentioned, had been matched to box for £100 a-side and a purse at 12st. Earlier in the day Kelly went 11st. 9lbs. and the soldier a pound heavier.

When the lights were turned up the theatre was well filled, in fact, there was not a vacant chair to be had. Proceedings opened with a ten rounds contest between Darkey Haley (Leytonstone) and Wally Pickard (Newmarket). The pair, it will be remembered, met some time ago, when Haley received the award. The Newmarket lad—a brother of the renowned brothers Pickard, whose wrestling and boxing exhibitions were in great request a few years ago—boxed in a most resolute manner, but Haley met the majority of his rushes in excellent form, and at times used his left very cleverly. Round after round was contested in most vigorous fashion, and at the close a draw was declared.

This led up to the chief encounter, and this being disposed of another couple of heavy-weights made their appearance, the Army and Navy again being in opposition when Seaman Broadbent (H.M.S *Jupiter*) met Trooper Oldman (Royal Horse Guards). This proved another spirited bout of short duration, the sailor triumphing midway through the second round.

The last contest of the evening was between those well known feather-weights, Young Lilly (Deptford) and Tom Danaher (Bethnal Green), who were matched to box fifteen rounds. This resulted in a most protracted encounter, and after the full number of rounds had been contested Lilly received the award.

OFFICIALS :—Referee, Mr. J. H. Douglas; timekeeper, Mr. E. Zerega; M. C., Mr. A. F. Bettinson. Details :—

TIGER SMITH BEAT SEAMAN KELLY.

When the pair faced each other the sailor looked some pounds the heavier, in addition to being the taller. Smith, who stood right foot first, walked straight up to his man and thumped him very hard on the head, while Kelly immediately afterwards dashed out the left on the mouth. Smith at once delivered three heavy right-hand blows on the jaw, which sent the sailor up against the ropes. Before the latter could pull himself together the ex-Hussar drove the left on the ribs, which caused the sailor to drop all of a heap. Kelly managed to rise, but was very unsteady, and to a right-handed punch Kelly again went down. Taking almost the stipulated time before rising, the sailor was in a very sorry plight, and Smith, seeing his opportunity, drove the left well home on the mark and doubled up the sailor, the referee thereupon declaring Smith the winner.

Smith was seconded by Staff-Sergeant. Kain, Arthur Gutteridge, and Bill Whatley; while Kelly was looked after by Seaman Brittain, Seaman Baker, and Bill Baxter.

WONDERLAND.

For the first special night of the season at the popular East London fistic academy in Whitechapel Road a high-class entertainment was submitted last evening. Every part of the big building was well filled by a representative company, which evidenced its satisfaction by frequent and unstinted applause.

For the main attraction—a fifteen rounds contest between Cockney Cohen and Driver Himpfen—it was considered that Mr. H. Jacobs had made a capital selection, for both contestants besides having good followings, looked upon as being quite in the front rank of the feather-weight class. Cohen has possibly the superior claim to notice in consequence of a victory over the once redoubtable "Pedlar" Palmer, but Himpfen has had a long and successful association with the ring, and claims distinction by defeating Harry Ware, who wrested from the little Canning Town phenomenon the title of bantam champion. For these reasons alone a match between Cohen and Himpfen had all the appearances of being an evenly balanced affair, and when they contested a six rounds draw some time since, a keen rivalry sprang up between the respective sides. Ultimately articles for the match under notice were drawn up office, and both lads went into strict training, the ex-soldier selecting the Crooked Billet, Chingford Road, under the care of Harry Blake, while Cohen repaired to Mr. Gus Brewer's, the White Hart, Barnes, under the care of Bill Natty.

On appearing last night they gave undeniable signs of having taken plenty of pains in order to befit themselves for the important task, and the fact that old and shrewd judges figured respectively behind the lads testified to the high opinion entertained of their merits as performers who would try in the most determined manner to achieve success. From the moment the timekeeper gave the signal for the commencement of hostilities the lads set off in earnest, and without shirking their work, hammered away in such a manner as to make the onlookers hold out expectations of a merry bout. Cohen was the cleverer, and had the better of the opening exchanges. The Walthamstow youth lost his head to some extent, and rushing in twice he swung his arms around his rival's legs. This led up to annoyance on the opposite side, and the bout degenerated into a scramble. Cohen hit much the harder, and once had his rival on the floor dazed. Himpfen on rising threw both arms around his adversary's neck, and dragged the latter to the boards. Immediately afterwards the Essex lad made a frivolous claim for being hit low, and this he repeated in the fifth round. By this time it was evident that Himpfen was anxious to shirk further punishment, and the ex-soldier going down, the referee declared Cohen the winner.

The evening's card was of its customary huge proportions, and the bouts provided were all boxed in such a manner as never to allow a dull moment to exist during the three solid hours required to carry the programme through. For the smaller attractions Mr. Dave Jacobs was referee and timekeeper; and for the Cohen and Himpfen contest Mr. E. A. Humphreys acted as referee, the times being taken by Mr. D. Jacobs. Mr. G. Harris officiated as M. C., and the general arrangements were in the hands of the promoter.

The Leeds youth was seconded by Joe Jacobs, Patsy Donovan (South Africa), Bill Natty, and Charley Smith; while Himpfen had for his attendants H. Grenhill, H. Blake (his trainer), Jack Farley, and Tom Ireland.

JACK O'BRIEN *vs.* TOMMY BURNS.

The quiet little watering-place of Los Angeles, on the east coast of South California, was the scene on Wednesday evening of a great fistic encounter for the American heavy-weight championship. The principals were Jack O'Brien, of Philadelphia, and Tommy Burns, Detroit—two of the greatest boxers in the States. The match excited wide spread interest, and long before the men were timed to appear in the ring, the Pacific Athletic Club had to close its doors, as the huge building was filled in every part. The men were articled to box for 25,000 dollars and a percentage of gate receipts, of which O'Brien received the largest portion. The fight lasted the full twenty rounds, and at the conclusion both men were on their legs, and a draw was announced.

The fight was interesting as it served a very useful purpose in giving American sportsmen an idea of O'Brien's form, and his chances of victory against England's champion, Gunner Moir. Before the fight began, O'Brien was a red-hot favourite, and odds against Burns at 3 and 4 to 1 could be easily obtained.

Immediately the gong sounded, O'Brien sailed in, and at once mixed matters. He forced the exchanges, and Burns contented himself with acting on the defensive. The next three rounds were much in favour of O'Brien, but in the seventh and eighth Burns surprised his supporters by assuming aggressive tactics. There was little in the fight when the tenth round was reached. In the next three rounds O'Brien hammered his adversary all over the ring, and it seemed as if the Detroit representative would drop. Getting home a hard punch on the head in the fourteenth meeting, O'Brien was badly shaken, but his condition served him in good stead. The honours in the remaining rounds were very even, and when the gong sounded the conclusion of the twentieth round, the referee announced a draw. The verdict met with a mixed reception for the bulk of the spectators were of opinion that O'Brien had won, as he was practically the aggressor all through.

B. B. B.

Hunting.

THE MADRAS HOUNDS.

THERE was no meet of the Madras Hounds on Sunday last, owing to the very heavy rain of the previous week, and on Wednesday, owing to the flood in the Adyar River, the meet had to be changed to the south side of the river, as it was still too wide to cross at the usual Dhoby's Pool.

Messrs. Oakes and Company's Cigar Factory therefore, became the place of meeting and a fairly numerous field turned out. After a short wait, to give late comers a chance to turn up, the Master made a move across the fields to the east end of the Saidapet Coverts and hounds, fresh and keen after a week's rest, were almost at once on a line in the first covert drawn. Unluckily, the jack was not a traveller and from find to kill we never left the stretch of coverts between the place where he was found to the Butts Plain. Circumscribed as these limits were, he managed to give hounds plenty to do within them and very well they did it, sticking to him in the most determined manner. At one time he looked like breaking in the direction of the mount, but, being headed by people working in the fields, he doubled back right through the pack in some high crops and had a very narrow escape. Shortly afterwards five couples changed on to a fresh jack, who broke across the Butts Plain, and for a time ran him very well. They were eventually brought back, however, and rejoined the body of the pack, which, with the Master and only one other follower, stuck to their original quarry, and, would but for their diminished numbers, have killed sooner. This reinforcement, however, proved too much for the jack and after a few more turns he was bowled over. He was an unusually fine and large dog jack and had stood before hounds for an hour and fifty minutes. As a hunt it was a good one, but there was not very much fun in it for the hard riding contingent, as it took place almost entirely in thick country.

B. B. B.

Polo.

POLO IN MADRAS.

THIS week a great deal of interest has been taken in the Polo Tournament for the Novices' Cup, which has been unusually well contested this year. Teams from the 30th Lancers (Gordon's Horse), the 13th Hussars, the R. A. and R. E. from Bangalore, a team captained by Rajah Venugopaul Bahadur and another composed of members of His Excellency the Governor's Staff have competed and some of the matches have been exceptionally well contested. Owing to the wet weather the Island ground in Madras, where the Tournaments are usually held, was unfit for play, and, by permission of His Excellency the Governor, the matches took place on the Government House ground at Guindy.

The first match took place on Monday, the 10th instant, between the 13th Hussars and Rajah Venugopaul's team. The latter, after making all the running in the first chukker, were gradually beaten back, but it was some considerable time before the Hussars could get ahead. The Hussars were, however, the better team and finally won a hard-fought match by two goals to a single subsidiary.

Two matches were played on Thursday, the 13th instant, the 30th Lancers beating the 13th Hussars and Government House defeating the R. A. and R. E (Bangalore) team. The former was an excellent game in every way. The Lancers played with splendid dash all through, but the Hussars were almost their match and it was not until the last chukker that the result of the match could be foretold. Bayley and Merchant for the losers played a very plucky game, while Major Barnard and one of the native players did most of the work in the Lancers' team. The second match was not nearly so interesting, Government House scoring no fewer than four goals in the first chukker and keeping a good lead all through without very much difficulty. In this match Duff and Popham carried off most of the honours the former scoring a big percentage of the Government House goals.

The weather on Thursday was very threatening and after the matches there was a wild rainstorm, which must have been very unpleasant for the spectators who had to drive back to Madras. Their Excellencies Sir Arthur and Lady Lawley were present, but the attendance of spectators was not great.

The final, between Government House and the 30th Lancers, was to have been played on Saturday last, and His Excellency the Governor was to have been "At Home" on the ground, but the weather on Thursday night and Friday was so bad that the game had to be put off to Monday, the 17th instant.

The final match was played at Government House, Guindy, on the 18th instant the ground was soft after the recent heavy rain and the match was slow and uninteresting all through. The teams were 30th Lancers and Government House and the former won easily being quicker on the ball and hitting better than their opponents who were slow to turn and never looked like winning. The final score was: Lancers 9 goals, 4 subsidiaries, Government House 1 goal, 1 subsidiary Lady Lawley presented the cup to the winning team.

CONNELL CUP TOURNAMENT.

FIRST TIES.

24TH PUNJABIS *vs.* 4TH CAVALRY "B."—The tournament opened to Allahabad on the 10th instant with this game which ended in an easy win for the Punjabis, who were better mounted than the Cavalry. The game was a slow one throughout. In the first period neither team scored: in the second the 24th hit 2 goals and a minor point, the Cavalry one goal: the Punjabis added a goal and 2 subsidiaries in the third chukker, the Cavalry scoring a goal. The Punjabis put on 3 goals and a subsidiary in the next period and put on two minor points in the fifth, the Cavalry scoring a subsidiary. The last chukker was devoid of score and the Punjabis thus won by 6 goals 6 subsidiaries to 2 goals 1 subsidiary. Teams :—

24TH PUNJABIS.		4TH CAVALRY.	
Mr. A. Stuart Monteith	... 1	Capt. J. O'Leary	... 1
Mr. W. F. Edwards	... 2	Mr. T. Wilson	... 2
Major S. H. Climo	... 3	Capt. H. Sproule	... 3
Mr. F. Skipwith	(*back*)	Mr. G. Howson	(*back*)

OXFORD L. I. *vs.* ALLAHABAD GYMKHANA.—Also played on the 10th instant, an interesting game was witnessed. The Oxford were expected to have a very easy thing, but the Gymkhana, who were got together at the last moment and had not played as a team before, gave them a hard game and were only beaten by a small margin. The first two chukkers brought the Oxfords 4 goals and a subsidiary and it was not till the third period that the Gymkhana opened their scoring—a goal. The Oxfords put on two more goals in this period but they did not score again till the close of the fifth chukker; meanwhile the Gymkhana were playing brilliantly and added a goal and a minor to their score. The fifth chukker was hotly contested and the Gymkhana had rather the best of it, they registered 3 goals to the Oxfords' goal and a subsidiary. Neither team scored in the last period, the Oxford L. I. thus winning by 7 goals 2 subsidiaries to 5 goals 1 subsidiary. Teams :—

OXFORD L. I.		GYMKHANA.	
Capt. A. G. Bayley	... 1	Mr. J. Dwack	... 1
Mr. C. G. Higgins	... 2	Mr. Justice Richards	... 2
Mr. W. E. T. Morland	... 3	Mr. M. Keane	... 3
Mr. G. Blewitt	(*back*)	Mr. H. S. J. Tyler	(*back*)

SEMI FINALS.

4TH CAVALRY "A" *vs.* OXFORD L. I.—This game was played on the 12th instant, the Cavalry winning easily. Their shooting however, was erratic and they might have had a bigger score.

First Chukker.—The Cavalry pressed and hit 2 subsidiaries which they followed up with a goal.

Second Chukker.—Continuing the attack the Cavalry scored a minor.

Third Chukker.—A miss by Johnston let the Oxfords in, but Bayley's shot went wide. The ball was taken to the Oxfords' territory where Johnston hit a goal. Shots by Harene and Morland were unsuccessful.

Fourth Chukker.—The Cavalry attacked, Johnston scoring 2 subsidiaries and Farran a goal.

Fifth Chukker.—The 4th hit a subsidiary, Johnston and Williams adding a goal each.

Sixth Chukker.—The Oxfords got away but the ball went behind and a nice combined run by the Cavalry ended in Williams scoring a goal. *Final score:* 4th Cavalry, 6 goals 6 subsidiaries; Oxford L. I., *nil*. Teams :—

4TH CAVALRY.		OXFORD L. I.	
Mr. V. P. Williams	... 1	Capt. A. G. Bayley	... 1
Mr. R. Harene	... 2	Mr. C. G. Higgins	... 2
Mr. G. L. Farran	... 3	Mr. W. E. T. Morland	... 3
Mr. R. Johnston	(*back*)	Mr. G. Blewitt	(*back.*)

24TH PUNJABIS *vs.* ROYAL SCOTS FUSILIERS.—Played on the 12th instant, the Punjabis winning by superior combination.

First Chukker.—Climo scored a goal for the Punjabis, the Fusiliers attacking for the rest of the chukker.

Second and Third Chukkers.—Up and down play; no score.

Fourth Chukker.—Even play for a spell. Edwards got on and scored a goal for the Punjabis, then followed a minor point and Skipwith hit another goal. The Scots attacked next and Buchanan scored a goal.

Fifth Chukker.—The Punjabis pressed but the Scots got away and Fairlie hit a goal. Up and down play and, then another goal was signalled for the Punjabis.

Sixth Chukker.—Two minutes were left and neither team scoring, the Punjabis thus won by 4 goals 1 subsidiary to 2 goals. Teams :—

24TH PUNJABIS.		R. S. FUSILIERS.	
Mr. A. Stuart Monteith	... 1	Mr. W. A. Farquhar	... 1
Mr. W. F. Edwards	... 2	Major F. E. Buchanan	... 2
Major S. H. Climo	... 3	Capt. S. A. Mott	... 3
Mr. F. Skipwith	(*back.*)	Mr. F. Fairlie	(*back.*)

FINAL.

4TH CAVALRY *vs.* 24TH PUNJAB INFANTRY.—The final tie was played at Allahabad on the 14th instant. There was a large gathering, including H. H. the Lieutenant-Governor, Sir John and Lady Stanley. The 4th Cavalry, who had three successive victories in the tournament to their credit, were firm favourites and made no mistakes. They had the best of a fast and interesting game and ran out winners by 8 goals and 3 subsidiaries to 4 goals and 2 subsidiaries. Farran and Johnston were most conspicuous of the winning team, Climo playing an excellent game for the Punjabis. The Cup was handed to the Cavalry team by Lady Stanley, and Sir James LaTouche congratulated both teams

4TH CAVALRY.		24TH PUNJABIS.	
Mr. V. P. Williams	... 1	Mr. A. Stuart Menteith	... 1
Mr. R. Harene	... 2	Mr. W. F. Edwards	... 2
Mr. G. L. Farran	... 3	Major S. H. Climo	... 3
Mr. R. Johnston	(*back.*)	Mr. F. Skipwith	(*back.*)

Umpires:—Messrs. Fairlie and Morland.

Cricket.

CRICKET IN CALCUTTA.

CALCUTTA C.C. *vs.* HORNETS.—Played on the Calcutta ground, this two days' match ended in a draw. The home team batted first and at the close of the first day's play had scored 227 for 5 wickets, Guise (58), Ballantyne (33), Bartholomew (28) and Eddis (69 not out) were the chief contributors. The next day Beachcroft and Eddis scored rapidly and the latter carried his total to 102 before he was caught. Manders scored 28. Beachcroft made 44 not out and the innings was declared closed with 343 for 9 wickets. The Hornets then went in but, with the exception of Boo and Rosser, made a poor show. These batsmen, however, were in excellent form. Rosser made 58 and Boo just missed his century by a single run. Time was up when the visitors had compiled 218 for the loss of eight wickets. Score :—

CALCUTTA.

J. D. Guise, c Johnstone, b Bayley	...	58
J. G. Ballantyne, c Hoff, b Bayley	...	33
B. E. G. Eddis, c Boo, b Bayley	...	102
C. P. Bartholomew, c Hughes, b Mabert	...	28
Major Stockley, b Vaughan	...	7
T. Curtis-Hayward, c Hughes, b Bayley	...	4
M. R. Quin, c Browne, b Mabert	...	17
C. P. Beachcroft, not out	...	44
J. E. Jackson, b Bayley	...	0
T. C. Manders, c Hollow, b Johnstone	...	28
E. Horncastle, not out	...	4
Byes 15, leg byes 3	...	18
Total (for 9 wkts.)*	...	345

*Innings declared closed.

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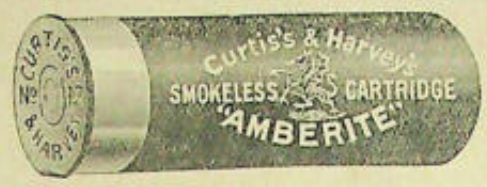

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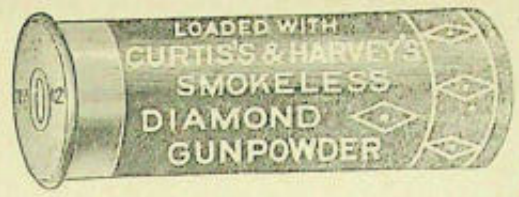

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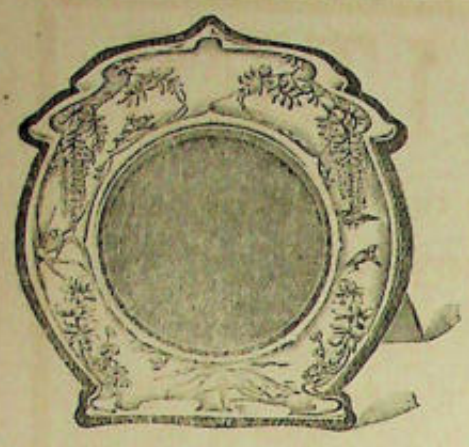

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HORNETS.

A. A. Brown, c Beachcroft, b Curtis-Hayward	7
A. B. Rosser, c Horncastle, b Manders	58
F. Hoff, c Quin, b Eddis	3
S. Boo, b Quin	99
A. Vaughan, c Horncastle, b Curtis-Hayward	1
J. Johnstone, b Eddis	9
H. A. Bayley, c Jackson, b Eddis	11
W. Hughes, b Quin	1
B. Hollow, not out	4
E. S. Mabert, not out	0
S. Simpson, did not bat.	
Byes 22, wides 1	23
Total (for 8 wkts.)*	218

*Innings declared closed.

BALLYGUNGE *vs.* Y.M.C.A.—This match was played at Ballygunge on Saturday. The home team batted first and Shallow gave a faultless display, compiling 56 in brilliant style. A. M. Price bowled well for the Y.M.C.A., for whom Reynolds and Knowles were in good form. Maclean and Pooler gave a lively but unorthodox exhibition of batting and there was quite an exciting finish. When the last over was called the Y.M.C.A. wanted 6 to win and 3 wickets to go, they got three off Gould's second ball, but he bowled Maclean with the next, and the last man to come in could not touch one of the three remaining balls.

BALLYGUNGE.

E. Studd, c Foucar, b Reynolds	0
D. S. Shallow, b Price	56
A. C. Tatam, c Dyer, b Vanspal	9
R. L. McIntyre, b Reynolds	0
F. Gould, c and b Dyer	16
V. Sherman, c Vanspal, b Dyer	9
J. R. Coulthard, b Price	6
F. N. Whiteley, b Price	0
A. V. Shorter, b Price	0
A. Haugh, not out	4
E. C. Cowdrey, c Reynold, b Dyer	4
Extras	9
Total	113

Y.M.C.A.

T. Shuldham, b Gould	2
W. Dyer, b Gould	0
A. M. Price, b Cowdrey	1
F. Reynolds, c McIntyre, b Whiteley	24
F. Knowles, run out	14
J. Grant, b Gould	5
W. A. Price, b Whiteley	0
J. Maclean, b Gould	32
H. Pooler, not out	17
P. Vanspal and L. Foucar, did not bat.	
Extras	16
Total (for 8 wkts.)*	111

*Innings declared closed.

TOWN CLUB *vs.* TELEGRAPH.—Played on the Town Club ground, when the home side won easily. Scores:—

TELEGRAPH.

A. Emanuel, b Mukerji	0
W. McFarlane, c Sen Gupta, b Mukerji	1
T. Sharley, c Dass Gupta, b Mukerji	7
W. Johnstone, c Roy, b Mukerji	1
G. Dunn, c Henry, b Mukerji	10
G. Wells, c Dutt, b Mukerji	1
A. Westrop, run out	11
M. Miller, b Mukerji	0
H. Seager, b Dutt	19
M. Leonard, c Sircar, b Dutt	1
K. Faloon, not out	0
Extra	8
Total	59

TOWN CLUB.

S. Sen Gupta, not out	70
B. Mookerji (jr) l.-b.-w., b Dunn	16
C. Dutt, c Sharling b Dunn	23
B. Mookerji (Sr), b Wells	16
B. Roy Chowdry, c McFarlane, b Wells	0
J. Sircar, Henry, Khan, Mitter, Boy, Gupta — did not bat.	
Extras	7
Total (for 4 wkts.)*	132

*Innings declared closed.

CUSTOMS *vs.* NORTHUMBERLAND FUSILIERS.—This match on the Customs' ground resulted in a win for the Fusiliers by 17 runs. The scoring was small on both sides.

FUSILIERS.

Sergt. Wilkinson, b Marsden	2
Sergt. Hone, c H. Barlow, b Marsden	18
Pte. Russell, c H. Barlow, b Brown	2
Pte. Adams, b Brown	0
Pte. Jenkins, c C. Barlow, b Brown	4
Lieut. Salier, c Anderson, b Harcourt	11
Sergt. Beckingham, c Adams, b Harcourt	27
Bdsmn. Parrant, b Harcourt	11
Corpl Bourne, c and b McCready	6
Pte. Wardsworth, not out	1
Pte Williams, b McCready	1
Extras	3
Total	86

CUSTOMS.

H. Barlow, b Salier	1
F. Harcourt, b Beckingham	5
C. Barlow, b Salier	4
M. Quiterio, b Beckingham	10
A. McCready, b Salier	16
F. Jewell, c and b Salier	0
J. Anderson, b Beckinham	5
C. Marsden, b Beckingham	3
E. Adams, not out	16
W. Brown, c Beckingham, b Salier	2
H. Vears, b Salier	4
Extras	3
Total	69

CALEDONIANS *vs.* RANGERS.—This match was played on the Caledonian's ground and resulted in a draw, considerably in favour of the home team. Going in first, the Caledonians knocked up the respectable total of 132 for six wickets. Rogers and Fox both played excellent cricket for 60 not out and 47 respectively, the latter making some beautiful off drives. With such a hitter in and against them as Templeton, the home team could not declare until close on 4 o'clock, leaving the Rangers a little over an hour to bat; but their performance was not up to the standard they have shown this season and they lost 7 wickets for 87 runs. Templeton was thrown out by Rogers after hitting that bowler out of the ground for 6, and the only stand of any note was that between Hodges and G. Nugent, both of whom played good cricket. Rogers kept a good length and secured 4 wickets for 46. The fielding on both sides was poor, the Caledonians being the most to blame.

CALEDONIANS.

G. Wade, b Cumber	8
A. Greene, b Templeton	0
E. Rogers not out	60
L. Fox, b g Hodges	47
R. Byrne, c Jewell b G. Hodges	4
W. Grey, b Margrett	0
E. Christensen, b Margrett	4
E. Elliot, H. Beer, J. Dimsdale, J. Dunn — did not bat.	
Extras	9
Total (6 wkts) *	132

* Innings declared closed.

RANGERS.

F. Lees, l.-b.-w., b Rogers	1
G. Schumacher, b Elliot	11
E. Templeton run out	13
G. Hodges c and b Rogers	32
H. Cumber, b Rogers	1
G. Nugent not out	18
T. Tripp, b Elliot	3
P. Margrett c and b Rogers	2
T. McCullagh not out	2
H. Jewell, A. Hodges — did not bat.	
Extras	4
Total (7 wkts)	87

BALLYGUNGE *vs.* CALEDONIANS.—Ballygunge beat the Caledonians by three wickets, after a pleasant and at one time exciting match. The Caledonians, going in first, secured 115, Stimson 29 and Rogers 36 being the principal subscribers. Gould secured 6 wickets for 69 runs and he and Whitely seemed to puzzle the visitors considerably. Ballygunge lost 7 wickets for a little over 60 runs and things looked black for them, but on Bayley being joined by Tatam a plucky stand was made and the runs knocked off, Bayley playing good cricket for 27 not out and Tatam slogging merrily for 31. But by far the finest innings on either side was Shallow's 24, his cricket was charming to watch. Rogers bowled very well and was rewarded with 6 wickets for 49 runs. There were catches missed on both sides, but the fielding on the whole was good.

BALLYGUNGE.

B. A. White, b Rogers	12
R. C. R. Hill, b Rogers	8
A. T. Wood c Rogers b Stimson	13
D. S. Shallow, b Rogers	24
H. M. Sherman, b Stimson	2
G. Bunbury, b Rogers	5
W. E. Bayley, not out	27
F. N. Whiteley, b Rogers	0
A. C. Tatam, b Rogers	31
F. Gould, c Elliot, b Christensen	9
Warwick Smith, c Wilson, b Christensen	6
Extras	9
Total	146

CALEDONIANS.

A. West, b Whiteley	2
W. H. Stimson, b Whiteley	29
E. Rogers, c Hill, b Wood	36
E. O. Elliot, c and b Gould	7
E. H. Christenson, b Gould	16
J. F. Wilson, b Gould	2
L. Fox, b Wood	1
J. H. Dimsdale, b Gould	2
G. V. Wade, not out	12
R. H. Byers, b Gould	3
A. H. Greene, b Gould	0
Extras	5
Total	115

HOWRAH UNITED *vs.* DALHOUSIE.—Played at Howrah, the visitors winning by 4 runs. Score:—

HOWRAH UNITED.

Doyle, l.-b.-w b Carter	6
Henderson, c Carter b Wicken	17
Roberts, c William, b Stewart	5
Knight b Stewart	13
Hart, st. b Steward	3
Simmons hit wkt. b Steward	12
Bennet b Wickens	3
Macroot b Wickens	0
Jones st b Wickens	0
Anania, b Wickens	0
J. Anania, not out	2
Extras	6
Total	67

DALHOUSIE.

Hodges, b Knight	22
Steward c Simmons b Doyle	0
Carter b Doyle	5
Hodges b Knight	15
Wickens c Anania b Doyle	0
Sharp not out	14
Ball c Henderson b Knight	3
Herrel b Knight	3
Walton c Roberts b Knight	6
Spalden run out	1
William st. b Knight	0
Extras	2
Total	71

CRICKET AT KOLAR.

KOLAR GOLD FIELD C.C. *vs.* ESSEX REGIMENT.—Played at Bombay camp on the 8th instant, the Gold Field winning by 104 runs. Score:—

K.G.F.C.C.

V. Gundry, c Jacomb, b Pattisson	22
R. Bocquet, c Strickland, b Pattisson	21
R. C. Carlton, b Russell	5
C. H. Richards, c Strickland, b Russell	15
W. G. Pool, c and b Pattisson	2
J. D. Cosens, c Russell, b Pattisson	54
A. E. Taylor, b Cooper	15
D. S. Watters, c and b Pattisson	8
W. McCosh, c Cooper, b Pattisson	9
R. F. J. Weeks, c Strickland, b Pattisson	1
W. G. Woolston, not out	10
Extras	7
Total	169

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

	O.	R.	M.	W.
Lieut. Cooper	19	59	2	1
Lieut. Pattisson	21·2	75	1	7
Corpl. Russell	4	23	2	2
Pte Howe	1	5	—	—

ESSEX REGIMENT.

	1st Innings.		2nd Innings.	
Corpl. Copeland, c Watters, b Gundry ...	7	did not bat.		
Lieut. Strickland, b Gundry .	0	b Bocquet ...	...	16
Lieut. Cooper, b Watters ...	1	b Watters ...	...	37
Lieut. Pattisson, c Carlton ...	31	not out ...	...	4
Cpl. Russell, b Gundry ...	2	c and b Watters ...	...	18
Capt. Jacomb, c Cosens ...	13	c Carlton b Watters ...	...	0
Pte. Howe, b Gundry ...	2	did not out.		
Lieut. Raymond, c Carlton ...	0	b Carlton, ...	...	9
Pte. Davies, c Weeks, b Gundry	0	not out ...	...	0
Corpl. Chievers, not out ...	3	did not bat.		
Pte. Bruce, b Gundry ...	0	b Watters ...	...	2
Extras ...	6	Extras	...	6
Total ...	65	Total	...	92

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

	O.	R.	M.	W.	O.	R.	M.	W.
V. Gundry ...	13	12	4	9	—	—	—	—
D. S. Watters ...	9	41	1	1	—	—		—
C. H. Richards ...	5	6	—	—	—	—	—	—
J. D. Cosens ...	—	—	—	—	2	4	—	—
A. Taylor ...	—	—	—	—	2	23	—	—
R. Bocquet ...	—	—	—	—	3	18	—	1
D. S. Watters ...	—	—	—	—	5	27	—	4
R. C. Carlton ...	—	—	—	—	3	4	—	1

Football.

LADY MINTO FETE FOOTBALL TOURNAMENT.

DRAWS OF THE CALCUTTA DIVISION.

		1st Round.
1.	Hornets...	Bye
2.	R.G.A. Hooghly Defences, Fort William ...	Bye
3.	Northumberland Fusiliers	Bye
4.	Howrah	Bye
5.	E.B.S.R. Volunteers	Bye
6.	Highland Light Infantry	Bye
7.	Customs ... — ...	Bye
8.	Mohan Bagan ... ... vs. ... ... — ...	...
9.	Calcutta	

In the second round the games will be 1 *vs.* 2, 3 *vs.* 4, 5 *vs.* 6, 7 *vs.* winners of 8 and 9. The semi-finals will be the winners of the first pair of contests *vs.* those of the second pair.

The first round is to be played by 7th, the second by 16th, and the third by 21st January.

Golf.

ROYAL BOMBAY GOLF CLUB.

CALCUTTA SILVER CHALLENGE MEDAL.—Played for on the 12th and 13th instant, 18 holes by medal play, handicap.

Mr. Russ was the winner with 89—6=83. Mr. Wittet 91—8 =84, Mr. Souter 100—16=84, and Mr. Ouseley 104—20=84, all tied for second place. Scores :—

Mr. O. A. Russ	89	— 6	=83
Mr. G. Wittet	92	— 8	=84
Mr. H. F. Souter ...	100	—16	=84
Mr. E. B. Ouseley ...	104	—20	=84
Mr. M. A. Murray ...	91	— 6	=85
Mr. G. W. Dawson —	90	— 4	=86
The Hon'ble Mr. Muir Mackenzie	93	— 6	=87
Mr. R. P. Scott	87	Scr.	=87
Mr. A. S. Bishop ...	104	—16	=88
Mr. T. O. Bayley ...	102	—12	=90
Mr. M. Botting	106	—16	=90
Mr. E. E. Coombs ...	98	— 6	=92
Mr. S. N. Powell ...	106	—14	=92

The Kennel.

CANINE EDUCATION.

NO. III.

SOME of the authorities on the subject of training maintain that the puppy's education should begin when he is very young. In theory, it is very plausible. The teacher thus takes the puppy when its mind is unformed, and then stuffs it with knowledge before anything else has an opportunity to be implanted in it. Thus the puppy is trained from youth in the proper manner, free from the objectionable traits which are supposed to be acquired if he is given too much liberty, or if his schooling begins when he has reached maturity. Furthermore, his mind then being more receptive and his character being in the formative stage, he grows into his education, as it were.

This is all very pretty in theory. In practice, it is all very wrong. What is called the training of the dog—that is, his training as it refers to working to the gun for his master's pleasure or profit—is really but a small fragment of the dog's education. He in the main acquires his own education, partially from his own observation and partially from the schooling which he derives from everyday association with man. In such matters as prove profitable and therefore pleasurable to him, he quickly learns from his own observation which methods prove most successful, and those he adopts. He quite as readily learns what acts produce pain, and those he avoids. For instance, if he is whipped for invading the pantry or chasing chickens, he associates the acts with pain and avoids them. He quickly learns to detect the signs which indicate punishment: thus the change in his master's voice caused by irritation, or the change from the same cause in his facial expression, detected instantly if it has previously been associated with punishment, and the pain he suffers through fear and disapproval deters him from committing the objectionable acts.

In the household, unconsciously, the dog is receiving his schooling constantly, and in time he learns to fit into the domestic life of the family, unobtrusively, accurately and intelligently. He understands what is permitted to him and what is not, and as there is but very little allotted to him, he recognizes it and keeps within the limits. He sleeps where he can be the most comfortable and yet the least in the way; he waits wistfully and deferentially for his meals; he trots quietly about, giving every one the right of way; in short, he learns to be a part of the domestic life of a family without any particular individual distinctiveness of his own. He learns that strangers are distinct from the family, and towards them he feels secure in showing hostility.

If he be a country dog, he learns to hunt vermin or rabbits; at first he may consider chickens, sheep, etc., as being lawful prey, but being punished for chasing them, and thus from associating pain with their pursuit he confines his pursuit to such animals as prove profitable and pleasurable.

To develop his mental and physical capabilities he must have experience in a natural way. When the puppy is playing with other puppies or with children, such is not idle effort, or positive harm as some men seem to think it. On the contrary, it is the best of schooling. It is a wholesome development by nature's own method. The puppy at play is acquiring a training of all his senses, besides acquring a knowledge of outside matters. His energies are aroused. He becomes self-reliant, active and skilful. The training at play is the school which fits the puppy for serious work. It is therefore better to leave him largely to his own freedom and resources, within proper limits, till he is eight or ten or twelve months old, accordingly as he is mentally and physically developed. He then learns ways and means of his own, becomes waywise and secures a general fund of valuable knowledge. Of course, he can be broken of any bad habits, such as chasing sheep or killing chickens; but the special education should be left entirely in abeyance. However, the trainer should permit the puppy to associate with him as much as possibly, so that the puppy will recognize him as his master, become fond of him, and develop naturally from the opportuities afforded when accompanying the trainer in his walks through the fields and roads. At the same time the trainer learns the peculiarities and capabilities of the puppy, and can then accurately determine the best method to apply in his training.

As to the training itself, it may be divided into two parts, the yard training and field training.

The yard training consists in teaching the dog such commands as are useful in managing him to the purposes of the gun, such as dropping to order, or to shot, or signal of the hand; coming in or going out to order, retrieving and the commands associated with it, and the obedience which comes from discipline, all of which will be fully treated in due place.

The field training consists in giving the dog opportunity to apply his instinctive desires to hunt birds, and then so checking or preserving them in their application as to be of service to the shooter's requirements.

It is commonly supposed that the trainer teaches the dog to hunt birds. He does not do so. Domesticated dogs, wild dogs and other carnivora learn to hunt without any teaching. The true trainer is he who can take advantage of the dog's efforts, force him to abandon such methods as are detrimental to the interests of the gun, confine him to such methods as he excels in and which are the most useful to the shooter, and encourage him to work as a team with his trainer; that is, to adjust his effort so as to play to the gun's interest. In this, too, strictly speaking, there is nothing taught. The dog learns it himself from experience, and that too, without any trainer. For instance greyhounds learn to run cunning, one hound adjusting his efforts intelligently to the efforts of the other, and entirely using different methods from what one hound uses when in pursuit alone.

The field training of a dog is largely a system of suppression. He is punished for doing undesirable acts, and such desirable ones as he has are preserved. If he is deficient in any natural qualities, the trainer cannot remedy the defect.

The commonest error is that the amateur in his effort to suppress some desirable trait may suppress several desirable ones or all, for that matter, as when the trainer endeavours to break the dog of chasing rabbits or birds or breaking shot, and he does it so thoroughly that he breaks the dog from seeking at all. He may punish the dog for mouthing a bird, and thereafter the dog may be afraid to take a bird in his mouth; so that the trainer has suppressed the whole of the accomplishment. The trainer whose skill is such that he can suppress the undesirable traits, and at the same time preserve the desirable ones, is the best of trainers. He must be patient, intelligent and good-tempered, besides having the necessary knowledge of dogs and dog character.

The dog will hunt rabbits or sheep with as great a zest as he will hunt birds, in fact, he will hunt them with greater zest and fierceness. Punishment will break him of chasing them, and after a time by habit he will become indifferent to them. But the punishment which breaks the dog from chasing rabbits will also break him from hunting birds, hence it is a common occurrence that when the amateur punishes his dog for breaking shot or chasing birds, he breaks him from hunting them.

For these reasons, two systems of training have had their advocates, one being founded on the theory of no punishment at all, the other on punishment intelligently applied. The true theory is the combination of kindness and punishment which will humanely and most thoroughly accomplish the desired purpose.

The Horse.

THE KAISER'S STABLE.

KAISER William has the most luxurious stable in the world. Fritz Morris graphically describes the Kaiser's stables in the *Illustrated Sporting News* as follows :—

One of the most architecturally perfect buildings, in which is fast becoming the architectural centre of Europe, is the new imperial stables of the Kaiser in Berlin. The stables stand vis-a-vis to the Schloss the royal residence, and is an imposing edifice with a long facade toward the Spree and a main driveway directly in front of the palace. Of His Majesty's 360 horses, about 300 are stabled in Berlin, and with the carriages, sleighs, harness, saddles, and other equine paraphernalia, form one of the most interesting show places in the German capital, and a museum second to none in the world. The obtaining of a "pass" card from the office of Count Wedel, the Kaiser's master of the horse, is an "open sesame" for the favoured stranger, while a small fee, toward a fund for the attendants, gains admission for the general public.

After passing through the main gateway, where on gala and fête days two porters stand in their brightest liveries, a large glass covered court is reached, which may be considered the real business and service centre of the entire group of stable buildings. Some sections of this glass roof are arranged to open. To the right can be seen the coach houses, in which are carriages for the daily use of the Imperial family and their attendants; on the opposite side of the court are located the spaces with drain floors, where the carriages are washed and cleaned immediately after their arrival from every drive. A door in the rear leads to the driving court, where all the hitching and unhitching is done, and to the left another door opens into the powerful electric elevator, used for carrying the seldom-used vehicles, the gala coaches, to and from the rooms in the second and third stories.

Entering the stable, which lies out toward the Spree, to the right and left of the central passage-way are the individual horse stalls, separated from one another by wooden partitions and occupied, almost without exception, by brown and black horses; here stand the horses used regularly for driving by the Kaiser and Kaiserin. Here are the Trakhener stallions, Hungarians, Arabs, English thoroughbreds, American trotters and the famous East Prussians. No horse show ever brings together such animals as are to be found in the Kaiser's stalls. Here are the wonderful ponies presented by the Shah of Persia—one brown, the other bay—small, but perfectly formed animals, with tails which touch the floor. The horses used by the Imperial family stand by themselves; they are four pairs of blacks for the Kaiserin, sixteen pure white Hungarians for the Kaiser, and three cobs that he alone rides.

The second section of this stable, continuing the first one in a straight line, leads to an opening circular riding track, used daily by the Kaiser and his family, when the time schedule permits and when the Kaiser is in Berlin. An incline leads from the court to the height of the first story, where the other half of the horse stable is located, which is also divided into two sections, and here are housed the saddle and carriage horses of the court attendants, the favourite saddle horses of the Kaiserin and the older princes; the ponies of the younger princes and of the little princess stand in the second section. A door leads from the middle of the stable passage-way to the large winter riding hall, located on the ground floor, and this hall is ornamented with mirrors and artistically wrought iron balustrades. The hall is square and very high, and, like the rooms in these magnificent and monumental stables, is decorated simply in white for the dignity of the architectural scheme and the enormous dimensions of the room require no ornamentation. The stable for the Kaiser's favourite saddle horses is fitted with special box stalls like those used for race horses, and here stand the horses used for the various functions. They are, almost without exception, big, powerful animals, for the Kaiser requires of his horse a good and sure gait, the ability to endure a fast pace for a considerabe length of time, and perfect training. Among the horses on exhibition out in the stable corridor, the old light brown Taurus, now a pensioned veteran, is still shown; he was born in 1876, and was the last saddle horse of Kaiser William I., who rode him as late as 1885.

Up one flight are the large rooms where the carriages not used daily are stored. Military order, and discipline is the rule in these rooms as elsewhere, and the light coming through the large windows is dimmed by red curtains. Here are the sleighs, hunting wagons, coupes and the Victorias without drivers' boxes, whose four horses are guided a la Daumont from the saddles. A special section is dedicated to history. There are the sleighs from the time of Frederick I. of Prussia, peculiar gilt vehicles, with rich figure ornamentation; there, also, is the large sleigh in which the Grosse Kurfurst, at the head of his troops, undertook to cross the frozen surface of the Fischer Haff, in order to attack and disperse the Swedes who had entered Eastern Prusia. Here stand the little carriages, with low, wide iron wheels, in which the gout-troubled Frederick William I. took his park drives. Here, in an enormous glass case, stands, stuffed and mounted, "Zaide," the favourite horse of Frederick the Great, who rode this gray in the "Seven Years' War." Opposite stands "Sadowa," ridden by Kaiser William I. at the battle of Konigratz. At right angles to the carriage room in another, encircled by a gallery, and in this room, below, are the gala carriages, the so-called state gala vehicles, with the big drivers' boxes, whose gold and silver embroidered cloths are veritable works of wonder in themselves. These carriages are used by the Kaiser and Kaiserin only for special occasions and then they are drawn by eight horses hitched in pairs. In the middle of the gala carriage room stands the all-gold coronation carriage, a really royal equipage. The last occasion on which it was driven through "Under den Linden" was when the present Kaiserin, as a bride, made her entry into Berlin.

The third story of the building is devoted to the harness room, where the harness for ordinary use for the Kaiser's manœuvrrides, and for the gala rides, is kept. Every bit of harness is provided with more or less heavy silver mountings, and is carefully hung in glass cases; in other glass cases are the silvered metal crowns for the tops of the gala carriages, the thick chenille tassels and the tufts for the horses of the gala carriages, as well as the so-called mane covers, which are part of the harness. There are also in this apartment old velvet saddle cover cloths, embroidered in gold and silver, golden, diamond-studded, saddles and various caparisons, which foreign rulers have presented to the Kaiser and Kaiserin. Brilliant splendor and aristocratic elegance and simplicity are characters of the harness rooms. The new harness made, but not yet used, for the coronation carriage, is peculiarly magnificent and original. Unique in workmanship is a set of harness bought of the Vatican in 1851. An Oriental saddle, and a set of head harness, a gift from the Sultan of Turkey to the Kaiser, show the skill of the far Eastern worker. Always on hand, and ready for use, is a special set of harness for every purpose, for every vehicle, set up in large glass cases, and each awaiting its occasion to be used. It certainly requires a great mass of material to fill all these cases, but for every occasion the harness room must be ready to furnish the proper set of harness. Thus, for instance, should King Edward visit Berlin, the harness, the panes of the coach in which he rides, the box cloths, all bear the British coat-of-arms, and so for the Czar, the King of Italy, and every other visiting monarch. When a state carriage is sent to bring a foreign ambassador on official business, or representing his sovereign, it also bears the insignia of the country from which he comes. Numerous other presents, like the one already mentioned from the Sultan, find a place in this great museum. There is a rare Troika harness from the Czar, and a gorgeous caparison from the time of King Frederick William II. lays claim to historic interest. The "great eagle" harness used in Konigsberg at the old Kaiser's coronation is reminiscent of Emperor William I., and is in strange contrast to the more modern "little eagle" harness which the grizzled old soldier gave to his grandson as a wedding present.

One of the cases resembles the silver show window in some great silversmith's store, so great is the mass of silver-mounted harness, and many contain jockey saddles for vehicles intended to be drawn by horses with outriders, reins, wigs, whips, silver stirrups, bits and hundreds of other necessary requisites. From one of the carriage rooms a stairway ascends to a gallery, from which a view is had down upon the immense riding course often used by the royal family. To return to the ground floor, the visitor uses one of the huge elevators which has ample room for two carriages, or for more than twenty passengers. The stairways throughout the stables are broad, roomy, airy, light and like everything else, scrupulously clean. The lighting system throughout is worthy of remark. Incandescent lamps are burning in globes of milk-glass in the stable corridor ceiling, and these globes, which guarantee absolute safety from fire, are to be found in the other rooms, on the walls as well as on the ceilings.

The Kaiser's stables—to sum them up—are probably the best equipped and the most elaborate in all Europe, if not in the world, and well reflect the love for horses in the past of the German Emperor of the present day as well as his predecessors on the throne.

The Naturalist.

BOMBAY NATURALIST HISTORY SOCIETY.

A MEETING of the members of the Bombay Natural History Society took place at the Society's Rooms yesterday, Mr. John Wallace, C.E., presiding.

NEW MEMBERS.

The election of the following 26 new members since the last meeting was duly announced :—Mr. N. E. Marjoribanks, I.C.S. (Madras); Mr. A. W. Marshall (Bombay); Major J. Shakespear (Manipur); Captain F. W Barrett (Muttra); Mr. C. I. Ainslie (Bombay); Major R. M. Lowis (Umballa); Lieutenant J. C. Pickersgill-Cunliffe (Diyatalawa, Ceylon); Mr. J. Gerard Bendien (Bombay); Mr. Q. C. Ollenbach (Dehra Dun, U.P.); Mr. E. N. Drury (Thayetmyo, Burma); Mr. Edward D. Haffenden (Mandalay, Burma); Mr. D. C. Boles (Meerut); Mr. J. A. Field, R.E. (Jubbulpur, C.P.); Major H. S. Wood, I.M.S. (Calcutta); Mr. F. A. Grant (Thayetmyo, Burma); Captain Robt. A. Lloyd, I.M.S. (Jhelum, Punjab); Khan Shree Fatehdin Khan, Chief of

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Contribution.	Description.	Contributor.
1 Shikra ...	Astur badius ...	Capt. W. D. Keys, I.M.S.
Some fresh water shells.	Limnæa auricularia.	Lieut. R. Hill.
1 Phoorsa (alive)...	Echis carinata ...	Major O. A. Smith.
1 Sand Snake ...	Eryx johnii ...	
1 Mud turtle ...	.....	Mr. F. G. Hutchinson.
1 Long-eared Bat...	Plecotus auritus ...	Capt. R. Skeen, I.M.S.
1 Tree-frog (alive).	.....	Mr. C. M. Sykes.
1 Chukor Partridge, albino.	Caccabis chucar ...	Capt. B. R. Nicholl.
1 White-collared Ouzel.	Merula albicincta ...	Mr. J. C. Bond.
1 Grey-headed Ouzel.	Merula castensa ...	
3 Eggs of the Kashmir Wren.	Anorthura neglecta..	Col. A. E. Ward.
2 Eggs of the Skylark.	Alauda arvensis ...	
4 Eggs of Tickell's Willow Wren.	Phylloscopus affinis.	
1 Box of Butterflies	.....	Lieut. L. S. Fenton.
2 Sharks' jaws ...	.....	Lt. S. H. Stevenson, R.I.M.
2 Flying fish ...	Exocatus bahiensis.	Mr. W. F. Jardine.
* 1 Lemur (alive)...	Lemuridæ fam. ...	Mr. W. R. Scroggie.
2 Snakes ...	.....	Lieut. H. R. Watson.
2 Rats ...	Tatera sp. ...	Major S. Prall, I.M.S.
1 Snake (alive) ...	Lytorhynchus paradoxus.	Major O. A. Smith.
1 Green Tree Snake (alive)	Dryophis mycterizans	Rev. F. Dreckmann, S.J.
A number of moths	.....	Mr. E. E. Green.
1 Bat ...	Megaderma lyra ...	Mr. A. M. Primrose.
Some butterflies ...	.....	Mrs. Jackson.
1 Photograph of young Takins	Budorcas taxicolor.	Lieut. F. M. Bailey.
1 Green Keelback Snake (alive)	Macropisth odon plumbicolor	Col. W. B. Bannermann, I.M.S.
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1 Do. ...	Do. auritus	Col. A. E. Ward.
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2 Mice ...	.....	Mr. A. P. Percival, I.F.S.
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4 Skulls of the Brown Bear.	Ursus arctus ...	Mr. C. H. Donald.
1 Skin of Hodgeson's Hawk Eagle	Spizaëtus nepalensis.	
3 Bats (skins) ...	Magaderma lyra ...	Mr. A. M. Primrose.
1 Do. ...	Scotophilus sp. ...	
1 Rat ...	.....	Major S. E. Prall, I.M.S.
27 Lizards, new to our collection.	Stenodactylus orientalis Alsophylax tuberculatus Gymnodactylus scaber. Do. kachhensis ... Do. stoliczkæ ... Do. khasiensis ... Agamura cruralis ... Do. persica ... Gonatodes indicus ... Hemidactylus turcicus. Do. persicus ... Do. gigantens ... Do. platyurus ... Gehyra mutilata ... Gecko monarchus ... Phelsuma andamanense Draco tæniopterus ... Otocryptis bivittata Gonyocephalus subcristetus. Acanthosaura major. Japalura variegata... Do. planidorsata... Salea horsfieldii ... Calotes jubatus ... Do. cristatellus ... Do. gigas ... Do. mystaceus ...	The Trustees of the Indian Museum (in exchange.)
Some Fishers, shells and Marine specimens.	Mus rattus var. rufescens.	Engr.-Lieut. S. H. Stevenson, R.I.M.
1 Rat (alive) ...	.....	
1 Common Manaul Pheasant.	Lophophorus refulgens.	Lieut.-General W. Osborne.
1 Great Himalayan Barbet.	Megalæma marshallorum.	
2 Himalayan Snail Shells.	Helicarion sp.	
1 Cheetal or Spotted Deer.	Cervus axis.	J. Lee Stewart.
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EXHIBITS.

Mr. H. S. Symons exhibited a snare which was used by the natives for snaring quail. It was obtained at Aligaum near Poona.

Lieutenant P. Beaumont (South Lancashire Regiment) exhibited an exceptionally fine chital or spotted deer head which was greatly admired. The horns measured 38½ inches in length, 30½ widest span (outside) and 25¾ from tip to tip. The stag was obtained in April last by Mr. Beaumont in the Central Province jungles.

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4. Do bats capture and eat birds? by E. E. Green, F.E.S., etc.
5. Abnormal antlers of the Chital (Cervus axis) by Lieutenant J. A. Field, R.E.
6. A live Takin (Budorcas taxicolor), by Lieutenant F. M. Bailey.
7. Breeding grounds of the Common Locust, by E. H. Aitkin.

LIGHT-GIVING ANIMALS.

A LARGE NUMBER of animals belonging to different groups of the animal kingdom appear to be capable of giving out light, which is, at any rate, often due to the fact that they can secrete some material which is usually spoken of as phosphorescent. Every one has seen the seashore when the waves are breaking or the crests of little waves shining with a bright light at night, which is due to the presence of enormous numbers of minute animalculæ, which can, when in any way disturbed or irritated, emit a phosphorescent fluid. The fire-flies of the tropics or the glow-worms of the colder countries, such as England, are well known. What the exact use of the light is to these animals is unknown, but perhaps it may help them in finding one another. Darwin found that the adult fire-fly in Brazil emitted drops of adhesive material which gave out light, but that when the insect was decapitated the light still remained, though not quite so bright as before—in fact it was present twenty-four hours after death—so that probably for the most part the emission of light is involuntary in the adult fly. But, on the other hand, he found that the grub-like larva of the same insect, which in general appearance is much like the English glow-worm though it gave out a feebler light than its parent, the fly, acted very differently from the fly, as on the slightest touch the light was obliterated, and it feigned death. Irritation would not, as in the case of the fly, cause the light to appear, and so in the grub it is evidently under the animal's control. In England there are two or three forms of phosphorescent centipedes, and a Swedish captain, as quoted by the great naturalist Linnæus, describes, how one of these dropped from the air on to his ship when he was sailing in the Indian Ocean, a hundred miles from land.

At the present time, there may sometimes be seen at night little specks of light on the ground, perhaps on the surface of recently disturbed soil, or even in the crevices between the blocks of stone forming the gutters by the roadside. If examined, these little lights will be found to be given out by a very small earthworm, but of what use this light can be it is hard to imagine, and so far as is known, none of our larger worms are phosphorescent. On the other hand, there are a curious set of fishes living in the abysmal depths of the ocean, where the light from outside cannot possibly penetrate, and where everything would be absolutely dark if it were not for the fact that some of them have developed series of what are sometimes called electric organs along their bodies and on their heads. Just as many of the fishes have developed luminous organs, so others have abnormally-enlarged eyes, the object of which is apparently to gather in as many rays of light as possible. One special form, which in general appearance is much like the well-known angler fish, has one of the most curious contrivances known amongst animals. The ordinary angler is a fish which, with its frilled appendages, looks like the seaweed amongst which it lies. From the top of its head a long filament, with a little leaf-like end, hangs over its huge mouth. This filament it plays with as if the lappet at the end were a bait, and when other fish come up to see what it is they are simply engulfed by the angler opening its enormous mouth. The angler fish of the deep sea has the little lappet transformed into a luminous organ, and when any fish swimming about in the dead darkness sees this one speck of light it not unnaturally swims up, only to find itself at once seized upon.

STRAY NOTES.

THE use of that formidable-looking weapon, the "saw" of the saw-fish, is discussed by P. Pappenheim in a German natural history periodical. The author points out that the few observers who have seen the animal living have not, apparently, noticed the real use of the saw. A study of the contents of the stomach of the saw-fish, and the peculiar articulation of the skull with the vertebral column, lead to the conclusion that the saw is used primarily for rapid grubbing and burrowing in the mud and gravel. A secondary use may be protective, but there is no evidence that the saw is used as a weapon for ramming. Albert Gunther, in an article on the rays, to which group the saw-fish belongs, says, "The saw is a most formidable weapon of offence, by means of which the fish tears pieces of flesh off the body of its victim, or rips open its abdomen, to feed on the protruding intestines." "Saws" six feet long and one foot broad at the base, are of common occurrence.

Amphibious fishes are to be found in various quarters of the globe. Beginning in Europe, there is the blenny, which, when kept in aquariums, has been proved to require at least an hour's pure air out of water to preserve it in good health and spirits. In the tropics is found the periophthalmas which is singularly amphibious, and hops over the muddy flats in search of food, notably the crabs and molluscs left stranded by the retreating tide. The fish is so active on land that it is difficult to catch, and various specimens brought from Mauritius were secured by means of a shot-gun—truly a unique method of killing fish. This fish is also found at Ceylon, and it is noticeable that when chased they prepare to escape by land rather than by water; they really seem to appreciate the sport.

As all young creatures show a tendency to resemble remote ancestors, both in external form and mental attributes, wild traits will be found very marked in them.

A young foal is a case in point. With his enormous legs he can gallop, when only a few days old, as fast as he ever can in after life. Never far from his dam, he takes his nourishment in small doses, avoiding a full meal, which would impede swift escape from his foes. When he lies down, he makes no attempt at concealment, and when he stands his head is held high and he looks boldly about him. These habits are all wild traits, which show that his early ancestors have left the forests for wide, open plains, where only wolves could overtake them, and these enemies acted as agents in improving the speed and endurance of the wild horse.

The calf is different in his habits. A poor traveller, he fills himself with milk, and can then be concealed by his mother whilst she, in a wild state, travels to some distant glade where food is abundant, and does not return for some time, during which her milk is collecting. Hence the importance of a large "bag" in the cow, and also the need of the power of retaining her milk—wild traits which man has not failed to turn to his own advantage, as he has also the swiftness and staying power of the horse.

It is to be noted that the calf, like its mother, holds the head low in order to look under the branches of the forest, for everything about cattle points to an ancestral home in a moist and wooded country.

Among living things the larva of caterpillars eat most in proportion to their size. Thus for example: The larva of the privet-hawk moth grows in thirty-two days to 11,312 times its original size, that of the goat-moth at the end of three weeks weighs 72,000 times more than it did at first. Speaking of the amount consumed by a certain spider in twenty-four hours, Sir J. Lubbock says that to equal this in proportion a man would have to eat during the twenty-four hours, two steers, two bullocks, eight sheep, four hogs, and two barrels of fish. The food taken by a single silkworm in fifty-six days equals in weight 86,000 times the original weight of the worm, which thus during the experiment eats daily food weighing more than 1,500 times its original weight.

Captain T. C. S. Speedy, who writes in *Harper's Magazine* on "Life and Sport in Nubia," narrates the following almost incredible example of the sagacity of the elephant in protecting himself from the attacks of man :—

"It was related to me (says the captain) by an old hunter on whom I could thoroughly rely. He told me that some years before there had been a well-known old bull elephant with a pair of magnificent tusks which had been long and earnestly coveted by every hunter in that part of the country. Their wise old owner, however, knew that he was hunted, and had hitherto frustrated all efforts to capture him. With a view to his safety he made it a rule never to wander from the rest of the herd; but, on the contrary, always kept as much as possible in the midst of them, and it had been ascertained that he never slept without having posted sentries all round him. On the occasion of which the hunter was then telling me he said that he had climbed up into a tree, a dom-palm, to view the herd from a safe position, hoping to find the bull by chance unguarded. It was noontide, and the veteran required his nap. The scene that followed was unique. The old tusker went quietly round from one to another of his followers, and drove them out into the places they were to occupy, making them stand in a large circle, several yards from each other with their heads outwards, so that they would be sure to hear or see any approaching foe. Most of them were evidently well tutored to their work, and, understanding what they had to do, quietly obeyed, and took up the posts assigned them; but one young male turned refractory and ran off. The old tusker ran after him, and, heading him, pushed him back, lashing him with his trunk till he had got him into position again. No sooner, however, was he placed than he broke loose a second time, and was again pursued, but this time the punishment was increased by a sound prodding.

"After screaming with pain and trumpeting with rage, the unruly one was brought to obedience, and then a pretty scene took place. Two full-grown females—we may suppose the mother and aunt or two sisters of the rebel—went up to console and comfort him. They stroked him gently with their trunks, rubbed their heads against him and evidently advised him to be a good boy, and remain where he was. The veteran being confident that at last all was satisfactory, placed himself in the open space in the centre of the circle, and standing, as elephants invariably do while sleeping, took his midday rest, and the hunter saw that any attempt to get at him on that occasion was, as usual, hopeless.

"This sagacious old animal managed to preserve his life to a very advanced age, but when infirm and feeble he was expelled by a young rival from the herd, and wandered off to Abyssinia, where he was ultimately shot. Had the Nubians possessed firearms at the period when he was in his prime, this fate would doubtless have been his many years previously."

The Story Teller.

THE STORY OF A SENSITIVE HORSE.

CANDOUR is one of the most delighful characteristics of any man, however big a liar he may be in a general way; and my friend the Gentleman Rider possesses a lively imagination. It does not need much stimulus. Start him to talk about the races he has won and lost—especially about those he might have won if the price had suited, and which he despised because it didn't—and if you are an all-night sitter he will pour out a flood of conversation for that period. He has no idea when he is beaten.

How many of his statements may one believe? I didn't believe many. His fancy, unlike his horses' runs away with him. It is of no use for a man to put his hands down if he cannot keep his tongue still. A beautiful seat in the saddle, without that restraining delicacy of sentiment, will never make a hero.

Yet in this connection I do not wish to be misunderstood. Explanation is so difficult when one does not exactly know what one means. The Gentleman Rider is not an accomplished tergiversator. He requires a substratum of fact to work upon, an actual incident to keep him in countenance; and that is why, if I were called upon to handicap him without being pecuniarily interested, I should not give him top-weight as a raconteur. He jumps off the mark quickly, but does not stay. No retailer of fiction gets into his stride sooner, or puffs more diligently after doing so, but when it comes to finishing he is often down the course. What he likes is a slow-run race, with the others waiting to hear him gasp in the last hundred yards.

There is no doubt, however, that a few years ago the Gentleman Rider had a sensitive horse, of which he was immensely proud. This was a good class, useful, all-round animal that could win in his turn both on the flat and over a country, and that might be taken to the races with a certainty of getting something. He was so lazy that he would have made a race with

a donkey—his jockey had little difficulty in placing him at either end of the procession. Sometimes one end paid best, sometimes the other. It was foolish to bet without being "in the know."

One day, as the russet tints of autumn began to show a wither ing effect on the landscape, and there was a taste of winter in the air, my friend and I were going to the races—his mood was loquacious. He shifted on his seat and looked out of the carriage window.

Then he looked at me and sighed. I was not at all surprised at his doing so.

"You remember old Gumboil?" he said, and averted his gaze as if with relief. My cold morning tints are rather trying to even robust people who have not become familiar with them.

"Gumboil?" I repeated, with lack-lustre eye—"old Gumboil—good old Gumboil! Why, of course, I remember him now—the sensitive horse. He did not care to be tickled about. I must have often backed him when he was't spin—that is, when I did not know you so well."

After I had given expression to this lugubrious reminiscence—and it is *not* pleasant to think that you might as well have chucked your money in the gutter when you expected to win enough to be festive for a short time—the Gentleman Rider only laughed. He does not seem to sympathise with me in the morning but at night—late at night—when we have clinked the cannikin—ah! how different.

He pursued his story reflectively, puffing at a long cigar with quiet deliberation. "People," he said, "never knew what a champion old Gumboil was. He was a lovely lepper, with a turn of speed. He was often jumping the Aintree country when running over an ordinary regulation course. He did not care whether he went three miles or two; he had always a bit to finish with, and could generally 'get there' when wanted."

"When wanted?" I said, and, winking to myself, looked another way.

"Well, you know what I mean," replied my companion, ingenuously. "In those days we had to get our living, and could not afford to be too ladylike. We were obliged to play the game as other people played it. If we had failed to do so, if we had not gone with the stream and grasped a little flotsam in our turn, we should have quickly retired from the rank of the players. And Gumboil kept me for several successive winters. I could do with another such an one.

"It was like this, you see"—Here the speaker put his cigar down for a moment, if his object were to get his second wind. "We used to let the old horse do nearly all his galloping on the course: it irritated me to see him do any fast work at home for nothing. What is the use of sending a horse two miles at top speed for the birds to look at when, by the same exertion, he might be winning a lot of money for his owner on the course? So, when Gumboil galloped, he generally galloped for a prize, or for what his owner could get in other ways."

It might have been a wink that came then from the opposite end of the carriage. If it were not one, it looked like one, and I shall never believe it was merely my optical delusion. I do not see things that are not there now. When the Gentleman Rider winks he scores, as a rule, and nothing will convince me that he missed fire on this occasion.

"I had won several handicap steeplechases" he continued, "with Gumboil, right off the reel, the consequence being that the handicappers had placed him on a mark that rendered his future success problematical. We did not care to bet on probablities, only on certainties; therefore, we set to work with great earnestness of purpose to get weight off. We knew that we should not be likely to accomplish this by keeping him in the stable. We had to get him repeatedly beaten; you have no idea what hard work that sometimes was. Why, I have found more than once, when riding him that the others were stone-cold after going about half way, we did not know before starting what 'perishers' they were to beat, or how could we have backed ours then instead of having to dodge him about so as to get him on what we considered the right mark.

"The handicappers dropped him very slowly, a pound or two at a time. They appeared to have an idea that our *bonâfides* required to be proved, and that if there were no stain upon our character it was not our fault. But we did not lose heart or money. Gumboil was constantly from home, and was always getting a bit here and there. Sometimes I was paid for starting him to make a market for something else when it did not seem to me that he could possibly win at the weights. Sometimes I was subsidized to make running for a horse that wanted a strong pace all the way, and the point at which I was to retire was specified to me before the cash was placed in my hand. We were always ready to perform on suitable terms."

"There is no use in having a champion," I remarked, oracularly, "unless you have him on the spot. How did you get on with yours at last?"

My friend wrung his hands, and if I had not removed mine to a place of safety he would have wrung those. "Poor Gumboil!" he moaned; "he was too sensitive. His spirit was so haughty that, while running to get weight off, and being continually beaten, he seemed to pine away, and went off his feed. He was so bad that he might have been suffering from unrequited love, only we knew there was no lady in the case. Gumboil was indifferent to the attractions of the opposite sex, for a reason that will be appreciated by experienced amorists.

"His extreme sensitiveness"—so my friend continued—"led to our temporary undoing. It was at one of the big meetings. I had just ridden him in a three mile steeplechase for which a large number of good horses competed, and I did not fancy mine at the weights. But he wanted a gallop over the country. I thought he might just as well have it in public, with plenty of good company all the way, as at home. The cost was little more, the journey was pleasant." It had happened in this race that when I went up to the leaders about a quarter of a mile from home, just to get a feeler at them, I found that they could go no faster; and, Lord love us everyone! how I wished then I'd a small fortune on mine. But it was not to be; we retired gracefully into a less conspicuous position sticking our feet out. The old horse shook his head; he was, as I have mentioned, far too sensitive.

After the race I went to look at him in the paddock, and asked his lad—who, being of Irish origin, was entirely devoted to him—how Gumboil was after his recent entertaining struggle. The horse was hanging his head down, and wore a very dejected appearance.

"'Ow is he?' replied the boy, in a loud tone. 'Why, shure, and he's cryin' sor, waping bitterly,—and—and *you know why*. The ould biler wants to win agen afore 'e dies.' 'This unfortunate remark was heard by a handicapper who chanced to be standing by; and as men of experience are aware, it is difficult to get weight off while suspicion is in the air. Gumboil figured at the top in future, and never won another race.'"

Poetry.

TO DAN.

(Who Taught Me to Ride.)

I.

What though they called you jaded hack,
And laughingly declared your back
Resembled (as it did) a rack
For toast?
I'll never join in such attack,
Because, old horse, I owe to you
So much that's wonderful and new.

II.

What though beneath your coat of roan
You had your complement of bone
And sharp projections all your own?
No less,
You taught me riding, you alone;
And Cheiron ne'er with all his wit
Toiled more to make a pupil fit.

III.

When I remember how, at school,
The masters chid me for a fool
At any trip in fact or rule,
And then
Compare your method, patient, cool—
Why, this the upshot is, old Dan,
I can't admire scholastic man.

IV.

My mounting, howsoe'er I'd try,
At first was *gauche*, I don't deny;
The stirrup always hung away
And you.
You towered embarrassingly high.
And hence each morning for a while.
The stable lads came out to smile.

V.

And when the hour was "up," and we
Regained the stable cautiously,
They grinned again. In part at me,
In part.
At your re-juvenility—
"To think of Dan as saddle" orse—
Golly, 'e'll soon be on the course!"

VI.

At first you'd often twist your head,
And fill me with a trembling dread
That e'en a worn-out partial-bred
Will turn,
And eye me with a glance that said—
A look as plain as words that sting—
"What load is this I'm carrying?"

VII.

But afterwards you changed your mind,
O'erjoyed, as I suppose, to find
Relief from wheels that dragged behind;
And once
You cantered (somewhat) like the wind.
I liked you when you cantered best;
Your trot was such sustained unrest.

VIII.

For, fumbling the elusive rein,
And clutching at your ragged mane,
I rose, and fell, and rose again.
Ah me!
Ours was community of pain.—
The sufferings you underwent,
Bade you return the compliment.

IX.

I wonder where to-day you are
At rest perhaps; or skyward far
You amble harnessed to a star
'Twas time!
For here the men drive the motor-car,
Not I. I would not be so mean
As forfeit you to paraffin.

ROTHERAU HURST.—in the *County Gentleman*.

Cards.

BRIDGE.

Solution to Problem No. 18.

THE king of hearts is evidently with A, and thus Z can win four tricks in hearts and four in spades without any difficulty. He requires a ninth trick to go game, however, and should set about making a club or diamond good before parting with his cards of entry. At trick 2, he should lead the 9 of clubs. If A covers with the queen or knave, Y puts on the king, and must make a club trick on the third round. If A cover with the ace, Y's king is good, and YZ cannot fail to go game. If A passes the 9 of clubs, so does Y, letting B win the trick. B will probably lead diamonds. If he leads a low one, Z puts on one of his honors, and is almost certain to make the other on the third round. Z can always get in twice to lead through A's king of hearts.

Problem No. 19.

Score: A, B, 0; Y, Z, 0. Z deals and leaves it to Y, who declares spades, B doubles. Y's and B's hands are as follows:—

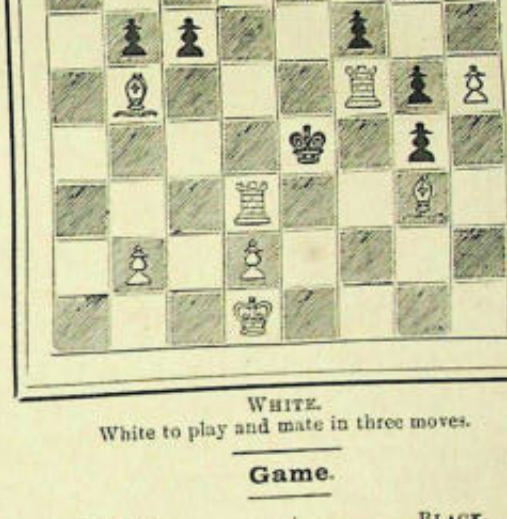
Y's hand (Dummy).

Hearts, A, K, Diamonds, Q, 10, 5, 4. Clubs, J, 9, 8, 3. Spades. J, 3, 2.

B's hand (Third player).

Hearts, Q, 10, 3, 2. Diamonds, A, K, J, 3. Clubs, A, K. Spades, A, K, Q.

The play of the first two tricks is as follows:—



Tricks: A B 1, Y Z 0. Tricks: A B 2, Y Z 0.

How ought B to go on with the hand, and why?

Chess.

Solution to Problem No. 385.

WHITE.	BLACK.
1. B. to Kt 2 (ch)	1. K. takes B
2. Kt. to B 6 (ch)	2. K. to K 3
3. B. to Q 5 (ch)	3. K. to Q 2
4. Q. to B 8 (ch)	4. K. takes Q
5. B. mates.	

Problem No. 386.

BLACK.

WHITE.

White to play and mate in three moves.

Game.

WHITE.	BLACK.
1. P. to K 4	1. P. to K 4
2. Kt. to K B 3	2. Kt. to Q B 3
3. B. to Q Kt 5 (a)	3. P. to Q R 3
4. B. to Q R 4	4. Kt. to K B 3
5. Castles	5. B. to K 2
6. P. to Q 4	6. P. takes P
7. P. to K 5	7. Kt. to K 5
8. P. to Q B 3	8 P. takes P
9. R. to K square	9. Kt. to Q B 4
10. B. to Q B 2	10. P. takes P (b)
11. B. takes P	11. Kt. to K 3
12. Kt. to Q B 3	12. Castles
13. Kt. to Q 5	13. P. to Q Kt 4
14. Kt. to K B 6 (ch) (c)	14. B. takes Kt
15. P. takes B	15. P. to K Kt 3
16. Q. to Q 2	16. K. to R square
17. Q. to K R 6	17. R. to K Kt square
18. R. takes Kt	18. Q. P takes B
19. Kt. to K Kt 5	
And wins.	

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(b) Mr. Boden seems to be in a careless mood. This move assists the development of White's attack.

(c) An excellent conception, and quite in White's old style.

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WINNING SIRES OF 1906.

WE can never read the voluminous articles on "Winning sires of the season" which form a standing dish in the Home sporting press at the end of the year, without being impressed by the small number of stallions upon which the English turf is dependent for its good horses. The past season's list of stallions whose immediate progeny have won among them over £12,000 are ten in number, while the full list of sires whose sons and daughters have won anything at all during the season includes upwards of 260 names, among them those of a few stallions now dead. When we consider the amount of racing there is at home, and the amount of money there is to be won, we realise very strongly the truth of the commonplace that in any department of life "there is plenty of room at the top."

The most notable horse of the season, though not the leader of this array of talent, is Gallinule, his progeny have won over £16,000 giving him as for several years past a high place among the winning stallions. Gallinule is a good example of the horse who gets much better runners than himself: his record, when he retired from active service of the turf was by no means brilliant; on the contrary he was regarded as a striking example of the indifferent horse that may be foaled to distinguished parents: by Isonomy out of Moorhen who was got by Hermit, Gallinule at one period of his career stood for "great expectations;" these were never fulfilled and the horse was sent to the stud in Ireland without a character. Had he remained in England he would probably have been used to get hunters or anything but race horses. In Ireland, however, his looks were liked and he was given his chance: with the result that he has proved himself a begetter of stock second to none in the kingdom. His progeny won only a few sovereigns less than the top horse (St. Frusquin) in 1903; he was a long way the first in 1904—with over £30,000 to his credit as against St. Frusquin's (the second) £17,000; he was an excellent second to Isinglass in 1905, and this season he comes within measurable distance of the leader's total.

Persimmon leads the way with 16 winners of 31 races worth £21,737, much more than half of which total (£12,837) was won by Keystone II. Plum Tree with three races worth a little over £3,000 and gourd with two, worth under £2,000 are the other two contributors of over £1,000 in Persimmon's list. Passing over Ladas, who stands second, for the moment, we glance at Gallinule's record: third on the list, he appears this year as the sire of 14 winners of 31 races (the same number as Persimmon) worth £16,211; but there is more evenness about the merit of Gallinule's progeny if the value of the races won by them be any criterion; Persimmon owes his place to Keystone II.; without her he would be down among the ruck of the 260 stallions. Gallinule's progeny have a different record; six of the fourteen have won money running into four figures; namely, Gala Meath (£1,095), Hammerkop (£1,405), Poussin (£1,160), Pretty Polly (£1,955), Rocketter (£2,744) and Slieve Gallion (£4,090. From a strictly figure point of view we regard Gallinule's record as a much better one than Persimmon's. Ladas,

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sire of 11 winners of 31½ races, like Persimmon owes his position very largely to one good son in the shape of Troutbeck, who with nine races at his credit contributes nearly £11,000 of Ladas' total (£19,860): he owes £4,822 to Gorgos and £1,075 to Hexagon. Carbine's record for the season shows a marked advance on that of any of the three preceding years. Last season his progeny won £5,401, while in 1903 and 1904, their successes did not reach £5,000 in either year. This year he figures fourth on the list with 13 winners of 22 races worth £16,048. Spearmint is, of course, the trump card in his pack: and to the Derby he owes £6,450 of his total: he has, however, four other children, winners of over £1,000, in Foresight, Gingal (£3,023) Ramrod and Tui.

Ayrshire has a good record in 16 winners of 31 races worth £14,620. The two-year-old Traquair who won four races worth over £8,000 is Ayrshire's mainstay eliminate Traquair and Ayrshire would make an indifferent show, for the only other one of his get whose successes produced four figures is the four-year-old King Duncan, winner of four events worth £1,429. Love Wisely obtains promotion through the merit of Bridge of Canny, who credits him with £10,255 out of his total of £14,450. The two-year-old Earlston contributes £1, 161, the proceeds of three races, but none of the eight remaining winners contribute as much as £1,000. Isinglass, who comes next, shows a great falling off from last year's total, which stood at £24,642: his eighteen winners have 31½ races to their credit and these were worth £13,521. He has, however, five winners of over £1000 and his place cannot be attributed to the exceptional merit of one of his progeny: like those of Gallioule, there is more of evenness about their performances than we find in other lists. Marco makes a great stride forward as a stallion, regarding him by the light of figures, which as we have shown tend to flatter the reputation: he has 14 winners of 23½ races worth £13,486: but £8,440 of this is contributed by the three-year-old Beppo: none of Marco's other children have won £1,000 on stakes during the year. Dinna Forget worms his way in the first ten by the merit of Dinneford: he has seven winners of eleven races worth in the aggregate £12,346; and of this total Dinneford with three brackets contributes no less than £10,017. This is the first really good horse Dinna Forget has got: his progeny left his name nowhere in previous years: in 1903 there was not a shilling at the credit of his progeny. Cyllene, the tenth on the list, has fallen from the high estate he held last year. Fourteen winners of 26½ races produced £12,118, which compares badly with the £21,555 of 1905; but then the best of sires cannot hope to beget a Derby winner every year and Cicero as a four-year-old contributes only £699, the value of a single race.

Florizel II, who for the third year in succession takes a fair place, if not so good as in 1904 and 1905, furnishes an example of the value of family connections. Own brother to Persimmon (St. Simon—Perdita II) his achievements when he carried silk were certainly not of a character to justify hopes of a successful career at the stud, though he was an undoubted stayer, a fact which of itself ought to have gained him patronage. What he did get he owed very largely to the fame of his brother; but when his progeny, Volodyovski, Doricles, Floriform and Mackintosh, first season horses, all made their début, Florizel II's subscription list filled up as rapidly as did Gallinule's when the merit of his progeny was discerned.

We are tempted to wonder how many sires who could have produced really good horses have been neglected, simply because they came of unfashionable blood or because they failed to achieve conspicuous success on the racecourse. It is an unprofitable, an impossible quest; but when we regard the places taken by Gallinule, Love Wisely and others at the stud, and consider their antecedents and the mere accident which secured them to perpetuate their kind, the impossible seems at least pardonable. Love Wisely is a most eloquent example of the happy accident; his late owner bought both his sire, Wisdom, and his dam, Enigma, paying under 100 guineas for the two. Wisdom never won a race in his life, and Enigma had no record at all from a turf point of view: yet the mating of these two was singularly successful as regards the female line: Florence won the Cambridgeshire of 1884, carrying 9st. 1lb. Tact threw Amiable, winner of the Oaks of 1894: and Gravity threw William the Third. Not a bad record for sire and dam, whose combined value measured by the only practical test was under £105! The simple explanation was that neither was of fashionable descent; but we may, in equine matters at all events, adopt the Chinese fashion and ennoble the ancestors in recognition of the services of the son. Love Wisely has made his mark at the stud and his subscription list fills at 250 guineas: a fact which, as we remarked before, tempts speculation as the number of good stallions the followers of fashion in breeding have neglected.

Sporting Notes.

THE result of the Trials was a complete triumph for those who maintained that Saloon in his preliminary tussle with Sacristan had suffered the chestnut to catch him in the straight. In the big race the country-bred was not permitted to steal so long a lead of his field as both Contest and Prince Lyon pursued him hot foot to the Hospital corner. Here the pace killed the two big horses and they fell away to let up Sacristan and Mr. Apcar's well-trained pair of Cup horses, Saloon meanwhile sailed gaily along in front and won with astonishing ease in equally astonishing time, cutting down Dalkeith's record of 1905. Mallard and Fitzgrafton had a bit of a set to, but the former had all the better of it and was at once made favourite for the Cup. The only other horse that attracted attention was the dark Steinhager, whose appearance in the paddock put a decided query to the statement that the Irish colt was hopelessly unfit to run over a distance. He finished in the ruck, but was going well and strong throughout the race so that a number of small investors were glad to take tens about him during the afternoon.

Saloon's victory brought plenty of money into the Ring for Wednesday's race and the market for the first time assumed a healthy aspect. The big race will be over before these notes appear in print, so that it would be idle to speculate on the change in the general view since Thursday last. On Saturday morning it was authoritatively stated that Long Tom had broken down and would not start for the Cup. At that time the report was incorrect, and the horse's connections expected to see him run, but his condition was sufficiently precarious to send him out in the betting to tens, and few, if any, takers.

When it was given out that Melsom would be available to ride Saloon in the Trials and Cup, and by Monday the price had shortened to 3½ or 4 to 1, the little horse's supporters began to come into the Ring. The big race eclipsed all other events on Saturday, but the hurdle race might have been very interesting but for the accidents to Hoop Iron, Olynthus and Santa Maria, the ultimate winner's most serious opponents.

The crush at the first flight was certain to produce an accident if any of the leading quartette made a mistake. Santa Maria pecked heavily and would probably have fallen, even had not Olynthus jumped right into her and completed the disaster, toppling over himself after a gallant effort to recover. When Hoop Iron fell the race was over as the mighty Decoration was quite unready to throw down the gage of battle even to his improving stable companion, Loch Lochie. Kipling won with his head in his chest and began the series of big victories which fell to Mr. J. D. Scott's stable during the afternoon.

Pony racing is apparently dying surely enough in Calcutta, and indeed the present division of classes was bound to make its effect felt before long. The Maiden Pony Plate produced a field of five, of which Matin Bell was the first to catch the judge's eye, although many in the stand would have it that the short head verdict should have been given in favour of Plover. The four thousand-rupee International Pony Plate was a gift for Lady Avon, the only opponent backed to beat her being poor old Psalm. Next came the Trials and after that the Ellenborough Plate in which a field of twenty-one horses streamed out of the starting gate. Mr. Deakin's green jacket came home alone this time and the handicappers were justified by the defeat of Dea, a very hot favourite and the placing of two outsiders, Jack Sheppard and Clynder, on which the tote paid heavy dividends.

The Paddock Plate, an R. C. Handicap, was the good thing it looked for Ballark, although a strong up-country contingent cheerfully accepted two to one about Mother Goose. But the supporters of the grey jacket had overrated the filly's ability and indeed Calcutta race-goers are only slowly realizing what a good horse Ballark is. He is much the same class as Mallard and might very well be competing in the open races. Bon Bon ran well, but Lord Boyne failed to get a place, although well backed. In these big fields on the Calcutta course backing is very precarious work.

The outcry about the "Barrier" still continues to supply letters to the local daily press and this although the "sacred" enclosure has been thrown open for the big meeting to all holders of paddock tickets, irrespective of that social position on which the letter writers so persistently and irrelevantly insist. The barrier now serves only to prevent the decided crush below the Viceroy's Box and the Club Stand, which we all remember of old, which would be intensified by the narrowness of the present Lawn opposite the Big Stand. On English courses, ordinary racegoers who wish to stare at "*the quality*" are obliged to do so from a very considerable distance, in Calcutta they are much more generously treated in this respect and yet this cry of "snob," "snob" is raised when a railing is erected to break the crowd and so prevent a crush around the Judge's box, Stewards' stand and the higher-priced reserved seats. The Turf Club and reserved seats were fully occupied on Saturday, so that there is no question of increasing the seating accommodation for the public. The objections, which we commented upon in a recent issue, have been fully met by the Stewards, and there does not seem to be much reason in the prolonged clamour.

The Burdwan Cup usually affords a good line for the Grand National, but this year it seems to be an easier task than ever for Kipling. Decoration was striding out grandly at the finish last Saturday, but is painfully short of condition and it is difficult to see how he is to stay over the three miles, leaping all the way. Olynthus will be seen out again next Saturday, but Kipling apparently is not engaged in the Grand Annual, so it will be difficult to get any line to indicate the chances of Mr. Pugh's horse. The course is in fine order this year and the pity is that we cannot get more than two afternoons' chasing yearly on this very pleasant course.

The first Calcutta paperchase brought out all the horses qualifying for the hunters' steeplechases at the Tollygunge Meeting, but accidents have thinned the ranks considerably this year. Captain Holder's Lord Harry is going better than ever and seems to have the open steeplechase on New Year's Day at his mercy, the only difficulty has been to find enough candidates to fill the race. Pretender is resuscitated and has done a good school in addition to a steady gallop round the paperchase course at the opening meet. Lady Gold is the only other serious competitor at level weights, though Cain, Orphan Boy, and Fairy are all entered and may have a dart for the place money; the opportunity seems rather a tempting one. Mr. Pugh has entered his new mare, but she can hardly be fit to go this distance yet.

The ponies are hardly more numerous, but nine have entered for the steeplechase on New Year's Day. Good Chap will have to deal with Pathfinder, who is a rattling good pony, Energy and Mistlebird. The turn-out at the first chase was, on the whole, very disappointing as regards "quality."

Full reports of the Rawalpindi December Meeting appear among our Turf news to-day. The sport was of all-round excellence, so high class was it and so complete the arrangements of the executive that it will be matter for surprise if the prospects of racing in the N.-W. are not materially affected for good by it.

The prospectus of the Dibrugarh January Meeting is published to-day: the dates are the 24th, 26th and 28th proximo.

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The results of the Chittagong Races, which appeared recently in some of our contemporaries, were incorrect as the Honorary Secretary informs us. We publish to-day an official and accurate report.

The programme of the Jubbulpore Races is published to-day under "Races to Come." The dates are the 26th, 28th and 30th March and entries close on the 12th and 26th February and 12th March.

All who shoot in India will read with interest the letter of Messrs. Westley Richards and Company regarding their new ·318 bore rifle.

A bullet that hits the mark but does not kill has just been invented by Dr. Deirliers, of Paris. The details of its construction are not mentioned, but it is said to be hollow, and can be used several times. In a test for duel practice pistols were used with steel guards resembling a sword hilt because, although the bullet does not penetrate the clothing, it will wound naked flesh. Both men wore goggles. Out of 272 shots, 202 struck some part of the bodies of the duellists.

The trend of the day, in every department of shooting, is toward abolishing the nuisance and the uncomfortableness of heavy recoil. What a lot of heroic sufferers we have been, all these days, is brought to our attention by the interesting statistics of the recoil of the famous weapons of the day and the contrast which they show alongside of some of the latest arms. The spirit of physical ease which puts rubber tires on our carriages and shock-absorbers on our automobiles and air cushions on our camp beds, seems to have been at work on our firearms.

Take, for instance, the interesting table of recoils which has recently come on the market, and it will be found that there is the most astonishing difference between the new high-powered rifles and the old. The new self-loading ·35 calibre weapon is shown to have just about one-eighth of the recoil that is characteristic of the old ·45-90, and about one-tenth of the average recoil of the 12-gauge shot-gun using the usual load. If there was anything needed to confirm the future of the much discussed self-loading weapons of this day it would be found in these facts.

Fourteen teams have entered for the Agra Polo Tournament, which looks as if it is going to provide polo of high class.

Our Bombay correspondent writes :—Though punters were not fortunate enough to pick every winner, as was the case the previous Saturday, they nevertheless had an excellent day's racing The attendance was distinctly better and some close finishes, with good entries, were more enjoyable than the easy wins of the First Extra. The opening event saw Ames have a very narrow escape and he is fortunate in getting off with a somewhat lumpy face, a brace of black eyes and a crocked thigh. He was on the favourite Gaucho and though he certainly would not have won, was third in a hard finish. As they reached the stand, in full view of the onlookers, Gaucho stumbled and fell, fortunately shooting Ames some distance ahead as in his struggles the pony was within an ace of rolling over him. Robertson was on his heels on Adham, who swerved so suddenly to avoid the fallen one that he unseated his rider, who fell luckily. A poor field of five followed for the Selling Plate and after being made an odds on favourite, Court Martial had his field set on coming into the straight where Lomond, till then, held pride of place.

Precious was one of the two "good things" of the day and started at the prohibitive price of 5 to 2 on. On nearing the bend he drew up with the two pace-makers Dublin and Royal and won in the same brilliant manner with ears cocked, as he did in Poona. The other "cert" was Bay Middleton in the last race, the Small Arab Plate, a Rs. 500 race for which there was only one other starter, the Rs. 100 for third place actually going begging. Hermit was the second starter, but never looked dangerous from start to finish, the champion doing the 5 furlongs in 1min. 7secs., well in hand. They tell me Little Joker was the one Byramji intended to bring from Poona instead of Hermit, but even with the grey in at a galloping weight I feel sure the result would have been just as much of a foregone conclusion.

The best betting race the books have had in the two days was the Winter Plate. Once more punters tried to forestall owners and paid the penalty, as after Posco had gone to evens he extended to fours and the stable came at Comeback and sent him out favourite at evens. Balayeuse was most consistently backed, but her owner never saw her anywhere but in the ruck. Vocalist followed by Baritone cut out the pace at a tremendous bat ; all was over bar the shouting, however, when Heeroo brought Comeback along to win as he liked. His stable companion Posco put in a late run that threatened Baritone's second place and had her crouching native jock had a finish in him she would have troubled the winner. This Padlock mare, half sister to Key West, will show she is more than worth her feed before long. Comeback's time for the 6 furlongs was 1 min. 15secs.

The worst upset of the day was when Vedas went out at odds on for the Holiday Plate. Ames took him in front immediately and had Sherali set at the bend. Here, though, Heeroo came on Mudlool and, after a tremendous finish with whips out all the way down the straight, won by a bare neck. Ames must have still felt the effects of his nasty spill as his finish was not too strong and he decidedly made too much use of the favourite, an easy by the bend might have won him the race.

The Bombay hounds out at Santa Cruz have as many followers as ever and the new batch of hounds are meeting with the most complimentary remarks for their work on anything but good scenting days. Jacks are plentiful and a find almost immediately follows the cast. The first kill of the season, in public, was on Thursday when a very large field included H. E. the Governor. Mrs. Meyer, Mrs. Donald Graham, Miss Turner and Miss Croft are very regularly out. A fine run was the one in question, the jack making towards Jack Symon's Hill, thence to the Backwater, across the Andheri Road to the Marole Caves. Here in the paddy fields, in full view of the field, he was rolled over.

The weather has been all that could be desired for the Saturday races at the Royal Bombay Yacht Club and the entries on Saturday were much better than has been the case for the first few occasions. There was a moderate N.-W. wind and an exciting race for A class. *Eileen* immediately drew ahead, did the first round excellently and seemed certain of a win. The wind, however, increased and this suiting *Sapphire* she sailed beautifully and just scraped home on her allowance. For B class, *Sayonara* was given 8mins. 30secs by her three opponents and actually led round the Buoy the first time round. *Pixie* and then *Trixie* overhauled her, but she hung on sailing finely in the light wind and won very handsomely, well handled.

A race full of incident was the Tomtit and Small Boat class, *Midget* being the first one to get into difficulties and, fouling the Buoy, retired. *Tomtit* early took the lead. but this she lost when a steamer got in her way and *Meg* went to the front. *Tomtit* continued to sail well and passed *Lapwing*, but could not get up to *Meg*, *Coralie* winning the handicap prize by six seconds from *Clutha*

Once again is the Hon. Mr. A. A. Apcar to be heartily congratulated, for his grand horse Fitzgrafton won the Viceroy's Cup yesterday : indeed he is doubly "pedestaled in praise" in that he also ran second with Mallard. To take a slight liberty with Milton "*Sport* hath her victories no less renowned than war" and this fresh triumph will assuredly evoke congratulations from racing men in every part of India. The Master was third. Details will be found in our report further on.

Athletic Notes.

THE match in the Bengal-Punjab Football Cup Competition between the Somersetshire L. I. and the South Staffordshires, played at Allahabad on the 21st instant, ended in a brilliant win for the Somersets by 2 goals to *nil* ; their goal-keeper played a Trojan game.

The following are the results of the bicycle championships at the Secunderabad annual tournament, held at Trimulgherry :—

One mile military championship for Bombay Cycle Company's Cup. Won by Corporal White, 13th Hussars, time 3 mins. 5⅕secs.

Secunderabad championship, 5 miles, "Hyderabad Bulletin" Cup. Corporal Mapuson, 13th Hussars, 15mins. 46⅖secs

Military scouts competition. Won by Royal Fusiliers team. Slight rain fell during the races and spoilt the timing considerably.

The Meakin Association Football Tournament was concluded at Mhow on the 19th instant when the Royal Scots from Colaba beat the East Surrey Regiment in the final by a goal to *nil*. The winners

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With the return of Christmas once more it becomes our pleasant duty to acknowledge the receipt of numerous Almanacs, Catalogues and other seasonable manifestations from many business friends. To Messrs. Cooke and Kelvey we are indebted for a copy of their elegantly turned out catalogue and price list, an illustrated record of things costly, beautiful, useful and rare. Messrs. Elkington and Company, Limited, through their Agents, Messrs. Walter Locke and Company, Limited, excite envy and admiration with a copy of their special list of choice and artistic silverware. The Norwich Union Fire Insurance Society, from their branch office in Dalhousie Square, Calcutta, issue a well coloured wall calendar for next year, with a charming view of the old Cathedral thrown in. Messrs. Cutler Palmer and Company's greeting this year takes the form of a very striking almanac on which we have types of the Indian Army and nicely coloured views of popular spots—the Taj, Lahore Gardens, Delhi and Udaipur to wit. Messrs. James Murray present us with strawberries and "Dates"; the Agents of the Harrison Line of Steamers have not forgotten us in their neatly printed desk calendar; the Commercial Union Fire, Life, Marine and Accident Assurance Company have also weighed in with a useful calendar.

Messrs. Federico Peliti present us with a very chaste and delicately tinted wall calendar and accentuate their good wishes with a gift of "sugared sweetness" for which we thank them.

Harmston's Circus increases in popularity. The mammoth tent is filled to overflowing every night—indeed people have been turned away from the doors on one or two occasions—while the matinées are attended by crowds of the younger generation for whom "Harmston's" has had such attractions for so many years. In a programme replete with star turns it is difficult to know where to begin. But if we may be permitted to show any preference we should plump for the performance of the Frantz troupe. This clever family have earned a name for themselves on the Continent and in America, and it is certain that as acrobats, tumblers and gymnasts we have never seen their match east of Suez. A refined, finished and astonishing performance in every sense of the word, their strength, grace and agility earn for them a warm reception every night. Our old friends, the Wheelers, have added a number of new tricks to their repertoire and the grotesque yet extremely difficult and clever specialities of the tramp cyclist and his companion's graceful and daring turns continue to amuse and amaze us. Nellie, Jennie, and Willie Harmston-Love astonish us by their progress every year. The two young ladies, besides being accomplished equestriennes, give a very graceful exhibition of wire walking, while their brother is an acrobat of no mean calibre. The performing animals introduced by John Paul Rougal show careful training and perfect condition, and this up-to-date act is unattended by the usual shouting and whip cracking on the part of the trainer and growling, snarling, and ill temper by the animals. The performing ponies and ring acts are as good as ever, and Frank Eldered's riding and balancing feats are extremely clever. Last, but not least, we must mention the Collin's Princess Quartette whose coon songs and dainty dancing are much appreciated.

There have been changes of programme since last we had the pleasure of noticing the bill, and, of course, for Christmas week the management has catered very specially, and the artists have individually and collectively given us of their very best. There was a matinée on Monday in addition to the show at night; on Christmas Day there was a special matinée, there was another yesterday and one is billed for to-day plus the usual night performance. On Monday there was a capital high jumping contest for a handsome prize: these competitions are always popular with the public and with those for whose special benefit they are got up, often some fine performances are witnessed and always much interest is evoked in local horsey circles.

To-morrow night another monster bill will be presented and among the "Extras" will be the presentation of souvenirs to the trainer and winning jockey in the Viceroy's Cup race.

The Columbia Rink, in spite of counter-attractions, still draws enthusiastic crowds, both performers and spectators, and the first fancy dress carnival for children held last week was a great success. A happy crowd of small people in costumes of every nationality under the sun enjoyed themselves and their surroundings immensely, a lucky bag and a Punch and Judy show being well patronised. Every little visitor received a present of some description, not one being permitted to go away empty handed. Some handsome prizes are being offered by the genial Proprietor to the best racer on roller skates to-night, and the big carnival billed to take place on New Year's eve will, it is anticipated, be a huge success.

London Week by Week.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

Friday, 7th December 1906.

RAGING gales with rain, hail and sleet or snow for a change have been blowing over these islands at short intervals since I wrote last. There was a gale on Saturday, another on Wednesday, and another yesterday. Wednesday's storm found out one of the weak spots in wireless telegraphy, as the steel tower, 450 feet high, at Machrihanish (place beloved of Western Scottish golfers) snapped in three pieces and fell with a terrific crash. Nobody was injured fortunately. The tale of wreck rolls up slowly and surely. We have not heard the last of it by any means I imagine.

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Naval artillery practice does not much move the average citizen, and naturally enough, as he can never obtain a chance of seeing the interesting business. The performance of H. M. S. *Drake* in the gun-laying tests of this year do not therefore receive so much attention as they deserve. At a range of four miles her big guns made 105 hits out of 133 rounds, or 79 per cent. This is the record performance in the annals of naval battle practice for the navies of the world: one would like to know more about the conditions under which such amazingly good shooting was done.

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Of course it does not take much to rouse the ire of soldiers against C. B. and Co., and the feeling displayed in the clubs about the removal of the Scots Greys from Piershill and Glasgow was only to be expected. Both Edinburgh and Glasgow are popular with soldiers, particularly in winter, and the closing of barracks whence a man gets as much hunting, shooting and social amusement as he wants in winter, to say nothing of yachting and fishing in summer, is properly regarded as an outrage. C. B. and Co. could bear the anathema of clubdom with fortitude: but when the godlike masses, with the Lord Provosts of Edinburgh and Glasgow and Lord Rosebery at their head, in meeting assemble and denounce the Liberal ministry wherein they trusted with bell, book and candle, the matter takes another colour. Mr. Haldane had attributed the withdrawal of cavalry from Piershill to the insanitary barracks: but as the barracks are now to be occupied by artillery, people naturally want to know what he means by it. We know Mr. Haldane wants to reduce the artillery, but is it quite fair to effect reductions by keeping them in unwholesome barracks? The fat is in the fire and they who tend the flames mean to keep them going. On such minor threads does the fate of ministers hang.

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Mr. Collard's trial by court-martial, arising out of the stokers' row at Portsmouth, ended in the criminal being reprimanded for having committed an act, to the prejudice of good order and discipline, on 24th November, when he ordered stoker Acton to go on the knee in order to reprove him. The proceedings occupied two days, and to my unenlightened intelligence their most conspicuous quality was the amazing triviality of the evidence. Mr. Collard denied having called any stoker "a dog" clean or dirty: it never crossed his mind that there was any humiliation in the order "on the knee!" and he attributed the trouble to the operations of agitators who enlisted the sympathies of the ha'penny papers to work up grievances. So the matter fizzles out, and I hope Mr. Collard is no penny the worse of the pother.

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It was a pleasant but, I am told, rather moving ceremony that took place in Upper School last Friday when Lord Elgin, on behalf of old Etonians, presented Dr. Warre with the portrait of himself by Sargent. For forty-five years the Doctor has been at Eton as Assistant and Head, and his acquaintance with ten or a dozen generations of Eton boys has been of the happiest. The testimonials offered him, included a cheque for £1,450, in a silver box, this representing the balance of the subscription for the portrait. Lord Elgin's speech was singularly happy in both substance and tone. Dr. Warre was visibly moved; his reply, brief, halting and delivered in a low tone amid perfect hush, gave witness to the feeling with which he bore part in the final scene of his severance with Eton.

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Sir Edward Reed's death on Friday recalls the old dispute about rigged turret-ships, which brought about Sir Edward's resignation of his office as Naval Constructor to the Admiralty in 1870. Mr Reed, as he then was, strongly objected to the plan of the turret-ship which was all in favour at Whitehall then and refused to countenance it. It was only a month or two after his resignation that the ironclad turret-ship *Captain* capsized, as if to bear out the accuracy of the Naval Constructor's views. A self-made man, he had reason to be proud of his career: of nothing was he prouder than the talent for caricature displayed by his son so regularly in *Punch*.

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The Albert Hall on Saturday was not so crowded as I have sometimes seen it, but Madame Patti had no cause to complain of empty benches. The farewell programme, appropriately, included the songs most nearly associated with her name: Tosti's Serenata, Il Bacio, Robin Adair and Comin' through the Rye. Some of us hoped for the Three Fishers, but it was not forthcoming. It is astonishing how Madame Patti's voice remains to her! Twenty years ago I sat within a few yards of her while she sang and thought the effort with which she seemed to draw breath implied the early failure of her powers: there was no evidence of this on Saturday: her every note was clear and liquid as ever. It is to be hoped that this is not really the last time she will sing: there was no reason discoverable on Saturday why she should not give a series of farewell concerts to extend over many years.

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There is little to say about the theatres this week: we have reached the lull before the pantomimes and no new thing of mark is to be noticed. Mr. Jerome K. Jerome has dramatised his novel "Tommy & Co." and the result produced at a suburban house, the Camden, is on the whole well spoken of as "strong, deep and sincere," gripping the emotions in certain parts. The unkindest cut of all is "the humour is flat," every dog has his day: and the humour of Jerome was submerged by the flood of imitation. it had its vogue, but it was a short one. I shall wait till "Tommy" reaches one of the un-suburban houses to go and see it.

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The revival of a "Midsummer Night's Dream" on Saturday at the Adelphi does not call for much remark: it is as wonderfully staged and as admirably played as it was a year ago: the excellence of the play was to be expected as the cast is, with a few exceptions, the same. The most prominent newcomers are Miss Rose Hersee, who plays Hermia: I think her part as Alice in Wonderland suited her better than the Shakespearian *rôle*, but she was a little nervous on Monday. Miss Thyrza Norman takes Miss Barlow's place as Titania and is well suited therein: she looks exceedingly pretty as the fairy. It struck me that the clowns rather overdo their part: it is a thankless task to try and improve on Shakespeare. Puck (Miss Nita Faydon) like Snout and Starveling went in too generously for "business."

"Peter's Mother" at Wyndham's has been honoured by a command to appear at Sandringham on Saturday.

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I often wondered why the enterprise of Leicester Square never rose to biograph pictures of the mine compounds in South Africa when the idiotic "Chinese Slavery" agitation was at its height: it seemed an opportunity lost. Now the Palace has produced a remarkably good and vivid series, showing the downtrodden Chinee as he appears in his off-time. The pictures show the coolies in their tubs; amusing themselves with athletics and theatricals, the best scenes are those showing them at cards and dominoes: the faces of the Celestials have all the intentness of absorption and never an eye is cast on the machine which is "taking" them. It is a very good series, which produced earlier might have done some practical good.

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The Hippodrome has recovered possession of Chung Ling Soo, the Chinese conjurer, who was performing there a year or two ago. He is certainly the cleverest magician I remember to have seen, if only because of the success whereby he produces articles out of others infinitely too small to contain them: one of the best things he produced from his own apparently limitless interior was a billiard cue: and his achievement with a girl in a glass case was also most baffling. Another new turn is that of Maz Marzella's performing birds, toucans and cockatoos, which do "skirt dances" in their own fashion under coloured limelight, very attractive and giving evidence of clever training. The only complaint I had to make was that the artistes talked too much when not performing: it was suggested that they were criticising the bird who was dancing.

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The Canterbury has secured its license after all. The alterations and limitations of audience in gallery and balcony having been agreed to by the management, there was no reason to withhold it. A new music-hall was in contemplation at Finsbury Park, some in the north of London, but the inhabitants, or some of them, opposed the scheme: they feared, they said, the lowering of their moral tone—or the moral tone of each other. Their moral tone is safe for the present as the license was refused.

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Think you not, Editorjee, that 12*s.* 6*d.* is rather much for a *table d'hôte* dinner? This is their charge at the Ritz for mere nobodies whose names are not worth putting in next day's paper. I cannot say I like the Ritz twelve and sixpenny dinner: they give you ten or a dozen courses and the helpings of each are simply massive. None but an interior of perfectly Lambertian dimensions could hold half of it. This is not what one expects at a place like the Ritz, where quality and daintiness should rule instead of quantity. How dining resorts change! Fifteen or twenty years ago the Continental was *the* place to take a woman (eligible for presentation) to dine: now the place is almost empty until the theatres are out, and then—well, you would rather not take your wife or sister there.

By the way, the Lyceum is to be offered for sale at Tokenhouse-Yard next Thursday: the theatre is a big one, seating 2,750 people.

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Mr. Lewis Waller's motor-car collision near Coventry one day last October attracted much more attention than the matter intrinsically demanded. The case was heard on Friday and Mr. Waller was fined £5 and costs for travelling at dangerous speed: Mr. Waller contemplated appealing, but I have not heard that he has done so yet.

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While I respect profoundly Miss Blower's regard for her dog I cannot think that she was wise in adopting the vocation of hospital nurse, in view of the almost insuperable difficulty of reconciling duty to one's dog with duty to one's patients. Miss Blower applied for, and was appointed to, the post of Infirmary nurse at Strood, Rochester, and when about to take up the appointment intimated her intention to bring her dog with her. The Guardians objected: Miss Blower protested: the Guardians were firm: Miss Blower then wrote calmly and pathetically that she could not part from the dog which had been her companion for so long. The Guardians bore the lady's defection with fortitude, dismissed a suggestion to sue for a month's salary and engaged a nurse who had no canine ties.

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There has been marked decrease during the last few weeks in the amount of pauperism in London. During the week ended 24th November the number of persons relieved was 6,606 less than in the same week of 1905, the decline is the more noteworthy because this is the season when, usually, the number of applicants rises. We must I think look beyond figures in this case: the falling off synchronises with the West Ham Guardian scandals and the Poplar Enquiry. Is it too wild a supposition that excessive relief for dishonest political purposes is falling into discredit under the light of publicity? We know what followed the abolition of "labour tests:" now our pockets are to be relieved again to some extent. At Wandsworth Workhouse a revolt is threatened: destitution came in such crowds for the week end that the Guardians have made the Sunday dinner much less tempting: and even the old patrons of the workhouse, long resident therein, are threatening to go out.

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The case of Pearce *vs.* Day, which was decided last Friday, adds another to the array to quote in support of the view that one may be insane and yet sane enough to make a will. Mrs. Day's relatives were hardly to be criticised for opposing probate. The lady suffered from delusions and illusions, patronised spiritualistic mediums and, unable to draw a straight line in her normal moments, drew sketches which Dr. White described as "recognised symptoms of insanity" when under some mysterious influence. Her relatives very reasonably considered that when she left property away from them who had always been on good terms with her, she was acting under the "evil influences" which, Mrs. Day maintained, pervaded the house where she lived: but the special jury held otherwise and found for the will.

ONLOOKER.

Review.

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THE present number consists of nearly 300 pages of printed matter, four coloured plates, another illustration, and numerous woodcuts. Altogether it makes a most valuable addition to the naturalist's library. The number of coloured plates exceeds that of most journals of this description. The frontispiece is by H. Grönwold and depicts the common teal (*Nettium crecca*) and is in continuation of the series of plates in connection with Mr. Stuart Baker's paper "India's Ducks and their allies." It shows the duck and the drake in full plumage. The next coloured plate of the Dhaman or Indian Rat Snake (*Lamenis mucosus*) is by J. Green, illustrating Captain Wall's article "A popular treatise of the common Indian Snakes." The following one depicts four varieties of the eggs of the Indian Cuckoo (*Cuculus Micropterus*), five of Hodgson's Hawk Cuckoo (*Hierococcyx Nisicolor*) three of the large Hawk Cuckoo (*Hierococcyx sparverioides*), four of the Indian Plaintive Cuckoo (*Cacomantis Passerinus*) and of the common Hawk Cuckoo (*Hierococcyx Varius*). This beautiful plate is by Mr. Stuart Baker to illustrate his paper "The Oology of Indian Parasitic Cuckoos." The last plate is by Horace Knight and shows the following butterflies:—*Hypolimnus bolina*, male and female, *Hypolimnus misippus* male and female, and *Vanessa cardui*. This plate is given with Mr. L. C. H. Young's popular article on "The Common Butterflies of the Plains of India." We can find no fault with any of the plates, the names of the artists are a sufficient guarantee of the merit of the work.

There is much interesting and useful matter to be culled by a perusal of the various papers by the different authors. Insects take the lead with seven articles, then birds with four, snakes with three and Botany and Mammals each account for one and besides these articles there are thirty-nine miscellaneous notes.

The first paper in this number is Capt. Wall's on the Common Indian Snakes. In it he deals with the Common Rat Snake, or Dhaman (*Lamenis mucosus*). This is a very well known species, being probably the commonest snake we have. The greatest length recorded in this species is eleven and three quarter feet, but they usually measure between five and a half and six and a half feet. Some of our Aryan brethren are said to use this snake as food and according to Capt. Wall the Tamils relish it and say it is like chicken. There is no reason why it should not be as palatable as any batrachian and the latter in the form of the edible frog (*Rana esculens*) is a well-known dish in France. Again the Burmese and Karens are not particular as to what species of snake they eat. We are given several well-known legends in regard to this species; one being its peculiarity of sucking cows and we have also heard tell of its occasionally acting similarly towards women. Another legend is that it mates with the cobra. Of course there is not a vestige of truth in either of these suppositions. Its principal food is frogs and not rats as one would be supposed to believe from its name. The plate which illustrates the paper is excellent and depicts views of the side and top of head and neck and also chin, throat, and sections from the body and near the vent. Capt. Wall gives us two other papers on snakes, one is part II. of "The Poisonous Snakes of India and how to recognise them." This one deals with the Cobra (*Naia tripudians*), the Hamadryad (*Naia bungarus*) five species of Coral snakes:—Bibron's Coral snake (*Callophis bibronii*) Maclelland's Coral snake (*Callophis Maccle'landi*), the slender Coral snake (*Callophis trimaculatus*), the small spotted coral snake (*Callophis maculiceps*) and the common Indian Coral snake (*Hemibungarus ingrassens*); the pit vipers, consisting of two species of *Ancistrodon*: the common Himalayan viper (*A. Hmalayanus*). *A. hypnale*; ten of Lachasis; the large scaled viper (*L. Macrolepis*): the Horse-shoe viper (*L. Strigatus*), the large spotted viper (*L. monticola*), Cantor's Viper (*L. cantoris*), Gray's Viper (*L. purpurcomaculatus*), the Formosan viper (*L. Mucrosquamatus*), Jerdon's viper (*L. Jerdonii*), the common Bamboo snake (*L. gramineus*), the green tic (*L. trigonocepha us*) and the Anamalley Viper (*L. anamalleusis*) and the pitless vipers, *viz*:—The Little Indian viper (*Echis carinata*), McMahon's viper (*Eristocophis McMahonii*), Russells' viper (*Vipera Russellii*) *Vipera lebetina*, and *Azemiops feae*. Of these the best known are the Cobra, the Hamadryad or King Cobra, the common Bamboo snake, the little Indian Viper, or Phoorsa, and Russel's Viper or Deboia. Keys are given for the identification of the species, which should be of great use to those who are interested in these reptiles. Nothing seems to be known about any of the poisons of the coral snakes, this is I suppose to be accounted for on account of the rarity of most of the species. The poisons of the cobra and Hamadryad, are of course deadly, but this is not the case with the pit vipers; as regards the pitless vipers the venoms of this species the little Indian Viper (*Echis carinate*) and Russell's viper (*Vipera russellii*) are known to be deadly to man but nothing seems to be known of the other species, but we presume it is also deadly and would hardly advise any one whose ambition is to live to a ripe old age to indulge in handling them.

The last paper of Captain Wall is on "The snake and its natural foes." These are legion, in fact they comprise almost the whole animal creation from man downwards. Amongst

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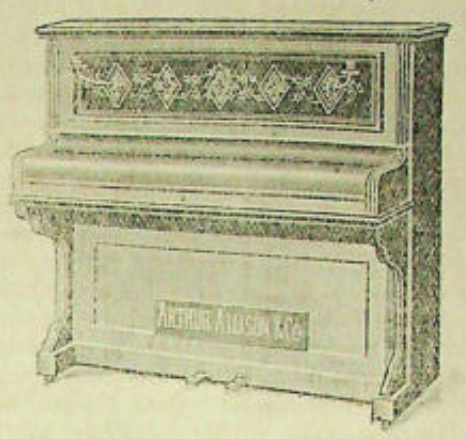

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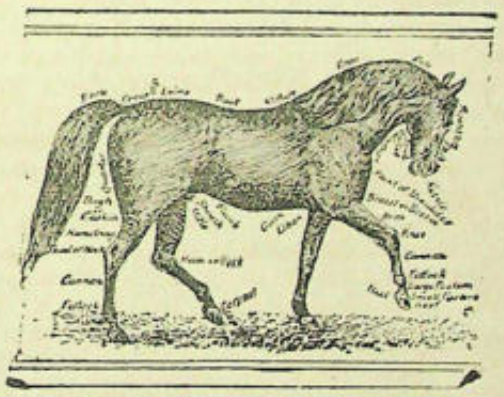

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mammals the following orders are mentioned as being some of its enemies:—*Primates, Carnivorae, Viverridae, Canidae, Mustelidae, Rodentia and Ungulata.*

Amongst birds are the following orders:—*Passeres, Anisodactyli, Striges, Accipitres, Rotitae, Gallinae, Grallae, Limicolae Herodiones, Ocnidae* and *Ardeidae*. Amongst reptiles the order *Squamata* is given and besides them there are also batrachians, fishes and insects, the following orders being mentioned: *Ecaudata, Arachnida, Selacheidei* and *Hymenoptera*, even with this long list of foes snakes seem to flourish like the green bay tree.

Other popular articles in this number are "The Common Butterflies of the plains of India," Part II, by Mr. L. C. H. Young and "Insect life in India and how to study it" Chapter VII., Part IV., by Mr. E. P. Stebbing. Let us turn to the first of these. The present part deals with the genera *Hypolimnas* and *Vanessa*. The first genus is most interesting on account of the peculiar form of sexual dimorphism they display. Anybody not versed in entomology could never believe that the males and females of *Hypolimnas bolina, Hypolimnas misippus* belonged to the same species. This is especially the case in the latter species, the upper side of the male being glossy brownish black and that of the female rich chestnut. The only species of *Vanessa* described is the well-known Painted Lady (*Vanessa cardui*) which occurs over the whole temperate and tropical regions of the world. How many memories of one's boyhood does that species recall.

Mr. Stebbing's article deals with *Coleoptera*. These are one of the worst pests there are, both larvæ and mature insects causing damage. There are 160,000 known species which shows what a huge order this is, some species or other are common everywhere so this is a most important group. The larvæ of these insects are most repulsive-looking creatures. The present paper deals with the following familiar ones:—*Passalidae*, which live in decayed wood; *Lucanidae* (Stagbeetles) *Scarabaeidae* (chafers). The following subfamilies are under discussion, *Coprides* or Dung beetles, *Melolonthides* or Cockchafers, *Dynastides* and *Cetoniides* or Rose chafers. Amongst the Coprides are the *Scarabaeini*, which are known to everyone on account of their connection with Egyptian mythology. Those beetles act as scavengers by burying the dung of animals. It also appears that different species are found in the droppings of different animals. A peculiarity in this species is that the female doesn't die after laying her eggs, which is the case with other insects. This family is, we should say, one of the useful coleoptera, in fact the only useful kind mentioned in this paper. No mention is made of how to prevent the great destruction done by these insects both in their larval and mature state; but we presume this is because no means are as yet known to science which could be done on any large scale.

Let us now turn to the ornithological papers, the most important of which is Mr. E. C. Stuart Baker's on "The Oology of Indian Parasitic Cuckoos." The present number is Part II and deals with the following species: The small Cuckoo (*Cuculus poliocephalus*); the Indian Cuckoo (*Cuculus micropterus*); the large Hawk Cuckoo (*Hierococcyx sparveroides*); the common Hawk-Cuckoo (*Hierococcyx varius*); Hodgson's Hawk Cuckoo (*Hierococcyx nisicolor*); the small Hawk-Cuckoo (*Hierococcyx nanus*); the Indian Plaintive Cuckoo (*Cacomantis passerinus*). Absolutely authentic eggs of all these Cuckoos, with the exception of the Indian Cuckoo (*Cuculus micropterus*), and the small Hawk Cuckoo (*Hierococcyx nanus*) have been taken. Absolutely nothing is known of the identification of the latter bird, but it is practically certain that Colonel Rattray has taken eggs of the former. He found a nest of the Himalayan Streaked Laughing Thrush (*Trochalopterum lineatum*) on the 24th May 1899, at Murree, which contained three eggs undoubtedly belonging to the latter bird. Three days later he saw only two eggs in the nest and two broken eggs outside and a lot of *blue-grey* feathers on the bush. One of the two remaining eggs was different from the Laughing Thrush's eggs, being of a paler blue and thinner and clearer in shell. Mr. Baker shows that the feathers on the bush could only belong to *Cuculus canorus, C. saturatus, C. poliocephalus, C. micropterus, Hierococcyx sparveroides, H. nisicolor* or *H. nanus*. *H. nanus* not being found there, and Mr. Buller shows that all the Hawk Cuckoo's and *Cuculus saturatus* and *Cuculus poliocephalus* lay eggs different to the one under discussion and also no *authentic blue* egg of *Cuculus canorus* has been taken and so this leaves only *Cuculus micropterus*; besides *Cuculus micropterus* is a very common species at Murree.

The first species dealt with in this paper is the small Cuckoo (*Cuculus poliocephalus*). Authentic eggs of this Cuckoo have been taken by several collectors and the specimens vary from white through pale pinkish chocolate to darkish reddish brown. There is absolutely no doubt as to the authenticity of both the white and coloured eggs as both have been secured from the oviduct of the female, by Mr. B. B. Ormaston and Colonel Rattray. Next to the Cuckoo comes the Indian Cuckoo (*Cuculus micropterus*) which has already been dealt with and next the Hawk Cuckoos so called on account of their likeness to those birds of prey, and especially that of the Brain Fever Bird (*Hierococcyx varius*) to the Shikra (*Astur badius*). The best known of these Cuckoos is the common Hawk Cuckoo or Brain Bever Bird (*Hierococcyx varius*). There is no doubt as to the authenticity of this bird's eggs as oviduct eggs have been taken by Messrs Irvine and Inglis and Colonel Bingham. They are all blue eggs, some paler and others darker. Colonel Rattray is the only man who has taken an oviduct egg of the large Hawk Cuckoo (*Hierococcyx sparveroides*). This egg was blue like that of the common Myna (*Acridotheres tristis*), but larger. Besides these blue eggs Messrs Baker and Coltart have eggs of a deep chocolate brown colour which they consider to belong to this species but it is so far a case of non-proven. An oviduct egg of Hodgson's Hawk Cuckoo (*Hierococcyx*) was taken by the late Mr. L. Mandelli and was olive brown in colour with a darker indistinct zone of the same colour round the thick end. Messrs. Baker, & Coltart have taken a number of eggs of this species and the colour varies from deep olive brown, through bright olive green, speckled, to dull olive grey, also speckled. Passing over the Small Hawk Cuckoo (*Hierococcyx nanus*) of which the Oology is unknown we come to the Indian Plaintive Cuckoo (*Cacomantis passerinus*). Miss Cockburn has taken an oviduct egg of this bird which was blue spotted with reddish brown, another is like the last but with a white ground instead of blue.

Other bird papers of importance are, first and foremost, Mr. B. B. Osmaston's "Notes on Andaman Birds," Colonel A. E. Ward's "Birds of Kashmir" and Mr. Macdonald's "Birds of Myingyan."

The greater proportion of the miscellaneous notes is devoted to ornithology and are mostly of great importance. Amongst them we note Mr. Whymper's note on the breeding of Ibis-bill (*Ibidorhynchus struthersi*). He is, we believe, the first European, who has ever taken these eggs. He found his a month earlier than Lieutenant F. M. Bailey did in Tibet. Mr. Stuart Baker's reply to Mr. Oates' criticism of his identification of the Pink-footed goose (*Anser brachyrhynchus*) is most interesting. Now that further light has been thrown on the subject he only considers one of the geese he got to be the pink-footed variety and the other *Anser middendorfi*. We await remarks on further specimens before we can give our decision as to whether we consider the Pink-footed goose ought to hold a place on our list or not. Mr. Baker asks Mr. Oates to give us a key to the Bean goose and we quite endorse this wish.

"In the words of the dying Goethe," shouted the Radical orator, "what we want is light—more light."

"And, with all your blooming gas," growled the Tory objector, "it oughter be easy for you to get it."

Shikar.

YARNS OF AN OLD FOGEY.

A PERSISTENT TIGER.

W. S. T.'s tiger shooting stories in *The Indian Field* some time ago reminded me of an episode which occurred many years ago to me when a tiger "rashly importunate came to his death," to adopt a line of Hood's. Khubber was brought to me one morning of a kill within a mile of the village I was camped at, after chota hazri I went out, inspected the place and found the cow had hardly been touched, in fact, as far as I can remember now, barring the claw and fang marks she had not a scratch on her at all. The jungle was particularly thick scrub, five years' regrowth from temporary cultivation, and there was only one possible tree anywhere near for a machan. This was a pollarded *Phyllanthus emblica*, which, after having had all its top branches lopped off at the time of original felling, had sent out a fresh crop of strong healthy shoots. The most suitable place for the machan was only about 8 feet off the ground and in this we built a substantial one, well hidden by the aforesaid shoots. The kill lay only 15 yards off, but the jungle was so thick that we had to cut a regular path 6 feet broad from the tree to it, and also clear a space round it. This cutting, together with the tying down of the carcase, made me have a very poor opinion of my chances, however, as the weather was perfect and the moon full, I determined to sit up. Even if nothing turns up a night spent in the solitude of Indian forests has always had a deep charm for me, with its strange noises, many of them never heard in the day, and the pleasure in watching, say, a herd of cheetal graze slowly past, or a lordly stag sambhur walking along with his head thrown back and swaying slightly from side to side, for all the world as if he was admiring the shadow of his horns in the moonlight.

I got in my machan then about 5 P.M. and sent my men away, telling them to talk as they went. I had a D. B. ·577 express and a bottle of cold tea with me. The only mistake I could find about my machan was that it was too comfortable. Gradually night fell and noise ceased, except for the occasionally strident call of a peafowl perched up in some high tree or the last crow of a belated jungle cock. My idea of a tiger's chief hours of visiting a kill are 5 to 6 P.M., 9 to 10 P.M., 2 A.M. and again at daylight, say about 5-30 A.M. or thereabouts. I kept my vigil then till about 7, and then gently lay down, intending to rest and not to sleep. The night was delightfully cool and I gradually dropped off in a sound sleep to wake up with a start half an hour or so later. I rose silently to a sitting position and kept watch and ward for at least 2 hours more. The kill was repeatedly visited by jackals, who, however, would not actually touch it for some time. They evidently did not like the look of the cut stuff round it, until at last one particularly fine old chap deliberately went up to a fallen piece of brushwood, caught it in his teeth and dragged it back jumping back with a spring when he had got it as far as he could. Then he watched developments. As nothing developed he and two or three of his congeners went in and started gnawing and worrying at the belly of the kill. They were very suspicious, however, and every now and then would jump away a few yards and stand, and listen and then fall to again. This made me pretty sure the tiger was nowhere very near, so once more I laid down and, again not intending to sleep, slept. This time I must have dozed for an hour at least and in my sleep either cleared my throat or coughed; all I know is that I was startled to death, or rather very much to life, by the loud "waugh!" of a tiger as he bounded away from the kill on which he had evidently commenced operations. As he bounded off he must have almost jumped on to one of my old friends the jacks, who squeaked like a very terrified dog and then gave out that blood-curdling and much discussed cry of the jackal,—the pheaw,—almost simultaneously Mr. Stripes commenced to roar badly. He walked right round me and the kill, about 30 or 40 yards off, in the thick scrub, roared three times, and then again all was still. For a quarter of an hour or so I sat with every nerve alert, not a sound of any sort; the whole forest seemed to have been terrified into deep silence by the Pandemonium just broken loose. I gave it up and again very gently lay back in my machan. My head had hardly touched my pillow when, without a premonitory sound, I heard the rasping purr "rrr," "rrr," "rrr," of a tiger right under me. I lay dead still, not knowing exactly what to do, but eventually determined to lay until he got to the kill. I thought I must hear him walk from under me along the path to the kill, when I would then gently raise myself and fire.

I need hardly say that all these thoughts flashed through my mind in a very very short space of time, during which his lordship continued to purr right under me. There was suddenly a dead silence and before I could get up I heard a wrenching and tearing and just rose in time to see the whole carcase disappearing into the thick scrub to the left of me. I could not make out the tiger, he must have had his body covered by the carcase, carrying or rather dragging it in his mouth, and it hanging on his left side. He only dragged it about 30 yards and then laid himself out to feed. I listened to him worrying and gnawing the flesh for a few minutes and then elected to go down after him. I was without boots or shoes, so, gently placing my rifle on the edge of the machan, I slipped myself down to the first projection on the trunk, only about 3 feet off the ground reached up and took my rifle off the machan, slipped and came down with a thud. Instantaneously out bounded my friend, the enemy, with two short grunting roars and stood apparently looking directly at me, 10 or 12 yards off, chest on. I hate this shot with all game, my bullets were hollow fronted, and I—well, I suppose I funked it. I stood dead still behind my tree and he remained for about half a minute looking hard in my direction and then apparently satisfied slunk back and again started dragging his kill. This woke me up, and still determined not to be beaten, and hoping the noise he was making would cover any made by me, I pattered off after him as fast and as noiselessly as I could. Strangely enough this time he stopped in a small open glade and there I saw, about 30 yards off, a confused mass lying dead still, but whether cow and tiger or cow alone, I could not tell. The flickering shadows beat me. What happened apparently was that his lordship was making certain that all was safe this time before he continued his feed. After about a full minute (and what a long time this seems when you are face to face with any dangerous game) he started feeding again. After much peering and tip-toeing closer, up to about 20 yards, moving an inch at a time, I made out that he was lying head away from me stretched out half-and-half off the kill. I was on a very slight eminence, and I determined to take him between the shoulders which I did. As far as I know he never even twitched after the shot. I stood and waited for four or five minutes and so back to my machan and slept the sleep of the just until the morning. He turned out to be a very full-fed fine specimen 9 feet 3 inches in length. What made him so infernally persistent I do not know. I had messed the whole show and nothing but the brute's persistency gave me one of my finest trophies and most exciting recollections.

BURMAH.

Fishing.

A BAD START.

A WIRE had brought me as fast as train and boat could carry me from the east of England to the far west of Ireland. "Fish running, come;" it had said, and I had done so, and now was getting near the end of my journey. It was the end of June; but up till now the fates had been unkind to me, and I had not yet wetted a line that season. How anxiously I waited for the first view of the river, which I knew I should get from the train window a short time before I arrived. It was with great relief that I saw in the few seconds the train took to cross the bridge, that the water, though a little high, looked fairly clear. In a few minutes the train ran into the station, and the sight of M's gillie on the platform with two salmon done up in green reeds which he was sending away by the train, drove away my last doubts and assured me that the fish were still running. The gillie told me that M. had got these two fish in the morning, and was still fishing.

What an all powerful madness it is that seizes on the fisherman who has not yet caught a fish that season, but expects to do so shortly. He can think and speak of nothing else but fish and fishing; all his spare moments are spent in overhauling rods and tackle. Again and again the old fly-book is brought out, and all the old favourites reviewed. What shall he put on to-morrow? and one fly after another is taken out, smoothed, examined, and replaced. Each as he handles it takes his memory back to some success or failure in seasons past. It was on just such a golden gashawk that he lost that big springer lower down the river last year. Confound the gillie, he must have known that that rock was there. An old and tattered black dog reminds him of a far-off Norway stream; where a black dog did yeoman service, until it hit a rock behind him and broke off its point. Yes, by Jove, this fly has no point; how did it get back into his book? It must be the same old fly. And so on until it is time to go to bed, and dream of the morrow's sport.

My reverie was interrupted by the entrance of M., his cap and the lapels of his coat stuck full of flies, with another fish, a grilse of about 6 pounds. He had had a rare good week, averaging three fish a day, the best 14 pounds. "The river is full of fish," he said, "the big spate brought thousands past the nets. The best of it is over though, they were not rising so freely to-day and the river is falling." "That is only natural," I said "if I come to a river, all sport in that river stops immediately until I leave; and the day after I leave is generally the record day of the year. I have noticed it now for years." I was very disappointed, but on talking it over I found that things were really not so bad. All the pools in our stretch of the river, some 4 miles in length, were well stocked with fish, and the first shower would probably start them rising again.

M. told me the flies that were killing; and I got out my fly tying box, and spent the rest of the evening tying up blue and black goshawks, which had been the especial favourities up to date. How tying one's own flies does increase the pleasure of fishing. One feels that one has defeated the fish entirely on one's own. How proud one feels if one of one's own patterns begins to kill really well, especially if others fishing with the regulation flies are doing nothing. We fishermen are really selfish brutes, though we like to pretend that we are not; and if we would own up, we should be bound to admit that the pleasure of making a good basket is greatly increased when we see the disconsolate faces of our friends and hear that they have had a blank day. There were three rods, including myself, on this stretch of river; and the other, C, who had been

fishing the upper beat and had been right up to the top of the water. came in late with a grilse. We tossed for beats for the next day, and I got the upper ; and was soon in bed.

Breakfast next morning had no interest for me, I had got the fishing fever badly, and was dying to be off C. and I drove up to the lower end of the upper beat, and he started to fish down while I went up. This river is my ideal of a salmon river. All the water can be reached from the bank or by wading ; a long cast from the bank in most places just reaching beyond the middle The water runs fairly quickly, but there is a pool worth trying at least every 300 yards, and in many places every yard of the water is worth a cast for hundreds of yards. On the lower beat a boat is kept, but it is more to enable one to cross over than to fish from, though one or two pools are sometimes fished from it. Last, but not least, the fish are generally plentiful, and in the spring run up to 20 pounds.

I did not take long in getting to work ; and mounting a small blue goshawk tied the day before, began to fish a small blue goshawk tied the day before, began to fish a smooth glide with here and there a swirl caused by a sunken rock The deep water was under the opposite bank, while my bank was a gravelly shallow, so I had to cast a long line There was a very gentle breeze which occasionally caused a slight ripple on the water, but not enough to give me much help in getting out my line. The latter would not go out straight, when I tried to reach the rocks in midstream. It did not worry me much ; it was my first day, and I had got rusty since last year. The first swirl I drew blank ; but in the second, at the first cast, a particularly bad one, there was the plunge of a good fish, I caught a momentary glimpse of a silver side, a pluck at my fly, and I knew that my bad cast had lost me a good fish. Slowly and sadly I reeled up and examined my fly, it was all right ; I had no excuse, it was just that bad cast that had done it.

The gillie suggested that perhaps it would come again, it I gave it a rest ; I knew it would not, but my back was aching with trying to reach so far, so I sat down. Ten minutes I gave him by the watch, and then I waded out into the water a bit—I had no waders but I wanted that fish badly,—and tried him again. I could get my fly out fairly straight now I had not got to cast so far ; but the fish had felt the steel, and would have none of that or of several other flies I tried.

I fished on down, covering several more likely spots nicely with the shorter line, but could not rise another. The gillie said there was not enough wind and the day was too bright. Presently the water began to get uncomfortably deep, and I had to return to dry land to fish the tail of the pool.

Just as I landed I heard the splash of a rising fish, and the gillie pointed out the spreading rings near the further of two rocks a short way below. I had to cross a small stream to get there, and was hurrying on when the gillie grasped my arm, "Ye'll fish the near rock first, it's a grand spot." I was now on a high bank, and the near rock was right under my feet, and in the clear water it seemed absurd to fish it. But I flicked my fly over beyond the rock and drew it towards me. I could see the fly distinctly, and was just thinking that the yellow of the topping wing was a bit too bright for the clear water, when like a flash of lightning a nice fish rose at the fly, missed it, and was gone. It all happened so suddenly that I had no time to move, I now sat down and gave him five minutes rest. Then I cautiously cast the fly beyond the rock again and anxiously watched it as it crossed on the same track as before. But the fish was not to be fooled a second time. So after a bit I gave it up ; and getting out more line began to try and reach the other rock, where the fish had risen before. It was not really a very long cast, but it was my first day, and it took me quite a dozen casts before a lucky puff of wind caught my fly and deposited it in exactly the right place behind the rock. The fish came at it like a tiger, a fresh run grilse I could see he was, but again I only felt a pluck and the line came back. The last part of the line and the cast had fallen in a semicircle, so what could one expect. I gave the Gillie the rod sat down and lighted a pipe and swore strange oaths. I ought to have had a salmon and a grilse on the bank and I had *nil*, my back was aching and I felt, to put it mildly, annoyed.

When I had had a rest I started off up stream, refusing to listen to the entreaties of the gillie to "fish it down once more." I told him I was only going to fish where I could do so with a short line, as I could not get out a long line yet. The next pool was the best on the beat. There was a fairly heavy stream at the head of it, and below this a series of rocks just showed above the water in midstream, a long cast from either bank All these were worth trying ; but the best spot in the pool was just below the last rock, a big flat topped one that looked like a paving stone. This rock, when the water was the right height, ought to be some three inches under water. It was somewhat further off from my bank, but was an almost certain find for a fish. As we passed the pool, the gillie drew my attention to the fact that just three inches or so of water covered the flat rock. "T'would be a sin not to fish it" he remarked. I was tempted, I looked at the flat rock, and as I looked a fish rose in the swirl just my side of the rock. "You could reach that," said the Gillie. "It is on this side the rock." I yielded to temptation ; and going up to the head of the pool, I began to fish it down. Three fish I moved before I reached the flat topped rock, but none of them meant business. A slight breeze from behind me had now sprung up, which helped my casting considerably ; and when I got to the spot where the good fish had risen, I covered him with a nice straight cast. I had just begun to move the fly, when I got that magic thrill—than which I know no pleasanter in this life—of a salmon hooked. The pluck one feels when a salmon touches one's fly and escapes, sends a thrill through one it is true, but one realises at the same second that the fish is lost. When the fish is hooked though, especially if he has taken the fly under water, and so one has seen nothing to give one warning that a fish is there, it is the suddenness of the whole thing that to my mind makes that thrill so powerful. One second one is mechanically working one's fly in, as one has done perhaps for days without a touch, one's back is aching, and one is brooding over a fish, one lost before ; the next, that magic thrill, and one is in the salmon fisher's paradise, one's heart is beating fast, gone is the back-ache, gone are those vain regrets, one has hooked a fish. I have drawn a bead on noble beasts that I had stalked and climbed after for weeks, but I do not think that even the pleasure of that moment can come up to that of hooking a salmon.

This fish the instant he felt the hook, raced off like a thing possessed some thirty yards and then flung himself into the air—a beauty he was, ten pounds at least, and fresh run—and then the fly came away, and I was plunged from heaven into the other place. I sat down and expressed my views on the situation in a few short manly words. The gillie took the rod and kept a discreet silence. Then he brought the lunch basket.

After lunch I felt better, though my back felt like breaking from the unwonted exercise I went up stream fishing as I went. My luck was really horrible, but I had no intention of going back empty-handed. I was fishing a stream nearly at the top of the water, having fished every pool on the way up without a rise, when I saw a fish move a long way out in the broken water I had now got my hand in again ; and my fly went out straight and true as I let out more and more line, till I covered him. He came at it, and was hooked well and duly landed, a grisle of three pounds. I fished hard till dark but the rise was over and no more fish did I move. If only all those fish I rose in the morning had risen in the afternoon instead, after I had got my hand fairly in, I ought to have had several beauties to show on my return instead of only one small grisle. When I got back M. had one grisle five pounds, C. had nil ; but they had not wasted the opportunities I had as fish had, not been rising on the lower beats.

HANGUL.

(To be continued.)

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A NOVEL USE FOR GOATS.

TO THE EDITOR OF "THE INDIAN FIELD."

SIR,—On a farm in the Western Highlands goats are used for the novel purpose of preventing the sheep from frequenting dangerous ground. The farm in question is situated between Lochs Long and Goil, and the farmer has grazing rights over a rocky hill on the shores of the latter loch. It was found that every year a few sheep lost their lives by wandering into dangerous ground, and falling over precipices. The farmer therefore turned out some Scotch goats, which soon became to all intents and purposes wild. The Scotch goat is a feral race and soon reverts to the wild condition. These goats have increased in numbers, and there are now two distinct herds, each containing sixteen or eighteen individuals. These goats haunt the precipices of the hill, and eat all the grass in the dangerous places, so that there is now no temptation for the sheep to go into bad ground. The old he goats have fine horns. A few are shot every year, and their fleeces used for making sporrans from. The hill is of large extent, and the goats seem to cling to it, never apparently wandering away far.

"FLEUR-DE-LYS."

THE NEW ·318 BORE RIFLE.

TO THE EDITOR OF "THE INDIAN FIELD."

SIR,—I left Burma before your issue of 25th October reached there and only saw the "Information wanted" signed by "Old Indian Shikari" last week. I bought the ·303/·375 rifle he asks about from Westley Richards and Company, Limited, in November 1905, which was before the new regulations came in. As the chamber is ·375 Government ammunition cannot be used in this rifle.

With regard to the full description asked for, I cannot do better than refer to Messrs. Westley Richards' advertisement which appeared in *The Indian Field* on 2nd November 1905, page IV.

If "Old Indian Shikari" is thinking of going in for a rifle of this class, surely he cannot do better than get Westley Richards' later rifle—the ·318 accelerated express. This rifle is advertised on page IV, *Indian Field* and is, I should say, an improvement even on the ·303/·375. It is only, say ½lb., heavier and its striking energy is 500lbs. greater. It has also two advantages—it can be loaded by a clip and has detachable barrels. I hope to be in England next May and shall certainly buy one, but I shall get the top sight made a fixed one. As they are now it is so easy to forget to put one up on leaving camp or even having put one up it might so easily get closed on the march. In the thick jungles of the Upper Chindwin when you come so suddenly on your game and usually, at fairly close quarters, you would loss half your chances if you had to stop and fiddle about with your sights.

C.B M.

TO THE EDITOR OF "THE INDIAN FIELD."

SIR,—With regard to the new Government regulation prohibiting absolutely the ·450 and ·303 bores in whatever guise, permit us to express our agreement with the tenour of your leading article of the 15th November.

The Government has deliberately adopted a policy which they must have good grounds for believing is essential to public safety and are therefore not likely to recede from their position or to modify their order.

It would be more satisfactory both to sportsmen and gunmakers if the gun trade were admitted to the confidence of the Government and could be shown justification for a step which we are told is inevitable. In the absence of this assurance, gunmakers and sportsmen view with alarm this interference with legitimate trade and its accompanying monetary loss, wondering how far this principle of interference is to be extended in the future ; for unless it is based upon vital political necessity, it would deserve and should receive vigorous protest and condemnation. In the meantime, assuming that it is a thoroughly considered and necessary regulation and not a well intentioned official blunder, we agree that it behoves gunmakers to apply their minds to devising satisfactory substitutes for the annihilated ·450 and ·303 sporting rifles.

The ·450 rifle is deservedly popular, and its accuracy and tremendous smashing power render it a most formidable weapon even against rhino and elephant. But the ·500 High Velocity is far superior, and it is strange indeed that the tide of sporting taste has never set in this direction.

The ·500 bore shoots a bullet of 570 grains with a muzzle velocity of 2,100 f.s. This gives a muzzle energy of 5,570 ft lbs.

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The superior ·500 bore is ready to hand, and will upon trial far exceed the performances and reputation of its rival. Those sportsmen owning ·450 bore rifles can, in many instances, have fitted to their present stocks a new pair of 500 bore barrels, instead of being compelled to scrap the whole weapon.

This will not apply in all makes and patterns of double ·450 bore rifles, but with little trouble and cost owners of such rifles could easily consult gunmakers as to the advisability of the cost and the price.

Single ·450 bore rifles of High Velocity pattern lend themselves even more readily to the adaptation of ·500 bore barrels in place of the prohibited ·450 bore.

In the case of our own particular Single Under Lever Rifle H/V ·450 bore, models are suitable for ·500 bore barrels. Other makers will, of course, speak for themselves, but sportsmen will always be able to obtain advice upon the question.

Other sportsmen there are who rely upon the smaller bores of military type for a variety of game including dangerous animals. It has been pointed out that the aims of the military authorities, and of the sporting gunmaker, are divergent. The military arm was principally designed to wound, while to secure killing with immediate effect and not to wound, is the province of the sporting weapon.

Experience of the small bores in sport on the whole has not been favourable to them, and the fact has long been patent that in spite of flat trajectory and high velocity, the projectiles are too light, of insufficient striking area and have too great a degree of penetration for shooting conditions.

Notwithstanding certain successful efforts with these small calibre arms, the need for improvement in this direction is admitted on all sides.

Such improvement has been attempted by bullets constructed solely in accordance with sporting requirements ; the copper-capped bullet in the ordinary ·303 and the Accelerated Express Rifle ·375/303, having abundantly proved their superior capacity for producing almost instantaneously fatal effects at big and dangerous game and so have in large measure removed the grievance as to the smaller calibres.

But the latest development of the small bore, besides shooting a bullet expressly designed for sport, as opposed to military uses, is of larger calibre, thus shooting a bullet of greater striking area and weight yet, nevertheless, propelled by a velocity higher than attained by any other small bore of purely military patterns, with a correspondingly flatter trajectory.

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This weapon it will be seen forms a good substitute for the heavier bores when used with the copper-capped bullet, and although it may not stand as the last word on small bores, it is difficult to imagine how further improvements in calibre and weight of bullet can be effected

without unduly increasing the weight of the rifle, and in short, of returning to the class of large bore high velocity rifles already so well known.

The weight of the ·318 rifles, be it remembered, in any model is practically the same as the ordinary ·256, ·275 and ·303 rifles.

You mention that the 360 and ·375 rifles might prove effective substitutes for the prohibited ·450 bore if used with the copper-capped bullet, and you ask whether the bullet cannot be made in these calibres. It may interest your readers to know that the ·350 and ·375 bores and copper-capped bullet are made and have been largely used in Africa for the past few years with success.

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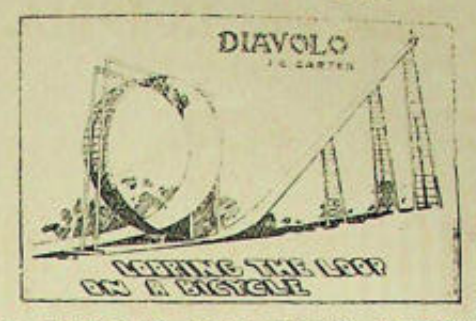

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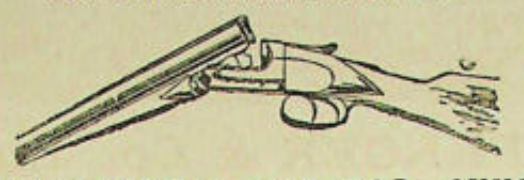

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Calcutta First Meeting	,,	29 & 31
Madras Gymkhana	,,	25
Lahore Xmas,	,,	28 & 31
Bhamo	,,	27 & 29
Tollygunge Steeplechases	Jan.	1 & 5
Bombay Fourth Extra	,,	5
,, Fifth ,,	,,	12
,, Sixth ,,	,,	19
,, Seventh ,,	,,	26
Agra New Year	,,	6 & 10
R. W. Fusiliers Steeplechases	,,	12
Calcutta Second Meeting	,,	12, 15 & 19
Dibrugarh	,,	22, 24 & 26
Calcutta Fourth Extra	,,	26
Lucknow Spring	Feb.	2, 4 & 6
Bombay Eighth Extra	,,	2
,, Ninth ,,	,,	9
Bombay	,,	13, 16, 18, 20 & 23
Meerut Spring	Mar.	2, 5 & 7
Jorhat	,,	6 & 8
Rangoon Spring	,,	9, 12 & 14
Bombay Tenth Extra	,,	2
,, Eleventh ,,	,,	9
,, Twelfth ,,	,,	16
,, Thirteenth ,,	,,	23
,, Fourteenth ,,	,,	30
Umballa Spring	,,	12, 14 & 16
Lahore Spring	,,	20 & 22
Rawalpindi Spring	,,	23, 26 & 28
Jubbulpore	,,	26, 28 & 30

CLOSING DATES OF ENTRIES.

Lucknow Spring C. S. Cup	Final	15th January.
Calcutta Second Meeting	Second	2nd January.
Bhamo	Second	27th December.
Lucknow Spring	Second	1st January.
	Third	15th January.
Jubbulpore	First	12th February.
	Second	26th February.
	Third	12th March.

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Rangoon Horse Show	18th & 19th January.
Calcutta Kennel Club Dog Show	6th February.

MOTORING.

S. I. Motor Union Reliability Trials	27th, 28th & 29th Dec.

HOCKEY.

All India Tournament (Allahabad)	Begins 24th February.

ROWING.

Madras B. C. Annual Regatta	26th January.
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THE big meeting opened this afternoon in ideal weather, there was a large gathering and excellent sport was witnessed. A feature of the racing was the success attendant on the Scott and Marshall stable. Kipling had an easy win in the Hurdle race, the International Pony Plate went to Lady Avon, and Saloon won the Trials in great style, while Mr. J. D. Scott also trained Meadow Saffron who won the Ellenborough Plate from a field of twenty-one. The Paddock Plate went to Ballark. There was great interest taken in the Trials. Saloon started favourite and won all the way, his time—1min. 41⅘secs.—being an Indian record for the distance. Comments on the racing will be found in our Sporting Notes. Appended are results:—

BURDWAN CUP.—A Cup value £100, presented by H. H. the Maharaja of Burdwan and Rs. 3,500 from the Fund. The Cup and Rs. 2,800 to the winner, Rs. 500 to the second, and Rs. 200 to the third. A hurdle race for horses. W. A. and C. (1¼ mile scale) raised 7lbs. R. C. and a distance over seven flights of hurdles.

Mr. E. J. Marshall's b aus g Kipling, 10st. 6lbs.	Sheldrake 1
Mr. Spooner Hart's b aus g Loch Lochie, 9st. 4lbs.	T. Fergusson 2
Messrs. Wood and Badger's br e g Thomond, 10st. 6lbs.	P. Morrison 3
Hon. Mr. A. A. Apcar's ch aus m Seclusion, 9st. 9lbs.	C. Hoyt 4
Messrs. Jones and Pugh's b aus g Olynthus, 10st. 3lbs.	Northmore (fell)
Mr. J. C. Galstaun's b aus g Hoop Iron, 9st. 10lbs.	A. Hoyt (fell)
Mr. Holmes' b e m Santa Maria, 9st. 10lbs.	Thomas (fell)
Mr. Borneo's b aus g Pennant, 9st. 7lbs.	Howie 0
Mr. Spooner Hart's b aus g Decoration, 9st. 4lbs.	Deeble 0

(Winner trained by J. D. Scott.)

Totalizator paid Rs. 17 to win, Rs. 16, Rs. 12¼ and Rs. 24 for places.

BETTING: Evens Kipling; 5 to 1 Seclusion; 6 to 1 each Hoop Iron and homond, 10 to 1 Santa Maria, 12 to 1 Pennant, 20 to 1 the others

Thomond was quickest away and led over the first hurdle where Santa Maria and Olynthus fell. Hoop Iron then took command with Loch Lochie and Kipling closest up. Pennant last all the way. At the hurdle near the three furlongs Hoop Iron came down and Kipling, assuming the lead, won cantering hard held by half a length: 4 lengths beween second and third, a neck between third and fourth. Time—3mins. 27⅕secs.

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H. H. Mah. of Cooch Behar's bk aus m Matin Bell, 8st. 5lbs.	Southall 1
Thakur Sripal Singh's b or br aus m Plover, 9st. 4lbs.	Evans 2
Mr. W. S. Green's br or bk aus m Flo, 9st.	Bradshaw 3
Mr. J. D. Scott's b aus g Wal, 9st 10lbs.	Robinson 4
Mr. Dartmoor's b aus m Vanity Fair by, 8st. 5lbs.	Baichan 0

(Winner trained by Ramshaw.)

Totalisator paid Rs. 14 to win; Rs. 15 and Rs. 18 for places.

BETTING: Evens Plover, 5 to 2 agst. Wal, 3 to 1 Matin Bell, 10 to 1 Flo, 25 to 1 Vanity Fair.

Plover got off well and kept the lead to the bend with Wal and Matin Bell as his nearest attendants. They were abreast at the distance, with Plover on the rails and Matin Bell on the outside. Opposite the centre stand Wal fell back beaten and let up Flo; a good race between Matin Bell and Plover landed the former a winner by a short head; 2 lengths between second and third same between third and fourth. Time—1min. 5⅕secs.

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Messrs Scott and Marshall's bk or br aus m Lady Avon, 8st. 12lbs.	Southall	1
Mr. J. C. Galstaun's b aus h Matalgia, 9st. 7lbs.	Robinson	2
Lt.-Col. J. Desaraj Urs' b aus g Minimus, (aged) 9st. 10lbs.	Evans	3
Mr. O. M. D. Bell's br e m Psalm, 9st. 3lbs.	Firth	4
Mr. Field's b aus m Solace, 9st. 3lbs. ...	Baichan	0
Mr. Dartmoor's bk aus m Hazelnut 9st. 3lbs.	O'Brien	0
Mr. J. D. Scott's b aus g Duplex II., 9st....	Elliott	0

(*Winner trained by J. D. Scott.*)

Totalizator paid Rs. 15 to win; Rs. 12 and Rs. 13 for places.

BETTING: 6 to 4 agst. Lady Avon; 4 to 1 Matalgia, 5 to 1 Psalm, 20 to 1 others. Lady Avon led from start to finish and won with tolerable ease in spite of a determined challenge from Matalgia by half a length; half a length between second and third; half a length between third and fourth. Time—1min. 31secs.

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Messrs. Scott and Marshall's br cb g Saloon, 6st. 10lbs.	Melsom	1
Mr. Dartmoor's ch e g Sacristan II., 9st. 3lbs.	O'Brien	2
Hon Mr. A. A. Apcar's b aus h Mallard, 9st. 3lbs.	Vining	3
Hon. Mr. A. A. Apcar's b aus h Fitzgrafton, 9st.	Evans	4
Mr. A. N. Dass' b aus h Trencherman, 9st, 3lbs.	Lansdown	0
Mr. E. L. F. DeSoysa's b e h Footprint, 9st. 3lbs.	Firth	0
Mr. J. C. Galstaun's br aus g Prince Lyon, 9st. 3lbs.	Robinson	0
Dr. Spooner Hart's ch aus h Contest, 9st. 3lbs.	Southal	0
Mr. Maxwell's br aus h The Master, 9st.	Murdison	0
Mr. Charles' b e m Steinhager, 8st, 7lbs. ...	Bullock	0

(*Winner trained by J. D. Scott.*)

Totalizator paid Rs. 36 to win. Rs. 17, Rs. 14 and Rs. 52 for places.

BETTING: 2 to 1 agst. Salcon, 5 to 2 Sacristan II, 3 to 1 Fitzgrafton, 10 to 1 each Contest and Prince Lyon, 30 to 1 Mallard, Steinhager, The Master, 50 to 1 Trencherman and Footprint.

Off to a good start from which Salcon soon shewed out with Prince Lyon and Contest next Mallard and Fitzgrafton in close attendance. This order was preserved until the quarter mile where Saloon was a clear three lengths ahead. At the bend Sacristan began overhauling the others and Contest and Prince Lyon fell back. Sacristan was soon level with Mr. Apcar's pair and as they went by the second enclosure stand Saloon was on the rails with Sacristan next then Mallard and Fitzgrafton on the outside. But Saloon was never troubled and won easily by three lengths: 2½ lengths between second and third half a length between third and fourth. Time—1min. 41⅕secs., (record.)

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1891	Capt. McLaughlin's b aus g Little Prince, 9-0, Trahan	1 44½
1892	Lord William Beresford's b e h Tostig, 8-11, Vinall	1 44⅖
1893	Maharajah of Cooch Behar's bk aus h Highborn, 9-0, Trahan	1 44⅖
1894	Maharajah of Patiala's b e g Sprightly, 8-8. Vinall	1 43⅖
1905	Maharajah of Patiala's b e g Sprightly, 9-0, Pugh	1 42⅗
1896	Mr. Gal's b aus g Courallie, 9-0, Trahan ...	1 43½
1897	Maharajah of Patiala's b e m Virago, 9-0, J. Robinson	1 44½
1898	Mr. Mackie's b aus g Vanitas, 9-0, Calder ...	1 43
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1900	Kour Saheb of Patiala's b aus g Cherry, 9-3, J. Robinson	1 43⅗
1901	Mr. A. A. Apcar's b aus g Stand Off, 9-3, O'Neil	1 43⅗
1902	Kour Saheb of Patiala's b aus g Record Reign, 9-3, W. Southall	1 43
1903	Kour Saheb of Patiala's ch aus m Loch Clieveden, 9-3, W. Southall ...	1 43⅖
1904	Mr. J. C. Galstaun's b e g Pure Gold, 8-2. J. Robinson	1 43⅖
1905	Mr. R. J. Farquharson's bk aus g Dalkeith, 9-3, W. Bradshaw	1 41⅗

ELLESBOROUGH PLATE.—Rs. 1,500 to the winner, Rs. 300 to the second, and Rs. 200 to the third. A high-weight handicap for horses which have never won a flat race value Rs. 1,500 or upwards. 6 furlongs.

Mr. G. B. Deakin's ch e m Meadow Saffron, 8st. 13lbs.	Southall	1
Mr. A. N. Dass' b e m Clynder, 9st. 9lbs.	Taylor } dead-heat.	
Mr. W. H. Walmsley's b e g Jack Sheppard, 8st. 8lbs.	Bullock } dead-heat.	
Hon'ble Mr. A. A. Apcar's br aus f Dea, 8st. 11lb.	Evans	3
Mr. Dartmoor's b aus m Lady Metal, 10st. 11b.	O'Brien	0
Mr. O. M. D. Bell's br aus g Dramatic, 9st. 10lbs.	Firth	0
Thakur Sripal Singh's b aus g Flotsam, 9st. 7lbs.	C. Hoyt	0
Mr. B. B.'s ch aus m Leda, 9st. 5lbs. ...	Lansdown	0
Mrs. A. W. Grosser's b aus g Cyril, 9st. 5lbs.	Torpey	0
Mr. Galstaun's ch aus m Rustile, 9st. 5lbs.	Robinson	0
Mr. Austins' b aus g Bundah, 9st. 3lbs. ...	Baichan	0
Mr. B. B's b e m Bouquet, 9st. 11b. ...	Balgobin	0
Messrs Paris and Marshall's br e m Lady Anna, 8st. 11lbs.	Murdison	0
Mr. A. N. Dass' ch e m Carnival, 8st. 8lbs.	Kaeson	0
Mr. Charle's bk aus g Foy, 8st. 8lbs. ...	Melsom	0
Mr. W. B Green's b aus m Projecture, 8st. 8lbs.	Bradshaw	0
Mr. R. J. Marshall's b aus g Lipscombe, 8st. 11b.	Elliott	0
Mr. Field's b e g Nirvana, 7st. 13lbs. ...	A. Hoyt	0
Capt. H. D. McNeile's ch e g White Heather, 7st. 8lbs.	Manley	0
Mr. R. D. Coggan's c aus f Pallas, 6st. 9lbs.	Fergusson	0
Mr. Borneo's br e f Colina, 6st. (dec. 11lbs.)	Fraser	0

(*Winner Trained by J. D. Scott.*)

Totalizator paid Rs. 46 to win; Rs. 18, and Rs. 445 and Rs. 590 for places.

BETTING: 2 to 1 agst. Dea, 3 to 1 Meadow Saffron, 8 to 1 Lady Metal, 12 to 1 each Carnival, Foy and and Lipscombe, 20 to 1 the others.

Meadow Saffron was first away with Jack Sheppard, Clynder Lady Metal close up. Coming into the straight Lady Metal fell back, but Meadow Saffron kept her lead and won easily by two lengths from Clynder and Jack Sheppard, who made a dead heat for second place, Dea a length behind. Time—1min. 1⅕6secs.

THE PADDOCK PLATE.—Rs. 2,000 to the winner, Rs. 400 to the second, and Rs 200 to the third. A high-weight handicap for horses which have not won a flat race value Rs. 2,000 or upwards since 31st March, 1904. 1¼ mile.

Hon. Mr. A. A. Apcar's bk aus g Ballark. 9st. 12lbs.	Evans	1
Mr. D. B. Myers' b aus g Bon Bon, 8st. 11b.	Bradshaw	2
Messrs Wood and Badger's br e f Mother Goose, 8st. 7lbs.	Bray	3
H. H. Kour Sahib of Patiala's bk aus g Lord Boyne, 8st.	Southall	4
Capt. Farquharson's b e m Nightingale, 9st.	Firth	0
Messrs Wood and Badger's b e g Squire Alfred, 8st. 9lbs.	Bullock	0
Mr. J. C. Galstaun's b nth am g Riverside I, 8st. 8lbs.	Robinson	0
Mr. Dartmoor's b e g Bundook, 8st. 5lbs. (dec 11b.)	O'Brien	0
Mr. J. C. Galstaun's b e h Applause, 8st. 4lbs.	Melsom	0
H. H. Kour Sahib of Patiala's b aus g Trenayr, 8st 2lbs.	A. Hoyt	0
Mr. O. M. D. Bell's br aus h Mount Dane, 8st. 2lbs.	O'Neil	0
Mr. J. D. Scott's b aus g Massachusetts 7st. 8lbs.	Kaeson	0
Messrs Paris and Marshall's b e m Goldstamp, 7st. 5lbs. (dec. 6lbs.) ...	Murdison	0

(*Winner trained by Watson.*)

Totalisator paid Rs. 37 to win. Rs. 18, Rs. 30, and Rs. 18 for places.

BETTING: 5 to 2 agst. Mother Goose, 3 to 1 Ballark, 5 to 1. Lord Boyne, 10 to 1 Massachusetts, 12 to 1 Bon Bon, Goldstamp and Nightingale, 20 to 1 the others.

Bon Bon, Ballark and Goldstamp showed out at the start, Bon Bon leading to the half mile, where Ballark came up alongside. In the straight Ballark got in front and eventually won by three quarters of a length; Mother Goose third half a length away: half a length between third and fourth. Time—2min. 12⅕secs.

Second Day, Wednesday, 26th December 1906.

An enormous crowd witnessed the races to-day, the three stands were well filled, but there was room for more, *pace* those who predicted a *fiasco* in respect of the accommodation. H. E. the Viceroy, Lady Minto and a large party attended in State and many distinguished visitors were *en evidence*. As the races were run while our printers were practically shouting for "copy" in order to go to press, we are unable to give more than the results to-day and tender our congratulations to the Hon. Mr. A. A. Apcar, C.S.I., on his victory with Fitzgrafton and his second with Mallard. The time in which the race was run—3mins.—3secs. was the record for this race. Details:—

PONY HURDLE HANDICAP.—Rs. 1,500 to the winner, Rs. 300 to the second, and Rs. 200 to the third. A handicap hurdle race for ponies 14-2 and under. 2 miles over eight flights of hurdles.

Mr. J. C. Galstaun's br aus g Whit, 10st. 5lbs.	P. Morrison	1
H. H. Kour Sahib of Patiala's b e m Nurse Kitty, 11st.	Sheldrake	2
Mr. W. H. Walmsley's br aus m Footlight, 11st.	C. Hoyt	3
Messrs. M. Goculdas and A. Nanjee's b aus m Olga, 10st 10lbs. ...	A. Hoyt	4
Lieut.-Col. J. Desaraj Urs' ch aus m Lucretia, 8st. 12lbs	Deeble	0
Mr. A. N. Dass' ch aus g Pineal, 8st. 2lbs.	Lansdown (fell)	
Mr. J. M. Turner's bl aus g Bull's Eye, 7st. 6lbs.	Rahman (fell)	

(*Winner trained by Vinall.*)

Totalisator paid Rs. 63 to win, Rs. 27 and 47 for places

BETTING: 6 to 4 agst. Footlight, 3 to 1 Olga, 6 to 1 each Nurse Kitty and Lucretia, 12 to 1 each Bull's Eye and Whitefoot, 20 to 1 Pineal.

Olga was quicker away and led over the first hurdle, followed by Lucretia and Pineal. The last named showed the way over the next flight but fell at the obstacle opposite the stand. Bull's Eye then went out with the lead and was in front till the old stand, Olga, Lucretia and Nurse Kitty his nearest attendants. At the 5 furlongs hurdle Bull's Eye came down leaving Olga in command. Coming into the straight Olga, Lucretia and Nurse Kitty were together, but opposite the centre stand Lucretia came away and won by two lengths: Footlight making a game attempt to secure second place just failing by a head; a length and a half between third and fourth. Time—4mins. 3⅕secs.

THE DEALERS' PLATE.—Rs. 1,500 to the winner, Rs. 300 to the second, and Rs. 200 to the third. For Australian horses which have not won a flat race value Rs. 900 or upwards since 31st March 1904, and which have been imported by dealers for sale in India whether sold by them or not. W. A. 6 furlongs.

H. H. Kour Sahib of Patiala's bk aus g Mallinyook, 9st 11lbs.	Southall	1
Mr. O. M. D. Bell's br aus g Dramatic, 9st. 11lbs.	Firth	2
Mr. Maxwell's br aus m Musette, 9st. 9lbs.	Murdison	3
Mr. H. V. Low's b or br aus m Vinolia, 9st.	Fraser	4
Mr. R. B. Lamotte's b aus g Prince Moorefield, 9st.	Northmore	0
Mr. S. Margrett's b aus g St. Michael, 8st. 11lbs.	Robinson	0

(*Winner trained by T. Scott.*)

Totalisator paid Rs. 79 to win; Rs. 2b, Rs. 15 for places.

BETTING: 6 to 4 on Dramatic, 5 to 1 agst. St. Michael, 6 to 1 each Musette and Mallinyook, 20 to 1 each Prince Moorefield and Vinolia.

Musette was first away and followed by St. Michael led to the bend: here Dramatic and Mallinyook began to come up and caught the leaders as they entered the straight. At the distance Dramatic came through and looked a winner, but Mallinyook came with a rush on the outside and won by a short head; two lengths between second and third; a length and half dividing third and fourth. Time—1min. 16⅖secs.

THE ECLIPSE PONY PLATE.—Rs. 4,000 to the winner, Rs. 700 to the second, and Rs. 300 to the third. For Arabs 14-2. C-B's 14-1, and other ponies 14 hands and under. Above heights to carry 9st. 3lbs. W. I. 7 furlongs.

Mr. J. C. Galtaun's ch aus m Claribell, 9st. 10lbs.	Robinson	1
Mr. J. D. Scott's b aus g Wal, 9st. 3lbs. ...	Vining	2
Mr. J. C. Galstaun's b aus m Circus Girl, 8st. 6lbs.	Southall	3
Mr. G. K.'s ch aus m Veera, 9st. 13lbs. ...	Melsom	4
Mr. B. N. Burjorjee's br aus m Lorette, 9st. 4lbs.	F. Clark	0
Thakur Sripal Singh's b aus g S. S., late Idle Bell, 9st. 4lbs.	A. Hoyt	0
Thakur Sripal Singh's br aus m Plover, 9st.	Murdison	0
Mr. W. B. Green's br or bk aus m Flo, 9st.	Bradshaw	0

(*Winner trained by Tingey.*)

Totalisator paid Rs 16 to win; Rs. 14, Rs. 36 and Rs. 20 fo places

BETTING: 6 to 4 on Claribell, 3 to 1 agst. Veera. 12 to 1 each Wal and S. S., 20 to 1 each Plover and Circus Girl, 40 to 1 Flo, 50 to 1 Lorette.

Plover and S. S. made the running to the bend, where Wal came to the front attended by Claribell and Veera, Thakur Sripal Singh's pair dropping back. A very close race up the straight between Wal and Claribell ended in the victory of the latter by a neck; Circus Girl two and a half lengths behind, defeating Veera for third place by a short head. Time—1min. 32⅖secs.

THE VICEROY'S CUP.—A Cup, value £100, presented by H. E. the Viceroy and Rs. 27,000 from the Fund. The Cup and Rs. 20,000 to the winner, Rs. 5,000 to the second, and Rs. 2,000 to the third. For horses. W. A and C. 1¼ miles.

Hon. Mr. A. A. Apcar's b aus g Fitzgrafton, 9st.	Evans	1
Hon. Mr. A. A. Apcar's b aus h Mallard, 9st. 3lbs.	Vining	2
Mr. Maxwell's br aus h The Master, 8st. 13lbs.	Murdison	3
Mr. Dartmoor's ch e g Sacristan II, 9st. ...	O'Brien	4
Mr. Spooner Hart's ch aus h Contest, 9st. 3lbs.	Deeble	0

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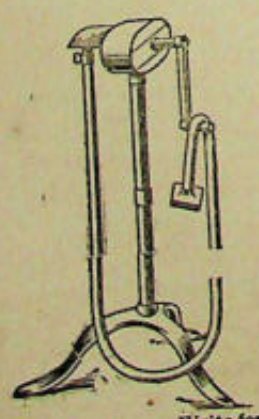

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Mr. J. C. Galstaun's br ans g Long Tom, 9st. 3lbs. ... ... Robinson 0
Mr. North's b or br e g Clear Artist, 8st. 8lbs. — ... ... A. Hoyt 0
Mr. Charles' b e c Steinhager, 8st. 11lb. ... Bullock 0
Messrs. Scott and Marshall's br cb g Saloon, 7st. 3lbs. ... ... Melsom 0

(*Winner trained by Watson.*)

Totalisator paid Rs. 48 to win; Rs. 20, Rs. 15, and Rs. 29 for places.

BETTING: 2 to 1 agst. Saloon, 3 to 1 Fitzgrafton, 4 to 1 Mallard, 12 to 1 each Steinhager, Sacristan II., and Long Tom, 15 to 1 The Master, 20 to 1 each Clear Artist and Lamrock, 50 to 1 Footprint.

Away to a splendid start Saloon rushed to the front and passing the stand his nearest attendants were Fitzgrafton, Sacristan II. and Lamrock, Clear Artist leading the others Saloon led all the way up the Kidderpore straight and with Fitzgrafton and Lamrock at his heels, Sacristan II. and Mallard in front of the others. This order was preserved to the bend. On entering the straight Saloon gave way to Fitzgrafton and Sacristan II, Mallard and The Master coming up fast. At the distance Fitzgrafton took command and won easily by two and a half lengths; Mallard second two lengths ahead of The Master: half a length between third and fourth. Long Tom pulled up lame. Time—3mins. 8secs.

Year.	Winner.	Weight.	Rider.	Course.	Time.	Starters
1856	Nero ...	8 5	Gooch ...	St. Leger	3 24	6
1857	The Usher ...	8 4	Marood ...	St. Leger	3 24	6
1858	Meg Merrilies	8 4	P. Irving	St. Leger	3 28	5
1859	Meg Merrilies	9 2	P Irving	St. Leger	3 29½	5
1860	Coxcomb ...	10 0	P. Irving	St. Leger	3 59	8
1861	Voltige ...	9 7	Blackburn	2 miles	3 33	5
1862	Gridiron ...	10 2	Dale ...	2 miles	3 52	4
1863	Lord of Clyde	9 4	Wood ...	2 miles	3 55	7
1869*	Favorite ...	9 5	I. Irving ..	2 miles	3 44½	9
1870	Favorite ...	9 7	Dignum ..	2 miles	3 27	5
1871	Partisan ...	8 9	Keates ...	2 miles	3 46	9
1872	Satellite ...	8 2	Brewty ...	2 miles	3 49	7
1873	Kingcraft ...	5 13	Jaffar ...	2 miles	3 20	3
1874	Maid of Athens	9 4	Bowen ...	2 miles	W.	O.
1875	Satellite ...	9 7	Ryder ...	St. Leger	3 24	6
1876†	Satellite ...	—	Ryder ...	St. Leger	—	7
1877	Kingcraft ...	11 0	Owner ...	St Leger	3 11	6
1878	Kingcraft ...	11 0	Owner ...	St. Leger	3 21½	5
1879	Cheviot ...	5 12	Hopper ...	St. Leger	3 17	5
1880	Blue-light ...	8 2	Bowen ...	St. Leger	3 19	5
1881	Camballo ...	9 1	Ryder ...	St. Leger	3 23	5
1882	Savage ...	8 1	Pearson ...	St. Leger	3 44	5
1883	Gudarz ...	9 3	Vinall ...	2 miles	3 51½	7
1884	Statesman ...	8 2	Gerard ...	2 miles	3 37	9
1885	Metal ...	7 0	Dunn ...	2 miles	3 38	12
1886	Mercury ...	8 4	Vinall ...	2 miles	3 39	9
1887	Myall King ...	8 8	Dunn ...	1¾ miles	3 9½	7
1888	Myall King ...	9 0	Vinall ...	1¾ miles	3 7½	5
1889	Pennant ...	9 0	Dunn ...	1¾ miles	3 8	9
1890	Myall King ...	9 0	Vinall ...	1¾ miles	3 8	6
1891	Moorhouse ...	9 8	J.Robinson	1¾ miles	3 11½	5
1892	Highburn ...	9 0	J.Robinson	1¾ miles	3 9½	8
1893	Highborn ...	9 0	Trahan ..	1¾ miles	3 8¾	6
1894	Metallic ...	9 0	Campbell	1¾ miles	3 8½	8
1895	Sprightly ...	9 0	Pugh ...	1¾ miles	3 4½	9
1896	Sprightly ...	9 0	Gibbs ...	1¾ miles	3 6¾	8
1897	Leonidas ...	8 13	Gibbs ...	1¾ miles	3 7	9
1898	Vanitas ...	9 0	Calder ...	1¾ miles	3 5⅝	11
1899	Sherry ...	9 8	Gibbs ...	1¾ miles	3 8	10
1900	Up Guards ...	9 3	W. Southall	1¾ miles	3 7	11
1901	Tubal Cain ...	9 3	Morrison ...	1¾ miles	3 9⅝	11
1902	Vasto ...	9 0	Hoyt	1¾ miles	3 9¼	11
1903	Great Scot ...	8 12	Penton ...	1¾ miles	3 7⅞	7
1904	Great Scot ...	9 2	Penton ...	1¾ miles	3 4½	11
1905	Long Tom ...	9 0	W. Burn ...	1¾ miles	3 5⅞	6

* No race during Lord Lawrence's Viceroyalty
†Owing to the Imperial Meeting at Delhi, no Viceroy's Cup.

THE CALCUTTA PLATE.—Rs. 3,000 to the winner, Rs. 500 to the second, and Rs. 200 to the third. A handicap for horses. 7 furlongs.

Mr. J. C. Galstaun's b e f Paddy's Darling, 7st. 3lbs. ... ... W. Kaesen 1
Mr. G. B. Deakin's ch e m Meadow Saffron, 8st. 11lb. ... ... Southall 2
Mr. D. B. Myers' gr e c Jolly Abbott, 6st. 13lbs., (car. 7st.) ... ... Bennett 3
Lt.-Col Desaraj Urs' b aus g Red Coral, 7st. 4lbs. ... ... Manley 4
Messrs. Hudson and Butler's bk or br e m Blitzen, 9st. 3lbs. ... ... Murdison 0
Mr. J. C. Galstaun's bk aus g Dulcimer, 9st. 11b. ... ... Robinson 0
Mr. Holmes' bk e m Annamulloch, 8st. 12lbs 0
Hon. Mr. A. A. Apcar's br aus m Martinique, 8 t. 6lbs. ... ... Evans 0
Mr, Dartmoor's b aus m Lady Metal, 8st. 5lbs. (car. 8st. 6lbs.) ... ... O'Brien 0
Mr. Stead's ch or br aus m Palindrome, 8st. 5lbs. ... ... Bradshaw 0
Mr. Dartmoor's ch aus g Amyas, 8st. 3lbs. 0
Messrs. Hudson and Butler's bk or br e m Mercedes, 8st. 11b. 0
Mr. G. K.'s b aus m Jubilant, 7st. 8lbs. ... Melsom 0
H. H. the Kour Sahib of Patiala's b aus g Trenayr, 7st. 7lbs. ... ... A. Hoyt 0
Messrs. Wood and Badger's br e f Ferndown, 7st. 3lbs. ... ... O'Neil 0
Mr. A. N. Dass' b e m Child Adopted, 7st. 3lbs. ... ... Ell 0

(*Winner trained by Tingey.*)

Totalisator paid Rs. 30 to win; Rs. 17, Rs. 13 and Rs. 23 for places.

BETTING: 5 to 4 Paddy's Darling. 4 to 1 Meadow Saffron, Ferndown 5 to 1 Martinique, 12 to 1 each Lady Metal, Jubilant and Jolly Abbot, 20 to 1 the others.

Red Coral led to the bend, where he was joined by Meadow Saffron, Paddy's Darling, and Jolly Abbot. On entering the straight they were abreast, then Meadow Saffron showed out, but was quickly passed by Paddy's Darling, who won by two lengths, Jolly Abbot third a length and a half behind; half a length between third and fourth. Time—1min. 28secs.

THE PAVILION PLATE.—Rs. 1,500 to the winner, Rs. 300 to the second, and Rs. 200 to the third. A handicap for horses. R. C.

Hon. Mr. A. A. Apcar's bk aus g Ballark, 9st. 12lbs. ... ... Evans 1
Mr. E. J. Marshall's b aus g Kipling, 8st. 6lbs. ... ... Southall 2
Mr. Cecil's ch e m The Cingalee, 7st. (car. 7st. 2lbs.) ... ... O'Neil 3
Mr. J. C Galstaun's bk e g Dirty Boy, 7st. 4lbs. ... ... Melsom 4
Mr. J. C. Galstaun's br e m Sainte Marquise, 8st. 4lbs. ... ... Robinson 0
Capt. Farquharson's b e m Nightingale, 7st. 10lbs. ... ... Bennett 0
Lieut.-Col. J. Desaraj Urs' b aus g Trenton, 7st. 8.bs. ... ... Manley 0
Mr. Dartmoor's b e g Bundook, 7st. 11b. (car. 7st. 2lbs.) ... ... W. Kaesen 0
H. H. Kour Sahib of Patiala's bk aus g Lord Boyne, 7st. ... ... Baichan 0
Mr. D. B. Myers' bk or br e c Black Duke, 6st. 11b. (car. 6st. 7lbs.) ... ... Ferguson 0
Mr. A. N. Dass' b e g Insurrection, 6st. (car. 6st. 13lbs.) ... ... Fraser 0

(*Winner trained by Watson.*)

Totalisator paid Rs. 107 to win; Rs. 19, Rs. 14 and Rs 49 for places.

BETTING: Evens Kipling. 8 to 1 each agst. Ballark, Nightingale, Lord Boyne, and Black Duke, 10 to 1 Cingalee, 12 to 1 each Trenton and Insurrection, 20 to 1 each Sainte Marquise and Bundook.

Won by a length and half; two and a half lengths between second and third; a neck between third and fourth. Time—2mins. 55secs.

BOMBAY SECOND EXTRA MEETING.

Saturday, 22nd December 1906.

THE racing this afternoon was run off before a big gathering and in pleasant weather. Favourites won in four of the six events, Mr. R. R. S. again scoring a couple of winning brackets. Gaucho came down in the Losers' Plate and Ames was thrown, Robertson who was close behind was also thrown, but neither was hurt and both appeared in the saddle later in the afternoon Details:—

THE LOSERS' PLATE.—Winner Rs. 200, second Rs. 100, third Rs. 50. For Arab ponies 18-3 and under which have not won a flat race value Rs. 150 or over, 13-3 to carry 8st. 12lbs. W. I. ½ mile.

Mr. S. A. Waheed's b a h Angler, 8st. 9lbs. Omerkhan 1
Mr. Khalaf Bin Saif's g a h Shabib, 8st. 6lbs ... ... Kamad 2
Mr. M. Binjurji's b a h Breechloader, 8st. 12lbs. ... ... F. Williams 3
Ali-bin-talib's g a h Dhaman, 8st. 12lbs. ... C. S. Muhmed 4

Also ran: Bourbon, 8-12; Councellor, 8-12; Adham, 8-9; and Gaucho, 8-9; Koolaib, 8-6; Nagash, 8-0; Faugh-a-ballagh 8-0.

BETTING: Evens Gaucho, 3 to 1 agst. Anger, 5 to 1 Dhaman and Bourbon, 10 to 1 Breechloader and Nagashi, and 30 to 1 the others.

Won by a length and three-quarters: half a length between second and third. Time—55secs.

SELLING PLATE.—Winner Rs. 200, second Rs. 100, third Rs. 50. For Arabs. Arabs entered for Rs. 1,500, to carry 10st. 3lbs for each Rs. 100 down to Rs. 400. 5 furlongs.

Mr. Vaid's ch a h Court-martial, 7st. 4lbs. Kamad 1
Mr. Morrison's g a h Lomond, 8st. 8lbs. ... Bond 2
Mr Y. Abdulnoor's ch a h Retreat, 8st. ... Fisher 3

Also ran: Ormonde, 7-4; Darin, 7-7 (carried 7 11)

BETTING: 2 to 1 on Court-martial, 7 to 4 agst. Lomond, 10 to 1 Darin, and 20 to 1 Retreat and Ormonde.

Won easily by three lengths; ¾ of a length between second and third. Time 1min. 9secs.

The winner was bought in by the owner for Rs. 1,000.

THE CHRISTMAS PLATE.—Winner Rs. 500, second Rs. 200, third Rs. 100. For Arabs. W. A. raised 7lbs. 6 furlongs.

Mr. R. R. S.'s g a h Precious, 9st. 3lbs. ... F. William 1
Mr. Vaid's ch a h Dublin, 7st. 13lbs. ... Kamad 2
Mr. A. M. Ameer's g a h Young Kohinoor, 7st. 12lbs. ... ... — Native 3
Messrs. Goculdas and Nanjee's ch a h Royal, 7st. 13lbs., (car. 8st.) ... ... Fisher 0

Also ran: Rummah, 8-10; Kingcobweb, 8-5; Hadhur, 8-3; and Forath, 8-3.

BETTING: 5 to 1 Precious, 2 to 1 each agst. Dublin, Royal and Young Kohinoor, 10 to 1 Kingcobweb and 15 to 1 to 30 to 1 the others.

Won by three lengths: a length between second and third. Time—1min. 86secs.

THE WINTER PLATE.—Winner, Rs. 500; second, Rs. 200; third, Rs. 100. For horses which have not won a flat race value Rs. 1,500 or over since 31st March, 1904. W. A. and C. reduced 10lbs. 6 furlongs.

Mr. R. R. S's bl aus g Comeback, 7st. 11lbs. Heeroo 1
Mr. F. Main's bl aus g Baritone, 8st. 4lbs. Fisher 2
Mr. R. R. S's, b aus m Posco, 7st. 7lbs. ... Native 3
Mr. Tulsidas Tejpal's br aus m Adelaide, 9st. 4lbs. ... ... Kamad 0

Also ran: Balayeuse 8-9; (car. 9st. 1 b.); Vocalist, 8-4; (car. 8st. 5lbs.); Sainfoin, 8-4; and Russely Maid 7-11.

BETTING: Evens Comeback, 2 to 1 agst. Balayeuse, 3 to 1 Posco, 5 to 1 Sainfoin 6 to 1 Vocalist, longer odds the others.

Won easily by two and a half lengths; a length and a quarter between second and third. Time—1min. 15secs.

THE HOLIDAY PLATE.—Winner, Rs. 200; second, Rs. 100; third, Rs. 50 For Arab Ponies 14 hands and under which have not won a flat race value Rs. 500 or over; 14 hands to carry 8st. 12lbs. W. I 5 furlongs.

Mr. A. K. Readymoney's b a h Mudlool, 7st. 12lbs. ... ... Heeroo 1
Messrs. Goculdas' and Nanjee's ch a h Vedas, 9st. 4lbs. ... ... Ames 2
Mr. P. Framjee's g a h Antica, 8st. 6lbs. ... Native 3
Mr. A. Razak's br a h Osborne, 8st. 13lbs. Omerkhan 0

Also ran: Shanwar, 8-9; Sherali, 8-7; Surhid, 8-0; Tigris, 8-3; (car. 8st. 4lbs.); Settler, 7-12; Sabah, 7-12; and Namdar, 7-12; (car. 8st. 8lbs.).

BETTING: 6 to 4 on Vedas, 2 to 1 against Sherali, 4 to 1 Mudlool, 6 to 1 Osborne, Shanwar, Tigris and Settler, and 10 to 1 and 20 to 1 the others.

Won by a neck: two lengths and a half between second and third. Time—1min. 18secs.

THE SMALL ARABS' PLATE.—Winner, Rs. 500; second Rs. 200; third, Rs. 100. For Arabs 13-3 and under, 13-3 to carry 9st. 12lbs.; W. I. 5 furlongs.

Messrs. Gokuldas and Nanjee's b a h Bay Middleton, 9st. 12lbs. ... ... Ames 1
Mr. Kelso's b a h Hermit, 9st. 5lbs. ... F. Williams 2

BETTING: 4 to 1 on Bay Middleton and 3 to 1 against Hermit. Won easily by two and a quarter lengths. Time—1min. 7secs.

RAWALPINDI DECEMBER MEETING, 1906.

STEWARDS:

LIEUT.-GENL. SIR O'MOORE CREAGH, V.C., K.C.B.
BRIG.-GENL. J. A. COXHEAD, C.B., Royal Artillery.
COL. R. J. C. DORAN, C.B., The Royal Irish.
COL. C. T. McM. KAVANAGH, M.V.O., D.S.O., 10th Hussars.
LIEUT.-COL. R. PRINGLE, D.S.O., Army Vety.-Dept.
JAMES BROWN, ESQ.

Honorary Secretary:—CAPTAIN E. CAMPION.

First Day, Thursday, 13th December 1906.

THE Rawalpindi December Meeting opened to-day. An attractive card was provided and several ponies came up from Karachi and Quetta, and though meeting such well-known ponies as The Butler and Pasha, gave a good account of themselves. Racing was of a high order and the attendance good. Captain Campion, our popular Honorary Secretary, had everything working like clock-work and owners might go further afield and fare worse than by paying Rawalpindi a visit at the next meeting. In the Desert Plate, in a capital field of ten, the Army Cup runner, Pasha, was much fancied, but Captain Winter's Whirlwind, who was in grand, trim just managed to beat him, though in fairness to Pasha, it must be admitted that he was not looking anything like as fit as when he ran at Lucknow. The Butler had it all his own way and added another bracket to his long series of wins. The Munster Fusiliers were "At Home" to all their friends every one was glad to see Teddey Bernard on his legs again after his unfortunate carriage accident at Karachi and he hoped soon to be able to discard his crutches. Steeden was kept pretty busy in the second enclosure, and was giving excellent odds. Details:—

THE NOVICE ARAB PLATE.—Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second, and Rs. 50 to the third. For Arab Ponies 14-1 and under that have never won a flat race of the value of Rs. 50 or over. 14-1 to carry 11st. 7lbs. W. I. 5 furlongs.

Capt. Carden's Bulbul, 10st. 3lbs. ... Capt. Campion 1
Mr. Williams' Lohengrin, 10st. 6lbs. ... Owner 2
Mr. Kennedy's Hoosainee, 11st. 8lbs. ... Mr. Lloyd 3

Also ran: Rupert, 10-12.

BETTING: Evens Bulbul, 2 to 1 agst. Hoosainee, 3 to 1 the rest.

Lohengrin lead from the start, but in the straight was overhauled by Bulbul, who won a good race by a head. Time—1min. 12secs.

THE OPEN PLATE.—Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second, and Rs. 50 to the third. For Maiden English and Australasian Ponies 14-1 and under. 1 mile.

Capt. A. S. Toogood's b c m Maranta, 10st. 6lbs. ... ... Owner 1
Capt. E. Campion's b aus m Pride II., 9st. 3lbs. ... ... Owner 2
Mr. Smith's and Capt. Winter's ch aus m Arina, 10st. 5lbs. ... ... Capt Winter 3

Also ran: Dollar, 11 1; Lucky Bell, 9-0; May Queen, 7-11.

BETTING: 2 to 1 each on Maranta and Arina 20 to 1 Pride II.

Arina forced the pace, but at the two furlong post fell back and Maranta came to the front followed by Pride II., the former winning by a length; four lengths between second and third. Time—1min. 58secs.

THE STEEPLECHASE.—Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second, and Rs. 50 to the third. A steeplechase for horses. W. for A. and C. raised 2st. 2½ miles.

Mr. W. O. Gibb's ch aus g The Marquis, 10st. 3lbs. ... ... Owner 1
Mr. Fraser's b aus g Diablo, 11st. 13lbs. (car. 11st. 12lbs.) ... ... Owner 2
Capt. R. Price's b aus g Monte, 10st. 10lbs. ... ... Owner 3

BETTING: 6 to 4 on The Marquis, evens Diablo.

Diablo took the lead followed by The Marquis with Monte last; at the three furlongs post The Marquis came away and won easily by five lengths. Time—5mins. 8½secs.

THE MAIDEN PLATE.—Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second, and Rs. 50 to the third. For Maiden C.-B. Ponies 14-1 and under unconditionally the property at time of starting of Officers of His Majesty's Services. 14-1 to carry 12st. W. I. 5 furlongs.

Mr. P. R. Butler's b cb h The Butler, 11st. 3lbs. ... ... Mr. Lloyd 1
Capt. C. B. Winter's b cb m Cherie, 10st. ... ... Capt. C. Winter 2
Col. F. G. Delamain's b cb m Damosel, 10st. 11lbs. ... ... Capt. Campion 3

BETTING: 6 to 1 on The Butler, longer odds the rest.

Cherie assumed the lead, but was passed in the straight by The Butler, who won easily by three-quarters of a length. Time—1min. 10secs.

THE DESERT PLATE.—Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second, and Rs. 50 to the third. For Arab Ponies 14-1 and under. 14-1 to carry 11st 7lbs. to 1st. 6 furlongs.

Capt. Winter's b a h Whirlwind, 8st. 9lbs. Owner 1
Mr. Williams' b a g Pasha, 10st. 6lbs. ... Owner 2
Mr. Sydney Smith's b a h Palmy Days, 8st. 6lbs. ... ... Barrett 3

Also ran: Moonib Pesha, 9-11; Marsh, 10-9; Malabar, 9-8; Lordling, 1-2; Paladin, 9-8; Discount, 9-11; High Flag, 9-6.

BETTING: 5 to 4 on Pasha, 3 to 1 each Whirlwind and Palmy Days, longer odds the remainder.

Pasha assumed the lead from the start, followed by Palmy Days. Two furlongs from home Whirlwind came up, and challenging Pesha, won a good race by half a length; two lengths between second and third. Time—1min. 25secs.

THE NOVICE PLATE.—Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second, and Rs. 50 to the third. For C.-B. Ponies 14-1 and under that have never won a flat race of the value of Rs. 50 or over. 14-1 to carry 11st. W. I. ¼ mile.

Mr. W. B. White's b cb m Ailsa Craig, 11st. ... ... Capt. Campion 1
Mr. E. Evans' b cb m Praps, 10st. 9lbs. (car. 10st. 11½lbs.) ... ... Owner 2
Mr. Douglas' b cb m Artful, 9st. 4lbs. ... Barrett 3

Also ran: Adjusting Screw, 11-4; Challenger, 11-0; Doreen, 11-0; Lodestar, 10-11; Blackrock, 10-2; Mendicant, 8-12.

BETTING: Evens Ailsa Craig, 5 to 2 agst. Praps, 3 to 1 Artful.

Praps led away at the start closely followed by Ailsa Craig, Artful getting off badly. Praps made a good fight but failed to stay, leaving Ailsa Craig to win easily by three quarter lengths; three lengths between second and third. Blackrock bolted the wrong way and did not run. Time—55½secs.

A MATCH.—For Rs 500 aside between Mr. Chaplin's ch cb m Lady Virginia and Mr. Kennedy's b cb g Adalina at even weights over half a mile brought a very good day's racing to a close. Unfortunately it was run in the dark and no time could be taken. Lady Virginia forced the pace, but was caught at the two furlongs post by Adalina, who then came away and won as he liked.

Second Day, Saturday, 15th December, 1906

Another capital day's racing was witnessed under most enjoyable circumstances. The 10th Hussars dispensed hospitality and the Munster Fusiliers' magnificent band played an excellent programme. Captain Campion's excellent arrangements left nothing to be desired and the course was in excellent order. The Sohan Plate with a field of eight was the race of the day and representatives from as far afield as Quetta and Karachi faced the flag. After a grand race the sporting owner of Pasha just managed to get home half a length in front of Moonib Pasha. That well-known country-bred pony The Butler again justified the confidence placed on him by his supporters and won a good race from the English pony Maranta who has been brought all the way from Quetta by Captain Arthur Toogood of the Warwicks. There is every promise of good sport here all through the cold weather, as Captain Campion is sure to provide attractive programmes at the fortnightly gymkhanas, Details.—

THE PONY HURDLES.—Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second and Rs. 50 to the third. A hurdle race for Arab and C.-B. ponies 14-1 and under. 14-1 to carry 12 stone W. I. 1¼ mile (over 6 flights.)

Capt. D. G. Carden's b a g Bulbul, 9st. 10lbs. ... ... Capt. Campion 1
Lieut. Sydney Smith's b cb m Shamrock, 11st. ... ... Capt. Toogood 2
Lieut. H. L Fraser's g a h Discount, 9st. 7lbs. (car. 10st. 7½lbs.) ... ... Owner 3

Also ran: Alexis, 10-3; Brennan, 10-1.

BETTING: Evens Shamrock, 2 to 1 Bulbul, 3 to 1 Alexis, 10 to 1 Discount, 15 to 1 Brennan.

Discount led the way o er the first hurdle with Brennan close behind. At the six furlongs Bulbul came up in front with Shamrock lying second and Discount third. Shamrock made a bad mistake at the hurdle, which gave the race to Bulbul, who won very easily by two lengths; four lengths between second and third. Time—3mins. 16⅕secs.

THE OPEN HANDICAP.—Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second and Rs 50 to the third A handicap for English and Australasian ponies 14-1 and under. 7 furlongs.

Capt. E. Campion's b aus m Pride II, 8st. 3lbs ... ... Barrett 1
Messrs Wilson and Jolliffe's br aus h Dollar, 10st. 4lbs. ... ... Shib Singh 2
Mr. J Smith and Capt. Winter's ch aus m Arina, 10st. 10lbs. ... Capt. Winter 3

Pride II led the whole way, followed by Dollar with Arina lying last. They raced home in this order, Arina tailing off badly towards the end. Won by two and a half lengths; eight lengths between second and third. Arina in this race fared badly as although beaten by Pride II on the first day over a mile, had to carry an extra stone and a half.

STEEPLECHASE HANDICAP.—Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second and Rs. 50 to the third. A handicap for horses 2½ miles.

Mr. Fraser's b aus g Diablo, 12st. 10lbs.... Owner 1
Mr. W. O Gibb's ch aus g The Marquis, 12st. ... ... Owner 2

Diablo led all through the race and although The Marquis was close at the last jump but one, he died away and Diablo cantered in an easy winner by five lengths. Time—5mins. 12secs.

THE SOHAN PLATE.—Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second and Rs. 50 to the third. For Arab ponies 14-1 and under. 14-1 to carry 11st. 7lbs. W. I. R. C.

Mr. E. W. Williams' b a g Pasha, 10st. 4lbs. Owner 1
Mr. Graham's b a h Moonib Pasha, 9st. 4lbs. ... ... Capt. Winter 2
Mrs. Young Smith's b a h Palmy Days, 8st. 13lbs. ... ... Barrett 3

Also ran: Marsh, 10-9; Lordlinger, 10-2; Malaba, 9-4; Paladin, 9-f (carr 9 6½); Whirlwind, 8-9.

BETTING: 6 to 4 agst. each Pasha and Moonib Pasha, 5 to 1 and 10 to 1 the rest.

Palmy Days gave trouble at the start, but was the first away after three false starts, followed by Lordling and Moonib Pasha. Lordling then forced the pace with Pasha lying second. At the mile Pasha took the lead with Moonib Pasha lying third some way back and the rest close up. At the two furlongs Moonib Pasha galloping gamely began to close up and displacing Palmy Days began to overhaul Pasha, who just—lashed out and won a splendid race by half a length; two lengths between second and third. Time—2mins. 46secs.

THE GHARIAL PLATE.—Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second and Rs. 50 to the third. A handicap for C.-B. ponies 14-2 and under and other ponies 14 hands and under. Top weight not to exceed 10st. 7lbs. 1¼ mile.

Mr. P. R. Butler's b cb h The Butler, 10st. ... ... Barrett 1
Capt. A. S. Toogood's b e m Maranta, 10st. 7lbs. ... ... Owner 2
Mr. T. Kennedy's b cb m Adalina, 7st. 7lbs. Abdul 3

Also ran: Richmond, 8-7; Windsor Belle, 7-10; Maggie Lauder, 7-9; Praps, 6-7.

BETTING: Evens The Butler, 2 to 1 Maranta, 3 to 1 Adalina, 4 to 1 Richmond, 5 to 1 and 6 to 1 the rest.

Adalina made the running, followed by Maggie Lauder with The Butler lying third and Maranta some way back. At the 6 furlongs the pace began to slacken and Maranta came up to her field. The Butler took the lead at the 5 furlongs, Maranta soon after taking second place Maranta now cracked on the pace and though she responded gallantly to the call, failed to catch The Butler, who won comfortably by one and a half lengths; two lengths between second and third. Time—2mins. 23secs.

THE NOVICE HANDICAP.—Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second and Rs. 50 to the third. A handicap for ponies that started in the Novice Plate first day. ½ mile.

Mr. W. B. White's b cb m Ailsa Craig, 11st. 8lbs. ... ... Capt. Campion 1
Mr. Douglas' b cb m Artful, 8st. 7lbs. ... Barrett 2
Mr. P. R. Butler's b cb m Lodestar, 9st. 13lbs. (car. 10st. 1½lb.) ... ... Mr. Lloyd 3

Also ran: Challenger, 9-12; Blackrock, 8-8; Mendicant, 8-5.

BETTING: 2 to 1 on Ailsa Craig, 2 to 1 agst. Artful, 15 to 1 the rest.

Ailsa Craig was first away with Artful lying third. At the bend Artful took second place but never troubled Ailsa Craig, who won comfortably by one and a quarter lengths; two and a half lengths between second and third. Time—56secs.

THE NOVICE ARAB HANDICAP.—Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second, and Rs. 50 to the third. A handicap for ponies that started in the Novice Arab Plate first day.—5 furlongs.

Mr. E. W. Williams' ch a h Lohengrin, 10st. 3lbs. ... ... Owner 1
Mr. T. Kennedy's g a g Hossainee, 9st. 11lbs. ... ... Mr. Evans 2
Col. Doran's ch a g Rupert, 8st. 7lbs. ... Barrett 3

BETTING: 5 to 2 on Lohengrin, evens Hossainee, 3 to 1 Rupert.

Won in a canter in 1min. 13secs.

CHITTAGONG RACES.

STEWARDS:

F. P. DIXON, ESQ., I.C.S. | C. BOUTH, ESQ.
M. E. NIGEL JONES, ESQ. | R. B. MACKENZIE, ESQ.
E. E. FRANCIS, ESQ. | J. L. BROWN, ESQ.

Starter:—E. E. FRANCIS, ESQ.
Handicappers:—C. H. HOLDER, ESQ., AND E. E. FRANCIS, ESQ.
Judge:—H. H. THE HON'BLE MR. L. HARE, C.S.I., C.I.E.
Honorary Secretaries.—B. K. MULLICK, ESQ., B. SNEYD-HUTCHINSON.

First Day, Tuesday, 11th December 1906.

LOVELY weather prevailed. There was a large attendance, over one hundred and seventy visitors coming in for the meeting. His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor and Staff were present, His Honour officiating as Judge. There were several very fine finishes, as a result of some very careful handicapping.

Altogether the meet has been one of the most successful ever held here and a tribute of praise is owing to Messrs. Hutchinson and Mullick, the indefatigable Secretaries, to Mr. C. H. Holder who ably assisted them and to Mr. E. E. Francis for his excellent starting.

THE DACCA PURSE.—Rs. 250, of which Rs. 200 to the winner, and Rs. 50 to the second. For polo ponies 14-1 and under English and Australasian ponies 14-1 to carry 11st. 7lbs. C.-B. ponies 14-1 to carry 10st., Arab ponies 14-1 to carry 9st. W. I. 3 furlongs.

Capt. W. B. Rennies ch eng m Tokani, 11st. 7lbs. ... ... Mr. Brindle 1
Capt. A. G Crocker's gr a g Duststorm, 8st. 5lbs. ... ... Taylor 2
Mr. L. W. Middleton's ch aus m Keepsake, 9st. 13lbs. ... ... Owner 3
Mrs. Ward's ch aus g Clifton, 8st. 13lbs. ... McCall 0

Won a by length; one and a half length between second and third. Time—4⅘ secs.

THE COMILLA PURSE.—Rs. 450, of which Rs. 350 to the winner, Rs. 75 to the second, and Rs. 25 to the third. For Maiden ponies 13-3 and under. English and Australasian ponies 13-3 to carry 11st. 7lbs. W. I. ¼ mile.

Mr. J. L. Brown's b aus m Gadfly, 9st. 5lbs. ... ... Mr. McCall 1
Mr. L. W. Middleton's ch aus g Vanity Fair II., 10st. 9lbs. ... ... Owner 2
Mr. Richard's bk aus m Glenavon, 10st. 12lbs. ... ... Taylor 3
Mr. A. E. O'Sullivan's b aus m Bullion, 9st 11lbs. ... ... Capt. Dening 0

Won by two lengths; four lengths between second and third Time—55⅘secs.

THE PAHARTALI PURSE.—Rs. 250. Of which Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 50 to the second. For Maiden ponies 14-1 and under. English and Australasian ponies 14-1 to carry 11st. C.-B. ponies 14-1 to carry 10st. Arab ponies 14-1 to carry 9st. W. I. ¼ mile.

Mr. Hipworth's b aus m Skipping Girl, 9st. 4lbs. ... ... Mr. McCall 1
Miss G. M. Shillingford's Gazelle, 9st. 10lbs. ... ... Mr. Metcalfe 2
Mr. A. L. Molesworth's br aus m Norma, 10st. 9lbs. ... ... Capt. Dening 3
Mr. Richard's Dugree, 9st. 7lbs. ... Taylor 0
Mr. Richard's b aus m Gay Lassie, 9st. 4lbs. ... ... Mr. Brindle 0

Won by one and a half length; two lengths between second and third. Time—52⅘secs.

THE DOWLING CUP.—A cup value Rs. 250, presented by Mr. A. F. Dowling, of which Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs 50 to the second. For Maiden ponies 14-1 and under, the property of residents of Chittagong District. English and Australasian ponies 14-1 to carry 11st. C.-B. ponies 14-1 to carry 10st. W. I. Arab ponies 14-1 to carry 9st. 7lbs. W. I. 5 furlongs.

Mr. Mullick's b aus m Othello, 11st. ... Mr. Pullen 1
Mr. J. L. Brown's b aus m Mah Nyoon, 8st. 12lbs. ... ... Taylor 2
Mr. Dixon's ch aus g My Honey, 8st. ... Sheriff 3
Mr. A. E. Swann's b cb aus m Bess II., 8st. 13lbs. ... ... Mr. McCall 0

Won by a half length; five lengths between second and third. Time not taken.

CHITTAGONG PURSE.—Rs. 650, of which Rs. 500 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second, and Rs. 50 to the third For ponies 13-3 and under, English and Australasian ponies 13-3 to carry 10st. 7lbs. C.-B ponies 13-3 to carry 9st. 2lbs. Arab ponies 13-3 to carry 8st. 10lbs. W. I. 1,000 yards.

Mr. B. K. Mullick's Fortune, 6st. 2lbs. ... Mr. McCall 1
Mr. A. J. Shillingford's br aus g Fairyland II., 10st. 4lbs. ... ... Mr. Metcalfe 2
Mr. J. L. Brown's bk aus m Gadfly, 8st. 5lbs. ... ... Native 3
Mr. T. R. Nolan's b aus m Haflong, 10st. ... Capt. Dening 0

Won by half a length; four lengths between second and third. Time not taken.

EXTRA RACE.—Rs. 250 of which Rs. 200 to the winner, and Rs. 50 to the second. For ponies 14-1 and under. English and Australasian ponies 14-1 to carry 10st. 7lbs. C.-B. ponies 14-1 to carry 9st. 2lbs. Arab ponies 14-1 to carry 8st. 2lbs. W. I. 5 furlongs.

Mr. S. G. McCall's Mademoiselle. 10st. ... Owner 1
Mr. A. J. Shillingford's br aus m La Cigale, 8st. 13lbs. ... ... Taylor 2
Mr A. L. Molesworth's br aus m Norma, 9st. 7lbs. ... ... Mr. Middleton 3
Mr. Hepworth's Amiable 7st. 12lbs. ... Bidoo 0
Capt Rennie's ch eng m Tokani, 10st. ... Capt. Dening 0
Capt. Rennie's b aust g Bellis 10st 12lbs.... Mr. Brindle 0

Won by two lengths; three lengths between second and third. Time not taken.

THE CACHAR PURSE.—Rs. 450. Of which Rs. 350 to the winner, 75 to the second and Rs. 25 to the third. Handicap for ponies 13-3 and under. 6 furlongs.

Mr. A. J. Shillingford's Fairyland II., 11st. 3lbs. ... ... Mr. Metcalfe 1
Mr. C. H. Holder's Topsy III, 9st. 7lbs. .. Mr. Pullen 2
Mr. B. K. Mullick's br cb g Fortune, 11st. 11lb. ... ... Mr. McCall 3
Mr. L. W. Middleton's ch aus m Keepsake, 10st. 3lbs. ... ... Owner 0
Mr. Richard's Gay Lassie b aust m 10st 8lbs ... ... Taylor 0

Won by a head; two lengths between second and third. Time not taken.

Second Day, Wednesday, 12th December 1906.

THE CHANDPUR HANDICAP.—Rs. 350 to the winner, Rs. 75 to he second. Rs. 25 to the third. Handicap for ponies 14-1 and under, the property of residents of Eastern Bengal and Assam. ¼ mile.

Mr. Mullick's Fortune, 10st ... ... Mr. McCall 1
Mr. A. L. Molesworth's b aus m Norma, 11st. 7lbs. ... ... Mr. Metcalfe 2
Mr. Brown's b k aus m Gadfly, 8st. 7lbs. Taylor 3

Won by two lengths; four lengths between second and third. Time—53⅘secs.

THE DAMAGIRI HANDICAP.—Rs. 350 to the winner, Rs. 75 to the second. Rs. 25 to the third. Handicap for ponies 13-3 and under that did not win a race the first day. 6 furlongs.

Mr. C. H. Holder's b aus m Topsy, III. 10st. 2lbs. ... ... Mr. Pullen 1
Mr. Richard's b aus m Gay Lassie, 10st. 6lbs ... ... Taylor 2
Capt. Crocker's gr a g Duststorm, 9st. 11b. Mr. Middleton 3

Won by a head; three lengths between second and third. Time.—1min. 26secs.

THE TIPPERAH HANDICAP.—Rs 350 to the winner, Rs. 75 to the second, and Rs. 25 to the third. Handicap for ponies 14-1 and under. 3 furlongs.

Mr. McCall's b aus m Mademoiselle 11st. 7lbs. ... ... Owner 1
Capt. Rennie's b aus g Bellis 10st. ... Mr. Brindle 2

Won by three-quarters of a length. Time—40⅘secs.

THE KORNAFULI HANDICAP.—Rs.500 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second, and Rs. 50 to the third. Handicap for ponies 13-3 and under. 5 furlongs.

Mr. Mullick's Fortune, 9st. 9lbs. ... Mr. McCall 1
Mr. Brown's Gadfly, 8st 3lbs. ... Taylor 2
Mr. Hepworth's Skipping Girl, 11st. 7lbs. Mr. Pullen 3

Won by a length; one and a half length between second and third.—Time, 1min. 7⅘secs.

THE KODALA HANDICAP.—Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 50 to the second, and Rs. 25 to the third. Handicap for ponies that have never won a flat race value Rs. 50 or over, the property of residents of Chittagong. 1000 yards.

Mr. Brown's Mah Noon, 11st. 7lbs. ... Mr. McCall 1
Mr. C. P. Walsh's Robin 11st. ... Mr. Castle 2
Mr. Dixon's My Honey, 8st. 3lbs. ... Tazadin 3
Mr. Castle's Kismet, 11st. 13lbs. ... Mr. Leishman 0
Mr. A. Swann's Bess II., 6st. ... ... Taylor 0

Won by a length; neck between second and third. Time not taken.

SUBSTITUTION STAKES.—Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs 50 to the second. Handicap for ponies 13-3 and under that did not win a a race the first day. ½ mile.

Mr. Nolan's Haflong, 9st ... ... Mr. McCall 1
Mr. Middleton's Vanity Fair, 10st. ... Owner 2
Mr. C. H. Holder's Topsy III., 11st. 7lbs.... Mr. Pullen 3
Mr. Richard's Glenavon, 9st. 9lbs. ... Taylor 0

Won by a head; a head between second and third and a head between third and fourth. Time—55⅕secs.

THE LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR'S PURSE.—Rs. 200 to the winner, presented by The Hon'ble Mr. L. Hare, C. S. I., C. I. E. and Rs. 50 to the second. Handicap for maiden ponies 14-1 and under. 3 furlongs.

Mr. Richard's Dugree, 8st. 2lbs. ... Taylor 1
Mr. Molesworth's Norma, 9st. ... Rupchand 2
Mr. Hepworth's Skipping Girl, 11st. 4lbs. Mr. McCall 3
Capt. Rennie's Tokani, 11st. 7lbs. ... Mr. Brindle 0
Mr. Shillingford's Gazelle, 10st. ... Mr. Metcalfe 0
M. Mullick's Othello, 9st. 3lbs. ... Mr. Pullen 0

Won by a short head; a neck between second and third, and a neck between third and fourth. Time—41⅘secs.

Third Day, Thursday, 13th December 1906.

THE FENOA HANDICAP.—Rs. 150 to the winner, Rs. 50 to the second, Rs. 50 to the third. Handicap for ponies 13-3 and under. 5 furlongs.

Mr. Holder's Topsy III., 8st. 5lbs. ... Taylor 1
Mr. Mullick's Fortune, 9st. 11lbs. ... Mr. McCall 2
Mr. Brown's Gadfly, 7st. 12lbs. ... Tazadin 3
Mr. Hepworth's Skipping Girl, 10st. 7lbs. Mr. Pullen 0

Won by two lengths: one and a half length between second and third. Time not taken.

THE UDALIA HANDICAP.—Rs. 150 to the winner, Rs. 50 to the second, Rs. 25 to the third. Handicap for ponies 14-1 and under. 5 furlongs.

Mr. Molesworth's Norma, 9st. 12lbs. ... Mr. McCall 1
Mr. Richard's Gay Lassie, 8st. 5lbs. ... Taylor 2
Mr. Shillingford's Gazelle, 10st. 11b. ... Metcalfe 3

Won by one and a half length; four lengths between second third. Time not taken.

THE PATIYA HANDICAP.—Rs. 150 to the winner, Rs. 50 to the second, and Rs. 25 to the third. Handicap for ponies 13-3 and under, that have not won a race at the meeting. ¼ mile.

Mr. Richard's Glenavon, 8st. 11lbs. ... Taylor 1
Mr. Middleton's Vanity Fair II, 9st. 7lbs. Owner 2
Mr. Hepworth's Amiable, 9st. 12lbs. ... Mr. McCall 3

Won by two lengths; a length between second and third. Time—54⅕secs.

THE SITAKUND HANDICAP.—Rs. 150 to the winner, Rs. 50 to the second, and Rs. 25 to the third. Handicap for polo ponies 14-1 and under that have not won a race at the meeting. 3 furlongs.

Mrs. Ward's Clifton, 8st. 5lbs.... ... Taylor 1
Mrs. Stevenson's Bonnie, 8st. 13lbs. ... Mr. McCall 2
Mr. Skeene's Miss Brigham, 9st. 7lbs. ... Mr. Metcalfe 3
Capt. Crocker's Duststorm 9st. 6lbs. ... Mr. Middleton 0

Won by a length; a head between second and third. Time not taken.

THE JULDIA HANDICAP.—Rs. 150 to the winner, Rs. 50 to second, and Rs. 25 to the third. Handicap for ponies owned by residents of Chittagong District that have not won a race at the meeting. 3 furlongs.

Mr. Dixon's My Honey, 8st. 4lbs. ... Taylor 1
Mr. Swann's Bess II. 7st. 4lbs. ... Tazadin 2
Mr. Castle's Kismet, 7st. 10lbs. ... Rupchand 3
Mr. Walsh's Robin, 11st. 7lbs. ... Mr. Castle 0

Won by a length, half a length between second and third. Time—45secs.

THE FAIRY HILL HANDICAP.—Rs. 150 to the winner, Rs. 50 to the second and Rs. 25 to the third. Handicap for ponies 14-1 and under. Distance 3 furlongs.

Mr. Molesworth's Norma, 8st. 13lbs. ... Mr. McCall 1
Mr. Richard's Dugree, 8st. 4lbs. ... Taylor 2
Mr. Mullick's Fortune, 8st. 4lbs. ... Tazadin 3
Mr. Mullick's Othello, 7st. 10lbs ... Rupchand 0

Won by a length, a neck between second and third. Time.—40secs.

TRAINERS' LOTS.

CALCUTTA RACES, 1906-1907.

HORSE.	DESCRIPTION.	OWNER.	TRAINER.
A.			
Annamulloch	bk e m	Mr. Holmes	Wishart.
Amplify	ch e m	Mr. J. D. Scott	Owner.
Applause	b e h	Mr. J. C. Galstaun	Tingey.
Au Fait	br e m	Capt. Farquharson	Saunders.
Airlock	bk aus m	Hon. Mr. A. A. Apcar	Watson.
Amyas	ch aus g	Mr. Dartmoor	Taylor.
Adviser	b aus g	Mr. S. F. Reynolds	Wishart.
Aberfoyle	b or br aus g	Mr. R. S. Hart	Ferguson.
B.			
Black Duke	bk or br e c	Mr. D. B. Myers	Dignum.
Bon Bon	b aus g	Mr. D. B. Myers	Dignum.
Baron II	ch aus g	Mr. Locke	C. Hoyt.
Blitzen	bk or br e m	Messrs. Hudson and Butler	Wishart.
Ballark	bk aus g	Hon. Mr. A. A. Apcar	Watson.
Beaunero	ch e g	Mr. G. B. Deakin	Owner.
Bundook	b e g	Mr. Dartmoor	Taylor.
Branga	ch aus g	Mr. T. G. Evers	Owner.
Botha	br aus g	Mr. O. M. D. Bell	Firth.
Bouquet	b e m	Mr. B. B.	Walker.
Belle Cole	b aus m	Mr. Stead	Torpey.
Bubble	br aus g	Messrs. Rodocanachi and Mackenzie	Norton.
Bucentaur	b aus g	Mr. J. A. Manning	Marriott.
Bonita	ch aus m	Mr. A. L. Butler	Wishart.
Bull's Eye	br aus g	Mr. M. Turner	Private.
C.			
Child Adopted	b e m	Mr. A. N Dass	Taylor.
Carnival	ch e m	Mr. A. N. Dass	Taylor.
Curfew	ch aus g	Mr. J. B.	Ramshaw.
Craigendarrie	b e g	Mr. J. C. Galstaun	Tingey.
Cyril	b aus g	Mrs. A. Grosser	Smallman.
Colina	br e m	Mr. G. H. L. Mackenzie	Norton.
Cherson	b aus h	H. H. Kour Sahib of Patiala	T. Scott.
Contest	ch aus h	Mr. R. S. Hart	Ferguson.
Clear Artist	b or br e g	Mr. North	Bleach
Coin II	ch aus m	H. H. Mah. of Cooch Behar	Ramshaw.
Curlew	b aus m	Mr. B. N. Burjotjee	Owner.
Clynder	b e m	Mr. A. N. Dass	Taylor.
Curfew Bell	ch aus m	Messrs. Wood and Badger	Penton.
Coronet	b aus g	Mr. S. F. Reynolds	Wishart.
Circus Girl	b aus m	Mr. J. C. Galstaun	Tingey.
Claribell	ch aus m	Mr. J. C. Galstaun	Tingey.
Cingalee	ch e m	Mr. Cecil	Ramshaw.
Clodian	b aus g	Mr. J. G. Ballantyne	Mr. Evers.
Camira	b aus g	Mr. E. J. Marshall	J. D. Scott.
Chippy Norton	bk aus g	Mr. P. B. Avasia	Bleach.
Craig	br aus g	Capt. H. V. Holden	Owner.
D			
Downland	br or bk e m	Mr. J. M. Rodocanachi	Norton.
Dea	br aus m	Hon. Mr. A. A. Apcar	Watson.
Decoration	b aus g	Mr. R. S. Hart	Ferguson.
Duplex II	b aus g	Mr. J. D. Scott.	Owner.
Dirty Boy	bk e g	Mr. J. C. Galstaun	Tingey.
Dulcimer	bk aus g	Mr. J. C. Galstaun	Tingey.
Dramatic	br aus g	Mr. O. M. D. Bell	Firth.
Dormant	b aus g	Mr. P. B. Avasia	Bleach.
Diakkaway	ch e m	Mr. J. C. Galstaun	Tingey.
Dunsinane	ch e f	Messrs. Wood and Badger	Penton.

E.

Esmeralda	ch e m	Mr. J. D. Scott	Owner.
Envious	b aus c	Mr. Cowper	Owner.
Esperanto	b aus m	Mr. R. D. Coggan	T. White.

F.

Footprint	b e h	Mr. E. L. F. de Soysa	Harper
Fitzgrafton	b aus h	Hon. Mr. A. A. Apcar	Watson.
Flo	bk or br aus m	Mr. F. Potter	Owner.
Footlight	br aus m	Mr. W. H. Walmesley	Ramshaw.
Ferndown	br e b	Messrs. Wood and Badger	Penton.
Flotsam	b aus g	Thakur Sripal Singh	Thomas.
Foy	bk aus g	Mr. Charles	Pringle.
First Bell	ch aus g	Col. Stisted	Firth.

G.

Galley Slave	ch e g	Mr. E. J. Marshall	J. D. Scott.
Greenstone	b aus g	Mr. North	Bleach.
Gum	b aus g	Mr. J. C. Galstaun	Tingey.
Gladstone	b aus g	Mr. Locke	C. Hoyt.
Ground Glass	b e m	Mr. Cowper	Pringle.
Good Chap	br aus g	Mr. R. M. Hamilton	Mr. Cowper.
Gowan	ch aus m	Mr. J. C. Galstaun	Tingey.
Goldstamp	b e m	Messrs. Paris and Marshall	Wishart.
Golden	ch e f	Mr. A. Gamble	Norton.

H.

Hoop Iron	b aus g	Mr. J. C. Galstaun	Tingey.
Handelian	br e g	Mr. J. C. Galstaun	Tingey.
Honest Lady	b e m	Mr. J. D. Scott	Owner.
Henrique	br aus m	Hon. Mr. A. A. Apcar	Watson.
Hooded Monk	b e g	Aga S. Shah	Owner.
Half Price	br aus m	Mr. Price	Owner.
Hazlenut	bk aus m	Mr. Dartmoor	Taylor.
Hint	br aus m	Mr. J. M. Rodocanachi	Norton.

I.

Insurrection	b e g	Mr. A. N. Dass	Taylor.
Ivanhoe II	br aus g	Mr. R. D. Coggan	T. White.

J.

Jacquelin	b aus m	Mr. R. S. Hart	Ferguson.
Jolly Abbot	gr e c	Mr. D. B. Myers	Dignum.
Jackeroo	br aus g	Mr. O. M. D. Bell	Firth.
Jack Sheppard	b e g	Mr. W. H. Walmesley	Pringle.
Jubilant	b aus m	Mr. G. K.	Munroe.
Jacinth	br aus g	Mr. Cowper	Owner.
Jolly Roger	ch e g	Col. P. K. L. Beaver	Heywood.

K.

Kipling	b aus g	Mr. E. J. Marshall	J. D. Scott.
Killeevan	br e m	Mr. J. C. Galstaun	Tingey.
Kendal King	ch e g	Mr. Charles	Pringle.
Kingpin	ch aus g	Mr. Austin	Heywood.

L.

Loch Lochie	b aus g	Mr. R. S. Hart	Ferguson.
Look Out	b aus g	Mr. Locke	C. Hoyt.
Long Tom	br aus g	Mr. J. C. Galstaun	Ferguson.
Lady Avon	bk or br aus m	Mr. J. D. Scott	Owner.
Lady Anna	b e m	Messrs. Paris and Marshall	Wishart.
Lady Veera	b e m	Mr. Bunting	J. D. Scott.
Lady Grey	gr e m	Mr. Bunting	J. D. Scott.
Lord D.	b aus g	Mr. Alec	Heywood.
Lucretia	ch aus m	Lieut.-Col. J. Desaraj Urs	Vinall.
Lord Harry	b aus g	Capt. H. V. Holden	Private.
Little Dolly	ch aus m	Col. P. K. L. Beaver	Heywood.
Lady Metal	b aus m	Mr. Dartmoor	Taylor.
Lamrock	br aus g	H. H. Kour Sahib of Patiala	T. Scott.
Lorette	br aus m	Mr. B. N. Burjorjee	Owner.
Lord Boyne	bk aus g	Mr. C. Pearson	T. White.
Loyal	ch aus g	Mr. J. A. Manning	Marriott.
Leda	ch aus m	Mr. B. S.	Walker.
Lady Viola	b aus m	Mr. J. D. Scott	Owner.
Leading Lady	b aus m	Mr. W. B. Green	Mr. H. E. Smith.

M.

Merry Elsie	b e m	Mrs. A. Grosser	Smallman.
Meadow Saffron	ch e m	Mr. G. B. Deakin	J. D. Scott.
Mother Goose	br e g	Messrs. Wood and Badger	Penton.
Mount Dane	br aus h	Mr. O. M. D. Bell	Firth.
Munderah	br aus h	H. H. Maharajah of Mysore	Ferguson.
Matin Bell	bk aus m	H. H. Maharajah of Cooch Behar	Ramshaw.
Mayroid	br aus m	Mr. W. Griffiths	T. White.
Minimus	b aus g	Lieut.-Col. J. Desaraj Urs	Vinall.
Matalgia	b aus h	Mr. J. C. Galstaun	Tingey.
Meg	ch aus m	Mr. D. B. Myers	Dignum.
Massachusselts	b aus m	Mr. J. D. Scott	Owner.
Mary Jane	ch aus m	Mr. J. D. Scott	Owner.
Master, The	br aus h	Mr. Maxwell	Wishart.
Martinique	br aus m	Hon. Mr. A. A. Apcar	Watson.
Master Charlie	br e g	Mr E. J. Marshall	J. D. Scott.
Mercedes	bk or br e m	Messrs. Hudson and Butler	Wishart.
Mistlebird	b aus m	Mr. R. A. C. Pugh	Owner.
Mulison	b aus g	Mr. A. N. Dass	Taylor.
Musette	br aus m	Mr. Maxwell	Wishart.
Malinyook	bk aus g	Mr. C. Pearson	T. White.
Mallard	b aus h	Hon. Mr. A. A. Apcar	Watson.
Manlock	b aus g	Col. P. K. L. Beaver	T. Scott.
Miss Hopson	ch e m	Mr. Charles	Pringle.
Metalwing	br aus g	Mr. Charles	Pringle.
Miss Stone	ch aus m	Mr. Holmes	Wishart.
Morsel	ch e f	Mr. H. L. Mackenzie	Norton.

N.

Nightingale	br e m	Capt. Farquharson	Saunders.
Nak Our	ch aus m	Hon. Mr. A. A. Apcar	Watson.
Nirvana	b e g	Mr. Field	Heywood.
Nurse Kitty	b e m	H. H. Kour Sahib of Patiala	T. Scott.
Nigam	b aus g	Thakur Sripal Singh	Thomas.
Narwanah	ch aus g	Mr. C. Pearson	T. White.

O.

Olga	b aus m	Messrs Goculdas and Nanji	Harper.
Olive Lee	br aus m	Mr. H. V. Low	Norton.
Olynthus	b aus g	Messrs. Jones and Pugh	Mr. R. Pugh.
Our State	b aus g	Mr. J. C. Galstaun	Tingey.
Orphan Boy	b aus g	Mr. Glen	Mr. Cowper.

P.

Pennant	b aus g	Mr. Borneo	Norton.
Pat. C.	b sth afr. h	Mr. J. D. Scott	Owner.
Pineal	ch aus g	Mr. A. N. Dass	Taylor.
Plover	br aus m	Thakur Sripal Singh	Marriott.
Palas	ch aus m	Mr. R. D. Coggan	T. White.
Pendred	b e g	Mr. Charles	Pringle.
Palindrome	br or ch aus m	Mr. Stead	Torpey.
Paddy's Darling	b e m	Mr. J. C. Galstaun	Tingey.
Prince Lyon	br aus g	Mr. J. C. Galstaun	Tingey.
Presbyterian	ch e g	Mr. P. B. Avasia	Bleach.
Psalm	br e m	Mr. O. M. D. Bell	Firth.
Projecture	b aus m	Mr. F. Potter	Owner.
Pure Gold	b e g	Mr. J. C. Galstaun	Tingey.
Prince Moorefield	b aus g	Mr. R. B. Lamotte	Owner.
Pretender	b aus g	Mr. K. M. Hamilton	Mr. Cowper.
Picture	b aus m	Mrs. J. N. Gregory	Taylor.

R.

Red Coral	b aus g	Lieut.-Col. J. Desaraj Urs	Vinall.
Rosanule	b e h	Mr. Charles	Pringle.
Refuge Bay	b aus g	Mr. Charles	Pringle.
Riverside II	b nth aus g	Mr. J. C. Galstaun	Tingey.
Rustile	ch aus m	Mr J. C. Galstaun	Tingey.
Rezia	b aus m	Mr. A. N. Dass	Taylor.
Rustler	b aus g	Mr. J. C. Galstaun	Tingey.
Rather Rakish	ch aus g	Mr. Holmes	Wishart.
Roseland	b ch g	Mr. J. D. Scott	Owner.

S.

Seclusion	ch aus m	Hon. Mr. A. A. Apcar	Watson.
Strathspey	bk aus g	Hon. Mr. A. A. Apcar	Watson.
Spark	b aus g	Mr. K. R. Tomkinson	C. Hoyt.
Senator	ch aus g	Mr. W. T. Miles	Owner.
Spero	b aus g	Mr S. Margrett	Smallman.
Signorina	b aus m	Mr. J. B.	Ramshaw.
Son of a Gun	b e h	Mr. Bunting	J. D. Scott.
S. S.	b aus g	Thakur Sripal Singh	Thomas
Sainte Marquise	br e m	Mr. J. C Galstaun	Tingey.
Santa Maria	b e m	Mr. Holmes	Wishart.
Squire Alfred	b e g	Messrs. Wood & Badger	Penton.
Scamander	ch e m	Mr. W. H Walmesley	Pringle.
Sacristan II	ch e g	Mr. Dartmoor	Taylor.
Solace	b aus m	Mr Field	Heywood.
Silphoe	b e g	Mr. J. C. Galstaun	Tingey.
Sea Spray	b e f	Mr. G. B. Deakin	Owner.
Sermon	ch e g	Messrs. Wood & Badger	Penton.
Saloon	br ch g	Mr. J. B. Scott	Owner.
Steinhager	b e c	Mr. Charles	Pringle.
Stepaway	b e m	Mr A. L. Butler	Wishart.
Swindle	br aus g	Mrs. A. Grosser	Smallman.
St. Michael	b aus g	Mr. S. Margrett	Smallman.
Spain	ch e g	Capt. Milvain	Penton.
Sir Walter	b aus g	Mr. D. Norton	Owner.

T.

Thomond	br e g	Messrs. Wood & Badger	Penton.
Trencherman	b aus h	Mr. A. N. Dass	Taylor.
Trenayr	b aus g	Mr. C. Pearson	T. White.
Tartan	ch aus g	Mr. M. R. K. Hodgson	Owner.
Terence	ch aus g	Hon. Mr. A. A. Apcar	Watson.
Tycannah	b aus g	Mr. J. S. Love	Marriott.
Trenton	b aus g	Lt.-Col. J. Desaraj Urs	Vinall.
Trentside Lad	b aus g	Mr. J. M. Rodocanachi	Norton.
Turk	gr aus g	Mr. W. O. Rees	Owner.

V.

Veera	ch aus m	Mr. G. K.	Munroe.
Vespasia	b e m	Mr. D. B. Myers	Dignum.
Vanity Fair	b aus m	Mr. Dartmoor	Taylor.
Vinolia	bor br aus m	Mr. H. V. Low	Norton.

W.

Wal	b aus g	Mr J. W. Scott	Owner.
Wakeful	br aus m	Mr. E. C. Ramshaw	Owner.
White Heather	ch e g	Capt. H. D. McNeil	Owner.
Whitefoot	br aus g	Mr. J. C. Galstaun	Tingey.
Windy	br aus g	Mr. J. C. Galstaun	Tingey.
Wake up	b aus m	Mr. H. E. Smith	Owner.
Watch Fire	gr aus g	Mr. R. A. C. Pugh	Owner.
Wales	gr aus g	Mr. Beaumont	Owner.
Woodbine	ch aus m	Mr. Charles	Pringle.
Watchfire	gr aus g	Mr. Gutschke	Mr. Pugh.

Y.

Yardley	ch aus m	Mr. J. D. Scott	Owner.
Yankee Boy	ch aus h	Mr. J. D. Scott	Owner.

Z.

Zig Zag	b aus g	Mr. Glen	Mr. Cowper.

HARRY GOLDSPINK

ATTENDS THE

CALCUTTA MEETINGS.

7 & 8, GREAT EASTERN HOTEL.

Entries for Races.

TOLLYGUNGE STEEPLECHASES.

First Day. Tuesday, 1st January 1907.

EXTRA RACES.

HUNTERS' STEEPLECHASE.—About 2½ miles.

Captain Holden's b aus g Lord Harry.
Mr. K. M. Hamilton's b aus g Pretender.
Mr. Glen's b aus g Orphan Boy.
Mr. W. C. Hossack's ch aus m Lady Gold.
Mr. Cowper's br aus g Jacinth.
Mr. T. G. Evers' b aus g Cain.
Mr. R. A. C. Pugh's b aus m Posey.
Mr. W. R. Tanner's b aus m Ruby.

PONY HUNTERS' STEEPLECHASE.—About 2½ miles.

Captain Holden's b aus g Pathfinder II., 14-1½.
Mr. K. M. Hamilton's br aus g Good Chap, 13-3½.
Mr. Glen's b aus g Zig Zag, 14-2.
Mr. A. Levetus' br aus m Lady George, 14-1.
Mr. Holmes' b aus m Energy, 14 0½.
Mr. Cowper's b aus g Envious, 14-1½.
Captain W. B. Rennie's b aus g Bellis, 14-1
Mr. T. G. Evers' ch aus g Riff, 14-2.
Mr. R. A. C. Pugh's b aus g Mistlebird, 14-0½.

AVENUE PLATE.—6 furlongs.

Mr. Borneo's br aus m Colina.
Mr. A. N. Dass' b e m Miss Trenton.
Mr. A. N. Dass' br m aus g Lollipop.
Mr. H. P. Banker's b aus m Queen of Gems.
Mr. E. L. Macleod's b aus g Batanzos.
Mr. J. D. Marshall's b aus g Gambetta.
Mr. E. J. Marshall's b aus g Lascombe.
Mr. Holmes' ch e m Miss Stone
Captain McNeile's ch e g White Heather.
Mr. Roland's br aus g Oom Paul.
Mr Dartmoor's b aus g Defendant.
Mr. R. A. C. Pugh's b e m Manon.
Mr. D Clark's b aus m Thetis.
Mr. McGeorge's br e m Dev l's Limit.

Races to Come.

PROGRAMME OF THE JUBBULPORE RACES. 1907.

SPRING MEETING.

To be held on Tuesday, 26th Thursday, 28th and Saturday, 30th March 1907.

(Under C. T. C. Rules of Racing.)

STEWARDS:

MAJOR-GENL. L. DENING, C.B., D.S.O.	COL. W.S. KAYS, 60th Rifles.
LIEUT.-COL. G. R. P. RUNDLE, R.F.A.	MAJOR R. THRING, 27th L.C.
H. F. HALLIFAX, ESQ., I.C.S.	CAPT. J.E. HUGHES, 27th L.C.

Honorary Secretary:—CAPT. J. E. HUGHES, 27th L.C.

First Day, Tuesday, 26th March 1907.

NERBUDDA HURDLE RACE.—Winner Rs. 200, second Rs. 50, third Rs. 25. For Arab and C.-B.'s 14-2 and under others 14-1 and under. Arabs 14-2 to carry 10st., C.-B's. 14-2 to carry 11st., others 14-1 to carry 11st. 7lbs. W. I. Penalties—Winners of a hurdle race value Rs. 150 or over once 4lbs., twice 7lbs., oftener 10lbs. (not accumulative). Distance—1 mile.

EASTERN PLATE.—Winner Rs. 200, second Rs. 50, third Rs. 25. For Arabs and C.-B.'s 14-1 and under. Arabs 14-1 to carry 10st. 7lbs., C.-B's 14-1 to carry 11st. 11lbs., W. I. Penalties—Winners of a flat race value Rs. 150 or over, once 4lbs., twice 7lbs., oftener 10lbs. (not accumulative). Distance—5 furlongs.

THE DESERT PLATE.—Winner Rs. 500, second Rs. 100, third Rs. 50. For Arabs 14-1 and under. 14-1 to carry 11st. W. I. Penalties—Winners of a flat race value Rs. 150 or over, once 7lbs., twice 10lbs., oftener 14lbs. Allowances—Ponies that have never won a flat race value Rs. 50 or over allowed 7lbs. Distance—7 furlongs.

THE COMMISSIONER'S CUP.—Winner Rs. 200, presented by M. W. Fox-Strangways, Esq. I.C.S., second Rs. 50, third Rs. 25 For ponies 14-2 and under. 14-2 to carry 12st. 7lbs. W. I. Allowances—Ponies that have never won a flat race value Rs. 500 or over 7lbs., Rs. 200 or over 14lbs., Rs. 50 or over 21lbs. (not accumulative) Distance—5 furlongs.

GAURNADI HURDLE RACE.—Winner Rs. 200, second Rs. 50, third Rs. 25. For horses. W. A. and C. raised 2st. Penalties—Winners once 7lbs., twice 10lbs., oftener 14lbs. (not accumulative). Distance—1 mile.

THE GRAND STAND PLATE.—Winner Rs. 200, second Rs. 50, third Rs. 25. For horses. W. A. and C. raised 1st. 7lbs. Allowances—Maidens allowed 7lbs. Penalties—Winners once 4lbs., twice 7lbs., oftener 10lbs. (not accumulative). Distance—5 furlongs.

Second Day, Thursday, 28th March, 1907.

ARAB HANDICAP.—Winner Rs. 200, second Rs. 50, third Rs. 25. A handicap for Arabs 14-2 and under. Distance—1 mile.

THE GARRISON CUP.—Winner Rs. 500, presented by Officers of the Jubbulpore Garrison, second Rs. 100, third Rs. 50. A handicap for ponies 14-2 and under. Distance—7 furlongs.

JUBBULPORE STEEPLECHASE.—Winner Rs. 500, presented by the Calcutta Turf Club, second Rs. 100, third Rs. 50. A steeplechase for horses. W. A. and C. raised 2st. Penalties—Winners once 7lbs., oftener 10lbs. Distance—About 1½ miles.

MARBLE ROCKS PLATE.—Winner Rs. 200, second Rs. 50, third Rs. 25. A handicap for Arabs and C., B.'s 14-1 and under. Distance—6 furlongs

THE SELLING PLATE.—Winner Rs. 200, second Rs. 50, third Rs. 25. A selling race for Arabs and C.-B.'s 14-2 and under, others 14-1 and under. Ponies entered to be sold for Rs. 1,000. C.-B.'s 14-2 to carry 12st. Arabs 14-2 to carry 10st. 7lbs. others 14-1 to carry 12st. 10lbs. W. I. Allowances—4lbs. allowed for every reduction of Rs. 100 down to Rs. 400. Distance—5 furlongs.

SEHORA PLATE.—Winner Rs. 200, second Rs. 50, third Rs. 25. A handicap for horses. Distance—1 mile.

Third Day, Saturday, 30th March, 1907.

THE SESSIONS CUP.—Winner Rs. 200, presented by H. F. Hallifax, Esq., I.C.S., second Rs. 50, third Rs. 25. A handicap for horses. Distance—1 mile.

DWARF STEEPLECHASE.—Winner Rs. 200, second Rs. 50, third Rs. 25. A handicap steeplechase for ponies. Distance—About 1½ miles.

STEWARDS' PURSE.—Winner Rs. 200, second Rs. 50, third Rs. 25. A handicap for horses. Distance—5 furlongs.

HOWRAGH PLATE.—Winner Rs. 200, second Rs. 50, third Rs. 25. A handicap for ponies. Distance—6 furlongs.

BEDOUIN PLATE.—Winner Rs. 200, second Rs. 50, third Rs. 25. A handicap for Arabs 14-2 and under. Distance—½ mile

CONSOLATION RACE.—Winner Rs. 200, second Rs. 50, third Rs. 25. A handicap for ponies that have run at the meeting and up to the time of starting have never won a flat race value Rs. 50 or over. Distance—5 furlongs.

PRODUCE PLATE.—Winner Rs. 200, second Rs. 50, third Rs. 25. A handicap for Arabs and C.-B.'s 14-1 and under. Distance—1 mile.

GENERAL CONDITIONS.

1. All entrance money goes to the Fund subject to Rule 139.

Except in the case of the Desert Plate, Garrison Cup and the Jubbulpore Steeplechase should the entrance money in any race exceed the advertised prize, the surplus will be divided between the second and third horses in proportion of 2 to 1. In no case will the winner receive more than Rs. 199.

2. First entries, Rs. 10, close 10 P.M., 12th February 1907. Second entries, Rs. 15, close 10 P.M., 26th February 1907. Third entries, Rs. 20, close 10 P.M., 12th March 1907.

For all races except the Desert Plate, Garrison Cup and the Jubbulpore Steeplechase for which entries will be Rs. 15, Rs. 20 and Rs. 25.

3. Rs. 5 Course fees will be charged for every horse or pony using the course or running at the meeting.

4. No entries will be accepted unless accompanied by full amount of entrance money. Cheques and drafts must be made payable to the Honorary Secretary, Jubbulpore Races

5. If there are less than 6 entries in *bona fide* separate interests in a race the race may be declared void under Rule 140.

6. Mares and geldings allowed 3lbs. in all races except handicaps.

7. Starting declarations must be placed in the box in the club by 12 noon the day before the race.

The declaration must state the name of the race, the name of the horse, and the weight to be carried, and must be accompanied by the jockey's fees for a losing mount if not already paid.

8. Handicaps will be published at the Club by 9 A.M. the day before the race.
9. All telegrams to be confirmed by letter.
10. The Stewards reserve to themselves the right to refuse any entry.

NOTICES.

1. Lotteries will be held at 9-30 P.M. the evening before each day's races, 90 per cent. to the winner, 10 per cent to the fund.
2. Admission to stand and enclosure Rs. 4 per day. Second enclosure Re. 1 per day. Owners, Trainers, and Ladies free..
There will be a totalisator on the course. Tickets Rs. 2 each.
Settling day for losers Monday, 7th April 1906.
All communications to be addressed to the Honorary Secretary, Jubbulpore Races, Jubbulpore, and not by name.

J. E. HUGHES, Capt.
Hon. Secretary,
Jubbulpore Races.

PROGRAMME OF THE DIBRUGARH JANUARY MEETING, 1907.

(Under C. T. C. Rules of Racing.)

STEWARDS:

L. A. GRIMSTON, ESQ. | DR. J. M. FALKINER.
A. B. HAWKINS, ESQ. | M. M. HADOW, ESQ.
F. E. WINSLAND, ESQ. | C. WOOD, ESQ.

Judge:—MAJOR WOOD.
Clerk of the Course:—A. M. HARRY, ESQ.
Secretary:—L. HERBERT, ESQ.

The Races will be held on the 22nd, 24th and 26th January 1907.
The Race Fund will present three prizes on each day to be drawn for by Ladies present in the stand, on the three races which have the most starters.
The first race on each day will be started punctually at 1 P.M. (Standard.)
Lotteries will be held at the Station Club on the 21st, 23rd and 25th January at 8-30 P.M.
Ten per cent. will be deducted from the lotteries and totalisator for the Fund.
Settling at same place on Monday, the 28th January, from 8 A.M. to 10 A.M.
Ponies which are not qualified under C.T.C. or W.I.T.C. Rules will be aged and measured on the 10th and the 17th December between 4 and 4-30 P.M., and on the 18th and 19th January between 9 and 9-30 A.M. at the Dibrugarh Polo ground provided owners sent the Honorary Secretary notice four days beforehand when a fee of Rs. 10 will be charged whether the pony is produced or not.
Certificates issued by any Race Club in E. B. and Assam who are recognised as racing under C.T.C. Rules will be accepted.

First Day, Tuesday, 22nd January 1907.

SADIYA PURSE.—Rs. 300 for winner, Rs. 75 for second, and Rs. 50 for third. For ponies 13-3 and under, maidens on the 1st November 1906. W. A. and I. Penalties—Winners of a flat race value Rs. 200 or over since 1st November 1906 to carry 12lbs. extra. Distance—¼ mile. Entrance—1st December Rs. 20, 1st January Rs. 25, and day before the race Rs. 30.

NEW PLATE.—Rs. 200 for winner, and Rs. 50 for second. For ponies 13-3 and under that have never won a flat race value Rs. 250 or over. W. A. and I. raised 19lbs. Penalty—Winners of a flat race value Rs. 200 or over to carry 5lbs. extra. Distance—5 furlongs. Entrance—Rs. 15.

THE STEEPLECHASE.—Rs. 350 for winner, and Rs. 100 for second. For maiden ponies 13-3 and under. W. A. and I. raised 12lbs. Distance about 1¼ miles. Entrance—1st December Rs. 20, 1st January Rs. 25, and day before the race Rs. 30.

CLUB PLATE.—Rs. 215 for winner, and Rs. 75 for second. For ponies 13-3 and under. W. A. and I. Penalties—Winners of a flat race value Rs. 200 or over 4lbs., Rs. 300 or over 7lbs., Rs. 500 or over 11lbs. extra not cumulative. Allowance—Maidens allowed 7lbs. Distance—7 furlongs. Entrance—1st December Rs. 20, 1st January Rs. 25, day before the race Rs. 30.

LILLIPUTIAN PLATE.—Rs. 215 for winner and Rs. 75 for second. For ponies 13-1 and under. W. A. and I. Penalties—Allowance and Entrances as in Club Plate. Distance—½ mile.

DIBRUGARH PLATE.—A cup value Rs. 50 presented by Messrs. S. Fitze and Company with Rs. 150 added by the Fund to, winner, and Rs. 50 to second. For ponies 13-3 and under which have never won a flat race value Rs. 250 or over and which belong to residents of the Dibrugarh District. W. A. and I. Penalties—Winners once 4lbs., oftener 7lbs. Distance—5 furlongs. Entrance—1st December Rs. 15, 1st January Rs. 20, and day before the race Rs. 25.

THE SCURRY.—A piece of plate value Rs. 50 presented by Messrs. Lyon and Lyon with Rs. 150 added by the Fund, to winner, and Rs. 50 to second. For *bonâ-fide* maiden polo ponies 13-3 and under. W. A. and I. Distance—3 furlongs. Entrance—Rs. 15.

Second Day, Thursday, 24th January 1907.

THE PLANTERS' PLATE.—Rs. 500 presented by the Fund and Cup value Rs. 450 presented by the Planters' Stores and Agency Company, Limited, for winner, Rs. 300 for second, and Rs. 100 for third. Handicap for ponies 13-3 and under. Distance—1 mile. Entrance—19th January Rs. 32 when race will close with Rs. 20 extra for ponies which are declared to start.

DOOM DOOMA PURSE STEEPLECHASE.—Rs. 350 for winner, Rs. 100 for second, and Rs. 50 for third. For ponies 13-3 and under. W. A. and I raised 12lbs. Allowance—Maidens allowed 7lbs. Distance about 2 miles. Entrance—1st December Rs. 20, 1st January Rs. 25, and day before the race Rs. 30.

REHABARI PURSE.—Rs. 300, to winner, and Rs. 75 for second. For ponies 13-3 and under W.A. and I. Pnalties.—Winners of a flat race value Rs. 200 or over 4lbs., Rs. 300 or over 7lbs., Rs. 500 or over 11lbs. extra not cumulative. Distance—5 furlongs. Entrance—1st December Rs. 20, 1st January Rs. 25, and day before the race Rs. 30.

TRIAL PLATE.—A Cup value Rs. 250 presented by Messrs. Morrison Cottle and Company, with Rs. 100 added by the Fund for winner and Rs. 75 for second. For ponies 13-3 and under the property of owners resident in the Assam Valley Districts. W. A. and I. raised 7lbs. Distance—¼ mile. G. Rs. only. Entrances as in Dibrugarh Plate. First Day.

DWARF PLATE.—Rs. 215 for winner and Rs. 75 for second. For ponies 13-1 and under. W. A. and I. Penalties and Entrances as in Rehabari Purse. Distance—1 mile.

THE ASSAM CUP.—Rs. 215 for winner and Rs. 75 for second. For ponies 13-3 and under. W. A. and I. raised 3lbs. Penalties and Entrances as in Rehabari Purse. Distance—9 furlongs.

ASSISTANTS RACE.—A Cup value Rs. 100 presented by Messrs. Cutler Palmer and Company, and Rs. 100 from the Fund to winner and Rs. 50 to second. For ponies 13-3 and under the property of Assistants and other not drawing more than Rs. 350 per mensem. W. A. and I. Distance—¼ mile. Entrance Rs. 15.

Third Day, Saturday, the 26th January 1907.

BRAHMAPUTRA CUP.—A Cup value Rs. 250 presented by Messrs. B. S. N. Company, and I. G. N. and Railway Company, Limited, with Rs. 100 added by the Fund for winner and Rs. 75 for second. Handicap for ponies 13-3 and under. Distance—1 mile. Entrance Rs. 15 and starting free Rs. 10.

DIBRUGARH STEEPLECHASE.—Rs. 350 presented by the Fund for winner, and Rs. 100 for second. Handicap for ponies 13-3 and under. Distance about 2 miles. Entrance—1st December Rs. 20, and day before the race Rs. 30, and starting fee Rs. 10.

KELLNER'S CUP.—Cup value Rs. 250 presented by Messrs. G. F. Kellner and Company, and Rs. 100 from the Fund for winner and Rs. 75 for second. Handicap for ponies 13-3 and under. Distance—3 furlongs. Entrance Rs. 15 and starting fee Rs. 10.

THE GREAT EASTERN HOTEL PLATE.—A piece of plate value Rs. 100 presented by the Great Eastern Hotel Company Limited, with Rs. 200 added by the Fund for winner and Rs. 75 for second. Handicap for ponies 13-3 and under. Distance—6 furlongs. Entrance Rs. 15, and starting fee Rs. 10.

TOURNAMENT CUP.—Value Rs. 600 presented by the Assam Bank and Commercial Company, Limited, for winner and Rs. 50 from the Fund for second. For polo ponies that are played right through the tournament of this meeting, being the *bonâ-fide* property of a Club or a member or members of a Club competing. W. A. and I. raised 5lbs. Winners of a flat race or steeplechase first and second day barred. Penalties—Winner of the tournament cup in previous years once 7lbs., twice 14lbs., oftern 21lbs. Distance—3 furlongs. Entrance Rs. 20.

CACHAR PLATE—Rs. 300 to winner, and Rs. 75 to second. Handicap for ponies 13-3 and under. Distance—1½ miles. Entrance Rs. 15 and starting fee Rs. 10.

THE DEWAR'S PLATE.—Value Rs. 100 presented by Messrs. J. Dewar and Sons with Rs. 100 added by the Fund for winner, Rs. 50 to second. Handicap for ponies that have run in the Dibrugarh Plate, Scurry, Lahoal Plate, Assistants Race and in the Tournament Cup. Distance—½ mile. Entrance—Rs. 10, acceptance Rs. 10.

SPECIAL NOTICE.

All communications to be addressed to the Secretary, Dibrugarh Races, Dibrugarh.

Hunting.

THE KARACHI HUNT.

9th December.—The hounds met at the New Jail. Only a small field turned out, but the ladies were, as usual, well represented—Mrs. Graham, Mrs. Travers, and Mrs. Northen being out. The Master commenced by drawing the orchards to the north of the Jail. Here the hounds picked up a line, and worked it out slowly to the river bed, where they checked. A cast on the far bank put them right, and picking up an improving scent they ran a tremendous pace towards Rai Singh's well—and we had to go fast to keep with them. Hunting nicely through the Pinjrapol fields along the road side—they suddenly swung over to the left, in the direction of The Bunnia's Crossing. The Master, thinking that our jack had got back into the orchards, tried to whip off, but the hounds were running too s rongly,—and they finally rolled their quarry over in the open after a ringing run. One or two wide casts were then made to try and pick up the line of a "traveller" who had been viewed away by some shepherds, but scent failed us entirely.

13th December.—The hounds met at 7-15 A.M. at Rai Singh's Well, when a small field, including Mrs. Graham, Mrs. Northen, and Mrs. Wren turned out. It was the first cold morning we have had, and the hounds looked keen and well. Finding in the rough scrub on the north side of the road, the hounds burst away, with a crash of music, and ran at a great pace over the Bund country and on towards the Ruined Cottage. A momentry check and they were on again, and running from scent to view rolled their jack over near the river, after a capital gallop of 17 minutes. We watered at the Long Bund. and then drew Graham's Spinny, where we got on to the line of a real stout jack, who set his mask for the hills. The hounds hunted grandly over very difficult, bare and open country and had finally to be whipped off at the top of Maggar Pir Hills after a run lasting 35 minutes. From start to finish, it was a capital morning's sport and the hounds hunted better than we have ever seen them.

16th December.—The hounds met at Landhi Station, at 7-30, when a small and select field turned out. It was the Master's intention to draw the Alladad Cover, but before we got half way there, We were galloping with the hounds streaming away in front of us, with lots of music, towards the sea. The going was splendid, and the short turf held the scent well. The hounds were never at fault, and finally ran into their quarry, a fine big dog jack, after a run lasting 25 minutes in which we covered about 5 miles of fine country. After watering at the Masjid the Master drew down wind, towards the Subadar's Khet. Twice the hounds picked up a line, the first time the scent was fouled by a herd of cattle, who crossed the line, and on the second occasion, we ran out of scent on some bare open ground. It was getting very hot, so the hounds were whipped off homewards at 9-45, and we repaired to the Dâk Bungalow to do ample justice to a capital breakfast, which that keen sportsman and rider, Mr. Lucas, had so kindly provided.

SINDHI.

Sport in England.

(FROM THE HOME PAPERS.)

LONDON, *Friday, 7th December 1906.*

THE TURF.

KEMPTON PARK.

FROM about twelve o'clock till one last Friday rain was playing a tattoo on the covered ways at Kempton, and early visitors kept in shelter, but matters fortunately mended with the first race, and though dull and chilly, the afternoon proved seasonable for November, with a capital light. We have seen more people, but the unpromising weather doubtless accounted for a moderate muster. On the other hand, plenty of horses were on the spot, and with the course in grand order visitors enjoyed excellent sport, not devoid of casualties, which hitherto have been very slight.

KEMPTON PARK HURDLE HANDICAP—Of 250sovs. second receives 25sovs 2 miles.

Mr. F. A. White's b h St. Anselm, by St. Simon—Azeza, 5yrs., 11st. 10lbs. ...	A Birch	1
Sir J. E. Backhouse's b g Iman, 4yrs., 11st. 10lbs.	T. Thatcher	2
Lord Cholmondeley's b h Alderman, 6yrs., 11st. 6lbs.	E. Driscoll	3
Mr. C. Hibbert's Savernake, 4yrs., 12st. ...	J. Nightingall	0
Mr. R. C. Thompson's Whipsnade, 5yrs., 11st. 8lbs.	G. Wilson	0
Col. R. L. Birkin's Baron Crafton, 5yrs., 12st. 7lbs.	F. Lawton F. Brown	0 0
Mr. S. Loates' Manstelt, 4yrs., 11st. 4lbs. ...		
Mr. H. Heasman's The Clown II., 6yrs., 12st.	T. Fitton	0
Mr. A. E. McKinlay's One Away, 6yrs., 11st. 12lbs.	F. Mason Mr. Hastings	0 0
Mr. W. Bass' Wet Paint, aged, 11st. 9lbs. ...		
Mr. R. C. McKerrow's St. Emilion, 6yrs., 11st. 5lbs.	E. Hampton	0
Sir H. Randall's Magic Lad, 4yrs., 11st. 2lbs.	W. Rollason	0

(*Winner trained by H. Escott.*)

BETTING: 3 to 1 agst. Savernake, 4 to 1 One Away, 5 to 1 St. Anselm, 7 to 1 Baron Crafton, 8 to 1 Whipsnade, 10 to 1 each Alderman and Iman, and 100 to 8 each others (offered).
Won comfortably by a length and a half; the same distance dividing second and third.

WIMBLEDON THREE-YEAR-OLD MAIDEN HURDLE RACE PLATE—Of 100sovs; second receives 10sovs. 1¼ mile.

Mr. H. M. Hartigan's b c Dafila, by Laveno or Wildfowler—Roia, 10st. 5lbs.	T. Moran	1
Mr. R. W. Burrows' br g Tipperary, 10st. 5lbs.	P. Cowley	2
Mr. A. Stedall's b f Scotch Mine, 10st. 5lbs.	J. Dillon	3
Mr. W. A. Jarvis' Caruso, 10st. ...	J. Jarvis	0
Mr. C. T. Pulley's Zilpah, 10st. ...	G. Butchers	0
Mr D. Macnee's Glen Mazarin 10t. 5lbs ...	Mr. A. Wood	0
Mr. R. Wright's Queen's Cup, 10st. 5lbs. ...	T. Fitton	0
Mr. S. Bishop's Don Diego, 10st. 5lbs. ...	J. Hare	0
Mr. T. W. Blenkiron's Bouncing Boy, 10st. 5lbs.	J. Nightingall	0
Lord Coventry's Coup de Grace, 10st. 5lbs.	F. Mason	0
Mr. J. F. Hallick's Quick March, 10st. 5lbs.	Dunn	0
Mr. C. R. Hodgson's M.S., 10st. 5lbs. ...	R. Morgan	0
Mr. J. B. Joel's Northaw, 10st. 4lbs.	Mr. P. Whitaker	0
Sir C. Nugent's Wizard of Meath, 10st. ...	Turrell	0
Mr. F. C. Parker's Kilruddery, 10st. ...	S. Walkington	0
Mr. B. W. Parr's Fidessa, 10st. 5lbs. ...	F. Morgan	0
Mr. J. W. Philipps' Hyacinth, 10st. 5lbs.	J. Anthony	0
Mr. T. Sherwood's Cherry Nob, 10st. 5lbs.	L. Sherwood	0
Mr. J. Tait's Lucifer, 10st. 5lbs. ...	E. Driscoll	0

(*Winner trained by F. Hartigan.*)

BETTING: 5 to 1 each agst. Dafila and Queen's Cup, 6 to 1 Coup de Grace, 7 to 1 M.S., 8 to 1 Caruso, 10 to 1 each Zilpah, Glen Mazarin, and Tipperary and 100 to 6 each others (offered).
Won by two lengths; six lengths between second and third.

STEWARDS' STEEPLECHASE.—Of 100sovs.; second receives 10sovs. and the third 5sovs. 2 miles.

Mr. C. T. Garland's b or br m Sudden Rise, by Childwick—Golden Horn, 6yrs., 11st. 11lbs.	A. Birch	1
Mr. B. Bletsoe's Denton, 6yrs., 11st. 11lbs.	Mr. H. Murphy	2
Major F. D. Pennant's Rubio, aged, 11st. 6lbs.	E. Driscoll	3
Mr. G. Edwardes' Knight of the Garter, 4yrs., 10st. 7lbs.	T. Moran	0
Mr. A. E. Clerk's Chessington, 4yrs., 10st. 9lbs.	F. Morgan	0
Mr. Craig Wordsworth's Philiron, 4yrs., 10st. 4lbs.	Turrell	0

(*Winner trained by R. I'Anson.*)

BEETING: 11 to 10 agst. Knight of the Garter, 7 to 4 Sudden Rise, 5 to 1 Rubio, 100 to 8 Denton, and 25 to 1 each others (offered).
Won by two lengths; a length and a half divided second and third.

In pleasant contrast to Friday, a crisp, sunshiny day, with seasonably keen wind and a touch of frost, which made the roads fine travelling, brought a greatly increased attendance to Kempton on Saturday. Good fields were again the rule, but it was not a backers' day, as falls more frequent than usual included several much-fancied candidates.

MIDDLESEX STEEPLECHASE HANDICAP—Of 250sovs.; second receives 25sovs. 2 miles.

Mr. G. Edwardes' b g Eteocles, by Craig Ryston—Antigone, aged, 10st. 10lbs. ...	P. Cowley	1
Mr. B. Parr's b g Judas, 5yrs., 11st. ...	F. Morgan	2
Mr. S. G. Shepherd's ch g Denmark, 5yrs., 10st. 8lbs.	T. Dunn	3
Prince Hatzfeldt's Conari, aged, 10st. 9lbs.	Mr. Hastings	0
Mr. J. W. Philipps' Marmaduke, 6yrs., 10st.	I. Anthony	0
Capt. J. Foster's Lara, 5yrs., 11st. 6lbs. ...	F. Mason	0
Mr. C. T. Garland's Oatlands, 6yrs., 11st. 13lbs.	A. Birch	0
Mr. T. W. Blenkiron's Queen's Scholar, 5yrs., 10st. 9lbs. —	J. Nightingall	0
Mr. C. R. Hodgson's Vibrant, 6yrs., 12st. 9lbs.	R. Morgan	0
Mr. A. Gorham's Wolf's Folly, aged, 11st. 9lbs.	F. Lawton	0
Lord Howard de Walden's Centre Board, 6yrs., 11st. 6lbs.	J. Cain	0
Mr. A. Knowles' The Grasper, aged, 11st. 3lbs.	Lord Cole	0

(*Winner trained by Major Edwards.*)

BETTING: 9 to 4 agst. Oatlands, 3 to 1 Vibrant, 6 to 1 Judas, 7 to 1 Queen's Scholar, 8 to 1 Denmark, 10 to 1 each Conari and Lawrence, and 100 to 7 each others (offered).
Won a good race by a neck; three lengths separated second and third.

SUNBURY MAIDEN HURDLE RACE PLATE—Of 100sovs; second receives 10sovs. 2 miles

Mr. A. Stedall's b or br h Lord Toddington, by Jaquemart or Melton—Minera, 5yrs., 12st. 2lbs.	J. Dillon	1
Lord Dalmeny's ch c Findhorn, 3yrs., 10st. 5lbs.	F. Morgan	2
Mr. H. Heasman's ch g Whistling Rufus, 4yrs., 11st. 9lbs. — ...	T. Fitton	3
Mr. S. Gollan's Ethel McCarthy, 4yrs., 11st. 9lbs.	J. O'Brien	0
Mr. C. T Pulley's Ware, 3yrs., 10st. (car 10st. 11lb.)	G. Butchers	0
Prince Hatzfeldt's Willie Byrne, 5yrs., 12st. 2lbs.	Mr. Hastings	0
Mr. T. Sherwood's Royal Ruse, 5yrs., 12st. 2lbs.	L. Sherwood	0
Mr. H. Bottomley's Chambray, 4yrs., 11st. 9lbs.	J. Hare	0

(*Winner trained by W. Nightingall*).

BETTING: 6 to 5 agst. Findhorn, 7 to 1 Whistling Rufus, 5 to 1 Lord Toddington, and 10 to 1 each others (offered).
Won by three-quarters of a length; four lengths divided second and third.

FOOTBALL ASSOCIATION RULES.

The conditions for football on Saturday were ideal, the weather being brilliant, with enough cold snap in the air to suggest that we had entered upon the last month of the year. The outstanding feature in the big leagues was the comparative lack of success of the forwards in the majority of the matches. In the Southern League, so reduced to impotence were the attacking portions of the teams that the total crop of goals in the ten games was only 15! It is many moons back when there was so insignificant a total. Not a team in the League managed to score more than two goals, and nine of the twenty engaged failed to legitimately net the ball. There were five home wins, two home losses, and three drawn games. The winning clubs claimed 11 of the 15 goals, there were 4 in the drawn games, and each of the losing elevens drew a blank. There were disappointed spectators at many grounds on Saturday, because it is goals they like to see scored, and preferably by the team which usually has their patronage.

There were more goals about in the First Division of the League, the ten games furnishing a crop of 29. The home clubs have very little to complain of, seven gaining the two points at stake, only two were beaten before their own supporters, and one game was drawn. Twenty-two goals went to the credit of the nine winning teams, and seven to the losers, the drawn game being goalless. Seven teams failed to score, and of the twenty-nine goals obtained a dozen were registered in two of the games.

SOUTHERN LEAGUE.

There were some remarkable results in the Southern League on Saturday. The champions had an apparently easy task at home, their opponents being Queen's Park Rangers, who had won only one match—against Northampton at home—since 22nd September. They had, however, shown marked improvement during November, two of their games being lost by only one goal, and on the 21th ultimo they drew at home with Bristol Rovers. They followed this up by compelling Fulham to yield up a point on Saturday, this being the third the champions have had taken from them at Craven Cottage this season. The Rangers gain a point on the corresponding game last season. Tottenham had no difficulty in repeating their last year's success over Reading, a two-clear goals victory by no means emphasising superiority of the winners in a game which was the reverse of thrilling. This win, coupled with Portsmouth's downfall, enabled the 'Spurs to resume second place in the table, Prior to Saturday Portsmouth had not lost a game since 20th October, when Southampton beat them 2—0 at the Dell. In tackling Crystal Palace at Sydenham they were confronted with a difficult task. There was plenty of vigour and brilliance in the game, and so stubbornly was it contested that it was not until well in the second half that Woodger scored the only goal of the match, and gave the Palace the victory. Brentford not only retained their unbeaten home certificate, but they placed a win to their account at the expense of Leyton, who showed plenty of pluck, skill, and determination, but were two goals down at the finish. They have not won an S. L. game since 13th October, when they beat Southampton 3—2 at Leyton.

The greatest surprise of the afternoon was furnished by New Brompton, who were regarded as easy victims for Luton, especially as the latter had the advantage of ground. The Lutonians gave a disappointing display, and New Brompton, scoring in each half, won by a couple of goals to love. The visitors thus tasted the sweets of victory for the first time since 13th October. Plymouth Argyle beat Reading, at Home Park, on 29th September, and November came to a close without another victory coming their way. They started December by scoring their first win away from home, and Norwich were their victims, this being the second successive adverse verdict for the East Anglians on the Newmarket-road ground. In their last four matches Norwich have picked up three points away, and dropped four at home. Football provides many puzzles. Northampton deserve hearty congratulations on running Southampton to a goal, at the Dell, for last season they went under in the corresponding game 9—1. Swindon and Brighton, two of the most improved teams in the League, met at Swindon, and their goalless draw was in accordance with anticipations. West Ham had to face doughty opponents at Boleyn Castle, Watford being their opponents, and the United were not able to improve on last year's draw. At Bristol, the Rovers again got the better of Millwall, who have recently been showing in and out form.

The S. L. table shows Fulham with a substantial lead, and Northampton apparently firmly established at the foot with a somewhat dramatic goal record :—

	P.	W.	L.	D.	Goals For	Goals Agst.	Pts.
Fulham ...	17	8	1	8	25	14	24
Tottenham Hotspur	16	7	3	6	29	18	20
Portsmouth ...	14	8	3	3	24	15	19
Bristol Rovers	16	7	4	5	22	15	19
Watford ...	15	5	2	8	16	12	18
Brighton and Hove	14	6	5	5	18	13	17
West Ham. United	16	5	4	7	26	20	17
Swindon Town	16	5	5	6	19	16	16
Southampton	14	6	5	3	23	16	15
Norwich City	14	5	4	5	23	20	15
Crystal Palace	15	6	6	3	23	20	15
Millwall ...	15	6	6	3	23	25	15
Brentford ...	14	6	6	2	18	20	14
Plymouth Argyle	16	4	6	6	22	29	14
Luton Town ...	14	5	7	2	15	27	12
New Brompton	14	5	8	1	15	20	11
Queen's Park Rangers	15	3	7	5	15	20	11
Leyton ...	14	3	7	4	15	25	10
Reading ...	15	4	10	1	15	22	9
Northampton	14	1	8	5	11	30	7

LEAGUE I.

The Arsenal caused most serious disappointment to their supporters by allowing Sunderland to take away both points from Plumstead. It is true that the home team was not at full strength, the most notable absentee being Coleman, who was given a well-earned rest, but it was generally anticipated that the Gunners would prevent the visitors creating a record by scoring their first League victory at Woolwich. The Arsenal had in their previous seven home engagements obtained 13 points, Bolton being the only side to take 1 away, and a further consideration to favour the view that Woolwich would win was the fact that Sunderland had been successful away from home only once this season, and that was so far back as 15th September, when Liverpool were beaten 2—1. Only one goal was scored on Saturday, and this went to Sunderland's credit, Bridgett banging the ball past Ashcroft after the latter had saved at full length. The honours went to the side which deserved them, the home forwards not working harmoniously together, nor were their individual efforts convincing. Coleman's absence made all the difference to the attack, for he is invariably a great factor in both initiating movements, and forcing them home. The goal-keeping and second line of defence were excellent, but the halves were much below concert pitch, and this seriously handicapped the forwards, who were not plied with the ball as they should have been. A proper estimate of Sunderland is that the side is hard-working and well balanced. Saturday was the first occasion on which the Arsenal had failed to score at home this season.

The Arsenal were the only team of the leading half dozen to lose both points, and their lack of success caused them to drop from second to fourth place in the tables. Probably the most startling game on Saturday was that at Newcastle between the United and Notts County. The Midlanders did not score a goal in November, and in only one match in October did they beat the opposing defence, their tally of goals in nine successive matches from 29th September to 24th November inclusive, being the couple obtained against Sheffield Wednesday, at Nottingham, on 27th October. And this team on Saturday scored three goals against Newcastle at St. James's Park, as against the four put on by the Novocastrians, who were a trifle fortunate to win. As in the last five games at Newcastle visiting teams have only twice captured the home goal, the significance of the County's performance will be understood. Everton had an easy win at the expense of Birmingham, but Aston Villa had to work hard to defeat Bristol City, who went under by only the odd goal in five. Sheffield United, who went through November without a defeat, had a check administered to them at Preston, 2—1 being the verdict against them at the close. Enormous interest centred in the meeting of the two Manchester clubs at Hyde Road, but play was most disappointing on the part of the United, who were a beaten side practically from the start. Sheffield Wednesday got home in good style against Blackburn Rovers, and Bury helped Stoke further down the ladder by defeating them by two clear goals at Gigg-lane. Middlesbrough could not do better than draw at home with Bolton, and Derby County had mortifying luck in losing both points against Liverpool on the Baseball Ground.

	P.	W.	L.	D.	Goals For	Goals Agst.	Pts.
Everton ...	16	10	4	2	35	15	22
Sheffield Wednesday	15	8	1	6	31	20	22
Newcastle United	15	9	3	3	32	18	21
Woolwich Arsenal	15	9	4	2	29	20	20
Bolton Wanderers	14	6	2	6	23	17	18
Aston Villa ...	16	8	6	2	30	27	18
Sheffield United	14	7	4	3	26	21	17
Liverpool ...	15	7	6	2	30	23	16
Sunderland ...	14	6	5	3	19	19	15
Bristol City ...	15	6	6	3	24	22	15
Preston North End	14	6	6	2	20	24	14
Birmingham ...	15	6	7	2	20	25	14
Manchester United	15	5	6	4	19	28	14
Bury ...	16	5	7	4	28	29	14
Derby County	15	4	7	4	16	20	12
Manchester City	15	3	7	5	23	36	11
Notts County	15	1	6	8	11	19	10
Stoke ...	17	2	9	6	16	27	10
Blackburn Rovers	15	3	9	3	19	29	9
Middlesbrough	14	2	8	4	14	26	8

LEAGUE II.

A very fierce struggle is in progress in the Second Division, quarter neither being asked nor given by the leading clubs. The dramatic event of Saturday was the defeat of West Bromwich by Leicester Fosse by the convincing score of 3—0, this being the first time this season that the Albion have had their defence pierced on three occasions. Nottingham Forest, who won their seventh match in succession, are now at the head of affairs with a two points lead over the Throstles, and Chelsea considerably improved their prospects by halving the points at Chesterfield, as they are close on the heels of the Albion, and have a match in hand. Clapton Orient made a capital effort at Leeds, and with the least shade of luck they would have drawn level in the closing stages. Burslem Port Vale put up their record score of the season against Stockport County, and Hull City surprised Grimsby by defeating them, before their own supporters, by 3—1. This was the first time that a visiting eleven had scored more than one goal. Burnley did not have anything to spare against Gainsborough, Blackpool scraped through against Lincoln, and Wolverhampton Wanderers did well to beat Barnsley in the Yorkshire town. Glossop, who had lost every away match, startled the critics by obtaining two points at Burton, this being the United's fourth home defeat.

The results of the Second Division League games to date are :—

	P.	W.	L.	D.	Goals For	Goals Agst.	Pts.
Notts Forest ...	15	11	3	1	32	16	23
West Bromwich Albion	15	10	4	1	37	15	21
Chelsea ...	14	9	3	2	28	12	20
Leicester Fosse	15	9	4	2	28	13	20
Hull City ...	14	8	4	2	24	12	18
Wolverhampton Wands.	16	8	6	2	27	21	18
Stockport County	14	7	4	3	19	16	17
Burnley ...	15	8	6	1	23	13	17
Bradford City	15	7	5	3	20	21	17
Gainsborough Trinity	16	7	7	2	29	23	16
Clapton Orient	14	5	6	3	18	24	13
Burslem Port Vale	15	6	8	1	29	36	13
Leeds City ...	15	4	7	4	17	27	21
Glossop ...	14	5	8	1	21	41	11
Lincoln City	15	4	8	3	18	24	11
Grimsby Town	15	5	9	1	19	26	11
Chesterfield ...	15	4	8	3	16	24	11
Blackpool ...	15	3	8	3	13	25	10
Barnsley ...	14	4	9	1	21	21	9
Burton United	15	3	10	2	12	32	8

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MATCH *v.* WALES.—The third great national test of the South African team's prowes took place at St. Helen's famous ground, Swansea, on Saturday. Interest in the match even excelled that of the famous game played at Cardiff last season, when the Cymri triumphed over the New Zealanders. Half an hour before the kick-off the ground was packed by a crowd estimated as over 40,000. Captain Colquhoun, the Chief of Police, then ordered all gates to be closed, and in consequence thousands were unable to obtain admission.

On Saturday morning rain fell in showers, but with the exception of a patch in front of the grand stand, which was soft, the sandy soil gave really excellent foothold.

Wales never shaped like a winning team, and, although every man was game to the end, they were beaten clearly by a greater team. Wales were beaten forward, and in consequence the Colonials did not see the Welsh back play at its best.

Wales lost the toss, and Joseph started the game. After Krige had returned J. L. Williams found touch. De Villiers dashed through, and attempted to beat the defence by a short punt over the Welsh captain's head. With wonderful smartness Nicholls made a mark, and thus ended a well-intentioned tactic. The Colonial forwards carried the next few scrimmages, and got well into the Welsh ground. Krige lost the ball, and the Welsh forwards going off with a rush sent the ball past Marsburg, but the African back got back in a manner that caused loud applause, and saved right on his line. His kick was charged down, and Nicholls in gathering knocked on before he placed the ball over. Brink, Roos, and Daneel, with some fine footwork at once removed the pressure to well over the half-way line.

At this stage Roos temporarily brought out W. S. Morkel to assist his backs. From a long punt by Gabe the ball rolled over the line, and Marsburg conceded a minor. From almost every scrimmage the Colonial forwards for some time obtained possession, and had there not been a desperate defence by the Welsh three-quarters scoring would have resulted. Loubser once looked three-quarter scoring would have resulted. Loubser once looked try-getter, when Teddy Morgan with great speed cut him off, and earthed him. From the succeeding scrimmage Loubser was off again ; his short punt was fielded by Dyke, but the Welsh custodian's kick was charged down. Excitement rose at the expected score, but Nicholls and Williams dashed back and saved the situation. Dai Jones tackled Joubert yards offside, and was properly penalised. Joubert's attempt for goal only deserved the minor it received.

Try as they would, the Welsh could not become the attackers. Nicholls getting a pass feinted and made a strong dash, but Krige tackled him strongly. Whilst the Welsh captain was on the ground Brink's foot came in contact with him. After a moment or two Nicholls resumed, and soon proved by a determined run and kick that he was not suffering much hurt.

The Africans had up to date had decidedly the better of play, and had come near scoring on several occasions. The Welsh forwards had been routed in the tight, and four out of every five times the ball came out on the African side. Wales, it was now seen, were practically a beaten side, and the only wonder was that they had been lucky enough to prevent their line being crossed before this. Dobbin sent out smartly to Krige, and the latter sent on to Joubert *viâ* De Villiers. Joubert this time made no error, but went over at a tremendous pace. The try was a grand one, but the kick for goal was a failure.

Wales showed more energy after the drop-out, and paid a short visit as far as the African twenty-five. A high kick by Krige and fleet following up by his forwards resulted in the ball being kicked across to Loubser, who ran over in the corner with a fine try. Jackson failed to convert.

A couple of penalty kicks to Wales were the only other incidents up to the interval, Half-time :—

	Pts.
South African (23)	... 6
Wales	... 0

With J. C. Jenkins and Harding at their head, the Welsh forwards rushed ahead in spirited style, but Krige cut in and setn to touch. Scrimmaging took place ten yards from the Welsh line, and the ball came out to Owen, who kicked up to Marsburg. The back found touch near the Welsh twenty-five. Then the South Africans had hard lines, as Loubser looked all over a certain scorer, when Mr. Jones called him back as Krige's pass was a trifle forward.

From a short kick by Raaff Owen made his mark, and punted up to Marsburg, who ran finely, and kicked to centre touch. Shortly after, the same player again received the ball from a kick by Nicholls. This time Marsburg sent play to the Welsh twenty-five. From the succeeding scrimmage Bush tried to do some "blind" side work, but Dublin was too watchful, and away went the African forwards with the ball at their toes. Owen checked them, and passed to Gwyn Nicholls, who threw the ball back, with no Welshman there to receive it. Teddy Morgan tried hard to get it, but Brink dashed in, picked up the ball, and transferred cleverly to Raaff when within a few feet of the Welsh line. Joubert added the extra points.

The Welshmen restarted in great spirit, and the forwards rallying, a fine bit of combined play ended in J. L. Williams being well tackled by Marsburg only five yards from the line. Chiefly through the African forwards, and a useful kick by Dobbin, play was removed to the Welsh twenty-five. The African half-back shortly after lost a certain try by passing forward to Krige, after the defence had been really beaten.

R. M. Owen was injured, and A. E. Harding was brought out of the pack to take his place. From the next scrum the Welsh "seven" were badly beaten, and Joubert, securing the ball, kicked to the Welsh line. Dyke saved in grand style. Owen then returned to the field. Marsburg was at fault, and Dr. Morgan tackled him with the ball in the Africans' twenty-five. Owen gave Nicholls the ball when a couple of the visitors' backs were out of position, but J. L. Williams was unable to take Gabe's pass. This stimulated the Welshmen, but another fine opportunity was lost by George Travers passing forward when Gabe and Williams were unmarked.

Just afterwards Gabe ran up to Villiers and Krige, and passed to Gwyn Nicholls. The veteran, who has lost a lot of his speed, was overtaken, and brought down ten yards from the Colonials' line. Then followed an African rush, and after that a passing bout which really deserved a try. It was a grand attacking movement, and all the backs handled except Marsburg. A repass from Krige to De Villiers was just forward. Immediately afterwards the Welsh backs got possession, Gabe gave J. L. Williams a difficult pass, which he took. Marsburg just managed to collar him five yards from the goal.

Play fluctuated, and then Margan tried hard to score. The superior physique of the South Africans then told its tale, and the Welshmen were sent back. A free-kick to the Principality resulted in Nicholls kicking up to Marsburg, and for once in a way, the full-back misfielded the ball. Villiers came to the rescue, and kicked to touch.

Shortly after Marsburg was bowled over by the Welsh forwards and appeared to be injured, but he kept on the field, and the Africans pulled Brink out the scrum as an extra back. Gwyn Nicholls put in a high punt, and following it up he got the ball on the rebound, but knocked it on. The Welshmen made another strong attack ; but the visitors' tackling was perfect. Result :—

	Pts.
South African (1goal 2tries) ...	... 11
Wales	... 0

ENGLAND *v.* THE REST.—This International trial match at Coventry on Saturday resulted in the defeat of England by 13 points to 9. Play had not been in progress more than a few minutes when England obtained a free, which afforded them only slight advantage. The Rest gradually worked their way into opposition quarters, where England were penalised for offside. This afforded the Rest a chance of taking a shot for goal, but this was not turned to account, Jackett touching down. At length the English backs opened out the game, only for Brooks to neutralise a good movement by missing a pass. Still showing plenty of energy, England were quickly aggressive again, and another invasion caused the opposing defence to be well tested, and proving reliable. The Rest were put on the attack, and a vigorous burst made matters lively in the opposing twenty-five. England, however, were well served by Jackett. Again England were prominent, and the Rest being penalised some distance out, V. H. Cartwright gave England a three points' lead.

Encouraged by this success, England played up with renewed energy, and Lillycrap had to retire upon the goal-line. The Rest during pressure were unlucky in being penalised, which had the effect of putting England on the attack. Smart half-back play by Stoop and Hulme helped the backs greatly, England's third line being much more dangerous in the combined movements than the Rest's three-quarters. Hulme picked up smartly, and cleverly evading the opposition ran in a try behind the posts. Cartwright took the place kick, and sent the ball against one of the uprights, and it came back into play. At length the efforts of the Rest were rewarded, as Hill getting possessing from a scrum, went over for a try, which Lillycrap's kick left unconverted. Interval score :—England, 1 penalty goal, 1 try ; Rest of England, 1 try.

After the concluding half was entered upon, England found themselves hard pressed near the goal line, Brooks bringing down Lambert finely. Jackett afterwards got in a smart kick when danger threatened, and on the Rest's side Oldham was seen to advantage in some safe collaring. About seven minutes from the restart capital play by Brooks culminated in a try. Again the shot for goal failed. Some fast and eventful play by the English backs was an outstanding feature of subsequent play, but the Rest forwards were still playing a most effective game and more than holding their own. cooper picked up, and made a good run, handing off Brooks and getting past Jackett, but the former recovered himself and brought his man down finely.

Keeping up the attack, the Rest worked their way into a favourable position, where an unsuccessful shot for goal preceded an effort by their opponent, in which Sanderson showed up in defence. The Rest were breaking away when Jackett saved by sending into touch, and by a rapid movement England completely changed the venue, scrums being formed close to the corner flag. Neat passing by the English three-quarter line was succeeded by clever work on the part of Pindar, who dribbled along finely. Lambert followed up well, and grounded the ball between the posts. Lillycrap brought England's lead to one point only.

As the outcome of further effective play by the Rest, Kirk went over for a try, which Lillycrap once more improved upon, and put his side in front. After this England improved, and Brooks was all but in from a pass by Hulme. A free to England, taken by Cartwright, missed, and the concluding minute or so provided further exciting work without any additional scording. Result :—Rest of England, 2 goals, 1 try (13 points) ; England, 1 penalty goal, 2 tries (9 points).

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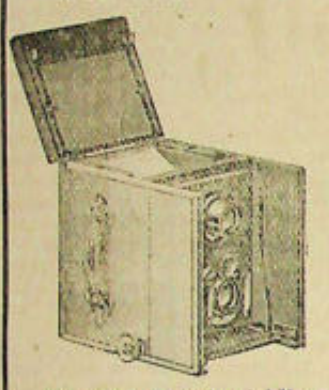

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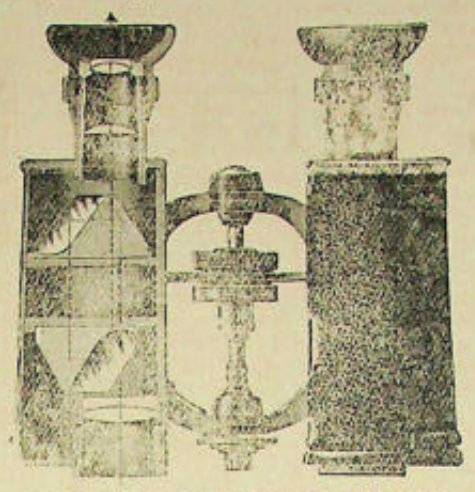

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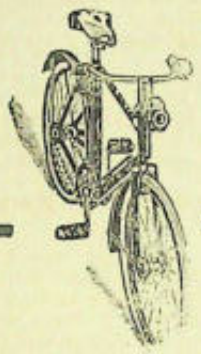

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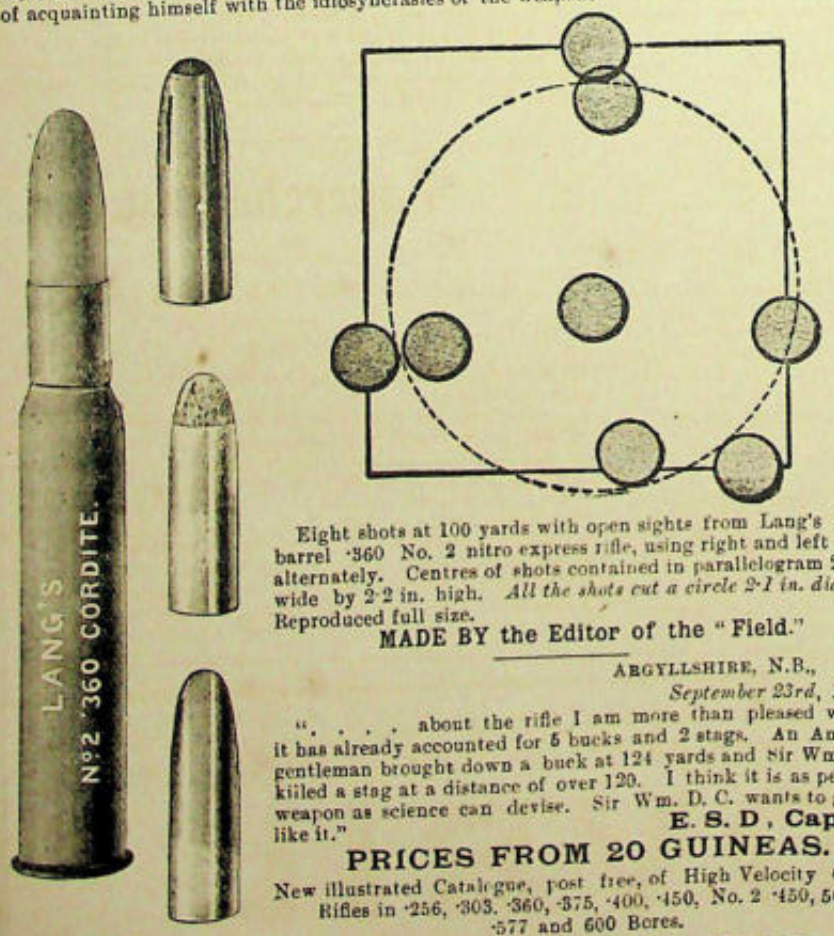

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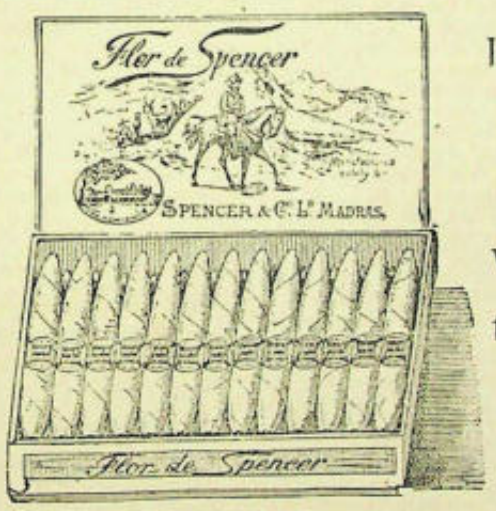

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MADRAS.

Stoop (Devon) and F. C. Hulme (Cheshire), half-backs; V. H. Cartwright (Midlands), C. H. Shew (Midlands), W. Mills (Devon), T. S. Kelly (Devon), D. Dibble (Somerset), E. Jackett (Cornwall), L. A. N. Slocock (Lancashire), and S. H. Osborne (Cumberland), forwards.

Rest of England.—F. Lillicrap (Devon), back; D. Lambert (Middlex), A. S. Pickering (Yorkshire), F. G. Cooper (Midlands), and C. B. Atkinson (East Midlands), three-quarter backs; H. Willey (Yorkshire) and L. Kirk (Nottingham), half-backs; J. Green (Yorkshire), G. C. Sanderson (Cheshire), W. S. D. Craven (Kent), W. L. Oldham (Midlands), W. Nanson Cumberland), E. A. Hill (Kent), G. E. Pinder (Lancashire), and F. Allock (Surrey), forwards.

Beferee, Mr. F. W. Marsh (Durham R.F.U.).

ROSSLYN PARK *vs.* OLD ALLEYNIANS.—At the Old Deer Park, on Saturday, fairly representative teams of these clubs played a very evenly contested game, the margin of two points in favour of the Old Alleynians not exaggerating their superiority. Owing to the greater attraction on the contiguous ground, the spectators were not numerous, but were deeply interested. All the scoring took place in the initial half, Morris registering the Park's unconverted try. Isherwood, who, though held, being yet free enough to touch the ball down, was rightly awarded a try by Mr. Sloper, and Manvell placed the goal for the Old Alleynians.

In the second portion Rosslyn Park appeared to press considerably, but their attack lacked method, with the result that the defence easily prevailed. The football seldom rose above the kick-and-rush order, and both teams have been seen to better advantage on previous occasions this season. Rosslyn Park will have to improve very much upon this to avert a rout on Manday, when they entertain the Dublin Wanderers. Result:—Old Alleynians (1 goal), 5 points; Rosslyn Park (1 try), 3 points.

OLD LEYSIANS *vs.* LONDON SCOTTISH.—Two points stood out at Burnt wood-lane, Wandsworth Common, on Saturday. The first was the try scored by the Scottish in the opening half. Simson got the ball close on his own line, and after a remarkable run, threw wide out to Thomson, who ran right along the line and scored a try, which Geddes failed to convert. This was all that was registered up to half-time, although the score might have been even if Beecroft, who had got clear away, had not unaccountably dropped the ball, thus throwing away a certain try.

The second notable phase of the game was the opening ten minutes of the second half. The Scottish were hotly attacking all the time. Every moment the ball was loose and either Munro, Simson, Purves, Walters, Cunningham, or Thomson were making tracks for the line. But the Leysian defenders rose above themselves. The Scottish score, when it did come, was rather soft. Two or three men were hurt in a scramble; the game seemed to have been stopped, but the whistle had not gone, and, the ball being kicked across to Munro, the latter went across in the corner unopposed. Grischotti failed to convert. Before the end Oulton nearly kicked a penalty goal for the Leysians, and then Beecroft, from a movement started by Lee, scored an unconverted try. The Scottish won a fast, exciting game by 6 points to 3.

OXFORD UNIVERSITY *vs.* BLACKHEATH.—Blackheath, at Oxford, on Saturday, were poorly represented, and it was not surprising to find them beaten by a substantial margin. Soon after the start, Marsden made a brilliant run, and although Vassall failed to take his pass, from the ensuing scrum Williamson secured and dashed through, but the try was not improved upon. At length Friday passed out to Stokes, who worked his way past Davies and scored a try, which he failed to convert. Some clever foot-work amongst the 'Varsity forwards gave Oxford the advantage again, and just before half-time, combination between Steinthal, Batchelor, and Vassall ended in the latter getting in, but no goal resulted.

On changing ends, Blackheath at once assumed the offensive, but the advantage was of short duration, Marsden taking the ball well into Blackheath territory. He spoilt a good run with a reckless pass, but a few minutes later there was another good bout of passing between the Oxford backs, and Batchelor ran in, but failed to convert, the ball striking the upright. A brilliant rush by the visiting forwards carried play into the Oxford twenty-five, and from a line out Tuckett dropped a fine goal. Following this, exciting scrums were fought close to the Black-heath goal, but the danger was averted by Gotley. Steinthal making a fine opening for Vassall, he dashed in. This was uncoverted, but directly afterwards Cozens Hardy kicked a goal from a try scored by Batchelor. Oxford now pressed almost continuously, and following a really brilliant effort of Williamson's, Steinthal secured and ran in. Cozens-Hardy converted, and Oxford won by 2 goals and 4 tries to a dropped goal and a try.

CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY *vs.* OLD MERCHANT TAYLORS.—Cambridge University beat the Old Merchant Taylors at the Old Deer Park, Richmond, on Saturday, by a dropped goal and 2 tries (10 points) to 0. Play was of a scrambling and uninteresting character throughout. In the tight work and also in the open the Taylors' forwards were equally as clever as the Cambridge pack. From a Cambridge point of view the football can only be classed as disappointing. Play started timidly. It was, indeed, but a forecast of what we were to see throughout, and after several more or less nursery exchanges in the region of midfield, Hosken got over for the Cantabs, this being the only score in the first half.

After change of ends, the 'Varsity pack settled down to much better work, heeling out smarter and being faster in the loose. Ascroft eventually got in, but the place-kick failed. After some rather poor work in midfield Wright got possession, and dropped a neat goal. Nothing further was scored, the final score being as given above.

LONDON IRISH *vs.* HARLEQUINS.—With several of their prominent players away, Harlequins were below strength at Blackhorse lane, Walthamstow, on Saturday. They, however, proved too good for the London Irish, and defeated them by a goal and two tries (11 points) to a goal and one try (8 points). After fifteen minutes from a mid-field scrum, Sibree found an opening for his three-quarters, and Baxter, receiving from Lyon, ran over far out. Lyon failed to convert. Immediately after Longhurst secured, and, cleverly evading all opposition, added a further try, which Lyon majorised. Before the interval the resolute play of the Irish forwards was rewarded, J. N. Walsh scoring a splendid try, which Watson converted. Half-time arrived with Harlequins leading by 8 points to 5.

On crossing over, Irish again attacked, and within ten minutes McGowan equalised the points with an unconverted try. Harlequins took play into their opponents' twenty-five, but were kept out until the last ten minutes, when Sibree, picking up, scored far out, Lyon failing to convert. Although Irish were attacking towards the close, they failed to draw level, and in the end Harlequins won a good game by 11 points to 8.

BOXING.

NATIONAL SPORTING CLUB.

Although not what might be termed a big night at headquarters last evening, the various bouts furnished some excellent sport, and were keenly appreciated by the large company of members present. One of the principal events was between Tom Sharkey (Notting Hill) and Jem Goddard (West Indies, who were matched to box ten rounds at 9st. 8lbs. for £10 a side and the club purse. Upon attending at the club earlier in the day the former was found to be 1½lb. inside the prescribed poundage, and Goddard turned the scale at 10st. Of course, through not complying with the conditions, the coloured man forfeited the side stake, and the pair boxed for the purse. It will be remembered that the men met a couple of months ago, when Sharkey won inside four rounds.

Last night's encounter proved more decisive, the Notting Hill representative proving victorious in two rounds. During the meeting the exchanges were of a spirited character, and although Sharkey several times hit rather low, he did not transgress the rules to an extent as to be disqualified, and he had his man beaten before the expiration of the second round. Jack Turner (Glasgow) made his debut in a six rounds contest with George Cook (Deptford), but the latter failed to extend the Scot, who won in the second round. Bill Pearce (Bermondsey) and George West (Ashford) contested the whole of their six rounds, the Londoner winning by a narrow majority of points. Alf Vango (Bethnal Green) beat Bill Palmer in a contest of similar duration.

After the interval Tom Jamieson (Wandsworth) and Oswald Stapleton (Hammersmith) entered the ring for a ten rounds contest, which resulted in a win for the Wandsworth representative. The closing bout of the evening was the final of the competition. C. Dixon (Lambeth) defeating Bill Willis (Southwark) after a good bout.

CAMBRIDGE NOVICES AND FRESHMEN'S TRIALS.

Three hours' entertainment was provided at the Cambridge Corn Exchange on Friday evening, when the annual Novices' and Freshmen's boxing and fencing trials were decided before a medium attendance. On the whole very fair form was shown, but none of the competitors displayed more than an ordinary amount of science.

Through the instrumentality of Mr. Greenwood, the Epee de Combat has been introduced into Cambridge fencing, and it is to be hoped that it will be well taken up, as it deserves. An exhibition match was fought between Mr. J. Greenwood (Downing) and Mr. A. C. Meimarachi (Christ's). Details:—

FRESHMEN'S MIDDLE-WEIGHTS.

First Round.

M. P. Fitzgerald (Trinity) beat H. S. Ruttinger (King's).—The first round was painfully slow, but Ruttinger led off in the second round, and matters improved. In the final meeting Ruttinger continued to lead, but Fitzgerald sent home some very fine left handers, and was awarded the victory.

G. W. Cole (Trinity Hall) beat C. Hardy (Trinity).—Owing to Hardy's reach Cole had some difficulty in getting home his blows, but he boxed well, and although he was behind on the first two rounds, he had matters all his own way afterwards, and proved an easy winner.

D. Portway (Downing) sparred a bye with H. G. Rice (St John's).

Second Round.

Portway beat Fitzgerald.—The men were very evenly matched, and it was a good set-to. In the last round the men closed on a number of occasions, but Portway used his left well and won on points.

Cole sparred a bye with instructor Fordham.

Final.

Portway beat Cole.—The men were a good pair, but lacked science, and relied too much on heavy hitting. In the opening round Portway received a nasty blow on the nose, but it was a very even round. Coming up for a second time, the men continued to slog hard, but Cole wasted a considerable amount of energy by erratic hitting, missing his man time after time. When they met for the third round they were fairly fresh, considering the nature of the two previous rounds, but Portway was always the better boxer, and won with points to spare.

FRESHMAN'S LIGHT-WEIGHTS.

First Round.

E. L. Dobson (King's) beat K. Mackay (Trinity).—Mackay was both taller and heavier than the King's man, and throughout the three rounds he did all the leading. Dobson, although exhibiting a fair amount of defence, was not quick at following up. Both got home some good blows later, the King's man having the best of it, and he gained the day.

H. O. Hill (Trinity) beat P. P. Mounsey (Corpus).—This was probably the best bout of the evening, some good boxing being witnessed. Both were smart with their hands, and exhibited good all-round form. Mounsey did most of the leading, but was beaten after a close contest.

Final.

Hill beat Dobson.—Dobson, although a plucky boxer, gave several inches away, and was severely handicapped. He was practically unable to reach his opponent's face, and was knocked out in about two and a half minutes.

FRESHMEN'S FEATHER-WEIGHTS.

Final.

A. W. Fisher (Clare) beat A. W. D. Bentinck (Trinity).—Bentinck adopted a slightly crouching attitude, and after two rounds of even sparring, was ahead on points. In the final period the Clare man improved wonderfully, and after a hard, close contest for the first couple of minutes he got home several winning hits, afterwards carrying all before him.

NOVICES' FEATHER-WEIGHTS.

Final.

D. R. Steven (Pembroke) beat T. A. W. McGowan (Jesus).—The Jesus man had a very extraordinary style, at times holding both hands close up to his face and completely exposing his wind, although his opponent did not take advantage of the fact. Steven boxed very coolly, and in addition to using some science, had a dangerous right under-cut, which was a great help to him in the second and third rounds. He also used his left to advantage, and received the verdict.

FENCING.

Freshmen's Sabres.—V. C. M. Reeves (Magdalene) beat Grant Watson (Trinity) by 5 hits to 4.

Foils.—Owing to the big programme the foils, for which there was a fair entry, and which were decided on the pool system, were fenced at the Club Rooms during the afternoon, when the novices' event was won by A. C. Meimarachi (Christ's) and the Freshmen's by Reeves.

Officials:—Boxing: Referee, Mr. F. J. N. Hopley (Pembroke); timekeeper, Mr. H. Van-der-Byl (Pembroke); judges, Messrs. A. H. Pearson (Queens'), J. D. Young (Pembroke), and H. S. Gething (Trinity). Fencing: Judges, Messrs. A. R. B. Wallis (Downing), R. Pilter (Emmanuel), J. Greenwood (Peterhouse), A. C. Meimarachi (Christ's), and Instructor Fordham; seconds, Fordham and Con Griffiths.

ROWING.

OXFORD UNIVERSITY TRIAL EIGHTS.

The most inveterate grambler could hardly have found much fault with the weather that prevailed at Moulsford on Saturday, and if perhaps there were fewer Old Blues present than usual, there was quite a good muster of the general public on the towingpath, and they had the satisfaction of witnessing an intensely exciting finish. Notwithstanding anything that may have been said as to the decadence of Oxford rowing, the fact remains that the Dark Blue president had got together a couple of promising crews.

The men left Oxford by the 11-35 train, and proceeded to the Miller of Mansfield, where luncheon was awaiting them. Afterwards they changed and made a move up to Cleeve Lock, where Tom Tims was in waiting with two boats. They soon got afloat and moved up-stream at a stroke of 30, with the Ariadne in attendance, having on board the President, L. E. Jones (Balliol), the Secretary, H. C. Bucknall (Merton), the Treasurer, Rev. W. E. Sherwood (Christ Church), H. M. Evans (Radley), G. M. Graham (New), E. P. Evans (University), Prof. Bourne (New), Rev. H. Legge (Trinity) R. P. P. Rowe (Magdalen), R. C. Brocklebank (Trinity), C. K. Phillips (New), Captain Willis (of the Leander), W. Bloodgate (B.N.C.), etc.

A steady paddle at 30 took them to the railway where they swung round and made ready.

The President despatched them by word of mouth to an even start, and they rowed 37 or so for the first half-minute. Culme Seymour then slowed down considerably, and his opponent secured a slight lead, which at the Betal and Wedge amounted to about the length of the canvas. In the next two furlongs there was very little between them, and by now both were rowing 34. Chadwyck Healy's crew was still leading as they came round the last bend, but profiting by the full flow of the stream, Culme Seymour put in a fine sprint which took him a few feet ahead. From this point the struggle was most exciting, and it was anybody's race right up to the winning post. Every now and again No. 2 looked like going up, but Culme Seymour always proved equal to the occasion, and just holding his own to the end, he won by a bare quarter of a length, both crews being completely rowed out. The time was 10mins. 33secs., as against 11mins. 29secs. last year, when, however, there was no stream or wind to assist them as on the present occasion.

Both stokes deserve every credit for their plucky rowing, and they were well backed up. Southwall doing splendid work at No. 7 in the losing crew, while Peat and Cudmore, of the new hands, were also seen to advantage. Dewar worked as befitted a Blue, and the same may be said of Kirby in the winning crew, although he was suffering from a touch of influenza. Gillan also did well. Names and weights:

CULME SEYMOUR'S CREW.

		st.	lb.
	C. D. Hannam (Harrow and Trinity) (bow) ..	10	7
2.	A. C. Macnabb (Eton and Balliol)	11	1
3.	E. A. Walker (Mill Hill and Merton)	12	1
4.	J. A. Gillan (Edinburgh Academy and Magdalen)	12	2
5.	G. E. Hope (Eton and Christ Church) ...	12	7
6.	A. G. Kirby (Eton and Magdalen)	13	8
7.	H. R. Barker (Eton and Christ Church) ...	11	9
	E. V. Culme Seymour (Radley and New) (stroke)	11	1
	A. W. F. Donkin (Eton and Magdalen) (cox) ...	8	7

CHADWYCK HEALY'S CREW.

		st.	lb.
	W. T. Heard (Fettes and Balliol) (bow) ...	11	3
2.	C. R. Cudmore (S. Peter's, Adelaide, and Magdalen)	11	5
3.	J. Dewar (Rugby and New)	12	3½
4.	R. M. Peat (Sedbergh and Trinity)	11	9
5.	J. C. Plimpton (Uppingham and Trinity) ...	13	0
6.	H. G. Pilling (Ely and Keble)	12	2
7.	H. L. Southwell (Eton and Magdalen) ...	11	12½
	O. N. Chadwyck Healy (Eton and Trinity) (stroke)	11	3½
	A. S. J. M. Kekewich (Christ Church) (cox) ...	7	8

Both the coxswains are Etonians. Donkin is a freshman, and steered the Eton eight for the last two years, but he is several pounds heavier than either of the Cambridge coxswains in their recent Trial Eights. Kekewich (the grandson of the Judge, the Right Hon'ble Sir Arthur Kekewich, P. C.) is about a stone lighter than Donkin and steered with skill his college Torpid and Eight this year, and with the latter was in the final of the Ladies' Plate at Henley. He also steered scratch crews for Leander last August, on the tidal water at Putney during the practices for the Cambridge and Harvard race.

Paperchasing.

CALCUTTA PAPERCHASES.

No. 1.

The opening meet was held as usual in the sixth milestone country, in which Mr. Turner had provided a nice galloping course interrupted only by a long lane leading from west to east of the main road. The going was holding in a few places, but on the whole fairly good. The turn out seemed smaller than usual for a first chase and there was little competition for places either among horses or ponies. Amongst those out were Mrs. Paris, Mrs. Forsyth, Mrs. Morgan, Mrs Myers, Mrs. Patterson, Miss Lukis, Mrs. Collin, Mrs. Lamond Walker with her arm in a sling the result of a carriage accident, Captains Holden, Keighley, Brooke, Learmouth, Messrs. Halliday, Bell Irving, Kenneth Hamilton, Morshead, Myers, Winkworth, Beadel, Bayley, Dring, Collen, etc., etc.

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Grief was plentiful, Mr. Rees on Turk being the first to pull up and shortly after a boy on a grey horse had a disastrous encounter with a tree. Later on Mr. Robertson broke a collar-bone and going on towards the rising sun Captains Learmouth and Rennie as well as Mr. Dring were unhorsed. They finished in single file and the official order was given as follows :—

1. Mr. Evers on Cain.
2. Mr. Ballantyne on Fairy.
3. Capt. V. Brooke on Gaiety Girl.
4. Capt. Holden on Lord Harry.
5. Mr. Halliday on Ruddigore.
6. Dr. Hossack on Lady Gold.

In the Pony Chase Messrs. Curtis Hayward, Tanner and Pugh were unaccounted for and Mr. Hamilton made the pace so hot that the field was strung out over half a mile. The first six finished at long intervals.

1. Mr. Kenneth Hamilton on Good Chap.
2. Capt Holden on Pathfinder.
3. Mr. Thomason Waratah.
4. Mr. Hadow on Hempie.
5. Mr. Macdonell on Zig Zag.
6. Mrs. Paris on Tonglu.

BLARNEY.

Rowing.

RANGOON BOAT CLUB REGATTA.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

PRELIMINARY heats were rowed off on the 12th, 13th and 14th instant with the following results.

JUNIOR SCULLS.

W. E. Smith (Southern Station) beat C. R. Goss. The former led from start to finish and opposite Scandal Point two clear lengths separated the boats, when each crossed to the other's course. After getting straight again Goss spurted but could not catch Smith who won by a length.

Captain Windsor (Southern Station) beat J. C. Anderson. Steering a good course Windsor held his man as far as Scandal Point, where he was leading by nearly three lengths, Anderson's course being very erratic. Opposite the steps the latter was unfortunately fouled by a soldier's boat and stopped, though in any case it would have taken a big effort to have got level with Windsor again who paddled past the winning post.

E. Hicks (Northern Station) beat W. E. Smith. Hicks went off at a smart pace and kept his boat lively till after passing Scandal Point, where he was leading by nearly three lengths. Smith was sculling in very pretty style with plenty of length and though Hicks slowed down towards the finish the former could not catch him and Hicks passed the winning post first by about two lengths. Both men steered a very good course.

A. W. Turner scratched to Captain Windsor.

SKIFF RACE

G. J. Van Hoolwerff (Southern Station) beat E. C. K. Money. Money got well away at the start and kept the lead till the steps at Scandal Point were passed, when he was a clear length ahead. Van Hoolwerff then quickened his stroke and overhauling his opponent won by about two lengths. Both steered a good course.

C. B. Goss (Northern Station) beat W. E. Robinson. The latter steering erratically never had a look in and Goss won easily by several lengths.

CHALLENGE FOURS.

BULLOCH'S.		ARMY.
Bow—G. Scoones.		*Bow*—Capt. Radcliffe.
2. W. H. Anderson.		2. Capt. Browne.
3. T. Hudson.	beat	3. Lieut. Cloete.
Str.—E. A. Martin.		*Str.*—Lieut. Paske.
Cox—A. Hunter.		*Cox*—Lieut. Scaife.

Bulloch's led from start to finish and rowing well together with plenty of length were leading at the steps by two and a half lengths. This distance was increased another length when the winning post was passed.

MOUNTED CO.		PUBLIC SCHOOLS.
Bow—J. B. Harman.		*Bow*—P. Henstock.
2 J. C. Anderson		2. O. Travers.
3 A. B. Ritchie.	beat	3. Lieut. Dunsterville.
Str.—H. R. Pilcher.		*Str.*—Capt. Windsor.
Cox—H. Smiles.		*Cox*—G. Miller.

The Public Schools jumped away at the start gaining a quarter length but the Volunteers, drawing level before the Island was passed, steadily increased their advantage. A clear length separated the boats at the Point steps. After passing this point the leaders quickened and won comfortably by two lengths.

In justice to both the losing crews it must be mentioned that they only started practising at the beginning of the month, whereas the Mounted Company have been rowing together for nearly five weeks and Bulloch's still longer.

MIXED DOUBLES

Bow—W. H. Gillespie.		*Bow*—W. A. Grocock.
Str.—Miss Pedley.	beat	*Str.*—Miss Woolcock.
Cox—Mrs. Gillespie.		*Cox*—Mr. Hodge.

Mrs. Gillespie's boat took the lead at once and at the steps was several lengths ahead. Miss Pedley sculled in very good style, swinging well and keeping her stroke long from start to finish, and it was therefore not surprising to see her boat win easily.

V. D. Couchman and Miss McMahon scratched to Major Hale and Miss Lamb.

Finals.

Saturday, 15th December.

Glorious weather attended the finals on Saturday, there being a pleasant northerly breeze to temper the warmth, and the lawn near the winning post was well filled with spectators, while several of the latter elected to watch the races from punts, canoes and pleasure boats.

JUNIOR SCULLS.—Distance about 800 yards.

E. Hicks (Southern Station) beat Captain Windsor. The two boats kept well together till near the winning post, Windsor having a slight lead. Both men sculled at a smart pace, Windsor's style being perhaps more finished than that of his rival. Towards the finish, however, youth and wind began to assert themselves, and making a splendid spurt Hicks passed the winning post first by quarter of a length. Time—3mins. 17secs.

SENIOR SCULLS.—Distance about 1,000 yards.

S. C. Gould (Southern Station) beat T. Hudson. Gould held his man all the way down though Hudson was rowing cleaner and with greater length. At the steps two lengths separated the boats and increasing his lead Gould won comfortably by three lengths. Time—3mins. 16secs.

SKIFF RACE.

G. J. Van Hoolwerff *vs.* C. R. Goss. Owing to the late arrival of Goss his opponent merely rowed over.

MIXED DOUBLES.

Bow—Major Hale.		*Bow*—W. H. Gillespie.
Str.—Miss Lamb.	beat	*Str.*—Miss Pedley.
Cox—H. Smiles.		*Cox*—Mrs. Gillespie.

Both pairs rowed splendidly, particularly the respective strokes. Miss Pedley set a nice long stroke with plenty of length, while Miss Lamb's though shorter had plenty of work on at the beginning. The latter boat had a slight lead at the steps, after passing which both pairs spurted and a magnificent race ended in a close finish, the Army couple winning by quarter of a length. Both ladies are to be congratulated on their excellent style and the plucky way in which they picked it up after a sharp struggle over a long course.

CHALLENGE FOURS.—Distance about 1,000 yards.

Mounted Company (Northern Station) beat Bulloch's. The crew's were as in the Preliminary heats. A good deal of interest was attached to this event as both crews have been working hard four or five nights a week for more than a month. The Volunteers had some difficulty at the outset in finding a how, but eventually Harman filled the place very successfully as he has come on a lot since he rowed in the Club Fours last July. During the practice period Bulloch's have always been well together, with plenty of swing and good length, which, until the last ten days, the Volunteers sadly lacked. Latterly, however, under the combined efforts of Captain Windsor and Mr. B. Stepheson, they made marked improvement so that a close finish was expected between the two crews with possibly Bulloch's just ahead at the winning post. From the start the Volunteers gained a slight lead but the others soon made good what they had lost and both boats went at it dingdong until half way between the Island and the steps when the Volunteers were called on for half-a-dozen, to which they responded, and drew slightly ahead of their opponents, so that about quarter of a length separated the boats at the steps. The Volunteers then quickened again and rapidly leaving Bulloch's behind won by one and a half lengths. Time—3mins. 19secs.

LADIES' DOUBLES.

Bow—Mrs. Windsor.		*Bow*—Miss Sexton.
Str.—Miss Lamb.	beat	*Str.*—Miss Pedley.
Cox—H. Smiles.		*Cox*—G. Miller.

This race afforded the closest finish of the Regatta and was well contested throughout. From the start Miss Pedley soon gained a lead of two lengths as Miss Lamb's boat made a bad start. The former then settled down to her work with a good swing and is to be congratulated on her style and length. Miss Lamb, however, getting plenty of work on at the beginning of her stroke gradually crept up to the leaders and a most exciting finish resulted in the former snatching the victory on the post. It was only through a supreme effort on Miss Lamb's part that her boat won and it is doubtful whether such a plucky spurt at the end of a hard struggle has been witnessed for many years on these waters. Both crews are to be heartily congratulated on the way in which they stuck to it from start to finish, and perhaps the respective strokes deserve special mention having rowed themselves out in the Mixed Doubles only a short time before.

SCRATCH FOURS.

No. 3 Station.		*No. 1 Station.*
Bow—S. C. Gould.		*Bow*—Capt. Radcliffe.
2. W. P. Whitehouse.		2. P. Henstock.
3. G. C. Dunsterville.	(1)	3. A. B. Ritchie. (2)
Str.—Capt. Windsor.		*Str.*—J. Wilson.
Cox—G. Miller.		*Cox*—J. Weston.
No 2 Station.		*No. 4 Station.*
Bow—Capt. Robb.		*Bow*—J. F. Kane.
2. J. C. Anderson.		2. C. D. Cloete.
3. W. E. Laming.	(3)	3. N. H. Warren. (4)
Str.—H. R. Pilcher.		*Str.*—O. A. Travers.
Cox—H. Smiles.		*Cox*—T. Hudson.

Nos. 1 and 3 got ahead at the start with No. 2 in close attendance, and the event soon settled into a race between Windsor's and Wilson's crews, both men setting a lively stroke, the former getting perhaps more help from his men. Towards the finish Wilson made a grand effort to get on even terms but Windsor's lot won by half a length, Pilcher's boat being a bad third one length behind Wilson. Travers' crew brought up the rear.

The prizes were then kindly given away to the sucessful crews by Lady White, after which Mr. J. Wilson proposed three cheers for her, which were heartily responded to and followed by one more. This brought to a close one of the most successful regattas the Boat Club have held for some years, owing, in a great measure, to the promptness of the races and the close finishes afforded by three of the events, *viz.*, Junior Sculls, Mixed and Ladies, Doubles. The grounds were tastefully lit up by Chinese lanterns after dusk and the Devons' Band generously continued to play for some time after sunset.

Cricket.

CRICKET IN CALCUTTA.

CIVIL *vs.* MILITARY.—Played on the Calcutta Ground ; a close game resulting in a win for the Military by 13 runs. Batting first they made 208 for seven wickets when stumps were drawn on the first day. Most of the batsmen made useful contributions, Major Wolfe Murray being not out, 46. On the following day the team were all out for 217, Major Wolfe Murray carrying out his bat for a faultless 53. The Civilians put up 204, M. R. Quin Scoring 71 before he was run out—a sound display. Scores.—

MILITARY.

Major Ainslie, c Gordon, b Quin	...	19
Lt. Walker, b Quin	...	22
Capt. Hill, run out	...	27
Lt. Owens, c Guise, b Manders	...	8
Lt. Salier, b Pope	...	28
Major Wolfe-Murray, not out	...	53
Major Stockley, l b w b Simson	...	16
Lt. Leithbridge, b Guise	...	23
Lt. Maude, b Curtis-Hayward	...	11
Lt. Inglis, c and b Quin	...	0
Pte Green, run out	...	1
Extras	...	9
Total	...	217

CIVIL.

M. R. Quin, run out	...	71
G. Turnbull, b Stockley	...	27
J. D. Guise, b Maude	...	16
C. P. Peachcroft, b Stockley	...	0
T. C. Manders, b Stockley	...	10
J. Curtis-Hayward, b Salier	...	18
C. P. Bartholomew, not out	...	24
S. E. A. Whiteaway, c Hill, b Salier	...	0
A. Simson, b Stockley	...	7
G. G. Gordon, c Owens, b Leithbridge	...	20
C. M. Pope, b Stockley	...	6
Extras	...	5
Total	...	204

BALLYGUNGE *vs.* MAHARAJAH OF NATTORE'S TEAM.—Played at Ballygunge on Saturday, ending in a draw. The home team batted first and made 221, mainly due to the fine batting of Eddis who made 83, and Stafford who marked his reappearance with a well-played 59. The Nattore team, which included three cricketers who have represented the Hindu Gymkhana at Bombay made 149 for the loss of four wickets. Parsatam played a fine innings of 72, Mehta 30 and Razak 26 also batting well. Scores :—

BALLYGUNGE.

B. A. White, st. Bagchi, b Palwankar	...	11
B. E. G. Eddis, run out	...	83
T. C. Stafford, c and b Razak	...	59
E. Horncastle, c Rashid, b Palwankar	...	3
H. V. Low c Bagchi, b Palwankar	...	2
F. N. Whiteley, c K. Roy, b Razak	...	10
H. E. Skinner, b Razak	...	8
J. R. Coulthard, c Razak, b Palwankar	...	18
F. Gould, run out	...	4
E. W. Antram, c K. Roy, b Palwankar	...	0
B. Sherman, not out	...	2
R. L. McIntyre, c Bagchi, b K. Roy	...	8
Extras	...	18
Total	...	221

NATTORE.

Razak, b Gould	...	26
J. Parsatam, c White, b Eddis	...	72
H. R. Mehta, c Skinner, b Eddis	...	30
S. Guha, c Coulthard, b Eddis	...	3
G. R. Banda, not out	...	5
T. P. Das Gupta	...	2
K. Rao, B Palwankar, J. Banerji, J. Bagchi, Rashid, Maharajah, did not bat.		
Extras	...	11
Total for four	...	149

Y. M.C.A. *vs.* OLD XAVERIANS.—This half day match on the Y.M.C.A. ground on Saturday ended in a win for the home team. The Xaverians made 105 for five wickets, when they decided to close their innings, Power 50, not out, and Greenway, batted well. The Young Men scored 123 for five wickets, Reynolds being top scorer with 64, not out. Scores.—

ST. XAVIERS.

A. Greene, b Price	...	7
D. Ready, b Price	...	2
A. Vaughan, c Price, b Reynolds	...	13
F. Greenway, b Dyer	...	22
G. Power, not out	...	50
E. Kelly, l b w Dyer	...	0
W. Stoddart, J. Newton, W. Bell, E. Swinhoe and F. David, did not bat.		
Extras	...	11
Total for five	...	105

Y.M.C.A.

F. H. Reynolds, not out	...	64
W. Dyer, b Power	...	17
A. M. Price, b Power	...	0
J. Grant, run out	...	1
W. A. Price, b Greenway	...	27
H. Pooler, c Power b Greenway	...	4
A. Maclean, not out	...	1
Saldanha, P. Vanspall, R. Horne and H. Vanspall, did not bat.		
Extras	...	9
Total for five	...	123

Golf.

THE AMATEUR GOLF CHAMPIONSHIP OF INDIA.

THE following are the drawings for the preliminary rounds of the Amateur Golf Championship of India. The best sixteen scores returned will be taken for the final stages.

Lieut. C. Campbell and Geo. W. Walker—first round 9-0 A.M., second round 12-30 P.M.

S. H. Mackenzie and R. L. Morgan—first round 9-4 A.M.; second round 12-34 P.M.

Lieut. J. Inglis and A. Mann—first round 9-8 A.M.; second round 12-38 P.M.

C. E. Stevenson and H. C. Begg—first round 9-12 A.M.; second round 12-42 P.M.

G. Rainy and K. B. Dunlop—first round 9-16 A.M.; second round 12-46 P.M.

J. C. K. Peterson and P. H. Browne—first round 9-20 A.M.; second round 12-50 P.M.

J. N. McLeod and Col. A. A. Wolfe-Murray—first round 9-24 A.M.; second round 12-54 P.M.

J. S. Armstrong and N. Mitchell-Innes—first round 9-28 A.M.; second round 12-58 P.M.

C. B. Elliott and H. W. Dick—first round 9-32 A.M.; second round 1-2 P.M.

C. G. Newton and Norman McLeod—first round 9-36 A.M.; second round 1-6 P.M.

Lieut. J. Young and Major Hedley—first round 9-40 A.M.; second round 1-10 P.M.

C. M. Hutchinson and L. W. Ogilvy—first round 9-44 A.M.; second round 1-14 P.M.

A. B. Crole and D. Pym—first round 9-48 A.M.; second round 1-18 P.M.

Captain S. Lethbridge and T. Drimmie—first round 9-52 A.M.; second round 1-22 P.M.

Major T. A. Tancred and Colonel G. B. Crawley—first round 9-56 A.M.; second round 1-26 P.M.

C. S. McKenzie and F. H. E. Lamb—first round 10 A.M., second round 1-30 P.M.

A. Brebner and J. G. Melrose—first round 10-4 A.M., second round 1-34 P.M.

Lieut. A. R. MacAllen and D. Youngson—first round 10-8 A.M.; second round 1-38 P.M.

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D. C. Scroggie and W. E. D. Fyfe—first round 10-36 A.M.; second round 2-6 P.M.

THE LADIES' CHAMPIONSHIP.

The qualifying competition for the Ladies' Second Amateur Golf Championship of India will take place on January 7th at Tollygunge, 18 holes, medal play. The four lowest scores will compete by match play on January 8th, 18 holes at Tollygunge. The final match will be at the same place on Wednesday, the 9th. The winner will hold the Challenge Vase presented by Mr. George Walker for one year and receive a miniature vase presented by the C. L. G. C. The present holder is Mrs. Lamond Walker.

ROYAL BOMBAY GOLF CLUB.

MADRAS SILVER CHALLENGE MEDAL.—This annual competition was played on 19th and 20th instant over an 18-hole course by medal play under handicap. There were 26 competitors, nearly all the regular players entering. Mr. M. A. Murray with 88—6 turned out to be the winner, followed by the Hon. Mr. Muir Mackenzie and Mr. L. Thacker, each 84 net, for second place.

The best returns were :—

				Net.
Mr. M. A. Murray ...	...	45 43 = 88	— 6	82
The Hon. Mr Muir Mackenzie ...	...	48 42 = 90	— 6	84
Mr. L. Thacker ...	...	48 54 =102	—18	84
Mr. G. W. Dawson ...	...	46 43 = 89	— 4	85
Mr. C. A. Russ ...	...	48 41 = 99	— 4	85
Mr. J. S. Mackenzie ...	...	44 45 = 89	— 4	85
Mr. A. S. Bishop ...	...	51 51 =102	—16	86
Mr. R. P. Scott ...	...	43 44 = 87	Scr.	87
Mr. L. Brachi ...	...	45 51 = 96	— 8	88
Mr. A. L. S. Roberts ...	...	45 44 = 89	Scr.	89
Mr. H. F. Souter ...	...	51 56 =107	—16	90
Mr. W. R. Sharpe ...	...	52 49 =101	—10	91
Mr. J. Forman ...	...	54 53 =107	—16	91

RANGOON GOLF CLUB.

The last quarterly competition of the year for the "Jameson" and "Gordon" medals took place on the 15th and 16th December with the following result :—

"JAMESON" MEDAL—(*Handicaps 8 and under.*)

W. H. Anderson	... (8)	77.	Winner.
E. Higinbotham	... (2)	79.	
H. Woodham ...	... (8)	80.	
J. W. Anderson	... (8)	82.	
W. G. Anderson	... (4)	87.	
W. B. Daniel	... (7)	88.	

"GORDON" MEDAL—(*Handicaps over 8.*)

T. T. McCreath	... (14)	79.	Winner.
W. R. Stikeman	... (10)	80.	
S. Gordon Brown	... (12)	83.	
Captain G. H. Davis	... (10)	83.	
W. W. Watt ...	... (9)	91.	
W. F. S. Perry	... (12)	92.	

GOLF IN THE BRITISH ISLES

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

7th December 1906.

THE younger professionals do not appear to be particularly busy just now and are evidently fired with ambition to achieve a great reputation and make as brave a fight as Duncan and Mayo with two other well-known brother Pros., but to Rowland Jones and J. B. Battley's challenge, Braid, Vardon, Taylor and Herd turned a deaf ear and the challenge given one day was withdrawn the next; however a gauntlet is thrown down by Allan Gow, professional to the Gog-Magog Club, who challenges C. H. Mayo to play a 72-hole match for £20 a side. Whether the challenged will pick up the gage remains to be seen. Interesting as Pros. are, we must leave them now with our best Christmas wishes, and go down the golfing social hill to the amateur, who, although the days are now so short that unless he makes a very early start he can scarcely manage his two rounds, still finds enjoyment in the game, dispite mud, despite rain, despite lack of daylight! A very interesting article appears in this week's *Golfing* from the facile pen of "Jigger," describing the futile attempts to play a clean shot off the muddy, spongy quagmire to which most inland greens are now reduced; but notwithstanding difficulties and wormy impediments the London Press Golfing Society have at last finished the competition for their Challenge Cup. In the finals an interesting fight ensued between Mr. E. D. Allen and Mr. A. S. Galtrey, the former is a very young and rapidly improving player who was eligible, according to the rules (so protracted has this competition been), to play from a handicap 8 stroker better than his present one would be on the 36 holes!) With this advantage which permitted him to receive strokes from his opponent, instead of as he otherwise would have had to do on his present handicap, playing him level, Mr. Allen with a lead of seven holes in the first 18 holes ultimately won by 7 and 5 at Mitcham on Friday, 30th November. People, and by this comprehensive word I naturally mean golfers are still talking about *the* foursome which is now dead a fortnight the final was distinctly disappointing, and the majority considered the course of Timperley unfitted for a game of this description, perhaps so, but I venture to think that nothing short of a miracle, a snow storm (in which case poor Vardon would probably have been forbidden to play) would have altered the ultimate issue of events, for the two veterans showed undoubted superior skill and fully deserved their handsome victory, the junior pair probably are quite satisfied in accomplishing one of their aims, that of notoriety and will of course be heard of in the near future.

For the next two weeks family golfers, by this is meant chiefly paterfamilias will, except on lawful holidays (Saturdays and Sundays) be occupied with domestic matters and by a great display of paternal and husbandly affections and solicitude and the purchase of suitable and lavish Christmas gifts quite earn his holiday at some seaside resort untrammelled with household liabilities and unencumbered with near relations, his conscience will be "void of offence," or at all events he will try to cajole himself into a fond belief that it is and so his Christmas will be spent as a Golfing Christmas should be—the Links by day, the Bridge by night, two indissoluble necessities which make the sum total of happiness, and promote that good will towards men which we are led to believe is a beatific and natural attitude at the close of every year.

There is a larger exodus than ever this year to greens on the Continent, the golf is not all that a Scotsman of the old school might approve of, but even he inured to mists, dampness and "soft mornings" would be bound to confess that the delightful climatic conditions abroad far outweigh the quite secondary questions of the green, and at all events he need not be transformed into a 'muddled oaf" before he has played 9 holes as one invariably is on Inland Courses in this country. Here and there and everywhere we will leave the golfer to his golf, and will wish him wherever he may be a very Merry Christmas and a prosperous New Year, and more especially on the excellent and popular paper in which these lines appear does M. E. S. invoke prosperity !!

M. E. S.

As white as blanc-mange, and trembling the same, the new footman dashed into the dining room.

"A drop o' brandy, for heaven's sake!" he dared to exclaim.

Taken by surprise, his master and mistress hastened to oblige him.

"Whatever has happended, my man?"

"Too terrible!" he gasped, after the ancient cognac had been gulped down. "I've broken your old Sevres vase!"

Schoolmaster, asking the meaning of "the quick and the dead," small urchin says: "Please, sir, the man as gets out of the way of the motor-car is quick, and 'im as doesn't is dead."

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Tuesday, 26th December 1906.

This time-honored athletic meeting was brought off in the Botanic Gardens to-day with complete success. There was, as usual, a big gathering of general holiday makers, and picnickers apart from those directly interested in the discussion of the programme, so that a big gallery surrounded the course and watched with interest and amusement the progress of events. Messrs. J. Chaplin and L. Prike, the Joint-Honorary Secretaries, had everything in apple-pie order, there was enough and to spare of keenness among competitors and it is satisfactory to note that the handicapping worked out well. Many guests availed themselves of the kind invitation to tiffin issued by Lieutenant and Mrs. A. W. Slater and a most enjoyable day was spent by all. Appended are details :—

KICKING THE FOOTBALL.—Corpl. L. Prike, 160 feet 1; Vol. F. B. Prike. 2.

100 YARDS HANDICAP.—Vol. W. Holley scratch, 1; O. R. Sergt. J. Greig, 10yds., 2; Lce.-Corpl. Bergmann, 5yds., 3. Time—11⅕secs.

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220 YARDS HANDICAP.—Lce-Corpl. Bergmann, 14yds., 1; Vol. W. Holley scr, 2; Vol. Maxwell 16yds., 3. Time—24⅘secs.

TENT PEGGING ON BICYCLES.—Vol. Nicholson, 1; Vol. Williams, 2; Vol. E. J. Slater, 3.

SACK RACE.—Vol. Nicholson, 1; Vol. Maxwell, 2; Vol. Tydeman, 3.

75 YARDS HANDICAP.—Vol. Holley scr., 1; Lce.-Corpl. Bergmann, 3yds., 2; O. R. Sergt. J. Greig, 6yds., 3. Time—9secs.

CHEROOT AND MATCH RACE.—Vol. Holley, nominated by Mrs. Cox. 1; Lce.-Corpl. Bergmann nominated by Mrs. Compton, 2; Sergt. Chaplin, nominated by Mrs. Tydeman, 3.

EGG AND SPOON RACE ON BICYCLES.—Sergt. Chaplin, 1; Vol. Winter, 2.

BOOT RACE.—Corpl. R. Prike, 1; Vol. E. J. Slater, 2.

PICK A BACK RACE.—50yds. Vol. Maxwell and Lce.-Corpl. Bergmann, 1; Vols. Ball and Hamlyn, 2.

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The Kennel.

CANINE EDUCATION.

AS these instructions are written mostly for the benefit of the novice, it is necessary to give a list and definition of the commands in common use in handling the dog. Of course any one can train his dog to obey any commands he chooses to adopt, as there is no inherent potency in one word as compared with another when used as a command; but when one buys or sells a dog for field work it is well to know and use such commands as have received the sanction of usage. In any case it is desirable, for the sake of convenience, that each command consists of not more than one or two words, and these should be distinctly different from those used in any other command. Nearly all the commands have corresponding signals, so that the shooter may be able to handle his dog silently when working near game, or, for that matter, when working at all; but they are specially useful when there is any probability that the shooter's voice would alarm the birds. The signals also serve to assist in handling the dog when the shooter's voice cannot be readily heard, as when the dog is working far away, or when he was upwind from the shooter. The following are sufficient for the requirements of field work :—

"Come in" is the order which denotes that the dog is forthwith to come to the trainer. A few prolonged blasts on the whistle have the same significance.

"Heel" is the order given to the dog when he is to get behind, and follow behind the trainer. A motion of the hand to the rear is the corresponding signal.

"High on," some years ago, was considered the most elegant command to use in ordering a dog to begin ranging.

"Go on," or "Get away," is the command now commonly used for that purpose. A wave of the hand forward, or a wave of the hand accompanied with a snap of the finger or a simple click of the tongue has the same significance

"Drop" is the command commonly given when the dog is required to lie down. The orders more in use some years ago are "Charge," and "Down Charge," but they are now almost obsolete.

The right or left hand raised a little higher than the level of the head is the signal for the dog to drop.

"Hold up" signifies that the dog is to rise to his feet, and therefore it is given to him when he is dropped or lying down. A slight beckon with the hand or forefinger has the same significance. As the dog is rarely in the position required by the drop except when obedient to that command, the signal to rise is in accord with his inclination, hence is soon learned and eagerly watched for. A click of the tongue also serves the same purpose.

The dog can also be trained to obey orders given by the whistle, each order having a distinct note or notes which are used invariably with it. This, however, is an unnecessary refinement and of but little practical use in actual work. They are, moreover, rather difficult to teach to any dogs other than the most intelligent ones.

The foregoing are the commands which are used the most and they are of constant service, whether the dog is idling about the house or working in the field.

"Fetch" is the command used in ordering the dog to retrieve. "Find" denotes that the dog is to seek for a dead or wounded bird. "Seek" and "Seek dead" are sometimes used for this purpose, but less so now than formerly.

Obedience to "Toho" was formerly considered an essential in a dog's education. It is the order which denotes that the dog is to stop and stand still. The trainer was supposed to derive great assistance from it in teaching the dog to point, for in times past it was commonly supposed that the trainer taught the dog to point. As "Toho" was very plausible in theory, and served well to stuff a part of a book on instruction, it did a graceful service in that respect. It is one of the most difficult orders to enforce, and the discipline required to make the dog reliably obedient is, in most instances, a hundred times more difficult to establish than it is to teach the dog to point. After the trainer had taught it by much pains, he had little opportunity to use it; for, inexplicable as it is, few, if any, considered the fact that out of the total opportunities for the dog to point birds, the trainer would not know the correct time and place wherein to order the dog to make his stand, he not knowing where the birds were, or indeed whether there were any at all. If by any chance the trainer did know where the birds were he could seldom get the dog into the right position to fit the order—for it did follow as a sequence that if the trainer saw the birds the dog could scent them—and the attempt to get him in the right place with the bawling out of "Toho" at the same time seldom failed to flush the birds. Again, if the dog by chance did stop to the order without having a scent of the birds it was a meaningless act, and if he really got a scent of them, he in his excitement paid no more attention to the order than he paid to the murmur of the breezes. He might be delightfully obedient in the yard, or even in the field when game was not present, and absolutely unmanageable when on game. A further absurdity is that the dog learns to point from experience, some taking to it quite readily and naturally almost from the beginning. To force a dog to stop and stand still when he is roading does not constitute a point. Nevertheless, a few of the old school will maintain that they taught their dogs to point in that manner, when in fact the dog learned to point in spite of it. The arm extended at a little less than a right angle from the body was supposed to be the signal which denoted "Toho." Most dogs which were obedient to it were good for little else.

Long commands, such as "Come here to me, I tell you! or "Dead bird, hunt it up!" or "Hie, there! What are you about?" should be avoided if the trainer can possibly do so, but if he must talk or perish, it is better then to use plenty of words.

"Hie!" or any other exclamation consisting of a single word, may be used to command the dog to desist from undesirable acts or to attract his attention to a signal. One word serves the purpose better than more, particularly if the more are epithets.

Whatever words or notes of the whistle or signal are used to denote the command, they should be used alike invariably, so that they will always have a fixed and definite meaning to the dog. Sometimes the beginner, when the dog, birds and himself are excited, will deliver a continued discourse to the dog, which for any beneficial effect might better be delivered to the trees.

Teaching the dog obedience to the foregoing commands, and giving him the necessary discipline to make obedience habitual can be done in what is called his yard training.

The implements commonly used in training are the whip, whistle, check cord and spike-collar, the latter being heartily denounced by many sportsmen, as being an instrument of unnecessary cruelty. Again, others object to the whip for much the same reason. Whether they are cruel or not depends entirely on the manner in which the trainer uses them. If he loses his temper and then beats and checks the dog to gratify it, the whip or collar are used cruelly, but so would any other article under the same circumstances. The fault then lies with the trainer and not with the instrument. If he cannot use the whip or collar as useful adjunct to the training, it is then much better not to use them at all, and the use of his boots or the first club at hand is not permissible at any time. Indeed if he finds that his temper is beyond his control and that he cannot refrain from punishing his dog unnecessarily consequence, it is better to give up the attempt at training. Anger and violence unfit the trainer to teach and the pupil to learn. But cruelty being inflicted the trainer should blame himself and not the instruments used.

The whip is commonly used to punish the dog for any misbehaviour, though some trainers use it to assist in forcing the dog to retrieve. The whips most in favour are those which are flexible and, therefore, easily stowed in the pocket. The ones heavily loaded with iron or lead at the butt should never be used as there should be no intention to kill the dog at any time as part of his training, and the whistle in the end of a whip is also a very useless article. The trainer should select one which tapers nicely to a point which ends in a linen or silk cracker, as the crack of the whip will, at times, serve the purpose quite as well as its direct use.

The spike-collar should be both of good material and simple in construction. Its purpose should be solely to inflict pain without any accompanying physical injury, hence the points should not be long and capable of piercing the skin when ordinary force is applied. Though commonly called a spike-collar, it is a combination of spike-collar and choke-collar. It has been claimed that the choke collar without any spike serves all purposes for which a collar is needed in training the dog. However, it is far more cruel than a spike collar. It requires more force to make it effective, and the consequent choking and shocking injures the whole organism, differing thus from the local harmless hurting done by the spikes. The correct use of the collar will in due time be fully treated in connection with the subject of retrieving

As to the material and construction of the collar, a brief description will suffice. The material should be the best medium weight harness leather, free from sponginess or flaws. For convenience in using it the collar is made in two pieces. The longer part should be about 22 or 24 inches in length by 1¼ inch in width. The strap when looped should play through a square or more properly an iron parallelogram, for if a ring be used instead the collar when in use will roll and twist and thereby impair its efficiency. The inside dimensions of the iron parallelogram must be governed by the width of the strap and the thickness of the leather used. The shorter strap, 2 or 3 inches in length, has a square buckle in one end and a ring in the other. The spikes, screwed through a steel plate on one side of the leather strap and secured by nuts on the other, should project about ¼ inch or ⅜ inch and the points should have a very short bevel so as to hurt the dog without injuring him or inflicting unnecessary mutilation. It should always be kept in mind that mutilation or real injury is neither desired nor intended, and also that the least possible punishment which will accomplish the purpose is all that is necessary or desirable.

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Shows.

THE TOLLYGUNGE HORSE SHOW.

THE twelfth annual horse show was fully up to its predecessors in the number and quality of exhibits, the harness classes being particularly well filled. Mr. F. Palmer was as successful as ever, taking away four red ribbons, while the Government House entry steered by Lady Violet Elliott also took their fair share of favours. A welcome innovation were the competitions for Ticca Gharries. The first-class phaetons made a very good show indeed, but perhaps the nicest turn-out in the ring was the rubber-tyred office jaun drawn by a pair of dun ponies which took the sixty rupees prize among the second class gharries. This type of ticca is just the thing for all-round work in Calcutta, and the wonder is that they have not already been substituted for the shocking rattle-boxes annually licensed by a complaisant corporation.

The jumping, both of horses and ponies, was a little disappointing. The four fences were awkwardly placed and the trappy little water jump brought to grief several of the best and boldest leapers in the ring, notably Lord Harry and Lady Fox. The winner jumped in great form, but Young Poetess was very nicely ridden by her owner and fully deserved her ribbons, while Mrs. Patterson's paperchaser was perhaps the most showy jumper on view.

The Polo Ponies made by no means so goodly a show as that of 1905, owing to the annoying breakdown of the Calcutta Polo Tournament. The judging was very carefully done, both in the Polo Pony and Hack and Hunter classes. There was little competition among the Heavy Weights, and Mrs. Paris' handsome grey secured three red ribbons, including the Viceroy's prize for the best Hunter in the Show. Nevermore had a fortunate victory in the Light Weight Hacks class and for some reason or other the Judges passed over Mr. Birkmyre's handsome English mare Lady Fox, which many thought by far the best looking and nicest mannered horse in the whole show. There was a fair show of Remounts and Capt. Holden's good looking Craig, albeit more a race horse than a charger, took the red ribbon in the officers' class.

The very large entry for the Ladies' Hacks must have considerably puzzled the Judges, but greys were in favour for once and Mrs. Forsyth's showy paperchaser was eventually triumphant. The roan cob ridden by the Lady Elliott was fancied by many.

The arrangements of the show were well ordered and everything seemed to go off without a hitch. Some eight hundred people lunched in the grounds and although a few grumblers were to be found the general consensus of opinion was that the catering this year was a distinct success. Appended is the list of prize winners.

CLASS 1.— Single Harness, 15 hands and over. Two prizes presented by Prince Gholam Mahomed. 1, Mr. F. Palmer's My Lord. 2, Mr. Kader Khan's Nawab Bahadur.

CLASS 2.—Single Harness Horses over 14-1 and under 15. Prizes presented by H. H. The Maharaja of Burdwan. 1, Lt.-Col. E. Dobson's bk e m Golden Bells. 2, Mr. J. C. Galstaun's Sir Charles.

CLASS 3.—Single Harness Horses, 14-1 or under. 1st prize presented by R. L. Harmilton, 2nd by Mr. R. H. A. Gresson. 1, Major Lloyd-Jones' Cheriton Model. 2, Mr. F. Palmer's My Lady.

CLASS 4.—Double Harness. Pair any height to be shown in harness. 1st aud 2nd prizes presented by Messrs. Dykes and Co. 1, Mr. J. C. Galstaun. 2, Mr. A. Rodocanachi.

CLASS 5.—Tandems of any light weight. Prize presented by the Maharaja of Cooch Behar. 1, Mr. F. Palmer. 2, H. E. the Viceroy.

CLASS 6.—Best complete turn-out. Single horse, 15 hands or over. Prize presented by Sir Ernest Cable. 1, Mr. F. Palmer's My Lord.

CLASS 7.—Best complete turn-out; single horse over 14-1 and under 15 hands. 1st prize presented by Messrs. Breakwell and Co.; 2nd prize by Messrs. F. and C. Osler. 1, Mr. A. L. Butler. 2, Lt.-Col. E. Dobson.

CLASS 8.—Best complete turn-out. Single horse 14-1 and under. 1st prize presented by Mr. H. Bateson and 2nd prize presented by Messrs. Steuart and Co., 1, Mr. F. Palmer. 2, Hon. Mr. J. P. Hewett.

CLASS 9A.—Best complete turn-out, 1st class ticca phaetons. Double or single harness. Prizes presented by Hon. Mr. Bertram Mr. A. Birkmyre, the Commissioners, Calcutta Corporation, Mr. J. M. G. Prophit and Mr. R. G. Thomas. 1, Shaik Ismael. 2, Teney Shah; 3, B. Israel Khan. Special prize for best single horse phaeton, Woolfut.

CLASS 9 B.—Best complete turn-out, second class ticcas, Prizes presented as for class 9A. 1, Unoda P. Bose. 2, Golam Reza Sherazee. 2, Shaik Noor Ally. Special prize for best rubber-tyred 2nd class carriage, Unada P. Bose.

CLASS 10.—Hunters, heavy weight. 1st and prizes presented by Hon. Mr. A. A. Apcar. 1, Mrs. Paris' Great Heart. 2, Dr. W. Forsyth's Corydon.

CLASS 11.—Hunters' light weight. 1st prize presented by Mr. J. M. G. Prophit; 2nd by Messrs. Watts and Co. 1, Captain Holden's Lord Harry (imported by Mr. H. Hurley). 2, Mr. R. H. A. Gresson's Nevermore.

CLASS 12.—Hacks, heavy weights, 15 hands or over. Prizes presented by Messrs. G. F. Kellner and W. Leslie and Co. 1, Mrs Paris' Great Heart. 2, Mr. J. M. G. Prophit's Nugget

CLASS 13.—Ladies' hacks. 1st prize presented by the officers, Northumberland Fusiliers; 2nd by Mr. J. Hutchison. 1, Dr. Forsyth's Greyman. 2, Hon. Mr. Collin's Kildare. (Ridden by Mrs. Collin.

CLASS 14.—Hacks, over 14-1 and under 15 hands. 1st prize presented by Messrs Hall and Anderson; 2nd by Mr. A. Birkmyre. 1, Mr. O. Schmidt-Ernthausen's Postdam. 2, Mr. J. M. G. Prophit's Spicer.

CLASS 15.—Hacks, 14-1 and under. 1st prize presented by Mr. F. Palmer; 2nd by Messrs. Manton and Co. 1, Mr. J. D. West's San Toy. 2, Mr. L. Hamilton's Goughey.

CLASS 16.—Hacks, best Arabs 14-2 and under. 1st prize presented by H. H. the Lieutenant-Governor; 2nd by Mr. R. G. Bates. 1, Mr. J. D. Scott's Secunder. 2 H. E. the Viceroy's New Minister.

CLASS 17.—Hacks, best C. B., 14-2 and under. 1st prize presented by the Calcutta Tramways Co.: 2nd by Mr. R. H. A. Gresson. 1, Messrs. Daunt and Cresswell's Gozo. 2, Mr. H. Howard's Antoinette.

CLASS 18.—Hacks, light weight, 15 hands and over. Two prizes presented by Messrs. Cook and Co. 1, Mr. R. H. A. Gresson's Nevermore. 2, Hon. Mr. Collin's Kildare.

CLASS 19.—Polo ponies. Two prizes presented by the Calcutta Turf Club. 1, Major Hobson's Surprise. 2, Captain Learmouth's Chicken.

CLASS 20.—Polo ponies, Australian, likely to make polo ponies. Prize presented by Mr. J. C. Galstaun. 1, Mr. Fleming's The Toff.

CLASS 21.—Jumping competition for horses. Two prizes presented by the Calcutta Turf Club. 1, Mr. G. H. Mackenzie's Bengali. 2, Captain Pritchard's Young Porters.

CLASS 22.—Jumping competition, ponies 14-2 and under. Two prizes presented by the Calcutta Turf Club. 1, Major Brooke's Topsail. 2, Mr. H. Howard's Smuggler

CLASS 23.—Three Cavalry Remounts. Prizes by Messrs. Steuart and Co. 1, Messrs. Howard and Reidy's team. 2, Mr. R. Gilder's team.

CLASS 24.—Team of six Horse Artillery Remounts. Prizes by Messrs. Cooke and Kelvey. 1, Mr. W. Lyon's team. 2, Mr. R. Gilder's team.

CLASS 25.—Remounts, Chargers. Prizes by Col. H. Goad. 1, Messrs. Howard and Reidy's. 1, Mr. S. Margrett.

CLASS 26.—Remounts, Chargers the property of members of the Presidency Garrison and Calcutta Light Horse. Prizes by Messrs. Hamilton and Co. 1, Captain Holden's Craig (imported by S. Margrett). 2, Col. Birdwood's Gopal.

CLASS 27.—Special prizes presented by Messrs. Mackinnon, Mackenzie and Co. 1 .Mr. Margrett's teams.

CLASS 28.—Championship. Best remount in the show. Prize by H. E. the Commander-in-Chief. Won by Mr. S. Margrett.

CLASS 29.—Championship. Best Hunter in the show. Prize presented by H. E. the Viceroy. Awarded to Mrs. Paris' Great Heart.

The Naturalist.

TWO-HEADED SNAKES AND TURTLES.

CASES of monstrosity in reptiles have, it appears, been recorded from time to time ever since the days of Aristotle; and stories were formerly current as to the existence of races of two-headed snakes. Although such stories are, of course, absurd, there is no doubt that such two-headed monsters are occasionally observed; and an American writer, Mr. W. S. Blatchley, has recently taken up the subject seriously, so far at least as the United States, and more especially Indiana are concerned. So far back as the early part of last century Dr. S. L. Mitchell described and figured three monstrous specimens of young black snakes (*Bascanion constrictor*) from Genesei County, New York, one of which had two complete heads, while the second had a double head with three eyes, and the third a double body and a double skull, furnished however, with only three eyes and a single lower jaw.

In the same paper reference is made to records of two-headed snakes from Great Britain, Italy, and some of the West Indian and Polynesian islands. At a later date, according to our author, Professor J. Wyman recorded a specimen of an American water-snake (*Tropidonotur sipedon*) with two heads and two bodies. Still later, in 1878, mention was made in the (*American naturalist*) to a two-headed chain-snake (*Ophibolus getulus*), from Maryland, in the collection of the Smithsonian Institution; mention being also made in the same volume of another two-headed snake, of undetermined species in the collection of Williams College, Massachusetes. Even this, however, does not exhaust the list of previous records, for in 1882 reference was made to a double-headed milk snake (*Ophibolus doliatus*) in the Museum of Michigan University.

Concerning two-headed Chelonians Mr. Blakeley states that he can find but a single mention, namely, of a two-headed tortoise of the genus *Testudo*, which is reported to have "lived to acquire a considerable size, by having taken food at both mouths."

As regards his own investigations, Mr. Blatchley states that he has received trustworthy information with regard to five two-headed snakes and one double-headed turtle; and that he has personally seen two out of the five.

One of these snakes, a specimen of the spreading viper (*Heterodon platyrhinus*) from Indiana, had two perfect heads standing out nearly at right angles to the middle line of the body.

Since only a portion of the author's paper has at present reached this country, we are unable to give his views with regard to the reason for deformities of this nature among reptiles. Although double-headed monsters are far from uncommon among domesticated mammals and birds, among wild members of those groups they are either excessively rare or altogether unknown.

R. LYDEKKER.

INTELLIGENCE IN PLANTS.

IN the *Monthly Review* S Leonard Bastin, who is evidently a wanderer in what may be termed the by-ways of biological research and speculation, raises the question whether the beginnings of intelligence may not be traced in plants as well as in animals. "It is now," he says, "an established fact that plants can feel, in so far as the phenomenon of sensation is understood to be a response to external influence; this being so, there is," he contends, "nothing unreasonable should we go still further, and seek for evidence of something approximating to a discerning power in the vegetable world." The purpose of his paper is to set forth instances which seem to suggest the existence of such a power. They are, he tells us, in all cases either the outcome of personal observation or gathered from the records of indisputable authorities.

Among the strange plants which have developed carnivorous habits are the Droseraceæ or Sun Dew group. Indigenous species are found both in England and in America. "The leaves of all the members of the family are densely covered with clubbed hairs, and a fly settling amongst the tentacles is immediately enclosed by these organs; meanwhile, a peptic (*i.e.*, digestive) fluid is exuded from the glands of the leaf. An interesting experiment may be conducted with the Sun Dew, proving that the little plant has a certain discriminating power. Place a tiny pebble amongst the tentacles; these at once close in, it is true; but not the least attempt is made to put out the digestive liquid. How does the Sun Dew know the difference between the fly and the pebble?" A few years ago Mrs. Treat, an American lady, proved that the leaves of the American Sun Dew were actually conscious of the proximity of flies without any direct contact. She pinned a living insect at a distance of half an inch from a healthy leaf. In about a couple of hours the leaf had moved near enough to secure its prey by means of its tentacles.

The Venus Fly Trap (*Dionæa Muscipula*) of South Carolina belongs to the same natural order as the Sun Dews Its leaf consists of two bristle fringed lobes hinged together. On the upper surface of each lobe are three sensitive hairs. When any object touches one of them the lobes snap together, and the catch is imprisoned. The leaf will enclose anything, a small piece of cinder, for example, but it does not take it long to find out if its capture is inedible, and in that event it soon opens to release it. A fly or a bit of raw beef, on the other hand, is tightly clenched, until after an interval of several days it is drained by the plant of the desired nitrogenous food. How, asks Mr. Bastin, can you explain the behaviour of the Dionæa without admitting the presence of some discerning power? Even roots are cited as illustrations. The aerial roots of tropical Lianes, growing under artificial conditions, have sent out their organs to a tank 25 feet beneath, "evidently," says Mr. Bastin, "with the knowledge that they would find water at the end of their journey."

A most remarkable example of the relations established sometimes between plants and insects is supplied by a central American acacia (the *Spherocephala*). "This tree grows in districts where leaf-cutter ants abound, and where the ravages of these insects are so dreadful that whole areas of country are at times denuded of foliage in a few hours. The acacia has, however, hit upon a unique way of protecting itself against the assaults of these enemies. At the end of some of its leaves it produces small yellowish sausage-shaped masses, known as 'food bodies.' Now these seem to be prepared especially for the benefit of certain black ants, which eat the material greedily, and on this account it is no matter for surprise that these insects (which are very warlike in habit) should make their homes in the acacia, boring out holes in the thorns of the tree to live in. At the approach of an army of leaf-cutting ants the hordes of black ants emerge, fired with the enthusiasm which the defence of a home is bound to inspire, with the result that the attacking enemy is repulsed and the tree escapes unscathed."

A Texas judge was robbed of a horse not long ago, and the thief, being arrested, was brought before him for trial. The judge eyed the prisoner with deep satisfaction for a minute or so and then delivered himself of the following:—"Owing to a personal prejudice the Court will not hear this case. It will be tried by the bailiff who will find a verdict in accordance with the facts. In the meantime," he added impressively, "the Court will go outside and find a rope and pick out a good tree."

Said a foreigner of distinction the other day: "I can't comprehend how it is that you people of London complain of the dearness of meat. For me, when I want dinner, there are always merchants of the street, who vend of meat the most ravishing, on skewers, at one halfpenny the two slices. These, with one of your delicious white rolls—my faith! What could you wish more?"

The Story Teller.

A LITTLE KNOWLEDGE.

FATE has a peculiar fondness for playing practical jokes upon us poor mortals, but she never perpetrated a more ludicrous one than when she permitted Mr. Frank Hodder to become an aspirant for Turf honours.

In his own line of business Mr. Hodder had amassed a big fortune—in brewing beer for the consumption of the great British Public—and he was about as 'cute and business-like an individual as it is possible to come across in the proverbial day's march.

As an owner of a string of a more or less moderate specimens of the thoroughbred racer, Mr. Hodder's usual canny methods gave way to a unsuspecting disposition sufficiently rare at the sport of kings to give rise to a certain amount of comment and —whisper it softly—contempt.

Perhaps it would be putting it a little too strongly to say that he was an aspirant for fame on the Turf, as his colours were only seen in the North, and chiefly at the meetings held in the county of broad acres, where he first saw the light.

"Old Frank Hodder," as he was familiarly called, had an almost pathetic faith in his trainer, one Tom Stocker by name, and in all the long years they were associated this sublime faith never wavered—but once. It mattered nothing to Mr. Hodder that the successes of his colours were very few and far between, nor that when the "red and green halved" *did* score he was not on; these facts he regarded as he caprices of Fate, and the losses on his betting account were looked upon as all part of the game.

Like a great many other persons in whom unbounded trust is reposed, it behoves the veracious historian to set forth that Tom Stocker was far from being worthy of the high opinion his chief patron held of his genuineness and straightforwardness. Good-natured friends were not wanting who ever and anon suggested to Mr. Hodder that his trainer was playing fast and loose with him, but all to no purpose; the genial brewer's faith in his trainer was of the kind that is popularly supposed to move mountains.

People at last got tired of asking Hodder if he was "on" when one of his horses won, and, as he was quite proof against the chaffing he got, certain suspicious persons came to the conclusion that, after all, he might be in the swim.

"Yours going to win, Frank?" was usually answered by "Ask Stocker, my lad; he knows most about 'em."

Nevertheless, continual dropping will hollow away the hardest of stones, and a time came when all the latent suspicion in Frank Hodder's genial nature was aroused. Not that he had grown tired of his trainer's constant explanations that the class was too high, or the horse is not ready, or that he could not understand how the animal came to win; he had become too hardened to both unexpected victory, and equally unexpected defeat, to mind either.

The occasion was at the summer meeting at Pontefract, a venue that old Frank patronised pretty freely, his home not being very far from the course. His colours had been twice successful on the first day, and the old man was jubilant, although he had been a heavy loser on both races through backing something his trainer had told him was sure to beat "theirs."

"How's Nimbus for the big race to-day, Tom?" he asked of Stocker.

"Fit as a fiddle, Mr. Hodder," replied his trainer, with the usual cast-iron expression on his weather-beaten face; "he ought to win hands down. Shall you back him?"

"I'll stop him if I do, sure as eggs; but I'd like to break that record of mine if I could, and win over one of my own horses for once in a way."

He laughed heartily as his trainer hurried away to saddle one of his charges for the next race. This had only just been decided when Hodder collided with a man he knew as he was going through the paddock gate. They stood talking for a few minutes, the individual in question holding in his hand a telegram, which Hodder saw at a glance was signed by his trainer. There was a horse's name upon it, and a sudden access of curiosity assailed the worthy brewer to learn the contents of the wire.

"I see you've got a wire to send off," he said, with well-assumed indifference. "That reminds me, I want to send one, too."

It was quite a flash of Hodder's old-time business diplomacy, and before he left the Telegraph Office he had succeeded in catching a glimpse of Stocker's message, which read, "Fifty each way Ram Jam."

Ram Jam was in the big race, which his trainer had told him was good for his own horse, Nimbus, and this fact set old Frank thinking. If Stocker was speaking the truth, what was his object in backing another horse in the race, and for a good big stake? All the numerous hints and suggestions regarding his trainer's crookedness that he had ever heard recurred to Hodder's mind, and he resolved to spoil Stocker's little game by getting the cream of the market about Ram Jam for himself, and leaving the dregs for his trainer at starting price.

Accordingly, he had a regular dash on Ram Jam when the betting opened, and, to the surprise of the connections of that well-kept good thing, he rapidly developed into very hot goods.

"Who is backing him, Tom?" asked one of Stocker's cronies. "It's none of our lot; all our stuff has gone away to the offices."

"Hanged if I know! Some fool has been opening his mouth too wide, I expect, But I'll soon get a few hundreds on ours, and that'll send Ram Jam out again. We can't stop him now all our money has gone away. It'll be all right. I'll advise the old chap to have an extra splash on Nimbus; that'll square the deal."

Stocker hurried off to find Mr. Hodder, who, betting book in hand, was cheerfully contemplating a seductive row of wagers he had got about Ram Jam, and quietly chuckling to himself at the manner in which he was going to dish his trainer and the gang that was working with him.

"Ah! there you are, Sir," said Stocker, breathless and perspiring. "This is the best thing of the meeting; you must have something extra on it."

"What?" queried his patron, innocently.

"Why, Nimbus, of course. Never was better; and I see they are offering 'tens.'"

"So I hear. They can offer it till they're black in the face. I shan't have a penny on."

"You mean to say you're not going to back your own horse?" said Stocker, aghast. "Look at him, Sir; he's going in grand style."

The horses were just cantering down to the post, and Nimbus really went in taking fashion; but this fact, which at any other time would have aroused Mr. Hodder's enthusiasm, left him absolutely cold.

"No Nimbus for me to-day, Tom," he said, determinedly. "I'm having a gamble on Ram Jam."

He looked hard at his trainer as he said this, but Stocker's cast-iron expression was absolutely impenetrable; not a muscle of his face moved.

"Good gracious, Mr. Hodder, you're making the biggest mistake in your life," he replied—"the best chance you ever had of breaking the record you were speaking of just now."

"We shall see, Stocker," was old Frank's rejoinder. "I've got a rare fancy for the horse."

"He may get a place," said Stocker making a final effort to induce Mr. Hodder to back his own. "A wilful man must have his way, I suppose. It's a great pity, all the same, to throw away a chance like this."

Old Frank was obdurate, however, and, as if to close further argument, took out his glasses and began to watch the horses as they lined up at the barrier.

They were off after a short delay, and, as they came along at a good pace, Nimbus was seen to be holding a good position close to Ram Jam, who had finished up a warm favourite in the ring. As they reached the distance Ram Jam came out full of running to win his race, and a great shout went up to herald the favourite's victory. Almost before it was uttered, however, Nimbus had followed suit, and a great race between the pair ensued. First one, then the other, had his head in front, until, by dint of superior stamina, Nimbus ran the other out of it, and the red and green flashed past the post a gallant winner by half a length.

It was a question which looked the more disappointed—the owner of the winner or his trainer; but the latter had the solatium of winning his place bets, while Mr. Hodder, in missing the opportunity of backing his own horse, realised all that is contained in the old adage, "A little knowledge is a dangerous thing."

Tom Stocker still trains for "old Frank," who since the above affair trusts him more implicitly than ever, though he has yet to break the record and back a winner in his own colours.

Cards.

BRIDGE.

Solution to Problem No. 19.

IT is important for B to establish his hearts before Z establishes his clubs. From his discard of the 7, A could not have held more than three clubs originally, and, consequently, he must hold at least two trumps. This being so, B can safely lead a heart before playing for the ruff, as whatever Y leads he will get in again at once. He can give A his ruff, and the latter will lead him a heart, clearing his suit, whereas had he led the losing diamond earlier a club would probably have been returned. In this way A and B make the most out of the hand. It is very unlikely that Z has passed the declaration with no hearts.

Problem No. 20.

Score: A B, 28; Y Z, 0. Z deals and declares no-trumps. Y's and Z's hands are as follows:—

Y's Hand (Dummy).

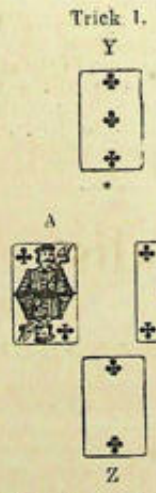
Hearts—K J 10.
Diamonds—K Q 6 5 3 2.
Clubs—8 3.
Spades—10 2.

Z's Hand (Dealer).

Hearts—Q.
Diamonds—A 4.
Clubs—A 10 4 2.
Spades—K J 9 8 6 3.

The first two tricks are as follows:—

Trick 1.



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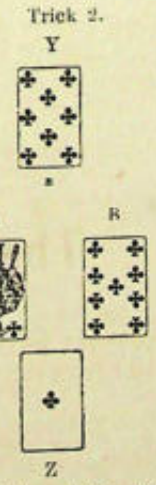


Tricks: A B 1, Y Z 0. Tricks: A B 1, Y Z 1.

How ought the dealer to go on with the hand, and why? Forecast the play of the next few tricks.

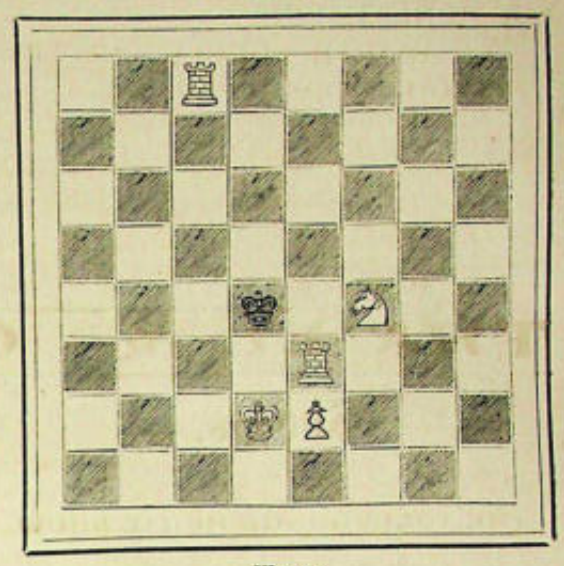
Chess.

Solution to Problem No. 368.

WHITE	BLACK.
1. R. from Q 8 to Q 5	1. P. takes R
2. P. to Q 3 ch	2. K. takes R
3. B. mates	

Problem No. 387.

BLACK.



WHITE.

White to play and mate in four moves.

Game.

WHITE.	BLACK.
1. P. to K 4	1. P. to K 4
2. Kt. to K B 3	2. Q. Kt to B 3
3. P. to Q 4	3. P. takes P
4. B. to Q B 4	4. B. to K 2
5. Castles.	5. P. to K R 3 (*a*)
6. P. to Q B 3	6. P. takes P
7. Kt. takes P	7. Kt. to K B 3
8. P. to K 5	8. Kt. to K Kt 5
9. Q. to Q 5	9. Castles.
10. P. to K R 3	10. Kt. to Q Kt 5 (*b*)
11. Q. to Q sq	11. Kt. takes K B P (*c*)
12. R. takes Kt	12. R. to Q B 4
13. Kt. to K 4	13. B. takes R (*ch*)
14. K. takes B	14. P. to Q 3 (*d*)
15. P. takes P	15. B. to K B 4
16. Q. to Kt 3	16. B. takes Kt
17. Q. takes Kt	17. B. takes Kt
18. P. takes P	18. Q. takes R
19. K. takes B (*e*)	19. Q. R. to Q sq
20. B. to K B 4	20. Q. to B 3 (ch)
21. K. to Kt 3	21. P. to Q R 4
22. Q. to Kt 5	22. Q. to K 5 (*f*)
23. R. to K B sq	23. R. to Q 5
24. P. to Kt 3	24. P. to R 5
25. Q. takes R P	25. P. to K Kt 4 (*g*)
26. B. to Q B sq (*h*)	26. Q. to K 4 (ch) (*i*)
27. K. to B 2	27. Q. to K 7 (*k*)
28. R. to K sq	28. P. to K Kt 5
29. R. to K 8	29. P. to Kt 6 (ch)
30. K. to B 3	30. Q. to Kt 8
31. R. takes R (ch) and wins	

(*a*) Caution is a virtue certainly, but we do not think there was any necessity for so much of it as is here displayed.
(*b*) He neglects his brother-in-arms for the Queen, who despises him. Such is life! (or chess).
(*c*) "Suicides," to save himself from slaughter.
(*d*) This is an ingenious device for obtaining an isolated pawn.
(*e*) Better than taking with Pawn. Black would not have overlooked a *check*.
(*f*) The cut direct.
(*g*) This Black-bird flies on one wing at a time.
(*h*) There *is* no place like home.
(*i*) This was the only safe square for the check.
(*k*) "Get thee to a nunnery," etc.

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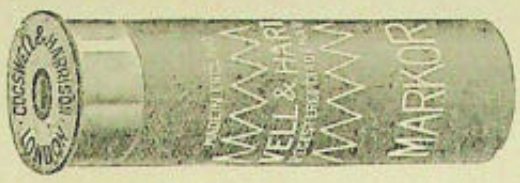

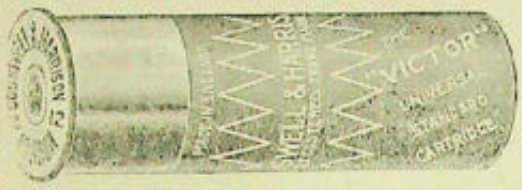

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POLO PONY MEASUREMENT.

WE are never surprised when we see the Polo Pony Height question cropping up at home; it is become almost a "hardy annual" but usually unfolds its blooms for a brief hour in the columns of some sporting journal and fades away modestly without having attracted more than the most perfunctory attention. It is, therefore, somewhat disturbing to find it brought forward with all the necessary formality of notice given before the Council of the Polo and Riding Pony Association: still more so when the moving spirit is a gentleman recognised as an authority on the game, one indeed who has written a very sound and excellent book upon it. The point was not raised as a proposed alteration in the height rule, it could not obviously have been so raised since it does not lie with the Council of the Society to touch those rules. It was brought forward as a change in the regulations which govern admission of names to the society's Stud Book in these terms: "That no limit of height be imposed in the case of a pony whose sire or dam is registered in the Stud Book: that in all other cases the pony submitted for registration shall not exceed 15 hands, and that the present inspection conditions remain unaltered."

There is, as all polo players know, a certain amount of dissatisfaction prevailing in England in connection with the height question or, more accurately with the system of measuring. There is a lack of uniformity. This is nothing new; it has been a source of difficulty ever since the question of height assumed a place in the politics of the game. Granting the existence of this difficulty, we confess our inability to see how the proposed change in the rules of the Stud Book would serve to meet it. The primary purpose of the society and its Stud Book was to foster the breeding of ponies for the game: and to say that its first object was to ensure, or do its utmost to ensure, the production of ponies of the required height is to state an obvious truism. It was not an easy thing to arrange a Stud Book on the lines required to meet the case: the aim was from the breeder's standpoint to evolve the Order of a breed from the chaos of mixed breeds or no breeds at all: and the scheme adopted was perhaps as good a one as practical ingenuity could devise. The "ante-room" system, if we may so call it, took into an outer fold the produce of sires and dams thought likely to give pony stock which would not grow beyond the 14-2 limit of height; if an animal grew beyond that limit he was turned out of the ante-room: if he reach full growth without exceeding it, he is admitted to the honour of membership in the Stud Book proper. We should be much at a loss to devise a scheme fairer on the one hand to the breeder whose interests are the care of the Society, or better calculated on the other to meet the needs of the polo world.

Let us take the motion in its two parts: first "that no limit of height be imposed in the case of a pony whose sire or dam is registered." This presupposes that the produce of any mating from

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Stud Book parents will not exceed the regulation height: a sanguine view which practical breeders could not possibly share. It seems to involve the assumption that the Society in the few years of its useful existence has succeeded in evolving a new breed whose salient characteristic is physical inability to exceed a specified stature, a characteristic which has never distinguished any breed of domestic animal yet and in all human probability never will. The effect of such a change would be, so far as our limited vision indicates, to render the whole Stud Book absolutely worthless for polo purposes: it would simply open a gulf between the breeder and the player to the great detriment of both and to the advantage of none. It is, of course, permissible to argue that polo is not the sole aim and end of pony breeding and that it would be no disadvantage to any one to recognise as a "pony" an animal of 15 hands or more for hacking or driving. That may be conceded: but surely it would be equally allowable to urge that inasmuch as all thoroughbreds are not used for racing purposes, horses of impure breeding might therefore be admitted to the sacred pages of the general Stud Book. We find ourselves at a loss to discern the advantage which might be expected from adoption of either clause of the motion, the second of which ran "that in all other cases the pony submitted for registration shall not exceed 15 hands." Passing over the rather obvious objection that an equine of 15 hands is far more than a pony we come to the mover's explanation. Nothing, he said, was further from his mind than a wish to increase the height of polo ponies—an announcement which his motion had certainly not prepared. This object was to relieve the Society of the responsibility entailed by the task of measurement and to throw it on the Hurlingham Committee. That is a position intelligible enough; but if it be acknowledged that the question of height is not one for the Society we can only say that the *raison d'etre* of the Society is gone and that it may as well put up the shutters. It was started with a definite purpose and that definite purpose has been kept resolutely in view, and to alter its purpose in a manner which would alienate its work from the game which provides its principal market would be nothing short of deliberate suicide. This being so, and we cannot think that it is open to denial, the mover of this proposed change must be considered fortunate to have found a number of the P. and R. P. Society's Council to second his motion. The rest of the Council were frankly and outspokenly averse from it. Mr. Tresham Gilbey voiced the view of all practical men when he said that the Society "must keep in touch with Hurlingham." That is the whole point in a few words: an industrial enterprise which ignores the needs of its market is foredoomed to failure: success is only to be won by careful study of requirements and assiduous endeavour to meet them: and polo ponies as articles of commerce are not exempt from the laws governing these matters.

The abortive motion however proved fruitful in spite of itself: it served to press upon the notice of the Council the necessity for endeavour to do away with the independent measurement system it has been obliged to adopt and make advances in the direction of uniformity. Mr. Charles Miller, manager of the Roehampton Club, and Mr. Howard Taylor had no difficulty in finding the right solution of the measuring problem. Their proposal was to approach the Hurlingham Committee and Mr. Sheather, the official measurers with the proposition that provincial measuring centres be established whither owners might send their ponies to be measured by Mr. Sheather on behalf of the Polo and Riding Pony Society. It is to be hoped that the Hurlingham Committee may be able to agree to this proposal: the duties of the official measurer when the polo season is approaching and during its course, may forbid him to be absent from head-quarters: but there are many months of the year when he might visit the provincial centres, as suggested, on dates named in advance. The adoption of this mutual standard of measurement should go far to allay the difficulties which have surrounded the question. It would be well worth adoption if only because it would remove all possible uncertainty concerning the eligibility of ponies entered in the Stud Book to play in the great tournaments and games under Hurlingham rules.

Sporting Notes.

A HAPPY NEW YEAR to all our friends, supporters and well wishers: may 1907 bring them and us good luck.

Viceroy's Cup Day has hurried past us with its surprises and disappointments, and the year of grace, 1906, will long be memorable among racing men in India for the crushing of one of the hottest favourites that have ever started for the big race in Calcutta, that splendid little country-bred pony, Saloon. The breakdown of poor old Long Tom was very pitiful, and it is difficult to understand how his connections came to start an obviously lame horse! unless they were influenced by the desire to give his backers a run for their money. Some heavy bets were booked many weeks ago on last year's winner, but as events have turned out, it would have been wiser to have scratched him early in December. For once the followers of track form were triumphant, and there can be no doubt that the three best trained horses secured the coveted places.

Perhaps the most surprising success of the big meeting was that of Paddy's Darling, the little English filly landed in the autumn with a great reputation as a sprinter. She was first sent along in earnest, being freely backed at level money, in the rich Chowringhee Plate over seven furlongs. Here she cantered away from a moderate field, but her lack of form over a longer distance procured her lenient treatment by the handicappers in the Cooch Behar Cup, for which her connections again backed her freely down to threes. She was only asked to give five pounds to Clynder and received a *soupcon*, even from little Saloon, whom she smothered for speed from the moment the gate went up. Fitzgrafton had a cut at her, but the pursuit was hopeless and the mare won very comfortably by two lengths. The disappointment of this race was Sacristan II., whose jockey seemed to adopt entirely new tactics, lying last until the turn for home regardless of the fine sprinters stealing away in front of the field. The horse never got within speaking distance even of Saloon who finished third.

The Lawn Plate on the second day of the First Meeting furnished a remarkably pretty race and the first four horses finished with their heads locked together, giving the two new judges a real hot bit of work. The public had found the winner in Killeevan, on whom Robinson rode one of the beautifully timed finishes to which he has treated the Stands this season, and the placed horses were also well backed, particularly the curiously marked grey Jolly Abbott who has shown himself a real game customer, running perhaps in a class rather better than he can cope with.

The Selling Race on this day brought about some interesting bidding and both Lipscombe, the winner, and Rustile, the second horse, changed hands, the owners of both doing nicely out of the transaction. The winner was hotly backed, Rustile being the only other horse supported in the Ring, which discounts somewhat from the value of the handicap.

The Hurdle Race was the reverse of exciting. The public realized that the handicap was the softest of soft things for Thomond and backed him till the bookies grew tired. Olynthus carted round 11st. 3lbs. and poor little Lord D. also toiled in the rear under the respectable burden of 10st. 7lbs. The two likeliest looking ones by the card, Nak Our and Loch Lochie, fell, and this allowed the popular grey and scarlet jacket to roll home alone.

Another popular victory was that of the cerise and black cap, when Colonel Beaver's Jolly Roger fairly ran away with the handsome Gunny Meah Cup. Baichan rode the pony very nicely and repeated his success on Monday by winning a mile handicap in capital style. He also rode Saloon in the Cooch Behar Cup and is slowly but surely making his reputation as one of the very finest light-weight jockeys in India. Messrs. Wood and Badger's fine sprinter Sermon, brought home his backers' money in the Sandown Park Plate, which is a three thousand five hundred rupee stake nowadays, but he was upset on the third day by the speedy Amyas, who broke Mr. Dartmoor's spell of bad luck.

The Macpherson Cup promised to be a fiasco as all Mr. Apcar's horses were scratched and only eight accepted, of which one seemed to have an astonishing advantage in the weights on his running in the Viceroy's Cup. The public were not slow to realize this fact and Lamrock was backed down to odds on very soon after operations in the Ring commenced. The Master and Steinhager ran true to their Cup form, but the handicappers were in some measure vindicated by the victory of the despised Dirty Boy, who came on the outside of the course and beat the "good thing" by the shortest of heads.

Claribell has shown herself the best pony in Calcutta but succumbed to the improving Matin Bell on Monday when asked to concede over 3st. in a mile race. Flo obligingly started and received two hundred rupees as third money, there being no other applicants: to such a pass is pony racing reduced on this side of India!

Robinson scored a clever win in the New Year Plate, not having allowed himself to be misled by the pace set by the well-meaning rider of Seamander. Old Bundook made a gallant effort to win this race, but Our State successfully stalled him off and put yet another win to the credit of Robinson's lucky stable.

The new stands have now been well tried and the present accommodation seems to be sufficient for all purposes. The relic of the old stand still swallows up a considerable number of spectators, and the third stand to be built this summer will no doubt be used by them next year, but it seems rather like building an Atlantic liner to bring herrings to Yarmouth. However, perhaps, we shall grow into it which is an inspirating thought. The topmost tiers of seats in the Club stand were not overcrowded at the 'Xmas Meeting and the reserved enclosures were at no time crowded to excess in spite of a record gate. When the surging throng beneath the old Viceroy's box after each race returns to memory, the improvement appears in its most attractive light. As to seating accommodation it is a mistake to believe that every race-goer wants a seat. Many never leave the betting ring except to see the number go up, hundreds never dream of leaving the market place until the starter's bell has rung.

The Lahore and Meean Mir Dog Show on the 27th and 28th ultimo was a big success, a full report will appear in our next issue. The *Indian Field* special gold medal was won by Mr. Roe's Dachshund Caviare.

Owing to a stupid printers' error in our report of the Second Day of the Calcutta first meeting the winner of the Pony Hurdle Handicap was given as "Whit." Lucretia won, as our detailed description of the race shows, while Whitefoot (not "Whit") fell and broke his neck. A rather different thing to winning. We apologise to our readers, printers do this sort of thing about Christmas time we find.

His Excellency the Viceroy has consented to become patron of the Calcutta Kennel Club.

The Polo Tournament for the Venugopaul Cup, played in Madras, ended in the Golconda team beating the Gordon's Horse team, as will be seen from our report. This is the third victory of the Golcondas who, under the conditions, now keep the Cup for good. Rajah Venugopaul has come forward with the offer of another Challenge Cup which will probably be accepted.

We remind all dog owners that entries for the Calcutta Kennel Club Championship Show close on the 15th instant. Applications for rules, entry and registration forms should be made to the Honorary Secretary (7-1, Lyon's Range) early.

It has been decided to hold a Flower Show in connection with Lady Minto's *Fête* from the 28th January to the 6th February next. In addition to this Mr. S. P. Chatterjee, India's foremost florist, is fitting up a flower stall and placing at the disposal of the Ladies' Committee a supply of flowers for sale, in the interest of the Charities, throughout the *Fête*. All that is now required to make this part of the *Fête* a success, is the assistance of the gardening public, who by contributing to the funds will help to meet expenses and provide handsome

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The Quetta Hunt Point to Point Races for the Military Challenge Cup was run off on the 20th ultimo. They met between the Civil Jail and Woodcock Spinney and there was a big field and lots of people to look on.

The conditions were for ponies 14-2 and under, the *bonâ-fide* property of officers of regiments re-entering, owners and riders to belong to the regiment, teams of not more than four and the ponies to be *bonâ-fide* hunters with Quetta Hunt during the present season. Ponies to be marked in the order in which they finish, the first in to get the same number of marks as starters, the second one less and so on. The team getting the highest points to win the Cup. Aggregate weight of each team—46st. or over ; no pony to carry less than 10st. 7lbs.

The course was round four points, starting from the Civil Jail to Woodcock Spinney, then towards Khar Mahommed, from there for about a mile towards Takatu, then turning South and finishing at a point near the road between the Civil Jail and Woodcock Spinney. Distance about 4 miles.

The teams competing were R. A., R. E., Royal Warwickshire Regiment, York and Lancaster Regiment (two teams), 127th (P. W. O.) Baluch L. I. (two teams), 128th Pioneers and Captain Chenevix Trench who represented the Political Department by himself.

The R. A. won the Cup with 89 points, the 127th P. W. O. Baluchis were second with 76 points, and the Royal Warwickshire third with 68 points. Appended is the order in which they finished :—

	Points.
Mr. Newall's Banzai, R. War., Owner	30
Mr. Farfan's Amir, R. A.	29
Capt. Stewart's Ryot, 127th B. L. I. (A.), Mr. McCudden	28
Capt. Johnson's Bayonet, R. War., Mr. Gordon ...	27
Capt. Tyler's Punch, R. A., Owner ...	26
Capt. Trench's Banzai, Pol. Dept., Owner	25
Mr. Anderson's Magpie, 128th Prs.	24
Capt. Wedgwood's Sportsman, Y. and L. (A.), Owner ...	23
Capt. Grant's Gingerine, 127th B. L. I. (A.), Mr. Bell ...	22
Capt. Hodgson's Kelp, R. E., Mr. Pollock	21
Mr. Townend's Caramel, R. E., Owner	20
Major Giles's Saucy, R. A.	19
Mr. Daniel's Joyful, 127th B. L. I. (A.), Owner ...	18
Capt. Hodgson's Tamil, R. E., Owner	17
Mr. Osborne's Butcha, Y. and L. (A.), Owner ...	16
Mr. Marshall's Tudor, R. A., Owner	15
Capt. Moore's Bayswater, 128th Prs., Owner ...	14
Capt. Moore's Alexander, 128th Prs., Mr. Graham ...	13
Mr. Exham's Ghazi, Y. and L. (B.), Captain Thurnall...	12
Capt. Johnson's Robert, R. War., Mr. Boxwell ...	11
Mr. Harvey-Kelly's Tip Cat, 127th B. L. I. (B.), Owner	10
Capt. Duckworth's Tom, Y. and L. (B.), Mr. Smith ...	9
Mr. Lake's Bamboo, 127th B. L. I. (A.), Mr. Auret ...	8
Mr. Molesworth's Khan Bahadur, R. E., Mr. Roberts ...	7
Mr. Tate's Red Ruby, 127th B. L. I. (B.), Owner ...	6

The Gorakhpur Spring Meeting has been fixed for the 13th and 15th February ; entries close on the 15th and 31st January and 10th February respectively.

Owing to the "Christmas rush," and the inevitable vagaries of the Post Office, a few matters had to be held over from last issue ; we publish them now.

Shikaris, not only in the United Provinces, but all over India, will read with interest what "U. P." has to say in his long letter published in our Correspondence Columns to-day. Several letters anent these rules have already been printed by us, but none of them have dealt with these rules in such a comprehensive manner. It is sad but true that the general public, especially our military officers, are frequently curiously ignorant of these rules and the way they are worked. The present rules are but the thin end of the wedge and if they are allowed to stand in the "U. P." will be followed by similar ones all over India ; so we emphasise the fact that "U. P.'s" criticisms are of vital interest to those who shoot *all over India*, not only in the provinces to which he refers. These observations, we should say, ought to remove many erroneous impressions now prevailing among military men and non-officials that the civilians are responsible for the past working of the rules. They clearly show how utterly rotten the rules are. We earnestly hope "U. P.'s" letter will be followed by many others until such an agitation is aroused as will compel Government to alter them.

It will be recollected that the wild boars in Windsor Forest were destroyed because they were considered dangerous ; but we see that Mr. Walter Winans, in a letter to the *Morning Leader*, suggests the introduction of wild boars into Scottish deer forests. He says: "Many forests have woods in the bottom of the glens which would be just the place for turning down wild boar ,and then, when one cannot go out stalking—and how many days this happens, because the wind is wrong or because there is too much mist on the hill—one could have a boar drive, or combined boar and roe drive. The wild boar is very prolific, and increases five or six times as fast as the red or roe deer. In fact, boars could be hand-reared, like pheasants, and thus any quantity might be bred each year. They would be easier than deer to keep out of the crofters' crops, as they do not jump fences. There are rough mountain tracks where deer are seldom seen, and which are no use for anything, which could be made into wild boar preserves. Here, by hand-rearing, big bags could be shot, and I do not think this would be more, if as expensive, as having an equal head of pheasants."

An ingenious method of conveying poached salmon, which is said to have been carried out for years by a man who had a small sheep croft, is related by a writer in the *Edinburgh Dispatch*. The plan was never suspected till he told some cronies before leaving for Canada. There were a couple of burns forming the marches of his farm, a wild, outlandish place, over ten miles from any town. The whole district was absolutely bare ; and as he had a perfect right to be on the banks of the burns at all times and seasons, there was little chance of his being caught in the act of killing fish. The difficult business was to dispose of his spoil to advantage. His own story was that he killed a sheep and skinned it, leaving, however, the head and feet attached to the skin. The head was cured, and glass eyes inserted, and the body was formed with hoops under the skin. When he had a sufficient number of fresh or kippered fish, these were put in the "hold" and the belly laced up. The blood of a rabbit would be sprinkled about the throat and nostrils, and the head wetted to give it a fresh appearance. With the carcase lying carelessly in the bottom of his cart, he would drive to the shop of a small butcher who was in league with him in disposing of the fish.

The head official of the United States Treasury recently had the stomach of a dog sent him, with the following letter :—"Dear Sir,—I send under separate cover stomach of my dog Fritz. I was playing with him to-day, holding a twenty-dollar bill up for him to jump at, when he suddenly leaped higher than I anticipated, grabbed the bill between his teeth, ran under the house, where he chewed the money up and swallowed it. I thought more of the twenty dollars than I did of Fritz—he was always chasing chickens—so I shot him and cut out his stomach. Please see if you can't paste the bill together and redeem it." "The unique feature of this case," said Mr. Schreiner (the official), "is that we found the bill, slightly chewed up, but sufficiently whole to identify and redeem, and the man has duly received a cheque for twenty dollars."

One of the most successful recent shoots at Home was that of Lord Ellesmere who in three days at Worsley Hall, near Manchester, with seven guns, killed over three thousand seven hundred head of game. The bag included over eighteen hundred pheasants and eight woodcock.

Concerning the treatment of tiger and panther bites in camp. "Poor Jim" writes as follows to the *Madras Mail* :—

In hospital practice these would come under the term of "poisoned wounds," and the treatment while in the jungle would be to wash the wounds with a stream of water, or squeeze the sides of the wounds and suck them and allow a little blood and serum to flow. Then apply freely some pure or liquefied carbolic acid to the wounds by means of a swab, which is merely a roll of absorbent cotton at one end of a stick. The excess of carbolic acid may be removed by washing with a little absolute alcohol. Iodoform may then be dusted over the wounds and cotton wool applied by means of a bandage. A grain of opium may be given and repeated every three or four hours till pain is relieved. Care must be taken not to apply too much pure carbolic acid to the fingers or toes, lest these become gangrenous, although the pure acid is less easily absorbed than the dilute acid, and the excess acid washed away with the alcohol. A couple of ounces of each will be sufficient, and the cost of both will be about a rupee.

The above is intended for slight and limited wounds only, and not for extensive lacerations, crunching of the bones, severe hæmorrhage, etc., which, of course, require different treatment.

The dates of the fifth, sixth and seventh Calcutta Extra Meetings have been fixed for the 9th, 16th and 23rd February.

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The last meet of the Lahore Hunt at Shalimar provided a most enjoyable day, there being nearly fifty people out. Finding quickly they soon had a good jack going and after a zig zag course he eventually broke back and got into a cotton-field from which he was dislodged with considerable difficulty owing mainly to the curious tactics of several of the field. But patience on the part of the Master had its reward and hounds were after a long check on to him again. He led them towards Harbanspura and was ultimately rolled over in a nullah. A second jack was put up but unfortunately chopped in covert.

As we have had occasion to remark more than once recently the extinction of pony racing in Calcutta seems to be within measurable distance. In this connection we are glad to see the *Indian Planters Gazette* coming forward with a suggestion that has much to recommend it. Our contemporary writes :—

"The exceptionally fine form shown by that marvellous country-bred Saloon warrants our suggesting that Government should wake up to the necessity of encouraging breeders by giving plates at racing centres situated where or near where the industry is chiefly carried on. General Sir E. Locke Elliot, who is interesting himself in the matter, is doing his best to urge upon the authorities what good results such action would have in stimulating the production of blood stock as well as the sale of them, for be it remembered there are now some three hundred blood sires at the various studs. Purchasers will flock in as soon as they find there are prizes worth winning for the class at up-country meetings. No better way exists to work up the market. About Rs. 30,000 would be ample. The decadence of pony racing in Calcutta is so evident that within a very few years events for this class will be entirely eliminated from the programmes ; by that time Viceroy's and King's Plates given up-country should have brought fairly big fields ; in which case it may be taken for granted that the C. T. C. will gladly give big purses as further encouragement. Patiala has already shown us what can be done, so has Mysore. Sir Pertab Singh will gladly follow the lead, so will Ulwar and many other States. No one knows better than His Excellency the Viceroy what Government encouragement did for horse-breeding in Canada, and we feel sure if the suggestion is brought before him, he will at once give it strong support. Young stock might be leased out to responsible racing men to be returned within a certain term. Other ideas may strike some of our readers and we invite correspondence on our suggestion."

Our Bombay Correspondent writes :—Attendances at Mahaluxmi seem gradually to be increasing, the actual racing too is improving, and with very fair entries last Saturday, the races were open as a whole and the day proved a most interesting one.

The day opened with the Sydney Plate for which Russley Rose certainly seemed "chucked in" and, despite the mare's poor exhibition in Poona, she went out a hot 2 to 1 on favourite with the second string Koko backed by many who were doubtful which the stable expected. That marvellously improved black mare, Gun Metal, a credit to Fowler's training, carried a good deal of place money with little or none to win despite "Tod's" confidence. Ames took her straight to the front, commanded a substantial lead, and came in easily. Russley Rose came very late and just beat her stable companion.

With only 1, 2 to pay out on places, the pencil brigade found the Desert Plate a good betting race ; Rose at 7 to 4 and Vedas 5 to 2 with Little Joker and Zurriff supported. Vedas, of course, made the running, though Ames never took too much out of him and rode a far better race than this pony is usually asked to run. Rose, though, was very fit and with his turn of speed held Vedas safe in the run in when Ames eased the chestnut and let Zurriff up, on whom Kamad did not go the shortest way round. A supposed "good thing" in Mudlool went down in the Midget Plate when Shanwar came beautifully at the bend and had the race in safe keeping.

The Mistletoe Plate for horses followed and punters were in a quandary as, though a steady flow came for Gumbara and Balayeuse, Adelaide suddenly fell from tens to twos and Baritone, whose stable are rumoured to have put the stuff on in the morning, lengthened from threes to fives with the rumour freely spread about that his "gammy" leg had had a jar on the track. As the race panned out, Fisher early took Baritone out and, taking the corner far better than we have been told the black could ever hope to do, won anyhow with a fifth of a second tacked on to Comeback's time with the "gammy" one all out. This is indeed training on, and if he continues to do so will want watching. Williams held second place to the bend and that he was interfered with is ridiculous.

Prior to the Colaba Plate, Mr. Toolsidas Tejpal apparently thought, Antica would thus early get back the purchase money. The gallops of Gladiator, however, were on the tongues of every stable boy and this promisingly built grey went out an equal favourite. Ames took him straight out and went away by six lengths and when Antica did begin to come up the task was hopeless. Caractacus was a long shot tried by many and he and Sabah had a tremendous race for a place and the latter just got up in time to dead-heat.

Lastly came the Auction Plate won by Court Martial. Solicitor will have to be reckoned with in future as in this race he came at a tremendous pace and pipped Turn of Luck for place money.

Mr. Apcar's good fortune was crowned on New Year's Day by the victory of Seclusion in the Indian Grand National. The chestnut was in splendid fettle and Hoyt rode her with capital judgment, with his weather eye fixed on the favourite Kipling, his only serious opponent. The surprise of the race was Olynthus, who ran a great horse, leading most of the time and eventually dead-heating with Kipling for second place owing to Sheldrake's easing of the favourite a little too soon a mistake costing Rs. 500. Mr. Pugh's horse is evidently a hard puller and more or less ran himself out before the real struggle came.

Grief was unfortunately very plentiful, beginning with the break up of Olga (Hoyt) over the last fence and continuing with Energy (Mr. Turner) and Good Chap (Mr. Hamilton) in the Pony Hunters' Chase. The Trial Chase brought down Kingpin, Craig, and Coronet, and Howie broke a collarborne while Murphy had to be carried away with a serious concussion. In the National Look Out fell at the last fence and Greenstone on the far side, so that it was a relief when the Hunters got the course without an accident, other than Posey's refusal to face the open ditch. The chief cause of so much disaster was want of schooling, but there is little doubt ; that the new fangled matting run along the far side of the hedges had a good deal to do with it. This matting was laid along the fence to thicken the lower part of the thin cold weather hedges and was supposed to fall down when touched. Unfortunately it merely sagged in some instances and thus succeeded in turning the unlucky horses clean over. Olga was the most notable instance of this form of accident and much the same befell Good Chap, Kingpin, Coronet and Look Out. This whilom hunter was going very well when he fell and it will be a great pity if his injuries turn out to be serious.

Athletic Notes.

THE Honorary Secretaries of the Bengal Presidency Amateur Athletic Association have got out the programme for their next Sports Meeting betimes, and we believe it has found its way to every Officers' and Sergeants' Mess, Club, and Institute in India. There are already some indications of athletic activity, especially among the military, who are expected to swell the entries more than ever this year. The offer of the big money prize for the tug of war has been very favourably regarded by the soldier teams ; and it is hoped that a big entry for this particular event will be the direct result of the Association's liberality.

Concerning Indian cricket, Lord Harris remarked in a recent interview:—"It has improved, undoubtedly, since I was out there. It has been taken up far more in schools and colleges than it was ten or fifteen years ago, for it is now generally recognised that it is better for boys in their leisure to be in evidence, as in cricket, than idling or misspending their time. Indians have a good eye and rather long arms, but do not possess the patience and resolution of the Anglo-Saxon. They are very easily excited, and what always militates against sending their best team over here is caste custom, caste prejudice, and racial prejudice."

It is proposed to bring the Murray Football Tournament off during the cold weather, and the semi-finals and final will, it is expected, be played in Lucknow between the middle and end of February next. Lieutenant-General Sir E. Locke Elliot, Commanding 8th Division, has kindly undertaken to form a Committee of Management. Last year there were twenty entries for this Tournament, and it is now looked upon in the Army as the "blue riband" of Indian Football. Certainly it is *the* most popular. This year there is every reason to believe the number of Regiments entering teams will prove a record. Entries for the Tournament may be sent to Murray and Co., Ld., Lucknow.

The Calcutta Y. M. C. A. annual athletic sports meeting will be held on Saturday, the 26th instant. There are two open handicaps for amateurs only—100 yards and 440 yards. Entries close on the 19th instant.

Last Saturday the Calcutta Football Club sent out a team to play a team from the flagship *Hermes* now in port. For an off season game it was not half bad ; it was tolerably even up to half time, "lemon time" arriving with Calcutta leading by a goal. In the second half the landsmen's superior condition and science told and the sailors had to play mostly on the defensive and left the field beaten by five goals to *nil*. Teams :—

CALCUTTA F. C.—Dods, *goal ;* V. Cooper and Badham, *backs ;* Ansell, Winckworth, and Crawford *half-backs ;* Binning, H. M. Sherman, McConnell, V. Sherman, and McDonald Smith, *forwards.*

H. M. S. "HERMES."—Ruffles, *goal ;* Arnott and Mr. Thomas, *backs ;* Dobb, Ronaldson and Pearse, *half-backs ;* Griffin, Johnson, Oates, Johnson and Lister, *forwards.*

Punjab-Bengal Football Tournament.—The 2nd Battalion, the Black Watch, and 2nd Battalion, the Gordon Highlanders, met in the first round of this tournament at Peshawar on the 26th December After the start the play was chiefly in mid-field, but a beautiful centre from the right wing by Smith, of the Gordon Highlanders, was converted into a goal by Galletty, two minutes before half-time. Up to half-time both teams played an excellent game, and there was not much to choose between them. On resuming play the Gordon Highlanders had the best of the game, and ten minutes from time Graham scored the second goal for them. The Black Watch played up well at the finish, but failed to score, thus leaving the Gordon Highlanders winners by two goals to *nil*.

The boxing contest between Newman and Pickering at the Opera House, Calcutta, on the 26th ultimo, lasted thirteen rounds and the award went to Newman on a foul. Pickering had rather the best of the first five rounds and then the American pulled himself together and fighting vigorously soon had his opponent in trouble. Pickering was brought down in the thirteenth round, he rose before the count was concluded but dropped to his knee again without being hit, the fight being given to Newman in consequence. Among the side events were a couple of exhibition bouts by Blue Jackets from the *Hermes*, Rozario fought four rounds with Ranken, and there was a display of wrestling by two natives.

The following account of one of those disgusting and demoralising endurance contests reads more like a description of a bit of the infernal regions than the report of a cycle race :—

"Another serious accident occurred on 13th December in the six-day bicycle race in America. Two riders collided and fell, and nine others, pedalling madly close behind, had no time to avoid them, and tumbled in a heap over them. Two sustained such serious injuries that they are out of the race. Hollister, the Salt Lake City representative, has a fractured hip and broken ribbs, and Vanoni, the Italian, is badly cut. News of the accident, and the eager expectation of seeing a repetition of it, brought such thousands

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of spectators that the enormous building was unable to accommodate them. It is not a lovely spectacle that the Madison Square garden presents. The sight of the weary, haggard-eyed competitors, monotonously trailing round and round, hour after hour, does not appeal to any genuine sporting interest, and only the hope of seeing serious, possibly fatal, accidents brings most of the spectators, who, as a result, are a collection of brutal and depraved persons, compared with whom the scum of the racecourse and the prize-ring are elegant society. The police authorities have declined to permit the services of their officers, so constant is the violence, robbery, and ruffianism of every description. The spectators are showing equal endurance with the riders. Thousands of them have not left the building since the contest began at midnight on Sunday, sleeping and eating on their seats. The hall is overheated and unventilated lest the riders should catch a chill, so that the atmosphere is reeking of tobacco and sour beer. The fumes and exhalation from the crowd are offensive beyond description. A knife was thrown at Vanoni on the fourth day, presumably by a man betting against him. Women, drinking champagne, remained in a box through the night at intervals, handing dollar bills to the riders as they passed, and otherwise varying the monotony by fighting. Boys and youths are resorting to robbery in order to get money for admission. One was killed by endeavouring to scale the exterior wall and enter by the window. He fell and was impaled upon spiked railings."

Harmston's Circus continues to hold first place in public regard of all the shows located on the Calcutta maidan; at least, so we are led to believe when we see the crowded houses which gather round the arena at the nightly presentations and numerous matinees—of which, by the way, there have been no less than three so far this week. Of the remarkably clever Frantz Troupe we have written before; they are prime favourites and deservedly so; for we cannot remember to have seen anything better than their turn in an exile of thirty years of Calcutta, our experience dating back to the palmy dates of John Wilson, Cook, Chiarini and others. The items in which the wild and domesticated animals take part are all good—the tigers and bears, the trick ponies the steady going old plodders on whom the Sylphs of the ring, the bounding jockeys and others disport themselves with such grace and daring, and the jumping and diving dogs. The latter give a pleasing exhibition and exhibit training and docility in their highest form; the hound is really a marvellous high jumper, and the little stodgy "Dawg," of no particular class, who climbs up a perpendicular ladder to the very top of the tent and dives from a platform into a net held below is all pluck, good temper, and cleverness. The dancing quartette have put on some new things, notably their "Buck Dance" which is loudly applauded every time it is rendered. The Wheelers pursue their devious and amazing gyrations, the clowns "get in their laughs" from audiences who seem oblivious when under this mammoth canvas of such irritating realities as Congresses and Swadeshi ebullitions. The lithe and supple J. Roberts is an equilibrist of more than average merit; he is seen at his best, perhaps, in the "Stair Case Act" after seeing which we are confirmed in the opinion that he is as much at home walking on his hand as on his feet. Frank Eldred on the *Globe roulante* or a horse is distinctly original and undoubtedly clever.

The first high jumping contest for local ponies will be held this evening—a handsome trophy being offered. There will be further changes of programme during the week and to-morrow night will be the benefit performance of the Frantz Troupe. The total takings at the performance in aid of the Minto Fête were Rs. 3,289; Rs. 718 by booking and Rs. 2,571 at the ticket office. As the Fête were to receive half, their share works out at Rs. 1,644-8, but Madame Harmston-Love has generously decided to hand over Rs. 2,000 to the fund.

The Indian Golf Championship was decided on Tuesday when Lieutenant McAllen beat Mr. McCormack in the final (36 holes) by 8 up and 7 to play. Details elsewhere.

A medical man was wandering through an asylum's wards one day, says the *Liverpool Post*. He came upon a man who sat in a brown study on a bench. "How do you do, sir" said the doctor. What is your name may I ask?" "My name!" said the other frowning fiercely. "Why, Tsar Nicholas, of course." "Indeed!" said the doctor. "Yet the last time I was here you were the Emperor of Germany" "Yes, of course," said the other, quickly; "but that was by my first wife.

During a theological argument in the commercial room, the assistant waiter was despatched to the bar for a concordance. He returned in a few minutes to say they only kept "soda and Apollinaris."

Roughrider to recruit in riding-school, who is trying to keep his balance by waving his arms violently:

"Ullo! you blooming angel! Oo asked you to spread your wings?"

London Week by Week.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

Friday, 14th December 1906.

THE Smithfield Show was opened on Monday at the Agricultural Hall. The Prince of Wales was at the Hall early and went round the stalls, where he was no doubt gratified to find himself a prize-winner. He afterwards lunched with Sir Walter Gilbey, who is President of the Agricultural Hall Company. The King came later, and with His Majesty the Princess of Wales, to receive the usual ovation. The King looked well in spite of the cold, which was greater in Norfolk on Monday than in town. In parts of that country and Suffolk they had ten inches of snow, and it was also lying deep on the Yorkshire wolds. We have had sharp frosts at night lately, but it does not last. London is given over to weeping skies and mud by day.

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Well, the Lords have made certain amendments in the Education Bill to make its terms correspond with Ministerial professions of purpose and the Commons have decided to reject the Lords' amendments *en bloc*, without considering them. So here have we the bone for a first class fight. Few people care a straw about the precious bill; but good as we are and civilised, we like a fight; and we like the prospect of this one much since the Lords are bound to win. The Nonconformists are threatening awful things if C. B. and Co. climb down by a single rung. I suppose the fun will not begin in earnest till after Christmas, ere when the Lords will no doubt have completed the enormity of licking the Trades Dispute Bill into some sort of reasonable shape.

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As Christmas draws nearer the storm of appeals in aid of charity grows heavier: it has been more voluminous than ever this year, and the quantity of circulars which inundate one's letter box defeat their own end. Somebody with more leisure than the majority has been urging recipients of these appeals at least to answer them if they don't respond with a donation. I do not see the good of doing so myself: letters, not of allotment but regret, would only single out the indulgent writer as vulnerable to more direct application; and when you receive, as I have received, an average of four appeals per day for a week, budget increasing, you must be as fond of letter-writing as Mr. Micawber if they don't go into the waste paper basket.

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Mr. Haldane's assertion that only 67 per cent. of the Scots Greys are Scotsmen has drawn a prompt rejoinder from General Russell, Honorary Colonel of the Royals, to which regiment the Scots Greys are affiliated: he says that of 382 men enlisted from June 1904 to June 1906, 348 were Scotsmen enlisted in Scotland, 21 were English, 10 Irish and 3 Colonials; and he hopes Mr. Haldane is better informed concerning other details of the Army. Lord Rosebery and his eldest son, by the way, offered the War Office land for cavalry barracks at Dalmeny, free of all cost. It was a generous offer and a politic; but Mr. Haldane declined it on the score of unsuitability of the nature of the ground. He said it was too much on a slope.

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The new tube will open to-morrow for traffic. Starting at Hammersmith, it comes close to Earls' Court, Gloucester Road and South Kensington stations, then turns north a little from the underground to have a station opposite Mudie's in the Brompton Road, another half way between Tattersalls and the top of Sloane Street, another in the terrace facing the Park, close to St. George's Hospital, another in Down Street, another in Dover Street, and another in Piccadilly Circus. Whereafter it meanders away past Cicester Square, Russell Square and Holborn into unknown desert regions such as Caledonian Road, Holloway and Finsbury Park. It will be a vast convenience to this side of Piccadilly Circus, though doubtless we shall complain that the stations are too close together.

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The theatrical event of the week, of course, was the revival of the Gilbert and Sullivan opera series with "The Yeomen of the Guard" on Saturday. The late Sir A. Sullivan regarded the music he composed for this piece the best light operatic work he had done, and this may be the reason why it was chosen to lead the way. There was the anticipated rush for seats: enthusiastic pittites or galleryites were shivering on the Savoy doorstep for hours before the doors opened. It seemed to me that the audience did not quite catch the Gilbert and Sullivan atmosphere at once: it was interested rather than sympathetic: and Gilbertian "points" provoked isolated laughter which seemed to puzzle the

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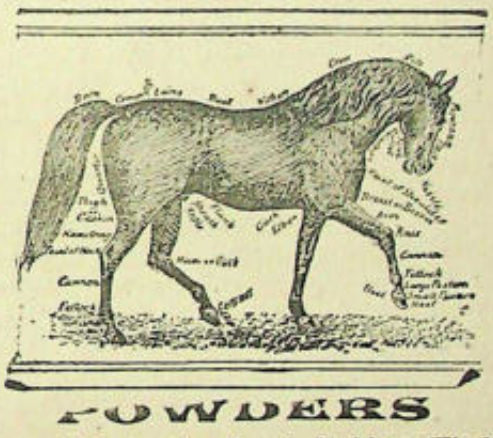

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laugher's surroundings. This unresponsive atmosphere held the house until Jack Point (admirably acted by Mr. C. H. Workman) delivered the "hands off" speech. Then the house got on terms with the author: "I have a song to sing, O" completed what the speech had begun and thenceforward you could feel that the house was in touch with the Gilbertian spirit. It seems ridiculous to say so, but so potent is the obscure influence of a crowd that I caught myself wondering whether Gilbertian humour was no humour after all; whether the play that delighted 15 years ago or more had had its day: and whether after all the Savoy operas were to be relegated to the dustheap with the heaps of musical comedy trash which tickles and dies. It made one feel old and unhappy, and the emphatic encore accorded "I have a song to sing, O" came as a positive relief.

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There is not in the cast a single player who acted in the piece when it first appeared; which, having regard to the lapse of time, is not wonderful, perhaps. The new hands have been well chosen; of Jack Point I have spoken; to him largely went the honours of the evening. Mr. John Chelow was Wilfred Shadbolt, Head Jailor and Assistant Tormentor, and was as lugubriously complexioned an Assistant Tormentor as could be desired. Miss Lillian Coomber was the Elsie Maynard; she played and sang well, but she did not, to my mind, catch the archaic atmosphere as did Miss Geraldine Ulmar, the original Elsie: the same remarks apply to the Phœbe of Miss Jessie Rose You would remember Miss Jessie Bond's Phœbe. Mr. W. G. Gilbert was in the house on Saturday and accepted a "call" which was repeated with real fervour by a delighted audience which I left shouting.

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"The Vicar of Wakefield" has been turned into a "New, Light, Romantic Opera," with Lyrics by Mr. Lawrence Housman and music by Miss Liza Lehmann; it was produced at the Prince of Wales' on Wednesday, with Mr. David Bispham as the Vicar and Miss Isabel Joy as Olivia. Mr. Lawrence Housman was under the necessity of enlisting the aid of some other writers to complete the work, but gracefully acknowledges on the programme "additional lyrics by Oliver Goldsmith, Shakespeare, Ben Jonson, etc." (I like that, "etc.") It is doubtful taste of course, but I found myself comparing the "additional" with the original lyrics, somewhat to the advantage of the former. Miss Lehmann's music is simple, melodious and admirably harmonises with the subject. The main points of the novel have been retained and the adaptation has been accomplished with a skill and discretion beyond the promise of the programme. Such songs as "Drink to me only" or "Come lasses and lads," though they had not the advantage of being penned by Mr. Housman, fall very naturally into such an opera as this. Mr. Bispham is capital as Dr. Primrose: he looks the part and is at home in it. Mrs. Theodore Wright as Mrs. Primrose is more than satisfactory, and Miss Isabel Joy is as fresh and attractive as Olivia ought to be. Mr. Walter Hyde as Squire Thornhill is well supplied with songs that suited his very agreeable tenor voice. The piece was very cordially received.

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Mr. Bourchier gave "Macbeth" on Tuesday afternoon in aid of charity. The critics say that the Macbeth of Shakespeare's creation has never been seen in our time, but Mr. Bourchier's conception of the part should satisfy most; an unpolished soldier, weak of will but with honourable feelings, does not perhaps represent all the true Macbeth, but 'twill serve. Miss Violet Vanburgh was Lady Macbeth, nervous, ambitious, and overstrained after the deed was done. Miss Vanbur h has grasped the feelings of Lady Macbeth and she played splendidly: she often suffers from inability to make her voice heard as she did on Tuesday. The piece was excellently staged, as it would be at the Garrick. By the way, why does Lady Macbeth see the ghost after she has dismissed her guests? *He* sees it; but is there any necessity for the innovation that makes her see it also.

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Not since the "Golden Light" fizzled out in unextinguishable laughter have I seen a play which so hopelessly missed the mark as Mr. Kingston's three—act production, "The Websters," produced at Terry's. It seemed like an attempt to reduce melodrama of the most melodramatic to serious comedy: and the result was roaring farce. The plot was as old as the stage itself, the characters were conventional to a degree, the speeches were long and grandiloquent. The players played it with artless seriousness and the audience looked on at first with puzzlement, then with passing impatience. Then at some more outrageous piece of "penny gaffery" than usual somebody laughed: and thenceforward by consent the house took "The Websters" as farce and laughed consumedly. It succeeded out of pure failure for the nonce: but I doubt its reappearance.

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There is a decided boom in Living Statuary at the music halls. La Milo, to whom Mr. W. T. Stead gave so valuable an advertisement in the shape of his approval, has gone from the Pavilion, but a new living statue "turn" is given by four Germans, one girl and three young men. The lady poses alone, and the others with or without her form groups after well known pictures or statuary. All four were sculptors' models in Germany and no doubt the fact explains the astonishing rigidity with which they pose even as their remarkably good physique explains why they became models. There is no gauze curtain to aid illusion; the groups are shown under the merciless limelight and the effect is really extraordinary. Living statues is not a new thing, but "the Seldoms" won the reception that is usually reserved for a successful novelty.

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The dramatic profession has furnished one Mr. Armiger Barclay with the subject for a violent tirade, somewhat after the style of the famous attack by the late Mr. Clement Scott which ended so disastrously for that able critic. Mr. Barclay, who would not appear to be intimate with many actors, affirms that "domesticity is a state of which actors have no experience," among other things; and his general opinion of the stage and all that walk thereon is of the lowest. I don't know who Mr. Barclay is nor does "Who's Who;" and I do not suppose the theatrical profession will be any the worse for his assault. It is a curious thing though that there should be a public always agape for abuse of actors and actresses, and a pretty wide public too. One is reminded of the poor heathen who worships his idols by night and pummels them by day.

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The student of human nature finds something to interest him in the case of Mrs. Pomeroy (Ltd.) *vs.* Mrs. J. S. Scalé. "Mrs. Pomeroy" was the name taken by Mrs. Scalé when she started her business as a complexion specialist in 1895. Eventually she sold that business to a company and started another; and the company sought to restrain her from using the name "Pomeroy" in connection with her new venture. The evidence given by Mrs. Scalé was suggestive. With some lack of discretion, pardonable in an American, she set up her beauty business in Chancery Lane; those who most do congregate in Chancery Lane proved blind to the opportunities offered them and Mrs. Scalé removed to Bond Street; and when she sold the business a few months ago the turnover was £21,000 a year in London, and there were branches in Glasgow, Dublin, Birmingham and Liverpool; there were 50,000 customers, clients or patrons on the books, and Mrs. Scalé employed eighty young women whom she herself had trained in the complexion business. The legal aspects of the case, I apprehend, would not be of interest: the evidence is not without interest. 'Tis a great thing to discover the weak side of one's fellow creatures, dear Editor.

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The Lyceum Theatre was sold yesterday under an order in Chancery. The auctioner said he considered the property worth about £200,000, but after the bidding had risen from £100,000 to £119,500 he opened the sealed instructions of the Court and declared the Theatre and all pertaining thereto, sold. The buyer's name has not yet transpired.

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Lord Goschen and various authors, including Miss Mary Cholmondeley, Mrs. Humphry Ward, Mr. E. V. Lucas and Mr. Hall Caine, met together a month ago to try and bring the *Times* and Publishers dispute to an end. The leading principles of the proposed basis of agreement is to treat books as new till they are five months old, save novels which it is proposed to treat as second hand when four months old The Authors' Society is not prepared to "fetter the discretion of authors" and the *Times* is willing to "ignore the discourtesy" with which the publishers have treated it and resume the negociations from the point reached on 9th May last. Last Monday the *Times* devoted an entire page to the names of Baronets, Knights, Colonels, Majors, Captains, Misters and Mrs. and Misses, led by a real live Earl who signed Mr. Henniker Heaton's memorial of support to the Book Club. I doubt if the end of the tedious quarrel is in sight.

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Last night at dinner there was a warm discussion arising out of the Lansdown Burglary case. The point raised was this:—If a burglar enter a lady's bedroom at night, and agree to go away on condition that the lady meets him next day and gives him five pounds, is the lady justified, when she keeps the assignation by deputy or in person, in having policemen concealed in the background with the object of capturing the said burglar? The ladies opined that Miss Fox, of the Royal School for Officers' Daughters, was not justified in this proceeding. The men thought that if the burglar, Wilson, was such an ass as to keep the assignation he himself suggested, he deserved to be caught; and they declined to consider the moral aspect of the lady's conduct at all. We left the case at that. So did the burglar: he escaped from custody without making any assignation and though handcuffed, his recapture has not yet been reported.

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Mr. Hugh Watt, Radical ex-M. P., was released from Parkhurst prison on Sunday and lost no time in marrying once more Lady Violet Beauchamp, who had some time ago taken his name by deed poll. He was interviewed of course; but the interview produced nothing of greater moment than Mr. Watt's opinion that our prison system is not quite what it should be. Extraordinary the unanimity of opinion there is on this point by experts! Bill Sykes says just the same thing. One can't help feeling that life in prison has some disagreables after all.

It is not so long since the prospect of further investigation into the poor law administration of West Ham led a guardian to commit suicide. An unsuccesful attempt to shoot himself was made by another West Ham guardian on Wednesday. You would remember that a police court enquiry is proceeding connected with coal contracts.

ONLOOKER.

Shikar.

A LYNX HUNT.

IT was a warm still night in the middle of August, we had just finished supper at the ranch. Mike was at the back of the house with the only lantern that was in working order, washing up the plates and cups, and I was smoking my pipe on the gallery steps. It was so dark that every now and then I had to blow the smoke through my nose to make sure that my pipe was alight.

Four or five hounds were lying about, occasionally giving notice of their presence by groaning as they turned over to rest the other side, or thumping on the gallery fl or as they went for an unusually energetic flea.

The silence was intense; now and then a screech owl wailed in the distance, or a frog in the little creek started to clear his throat, but as a rule even the crickets were too lazy to chirp, and the fireflies only flashed their tiny lamps at long intervals.

One could just make out the dark outlines of the steep brush covered hills that enclosed our narrow valley, and the black mass of the thicket below the small field that faced the house—a thicket of shin oak and black haw, and almost every other kind of brush that is hard to get through—a tangle of briars and vines so dense, that in the descriptive language of the country "you couldn't" stick a butcher knife into it.

Suddenly the silence was broken. From somewhere in the centre of the thicket rose the long, lonesome cry of a hound that has discoverd something intere ting, and needs assistance. I recognize old Brenda's voice, and before the echoes have died away down the valley the hounds on the gallery are falling over each other down the steps. They scamper across the little field crash through the old rail fence at the lower end of it and for a few seconds there is silence. Then old Brenda uplifts her mournful voice again; Bachelor's deep roar trembles through the woods; Rummager, Sultan and Duchess own to the line; Mike comes running out with the lantern, and we stand listening eagerly as one musical voice after the other takes up the chorus, while the hounds crash about through the tangled brush.

Presently we hear little Duchess, halfway up the hillside. The others are with her in a moment; the loose rocks rattle down as they work their way to the top, and in another instant the whole pack in full cry is tearing away to the eastward.

It is no use to think of following them across so rough a country on a dark night like this, so all we can do is to stand listening intently and praying that they may "tree" whatever they are after within hearing distance of the house. They would stay half the night at the tree, and the moon will be up in an hour or so; surely nothing that can climb will stay on the ground in front of them for long at the pace they are going.

Away they race for about half a mile and turn slightly to the north, the music dying to a low murmur as they sink into each of the numerous steep gullies, that run into the north branch of the creek, and rising louder and clearer as they drive across the higher ground.

We go through the house and sit on the fence at the back. Although we can see nothing we know just where they are and what they are doing.

Little Duchess, the fastest hound in the pack, is sweeping along about fifty yards in the lead; then come Bachelor, Rummager and Sultan pretty well together, while the ancient Brenda toils along in the rear making more noise than any of them.

Now they are over a mile away, among the post oaks on the Divide, and we can only just hear them; if they cross the ridge it is doubtful if we shall see them again before morning. Fainter and fainter their voices fade away in the distance, and at last we hear them no more.

Mike, who has been intensely excited, utters a terse monosyllable expressive of disgust, and we light up fresh pipes and speculate as to what they can be after. If it is a wolf they are as likely as not to leave the country; it can't be a deer, because old Brenda is much too knowing to run one twenty yards unless it is a cripple and she is told to do so.

Listen! Yes, there is Duchess again, and presently we hear the others. They have gone right round the head of the creek and are coming back toward us on the other side of it.

Nearer and nearer they come, and now something is evidently coming down the steep hillside on the west of the house. We can even hear it panting and the slight rattle it makes as it gets through the fence. The hounds are not far behind, and come tearing down the hill and across the field, and directly that they are all at fault for a moment in the same thicket that they started from.

We are on the gallery again now, and expect every moment to hear the fierce baying that proclaims that the "varmint," whatever it is, has climbed a tree.

But the end is not yet; the hounds are evidently unable to find out which way their chase has gone and crash noisily about through the thicket, giving tongue now and again in an undecided sort of way. At last old Brenda, using the experience gained in many a long run, works out the line, and in another moment they are off again, clambering up the hill in exactly the same place where they climbed it when they first started.

Once on top they race along with a burst of melody for 100 yards or so and then wheel around and come tearing back again, down the hill and on to a little, open, flat close to the house, covered with a dence growth of broom weed. Here they scatter and circle for an instant, and then there is a loud roar followed by a yell of distress from Bachelor, and then all five of the hounds are baying furiously.

Mike bustles out with the lantern and I stop to grab the carbine from its corner and hurry after him, losing both my worn-out slippers on the way.

"What have they got Mike?"

"Sure it's a calf I think, sor," says Mike, who is nevertheless standing at a very respectable distance from the little group that is surging about among the weeds.

I take the lantern from him and this is what I see: Standing with his back arched and his head low, facing first this way and then that, and sometimes making three or four springs at the nearest of his foes, is a large bobtailed cat or lynx. With his ears tucked back close to his skull and every hair on his body erect, his wicked eyes shining green in the light of the lantern, he is an awkward looking customer enough and is really about the size of a small calf.

Whoo hoop! At the well-known cheer the hounds all dash in on him at once. He fights grimly and grandly and perfectly silently; with every move he makes he scores one of the dogs with tooth or claw. Three times he breaks loose from them all, but they are not to be denied, and at last they get him over on his back and with the claws of both forefeet firmly fixed in poor Rummager's nose, and a big piece of one of Sultan's long ears in his mouth, he gives up the battle. The hounds are too tired to worry and quarrel over his remains, but panting and exhausted they lie down by his side and the fun is over.

H. L.

Fishing.

A BAD START.

(*Concluded from page 211.*)

THE next day was cloudy and windy, it was my turn for one of the lower beats, so I got to work early. The first five or six pools I fished blank, and did not see any fish moving. The gillie brought the boat up with us; and when I had fished each pool off the bank, I got into the boat and fished the far side from it. I was casting all right now, but it was of no avail, as the fish were not taking. About twelve we got to a deep slow-flowing pool where a large stream joins the river. This stream is about half the size of the river itself, and the pool at the junction has the reputation for holding the biggest fish on the beat. The wind had now got very strong, and the only way to fish this pool was from the boat; so very quietly the boat was taken round the shallow side of the pool to the spit of land between the two streams. I mounted a larger fly, a golden gashawk; and standing up in the stern of the boat began to carefully fish the pool, while the gillie slowly let the boat down. The fish in this pool all lie right against the left bank; as owing to the fact that the river here makes a sharp turn to the right, the main current of the stream impinges on the left bank which is here rocky. Numberless rocks have been broken off this bank by former floods, and now the swirls in the racing water show where they lie below the surface. Some three yards from the bank the current is less swift, and the river deepens rapidly. An ideal place for a good fish.

So it looked that day, as the strong breeze meeting the current made quite a sea. I fished it every inch, dropping my fly an inch or two from the rock and wooking it round into the deep water.

About half way down I got a head and tail rise from a grand fish, who showed me his broad side as he rose, and when hooked went slowly and irresistibly up stream. He was well hooked I felt sure from the way he rose. He had gone some thirty yards up stream at the same slow pace, when there was a shock and I was knocked over backwards into the bottom of the boat, my rod nearly being jerked out of my hand. The fool of a gillie, in his hurry to land me, had run the nose of the boat into the bank at full speed; with the natural result that as I was standing up, he knocked me over. The fish, of course, was gone, the cast had snapped, for one cannot expect single gut to stand a strain like that. My remarks to the gillie are unprintable, but I think he understood that it would be useless to ask me for a tip when I left.

I landed, and gave the pool and my temper half an hour's rest, and then began again. I moved three more fish, one of which I touched; but when evening came I had got nothing to show for my trouble. When I got back to the hotel I found C and M. admiring M.'s catch. He had had the upper beat, the one I had had the day before, and had got four nice fish, the best 13 pounds, which he had hooked in the same swirl in which I had risen and lost the fish through casting badly. He had in fact caught the fish which I should have caught the day before, if I had been able to cast a decent line in the morning. C. had also got a couple of grilse.

The next day at breakfast news came in that the river had risen a foot; and the wise men of the place informed us that if it did not rise enough to bring a fresh run of fish in from the sea we should have no more sport, as all the fish that the previous spate had brought up into our water would now run up to the higher waters. This was cheering; but I was determined to stick to it till my luck changed, so started off as usual. C. did not go out, so I took the upper beat, and was soon putting my rod together opposite the flat rock where the fish had got off before by jumping. There was a nice breeze and alternate clouds and sun, so despite the rising river I hoped I might do something. How different the pool seemed from the last time I had fished it. Then it was with the greatest difficulty that I could reach the rocks in midstream; now I was fishing the far side of them with ease. What an enormous difference a couple of days, practice makes to one's casting. My meditations were interrupted, as my fly swung over where the flat rock used to show, by a boil in the water and a heavy pluck at the fly. The fish was well hooked, and I had mounted a fly on a much larger hook because of the dirty water, so I gave him the butt. I wanted to land him as quickly as possible; as I could see that the river was becoming more and more dirty, so all chance of another fish would soon be gone. He was a nice little fresh run salmon and on my 14-foot rod gave me plenty to do. At last the gaff went home, and I weighed him, seven pounds, a clean run fish, so he must have come straight up to-day since the river rose.

I left the big black gashawk on and fished the pool down again, and then ran down to fish the pool below. Here from the same swirl as before a good fish rose short. I changed the fly to a Jock Scott, and again he came and had a look at it. Another rest and a Ranger came swinging over him. He came at it with a huge splash but missed it. I fished down a little further and then gave it up and went home, as the water had got really thick. The others had got nothing and seen nothing, but Billy M.'s Gillie came in with one he had caught with worm for the table. Billy is a noted chacter round these parts, and a desperate poacher. Last year he was engaged as gillie by the man who rented the water above ours. This gentleman used to send any fish he did not require for himself or his friends to a fishmonger in Dublin, who sent him a cheque every month. One month when he got his cheque, he found that it was for a much larger amount than it should have been, and on looking at it again he discovered that it was made out to Billy. Billy had been fishing with his master during the day, and poaching on his own account at night, and sending his fish to the same fishmonger in Dublin that his master did. Unfortunately for Billy the fishmonger when sending off his monthly cheques had made a mistake, and put Billy's cheque in his master's envelope and *vice versa*. So Billy had got the sack, and had been taken on by M. on the understanding that whatever poaching he did was done above our water. Whether he kept to his agreement I do not know, but he was a rare good Gillie.

The next morning Billy reported to our great astonishment that the river was fishable though slightly coloured. The general opinion however seemed to be that the fish already in the river had run up, while there had not been enough water to bring up a fresh run from the sea. This did not discourage us, and we all went out. I had to cast all day in the teeth of a furious gale, so strong at times that it was all I could do to get my fly into the water at all. I did not see a fish all day, but M. and C. got a small grilse apiece. The next day I had the upper beat and the water was in the pink of condition if one can apply the term to a river. There was a nice breeze and cloudy sky so if the fish were only there I thought I should do well.

I started by fishing the swirl where M. got the 13 pounder. I had on a big Jock Scott, and fished it deep and slow over the swirl. There was a jerk and a scream from the reel; and before I had time to *wink* a fresh run grilse had risen, hooked himself, and jumped twice. He was one of the liveliest fish I ever saw, and for the first minute spent more time in the air than in the water. One of his most nerve-racking performances being to allow me to reel him in till he was under the point of my rod, and then to go right across the pool in a series of leaps, each leaps drawing line off the reel with the shrillest of screams. These acrobatic performances however are tiring, and he was soon on the bank, a fresh run grilse 7lbs. This grilse's wild play was rendered still more exciting by the fact that at the moment of hooking him I had begun to sink in the mud, and by the time he was gaffed was in up to my knees in it. So, of course, I was unable to step back, as one does when a fish turns towards one, and had to depend entirely on quick winding to keep a tight line on him.

I was quite pleased with this for a beginning, when I had hardly dared to hope for anything; so fished on up stream with a fresh keenness. I went up about a mile, rising two fish on the way who both came short. I then reached a place where the cattle used to go down to the river to drink. There were two rocks here some way out, the swirl below which was a favourite lie for a fish. These could be reached by wading out up to one's knees and casting a long line. The fly dropped nicely just beyond the swirl, and as it began to swing round there was the vicious pull and rush of a good fish. But there was no answering scream from the reel, something had jammed, and the point of the rod was pulled down and the rod nearly jerked out of my hand. I looked at the reel and saw that the line had got twisted right round the reel. Something had to be done to relieve the tension. The fish was lashing the surface of the water into foam and I knew that my cast would not stand such rough treatment long. So into the deep water I rushed towards the fish, making desperate efforts to free the line. Just as I began to feel I could go on further without starting on a swim down the river, a smothered scream from the reel, which was by this time in the water, told me I had succeeded, and the fish was mine; for he must be very firmly hooked indeed to have stood the skull dragging he had had. I just managed to get back to shallow water, and giving the fish the butt unmercifully soon had him lying on his back. A flash of the gaff as the Gillie struck, and the fish was mine; eight pounds the scale showed him to be. The sun was nice and warm, so I sat and ate my lunch, contented, though soaked through. A little higher up the river a nice grilse rose to the same fly in a still deep pool, and was hooked at the third attempt and duly landed. I had broken my luck indeed, and ate my dinner that night with that feeling of glorious content which only the successful fisherman knows.

M. and C. had likewise done well, so the local wise men had been wrong after all, and the little spate had brought up a fresh lot of fish from the sea. After this my good luck continued, and I had excellent sport; but that three days, run of bad luck will never be forgotten.

HANGUL.

Shooting.

AMBERITE AND SMOKELESS DIAMOND IN 2½in. CASES.

FOLLOWING up the idea of repeating previous experiments with variations in the powder used, cartridges were prepared in which Amberite and Smokeless Diamond were used as alternatives for Schultze and E. C. powders respectively. The assumption that the powder charge and shot combinations found to be appropriate for one member of a group of nitros would be equally applicable for other members of the same group, made it unnecessary to repeat the previous experiments for arriving at the charge capable of imparting the right amount of velocity to a given quantity of shot. The preliminary test under laboratory loading conditions cannot of course be dispensed with, since it is always advisable to know beforehand how a powder is behaving under known conditions. The results obtained were as follows:—

AMBERITE, 42grs. and 1⅛oz. No. 6 shot.		SMOKELESS DIAMOND, 33grs. and 1 1/16oz. No. 6.	
Distance of Recoil Movement.	Velocity over 20 yards.	Recoil Movement.	Velocity over 20 yards.
1. 10·82 in.	1087 f.s.	1. 9·62 in.	1055
2. 11·00 „	1137 „	2. 9·38 „	1003
3. 11·00 „	1087 „	3. 9·62 „	1040
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Av. 10·94 „	Av. 1104 „	Av. 9·54 „	Av. 1033

The Amberite result implies a standard rate of recoil for a 7lb. 4oz. gun.

Smokeless Diamond result implies a standard rate of recoil for a 6lb. 5oz. gun.

The above results show the sample of Amberite to be behaving somewhat on the active side, whereas with Smokeless Diamond, on the other hand, the results are a fraction under par; but in both cases the arithmetical average of the three shots seems less typical of the general behaviour of the two samples of powder used than is the case with the two shots which bear most resemblance to one another. That is to say, the two rounds with Amberite at 1087f.s. velocity, and the two with Diamond at 1055f.s. and 1040f.s. respectively, fully justify the acceptance of these powders for the programme of tests to be undertaken. Three rounds were then loaded with each powder in 2½in. pigeon cases, the charges being those previously ascertained as most suitable in the tests already reported. The system of wadding and charge adopted are here specified in detail:

Amberite 47grs., 1/16in. card, 1/16in. best felt, 1/16in. card, 1⅛oz. No. 4 shot (237 pellets), and 1/16in. card over shot.

Smokeless Diamond, 40grs. 1/16in. card, ⅛in. best felt, 1/16in. card, 1 5/16oz, No. 4 shot (226 pellets), 1/16in. card over shot.

Three shots were fired with each powder from the pigeon-proof barrel, and records for pressure and velocity were duly taken. This gun is not fitted up for the simultaneous registration of recoil, this being a department of wildfowl charge experiments which must be undertaken as a separate investigation. The following records were obtained:—

AMBERITE, 2½in. case, 47grs. and 1⅛oz. No. 4.			SMOKELESS DIAMOND, 2½in. case, 40grs. and 1 1/16oz.		
Pressure in tons per sq. in.		Velocity over 20 yds in feet per sec.	Pressure in ton per sq. in.		Velocity over 20 yds in feet per sec.
At 1in.	At 6in.		At 1in.	At 6in.	
1. 2·64	1·89	1025	1. 3·50	2·01	1047
2. 3·63	1·95	1070	2. 3·63	1·74	1035
3. 3·50	2·01	1062	3. 2·95	1·74	1035
Av. 3·26	1·95	1052	Av. 3·36	1·83	1039

Here there is every justification for accepting the charge combination arrived at in previous experiments as quite applicable to the powders now under consideration. Considering that the requirements of the wildfowler are so different from those of the pigeon shot, tied down as the latter is by rules and regulations, it seems curious that recognition has never previously been accorded to the clearly superior combinations which are here dealt with. A presure of four tons being permissible in pigeon guns, the records of pressure obtained may be pronounced quite moderate. The velocity is all that the shooter need ask for, bearing in mind the fact that large size pellets of shot will invariably be employed. The standard of velocity laid down, whilst insuring a sufficiency of hitting power at all distances where the charge can be expected to hold together well enough to give a proper pattern is still such that far better patterns can be looked for than would be possible in the presence of an unduly enhanced velocity. The importance of the inter-relation of penetration and pattern is shown in the many inquiries received from sportsmen asking for a test of cartridges which have failed to give satisfactory results in the field. It frequently happens that the shooter who complains of deficient penetration sends along cartridges which give very high striking velocity and proportionately bad pattern, whilst others, who think that the pattern must be bad, are evidently using cartridges which smother their birds with pellets, travelling, however, with a velocity which would be quite suitable for butterfly shooting, but hardly the thing for driven partridges hastened in their flight by a favourable wind. A velocity standardised at 1050f.s., on the basis of a measurement over the first 20 yards of flight, seems to give the best available harmony between pattern and penetration. Intelligently conceived variations, such as reduced charges of shot fired from suitably choked barrels at a sufficiently higher velocity to correct the close-shooting tendency of the gun, give great satisfaction to the user; but such cartridges cannot, on general principles, be recommended for everyday use. The gun must be just right, and a few shots at the plate would be necessary to determine the right conditions of load. Even then special experience is desirable to interpret what patterns may be accepted as right, and what must be regarded as unduly suffering from the enhanced velocity imparted to the shot. Till gun and cartridge testing is carried out much more extensively than at present, the standard conditions derived from the old black powder must continue to guide general practice.

Adopting the above results with No. 4 shot, and recognising that with a suitable pattern this size of pellet will give good results at any distance up to 45 or 50 yards, the shooter must recognise that he has carried the ranging power of a pigeon gun a long way beyond that of the ordinary game gun, in which 1¼oz. is a maximum charge for comfortable shooting, with a medium weight of from 6¾lb. to 7lb. The pigeon gun, with its 7¼lb. of weight to take up the recoil, can be used with 1⅝oz. charges by a man of good physique. An extra half pound of weight would be better; but in justification of the lighter weight is the circumstance that the English pigeons-hooting rules make 7½lb. a maximum value, and shooters must make the best of what they already possess, knowing all the while that the number of high-power cartridges fired in a day will be less than the total used under ordinary game-shooting conditions. For a lighter recoil 40grs. of a 33-grain powder and 1⅛oz. of shot is ready to hand. The following pattern results show how the two compare on the plate:

TABLE showing the pattern results with Amberite and Smokeless Diamond.

Amberite, 47grs. and 1¼oz. of No. 4 shot, 237 pellets.			Smokeless Diamond, 40grs. and 1⅛oz. No. 4, 226 pellets.		
Field Gun.	Cogswell and Harrison Gun.		*Field* Gun.	Cogswell and Harrison Gun.	
	Right Bl.	Left Bl.		Right Bl.	Left Bl.
1. 160	6. 163	11. 171	1. 128	6. 143	11. 140
2. 163	7. 161	12. 159	2. 134	7 144	12. 126
3. 170	8. 148	13. 86*	3. 158	8. 139	13. 151
4. 164	9 151	14. 167	4. 145	9. 143	14. 138
5. 151	10. 143	15. 156	5. 166	10. 144	15. 154
Av. 162	Av. 153	Av. 163	Av. 147	Av. 113	Av. 142

* Deleted from record for inconsistency with rest of series.

It will be seen that two guns which have figured in the previous tests have now been replaced with the right and left barrels of a Cogswell and Harrison gun. The Lang pigeon gun previously used gave very nice results. The continuity and comparative value of the experiments is sufficiently safeguarded by the use of the *Field* experimental barrel. That the latter does not introduce abnormal conditions is best shown by shooting in comparison with it a succession of gun makers' guns of which the Lang and the Cogswell and Harrison are meritorious examples. A curious incident arose when the last-named gun was borrowed. In discussing the exceptionally consistent and regular patterns which had been reported in previous tests, Messrs. Cogswell and Harrison expressed the opinion that the *Field* would be doing useful service if it could convince the sportsman that the patterns recorded were in reality samples of good behaviour and not bad behaviour as the sportman would be sure to assume were the results laid before him as a sample of his own gun's performances. Patterns can, of course, be idealised by careful loading of the cartridges to produce the kind of result demanded. The gun, again can be humoured in the boring to favour pattern at the expense of velocity, but in the interests of real progress it is desirable that the sportsman should not be educated to expect a standard of regularity beyond the limits of practical possibility. In instrumental tests the records show variations in pressure, recoil, and velocity which on paper seem absurdly great to the uninitiated. Considerable experience is necessary to interpret the frequently hidden meaning of the figures obtained, but the golden rule is to consider only the round-number meaning of the figures set forth—in fact, to ignore units and to think only in tens and hundreds.

The following digest of the pattern results already quoted will sufficiently explain their general significance:

	Amberite (226 pellets)	Diamond (226 pellets.)
Field gun	162 pellets in 30in. circle.	147 pellets in 30in. circle.
C. and H. Right ...	153 "	" 143 " "
Do. Left	163 "	" 142 " "
Av.	159	Av. 134
Percentage equivalents	67 %	..... 64 %
Table value for full-choke results ...	177	 160

These results compare favourably with those previously obtained with other powders. Whether regarded from the point of view of the percentages or actual pellets, it will be seen that the usual result of a pattern lying about midway between half-choke and full-choke has been obtained. The patterns themselves were uniformly well distributed and of good circular form, a merit which is particularly noticeable from the circumstance that every part of the circle seemed approximately as well covered as the other parts, also that the pellets around the circle formed a fairly uniform band, this implying that a 40in. circle would show a nearly similar allowance of pellets for so many square inches.

During the short days now ruling the allowance of time is very short for extending the number of combinations of load to be tried. This must excuse the omission to make any detailed tests in the present connection for determining the relative behaviour of the above charges with a variety of the larger sizes of shot. The time available only allowed for firing five rounds each from the *Field* barrel, using Amberite and Smokeless Diamond with shot size B, running 80 to the ounce. The same wadding was used as before, and the results can be set out in the following form:

Amberite		Smokeless Diamond.	
47grs. and 1¼oz. B size of shot, 110 pellets.		40grs. and 1⅛oz. of B size of shot, 105 pellets.	
1. 82 pellets in 30in. circle.		1. 76 pellets in 30in. circle.	
2. 78 " "		2. 69 " "	
3. 73 " "		3. 65 " "	
4. 71 " "		4. 72 " "	
5. 72 " "		5. 68 " "	
Av. 74 " "		Av. 70 " "	
Percentage equivalents	67 %	.....	67 %
Table value for full-choke results	88	.....	79

In each instance the average patterns obtained were nine pellets short of the true full-choke result. With the next show size smaller than B, *viz.*, No. 1, running 100 pellets per ounce exactly full-choke results were scored, using E. C. as propellent. In the present instance this high standard was not attained; but the substantial repetition of the percentages obtained with No. 4 shot indicates that pattern values are uninfluenced by the size of shot used. The E. C. tests suggested that a slight rise of pattern accompanied the use of the larger sizes of pellet. Summing up the two experiences, it seems that the original assumption that a gun shoots true to its boring, whatever the size of shot used in the cartridge, is true within the limits of accidental variations. In conclusion, it may be interesting to refer to an important aspect of the present series of trials. They are being carried out at a time of year corresponding with the season at which wildfowl are usually shot. Results obtained in July and August would not be nearly so useful to the shore shooter, because what gives correct results in the summer might be inappropriate for the damp, cold months of early and middle winter. Moreover, the lighter cartridges being dealt with first, each load is tested at or about the period of its greatest usefulness.—*The Field.*

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BILLIARD QUERY.

TO THE EDITOR OF "THE INDIAN FIELD."

SIR,—What is to be done when the two white balls are touching each other at billiards and the red ball is on the table?

Ought the object ball to be spotted on the centre spot midway between the two centre pockets and the red ball on the billiard spot and the player to play for hand?

[Please consult Rule 36 of the Championship Rules of Billiards which reads as follow: "When the striker's ball touches either or both the object balls, the red must be placed on the billiard spot and the object ball on the spot between the middle pocket and the striker goes on from hand." This rule entirely meets the case. ED.]

REWARDS FOR SHOOTING TIGERS.

TO THE EDITOR OF "THE INDIAN FIELD."

SIR,—I have read "To Quae's" letter in this week's *Indian Field* but have not been able to reply to it until to-day. The Officer referred to is Mr. R. Shipley, Collector of Coimbatore.

The second letter from him was signed by the Assistant-Collector and I believe that the Collector was aware of the contents of both letters, and that they were sent with his approval.

HIGH VELOCITY.

P. S. My own name is H. C. B. Stone, Chaplain, Waltair.

THE UNITED PROVINCES SHOOTING RULES.

TO THE EDITOR OF "THE INDIAN FIELD."

SIR,—I propose to give a brief history of the rules, as they stood, from the time of the passing of Act VII of 1878, (Forest Act) up to the date of the existing rules, with a criticism of the rules as they now stand, and to discuss them (firstly) and more particularly from the point of view of the general public, and (secondly) from the point of view of the hitherto exempted official, as it seems to me desirable that the public generally should be not made aware of the very important changes that have taken place and should be in a position to judge for themselves whether or not their interests have been injuriously affected thereby, and whether the rules, as they stand, do not needlessly restrict and hamper sport for every one except the Gazetted Forest Officer. It may be thought, and I believe the opinion is prevalent, that the interests of the district official and of the private person and of the Military officer run entirely counter to one another, but I shall endeavour to show that such is not really the case. There should, in my opinion, be no insuperable difficulty in the way of framing rules, which would give one and all a fair and reasonable chance of obtaining sport, without unduly favouring any person or class of persons, but granted that their interests do conflict, and assuming that a case had thus been made out for the revision of the rules as they stood up to 1905. I still maintain that that is very different from an admission that the existing rules have provided any remedy at all for the inequalities which previously existed. If anything it was an argument for framing the new rules in such a way as to give *one and all* fair facilities for sport, instead of (as I contend they do) rendering it next to impossible to be obtained in Government Forests, except at a most prohibitive cost, either by private persons, Military men, district officials, or by other officials, and absolutely preventing it in the case of those who are not in a position to afford the heavy expense now involved, or who, by force of circumstances, are only able to casually visit the Forest, for a day or two at a time. Still less should the rules have been framed, as I hope to be able to show they have been framed, in a such a manner as to practically reserve the Forests for Gazetted Forests Officers, thereby depriving the public generally of the facilities for sport which they have hitherto enjoyed.

After the passing of the Forest Act VII of 1878, apparently the first orders issued by Government dealing with shooting, etc., in reserved forests, were framed under section 25 (1) of the Act and published on the 28th February 1880. They provided that with the previous sanction of the Local Government, the Conservator of Forests might declare any reserved forest or part thereof closed against hunting, shooting and fishing for such period as might be deemed necessary, but subject to the above restrictions, hunting, shooting and fishing were permitted to the public free of cost.

In 1890, the hunting and shooting of tigers and carnivora, during the fire protected season, was provided for on the payment of small fees, and on the 15th March 1895, in supersession of all previous rules, the revised rules came into force. These rules (Rule 11) again recognised the right of the public generally to shoot in Government Forests without payment of any fees, in the season when the forests were not closed for fire protection purposes, but carnivora during the latter period only on payment of small fees. None of the above rules exempted any persons and it was practically left entirely in the power of the Conservator of the Circle in which any particular Forest was situate, to exclude or admit whomsoever he pleased. As a result attempts were made, in 1894-95 to exclude district officials even in the non-fire protected season, and on representations being made rules were framed and certain district officials were declared to be exempt from the prohibitions contained in Rule 2. These rules remained in force without, so far as is known, a single complaint till 1900, when apparently, owing to some informality in them, a revised set of rules, based on those then in force in the Central Provinces, was issued on the 9th July 1900. These latter rules continued the exemptions previously granted to certain officials and even extended them, the reason given being that this was done for the convenience of officers employed in the districts in which forests were situated or whose duties took them to the neighbourhood of forests. A slight and immaterial modification was made in the rules on the 9th April 1901, and previously on the 14th July 1900,—(*vide Gazette* of the 21st July 1900) officers of the Opium Department had been added to the list of exempted officers.

The above rules remained in force until the 28th June 1905. No serious objections, so far as I am aware, had ever publicly or privately been taken to them and up to that time the public generally could shoot, etc., in Government Forests, in the non-fire protected season, without the payment of any fees, though, in the case of non-exempted persons, a formal permit had to be obtained even for that period. No time-limit was, however prescribed, by the rules and a permit was avaliable for the whole of the Forests of the district, and the number of such permits was practically unrestricted, it being left to sportsmen themselves so to mutually arrange as not to interfere with one another. So far as the fire protected season was concerned the public generally could obtain in passes on the payment of fees and as I have already said certain officials were exempted. The 1905 rules introduced considerable changes, more especially as regards payment by non-exempted persons, official or non-official, for ordinary permits, in the non-fire protected season, and for special permits, in the fire protected season, but made no alterations as regards exempted officials. What the reasons for these changes were I am not aware and as far as I know none have ever been published. The only result was that while leaving the exempted official alone, they restricted the privileges previously enjoyed by the public for years without any serious complaint from any one, and naturally gave rise to the feeling that the Exempted Officer was being still further favoured, and it is by no means improbable that this fact has given rise to the idea which seems to prevail, that it was the *District Officer* who was the real moving spirit in the matter and who desired to curtail the privileges of the public so as to have the forests entirely to himself. Whether this is the origin of the prevalent idea or not or whether the idea has been ingeniously fostered by others for their own ends, it's an entirely mistaken one as the District Officer *never* has had any control whatever over the issue of permits, ordinary or special, for Government Reserved Forests, nor has he ever been informed of what permits were applied for, refused or issued, nor of the reasons for refusal, nor of the periods or places for which they were issued, *and the entire control and responsibility for the equitable working of the rules as they stood or stand, rested and rests in the hands of the Forest Officer alone, subject under the old rules to the one small check provided* (viz. *appeal to the Commissioner in the case of cold weather permits only*) *and which slight check has now been removed by the present rules*!

The 1905 rules themselves raised a good deal of discussion and comment, the rules which were specially objected to being Rule 7 (11), concerning the charge for fodder for elephants, and Rule 13 (4), forbidding shooting on foot. The shooting on foot rule existed in the rules prior to 1905, the apparent object being to protect the forests from fire, though I fail to see that the danger was greater or as great from shooting on foot as from shtooning off elephants. Generally the complaint was that shooting was made virtually impossible except for rich men by reason of the expense involved,

and by reason of enseless prohibitions, and that the rules were tactlessly and unfairly worked, and above all as I have already said, the feeling was accentuated that inqualities, previously existing, had been made still more pronounced. the whole odium thereof being laid on the exempted District Officials. That the 1905 rules urgently called for revision no fair-minded person would for a moment dispute, and accordingly a Committee was called and held at Naini Tal in May 1906, and the present rules are the result. Whether they have remedied any or all of the evils complained of by the public, or the reverse, I shall when criticising them in detail attempt to show. My view of them (and I know my views are acceptable to some at least of the members of all classes of the community) are that both the 1905 and 1906 rules were unnecessary and uncalled for; that the rules in force up to 1905 had, generally speaking, worked smoothly and without friction, and that granting that exemptions had been too freely given in the past, to the detriment of the public interests, it was quite possible so to alter them in those respects wherein they were shown to be unfair, without altering the main principles and that it is no remedy for existing inequalities to provide fresh and general restrictions of such a nature as to render the Reserved Forests practically closed to all but Gazetted Forest officers and the other few who have the fortune to be exempt under the Rules. Still less, in my opinion, was it desirable to issue rules which must cause friction between the various classes of the community and leave a feeling of soreness and unfairness among all. What the reasons were which rendered it necessary to hamper and restrict the public to the extent they have been, by these rules have not, so far as I know, ever seen the light of day and it is impossible therefore to say whether they were *in any respect* founded on anything solid or not, and it is, therefore, all the more to be regretted that the facts or reasons on which the Committee based these drastic changes have not been published. I am informed, and believe there is truth in it, that the Forest Dept: made a regular effort to show that game was being *exterminated by permit holders or those exempt*, which was in my opinion *quite untrue*. On the whole game is not decreasing at all in Govt: Forests and if it is any particular place the sole reason is collusion between the poacher and the subordinate forest staff. I am confident that I shall be borne out in this opinion by many sportsmen of knowledge and experience both in this and other Provinces.

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I will now proceed to criticise the Rules themselves from the public point of view.

Rule 2 (4).

This rule, I take it, is intended to prevent any sportsman (who is skilful enough to be able to do so) from spearing "chital" or "parha" from horseback. There are but, few places where such a form of sport is possible, but why it should be considered more objectionable to allow a man to speer a "chital" stag or "parha" stag, by fair riding, than to allow him to approach and shoot one from within a few yards from off an elephant, which is quite possible and common in those forests in which elephants are wild and deer are consequently not afraid of them, I cannot imagine! To my mind the spearing from horseback of "chital" and "parha" is a much higher form of sport, and less cruel, (as fewer wounded animals escape) than shooting them in a beat or from off an elephant, and the restriction appears altogether uncalled for, especially as no one but a good rider and genuine sportsman is ever likely to attempt it and still less to be successful.

Rule 4.

This rule lays down that the Conservator, may, with the previous sanction of Government, prescribe sanctuaries to be kept closed for a number of years. Granted that there is a necessity for providing sanctuaries for herbivorous animals, there can be no such necessity in the case of dangerous animals and carnivora. To preserve them is contrary to a policy frequently expressed and the rule, as it stands, is simply calculated to close considerable areas to the public, against shooting of any kind, though other and ample provisions exist in the rules for the protection of herbivorous animals. In any case the District Officer and residents also might, with advantage, be consulted before sanctuaries are prescribed, as they certainly know, or ought to know, quite as well as any Forest Officer, whether the establishment of sanctuaries is a necessity or not, or is merely suggested with a view to *restrict* sport.

Rule 5.

In this rule again the power of the Conservator is too absolute and insufficiently defined. As the rule stands Gazetted Forest Officers, being exempt, might in a comparatively short time, shoot the full number of species allowed to be shot. What then would be left for the outside public who would be excluded on the grounds that a sufficient number of particular species had already been shot? Moreover, if there is to be a limit, let there be the same limit for one and all, exempted or otherwise. If I am rightly informed, at present a particular number of animals is allowed in one permit for the same shooting area, and a different number in another permit, for different people and there is apparently no limit for exempted officers. Let the total number of heads to be killed in any particular shooting area during the season be calculated beforehand *and published for general information*, and let the number of passes or exempted persons able to shoot also be calculated, which can easily be done, and let the total be divided among the lot on a fairly liberal scale, as it frequently happens that some are unable or else do not care to shoot up to the limit of herbivorous animals allowed. Lastly let it be made clear that the Conservator has no power whatever to restrict the number of carnivora and dangerous animals to be shot, for, as the rule stands, he undoubtedly can by so doing, very much *restrict* sport.

Rule 6.

In this rule, four classes of permits have been provided for. Permit A is for 15 days or less, and apparently includes hunting, shooting and fishing of all kinds allowed by the rules, but I am credibly informed that it has been ruled by a Forest Officer that even when a person takes out a permit under form A, for 15 days, if he wishes to shoot birds also, he must take out a further permit in Form C and pay the fees thereon. Surely this was never intended by the rules, and the greater includes the less; but if this ruling is correct instead of 10 Rs. for a 15 days' permit per gun Rs. 10—Rs. 5 would have to be paid for the same period. an altogether unnecessary and excessive addition to the already heavy fees.

Rule 7 (4 and 5.)

In these rules again too much power is, in my opinion, given to Forest Officers. We have had instances recently published in the papers, in which if the facts stated were true, and they were never contradicted, the Forest Officers concerned, to say the least, exceeded their powers and yet under rule 7 (5), on the mere opinion of the Forest Officer, and so far as the rules say, it may *only* amount to a suspicion a sportsman, who has been put to considerable trouble and expense, is liable to be turned out at a moment's notice without the slightest hope of redress, by way of appeal, to any superior and independent Officer.

Rule 7 (8).

The wording of this rule seems to be faulty. As it stands the Forest Officer when issuing a permit has to include every species of animal or bird allowed to be shot at. Surely the simple way is to rule that the permit holder shall not shoot or allow to be shot at any animal or bird the killing of which is expressly prohibited by the terms of the permit!

Rule 7 (9).

As I have shown under Rule 5, and the remarks equally apply to this rule, the Forest Officer can restrict the number of carnivora and dangerous animals allowed to be shot. Doubtless the rule is intended specially to apply to deer antelope and even particular species of birds which it may be desirable to preserve, but it should be made clear that it is only so intended.

Rule 7 (10).

Here again, in my opinion, too much power is given to the Forest Officer. If a man is prepared to pay for the elephants he wishes to take into a forest, up to a reasonable number, and the question of what is reasonable depends on circumstances which vary for particular jungles of which the Forest Officer is by no means always the best judge, why should he not be allowed to do so? The fees are more than sufficiently heavy and he is not likely to take in one more than is absolutely necessary to procure sport for himself and party, but still it is left to the Forest Officer to decide the matter for him! Without a reasonable number of elephants in certain jungles, no expectation of sport is possible, and if the Forest Officer is to be allowed to limit the number as he likes, he can effectually keep the sportsman away. The same remarks apply to retainers and followers. I presume "shikaris" and beaters would come under those heads and I have heard of a permit being issued under which all followers were prohibited! If this be taken literally even a private servant could not be taken into the forests, but if it be only intended to apply to "shikaris" and beaters even then it is an unfair restriction. What would be an unreasonable number of elephants or beaters or "shikaris" for one jungle would be quite a reasonable number for another jungle. It altogether depends on circumstances, but it does not seem desirable to allow a Forest Officer to have the uncontrolled decision of the matter on behalf of the sportsman. Surely the sportsman in his application might be directed to state the number of "shikaris" and beaters he wished to take with him when applying for a permit, and if the Forest Officer had any objections thereto he could state them in writing, and allow the person concerned an opportunity of stating his side of the case and a settlement might be arrived at before the period for shooting commenced.

Rule 7 (11.)

In my opinion this charge is altogether excessive and calculated to make shooting, especially of carnivora, next to impossible.

Under the ordinary grazing rules, if elephants are grazed in the forests for a whole year, one pays Rs. 60 or about Re. 1 annas 6 a week, or say 3 annas a day; if for a month Rs. 7 are charged or about annas 4 a day, if for a day 8 annas. Why on earth when they are taken in for purposes of sport and when a heavy charge is already made for the permit itself, are they charged for at such high rates? In almost every district in these provinces, more especially in the Terai, where there is heavy grass, the shooting of carnivora at least, without a large number of elephants, is a practical impossibility. The cost of elephants—of "shikaris"—of animal to tie up—of beaters—added to numerous other incidental expenses, makes the shooting of carnivora or other animals, for one and all of us, quite sufficiently expensive as it is. With this rate in force and no elephants allowed free under an ordinary permit in Form A, it will be more so. In fact to the majority it will be almost an impossibility. In other words the public will be unfairly restricted thereby in opportunities for shooting, and the Forest Officer will have the jungles more than ever to himself!

Again in the second part of this rule it is laid down that the charge for elephants and the permit fee shall be paid in advance. This rule seems to me to be altogether unnecessary, especially in the case of officials and civil and military residents of a district, who are well known to the Forest Officer, and who are not likely to, and could not if they wished, evade payment. It is next to impossible for any official to determaine with certainty three months beforehand if he will be able to shoot on a particular date or not. Even if he is able to get a permit at all he will have to pay heavy fees in advance and at the last moment his official engagements may prevent him going. He is not under the rules allowed to transfer his permit and no provision whatever has been made for refunds, and he would thus be heavily fined for no fault of his own. Supposing too he *had* to leave the jungle after a few days. Nevertheless he would have had to pay the full fees in advance and would have no redress. The fees for elephants at least, should only be levied for the actual number of days they are used, and if used for a less number of days than originally intended the difference should be refunded. I know as a fact that under the 1905 rules, a permit was obtained and the Forest Officer held that the person concerned must pay the full fees for 15 days for himself and the elephants he desired to take with him, even though he was only able to shoot for five days instead of 15. As a matter of grace this rule was not in the particular instance enforced but it *may* be in future with the only possible result of *restricting* sport.

Rule 9.

This rule, as it stands, is not as clear as it should be. As I read it originally every person who accompanied a permit holder had to pay a fee of Rs. 10 and such indeed has been ruled to be the case. Under the old rules a "free" limit of three friends accompanying a permit holder was prescribed. To allow at least one or possibly two friends "free" to a permit holder is reasonable and fair, as few of us derive any pleasure from shooting alone, but now that each and every friend has to be paid for the expense in every way is far greater than ever and shooting is thereby automatically restricted.

Again the part of this rule which lays down that a period of 15 days shall elapse between the grant of two successive permits, in the same area, seems objectionable. My first impressions were that this period of grace would apply to all, whether exempted officials or not, and that it was devised either in the interests of game preservation, or to restrict the public, or both. In any case, I was and still am of opinion, it is quite unnecessary, as the Forest Officer has already more than enough power for preservation purposes, and it is not desirable to increase his powers of *restriction*. It seemed to me also to be contrary to the policy of Government openly expressed, as it would tend to protect carnivora and dangerous animals, and that with the power already given the Conservator of dividing forests into shooting areas, which were sure to be divided according to the features of each particular district in such a way as to restrict sport, the possibility of obtaining sport would be still further unnecessarity reduced. I find, however, that I was wrong in my surmises and that the real object was to provide a period for the Gazetted Forest Officer, and exempted officers, and those taking out a Rs. 100 permit, wherein to shoot, without disturbance. I can find nothing in the construction of the original rules which gives the Rs. 100 permit holder and the exempted officer this right, and I doubt if the public are aware of it, but so it has been ruled. Now what will the effect be? everyone knows that in average districts there are only three or four jungles worth shooting in at all, especially for carnivora. In the district, I am at present in, the whole forest area has been divided into three blocks, one and all of them far larger than is necessary. Whereas in some districts the areas have been made too small. They extend, at least as regards two of them, over many miles. Two only of them are of any use at all. There will be practically no demand for the worthless one, as there are but few animals in it and the chance of getting tigers and panthers of any animals therein, is exceedingly small, and many of us care only for the pursuit of Carnivora and dangerous animals. There will thus be virtually only two areas available. The shooting period nominally commences from the 15th October. As a matter of fact it is dangerous to health to enter the forests before the middle of November—in many places December—and useless to do so, as the jungle is too thick for sport. The forests are automatically closed by the 30th June, by which time the rains have ordinarily commenced, and no one shoots them There is thus a period, say from the 15th November to 30th June, available for shooting, or seven and a half months (225 days roughly), and it will only be possible for the *public* to shoot on 112 days, or for seven periods of 15 days and one short period of seven days. Not more than eight permit holders can therefore visit each of these two desirable jungles or 16 in all, and for the rest of the time the Gazetted Forest Officer and Exempted Officer and Rs. 100 permit holder (if any) will have them to themselves. Again the 15 day periods must either be (1) periods of grace or (2) permit periods. There is nothing, so far as I read the rules, to prevent a Forest Officer taking the jungles during a "Permit period." As a fact I know it has been done. The result is that the Forest Officer can shoot for *any* period of 15 days, and for the subsequent 15 and preceding days, and no outsider could thus get into the forests for 45 days! What could be done for one area could be done for all and where then will the *public* come in? If there periods of grace are intended for Rs. 100 permit holders and exempted officers they should be restricted to them otherwise they can keep everyone else out. Again Government has held in the case of Exempted Officers forest or otherwise as follows.

"Residents of a district in which Government forests are situate who take out an annual permit on a fee of Rs. 100 Rule 11, and Gazetted Forest Officers within their charges exempted under Rule 12 (1), from payment of fees, may apply for permission to hunt, shoot and fish in a shooting area for a period not exceeding 15 days, limiting themselves to two elephants. These requests will be dealt with along with the requests for a permit in Form

A in order of priority of application. If holders of a permit under Rule 11, or officers exempted under 12 Rule (1), wish to take in any friends intending to hunt, shoot or fish or more than two elephants, they must, as laid down in Rule 11 (2) apply for a permit in Form A, paying for the persons accompanying them the fees laid down in Rule 9 and for each elephant in excess of two the charge laid down in Rule 7 (11)."

Now it seems to me that this gives Rs. 100 permit holders and Exempted Officers the right to apply for a permit, in a *permit period* and also the right to shoot *in a period of grace*, and it seems obvious that the Forest Officer being the person who grants the permits can always insure his application being the *first* received. This order must apply to such permit periods as it has already been held that Rs. 100 permit holders and Exempted Officers can shoot in periods of grace, and they, except as specified in the rule quoted above, require no permits for such periods and are exempt from fees. Such being the case it could easily be so arranged by Exempted Officers and Rs. 100 permit holders to exclude the public! Again another difficulty arises. Rule 9 distinctly lays down that not more than *one* permit in Form A shall be granted for *the same period in the same shooting area, and fifteen days shall elapse between the grant of two successive permits in the same area.* It seems to me, therefore, that if an exempted officer or Rs. 100 permit holder takes a jungle during a period of grace, for 15 days, and wishes to take a friend or friends with him, that as he will have to obtain a permit in Form A, either the rule that two *successive permits on the same area* are not permissible will be broken or the Forest Officer will be forced to rule that the Exempted Officer and Rs. 100 permit holder must shoot *alone* for that period, which is absurd! Again I am aware of an instance in which the Forest Officer has taken a shooting area for himself in a "pass period" and yet has *himself* broken the rule that not more than one permit shall be granted for the same period in the same area, by allowing another person to shoot in the same area under a permit in Form A. I argue that as the Forest Officer is not shooting in a period of grace, he *must* be shooting in a permit period, under a permit granted by himself to himself. How then can he allow under the rule anyone else to shoot in the same area? Still further I am aware that he offered another portion of his shooting area on a permit in Form A., to a *third* person not exempted. If the offer had been accepted there would have been certainly two permits in Form A. in force at one and the same time, in the same shooting area, not to mention that taken out by himself. Surely this, if it shows anything, shows the absurdity of the rule and also the way in which the rules framed by Government can be and are worked by the Forest Officer who is responsible for their administration! Again if the area as the Forest Officer evidently thinks it is, is large enough for *three* parties to be shooting in, *at one and the same time*, how comes it that when forming the shooting areas he made the whole of this area into one? Is it not desirable that before shooting areas are constituted the District officials and the public should be in some way or other consulted on the subject, and do not the other facts set forth provided an irrefutable argument for a right of appeal from the Forest Officer's decision to some independent officer? Lastly it should be made clear how many areas Forest Officers can take for themselves at the same time. I have known of cases in which practically the whole of two Divisions has been reserved by them. What with 15 day periods of grace if only two Forest Officers, the Conservator, and Deputy Conservator, take each one or more areas simultaneously or for successive periods of 15 days, they really close practically the whole of the Division to the public. For the shooting of carnivora March is too early in most places in these provinces; June is too late with the result that for the only time worth anything the public can be entirely excluded.

Rule 11.

In my opinion this rule is also objectionable. It is apparently framed for the benefit of the Rs. 100 pass holder and if the conclusions I have come to above are correct, he certainly does seem to have got in some ways more than is desirable and in otheas less. As regards the non-official resident if the view I have taken is correct he is unduly favoured. As regards the official resident no district officer or official, whatever the opinion may be to the contrary, can afford the time to be constantly in the forests or to be always shooting. At the most he could ordinarily expect to get to them for ten days, two or three times a year. Under the annual permit he would pay Rs. 100 and get two elephants free. For three special permits he would pay $3 \times 10 + 1$ rupee per day for his elephants or say two elephants for ten days = Rs. 50. Total Rs. 90. Obviously, therefore, he would lose Rs. 10 by taking out a Rs. 100 permit and moreover as two elephants are of no real use for shooting purposes in most jungles, he would have to pay for the extra ones and also for friends with him and therefore he *can* derive no advantage from an annual permit! The conclusion is that the fee demanded is excessive, but that annual permit holders should be restricted to periods of grace so as not to prevent the general public from obtaining permits in Form A, during the permit periods. Under the old rules in force prior to 1905, even with the numerous exemptions then existing, the number of non-exempted persons shooting in this district, as can easily be proved, in the non fire protected season, was very largely in excess of what it *can* ever be under existing rules, which have so *restricted* the areas and periods for the public, and yet a portion of the public is apparently still under the delusion that 1906 rules have benefited them, because exemptions have been done away with!! Again look at the note to Rule 11. Apparently this note is intended to enable the Forest Officer to prevent a Rs. 100 permit holder from sendidg in a "shikari" on a pad elephant in a period of grace, or in an untaken up forest, unless he is there himself, *e. g.*, suppose the Superintendent of Police or Joint Magistrate takes out a Rs. 100 permit and is in camp ten miles away, and wants to send a "shikari" to look for tracks and tie up he is debarred from doing so, which seems to be an altogether unnecessary restriction Rule 1, of the rules, prevents any ordinary permit holder, from sending in "shikaris" before his period begins, but why should the Rs. 100 permit holder's facilities for sport be limited to those very days when he can himself be present. He may desire to shoot in the forests during a period of grace and it may suit his work to camp some way off them, and to take an odd day in them, when he gets any reliable information, but under this rule unless he is present himself *all the time* in the Forests, he may not send a tracker to get him that information!!

Rule 12 (1).

Under this rule, and since the rules were originally published Government has ruled, by G. O. No. 548—XIV—31 of the 18th September 1906, that Collector and Deputy Commissioners of districts in which Forests are situate, as well as the Superintendent of the Dun, are Gazetted Forest Officers within the meaning of the Rules. Apparently this conclusion has been based on the fact that many Gazetted Forest Officers are subordinate in so far as the working of some of the rules under the Forest Act is concerned, to District Officers in Forest Districts, and possibly also to the fact that such District Officers as are concerned with the working of the Forest Rules (as all of them are) are forest officers of gazetted rank, within the meaning of the definition of "Forest Officer" in Act VII of 1878, and it was therefore thought undesirable to exclude them and at the same time to exempt their subordinates, *though as I have already explained so far as the wording of the Forest shooting and fishing rules is concerned Forest Officers never have been in the least subject to the control in any shape or way of the Collector or Deputy Commissioner, whatever the prevailing idea may be.* In concluding this portion of my criticism it may not be out of place to give the public an idea of the advantages (!!) they have gained under these rules. I give below a table comparing the different rules as applied *e. g.*, to a party of three guns and 12 elephants on a Christmas shoot in reserved forests for ten days.

	Under the rules in force up to 1905, which were never objected to by anyone.	Under the 1905 Rules.	Under the 1906 Rules now in force.
Cost of permit.	*Nil.*	Rs 10 (or possibly Rs. 30 as the Rule is not clear).	Rupees Thirty.
Elephant fees.	*Nil.*	Re. 1 per elephant per day. Rs. 120.	Re. 1 per elephant per day. Rs. 120.
Period for which permit could be obtained.	Whole cold weather.	One month.	Fifteen days. Subject to the 15 day periods of grace. One permit blocks any area for 45 days.
Area for which permit could be obtained.	Whole Forest Division.	Whole Forest Division excepting sanctuaries (if any).	One area fixed by the Conservator—large or small as *he* chooses.
Appellate authority.	Divisional Commissioner.	Divisional Commissioner.	Conservator.
Number of heads.	Unlimited.	Restricted (if necessary).	Restricted (1) by the area limit, (2) by the Forest Officer in the permit, apparently just as he chooses and on no *fixed* and *known* scale.

The net result is that you pay certainly *not less*, if not more, than under the 1905 Rules, concerning which such an outcry was raised on the score of excessive fees, for a *shorter period and for a much smaller area*, not to mention the other disabilities pointed out!! To but few amongst us is the question of fees a matter of indifference. I have examined, so far as I could obtain them, the shooting, etc. rules existing for every province in India, and for Native States, and *in not one single case* can I find an instance of the fees being anything approaching so high or the restrictions so numerous as in these rules. To the private person, subaltern and poorer officials whose means are limited, more especially in the case of the hard worked Police Department and miserably paid officers of the Opium Department, these rules are tantamount to the almost entire suppression of big game shooting. In the case of a Railway, Canal or Public Works Engineer whose duties may take him throughout the cold weather at intervals near Government Forests the same will be the result. Under the old rules, *i.e.*, prior to 1905, he could get a free permit for the whole division for the whole cold weather. Now if he wants to shoot for one day he has to try and take out a 15 day permit (which, if obtained, also blocks the same area to the public for 145 days), and then very probably will not get it! If it be argued that the rules have been framed in the interests of sportsmen is general, and for the protection of game, I would reply that though I admit the principle, the way in which it has here carried out, will not effect that object, and that many of the restrictions are uncalled for and unnecessary. It is, in my opinion, nonsense to say that sportsmen, and so far as my experience goes there are few who are not sportsmen in the real sense of the word, injure shooting or can shoot out the vast Government forests. On the contrary they tend by keeping down vermin such as wild dogs, hyænas, cats, etc. and also by shooting panthers and tigers, to do far more good than harm, to herbivorous animals and feathered game. The real "poachers" are the above mentioned animals, whose chances of running riot have been materially enhanced by these rules, and the low caste native, who, unmolested by subordinate forest officials, may often with their active connivance and assistance shoots in the forests, over water holes and salt licks, and in the rainy season, and who generally speaking, leaves no trick untried to shoot, trap or somehow kill animals at all times and seasons—of all ages and sexes—mature or immature—in or out of breeding seasons in all places, and who alone can be repressed by the active assistance of the *district officials*, whose interests in game preservation in the Government forests has to a very great extent, if not entirely so, been destroyed by the recent rules.

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I will now endeavour to put forward very briefly the case of the hitherto Exempted Officer whose privileges have been taken away by these rules. I do not wish to unduly dwell on the subject or to give it a greater prominence than it deserves, as I am convinced that the rules as they stand unfairly *restrict* sport for the public, and are open to grave abuses and cannot succeed in practice. But as a matter of common fairness the hitherto exempted official has a right to be heard, even though it be granted that his interests (which I do not for one moment admit) really conflict with those of the military man and non-official. The main object of my note is to invite criticism of the rules from any persons interested in them, whether official or otherwise—civilian or military—hitherto exempted or not, but it may be as well to state at this point that I personally being one of those falling within the definition of "Gazetted Forest Officer" have "no axe of my own to grind" and seek only, for the public benefit, to have removed all that I consider to be an unnecessary restriction on sport. The first exemptions, of which I am aware, were made by Government in 1895 on the grounds that the rules *were needlessly exclusive*, and included.

(*a*) Commissioners of Divisions and superior officers of the Revenue Department.
(*b*) The Conservator of the Circle.
(*c*) The Magistrate and Collector of the District.
(*d*) Assistants to the Collector, including Deputy Collectors.
(*e*) District Superintendents of Police.

In 1899 the exemptions were extended to officers of the Imperial and Provincial Civil Service, Forest officers, and Gazetted Officers of the Public Works, Police, Medical and Survey Departments, and the rule distinctly laid down that they were made for the convenience of officers employed in the districts, in which the forests are situated, or whose duties took them to the neighbourhood of forests. In 1900 officers of the Opium Department were added to the list and when the rules were revised in 1905, no changes were made in this respect, and so far as I am aware, all during these 11 years, no public complaints were ever made that the exemptions were excessive, or that they had resulted in the exclusion of others less fortunate. The principle of exemption has been recognised in every province in India, and even extended from time to time by the Government of these provinces, which it hardly would have been had Government any reason to believe that by so doing it was acting unjustly to others. It was not till after the 1905 Rules came into force that we heard anything on the subject and even then only privately, and I cannot imagine what happened between the issuing of the 1905 Rules and those of 1906, to render a complete reversal of policy necessary, so much so that only Gazetted Forest Officers and the British Officers and Non-Commissioned Officers of a particular Gurkha Regiment were declared exempt! It is true that Government has since been pleased to hold that Collectors and Deputy Commissioners of certain districts are Gazetted Forest Officers within the meaning of the Rules, but the original intention was to exclude them also. If the reasons which were held formerly to be adequate for granting and extending these privileges, both in this province and other provinces have ceased to exist surely the officers affected or the public might have been informed fo them, but, so far as I am aware, they have not been and it remains only a matter of conjecture what the real reasons, if any, are. Possibly the idea may have prevailed that these privileged officers had abused their privlleges, but if so, at least in common fairness, they might have been informed of the grounds for this belief, and been given a chance of refuting them, for, as I have already said, whatever may be the opinion to the contrary, neither the District officer nor any single person of these excempted (except Forest Officers themselves and at one time the Commissioner so far as appeals to him were concerned) *had anything what-ever to do with the working of the rules or the issuing or the refusing of permits, or were ever even consulted or kept informed on the subject and if the rules were worked unfairly in their favor those responsible for their working are alone to blame.* No exempted official desires to have a monopoly of the Government Forests, but surely it is going to the opposite extreme, after they have enjoyed the privilege for years, to exclude them altogether, for now many of them, who can only be for a day or two at a time, passing through

the forests, in the course of their duties, are debarred from shooting even a single peafowl or partridge, because of the heavy expense involved or because of periods of grace in which only Exempted Officers and Rs. 100 permit holders can shoot, or because permits is Form A, or some other form, have already been issued for areas *far larger than are necessary for one person's sport at least in the non-fire protected season*. Again these District Officials whose duties take them constantly into the neighbourhood of the forests, are perhaps, *if possible* in still worse plight. For any shooting they can get I have shown that a Rs. 100 payment is far too heavy. They cannot afford it and it would not be worth it if they could, with the result that they are altogether deprived of an innocent, nay rather of what has been recognised by Government itself as a very useful pursuit. The result is that a very great feeling of discontent and soreness is certain to be caused among these officials, and it is by no means improbable that it will result is friction between the various classes of the community which cannot be to the public advantage. Surely as these officers have an indirect if not a direct interest in the forests, as part of their administrations some provision on somewhat favourable terms *a least*, might have been made for them, whereas they are in my opinion, worse off on the whole than if they had never been exempted at all!

The District Official's lot, (I refer solely to the subordinate officials as the District Magistrate and Collector being a Gazetted Forest Officer within the meaning of the rules, is not affected) is not always a happy one and the tale of his work and the enormous nature of his duties tends ever to increase and if one of the few recreations, useful, not only as a means of recruiting his health, but also in acquiring a knowledge of his district and of the people and their language, and of getting himself known by them, all of which are valuable assets from an administrative point of view, is taken away from him or rendered almost impossible to obtain, the effect will, I imagine, be detrimental to the services as a whole in more ways than one.

It is laid down in the Forest Manual that all *distinctions* and all practices calculated to convey the impression that Civil and Police Officers have *no concern* with Government work in the Forest Department should be discouraged, but the present rules, so far as those officials are concerned, hardly appear to be in accordance with those principles. Lastly has it never occurred to the public that the only persons who can possibly prevent poaching or do anything really effectual towards the preservation of game whether in Reserved Forests or elswhere are the District Officer, the Superintendent of Police and their subordinate officials? All the Forest Officers and all the shooting rules in existence are powerless to prevent poaching or to really protect game without their active assistance. It is a matter of common knowledge to all who have any real experience of forests, that poaching even in those districts in which the district officials take the greatest interest in preservation, so far as their duty to Government, and the public, allows them, goes on with the active connivance of the low paid subordinate Forest Officials, who derive considerable profit therefrom. Personally I have on numerous occasions been so informed by superior Forest Officers themselves and I have had proofs of it. A female "chital" in this district is worth for skin and flesh Rs. 3—at stag from Rs. 3 to Rs. 5 as horns are a valuable commodity—a "sambar" hind is worthRs 6 to Rs. 8 and a "sambar' stag Rs. 10 to Rs. 12 and an average pig Rs. 6 or Rs. 7. These figures are not imaginary, but have been ascertained by enquiry from time to time from professional shikaris and those holding licenses under Form XI of the Arms Acts. The temptation to shoot in the Government Forests is therefore great. The risk, especially when the forest subordinates are acting in connivance, is not at any time very great and it will be absolutely *nil* unless you have a District Officer and Superintendent of Police and other District Officials fairly frequently in the neighbourhood of the forests and bent on preserving game so far as it is desirable it should be preserved. Let them but once show they are indifferent to preservation or let them but give the slightest hint they no longer take any interest in its preservation in Government Forests and in a short time the rules for sanctuaries, for restricting the number of heads shot by genuine sportsmen (not by pot-hunters), etc, etc., will be absolutely ineffectual and game instead of increasing will diminish. Granted even that these rules have been framed solely with the laudable object of giving the public greater facilities for sport and to protect game for that purpose, they will themselves defeat this very object by alienating the sympathies of all those now placed in such a position that a reasonable hope of getting sport for themselves and their friends at a reasonable cost has entirely disappeared.

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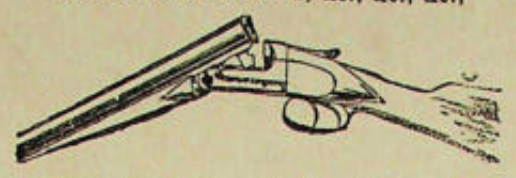

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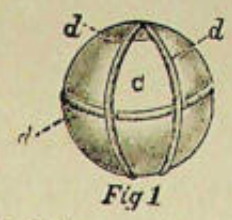

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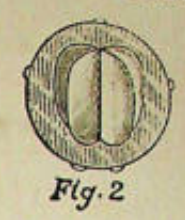

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Bombay Fourth Extra .. —	,,	5
,, Fifth ,, ...	,,	12
,, Sixth ,, ...	,,	19
,, Seventh ,, ...	,,	26
Agra New Year	,,	6 & 10
R. W. Fusiliers Steeplechases	,,	12
Calcutta Second Meeting .. —	,,	12, 13 & 19
Dibrugarh	,,	22, 24 & 26
Calcutta Fourth Extra .. —	,,	26
Lucknow Spring	Feb.	2, 4 & 6
Bombay Eighth Extra .. —	,,	2
,, Ninth ,, ...	,,	9
Calcutta Fifth Extra	,,	9
,, Sixth ,, ...	,,	16
,, Seventh ,, ...	,,	23
Gorakhpore Spring	,,	13 & 15
Bombay	,,	13, 16, 18, 20 & 23
Meerut Spring	Mar.	2, 5 & 7
Kathiawar	,,	4 & 6
Jorhat	,,	6 & 8
Rangoon Spring	,,	9, 12 & 14
Bombay Tenth Extra	,,	2
,, Eleventh ,, ...	,,	9
,, Twelfth ,, ...	,,	16
,, Thirteenth ,, ...	,,	23
,, Fourteenth ,, .. .	,,	30
Umballa Spring	,,	12, 14 & 16
Lahore Spring	,,	20 & 22
Rawalpindi Spring .. .	,,	23, 26 & 28
Jubbulpore	,,	26, 28 & 30

CLOSING DATES OF ENTRIES.

Lucknow Spring C. S. Cup ..	Final ..	—	15th January.
Calcutta Second Meeting ..	Second ..	..	2nd January.
Lucknow Spring .. —	Second ..	..	1st January.
	Third ..	..	15th January.
Gorakhpore Spring	First ..	..	15th January.
	Second ..	..	31st January.
	Third ..	..	10th February.
Jubbulpore	First ..	..	12th February.
	Second ..	..	26th February.
	Third ..	..	12th March.

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POLO.

Agra Tournament International Cup — Begins 8th January.

SHOWS.

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HOCKEY.

All India Tournament (Allahabad) .. .. Begins 24th February.

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Poona Royal Connaught B. C. Regatta .. .. 14th & 16th February.

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Third Day, Saturday, 29th December 1906.

EXCELLENT sport was witnessed this afternoon and some fast times were put up. The Grand Annual was won by Messrs. Wood and Badger's Thomond, while Sermon, from the same stable, won comfortably in the Sandown Park Plate. The Cooch Behar Cup went to Paddy's Darling, who, carrying nearly three stone less than Fitzgrafton, beat the Viceroy's Cup winner by two lengths. The time for the race 2mins. 7⅘secs. was ⅘sec. outside the record put up by Colleen Juna in 1891. Claribell won the Stand Plate, and Lipscombe the 'Xmas Selling Handicap, but the best finish of the day was in the Lawn Plate when five horses came up the straight together, a neck, a short head and a neck dividing them at the finish. Jolly Roger won the Gunny Meah Cup in good style. It was a favourites' day throughout. Result :—

THE GRAND ANNUAL.—Rs. 5,000 to the winner, Rs. 600 to the second, and Rs 400 to the third. A handicap hurdle race for horses. Two miles over eight flights of hurdles.

Messrs. Wood and Badger's br e g Thomond, 11st.	Capt. Barrett	1
Hon. Mr. A. A. Apcar's ch aus m Seclusion (5yrs.) 10st. 2lbs	C. Hoyt	2
Mr. North's b aus g Greenstone, 10st.	A. Hoyt	dead heat.
Mr. Spooner-Hart's b aust g Decoration, 9st. 8lbs.	A. Ferguson	dead heat.
Messrs. Jones and Pugh's b aus g Olynthus, 11st. 3lbs.	Mr. Pugh	0
Mr. Alex's b aus g Lord D., 10st. 7lbs.	Lansdown	0
Mr. Spooner-Hart's b aus g Loch Lochie, 10st. 4lbs.	Deeble, fell	
Mr. K. R. Tomkinson's b aus g Spark, 9st. 2lbs. (dec. 2lbs.)	Sheldrake	0
Hon. Mr. A. A. Apcar's ch aus m Nak Our (5yrs.), 9st.	Howie, fell	

(Winner trained by Penton.)

Totalisator paid Rs. 21 to win; Rs. 14, Rs. 23, Rs. 25 Decoration and Rs. 13 Greenstone for places.

BETTING : Evens Thomond, 3 to 1 agst. Greenstone, 8 to 1 Loch Lochie, 10 to 1 each Spark and Nak Our, 12 to 1 each Decoration and Seclusion, 20 to 1 Olynthus, 40 to 1 Lord D.

Spark, Lord D. and Thomond were quickest away. Nak Our fell at the first obstacle and Loch Lochie at the third. Seclusion, Thomond and Lord D. were most prominent till the hospital corner where Seclusion was leading with Thomond and Greenstone closest up. In the straight Thomond came away and won by a length, Seclusion a length ahead of Greenstone and Decoration, who made a dead-heat for third place. Time—3mins. 35⅕secs.

THE STAND PLATE.—Rs. 1,200 to the winner, Rs. 300 to the second and Rs. 200 to the third. A handicap for Arabs 14-2, C.-B.'s 14-1, and other ponies 14 hands and under. 9 furlongs.

Mr. J. C. Galstaun's ch aus m Claribell, 9st. 10lbs.	Robinson	1
Mr. J. D. Scott's b aus g Wal, 8st 3lbs.	Southall	2
H. H. Mah. of Cooch Behar's bk aus m Matin Bell, 7st. 2lbs.	Kaeson	3
Lieut.-Col. C. H. Stisted's ch aus g First Bell, 8st. 9lbs.	Firth	4
Mr. G. K.'s ch aus m Veera, 8st.	Melsom	0
Mr. B. N. Burjorjee's br aus m Lorette, 6st. 11lbs. (dec. 5lbs.)	O'Neil	0

(Winner trained by Chater.)

Totalisator paid Rs. 27 to win ; Rs. 19 and Rs. 29 for places.

BETTING : 6 to 4 each agst. Claribell and Veera, 8 to 1 each Wal and Lorette, 12 to 1 each First Bell and Matin Bell.

Veera led from Claribell and Wal who passed her on entering the straight. At the distance Wal came away but Claribell was not to be shaken off and, nicely ridden, secured the verdict on the post by three-quarters of a length ; a length between second and third ; a length and a half between third and fourth. Time—1min 18secs.

'XMAS SELLING HANDICAP.—Rs. 1,500 to the winner, Rs 300 to the second, and Rs. 200 to the third. A high-weight handicap for horses entered to be sold for Rs. 1,000. 5 furlongs.

Mr. E. J. Marshall's b aus g Lipscombe, 7st. 9lbs.	Kaeson	1
Mr. J. C. Galstoun's ch aus m Rustile, 9st. 2lbs.	Robinson	2
Mr. J. S. Love's b aus g Tycannah, 8st. 10lbs.	Evans	3
Mrs A. Grosser's b aus g Swindle, 8st. 12lbs.	Bradshaw	4
Mr. A. N. Dass' b aus g Springlock, 7st. 12lbs.	A. Hoyt	0
Mr. Poland's b aus g Oom Paul, 7st.	Baichan	0
Mr. H. E Smith's b aus m Wake Up, 7st.	Bennett	0
Mr. Dartmoor's b aus g Defendant, 6st. 13lbs.	A. Ferguson	0
Mr. R. A. C. Pugh's b e m Manon, 6st. 12lbs.	Fraser	0
Mr. H. F. Banker's b aus m Queen of Gems, 6st. 12lbs.	A. Guffar	0

(Winner trained by J. D. Scott.)

Totalisator paid Rs. 28 to win ; Rs. 13, Rs. 13 and Rs. 25 for places.

BETTING : 6 to 4 agst Lipscombe, 2 to 1 Rustile, 12 to 1 each Swindle, Tycannah, Springlock and Wake Up, 20 to 1 each Oom Paul and Defendant.

Rustile, Lipscombe and Tycannah were most prominent to the turn where Lipscombe took command and, coming away, won easily by two lengths : Rustile half a length in front of Tycannah : Swindle fourth, three-quarters of a length away. Time—1min. 2⅗secs. The winner was bought in for Rs. 4,300.

THE SANDOWN PARK PLATE.—Rs. 3,500 to the winner, Rs. 700 to the second, and Rs. 300 to the third. A handicap for horses. 5 furlongs

Messrs. Wood and Badger's ch e g Sermon, 8st. 10lbs.	Bray	1
Mr. J. C. Galstaun's bk aus g Dulcimer, 8st. 10lbs.	Robinson	2
Mr. Dartmoor's ch aus g Amyas, 8st. 10lbs.	O'Brien	3
Col. P. K. L. Beaver's b aus g Manlock, 8st 8lbs.	Southall	4
Hon. Mr. A. A Apcar's bk aus m Airloch, 9st. 5lbs.	Evans	0
Mr. P. B. Avasias's b aus g Dormant, 8st. 2lbs.	A. Hoyt	0
Mr. E. J. Marshall's b aus g Camira, 7st. 4lbs.	Kaeson	0

(Winner trained by Penton.)

Totalisator paid Rs. 37 to win ; Rs. 28 and Rs. 68 for places.

BETTING : 2 to 1 each agst Sermon and Airloch, 6 to 1 each Amyas, Manlock and Camira, 12 to 1 Dulcimer, 20 to 1 Dormant. Airloch and Sermon were quickest away, the latter leading into the straight with Dulcimer as his nearest attendant. Sermon was never troubled, however, and won by two and a half lengths; three-quarters of a length between second and third ; a length between third and fourth. Time—1min. 1⅘secs.

THE COOCH BEHAR CUP.—A Cup value £100 presented by H.H. Maharaja of Cooch Behar, G.C.I.E., C.B., and Rs. 6,000 from the Fund. The Cup and Rs. 5,000 to the winner, Rs. 700 to the second and Rs. 300 to the third. A handicap for horses. One mile and a quarter

Mr. J. C. Galstaun's b e f Paddy's Darling, 6st. 13lbs.	Melsom	1
Hon. Mr. A. A. Apcar's b aust h Fitzgrafton, 9st. 10lbs.	Evans	2
Messrs. Scott & Marshall's br cb g Saloon, 6st. 11lbs. (dec. 3lbs.)	Baichan	3
Mr. Maxwell's b aust h The Master, 8st. 9lbs.	Murdison	4
Mr. Dartmoor's ch e g Sacristan II, 8st. 9lbs.	O'Brien	0
Mr. E. L. F. DeSoya's b e h Footprint, 8st. 5lbs.	A. Hoyt	0
Mr. Spooner Hart's ch aust h Contest, 8st. 5lbs.	Southall	0
Mr. J. C. Galstaun's br aust g Prince Lyon, 8st. 5lbs.	Robinson	0
Mr. J. C. Galstaun's b e g Pure Gold, 7st. 2lbs	Kaeson	0
Mr. A. N. Dass' b e m Clynder, 6st. 8lbs.	Davis	0
Mr. A. N. Dass' b aust h Trencherman, 6st. (dec. 15lbs).	Bennett	0
Mr. B B's ch aust m Leda, 6st. (dec. 14lbs).	Manley	0

(Winner trained by Chater.)

Totalisator paid Rs. 45 to win ; Rs. 15, Rs. 14 and Rs. 18 for places.

BETTING : 2 to 1 agst. Fitzgrafton, 3 to 1 Paddy's Darling, 5 to 1 Saloon, 4 to 1 Sacristan, 10 to 1 The Master, 20 to 1 each Prince Lyon, Pure Gold and Clynder, 30 to 1 Contest and Leda, 40 to 1 Footprint, 50 to 1 Trencherman.

Paddy's Darling was first away with Saloon and Clynder next in order, Fitzgrafton leading the others. She continued in front to the bend where Saloon and Fitzgrafton were her nearest attendants, with The Master coming up fast. There was no change in the straight and in spite of a gallant attempt by Fitzgrafton, Paddy's Darling kept her lead and won by two lengths ; three and a half length between second and third ; a length between third and fourth. Time—2mins. 7⅘secs.

THE LAWN PLATE.—Rs. 1,500 to the winner, Rs. 300 to the second and Rs. 200 to the third. A high weight handicap for horses which have not won a flat race value Rs. 2,000 or upwards since 31st March 1904. Distance—6 furlongs.

Mr. J. C. Galstaun's br e m Killeevan, 10st.	Robinson	1
Mr. D B. Myers' gr e c Jolly Abbot, 8st. 6lbs.	Bradshaw	2
Lt-Col J. Desaraj Urs' b aus g Red Coral, 8st. 8lbs.	Evans	3
Messrs. Paris and Marshall's br e m Lady Anna, 7st. 12lbs.	Kaeson	4
Mr. J. A. Manning's ch aust g Loyal, 9st. 8lbs.	Bullock	0
Mr. Dartmoor's b aust m Lady Metal, 9st. 8lbs.	O'Brien	0
Mr. J. D. Scott's b e m Honest Lady, 9st. 8lbs.	Elliot	0
Thakur Sripal Singh's b aust g Flotsam, 9st. 8lbs.	C. Hoyt	0
Mr. P. B. Avasia's ch e g Presbyterian, 9st. 6lbs.	A. Hoyt	0
Mr. O. M. D. Bell's b aust b Botha, 9st. 5lbs.	Firth	0
Messrs. Hudson and Butler's bk or br em Mercedes, 9st. 4lbs.	Murdison	0
Mr. J. C. Galstaun's b aust g Gum, 9st. 4lbs.	Melsom	0
H H. Kour Sahib of Patiala's bk aust g Mallinyook, 9st. 3lbs.	Southall	0
Mr. A. N. Dass' b aust g Mulison, 8st. 8lbs.	Lansdown	0
Messrs. Wood and Badger's ch e f Dunsinane, 8st. 4lbs.	Bray	0
Mr. Charles' bk aust g Foy, 7st. 11lbs.	Drew	0
Hon. Mr. A. A. Apcar's bk aust g Strathspey, 7st. 10lbs.	Manley	0
Capt. H. D. McNeile's ch e g White Heather, 6st. 10lbs.	A. Ferguson	0
Mr. R. D. Cogran's ch aust f Pallas 6st. 6lbs. (dec 5lbs.)	Fraser	0

(Winner trained by Chater.)

Totalisator paid Rs. 52 to win ; Rs 22, Rs. 21 and Rs 19 for places.

BETTING : 4 to 1 Killeevan, 6 to 1 each Lady Anna and Red Coral, 8 to 1 Lady Metal and Malinyook, 12 to 1 Honest Lady, Presbyterian, Mulison, Botha, Foy and Strathspey, 20 to 1 the others.

An excellent start, Lady Anna showing the way to Killeevan, Mulison, Jolly Abbot and Red Coral. These horses entered the straight abreast and a great race ensued, Killeevan eventually getting home by a neck ; a short head between second and third, a neck between third and fourth. Time—1min. 15⅘secs.

THE GUNNY MEAH CUP.—A Cup value Rs. 1,000 presented by the heirs of the late Nawab Sir Ahsanullah Bahadur of Dacca, and Rs. 1,000 from the Fund. The Cup and Rs. 500 to the winner, Rs. 300 to the second and Rs. 200 to the third. A high-weight handicap for ponies 14-2 and under. R. C.

Col. Beaver's ch e g Jolly Roger, 8st. 3lbs.	Baichan	1
Mr O. M D. Bell's br e m Psalm, 9st. 2lbs.	Firth	2
Mr. Stead's b aust m Belle Cole, 8st.	Bradshaw	3
Mr. J. C Galstaun's b e g Silphoe, 9st. 2lbs	Robinson	4
Mr. J. D. Scott's ch aust h Yankee Boy, 8st. 8lbs.	Elliott	0
Mr. Dartmoor's bk aust m Hazelnut, 8st. 7lbs.	O'Brien	0
Mr. J. D. Scott's b aust g Duplex II, 8st. 6lbs.	Southall	0
Mr. W. H. Walmsley's br aust m Footlight, 7st. 7lbs.	O'Neil	0
Mr. A. N. Dass' ch aust g Pineal, 6st. (dec 6lbs.)	A. Fergusson	0

(Winner trained by Heywood.)

Totalisator paid Rs. 27 to win : Rs. 13, Rs. 19 and Rs. 22 for places.

BETTING : 6 to 4 agst. Silphoe and Jolly Roger ; 6 to 1 Psalm ; 7 to 1 Belle Cole ; 12 to 1 Footlight, Yankee Boy and Duplex II ; 20 to 1 Hazelnut and Pineal.

Belle Cole was quickest away, followed by Psalm and Silphoe ; Footlight left at the start. Belle Cole led to the mile, where Psalm assumed command ; Duplex, Yankee Boy and Jolly Roger next in order. At the bend Belle Cole and Silphoe were Psalm's nearest attendants, and on entering the straight Jolly Roger came through and won by three lengths ; four lengths between second and third ; two and a half lengths between third and fourth. Time—3mins. 2⅕secs.

Fourth Day, Monday, 31st December 1906.

There was a small attendance at the races this afternoon but race-goers were treated to good sport. Punters had a poor day, for only one favourite gothome and there were some big upsets. Notably Dirty Boy's win in the big race of the day—The Macpherson Cup Amyas and Jack sheppard also caused surprises. Results :—

PONY HANDICAP.—Rs. 1,200 to the winner, Rs. 300 to the second, and Rs. 200 to the third. A handicap for Arabs 14-2, C. B.-'s 14-1, and other ponies 14 hands and under. 1 mile.

H. H. Maharajah of Cooch Behar's bk aus m Martin Bell, 6st. 11lbs.	Melsom	1
Mr. J. C. Galstaun's ch aus m Claribell, 10st.	Robinson	2
Mr. W. B. Green's br or bk aus m Flo, 7st.	Bennett	3

(Winner trained by Firth.)

Totalisator paid Rs. 23 to win.

BETTING : 7 to 4 on Claribell, 6 to 4 agst. Matin Bell, 8 to 1 Flo.

Matin Bell was first away and leading all through won cantering by eight lengths ; two and a half lengths between second and third. Time—1min. 45secs.

MISTLETOE PLATE.—Rs. 1,500 to the winner, Rs. 300 to the second, and Rs. 200 to the third. A high-weight handicap for horses which have never won a flat race value Rs. 1,100 or upwards. 7 furlongs.

Mr. Charles' b e g Pendred, 7st. 13lbs.	Bullock	1
Hon. Mr. A. A. Apcar's bk aus g Strathspey, 7st 12lbs.	Manley	2
Capt. Farquharson's b e m Nightingale, 9st. 2lbs.	Evans	3
Mr. D. B. Myer's b aus g Bon Bon, 8st. 11lbs.	Lansdown	4
Mr. O. M. D. Bell's br aus g Dramatic, 9st. 4lbs.	Firth	0
Mr. J. C. Galstaun's b e g Silphoe, 9st. 3lbs.	Robinson	0
Mrs. A. Grosser's b aus g Cyril, 8st. 12lbs.	Bradshaw	0
Mr. Biddy's ch aus m Token, 8st. 7lbs.	Murphy	0
Mr. A. N. Dass' b e m Child Adopted, 7st. 12lbs.	Drew	0
Messrs. Paris and Marshall's b e m Goldstamp, 7st. 12lbs.	Murdison	0

(Winner trained by Pringle.)

Totalisator paid Rs. 16 to win ; Rs. 15, Rs. 65 and Rs. 21 for places.

BETTING : Evens Pendred, 6 to 1 each agst. Bon Bon, Dramatic and Nightingale, 8 to 1 Goldstamp, 12 to 1 Strathspey, 20 to 1 the others.

Bon Bon and Strathspey showed the way, Pendred leading the others. At the turn Pendred and Strathspey were abreast Bon Bon and Nightingale lying next ; a good race up the straight ended in a neck victory for Pendred ; a length between second and third ; half a length between third and fourth. Time—1min. 30secs.

CHOWRINGHEE PLATE.—Rs. 3,000 to the winner, Rs. 600 to the second, and Rs. 400 to the third. A handicap for horses. 6 furlongs.

Mr. Dartmoor's ch aus g Amyas, 8st. 8lbs.	O'Brien	1
Messrs. Wood and Badger's ch e g Sermon, 9st. 10lbs.	Bray	2
Col. P. K. L. Beaver's aus g Manlock, 8st. 4lbs.	Southall	3
Mr. Holmes' bk e m Annamulloch, 6st. 10lbs. (dec. 4lbs.)	Baichan	4
Hon. Mr. A. A. Apcar's bk aus m Airloch, 9st. 5lbs.	Evans	0

Mr. Spooner Hart's ch aus g Contest, 8st. 10lbs. ... . Deeble 0
Messrs. Hudson and Butler's bk or br c m Blitzen, 8st. 10lbs. ... ... Murdison 0
Mr. J. C. Galstaun's br c m Killeevan, 8st. 8lbs. ... ... Robinson 0
Messrs. Scott and Marshall's br or bk aus m Lady Avon, 7st. 10lbs. ... ... Kaeson 0
Mr. A. N. Dass' b c m Clynder, 7st. 6lbs.... O'Neil 0
Mr. P. B. Avasia's ch c g Presbyterian, 7st. 6lbs. (dec. 1lb.) ... ... A. Hoyt 0
Thakur Sripal Singh's b aus g Flotsam, 7st. Manley 0
Mr. G. K.'s b aus m Jubilant, 7st. ... Melsom 0
Mr. D. B. Myers' gr c c Jolly Abbot, 6st. 10lbs. (dec. 1lb.) ... ... Bennett 0

(*Winner trained by Taylor.*)

Totalisator paid Rs. 166 to win; Rs. 32, Rs. 16 and Rs. 34 for places.

BETTING: Kvens Sermon, 4 to 1 agst. Killeevan, 8 to 1 each Amyas and Airlock, 12 to 1 each Annamulloch, Lady Avon and Manlock, 15 to 1 Presbyterian, 20 to 1 the others.

The start was delayed by Presbyterian, but when the barrier went up Lady Avon went to the front, Jolly Abbot, Amyas and Manlock next in order. There was no change till the turn where Amyas took command, Sermon, Manlock and Annamulloch attending him in the run in He preserved his lead, however, and won by three-quarters of a length; two lengths between second and third; a neck between third and fourth. Time—1min. 15secs.

THE MACPHERSON CUP.—Rs. 5,000 to the winner, Rs. 700 to the second, and Rs. 300 to the third. A handicap for horses. St. Leger Course.

Mr. J. C. Galstaun's bk c g Dirty Boy, 6st. 11lb. ... ... A. Ferguson 1
H. H. Kour Sahib of Patiala's br aus g Lamrock, 6st. 10lbs. ... ... Melsom 2
Mr. A. N Dass' b c g Insurrection, 6st. 11lb. (dec. 4lbs.) ... ... Davis 3
Mr. E. L. F. DeSoysa's b c h Footprint, 8st. 6lbs. ... ... Firth 4
Mr. Maxwell's br aus h The Master, 9st. ... Robinson 0
Mr. Charles' b c Steinhager 7st. 8lbs. ... Bradshaw 0
Lt.-Col. J. Desaraj Urs' b aus g Trenton, 6st. 11lb. (dec 13lbs.) ... ... Manley 0
Mr. S. B.'s ch aus m Leda, 6st. 11lb. (dec. 10lbs.) ... ... Bennett 0

(*Winner trained by Chater.*)

Totalisator paid Rs. 270 to win; Rs. 30, Rs. 14 and Rs. 94 for places

BETTING: 5 to 4 on Lamrock, 5 to 2 agst. The Master, 6 to 1 Steinhager, 20 to 1 the others.

Insurrection and Steinhager were most prominent at the start, Lamrock and The Master leading the others. Lamrock went to the front before they reached the mile and kept ahead till they entered the straight. Here Dirty Boy and Insurrection closed on him, the former coming away from the distance and winning by a head; two and a half lengths between second and third; a head between third and fourth. Time—3mins 13⅕secs

HOLLY PLATE.—Rs. 1,500 to the winner, Rs. 300 to the second, and Rs. 200 to the third. A high-weight handicap for horses which have never won a flat race value Rs. 2,000 or upwards. 5 furlongs.

Mr. W. H. Walmsley's b c g Jack Sheppard, 9st 6 lbs. ... ... Bullock 1
Mr. J. M. Rodocanachi's b c m Downland, 8st. 11lb. ... ... Fraser 2
Mr. J. C. Galstaun's ch aus m Rustile, 9st. 4lbs. ... ... Evans 3
Mrs. A. Grosser's b aus g Swindle, 7st. 11lbs. ... ... Manley 4
Mr. J. C. Galstaun's b aus g Gum, 9st. 11lbs. ... ... Melsom 0
Mr. O. M. D. Bell's b aus g Botha, 9st. 11lbs. ... ... Firth 0
Mr. A. N. Dass' b aus g Mulison, 9st. 10lbs. Lansdown 0
Mr. J. C. Galstaun's br aus m Windy, 8st. 11lbs. ... ... Robinson 0
Messrs. Paris and Marshall's br c m Lady Anna 8st. 10lbs. ... .. Murdison 0
Mr. E. J. Marshall's b aus g Lipscombe, 8st. 6lbs. ... ... Kaeson 0
Mr. D. B. Myer's b c m Vespasia, 8st. 4lbs. Bennett 0
Mr. Field's b c g Nirvana, 8st. 2lbs. ... Baichan 0
Mr. W. d. Green's b aus m Projecture, 8st. 2lbs. ... ... Bradshaw 0

(*Winner trained by Pringle.*)

Totalisator paid Rs. 100 to win; Rs. 34, Rs. 124 and Rs. 36 for places.

BETTING: 5 to 2 agst. Lady Anna, 6 to 1 Lipscombe, 7 to 1 Projecture, 10 to 1 Jack Sheppard, 12 to 1 Botha, 16 to 1 Swindle, 20 to 1 the others.

Rustile was quickest away but soon resigned the lead to Swindle who brought them into the straight, Rustile, Downland and Jack Sheppard lying handy. A good race resulted in a win for Jack Sheppard by a length; half a length between second and third; same distance dividing third and fourth. Time—1min. 2⅖secs.

INNOVATION HANDICAP.—Rs. 1,200 to the winner, Rs. 300 to the second, and Rs. 200 to the third. A high-weight handicap for ponies 14-2 and under. 1 mile

Col. P. K. L. Beaver's ch c g Jolly Roger, 7st. 13lbs. ... ... Baichan 1
Lieut.-Col. J. Desaraj Urs' b aus g Minimus, 8st. 11lbs. ... ... Evans 2
Mr. J. C. Galstaun's b aus h Matalgia, 9st. Robinson 3
Mr. J. D. Scott's ch aus h Yankee Boy, 7st. 4lbs. ... ... Kaeson 4
Mr. Bunting's gr c m Lady Grey II., 7st. 11lbs. ... ... Melsom 0

(*Winner trained by Heywood.*)

Totalisator paid Rs. 44 to win; Rs. 18 and Rs. 19 for places.

BETTING: Evens Matalgia, 5 to 2 Minimus, 7 to 2 Jolly Roger, 12 to 1 each Lady Grey and Yankee Boy.

Matalgia and Yankee Boy made the running to the bend where they were joined by Minimus and Jolly Roger and they entered the straight together. It was an exciting finish, Jolly Roger securing the verdict by a neck; half a length between second and third; a head between third and fourth. Time—1min. 46secs.

THE NEW YEAR PLATE.—Rs. 1,500 to the winner, Rs. 300 to the second, and Rs. 200 to the third. A high-weight handicap for horses which have not won a flat race value Rs. 2,000 or upwards since 31st March 1904. R. C.

Mr. J. C. Galstaun's b aus g Our State, 8st. 11lbs. ... ... Robinson 1
Mr. Dartmoor's b c g Bundook, 8st. 3lbs. ... Keason 2
Mr. D. B. Myers' bk or br c c Black Duke, 7st. 8lbs. ... ... Bradshaw 3
Messrs. Wood and Badger's Mother Goose, 8st. 7lbs. ... ... Bray, Manley } dead-heat.
Hon. Mr. A. A. Apcar's ch aus m Nak Our, 7st. 9lbs. ... ... Manley
Mr. J. C. Galstaun's b nth am g Riverside II., 9st. 10lbs. ... . Melsom 0
Mr. Holmes' b c m Santa Maria, 9st. 3lbs. Murdison 0
Mr. G. B. Deakin's ch c g Beaunero, 7st. 12lbs. ... ... Southall 0
Mr. O. M. D. Bell's br aus h Mount Dane, 7st. 11lbs. ... ... Firth 0
Mr. Charles' b aus g Refuge Bay, 7st. 6lbs. Tooney 0
Mr. A. N. Dass' b aus h Trencherman, 6st. 10lbs. ... ... Davis 0
Mr. J. C. Galstaun's br c g Hande'ilian, 6st. 10lbs. ... ... A. Ferguson 0
Mr. W. H. Walmsley's ch c m Scamander, 6st. 10lbs., (dec. 3lbs.) ... ... Fraser 0

(*Winner trained by Chater.*)

Totalisator paid 48 to win; Rs. 16, Rs. 15, and Rs. 22 for places.

BETTING: 5 to 2 agst. Our State, 4 to 1 Bundook, 6 to 1 each Refuge Bay and Santama ria, 10 to 1 Mother Goose, 12 to 1 each Black Duke, Nak Our and Scamander, 20 to 1 the others.

Scamander was first away and soon established a good lead with Santa Maria, Nak Our and Our State next. At the hospital corner Scamander was beaten, Santa Maria bringing them into the straight. Here Bundook and Our State went to the front followed by Black Duke, Nak Our and Mother Goose. Our State won by two lengths; same distance between second and third; a head between third and fourth. Time—2mins. 55⅕secs.

TOLLYGUNGE STEEPLECHASES.

First Day, Tuesday, 1st January 1907.

THE proceedings were more remarkable to-day for the number of accidents than for the quality of the sport, though in the Pony Hurdles we saw a good finish between Mistlebird and Lady George and a dead-heat for second place between Kipling and Olynthus in the Grand National which was won comfortably by Mr. A. A. Apcar's Seclusion. We allude to the racing among our Sporting Notes and append herewith the results:—

THE PONY STEEPLECHASE.—Rs. 1,000 to the winner, Rs 300 to the second, and Rs. 200 to the third. A handicap for Arabs and C.-B.'s 14-2, and other ponies 14-1 and under. About 2½ miles.

Mr. W. H. Walmsley's br aus m Footlight, 11st. 7lbs. ... ... C. Hoyt 1
Messrs. M. Goculdas and A. Nanjee's b aus m Olga, 11st. 3lbs. ... ... A. Hoyt, fell 0

BETTING: 7 to 4 on Footlight.; 6 to 4 agst. Olga.

Totalisator paid Rs. 13 on the winner.

They raced abreast with Olga jumping very badly, Footlight gaining a length at each obstacle, Olga making it up between, The latter fell and broke her neck at the hedge near the bend for the home turn and Footlight trotted home alone. No time taken.

PONY HUNTERS' STEEPLECHASE.—Rs 500 to the winner, Rs. 200 to the second, and Rs. 100 to the third. A handicap steeplechase for *bonâ fide* paperchase ponies 14-2 and under that have never won a flat race, hurdle race, or steeplechase, value Rs. 550 or upwards. G. R.'s only. About 2½ miles.

Mr. R. A. C. Pugh's b aust g Mistlebird, 10st. 12lbs. ... . Mr. Barrow 1
Mr. A. Levetus' br aus m Lady George, 8st. 7lbs. ... ... Mr. Evers 2
Capt. W. B. Rennie's b aust g Bellis, 12st Mr. Gibbs 3
Mr. Glen's b aus g Zig Zag, 9st. ... Owner 4
Mr. Cowper's b aus g Envious, 11st. 4lbs. Owner 0
Mr. Holmes' b aust m Energy, 11st. 3lbs. ... Mr. Turner (fell)
Mr. K. M. Hamilton's br aust g Good Chap, 10st. 8lbs. ... ... Owner (fell)

BETTING: 2 to 1 agst Lady George, 3 to 1 Mistlebird and Good Chap, 5 to 1 Energy, 8 to 1 Zig Zag. 12 to 1 the others.

Totalisator paid Rs. 35 on the winner; Rs. 23 and Rs. 19 for places.

Zig Zag led them over the water (which all jumped in good style) and next came Good Chap, Bellis and Mistlebird. On the far side Bellis led with Good Chap, Zig Zag and Lady George next. At the home turn Mistlebird began to improve his position and Energy fell. Mistlebird led them over the water the second time and there Lady George got up to him and a change of places down the far side found her leading with Zig Zag, Good Chap, Bellis and Mistlebird next in order; Envious clean out of it. Mistlebird then began to forge ahead, caught the leaders at the distance and a good race resulted in a win for Mistlebird by half a length,; three lengths between second and third; twenty lengths between third and fourth. Time—5mins. 36⅕secs.

THE TRIAL CHASE PLATE.—Rs. 1,500 to the winner, Rs. 300 to the second, and Rs. 200 to the third. A steeplechase for horses which have not won a steeplechase value Rs. 2,000 or upwards since 31st March 1904. W. A. and C. raised 21lbs. About 2½ miles.

Mr. Spooner-Hart's b aus g Loch Lochie, 10st. 4lbs. ... ... Deeble 1
Mr. G. H. Beaumont's ch aus g Wales, 10st. 10lbs. ... ... Howie 2
Mr. W. T. Miles' ch aus g Senator, 11st. 6lbs. C. Hoyt 3
Thakur Sripal Singh's b aus g Rustler, 11st. Gee 4
Mr. Alec's b aus g Lord D., 10st. 10lbs. ... Northmore, 0
Mr. Austin's ch aus g Kingpin, 10st. 10lbs. Mr. Wood, (fell)
Capt. H. N. Holden's br aus g Craig, 10st. 10lbs. ... ... Murphy (fell)
Mr. S. F. Reynolds' b aus g Coronet, 10st. 7lbs ... ... Thomas (fell)

BETTING: 2 to 1 agst. Loch Lochie, 5 to 2 Senator, 4 to 1 Kingpin, 5 to 1 Rustler, longer odds the rest.

Totalisator paid Rs. 26 on the winner; Rs. 14, Rs. 43 and Rs. 15 for places.

Loch Lochie led and the rest were soon strung out, Kingpin falling at the first jump. As they passed the stand Coronet was ahead with Senator and Loch Lochie next. At the bush fence on the far side Coronet came a cropper and brought down Craig Senator was in front coming round the turn for home but Loch Lochie had him safe and won easily, Wales running into second place 100 yards from the post. Won by six lengths; twenty lengths between second and third. Time—5min. 19⅖secs.

THE INDIAN GRAND NATIONAL Rs. 7,000 to the winner, Rs. 2,000 to the second, and Rs. 1,000 to the third. A Steeplechase for horses. C. W. A. and C. raised 21lbs. About 3 miles.

Hon. Mr. A. A Apcar's, ch aus m Seclusion, 10st. 2lbs. ... ... C. Hoyt 1
Mr. E. J. Marshall's b aus g Kipling, 11st. 2lbs. ... ... Sheldrake 2 } D. H.
Messrs. Jones and Pugh's b aust g Olynthus, 10st. ... ... Northmore 2 }
Messrs. Wood and Badger's br c g Thomond, 10st. 3lbs. ... ... Gee 4
Mr. North's b aus m Greenstone, 10st. 3lbs. ... ... Howie 0
Mr. Locke's ch aus g Baron II., 11st. 6lbs. Mr. Tomkinson 0
Mr. Spooner-Hart's b or br aus g Aberfoyle, 11st. 4lbs. ... ... Deeble 0
Mr. Locke's b aust g Look Out, 11st. 2lbs. Mr. Charington 0
H. H. Kour Sahib of Patiala's br aus g Lamrock, 10st. 3lbs ... Thomas 0

BETTING: Evens Kiplin 4 to 1 Seclusion, 6 to 1 Thomond, 6 to 1 Greenstone, longer odds the others.

Totalisator paid Rs. 47 on the winner, Rs. 14, Rs. 14, and Rs. 40 for places.

The start was twenty minutes behind scheduled time, owing, we presume, to the late arrival of the Viceregal party. They were despatched in straggling order, Thomond and Olynthus showing the way; the two were abreast on the far side, with Kipling and Baron II next. They came at the water with lots of pace on Olynthus, Thomond, Kipling, Baron II., and Seclusion taking it in the order named. Aberfoyle was pulled up opposite the stand. There was not much incident till Greenstone fell at the six furlongs, and Look Out fell shortly afterwards. Olynthus and Kipling were ahead as they got into the straight; but Seclusion soon passed them and won by a length and a half; Olynthus and Kipling dead heating for second shop, twenty lengths between them and Thomond the rest filtering in at long intervals. Time—6mins. 36secs.

HUNTERS' STEEPLECHASE.—Rs. 500 to the winner, Rs. 200 to the second, and Rs. 100 to the third. A Steeplechase for *bonâ fide* paperchase horses that have never won a flat race, hurdle race or steeplechase, value Rs. 550 or upwards, C. W. A. and C. raised 18lbs. G.R.'s only. About 2½ miles.

Capt. H. N. Holden's b aus g Lord Harry, 11st. 1olbs ... Owner 1
Dr. W. . Hossack's ch aus m Lady Gold, 11st ... . Owner 2
Mr. Cowper's br aus g Jacinth, 10st. 7lbs. Owner 3
Mr. Glen's b aust g Orphan Boy, 11st. ... Owner 4
Mr. R. A. C. Pugh's b aus m Posey, 9st. 11lbs. ... ... Mr. Evers 0

BETTING: Evens Lord Harry, 7 to 2 Lady Gold, 4 to 1 Posey 10 to 1 Orphan Boy, 20 to 1 Jacinth.

Totalisator paid Rs. 19 on the winner; Rs. 13 and Rs. 16 for places.

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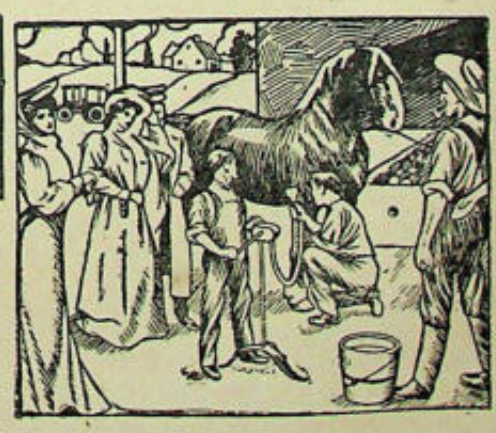

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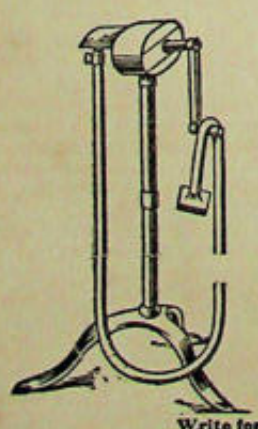

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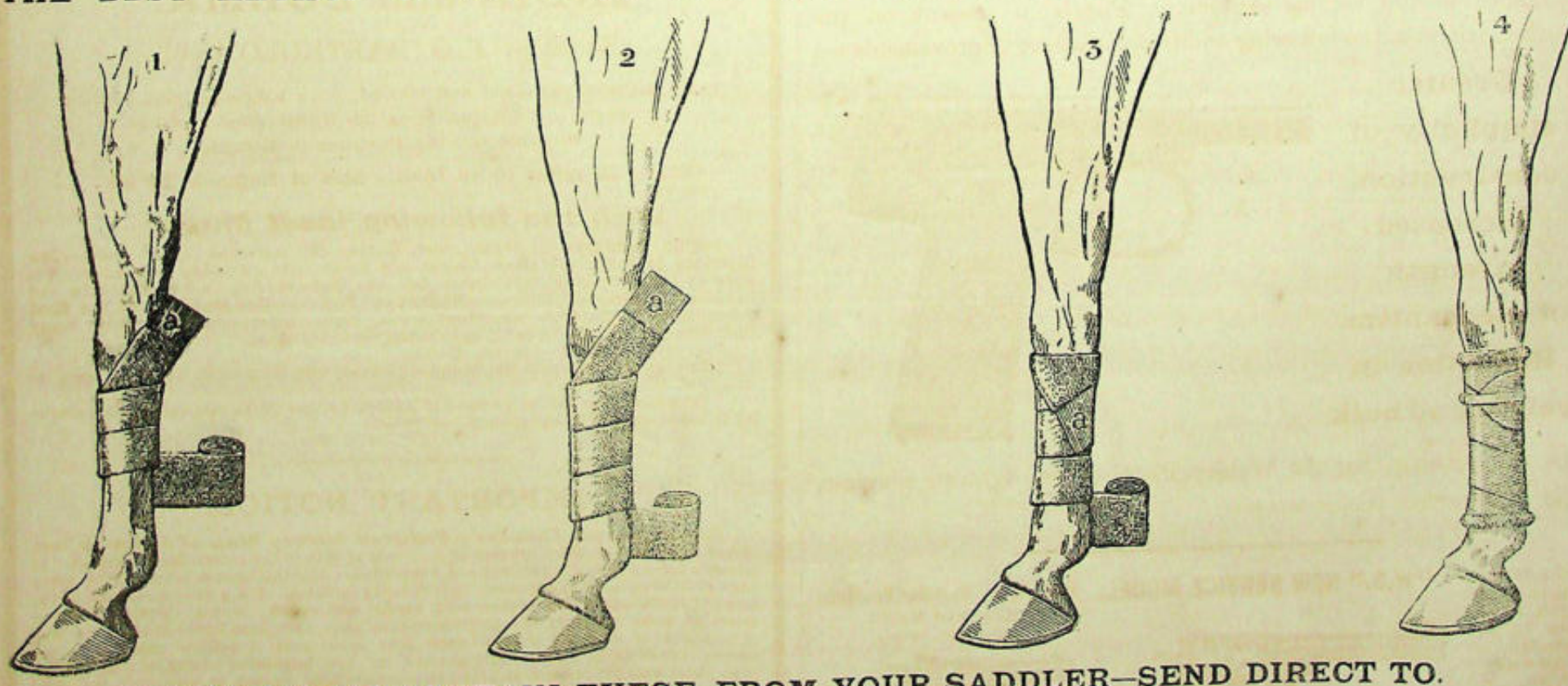

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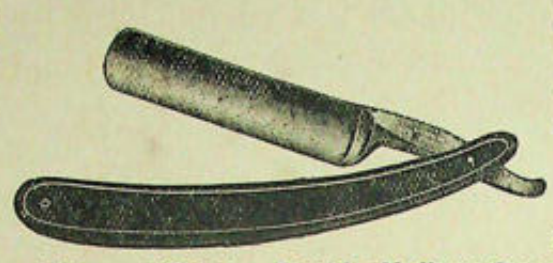

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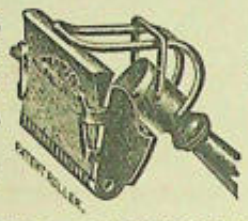

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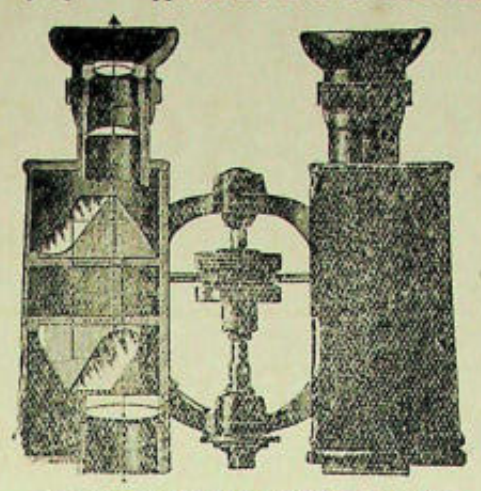

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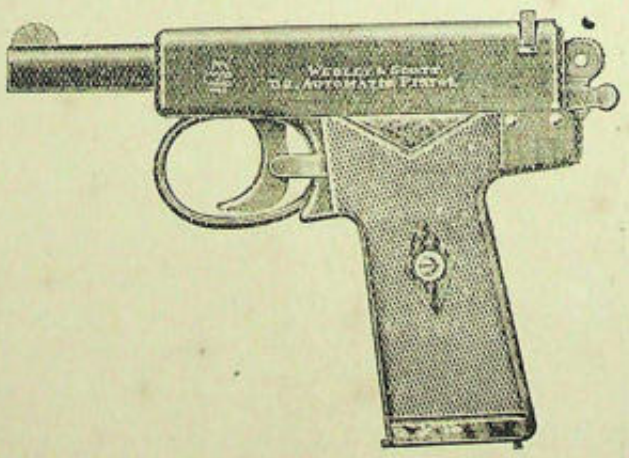

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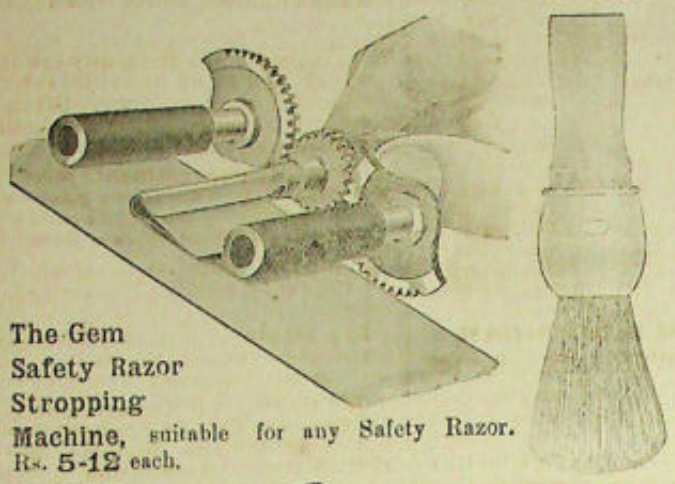

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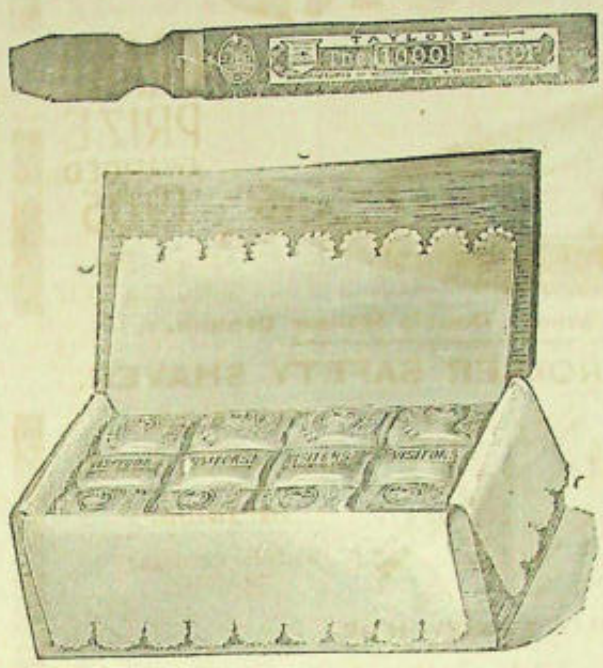

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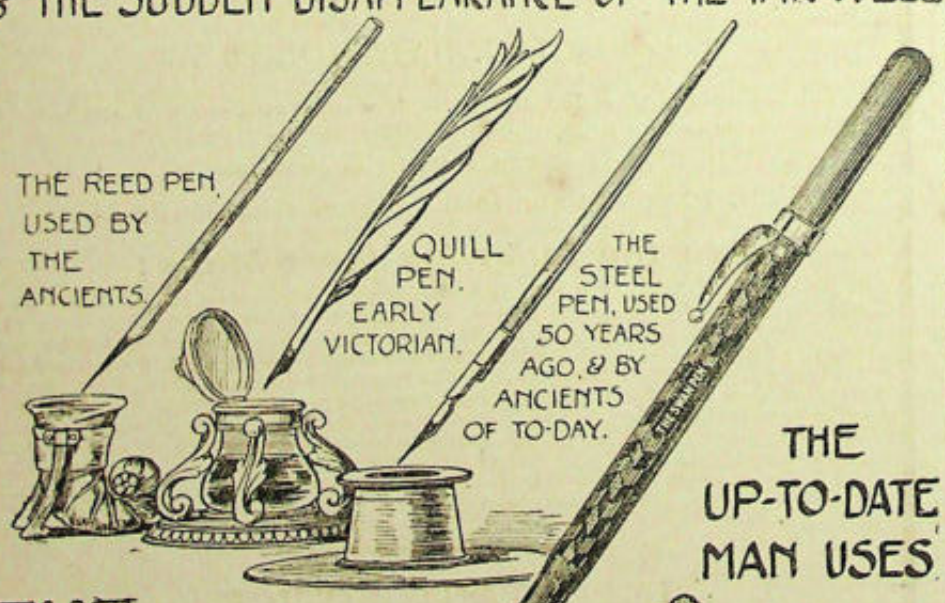

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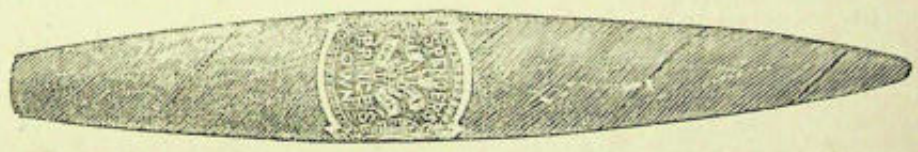

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Mr. Borneo's br aus m Colina (3yrs.), 7st. 8lbs.	F. Fraser	1
Mr. A. N. Dass' b e m Miss Trenton (4yrs.) 6st. 3lbs.	A. Ferguson	2
Mr. Dartmoor's b aus g Defendant, 7st. 10st.	W. Kaeson	3
Capt. H. D. McNeile's ch e g White Heather, 8st. 11lbs.	Robinson	0
Mr. Holmes' ch e m Miss Stone 8st. 7lbs. ...	Murdison	0
Mr. Roland's bn aus g Orm Paul 8st. 2lbs. ...	Bradshaw	0
Mr. E. L. Macleod's b aust g Batanzos 8st. 2lbs	Balgobin	0
Mr. R. A. C. Pugh's b e m Manon 8st. ...	Mr. Evers	0
Mr. H. P. Banker's b aust m Queen of Gems, 7st. 11lbs.	Davis	0

BETTING: 5 to 2 agst Colina and White Heather, 3 to 1 Miss Stone, 6 to 1 Defendant, 10 to 1 Manon 12 to 1 Queen of Gems, 20 to 1 the rest.

Totalistor paid Rs. 40 on the winner. Rs. 16, Rs. 46, and Rs. 29 for peaces.

Won by two lengths; half a length between second and third. Time—1min. 18secs.

BOMBAY THIRD EXTRA MEETING.

Saturday, 29th December 1906.

THE SYDNEY PLATE.—Winner, Rs. 500; second, Rs. 200; third, Rs. 100. 5 furlongs.

Messrs. Goculdas and Nanjee's Gun Metal., 9st. 12lbs.	Ames	1
Mr. Kelso's Russley Rose, 9st. 5lbs. ...	F. Williams	2
Mr. Artin Essayie's Koko., 7st. 11lbs. ...	Heeroo	3
Mr. Hunter's Judy, 7st (car. 7st. 5lbs. ..	Coomber	4

Also ran: Ceres, 8-8.

BETTING: 2 to 1 Russley Rose, 3 to 1 agst. Koko, 5 to 1 Gun Metal, 12 to 1 Judy, 15 to 1 Ceres.

Won by a length and three-quarters; a head between second and third. Time—1min. 3secs.

THE DESERT PLATE.—Winner, Rs. 500; second, Rs. 200; third, Rs. 100. 6 furlongs.

Mr. R. R. S.'s Rose, 8st. 8lbs. (car)., 8st. 9lbs.	F. Williams	1
Mr. Vaid's Zurriff, 7st. 8lbs.	Kamad	2
Messrs. Goculdas, and Nanjee's, Vedas., 8st. 6lbs.	Ames	3
Mr. Artin Essayie's Little Joker, 7st. 12lbs.	Heeroo	4

Also ran: Skylark, 9-10; Witness II., 9-3; and Panala II., 8-0 (car. 8-3).

BETTING: 2 to 1 each agst. Rose and Vedas, 4 to 1 Little Joker, 5 to 1 Zurriff, 8 to 1 Skylark, 10 to 1 Witness II., and 12 to 1 Panala II.

Won by two lengths; a length and a quarter between second and third. Time—1min., 21⅘secs.

THE MIDGET PLATE.—Winner, Rs. 200; second, Rs. 100; third, Rs. 50. For Arabs 14-3 and under which have not won flat race value Rs. 900 or over or flat races value Rs. 150 or over of the aggregate value of Rs. 900 or over; 13-3 to carry 8st. 10lbs.; W. I. 5 furlongs.

Mr. H. A. Shabag's Shanwar 9st. 3lbs. .	F. Williams	1
Mr. A. Readymoney's Mudlool, 8st. 11lbs.	Heeroo	2
Mr. C. Murray's Sahoon, 9st. ...	T. Keyes	3
Mr. K. Bin Saif's Shabib, 8st. 4lbs., (car. 8st.) 5lbs.	Robertson	4

Also ran: Sabig, 9-7; Advocate-General, 8-11; Angler, 8-11.; and Royalred, 8-5.

BETTING: 5 to 4 agst. Mudlool, 7 to 2; Shanwar 4 to 1; Angler, 6 to 1. Advocate-General and Shabib, 10 to 1 each Royalred, and 12 to 1 to 15 to 1 the others.

Won by a length and a half; a head between second and third. Time—1min. 8⅘secs.

THE MISTLETOE PLATE.—Winner, Rs. 500; second, Rs. 200; third, Rs. 100. 6 furlongs.

Mr. F. Main's Baritone, 7st. 13lbs. (car. 8st. 2lbs.)	Fisher	1
Mr. J. Morris' Gumbara, 8st. 9lbs. ...	F. Williams	2
Mr. T. Tejpal's Adelaide. 8st. 4lbs. ...	Kamad	3
Mr. Kelso's Harpist, 8st. 5lbs.	Heeroo	4

Also ran: Balayeuse, 8-8; Spirea, 7-11.

BETTING: Evens Gumbara, 3 to 1 agst Adelaide, 4 to 1 each Balayeuse and Baritone, 8 to 1 Harpist, 20 to 1 Spirea.

Won by three-quarters of a length; half a length between second and third. Time— 1 min. 15⅘secs.

THE COLABA PLATE.—Winner, Rs. 200; second, Rs. 100; third, Rs. 50. For Arabs which have not won flat race value Rs. 150 or over. W. A. reduced 5lbs. 7 furlongs.

Mr. N. Andria's Gladiator, 8st. 12lbs. ...	Ames	1
Mr. T. Tejpal's Antica, 8st. 7lbs. ...	Kamad	2
Mr. S. Rasheed's Sahab, 8st 12lbs. ..	F. Williams	dead-heat
Mr. S. Wahed's Caractacus, 8st 12lbs. ...	Omerkhan	dead-heat

Also ran: Kummar, 8-12; Darin, 8-12; Ormonde, 8-12 (car. 8-13); Katerfelto, 8-9; Recruit; 8-3; Scarlet, 7-9.

BETTING: 6 to 4 agst. Antica 2 to 1 Gladiator, 4 to 1 each Kummar and Recruit, 6 to 1 each Sahab and Caractacus, 15 to 1 Scarlet, 30 to 1 the others.

Won by three lengths; a length and a half between second and third. Time—1min. 38secs.

AUCTION PLATE.—Winner, Rs. 200; second, Rs. 100; third, Rs. 50. For Arabs 14 hands and under; 14 hands entered for Rs. 1,500 to carry 10st. W. I. 3lbs for each Rs. 100 down to Rs. 500. 5 furlongs.

Mr. Vaid's Court Martial, 7st 12lbs. ...	Kamad	1
Mr. S. Wahed's Solicitor, 6st. 13lbs. (car. 7st. 11lb.	Native	2
Mr. Murdoch's Turn o' Luck, 8st 13 lbs ...	Leach	3
Messrs. Goculdas and Nanjee's My Mistake, 8st. 11lb.	Ames	0

Also ran: Canter, 8-9; German Gold, 8-3; One Pie, 8-1; and Magna Charta, 8-1.

BETTING: 5 to 4 agst. Court Martial, 2 to 1 Turn o' Luck, 5 to 2 Magna Charta, 10 to 1 to 30 to 1 the others.

Won by a length and a half; half a length between second and third. Time—1min. 8⅘secs.

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LAHORE XMAS MEETING.

STEWARDS:

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Honorary Secretary—Captain A. Smith.

First Day, Wednesday, 26th December 1906.

THE meeting opened with success to-day: there was a good attendance and only one *contretemps*, namely, when in the Pony Hurdles Roseleaf fell and rather damaged Mr. Keighley's features. It was late when the last race was run, indeed practically nothing could be seen of it owing to the lengthening shadows. Details:—

THE ARAB TRIALS.—Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second, and Rs. 50 to the third. For Arab ponies 14-1 and under that have never won a flat race value Rs. 50 or over. Ponies 14-1 to carry 11st. 7lbs. W. I. 1,000 yards.

Mr. Mulholland's Tarang. 9st. 8lbs. ...	Bingham	1
Capt. Jackson's Mac, 9st. 8lbs. ...	Creek	2
Capt. W. E. B. Smith's Life Line, 11st. 7lbs.	Owner	3

Also ran: Suspender.

Won by three lengths; half a length between second and third. Time—65⅕secs.

The totalisator paid Rs. 9 on the winner.

PUNJAB PLATE.—Rs. 500 to the winner, presented by the Calcutta Turf Club, Rs. 200 to the second and Rs. 100 to the third from the fund. For maiden C.-B. ponies 14-1 and under; ponies 14-1 to carry 11st. 7lbs. W. I. 6 furlongs.

Mr. Douglas Agile, 11st. 5lbs.	Capt. Campion	1
Major Popham Young and Mr. Brandreth's Happy-go-Lucky, 8st. 6lbs. ...	Barrett	2
Mr. Johnstone's Bob Major, 12st. 3lbs.	Capt. Johnstone	3

Also ran: Bruree, Delight, Begum.

Won by two lengths; one length between second and third. Time—1min. 24⅕secs.

Totalisator paid Rs. 20 on the winner.

PONY HURDLES.—Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second, and Rs. 50 to the third. For maiden Arab and C.-B. ponies 14-1 and under; Arabs and C.-B.'s 14-1 to carry 11st. 7lbs.; others 14-0 to carry 12st. W. I. 1⅛ mile, over 8 flights of hurdles.

Mr. Sydney Smith's Shamrock, 11st. ...	Mr. Furnell	1
Mr. White's Ailsa Craig, 11st..	.....	2
Mr. Connop's K. C., 11st. 13lbs. ...	Owner	3

Also ran: Windsor Belle the Jap and Roseleaf.

The totalizator paid Rs. 14 on the winner.

Won by three lengths; a bad third. Time—3mins. 9⅕secs.

DESERT PLATE.—Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second, and Rs. 50 to the third. For Arab ponies 14-1 and under that have never won flat races of the value of Rs. 50 or over, amounting in the aggregate to Rs. 2,000 or over, since 1st April 1904. Ponies 14-1 to carry 11st. 7lbs. W. I. 5 furlongs.

Capt. Winter's Whirlwind, 8st. 9lbs. ...	Owner	1
Mr. Sydney Smith's Palmy Days. 8st. 6lbs.	Furnell	2
H. H. the Kour Sahib of Patiala's Mooslat, 9st. 11b.	Barrett	3

Also ran: Gray Friar, High Flag, Paladin and Moonib Pasha.

Won by a head; half a length between second and third. Time—1min. 11⅕secs.

The totalizator paid Rs. 6 on the winner.

MERCHANTS' CUP.—A Cup, value Rs. 250 and Rs. 500 in cash, presented by the tradesmen of Lahore, to which will be added from the fund Rs. 800. The Cup and Rs. 1,000 to the winner, Rs. 300 to the second, and Rs. 100 to the third. A high-weight handicap for maiden English and Australasian ponies 14-1 and under. 6 furlongs.

Mr. Williams' Chatterbox, 9st. 4lbs. ...	Capt. Campion	1
Capt Toogood's Maranta, 8st.	Capt. Winter	2
Mr Morton's Daphne, 10st. 4lbs. ...	.....	3

Also ran: Black Spot, Sago, and May Queen.

Won by three-quarters of a length; one and a half length between second and third. Time,—1min. 22⅕secs.

The totalizator paid Rs. 21 on the winner.

MEEAN MEER PLATE.—Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second, and Rs. 50 to the third. For maiden Arab ponies 14-1 and under, unconditionally the property of Officers of His Majesty's Services on full pay. Ponies 14-1 to carry 11st. 7lbs. W. I. 6 furlongs

Major Popham Young's Surkhab, 10st. 6lbs.	Barrett	D. H.
Capt. Howard's Promise, 10st. 6lbs ...	Mr. Furnell	
Capt. Hill's Cinque Ports, 10st. 13lbs.	Capt. Johnstone	3

Also ran: Hailfellow, March, Wily Malabar, Macan and Harmony.

A dead heat: third horse one length behind. Time—1min. 27secs.

NOVICE PLATE.—Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second, and Rs. 50 to the third. For C.-B. ponies 14-1 and under that have never won a flat race value Rs. 50 or over. Ponies 14-1 to carry 11st. 7lbs. W. I. ½ mile.

Sirdar Jewan Singh's Grey Chieftain, 10st. 9lbs.	Barrett	1
H. H. The Kour Sahib of Patiala's Nugget, 10st. 3lbs.	Furnell	2
Mr Douglas' Artful, 9st. 8lbs. ...	Campion	3

Also ran: Plasmon, Reflection, and Lady Virginia.

Won easily.

Second Day, Friday, 28th December 1906.

A very big crowd assisted at the discussion of to-day's card, and the racing was worth looking at, being far better than that seen on the first day Mr. Norton had a couple of wins with Gay Lad and Daphne, Major Popham Young and Mr. Gretton had a win and second place each. Appended are details:—

POLO SCURRY.—Rs 200 to the winner, Rs 100 to the second, and Rs. 50 to the third. For maiden Arab and C.-B. polo ponies 14-1 and under. Certificates from Honorary Secretaries of Polo Clubs must accompany entries. Catchweights over 11st. 7lbs. G. R.'s. 3 furlongs.

Capt. C. Kern's Kargosh, 11st. 7lbs. ...	Capt. Smith	1
Mr. Gretton's Opal, 11st. 7lbs. ...	Mr. Creak	2
Mr Evans' Props. 11st. 7lbs. ..	Mr. Furnell	3

Also ran: Sunbeam, Dimples, and Bustard.

The totalisator paid Rs. 7 on the winner.

Won by three-quarters of a length; half a length between second and third. Time—41⅘secs.

SERVICE CHASE.—Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second, and Rs. 50 to the third. For maiden horses which are *bonâ fide* and unconditionally the property of British Officers of His Majesty's Services on full pay. To be ridden by Officers of His Majesty's Services on full pay or G. R.'s qualified under Rule 68. W. A. and C. raised 2st. About 2 miles over the Steeplechase Course

Mr. Norton's Gay Lad, 11st. 3lbs. ...	Owner	1
Capt. Rose Price's Monte 11st. 3lbs. ...	.....	2

The totalisator paid Rs. 3 on the winner.

Won by two lengths. Time—4mins. 9secs

THE LAHORE GRAND NATIONAL.—A Cup value £50 and Rs. 200 in cash to winner, Rs. 200 to the second, and Rs. 100 to the third. A steeplechase for Arab and C.-B. ponies 14-1 and under, maidens on the flat, over hurdles and over a chase course. About 2 miles over the Steeplechase Course.

Major Walker's Labbie Annie, 10st. 11lbs.	Mr. Furnell	1
Mr. Mellor's Harmony, 10st. 11b. ...	Mr. Day	2

Also ran: Hossainee, and Card-Account.

The totalisator paid Rs. 3 on the winner.

Won by a street. Time—4mins. 18secs.

THE LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR'S CUP.—A Cup value Rs. 250, presented by His Honor Sir Charles Rivaz, K.C.S.I., Lieutenant-Governor of the Punjab, and Rs. 1,000 in cash to the winner, Rs. 200 to the second, and Rs. 100 to the third. For maiden Arab ponies 14-1 and under which are *bonâ fide* and unconditionally the property of British Officers in His Majesty's Services on full pay and which were the property of a person duly qualified to enter for the race on 1st July 1906. To be ridden by G. R.'s or licensed jockeys. Ponies 14-1 to carry 11st. 7lbs. W. I. Licensed jockeys other than natives of India or Burma to carry 7lbs. and licensed Native jockeys 4lbs. extra. 1 mile.

Capt. Hill's Cinque Ports, 10st. 3lbs. ...	Capt. Johnson	1
Major Popham Young's Surkhab, 10st. ...	Barrett	2
Capt. Howard's Promise, 10st. ...	Mr. Furnell	3

Also ran: Cutoff, Wily, Marsh, Alexis, and Mac.

The totalisator paid Rs. 22 on the winner.

Won by three-quarters of a length; a length between second and third. Time—1min. 57secs.

THE ANARKALI HANDICAP.—Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second, and Rs. 50 to the third. A high-weight handicap for ponies 14-1 and under. 7 furlongs.

Mr. Norton's Daphne, 10st. 7lbs.	Capt. Bingham	1
Major Williamson's Irish, 11st. ...	Mr. Furnell	2
Major Luther Grech's Twinkle, 10st. 7lbs.	Mr. White	3

Also ran: Parloarmaid, Redshot, Chatterbox, Blackspot, Maranta, Arina, Margaret, Sago, Glenlea, Blue-Bell and Adelina.

The totalisator paid Rs. 18 on the winner.

Won by a length and a half; a head between second and third. Time—1min. 36secs.

THE MOZANG HANDICAP.—Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second, and Rs. 50 to the third. A high-weight handicap for Arab ponies 14-1 and under. ½ mile.

Mr. Gretton's Opal, 10st. 5lbs. ...	Mr. Creak	1
Capt. Jackson's Hailfellow, 11st. 2lbs. ...	Owner	2
Major Williamson's Jeddah, 10st. 7lbs. ...	Capt. Johnson	3

Also ran: Moonib Pasha, Canopus, Tarang, Machine Gun, Grey Friar, Nadini, and Suspender.

The totalisator paid Rs. 25 on the winner.

Won by a head; same distance between second and third. Time—55⅕secs.

THE MAIDEN PLATE.—Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second, and Rs. 50 to the third. A high-weight handicap for maiden C.-B. ponies 14-1 and under that have not won flat races of the value of Rs. 50 or over, amounting in the aggregate to Rs. 600 or over, since 31st March 1904. 5 furlongs.

Major Popham Young and Mr. Brandreth's Happy-Go-Lucky, 6st. 7lbs. ...	Barrett	1
Major Pott's Little Beauty, 9st. 8lbs. ...	Mr. Furnell	2
Mr. White's Ailsa Craig, 10st. 7lbs. ...	Owner	3

Also ran: K. C. Bob Major, Reflexion, Nugget, Ringette, Begum, and Cherie.

Won by half a length; a length between second and third. Time not taken.

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MAJOR M. E. COOKSON ...	Royal Sussex Regiment.
MAJOR A. G. MEDLEY ...	19th Lancers.

Judge:—MAJOR-GENERAL R. CLEMENTS, C.B., D.S.O.
Starter:—MR. A. BEEDHAM.
Clerk of Scales:—MR. GLOVER.
Honorary Secretary:—MAJOR W. R. WALKER.

Saturday, 22nd December 1906.

BEDOUIN STAKES.—Rs. 49. For Arab ponies 14-1 and under, the property of residents of Ambala that have never won a race of any description, Gymkhana or otherwise. 14-2 to carry 11st. 7lbs. W. I. ½ mile.

Mr. G. B. Ollivant's gr a h Zoowar, 8st. 13lbs.	Capt. Mitchell	1
Mr. H. C. Dibben's ch a g Mister E., 10st.	Owner	2
Capt. Hayes' gr a h Patch, 10st. 6lbs. ...	Mr. Symons	3

Also ran: Merlin, 11-7; Repulse, 11-7; Jujitsu, 11-7.

Won by two lengths; same distance between second and third.

CLUB STAKES.—Rs. 49. For C.-B. ponies 14-1 and under, the property of residents of Ambala that have never started in a race of any description, Gymkhana or otherwise, 14-1 to carry 11st. 7lbs. W. I. ½ mile.

Major Walker's b ch m Dame Durdan, 9st. 11lbs.	Mr. Beedham	1
Mr. H. C. Dibben's ch ch m First Flight, 11st 7lbs.	Mr. Cox	2
Lalla Charan Dass' b ch g Light, 11st. 7lbs.	Mr. Dibben	3

Also ran: Merry 9-5.

Won easily, bad third.

INFANTRY CUP.—Rs. 49. For Arab and C.-B. ponies 14-1 and under, the property of Infantry Officers of the Ambala Garrison and which have never won a race value Rs. 50 or over. Arabs and C.-B.'s to carry 11st. 7lbs. W. I. 5 furlongs.

Mr. O. Symons' b a g Marli, 11st. 7lbs. ...	Mr. Dibben	1
Mr. Rae's b a g The Egg, 10st. 9lbs. ...	Owner	2
Mr. A. H. Giles' ch ch m Oowana, 11st. 7lbs.	Owner	3

Also ran: Glennie, 11-4; Better Days, 10-3.

Won by two lengths; a neck between second and third.

DECEMBER STAKES.—Rs. 48. Rs. 32 to the winner and Rs. 16 to the second. For ponies 14-1 and under, that have never won a race to the value of Rs. 45 or over, the property of N.-C. O.'s of the Ambala Garrison. Arabs 14-1 to carry 11st., C.-B.'s 14-1 to carry 11st. 7lbs., others 14-1 to carry 12st. 7lbs. W. I. ½ mile.

S. S. M. Parker's b ch g Bakhtyar, 11st. 7lbs.	Mr. Reynolds	1
S. S. M. Morgan's b a g Blister, 10st. 11lbs.	Mr. Beedham	2
F. Q. M. S. Heath's g aus g Tommy, 11st. 12lbs.	Mr. Dibben	3

Also ran: Cleopatra, 11-7; Colleen Bawn, 10-2.

Won easily; a length between second and third.

WARRIOR STAKES.—Rs. 49. For *bona fide* and registered chargers that have never won a race of any description, Gymkhana or otherwise, To carry 11st. 7lbs. Allowances—Arabs and C.-B.'s are allowed 1st. ¼ mile.

Major Crawley's b aus g Trendle, 11st. 7lbs.	Owner	1
Col. Wickly's b aus g Bosworth, 11st. 7lbs.	Mr. Symons	2
Major Clifton Brown's blk aus g Ding Dong, 11st. 7lbs.	Mr. Connop	3

Also ran: Bolivar, 11-7.

Won easily; a good third.

POLO SCURRY.—Rs. 49. For all Polo ponies that have been regularly played in Ambala up to date. Arabs catch weights over 11st. C.-B.'s catch weights over 11st. 7lbs., others catch weights over 12st. 7lbs. 3 furlongs.

Mr. O. Symon's gr aus m Rosette, 12st. 7lbs.	Owner	1
Major Crawley's br aus m Blue Bell, 12st. 7lbs.	Owner	2
Mr. Beeton's b ch g Moonshine, 11st. 7lbs....	Owner	3

Also ran: Rosamond, 12-7; Betsy, 11-7; Investor, 11-0; Gold II., 11-0.

Won by two lengths; neck between second and third.

HARRY GOLDSPINK

ATTENDS THE

CALCUTTA MEETINGS.

7 & 8, GREAT EASTERN HOTEL.

Ponies.

C. T. C. Measurements.

CALCUTTA.

The following ponies were classed, aged and measured at Calcutta, on 13th and 24th December 1906, by the Official Measurer :—

Pony's Name.	Description.	Owner.	Age.	Height.	Period.
Aristocrat	b aus g	Mr. A. Y. Thomson	6	13-2¼	For life.
Donnell ...	b aus g	Messrs. Powell Bros.	Aged	13-2¾	For life.
Dugree ...	ch ch m	Mr. Richards ...	Aged	13-3	For life.
Fireproof...	b aus m	Messrs. A. Milton and Co. ...	6	13-2¾	For life.
Grey Lass	gr ch m	Capt. H. N. Holden	Aged	14-0	For life.
Vision ...	ch aus	Mr. Richards ...	6	13-0½	For life.
Xmas ...	b aus m	Mr. W. Burgess ...	6	12-2½	For life.

Sport in England.

(FROM THE HOME PAPERS.)

LONDON, *Friday, 14th December 1906.*

THE TURF.

SANDOWN.

A HOME week so far as the majority of sportsmen were concerned wound up fitly enough for the Metropolitan brigade, as from Gatwick to Sandown is not a far cry, though the change of line spoils the chance of a spell at the seaside, and if the National Hunt wished for a vote of thanks they might more opportunely link Lingfield with Gatwick, while Kempton, Sandown, and Hurst Park would form a nice handy week. The executive are to be congratulated on a capital meeting, the attendance, for the time of year, being a particularly good one. The going, a bit hard on the surface, was soft enough for anything, fields ruled well, and with the success of five out of the six favourites, backers came very near sweeping the board, while falls were fortunately few and far between.

EWELL HANDICAP STEEPLECHASE—Of 100sovs.; second receives 5sovs.; three miles.

Mr. Barclay Walker's b g Ross, by Northampton—Lizette, 5yrs., 12st. 6lbs. ...	T. Moran	1
Mr. H. Hardy's b g Tom West, aged, 10st. 10lbs.	Mr. H. Murphy	2
Mr. J. M. Kerne's ch g Hopeless II., 6yrs., 10st 13lbs.	T. Dent	3
Mr. G. Edwardes' Eteocles, aged, 11st. 10lbs.	P. Cowley	0
Mr. C. T. Garland's Questionable, 6yrs., 11st. 3lbs.	Mr. Bulteel	0
Mr. Colwyn's Prince Tuscan, aged, 10st. 10lbs.	E. Driscoll	0

(Winner trained by F. Hartigan.)

BETTING 2 to 1 agst. Ross, 5 to 2 Tom West, 4 to 1 Eteocles, 8 to 1 Hopeless II., and 10 to 1 each the others (offered).

Won by half a dozen lengths; a bad third. Eteocles was last. Time—6mins. 39⅘secs.

GRAND ANNUAL HANDICAP HURDLE RACE.—Of 200 sovs second to receive 15 sovs; two miles.

Mr. G. Walmsley's ch g Wild Aster by Victor Wild—Asteria, 5yrs., 12st. 2lbs.	G. Goswell	1
Mr. H. M. Hartigan's ch c Domino, 4yrs., 12st. 4lbs.	T. Moran	2
Mr. J. L. Dugdale's br c Crathorne, 3yrs., 10st. 4lbs.	W. Taylor	3
Mr. J. North's Elston, 4yrs., 10st. 2lb.	G. F. Butchers	4
Col. R. L. Birkin's Lawrence, aged, 11st. 7lbs.	Mr. Payne	5
Mr. A. Stedall's Rassendyl, aged, 13st. ...	J. Dillon	6
Mr. J. Muddimer's Lancashire, 5yrs., 10st. 12lbs.	Mr. Hunt	7
Mr. A. E. McKinlay's One Away, 6yrs., 11st. 2lbs.	F. Mason	0
Mr. C. Hibbert's Scotch Cherry, 6yrs., 10st. 7lbs.	J. Nightingall	0

(Winner trained by W. Woodland.)

BETTING :—7 to 4 agst Wild Aster, 11 to 4 Domino, 8 to 1 each Rassendyl and One Away, 10 to 1 each Crathorne and Lawrence, and 100 to 8 each the others (offered).

Won easily by three lengths—a stylish performance; a similar distance away Crathorne was third. Time, 4 min. 12⅘ sec.

The clearer atmosphere at Sandown on Saturday morning was an improvement on the first day's murky atmosphere, but owing to a variety of changes the second half of the short winter day proved the antithesis of the first, the sky darkening and a cold rain making the afternoon decidedly moist and unpleasant, while the wind was a bit searching. Doubtless the Crystal Palace attraction accounted for the somewhat poor attendance, while the going got a bit greasy, and fields for some reason or other were not quite up to the Sandown standard. However, backers had no cause to complain.

SANDOWN HANDICAP STEEPLE CHASE—Of 200 sovs; second receives 15 sovs; about three miles and a half.

Mr. C. R. Hodgson's b m Do Be Quick, by Speed—Danska, 6yrs., 12st. ...	R. Morgan	1
Mr. G. Jonstone's b g Fetlar's Pride, 5yrs., 11st. 5lbs.	E. Driscoll	2
Mr. E. Christie Miller's b g Witney, aged, 10st. 7lbs.	W. Dollery	3
Lord Sefton's Canter Home, aged, 10st. 9lbs.	A. Aylin	4
General H. E. Watson's Glencorrig, 5yrs., 10st.	A. Hogan	5
Mr. J. Wynford Philippe' Bushey Path, aged., 11st. 9lbs.	I. Anthony	6
Mr. C. T. Garland's Oatlands, 6yrs., 11st. 12lbs.	Mr. Bulteel	7
Mr. Barclay Walker's Apollino, aged., 12st. 7lbs.	T. Moran	0
Mr. P. E. Speakman's Buckaway II., aged., 11st. 6lbs.	A. Newey	0

(Winner trained by W. McAllister.)

BETTING :—3 to 1 agst. Do Be Quick, 4 to 1 each Apollino and Oatlands, 7 to 1 each Witney, Fetlar's Pride, and Canter Home, and 100 to 8 each the others (offered).

Won in hollow fashion by eight lengths; Fetlar's Pride caught and passed Witney close home for second place, though only on sufferance. Time—7mins. 48⅘secs.

THREE YEAR-OLD HURDLE RACE—Of 100 sovs.; second receives 5 sovs.; one mile and a half.

Mr. H. M. Hartigan's b c Dafila, by Laveno or Wildfowler—Rain, 10st. 12lbs.	T. Moran	1
Mr. R. W. Burrow's br g Tipperary, 10st. 12lbs.	P. Cowley	2
Mr. R. Wright's b c Queen's Cup, 10st. 7lbs.	T. Fitton	3
Mr. T. C. Mundey's Eastern Glory, 10st. 3lbs.	G. F. Butchers	4
Lord Dalmeny's Findhorn, 10st. 7lbs. ...	F. Freemantle	5
Mr. G. Armstrong's Bumpkin, 10st. 2lbs. ...	J. Page	6
Mr. C. Hibbert's Mixed Dance. 10st. 7lbs.	J. Nightingall	7
Mr. Roy's Romany Rye, 10st. 7lbs. ...	E. Hampton	8
Mr. J. F. Hallick's Muscar. 11st. 3lbs. ...	T. Dunn	0
Col. H. T. Fenwick's Sister Sally, 10st. 2lbs.	D. Dale	0
Mr. A. Yates' Nunkie, 10st. 7lbs. ...	Mr. Bulteel	0

(Winner trained by E Hartigan.)

BETTING : 5 to 2 agst Queen's Cup, 11 to 4 Dafila, 7 to 2 Findhorn, 4 to 1 Tipperary, 10 to 1 each Muscar and Mixed Dance 20 to 1 each the others (offered).

Won easily and in good style by three lengths. Time—3mins. 4⅘secs.

DECEMBER HANDICAP HURDLE RACE.—Of 100 sovs; second receives 5 sovs; three miles and a quarter.

Col. M. Lindsay's b g Creolin, by Arklow Creosote, aged 11st.	Mr. J. Rogers	1
Mr. A. E. McKinlay's ch g Millman, aged 11st.	F. Mason	2
Mr. W. Croasdale's br h Coal Sack, aged 11st. 4lbs.	G. Goswell	3
Mr. J. Widger's Laveline, 6 yrs. 11st. ...	Mr. J. Widger	4
Mr. F. White's Shaun Dhuv, aged, 11st. 9lbs.	E. Driscoll	5
Mr. T. Clyde's Sachem. 5 yrs. 12st. 7lbs. ...	J. O. Brien	6
Mr. C. Hibbert's Sabot, aged, 11st. 10lbs. ...	J. Nightingall	0
Mr. J. H. Phillip's Alderman, 6 yrs. 11st. .. 7lbs.	I. Anthony	0
Mr. H. Clear's Eyesore, 5 yrs. 10st 5lbs. (car 10st. 7lbs.)	H. Garratt	0

Winner trained by Rogers.

BETTING :—2 to 1 agst Coal Sack, 3 to 1 Alderman, 4 to 1 Creolin, 8 to 1 Sachem, and 10 to 1 each the others (offered).

Won easily by three lengths, four lengths was the margin between second and third. Time—7mins. 36⅘secs.

FOOTBALL ASSOCIATION RULES.

The twenty-four games played in the big leagues on Saturday furnished only a moderate total of goals, the Southern League teams finding it particularly difficult to net the ball. Seventeen goals in seven games, though better than the previous week, is not satisfactory, and compares unfavourably with the 32 scored in the ten First Division games, and favourably with the 18 in seven contests in the Second Division. In the S. L. only two home sides obtained two points, two visiting teams won, and three games were drawn. The winning elevens claimed 10 goals, the losers 3, there were 4 in the drawn games, and a half-dozen of the fourteen teams engaged failed to score. In the First Division of the League seven home teams won and there were three drawn games. Twenty-three goals were obtained by winning teams, 5 by the defeated sides, 4 in the drawn games, and four teams did not score. In the Second Division of the League six home teams won and one went down before their own supporters. The winning teams scored 15 goals and the losers 3, only four teams being unsuccessful in their endeavours to locate the net.

SOUTHERN LEAGUE.

There were some Southern League surprises, Norwich City providing the chief one of the afternoon by going to Brighton and defeating the home team by two clear goals. As the East Anglians lost last season by the odd goal in three in the corresponding game they have gained a couple of points. This is their second successive away win, and the long arm of coincidence is shown in the fact that they have lost their last two home engagements. This is Brighton's second reverse this season on their own ground, Watford having defeated them 3—0 on 13th October. Southampton find Park Royal a happy hunting ground. Last year they easily beat the Rangers, and on Saturday they repeated their win, although only by the odd goal in three. Thus have Queen's Park falsified the hopes raised by their recent improved form, while Southampton enjoyed the felicity of placing to their credit their second away win. To the supporters of the Rangers the game was disappointing, and the result most depressing. One of the best performances of the afternoon stands to the credit of Brentford, who picked up their second away point at Fratton Park, greatly to the confusion of the prophets, who foretold their defeat. Seven teams had previously visited Portsmouth, and of these only the champions brought away a point, a fact which emphasises the excellence of Brentford's latest exploit. Another good performance is that of Luton, who converted a two clear goals defeat of last season at Plymouth into a goalless draw, this being the more remarkable because it followed on the loss at home against New Brompton.

There is no doubt as to the earnestness of Fulham. They had not been too convincing against Watford and the Rangers at home, but sandwiched between these was their record score of the season against Northampton, and on Saturday they chose Bristol Rovers as the side against which to register their most pronounced win in the present tournament at Craven Cottage. Up to a certain point the Rovers did fairly well, but when the champions had taken their measure the visitors were thoroughly outplayed. There is no shadow of doubt as to Fulham's superiority, and the score of 3—0 does not flatter them in the slightest degree. There were more goals at Leyton, and as the home team claimed three of the five, Millwall, who have not had Dame Fortune on their side to date, went away empty-handed. As this was Leyton's first win at home since 13th October, it was very welcome, but Millwall would not have had more than their deserts if they had halved the points. At New Brompton, West Ham. did well to share the honours with the home side, who are a much better team than is suggested by their place in the table. Of their last six matches away from home West Ham have drawn five, and only twice have they failed to score on opponents' grounds.

Fulham, who have played more matches than any other club, have now a strong lead, and the other noteworthy leature about the subjoined table is the manner in which Southampton are advancing :—

	P.	W.	L.	D.	Goals For	Goals Agst.	Pts.
Fulham ...	18	9	1	8	28	14	26
Portsmouth ...	15	8	3	4	24	15	20
Tottenham Hotspur	16	7	3	6	29	18	20
Brighton and Hove	16	7	4	5	21	16	19
Bristol Rovers	17	7	5	5	22	18	19
Watford ...	15	5	2	8	16	12	18
West Ham. United	17	5	4	8	28	22	18
Southampton	15	7	5	3	25	17	17
Norwich City	15	6	4	5	25	20	17
Swindon Town	16	5	5	6	19	16	16
Crystal Palace	15	6	6	3	23	20	15
Brentford ...	15	6	6	3	19	21	15
Millwall ...	17	6	8	3	26	31	15
Plymouth Argyle	17	4	6	7	22	29	15
Luton Town ...	15	5	7	3	15	27	13
New Brompton	15	5	8	2	17	22	12
Leyton ...	15	4	7	4	18	27	12
Queen's Park Rangers	16	3	8	5	16	22	11
Reading ...	15	4	10	1	15	22	9
Northampton	14	1	8	5	11	30	7

LEAGUE I.

December has so far been a most unfortunate month for the Arsenal. They began inauspiciously by losing their first home match, and they next have the worst away defeat of the season inflicted upon them. Birmingham, who had won six home matches off the reel, were a long way ahead of their rivals so far as forward play was concerned. The virility in the attack was combined with an excellent understanding among the whole front line, and their efforts being able seconded by the halves, the Arsenal defence had its most uncomfortable experience of the past three months. It gave way under the severe pressure, and at half time Birmingham were assured of victory, for they were three goals in hand. The visitors made gallant efforts to retrieve their position, but the individual work of the forwards was of no avail against the rock-like defence of the home team, and at the finish the Gunners were in a minority of four goals. The winners were the better team, and it is well to frankly admit it instead of seeking for excuses to explain away defeat.

The home clubs in the First Division of the League had a right royal time. Not a visiting club succeeded in taking away a couple of points, but three shared them. I presume that nobody was surprised Notts County drew another match at Trent Bridge. They have played eight on their own ground this season, seven of which have been drawn and the other lost. On Saturday they scored a goal, this being the third match in which they have done so before their own supporters, and as they have also scored in three away games, matters are evened up by them. Newcastle should be well satisfied with their point at Bramall Lane, and Sheffield Wednesday are elated at having captured half the spoils at Sunderland. Manchester United were, however, the most gratified team of the afternoon, for they scored their third home victory, Middlesbrough being the victims, and 3—0 win is their heaviest score of the season. Blackburn Rovers routed Bury at Ewood Park, and Stoke surprised their friends and the football world by defeating Manchester City by three clear goals. Derby County put up a good fight at Everton, but were no match for the cup-holders, and the champions were beaten by the Second League champions in great style at Bristol. Bolton Wanderers, after their recent indifferent performances, could scarcely expect to win at Preston, and the adverse verdict of 3—1 was in accordance with anticipations. This is the second away defeat of the Wanderers.

The League table to date shows that Everton's tenure of the topmost place is seriously threatened by both Sheffield Wednesday and Newcastle:—

	P.	W.	L.	D.	Goals For	Goals Agst.	Pts.
Everton ...	17	11	4	2	37	15	24
Sheffield Wednesday	16	8	1	7	32	21	23
Newcastle United	16	9	3	4	32	18	22
Woolwich Arsenal	16	9	5	2	30	25	20
Aston Villa ...	17	8	6	3	31	28	19
Sheffield United	15	7	4	4	26	21	18
Bolton Wanderers	15	6	3	6	24	20	18
Bristol City ...	16	7	6	3	27	23	17
Liverpool ...	16	7	7	2	31	26	16
Preston North End	15	7	6	2	23	25	16
Sunderland ...	15	6	5	4	20	20	16
Birmingham ...	16	7	7	2	25	26	16
Manchester United	16	6	6	4	22	29	16
Bury ...	17	5	8	4	29	33	14
Derby County	16	4	8	4	16	22	12
Stoke ...	18	3	9	6	19	27	12
Blackburn Rovers	16	4	9	3	23	30	11
Notts County	16	1	6	9	12	20	11
Manchester City	16	3	8	5	23	39	11
Middlesbrough	15	2	9	4	15	29	8

LEAGUE II.

A thrilling struggle is in progress in the Second Division, and interest in the doing of the leading clubs is at fever heat. Taking the first nine teams in the table, only five points separated the two extremes, while the first four do not vary more than a point. There were some dramatic games on Saturday, particularly that at the Hawthorns between West Bromwich and Nottingham Forest. If they had won they would have had a commanding lead, but the Throstles went on the field determined to peg back the aspiring Foresters, and they achieved their object. Incidentally, too, they now go to the head of affairs because of a better goal average than the Forest, whose defeat was their first since 13th October. The most noteworthy performance of the afternoon goes to the credit of Chelsea, who won at Wolverhampton because of their happy blend of science and dash. It is the best thing they have done away from home since they defeated the Throstles on 22nd September by two goals to one. Hull City, Leicester Fossse, and Stockport County also obtained the two points in their respective games, and Bradford City inflicted an emphatic defeat on Lincoln City, whose form has been very disappointing. Leeds City have not borne out the glowing predictions made concerning them earlier on, but they were defeated at Gainsborough only by the solitary goal scored.

The table for the Second Division of the League to date is subjoined :—

	P.	W.	L.	D.	Goals For	Goals Agst.	Pts.
West Bromwich Albion ...	16	11	4	1	40	16	23
Notts Forest ...	16	11	4	1	33	19	23
Chelsea ...	15	10	3	2	30	13	22
Leicester Fosse	16	10	4	2	30	13	22
Hull City ...	15	9	4	2	26	12	20
Stockport County	15	8	4	3	21	17	19
Bradford City ...	16	8	5	3	23	21	19
Wolverhampton Wands....	17	8	7	2	28	23	18
Gainsborough Trinity ...	17	8	7	2	21	23	18
Burnley ...	16	8	7	1	24	15	17
Clapton Orient	14	5	6	3	18	24	13
Burslem Port Vale	15	6	8	1	29	36	13
Blackpool ...	16	4	8	4	14	25	12
Leeds City ...	17	4	9	4	17	29	12
Glossop ...	14	5	8	1	21	41	11
Grimsby Town	15	5	9	1	19	26	11
Lincoln City	16	4	9	3	18	27	11
Chesterfield ...	16	4	9	3	16	26	11
Barnsley ...	15	4	10	1	21	23	9
Burton United	15	3	10	2	12	32	8

RUGBY RULES.

THE SOUTH AFRICANS' TOUR.

MATCH *vs.* ENGLAND.—A rousing cheer greeted Roos as he led his men into the arena shortly after 2-30 p.m. Cartwright and his colleagues followed a few moments later, and needless to say the Englishmen, attired in all white, with the red rose on the breast, looked a more imposing body of men. Little time was wasted, and before the spectators had time to realise their position, the game was in progress, Cartwright kicking off on behalf of England, as their opponents had won the spin of the coin. There was a slight adverse breeze, and a touch of dampness was in the air, the outlook being none too inviting. Cartwright cross-kicked towards the pavilion, but his initial effort did not find touch, and fielding the ball well, Marsburg had little difficulty in getting in a good return. The oval hovered about the centre line for a few moments, but the English pack, keeping the ball well under foot control, forced their way further afield, chiefly by the aid of a dribble on the part of Mills. A smart pick-up by Loubser spoiled the movement, and the ball was passed right along the three-quarter line eventually coming into Marsburg's possession. The latter got in a timely kick, and once again the play was in close proximity to the home 25. At a most unlikely moment Dobbin wriggled his way

through a bunch of opponents, and so slippery did he prove himself that it seemed odds on the Colonial getting very near the brink of the English goal-line. Dobbin was grassed a few yards from the line, but making a marvellous leap from his knees, he seemed to have succeeded in his desired object. The attempt to score was a meritorious one, and needless to say a sigh of relief was felt in the English camp, when no score had taken place. The ball was punted up by Jackett to midfield, but offside against the English forwards enabled the South Africans to get a penalty kick. Douglas Morkel was entrusted with the attempt, the place being just past the 25 flag, at a very difficult angle. A greasy ball, combined with a bad position, did not enhance the prospects of a score, and the leather fell much short of the desired haven. Slow to follow up their opportunities, the South African forwards gave Jackett plenty of space to clear, and the Cornwall back, getting home a lengthy punt, found touch midway between the 25 and centre flags. Fumbling a pass after the throw in, Birkett somewhat recovered himself, and punting overhead, the oval was again sent out at the English 25 mark.

The Colonials were only momentarily kept at bay, for soon they zigzagged their way to the far off corner flag, and a score seemed imminent. Packing themselves like one human vice, the English side more than held their own in the tight, and the ball being sent out on the blind side of the scrum, Jago seized it at once. The little Devon half earned the plaudits of the assemblage for his plucky effort, and the Colonials were rather unexpectedly beaten back. When in a favourable position for getting away, the English pack worked slovenly, and the South African "threes" were able to clear and once again get on the move. De Villiers darted away at a most unlikely moment, and, slipping opponent after opponent, he was only brought to book by the referee's whistle sounding for a throw-forward.

Getting plenty of distance into his punt, Birkett completely changed the venue of play, and the cheering was tremendous as the English brigade followed up this advantage in a manner reminiscent of their palmy days. The English invasion, in which Cartwright, Mills, and Hill were prominent, was but short-lived, for Loubser and Melker, racing away together, were instrumental in the complete transformation of the game.

The tackling of England all over up to this point left little to be desired, and try all they could the South Africans could not score. The greasy ball made its handing difficult, with the result that the finer points of the game were not apparent. A series of scrambling mauls well within home territory proved advantageous to England, for they wheeled the scrums splendidly, and were always faster on the ball after the break up had occurred. Cartwright led his men on splendidly, and with a fine dribble he reached the visitors' 25 before being checked. Marsburg, who so far was the conspicuous light of the South African side, did a smart piece of work, and even after being tackled he got in his kick which found touch inside the English 25 line. On the break up of the subsequent maul, Jago was observed slipping away on the blind side, when he appeared to be palpably off-side, but the referee did not bring him to book. The little Devon half careered away at his leisure, the Colonials seemingly being of opinion that the whistle would come to their assistance. As matters turned out, Jago did not travel very far, for Joubert crossed over and put an end to any aspirations of the Englishman.

For the second time in the match, Joubert came under notice. Darting in at the right moment, he took the ball from Jago, and with a lofty kick he placed his men "on side" not many yards short of the coveted line. The Colonials followed up this advantage magnificently, and packing themselves well together, they scrumbled the oval to the very edge of England's goal-line. The position became graver and graver for England, as from each successive line-out the Colonials gained yards of ground.

England had got themselves out of as tight a corner earlier in the game, and it seemed as if they would again get rid of the leather. Jackett, however, made a terrible blunder, and twice fumbling, he let his side down, for Marsburg simply dived on the ball and secured the touch. In the rush Jackett was slightly hurt, and a cheer rent the air as Roos would not allow Joubert to proceed with the attempt until the Cornwall back was able to resume. Joubert's attempt was a very feeble one indeed, and did not enhance his reputation by any means. Having at last scored, the South Africans charged down the drop-out, but Birkett, Shewring, and Simpson all in succession came to the assistance of England, and save their lines from further downfall. The ball was barely a few yards from the English goal-line when the interval whistle sounded, the score at this point reading:—

	Pts.
South Africans (1 try)	... 3
England	... 0

After a rather lengthy interval the match was resumed in a very heavy drizzling rain. The pitch had become heavy, and there was no carry whatever in the ball. The Colonials were down on the home lines at once, but some clever foot work by Shewring sent them back pointless. The home pack was slow to move and just when the visitors became dangerous Cartwright nipped in and kicked the ball into touch. The following moment Jago, when absolutely tackled, got in a short punt, which also found touch, and brought relief to his side. The heavy nature of the going told on both sides, and the fine condition of the Englishmen was freely commented upon. The game had now resolved itself into a match between the English forwards and the Colonial defence, in which the balance was slightly in favour of England. The opposition began to seriously realise their arduous task, and Roos kept his men working with a will. Magnificent play by Birkett seemed likely to bring about a score for his side, but the Colonials saved their lines from peril on many occasions. There was a lull in the game for a little, and it appeared as if the South Africans were contented with their lead, for they leisurely disputed the issue in the vicinity of the centre flag.

At a most unlikely moment Birkett got in a rousing kick, and off he raced with his men following in hot pursuit. On and on he swung and cheers rent the air as the Surrey three-quarter brushed aside all opposition. Finally Marsburg and De Villiers brought him down when within a few feet of the coveted line, but before the referee allowed the game to proceed further a move was made to Douglas Morkel, who lay helpless on the ground. The Colonial had ricked his back badly, and had to be carried off the field in a dazed condition.

After an interval of over seven minutes the battle was resumed. Marsburg superseded Joubert at full-back and the latter was placed left wing three-quarter—the same formation as against Wales the previous week. Though short-handed the Colonials resumed with renewed vigour, but the overwhelming force of England instantly told its tale. The ball was sent well over the South African line and the shouting was deafening as the giant Raaff, Cartwright, Birkett, Brooks, Marsburg and De Villiers all endeavoured to secure the touch. After a desperate struggle Brooks secured the touch amid a scene of excitement that has rarely been equalled, and certainly not excelled, at a Rugby international. The place was at a very difficult angle—in fact, it was practically the same position at which the South Africans scored—and Cartwright did not put sufficient strength behind his kick to send the ball even the length of the uprights. The excitement was intense when the drop-out was taken. England did not spare their opponents, but though at a disadvantage, the visitors held their own fairly well. Back came the representatives of the Roos in irresistible fashion, and Birkett's tall figure was once more seen at the head of affairs. To the chagrin of the home following South Africa proved equal to the task, and by dint of clever footwork the oval was dribbled into home ground. Here the battle was fought for a little, and at a critical moment Jackett almost let his side down by failing to gather a rather easy pass from one of his three-quarters. A sequence of marks helped England considerably, but South Africa were quickly at the other end, only to be sent back pointless.

Jackett displayed his worth by making a splendid mark, but he made a shockingly bad kick, which was held by Raaff just about midfield, he also marking. The big Colonial attempted a goal, and a brilliant effort only missed the intended mark by a few yards. This was a rather lucky escape for England, for had the ball been dry a score would most certainly have taken place. In a subsequent rally in the vicinity of the visitors' goal, Loubser fielded the ball badly, and the English forwards were down on him in a bunch. The ball was finally sent over the South Africans' goal-line, and so hard was Marsburg pressed that he had to concede a minor. A little later the same player had to kick beyond the dead-ball line to save disaster to his side. After a short spell of very exacting play at midfield Birkett created quite a sensation by bursting clean through the opposition, and finding his way almost to the South African line. Stoop followed in the chase, and it looked as if England were to win a sensational match. However, victory was denied her, for although the closing stages were much in favour of the home nation, nothing further was done in the way of scoring. A sensational match, marred to a very slight extent by the unpleasant weather, ended in a draw of one try each. Result :—

	Pts.
South Africans (1 try)	... 3
England (1 try)	... 3

SOUTH AFRICA.—S. Joubert (Western Province)—back, A. F. Marsburg (Griqualand West), H. A. de Villiers (Western Province), S. C. de Melker (Griqualand West), and J. A. Loubser (Western Province)—three-quarters, F. Dobbin (Griqualand West) and D. C. Jackson (Western Province)—half-backs, P. Roos (capt) (Western Province), D. J. Brink (Western Province), S. Morkel (Transvaal), D. Morkel (Transvaal), P. A. le Roux (Western Province), H. C. Danell (Western Province), J. W. E. Raaff (Griqualand West), W. A. Millar (Western Province).

ENGLAND.—*E. J. Jackett (Cornwall)—back, F. G Brooks (East Midlands), *J. G. G. Birkett (Surrey), *H. E. Shewring (Somerset), and *T. Simpson (Northumberland)—three-quarters, A. D. Stoop (Surrey) and *R. Jago (Devon)—half-backs, *A. Alcock (Surrey), *V. H. Cartwright (Midlands) (capt), *R. Dibble (Somerset), *J. Green (Yorkshire), *S. A. Hill (Kent), *T. S. Kelly (Devon), W. Mills (Devon), and *C. H. Shaw (Midlands)—forwards.

*An International.

Referee:—Mr. John Tulloch (Scotland); touch judges—South Africa, Mr. Carden: England, Mr. Rowland Hill.

MATCH *v.* LANCASHIRE.—Against possibly the weakest team that the South Africans have put in the field during their visit, Lancashire succumbed on Tuesday by the small margin of three points, at Fallowfield, Manchester. From the side originally chosen, the South Africans substituted Jackson for Dobbin in the half-back line, while P. A. Le Roux at left wing three-quarter was replaced by Hirsch. The home County made one change, F. P. Cox (Liverpool) superseding the Kersal man, Fish. The weather was of a miserable description in the morning, but happily rain only fell in the last half-hour of the game. It was estimated there were about 14,000 people present.

As regards the match, on the character of the play a draw would have been a more fitting conclusion. The South Africans, depleted in strength as they were, seemed certainly to be feeling the effects of their tour. The repeated dribbles on the part of the Lancastrian forwards were a most disconcerting feature to the visitors. C. E. Allen, the Lancashire captain, headed the greater part of these movements, and, without undue adulation, it may be said he was one of the best men on the field. Next to him in order of merit were Slocock, Leather, Pinder, and Hunter. At fullback Kennard played a very fine game for the losers, while in the three-quarter line J. M. Allen and Pollock were conspicuous.

Forward, the South Africans were by no means seen to advantage. Several times Carolin and Jackson, who were superior to their vis-a-vis, picked up the ball at great risk and saved their side from danger time after time. A feature of the visitors' display was their brilliant all-round high kicking, while the wing three-quarters (Loubser in particular) distinguished themselves, both in attack and defence.

Lancashire who faced the wind in the first half, showed excellent defence. For fully five minutes play was confined to the centre. Here, when there seemed a probability of the home forwards dribbling away. Jackson, with consummate coolness, picked up and punted into touch well in the home quarters. De Villers checked a dribble by the Palatine representatives, and then J. M. Allen kicked into touch at the centre at an opportune moment.

A dribble by Lancashire seemed likely to result in a score, but De Melker at great risk fell on the ball and sustained a slight injury to his head. Roos next broke through but the home full back, Kennard, cleared finely into touch at the centre. Although play for the most part took place in Lancashire territory the home county set up an excellent defence. In heeling out, the Colonials showed superiority and a fine passing movement between Carolin, De Villers and De Melker ended in Loubser running over—this twenty eight minutes from the start. Carolin kicked a grand goal.

Kennard and J. Allen repelled the further advances of the Africans and the score at the interval was:

	Pts.
South Africans (1 goal 1 try) ...	... 8
Lancashire	... 0

There were a couple of pelting showers in the second half, and the visitors, not being at all suited by the conditions, were in the last twenty minutes overplayed. The Red Rose side recommenced hostilities in vigorous style as following a splendid individual effort on the part of Carolin, which Kennard foiled, the Lancashire forwards, headed by C. E. Allen, dribbled to within a few yards of the opposing line. Here J. M. Allen whipped through, and his brother, C. E. Allen, gaining possession, scored. The former player took the place kick, and landed a goal.

Only three minutes had elapsed from the restart, and with Lancashire but a meagre three points behind, the ultimate issue seemed doubtful. Subsequently the South Africans pressed, and Roos, who appeared to knock on over the line, was awarded a try. Carolin failed to add the extra points. A mistake by Hirsch nearly let in Lancashire, who from this point had by far the better of the play. The Manchester forwards Whitehead and Pinder were responsible for an onslaught on the visitors' lines, and Hirsch failing to gather, Slocock dashed up and scored, J. Allen made a poor attempt at conversion.

Loubser was very speedy for the Africans, and the right-winger, in full sail for the line, was splendidly tackled by Kennard, and such was the impact that both players were incapacitated for a few minutes. Lancashire were predominant to the finish, but the Colonials sustained their small winning advantage by repeatedly kicking into touch. Result :—

	Pts.
South Africans (1 goal 2 tries) ...	... 11
Lancashire (1 goal 1 try) ...	... 8

South Africa.—A Burmeister; J. G. Hirsch, H. A. De Villiers, S. C. de Melker, and J. Loubser; H. Carolin and D. C. Jackson; Paul Roos (capt.), A. F. Burdett, W. A. Millar, D. Morkel, W. A. Burger, W. A. Neill, W. C. Marthese, and J. S. Le Roux.

Lancashire.—J. L. Kennard (Liverpool Old Boys); F. P. Cox (Liverpool), J. M. Allen (Liverpool), F. J. Dixon (Manchester), and T. W. S. Pollock (Liverpool); R. M. Symon (Liverpool Old Boys), and S. C. Williams (Liverpool); C. E. Allen (capt). L. A. N. Slocock and G. Leather (Liverpool), H. Parker (Preston), G. Z. Pinder, J. Hunter, H. Whitehead, and V. P. Gamon (Manchester).

OXFORD *v.* CAMBRIDGE.—Oxford University defeated Cambridge University at Queen's Club on Tuesday by 4 tries (12 points) to 1 goal 1 try (8 points). About 6,000 spectators were present when Cozens Hardy, the Oxford captain, kicked off. A slight rain had begun to fall, but the sky fortunately soon cleared, and the weather remained fine to the end. There was only a very light breeze, which scarcely made its presence felt. From the opening kick play was taken into the Cambridge quarters, and following a scrum Penny made some ground, but the ball eventually went out. The line-out was succeeded by a fresh scrum, and the ball was returned to the Cambridge half where Scoular failed to gather properly. He succeeded, however, in getting in his kick before being tackled. Then Williamson, who was working the Oxford scrum, took the ball smartly and a neat pass set Steinthal going. When tackled the latter gave to Vassall who in turn transferred to Milton. A good tackle by Scoular just prevented a score.

Oxford, scrummaging in the Cambridge 25, were penalised for an irregularity. The subsequent kick relieved the Cambridge tension, and then Williamson was hurt. Play was still confined to the Cambridge half, but Scoular, who was keeping an excellent length, cleared his lines in great style with a good punt. Fumbling on the part of Steinthal from a pass by Batchelor let in the Cambridge "threes," and only the timely intervention of Davies rescued his side from the threatened danger. Later Steinthal made amends for his former lapse by a swerving run and good kick, which made much ground. A moment after a forward pass by Penny spoilt an otherwise excellent movement on the part of the Cantab three-quarters. Then MacLeod, who was too well marked to have many chances, got going. He passed to Penny, who in turn transferred to Hearson. The latter was tackled and from the scrum Oxford carried the war into the enemy's camp.

So far the play had been mostly confined to the Cambridge half, and the Oxford forwards, fulfilling all that was expected of them, carried the scrum nine times out of ten, wheeling and breaking away in excellent fashion. Young, who was developing a tendency for offside, was next penalised for getting round the scrum. Hearson returned the kick, and the first scrum was formed in Oxford's twenty-five. The Dark Blue pack continued to heel out excellently, and Williamson showed remarkle aptitude for getting at the ball. The Cambridge halves were slow, and even on that rare occasion when the forwards heeled the ball Williamson was very much upon Godby before he could pass out to his "three's." Indeed, the Oxonian seemed to know sooner than the Cantab just what the latter intended to do.

Wix now missed a good chance of scoring, for, following smart work by the Oxford forwards, he overran the ball when a try appeared certain. Following a run by Steinthal, who passed in to Vassall, the latter making over to Milton, Scoular made his mark, and play was transferred to the Oxford territory. Some give and take play followed, Davies once saving grandly, taking the ball from the toes of the Cambridge forwards and relieving with a splendid kick. Then the Oxford forwards came away but Scoular, who was coolness personified, cleared well. The excitement of the moment caused both Steinthal and Bachelor to over-run the ball when in an excellent position and from the scrum which followed Scoular punted down, and McLeod was conspicuous for a good run.

To change the monotony, the Cambridge forwards actually began to get somewhat the better of the scrums, but even so the Oxonians were always upon their men before any concerted movement could either be devised or carried out. Both sides were now playing better football, and from a forward rush Oxford scored the first try. This was credited to Wix, who grassed the ball in the left-hand corner. Batchelor took the kick, but the angle was a difficult one, and the maximum points were not added. This was at the end of actually twenty-five minutes.

From the kick-off Davies returned, finding touch in the Cambridge twenty-five, and then Scoular was found dashing in amongst his own forwards, helping them. Batchelor initiated and carried through an excellent run. He crossed over, but was brought down near the line. He had previously, however, passed to Milton, who had little difficulty in registering the try. Cozens Hardy's attempt at goal was a failure. Twenty-nine minutes had now elapsed.

Two minutes later, and Oxford were again away at racing pace, this resulting from capital work by Williamson. The ball came out from the scrum, and in a twinkling he was upon it, and feinting got clear away. A pass out to Milton followed. The latter passed in again. Williamson returned the compliment, leaving Milton to score a pretty as well as a clever try. It was admirably worked for, and justly earned. Thus with only half an hour having passed Oxford led by 9 points to nil.

Playing behind a beaten pack, the Light Blue backs had few chances, and MacLeod was starved. Yet he did useful work in defence, and proved a tower of strength. A good chance was lost by Godby, who, instead of passing, elected to go on himself and as a result he was grassed. Following a good kick into touch by Penny, Cantab forwards came away, B. G. Harris being conspicuous. Pitt got possession, and a timely pass to MacLeod enabled the latter to score in a favourable position. Taking the kick himself, he added the major points with a pretty effort. Half-time was immediately afterwards sounded, the score being: —

	Pts.
Oxford (3 tries)	9
Cambridge (1 goal)	5

Restarting, the Dark Blues missed a certain score through the selfishness of Vassall, who, as once or twice previously, refused

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to pass, and was tackled, the ball going behind. Batchelor relieved from the ensuing kick, and Steinthal made his mark. No help, however, was thereby afforded. A charming effort, in which all the Oxonian three-quarters had a share, resulted in the downfall of the Cantabs for a fourth time. Williamson, as usual, was responsible for the initiatory effort. On the ball, swift as a hawk, he made a lightning pass to Steinthal, who, making good ground, passed to Vassall, the latter easily getting over. Batchelor's kick failed.

Oxford now led by 12 points to 5, and as the Cambridge pack looked completely done, it was an engine to a needle on a Dark Blue victory. Seven minutes from the restart, this. It was now getting dusk, and smoke coming across the field made things worse. The play was difficult to follow, as most of it took place in that part of the field most remote from the Press box. Young was again pulled up for off-side, but the Oxonian gained no advantage. Steinthal, hereabouts, was playing excellently, making good use of his weight. He brought Hearson to the ground when the latter looked dangerous, and then Scoular was again conspicuous for good length touch-finding punts. Oxford had a narrow shave from a run by Godby, who was tackled just on the line. Keeping up the pressure, the Cantabs made things warm for the Dark Blue defence, and Pitt, getting possession, was grassed just on the line, but he had parted to Hearson, who registered the try. MacLeod's subsequent kick failed.

Immediately afterwards, Batchelor, when in a favourable position, failed to gather a well-directed kick by Williamson, and a good chance was lost to the Oxonians. From now to the end of the game the Oxford pack carried all before them, and play was mostly confined to the Cambridge "25." The Cantabs seemed disheartened, and Hearson, with a fine opportunity for a run up the line, kicked feebly into touch.

Then ensued the best tackle of the day, Vassall securing Hearson, when travelling at a rapid pace, round the ankle, bringing him down. Then Vassall pursued his selfish tactics, holding on to the ball when a pass to Milton, who was altogether unmarked, could have only resulted in a certain score. Following this, Hearson, too unselfish, passed out to Pitt, when a run through for himself was a right thing to do. Then the Cantabs got their second wind, as it were, and came away with a swoop, and Davies had all his work cut out to clear. Oxford appeared content to sit on their lead, and were repeatedly finding touch until "no side" sounded, with the score :—

Oxford (4 tries)	...	...	12 pts.
Cambridge (1 goal, 1 try)	...	...	8 „

The teams, showing schools and colleges, and the players who have taken part in former inter-'Varsity games, also are as follows :—

OXFORD.—*D Davies (Lampeter and Jesus) back. T. B. Batchelor (Rugby and University), F. E. Steinthal (Bradford and Trinity), H. H. Vassall (Bedford Grammar School and Keble), and *N. W. Milton (Marlborough and University—three-quarters. R. H. Williamson (St. Andrew's and Trinity) and W. K. Flemmer (St. Andrew's) (Grahamstown and Trinity)—half-backs. *B. Cozens-Hardy (Rugby and Trinity) (captain). *W. W. Hoskin (St. Andrew's) (Grahamstown and Trinity,) *R. S. Wix (Marlborough and Brasenose), *H. A. Hodges (Sedbergh and Trinity), *C. J. Gardner (St. Andrew's) (Grahamstown and Trinity), *N. F. Howe-Browne (Diocesan College, South Africa, and Oriel), *A. A. Headley (St. Andrew's) (Grahamstown, and Keble), and *N. T. White (Marlborough and Trinity)—forwards.

CAMBRIDGE.—*J. G. Scoular (St. Bee's and St. John's)—back. *T. G. Pitt (Sutton Valence and Emmanuel), *H. F. P. Hearson (captain) (Uppingham and King's), W. M. Penny (Mill Hill School and Jesus), and *K. G. Macleod (Fettes and Pembroke)—three-quarters. T. A. Godby (Loretto and Magdalene) and J. V. Young (Eastbourne and Emmanuel)—half-backs. *J. W. Alexander (Merchiston and Clare), *B. G. Harris (Cheltenham and Pembroke), *R. B. Gibbins (Sedbergh and King's), *R. McCosh (Fettes and Trinity), A. E. Evans (Llandovery and St. John's), W. G. Lely (Fettes and Emmanuel), J. E. Mellor (Leys and Jesus), and J. Van Schalkwijk (Stellenbosch, South Africa, and Caius)—forwards.

*Signifies an Old Blue.

CROSS COUNTRY RUNNING.

The Entente Cordiale Cup, given by "Les Sports," brought together representatives of the Highgate Harriers, the Societe Athletique de Montrouge, Le Stade Français, the Club Athletique Sportif de Saint Mande, the Equipe Nationale Belge, and the Racing Club de France, in the cross-country running race, near Paris, on Sunday. Thanks to the brilliant running of their representatives, the Highgate Harriers have made this trophy their own. The contest was organized by the Racing Club de France, which was established in 1882, and is said to be the most wealthy club of its kind extant. Doubtless the unsettled state of the weather deterred many from going to see the race. As however, the event had aroused widespread interest, it was surprising to find only a crowd of moderate dimension present, and considerable disappointment was occasioned by the absence of the British Ambassador who, it had been freely stated, was certain to attend.

Enghein Racecourse, where the contest took place, is some fifteen minutes by train from Paris. It reminds one very much of our own Lingfield Park. Rain in the morning was followed by brilliant sunshine at mid-day, but shortly before the race there was a severe hailstorm, which necessarily rendered the going heavy. The start and finish took place on the enclosed part of the course, and on the opposite side stretched the long wood through which the runners had to make their way. Then a good bit of road had to be traversed, and on returning to the racecourse the runners had to negotiate the bush obstacles used in horse racing. This course had to be covered twice, the distance being computed at about 6¼ miles. Some of the runners, who numbered sixty in all, were too anxious at the start, but, eventually all were got away together. Pearce was the first to show in front when the men had settled down into their running. Ragueneau, however, deprived him of the lead on reaching the wood, 500 yards away, and greatly assisted no doubt by his knowledge of the course, he soon established a commanding lead. Meanwhile the other runners were fighting their way through the brambles in single file, and when they emerged from the wood it was noticeable that most of the Englishmen had sustained a good many scratches. Then the road was struck, and when the runners came into sight again, which would be at about half the distance, Ragueneau led, passing the judges in 16mins. 9secs. Next came Pearce and Brooks (Highgate H.) together in 16mins. 27secs., and the order of the others was :—Johnston and Horne (Highgate H.), together, 16mins. 37secs.; B. Thomas (Montrouge), 16mins. 43secs.; Guesnon (It. Mande), 16mins. 50secs.; Landroit (St. Mande), 16mins. 52secs.; Hollandre (Montrouge), 16mins. 57secs.; and Woolley (Highgate H.), 17mins.

Posn.			Time. m. s.
1	...	G. Ragueneau, S. A. de Montrouge ...	35 26
2	...	G. Pearce, Highgate H. ...	35 44
3	...	Guesnon, C. A. S. de St. Mande ...	36 55
4	...	A. G. Horne, Highgate H. ...	36 57
5	...	T. Johnston, Highgate H. ...	37 0
6	...	W. H. Brooks, Highgate H. ...	37 3
7	...	M. Renard, S. A. de Montrouge ...	37 16
8	...	R. Thomas, S. A. de Montrouge ...	37 24
9	...	J. Woolley, Highgate H. ...	37 27
10	...	Drouet, Stade Français ...	37 27½
11	...	Landroit, C. A. S. de Saint Mande ...	37 29
12	...	H. Rosset, Racing Club de France ...	37 29½
13	...	Cousin, Stade Français ...	37 33
14	...	C. J. Harris, Highgate H. ...	37 36
15	...	Dumonteil, St. Mande ...	37 42
16	...	P. Bouchard, Montrouge ...	37 45
17	...	Derblet, Stade Français ...	37 45½
18	...	A. Bosquet, Belgium ...	37 55
19	...	R. Stath, Montrouge ...	37 58
20	...	G. Filliatre, Racing Club ...	37 58½
21	...	R. Geffroy, Racing Club ...	37 59
22	...	Watremez, Stade Français ...	38 1
23	...	R. Sheffield, Racing Club ...	38 2
24	...	A. Aldridge, Highgate H. ...	38 3
25	...	Berthet, Stade Français ...	38 12
26	...	G. W. Evans, Highgate H. ...	38 14
27	...	Porrekens, Belgium ...	38 30
28	...	Courbaton, Montrogue ...	38 24
29	...	A. Foullon, Montrouge ...	38 30
30	...	G. Still, Highgate H. ...	38 37

Also finished :—31, E. Lucas, Montrouge, time, 38mins. 42secs.; 32, K. Vandertaelen, Belgium, 39-0; 33, Berjeau, St. Mande, 39-1; 34, Vidal, St. Mande, 39-10; 35, Pascal, St. Mande, 39-11; 36, Delmotte, St. Mande, 39-22; 37, P. Wright, Belgium, 39-24; 38, Celis, Belgium, 39-38; 39, Dupuis Stade Français, 39-35; 40, Lutz, Stade Français, 39-36; 41, E. Doyen, Belgium, 39-40; 44, 42, Ruesch, St. Mande, 39 41; 43, Gerondal, Belgium, 39-42; A. Mertens, Belgium, 39-55; 45, E. Vignol Belgium, 40 5; 46, H. Sellier, Racing Club, 40-8; 47, Gaudichard, St. Mande, 40-10; 48, G. Hollandre, Montrouge, 40-45; 49, A. Landroit, Montrouge, 41-0; 50, Boyard, St. Mande, 41-8.

CLUB SCORES.

Posn.		
1	...	Highgate H., 2, 4, 5, 6, 9, 14—40 points.
2	...	Athletic Society of Montrouge, 1, 7, 8, 16, 19, 28—79 points.
3	...	Le Stade Français, 10, 13, 17, 22, 25, 39—126 points.
4	...	Athletic Club of St. Mande, 3, 11, 15, 33, 34, 35—131 points.
5	...	All Belgium, 18, 27, 32, 37, 38, 41—193 points.
6	...	Racing Club de France, 12, 20, 21, 23, 46; sixth man did not finish.

BOXING.

BILL CLARKE *vs.* YOUNG DICK BURGE.—There was a very large attendance at the Badminton Club, Cardiff, on Saturday evening, when Bill Clarke (Bristol) and Young Dick Burge (Cwmcarn) decided their long pending match. The men had signed articles so far back as 8th October to box twenty two-minute rounds at catch-weights for £25 a side and the best purse. Neither man has any record out of his own locality. Burge had a good pull in weight and reach. Both had undergone a searching preparation—Clarke in the vicinity of Clifton Downs, under the care of H. Dollings, while Burge trained at Cwmcarn, having for his mentor his brother Bill. Burge weighed 9st., and Clarke 8st. 12lbs., but there appeared to be a greater difference between them.

From the outset the Bristolian was a very warm favourite, and at the start appeared as if the bout would not be of very long duration, Clarke for half a dozen rounds simply doing as he liked with his antagonist. After this Burge improved, and at one period appeared as if he would turn the tables upon his rival. However, Clarke knew far more about the business, and at the close had well won on points. Mr. J. T. Hulls officiated as referee, and Mr. Ralph Lyle as timekeeper. Details:—

The Bristolian was seconded by Bill Shepherd, J. Clarke, and his trainer, H. Dollings, while Burge was attended by Jimmy Driscoll, Charlie Jones, and his brother Bill. Upon facing each other there appeared to be a vast amount of difference between them, Burge being quite a couple of inches the taller in addition to being much the heavier. Upon being ordered to begin Clarke at once opened up hostilities by dashing the left out on the face with great force, which operation he repeated without a return. Following his man up, the Bristol lad continued to score very fast, and at the end of the opening round 3 to 1 on was freely offered about his chance. After a somewhat lengthly spar in the second meeting Clarke, after trying for an opening, drove the left hard on the mouth, to which the Cwmcarn man attempted to retaliate on the head. However, Clarke neatly slipped the delivery and wound up the round by banging both hands home on the mouth.

The succeeding meeting again saw Clarke the aggressor, and his repeated visitations on his rival's face began to leave their mark. Burge proved very slow, but took his punishment unflinchingly. In the fourth round the Bristol man let up somewhat, but although boxing on the defensive, he continued to score the faster.

Early in the fifth round Burge led off by sending the left well home on the body, which steadied his adversary. Clarke quickly shook off the effects of this, and concluded the meeting by scoring a succession of left-handed jabs on the face. The ensuing meeting was hotly contested, several very smart rallies occurring, in which Burge did some good work. Encouraged by his success in the previous meeting, Burge again began in resolute fashion, and for a while he raised the hopes of his partisans. Each exhibited signs of distress when they took the centre for the eighth round. The Bristolian began by using his left to excellent advantage, while eventually Burge got to close quarters, and fought hard for the body. Each in turn tried the dexter hand, but in each instance they were out of distance.

The ninth and tenth meetings were decidedly in favour of Clarke, who entered upon the second portion of the contest with a large majority of points in his favour. Acting upon the advice of his seconds, the lad from Bristol took a "breather" in the eleventh meeting, while Burge was somewhat loth to mix matters. In the following set-to great excitement prevailed, Clarke, as usual, being the first to renew hostilities. Burge, after receiving a couple of left handed punches, set about his task in determined fashion, and quickly had the little man on the retreat. Mid-way through the meeting Clarke slipped down, and his antagonist stood dangerously near while he rose.

In the following meeting Burge again forced the proceedings, and twice sent his man down. The Bristolian, although very tired, made the most of the ring until the welcome sound of the gong was heard. During the temporary respite Clarke recuperated, and joined in a hot passage of arms, although Burge's superior weight began to tell. The Cwmcarn representative failed to follow up his advantage, and allowed his rival to again do all the leading, and at the end of the seventeenth round, bar an unlucky blow, Clarke could not possibly lose.

The concluding meeting were stubbornly contested, but Clarke's cleverness prevailed, and he continued to add to his lead. Burge, on the other hand, kept pegging away and at the close Clarke was proclaimed the winner, which decision was unanimously received.

A Sunday-school teacher out Hampstead way, after relating the story of the expulsion from the Garden of Eden, asked his class: "What do you suppose were Adam's reflections when he thought of what he had done?" The son of a local trainer promptly replied, "I expect he thought what a chump he was for not stickin' to watermelons!"

She: I can't afford to pay your bill, doctor. It's too exorbitant; besides, I'm no better. Doctor: Then, madam, you haven't taken my advice. She: No, I haven't; therefore I don't owe you for it!

Hunting.

THE MADRAS HOUNDS.

THERE was very little chance of sport on Sunday, the 16th December, when the meet was at St. Thomas's Mount. There had been over six inches of rain in the previous week and this had left very little sound going, except, perhaps, on the road, and there are not often any jacks there. Sheepshead Covert was, as usual, the first draw and maintained its reputation of always holding a jack. There were at least three jacks in it and hounds were soon busy. As bad luck would have it, the one whose line they settled to had a preference for his headquarters and was loath to leave. He broke no fewer than three times towards Pallavaram and each time returned after a run of about half a mile or so, each time going back to Sheepshead. In the meantime, two other jacks went away, one of them taking the same line across the Maidan for Scavenger Covert as was taken a fortnight before, probably by the same jack. Only a couple of hounds, however, were on his line, so these were stopped and rejoined the pack, which was hunting its original selection. For the fourth time this rather faint-hearted customer broke towards Pallavaram and for a mile or more hounds drove him along nicely, keeping parallel with the river bank. Eventually, rather than face a rather long stretch of paddy, the jack took to the river, which was in high flood, and crossed, and hounds checking on the bank, were called off.

We had not to wait very long before a hound opened in some scrub, but the line was cold and doubtful at first; a couple of hounds, however, carried it forward, so the Master lifted the rest of the pack on to them and they soon got on terms. The going in this second run was terribly bad; hock deep in places and very treacherous in others. It was hard on both hounds and horses, and luckily for the latter, it did not last long. The jack kept bending to the right and after about a mile and a half, was run into and killed on the river bank. It was not yet eight o'clock, but, by the time we had waded and floundered our way back to firmer ground near the Chingleput Road, it was too hot to draw again, so a move was made for the hounds' van.

The same description of the country would apply equally well to what we had to endure on Wednesday, the 19th December, when hounds met at Kadambakam. The rain of the past week had filled every paddy field to overflowing and had transformed what was usually dry ground into the semblance of a quagmire. One must, indeed, be an enthusiast to enjoy hunting under such conditions. But the Master rightly thinks that there is no good in having a pack and keeping them in kennels, so they had to do their best. The start was to the north of the road, but here the topes and gardens yielded nothing. Near the casuarina tope, where on the last occasion on which we had been that way hounds had found three jacks, they spoke doubtfully to a line and carried it forward towards the tope. This looked like a find, but there was nothing at home and after a further draw through some gardens and scrub we crossed the road and tried the Camel Lines Covert.

Here there was no more success than at first and things began to look blank. We had nearly given up all hope and were making up our minds for an uneventful day before anything was done. Then at last a hound opened on the edge of the paddy and other hounds taking up the line, the pack was soon moving. After running the very thickest part of this terribly thick country, the jack headed almost for the Long Tank, crossed the Railway line and the Kadambakam-Saida pet Road, and swinging left-handed, always through fearfully blind country, recrossed the road and the Railway close to the Kodambakam Station. Here hounds were very close to him but, unfortunately, were stopped by the iron railings of the Railway and the field had to gallop round a long way to the gate. Hounds could only crawl through the railings in single file and when the leaders were caught up there were only two or three couple on the scent. Nevertheless they stuck to it and others came up by degrees, until seven couple were together. Continuing his left-handed ring, the jack circled back to the Camel Lines Covert, went straight through it and then away across the paddy beyond. Eventually he was lost near a village only a quarter of a mile from the bank of the Adyar River.

This was a very dirty run and comprised a ring of about five miles. The missing half of the pack was recovered by the Hunt servants and brought back to the road. Dry weather is now badly needed to improve the chances of sport.

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Paperchasing.

CALCUTTA PAPERCHASES.

No. 2.

THE Xmas Chase was held over the usual course, finishing with a six furlong scurry on the Tollygunge Steeplechase Course and *Chota Haziri* in the paddock. The secretaries had laid a very long course and erected no less than fourteen fences to vary the monotony of bunds and raised roadways in the Six Mile-stone country. A large field turned up, but whether through the cold or superabundance of Christmas gaiety, little desire was evinced to proceed beyond a riding school canter except by the leading party of three who finished all by themselves. After an interval came a splendid procession of fresh horses and tired riders, with a sprinkling of hard riding sportsmen out for an airing on borrowed nags. Perhaps if *Chota Haziri* were provided at the start a little more enthusiasm might be engendered.

Mr. Evers, who is now well *en route* for the Average Cup, led the party round the circle in the open country and reached the lane closely attended by Mr. Ballantyne and Mr. Rees. In the straight Fairy disposed of Turk's pretensions after a bit of a dust up, but her stable companion rejoicing in his feather-weight was not to be gainsaid. The order was as follows :—

1. Mr. Evers on Cain.
2. Mr. Ballantyne on Fairy.
3. Mr. Rees on Turk.
4. Mr. Halliday on Ruddigore.
5. Mr. Pritchard on Young Poetess.
6. Mr. Antram on Myrene.

Mr. Evers and Mr. Bell-Irving, who had assisted Mr. Turner to lay the paper, then went back to the start and on their arrival the pony chase was started. These gave a somewhat better show, and although a gallant sportsman on a roan was lost to the company at an early stage of the gallop, most of the small field hove into sight about the same time. Mr. Evers was again the first to appear and had no difficulty in distancing Irish Boy, who struggled home in front of Mr. Bell-Irving, taking life easily and third place.

The official order was :—

1. Mr. Evers on Minstrel Boy.
2. Mr. Pauntley on Irish Boy.
3. Mr. Bell-Irving on Sama.
4. Mr. K. Robertson on a brown.
5. Mr. Ritson on Geebung.
6. Mr. Barrow on Puck.

Very few ladies were riding, but amongst those out were Mrs. Paris, Mrs. Forsyth, and Mrs. Collin. The next chase is to be run in the Salt Lake country, which is very forward this year.

BLARNEY.

Polo.

THE PUNJAB TOURNAMENT.

3RD HUSSARS *vs.* LAHORE GYMKHANA.—The tournament opened at Mian Mir on the 22nd ultimo with this game, which was a fairly level one and keenly contested throughout.

First Chukker.—The Gymkhana pressed till Laverton got away and hit a goal for the Hussars.

Second Chukker.—Up and down play, no score.

Third Chukker.—The Gymkhana attacked but Laverton saved and Tylden Wright hit a subsidiary; a second was scored shortly after, the Hussars pressing for the rest of the period.

Fourth Chukker.—The 3rd got away and Levey scored a goal, up and down play followed. From a *melee* near the Gymkhana goal Creek got away but was stopped.

Fifth Chukker.—The Hussars pressed and Carnac hit behind. From the penalty the Hussars scored a minor point. The Gymkhana brought the ball down to the 3rd's goal, when time was called.

Final Score. 3rd Hussars 2 goals 3 subsidiaries, Lahore Gymkhana *nil*. Teams.

3RD HUSSARS.		LAHORE GYMKHANA.	
Mr. J. J. Dobie	... 1	Capt. Melville, I.M.S.	... 1
Mr. H. Levey	... 2	Mr. R. F. S. Creek, The Queens	... 2
Capt. H. S. Laverton	... 3	Capt. Jackson, A.V.D.	... 3
Mr. W. R. Tylden Wright	(*back*)	Capt. J. S. Rivett Carnac, 16th Cavalry	(*back*)

Umpires:—Major Vaughan and Capt. Gretton.

11TH LANCERS *vs.* SEAFORTH HIGHLANDERS.—Played on the 22nd ultimo a splendid game resulting in a victory for the Highlanders, whose superior shooting and long hitting had much to do with their win.

First Chukker.—The Lancers got away and Price hit a goal. The Seaforths replied with a subsidiary and pressed for a spell. Up and down play closed the chukker.

Second Chukker.—The 11th scored two subsidiaries, but play was transferred and the Seaforths hit a goal. Both teams then pressed in turn but there was no further scoring.

Third Chukker.—Maclachlan got away and hit a minor point. The 11th attacked but could not score.

Fourth Chukker.—Sticky play near the Lancers' goal ended in Hartley getting away with the ball and scoring a subsidiary. The Seaforths then attacked and Maclachlan after one unsuccessful attempt put the ball through. Carden scored another goal soon after and before the end of the period Buchanan hit a third.

Fifth Chukker.—The Seaforths continued to attack till the Lancers got away and, pressing hard scored two subsidiaries.

Sixth Chukker.—The Lancers attacked, but Buchanan Slipped away and hit a goal. No further scoring.

Final Score.—Seaforths, 5 goals 2 subsidiaries; 11th Lancers, 1 goal 5 subsidiaries. Teams—

SEAFORTH HIGHLANDERS.		11TH LANCERS.	
Mr. F. Anderson	... 1	Mr. A. J. Hartley	... 1
Mr. K. D. M Maclachlan	2	Capt. T. R. L. Price	... 2
Capt. K. G. Buchanan	...	Capt. R. H. Anderson	... 3
Capt. D. A. Carden	(*back*)	Mr. A. de C. Renwick	(*back*)

Umpires:—Mr. Teesdale and Mr. Martin.

SECOND ROUND.

12TH CAVALRY *vs.* 25TH CAVALRY.—Played on the 24th ultimo, an uneventful game ending in a win for the 12th. The 25th lost chances of scoring.

First Chukker.—The 25th pressed hard and their opponents hit behind to save. The 25th continued to attack and Teesdale scored a goal.

Second Chukker.—Hesketh scored a minor point for the 12th, up and down play till the end of the chukker.

Third Chukker.—The 25th attacked till Hesketh relieved. Sticky play followed. No score.

Fourth Chukker.—This was devoid of score, the 25th, who did most of the attacking, missing opportunities.

Fifth Chukker.—The 12th were on the offensive and Hesketh scored a goal. The 25th then attacked but failed to score on two occasions.

Sixth Chukker.—The 25th lost another chance.

Final Score.—12th Cavalry, 1 goal 1 subsidiary; 25th Cavalry, 1 goal. Teams.

12TH CAVALRY.		25TH CAVALRY.	
Mr. A. H. M. Wilson	... 1	Mr. A. C. L. Tyrell	... 1
Capt. W. Hesketh	... 2	Mr. J. G. McConaghy	... 2
Lt.-Col. T. H. Smith	... 3	Mr. D. S. Niven	... 3
Capt. H. B. D. Bird	(*back*)	Mr. F. R. Teesdale	(*back*)

Umpires—Capt. Price and Mr. Tylden Wright.

7TH LANCERS *vs.* 32ND LANCERS.—Played on the Mian Mir ground on the 24th ultimo, the 7th winning a hard and hotly contested game.

First Chukker.—The 7th had the best of the period and put on a minor point.

Second Chukker.—The 32nd attacked but could not get through. Both goals were visited in turn, but no score registered.

Third Chukker.—The 32nd pressed and Hogg hit a goal. They continued the pressure and added two subsidiaries.

Fourth Chukker.—The 7th's goal seemed in danger, but they cleared; Gretton scored a goal and Williamson a subsidiary.

Fifth Chukker.—The 32nd kept up a strong attack and Pollock hit a goal, the 7th then took the ball away and Carnegie hit a minor. Hume added a goal and just before the close of the chukker Gretton scored another.

Sixth Chukker.—The 32nd attacked but could not get though.

Final Score.—7th Lancers, 3 goals 3 subsidiaries; 32nd Lancers, 2 goals 2 subsidiaries. Teams:—

7TH LANCERS.		32ND LANCERS	
Mr. A. G. Williamson	... 1	Mr. H. H. Hogg	... 1
Capt. G. P. O Carnegie	... 2	Mr. R. C. F. Pollock	... 2
Mr. G. F. Gretton	... 3	Capt. W. G K Green	... 3
Mr. E. G. Hume	*back.*	Capt. J. B. Keogh	*back.*

Umpires:—Major Vaughan and Capt. Rivett Carnac.

3RD HUSSARS *vs.* SEAFORTH HIGHLANDERS.—Played on the Lahore ground on Christmas day, a good game resulting in a win for the Highlanders.

First Chukker.—The Highlanders scored a goal through Anderson; mid-field play followed and then Anderson hit another goal.

Second Chukker.—A foul against the Seaforths let up the Hussars, but they failed to score. They attacked again and Levey hit a goal. Then the Highlanders got away; Buchanan scored a minor point and Maclachlan and Dobie a goal each. Up and down play till the end.

Third Chukker.—The Seaforths scored a subsidiary and then the Hussars began to assert themselves. They hit a couple of subsidiaries, but missed opportunities of adding to their score.

Fourth Chukker.—Continuing to attack the Hussars registered a subsidiary their opponents replied with another. The 3rd had the best of the play for a spell, but the Highlanders got away at the end and hit a goal.

Fifth Chukker.—The Seaforths had the best of this period and neither team scored.

Sixth Chukker.—The Highlanders attacked, but there was no further score.

Final Score.—Seaforths, 6 goals 3 subs.; 3rd Hussars, 1 goal 3 subs. Teams as before. *Umpires* Lieut.-Col. Smith and Capt Rivett Carnac.

SEMI-FINALS.

7TH LANCERS *vs.* 12TH CAVALRY.—A very level game between these teams was witnessed on the 27th instant, victory resting with the Cavalry.

First Chukker.—Up and down play till Hesketh scored a goal for the 12th.

Second Chukker.—The 7th hit a minor point, Hesketh replying with another for the 12th who continued to attack. Wilson scoring a goal. The 7th again got away and Gretton registered a minor point.

Third Chukker.—The 7th attacked and scored a goal. Play in mid-field for the rest of the period.

Fourth Chukker.—The 12th pressed, but the Lancers cleared and Carnegie obtained a subsidiary, Gretton following this up with a goal.

Fifth Chukker.—Smith hit a subsidiary for the 12th and Carnegie one for the 7th; the 12th pressed hard, Wilson scoring a goal and Hesketh a minor point.

Sixth Chukker.—The 12th attacked but there was no further score.

Final Score.—12th Cavalry, 3 goals 3 subsidiary; 7th Lancers, 2 goals 4 subsidiaries. Teams as before.

Umpires:—Capt. Price and Mr. Creek.

10TH HUSSARS *vs.* SEAFORTH HIGHLANDERS.—Played on the 27th ultimo, a hard game resulting in the defeat of the Highlanders whose ponies were outclassed.

First Chukker.—The 10th pressed and Vaughan scored a goal.

Second Chukker.—The 10th again pressed Vaughan hit a goal and a subsidiary was added a little later, and before the end of the chukker another goal was registered.

Third Chukker.—Continuing to press the 10th scored another goal through Vaughan. Then the Seaforths got away and put on a subsidiary, a similar score accruing to the Hussars shortly after.

Fourth Chukker.—Vaughan hit a minor point for the 10th. Up and down play and then Buchanan scored a goal for the Highlanders.

Fifth Chukker.—Two subsidiaries to the 10th and then the Seaforths pressed but failed to score.

Sixth Chukker.—Only 48secs. and the Seaforths pressed, but without result.

Final Score.—10th Hussars, 4 goals 5 subsidiaries Seaforths, 1 goal 1 subsidiary. Teams:—

10TH HUSSARS.		SEAFORTHS.	
Mr. E. B. Meade	... 1	Mr. Anderson	... 1
Mr. E. W. E Palmer	... 2	Mr. Maclachlan	... 2
Major J. Vaughan	... 3	Capt. Buchanan	... 3
Mr. W. L. Palmer	(*back.*)	Capt Carden	(*back.*)

Umpires:—Capts. Anderson and Rivett Carnac.

FINAL.

10TH HUSSARS *vs.* 12TH CAVALRY.—The final game was played on the 31st ultimo, the Hussars winning rather easily by 11 goals 7 subsidiaries to 2 goals 2 subsidiaries. Sir William Clark addressed the teams and Lady Clark presented the Cup to the winners.

First Chukker.—The 12th drew first blood—a subsidiary by Hesketh. Then the Hussars got on and Vaughan and Meade scored a goal each.

Second Chukker.—Midfield play was followed by an attack by the 10th, Vaughan put through and Palmer added another goal shortly after.

Third Chukker.—Up and down play and then the 10th hit two subsidiaries Smith's pony came down and he was unable to resume, Shakespeare taking his place. Hesketh hit a minor point.

Fourth Chukker.—A subsidiary to the 10th and then the Cavalry got away and Hesketh registered a goal. The Hussars resumed the attack and scored a goal and a minor.

Fifth Chukker.—Hesketh and Shakespeare got away and hit a goal. Then the Hussars pressed and put on 4 goals and 2 subsidiaries before the close of the period.

Sixth Chukker.—With three minutes to go, the 10th continued to attack, and keeping the ball in the 12th's territory, scored 2 goals and a subsidiary. *Final Score:* 10th Hussars, 11 goals 7 subsidiaries, 12th Cavalry, 2 goals 2 subsidiaries.

THE I. P. A. CHAMPIONSHIP TOURNAMENT AT CALCUTTA.

OWING to the Agra tournament, the Calcutta fixture was robbed of practically all interest and resolved itself into a contest between but four teams. A beginning was made with the tie between the 12th Royal Lancers and Calcutta's "Z" team, when a rattling good game, full of brilliant play, fast galloping, individual and collective science and dash, ended in a win for the Lancers by just one subsidiary, the closing score being: 12th Royal Lancers, 5 goals and 2 subsidiaries; Calcutta "Z," 5 gols and 1 subsidiary. Details.—

First Chukker.—Calcutta at once attacked the Lancers's flags and hit a goal in 27 seconds and on the change of ends Calcutta again pressed, but the ball went out wide of the Lancers' flags. Then the Lancers kept the ball in the Calcutta ground for a time, but play was fairly level till near the close of the chukker, when Calcutta once more pressed and were able to get a goal. *Score:* Calcutta, 2 goals to love.

Second Chukker.—Calcutta had the best of this for a prolonged space, but Major Hobson's defence of his flags prevented any scoring; then later an offside was given against Calcutta and though nothing came of the penalty exacted, the venue of the game was changed and the ball was held in the Calcutta ground till it went out at the side. There was no score.

Third Chukker.—This was fairly level the ball travelled freely up and down the ground, and the Lancers more than once threatened the Calcutta flags, and at length scored a goal. On two occasions they looked like scoring again, but the goal was saved. *Score:* Calcutta, 2 goals; 12th Lancers, 1 goal.

Fourth Chukker.—The Lancers had quite the best of this chukker, and were on the offensive in the Calcutta ground most of the time, and were able to put up 2 goals and 2 subsidiaries. *Score*: Calcutta, 2 goals; 12th Lancers, 3 goals and 2 subsidiaries.

Fifth Chukker.—There was very equal play all through, Calcutta pressed home and hit a goal. The Lancers kept the ball in the Calcutta end for the rest of the chukker but their final shot at the flags was wide. *Score:* Calcutta, 3 goals; 12th Lancers, 3 goals and 2 subsidiaries.

Sixth Chukker.—For the whole of this chukker the Calcutta team were on the defensive and as often as the ball was hit away from dangerous proximity to the flags as often was it returned and any score was warded off till at the close of the full chukker the Lancers hit a goal. *Score:* 12th Lancers, 4 goals and 2 subsidiaries; Calcutta, 3 goals and 1 subsidiary.

Seventh Chukker.—The Lancers scored first then Calcutta were able to obtain 2 goals at long intervals and with only one subsidiary left in favour of the Lancers, the two teams in their efforts to bring the matter to an issue played a desperate game without any further change, till the call of time, the Lancers winning by 5 goals and 2 subsidiaries to 5 goals and 1 subsidiary. Teams:—

12TH ROYAL LANCERS.		CALCUTTA POLO CLUB'S "Z" TEAM.	
Mr. T. R. Badger	... 1	Mr. H. Tomkinson	... 1
R. B. Wood...	... 2	C. W. Graham	... 2
Capt. H. R. Milvain	... 3	Mr. J. D. Scott	... 3
Major G. W. Hobson	(*back.*)	Capt. Barrett	(*back.*)

Umpires:—Colonel Forbes and Captain Livingstone Learmouth.

The second game was between the Mysore Durbar and Calcutta Polo Club "A" team. A very large concourse of people turned out to watch it and Calcutta after a brilliant exhibition, won with a small credit balance of 3 subsidiaries, the final score being 4 goals and 5 subsidiaries to 4 goals and 2 subsidiaries. Appended are details:—

First Chukker.—This was an excellent chukker. For the first half the Mysoreans had the ball in their opponents' ground and had two shots at their flags, which only scored subsidiaries, and later H. H. the Juvaraj hit a goal. After this, Calcutta played up stoutly and held the ball in the Mysoreans' grounds, where after a prolonged bout, Calcutta hit a goal. *Score:* Mysore, 1 goal and 2 subsidiaries; Calcutta, 1 goal.

Second Chukker.—The Mysoreans began brilliantly, the Maharajah getting a goal by a long clear shot, and H. H. the Juvaraj got another soon after. Play then was very level, and the goals were well protected. *Score:* Mysore, 3 goals and 2 subsidiaries, to Calcutta's 1 goal.

Third Chukker.—Out of a very good game, Calcutta through the fine forward play of Ismay and the Maharaj Kumar with Learmouth's support, kept the Mysoreans very lively, and scored 1 goal and 1 subsidiary, and at the close of time they looked like scoring again, but they were fouled and the resultant penalty exacted no score. *Score:* Mysore, 3 goals and 2 subsidiaries; Calcutta, 2 goals and 1 subsidiary.

Fourth Chukker.—The Calcutta team again took the offensive, Learmouth doing grand service as back and stemming the Mysore efforts to get the ball away. Ere half the period Calcutta had put up 2 subsidiaries and a goal. Then Mysore put on a spurt, and Bunny Singh hit a goal on the close of time. *Score:* Mysore, 4 goals and 2 subsidiaries; Calcutta, 3 goals and 3 subsidiaries.

Fifth Chukker.—The Calcutta team played up well all through, and were afforded two shots at the flag, which elicited minor points only. Uneventful play all over the ground followed, without results, till near the close of time an off-side was given against Mysore when near the Calcutta flags, and the goal Bunny Singh shot was disallowed. *Score:* Calcutta, 4 goals and 5 subsidiaries; Mysore, 4 goals and 2 subsidiaries.

Sixth Chukker.—Though this chukker afforded some keen and exciting play, it was barren of results, both goals being well protected. The Calcutta team won by 4 goals and 5 subsidiaries, to Mysore's 4 goals and 2 subsidiaries. Teams:—

MYSORE DURBAR.		CALCUTTA POLO CLUB ("A" TEAM)	
Faiz Mahommed Khan	... 1	Mr. C. Ismay	... 1
H. H. the Juvaraj	... 2	Mr. F. Macnamara	... 2
H. H. the Maharajah	... 3	Maharaj Kumar of Cooch Behar	... 3
Mr. Bunny Singh	(*back*)	Capt. Learmouth	(*back*)

Umpires:—Colonel Forbes and Captain Barrett.

POLO IN MADRAS.

A COUPLE of fine days made all the difference to the Polo ground at Government House, Guindy, Madras, and the two matches played on Thursday, the 20th instant, in the Venugopaul Cup Tournament, were both fast and interesting; much more so than any of the previous games. In the first match, which was between the 30th Lancers (Gordon's Horse) and the Bangalore Gymkhana, there was a great deal of really first-rate play by the Lancers, who won easily. They had more dash, followed the ball better and hit cleaner than their opponents, who but for Major Hayes who was a tower of strength at back and saved his goal many times, were a weak team. For the Lancers, Major Barnard and Duffadar Nathu Singh (back) were the most prominent players and these two between them were responsible for nearly all the scoring. The final result was a win for the Lancers by 10 goals and 7 subsidiaries to *nil*.

The second match was between the Fatteh Maidan team, from Hyderabad, and the Madras Gymkhana. The latter were unlucky in losing the services of Captain Duff—he did so well for Government House in the Novices' Tournament—who sprained his wrist and was unable to play in the match. His place was taken by Mr. Rajagopaul, a young native player of great promise, who did a great deal to help his side to victory. The visitors were not quite so well mounted as their opponents, but their team included some very well-known Hyderabad players and they were expected to win. The game was most exciting all through, neither side at first being able to keep the lead. The Hyderabad men were first to score, but Madras equalised and again when Fatteh Maidan got ahead they drew level. Then the pace of their ponies began to tell in their favour and they scored three goals in quick succession. Fatteh Maidan did their best to reduce this lead but could only score one goal, and the match ended in a win for Madras after a splendid game, by 6 goals to 4, not a single subsidiary being scored in the whole match.

The semi-final round was played on Saturday, the 22nd ultimo, at Government House Guindy. Both matches were very one-sided, especially that in which the Golcondas met the Mysore Imperial Service Lancers; in this the Golcondas scored as they liked, running up an enormous score.

The final match was played on Monday, the 24th ultimo, at Guindy, between the Golcondas and Gordon's Horse. The match was fast all through, the Gordon's Horse team making a very plucky fight, but being completely out-classed. The Golcondas were seen at their best and gave a splendid Exhibition of polo. The match was watched with great interest by a large number of spectators, including Sir Arthur and Lady Lawley, Lord Wenlock, Colonel the Hon'ble R. T. Lawley. The final score was Golcondas, 14 goals and 7 subsidiaries; Gordon's Horse 5 goals and 1 subsidiary.

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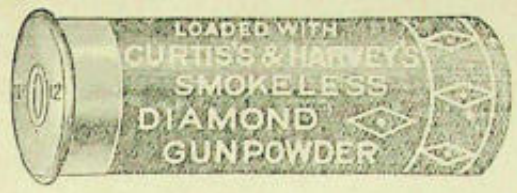

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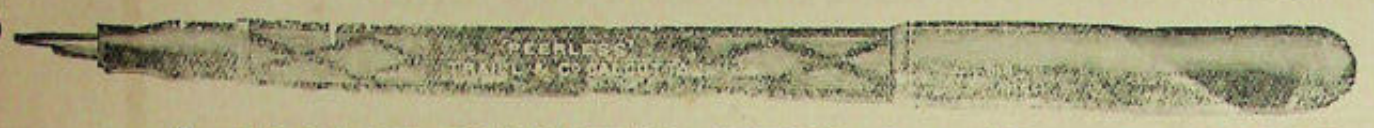

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Racing.

RED-LETTER DAYS OF THE WORLD'S TURF CALENDAR.

IN nearly every country where horseracing is carried on some particular event may be said to stand out by itself, to be looked on as the feature of the racing season in which the greatest interest is taken, not only by what may be termed the initiated, those more or less acquainted with the details of racing, but by the general public, whose familiarity with the sport is perfunctory. In many respects the character of the attendance at such gatherings differs materially from that to be seen at ordinary meetings, as, although the ostensible object of those present is to see a horserace, there is usually a number of other reasons which induce an extraordinary assemblage at these particular events. The dictate of that imperious arbiter, Fashion, is to some extent responsible for the extra attendance; it is the correct thing to be seen at the big race; it is something to be done, a function not to be missed. The mere fact that there is certain to be a big crowd present almost invariably acts an inducement to swell its proportions, for many go as much to see others and be seen themselves as for the interest taken by them in the race itself. At these gatherings, where the atmosphere is nearly always national, and often cosmopolitan, the regular racegoer finds himself in a decided minority. He is crowded out for the nonce by the thousands intent, to use an expressive phrase, on having a good time, and to whom it is perhaps the one day in all the year when they will go racing. On these red-letter days of the turf the searcher after colour will find material more abundant than on ordinary occasions, for the racecourse habitué all the world over differs but little in type. The familiarity with things which breeds seeming indifference is his, and an intimate acquaintance with the glorious uncertainty of the turf has dampened his enthusiasm, if it has not deadened his interest. The zest with which a big holiday crowd enters into its enjoyment of the sport and its complete surrender to the spirit of the occasion, together with its enthusiasm and appreciation, are features be side which the actual happenings of the day often pale into insignificance. It is the turmoil and gaiety of the big crowd which makes these special racing days the spectacles that they are.

The day on which the greatest two-year-old race in the world, the Futurity, is decided may be considered the day of days on the American turf, though in some respects it falls short in the distinctive features which mark such gatherings as the English Derby, the Grand Prix of Paris, and the Melbourne Cup of Australia. In fact, a race which in character more closely resembled those world-famed meetings was the American Derby, run at Washington Park, Chicago, before political strife, more than the wishes of the people, served to bring about the cessation of racing in the metropolis of the Middle West. Coming as it does after a period of four weeks in the height of the season, during which there has been no racing in the vicinity of the city of New York, the Futurity attracts a very large attendance, though in this respect there is no marked difference from the number present at the Suburban Handicap, or perhaps the Metropolitan, run at Belmont Park. The American Derby, on the other hand, drew an attendance which may be best described as abnormal. It was the one day on which Chicago society decreed that it was right and proper to attend the races, and it turned out in full force, with the result that Derby Day presented a spectacle which was nowhere more appreciated. Between 50,000 and 60,000 people were estimated to be present at Washington Park, when under ordinary conditions one-fourth of that number was considered a big crowd. By the nature of its conditions the Futurity is a race which makes universal appeal to lovers of the thoroughbred throughout the length and breadth of the land; it is justly entitled by its value as a stake, and the class of the competitors, to rank as the feature race of the country, but the nature and distance of the course—straight six furlongs—does not appeal to the general public. Some day, possibly at beautiful Belmont, a three-year-old stake over a distance of ground will be established which will be a fitting rival to the English Derby and French Grand Prix. The success which attended the American Derby teaches a lesson in this connection.

So long as England remains the home of the thoroughbred, so long will the English Derby take precedence among the big horseraces of the world. While breeders from continental Europe, from North and South America, and from Australia and New Zealand, continue to seek Englishbred stallions for the improvement of their stock, the great three-year-old race of that country must possess an absorbing international interest and it is likely that for many years to come the Flying Foxes, Florizels, and Rock Sands of England will be in demand abroad. There is no race in England which in the slightest way approaches the Derby in popularity. Ascot, with its blaze of fashion and Goodwood, in its ultra exclusiveness and beautiful surroundings, appeal to certain classes; the Derby excites an interest, that is universal from King to coster. Of the half a million of people who on Derby Day turn the low hillsides of Epsom Downs into human ant heaps, not more than 20 per cent. pay any fee to witness the great contest. On the night prior to the race thousands sleep on the downs, while through those suburbs of London on the roads to Epsom may be heard the steady tramp of other thousands wending their way to the common goal. The facilities for travel by rail have been much improved in recent years, but the journey by road is still popular, especially in anything like favourable weather. Every species of vehicle is pressed into service for the occasion, and four-in-hands mingle democratically with costermongers' carts and furniture vans, filled with hilarious racegoers. The scenes and incidents on the road to the Derby furnish endless subjects both for pen pictures and the painter's brush. The steel engravings of Frith's of immortal painting "The Derby Day," are familiar to many who have not seen the original work which portrays with admirable fidelity many incidents of the great gathering. It is claimed, with a good deal of truth, that the journey to the Derby by road has in recent years lost many of its picturesque surroundings, certainly the horse-play which was thirty years ago a feature of the return journey is much more subdued, but there still is left an abundance of happenings sufficient to mark the great English classic with an individuality that makes it absolutely unique among horseraces. The vast crowd is a good humored one, bent on enjoying itself and intent on making the most of its opportunity. To the racing itself prior to the event of the day it pays but scant attention, but immediately before the start for the great race a singular stillness falls upon the multitude. The side-show men cease their shouting, the booths are emptied of their never-ending stream of thirsty patrons, and even the importunate gipsy beggars cease from troubling. A murmur of expectancy only is audible, until, as if communicated by electricity, the fact is made known to the countless thousands unable to see the actual start that the struggle for the blue ribbon of the turf has begun. As the race progresses it is followed by a babel of noise which culminates in a mighty roar of sound as the winner sweeps past the post. A feature of last year's Derby was the fact that Spearmint was the first winner in many years who had been sold at auction as a yearling. As a rule the race is won by a horse which has never been offered in the sale ring but has been retained by his breeder with a view to winning the Derby, the goal of the ambition of every British turfite.

The Grand Prix de Paris attracts the most cosmopolitan gathering of racing people in the world. Paris is the Mecca of the nationalities of eastern Europe and of Latin Americans who are attracted by the life and gaiety of the French capital. The American colony in Paris is always well represented at the big race, and there is invariably a large invasion of English racing men, for as a rule one or two horses from that country take part in the contest. Spearmint, after winning the English Derby, crossed the Channel this year and won the Grand Prix. His victory was the first gained by an English horse for twenty years, when Spearmint's maternal grandsire, Minting, won. In the Grand Prix the three-year-olds are asked to go a little farther than the regulation mile and a half of the Derby course, the French Derby, which plays a secondary part to the great race at Longchamps, being decided at Chantilly two weeks prior to the Grand Prix. The race is run at the height of the Parisian social season, of which it marks the approaching close, and one week after the French Grand National, run at Auteuil, the other racecourse situated in the Bois de Boulogne. The value of the stake to the winner is generally in the neighbourhood of $40,000, and with the exception of the Grand Prix du Conseil Municipal won this year by Mr. W. K. Vanderbilt's champion colt Maintenon, it is the only race of any consequence on the flat which is open to horses bred in other countries than France. The Grand Prix possesses an individuality that is all its own among the great equine contests of the world. Although not in great outpouring of the people as is the English Derby, it is immensely popular with the Parisians, and in the stands and enclosure may be counted many of the notabilities of Europe. The fact that there is no free in field, as is the case with the big English race, accounts to some extent for a smaller attendance, but the Grand Prix possesses many of the characteristics of Ascot and Goodwood, combined with some of the Derby features. The best dressed women in the world are to be seen in the paddock at the Grand Prix, and at no other assemblage of a similar nature is there to be heard such a diversity of tongue. In striking contrast with the big English race is the quietude which prevails on the French course, due to the elimination from it of the brazen-throated bookmakers, who, on an English course, fill the air with their vociferous offers to lay the odds. All betting is conducted in France by means of the machine, on the parimutuel system. The holiday spirit of Grand Prix day is carried on far into the night, and the visitor to Paris is lucky to obtain a seat in any of the principal restaurants or places of amusement on the evening following the race of the year.

For a country with a very limited population Australia is a great land for horseracing, and the attendance at the Melbourne Cup, the big event of the spring meeting of the Victoria Racing Club, held at its Flemington track, is utterly out of proportion to the population of the city of Melbourne, which numbers about 500,000. On an average 100,000 people gather from all parts of Australia to see the great spring handicap for three-year-olds and upwards run. For weeks beforehand the prospects of the different horses in the big race are eagerly discussed in the larger towns of neighboring States and away back in remote townships on the verge of civilization. The event is one in which the whole of the island continent takes the deepest interest. Governors of other States foregather in Melbourne for the occasion, the naval squadron finds it opportune to be in those waters, and the sheep raisers and miners from the country with singular unanimity discover an excuse to be present. The period is one of festivity and gaiety, and the resources of the city in the way of accommodation are taxed to the utmost. The distance of the Cup race is two miles, and the big field of horses which starts, usually about thirty, affords a magnificent spectacle. The Flemington track is by nature admirably adapted as a racecourse, and from every portion of the grandstands a perfect view of every part of the race can be obtained. "Cup Day" is declared a public holiday, and as under the terms of the lease by which the racing club holds the land, the infield is always free to the public, about one-fourth of those present avail themselves of this privilege. The best horse which ever won the Melbourne Cup was Carbine, sire of Spearmint, winner of this year's English Derby and Grand Prix. He carried 10st. 4lbs., and ran the race in record time.

A great English race which in many ways possesses an individuality of its own is the St. Leger, run in September, the third of the three great three-year-old contests, the winning of all of which constitutes the "triple crown" of the British turf, the preceding two being the Two Thousand Guineas and the Derby. The St. Leger attracts an enormous crowd, not a tithe of which finds accommodation in the little village of Doncaster, famous, in addition to the fact that the great race is held on its town Moor, for its butter-scotch, a species of candy, and the assemblage, as far as the local people are concerned, differs a great deal from the crowd which gathers to see the Derby. Between the people of the north and south of England there is a considerable variation in type. There is none better versed in horse lore than the average Yorkshireman; his is a horse-breeding and horse-loving county and the thoroughbred occupies first place in his affections. Not to know all the points in a yearling colt and not to be conversant with the breeding and pedigree of previous winners of the "Sellinger," as the name of the famous race is pronounced, is ignorance unpardonable in the eyes of a typical Yorkshireman. The last clerical owner of a race horse was a Yorkshire parson, the Rev. C. S. King, who bred and raced, under the nom-de-course of "Mr. Lanade," the famous mare, Apology, a winner of the St. Leger. It is an enthusiastic and appreciative crowd which assembles to see the great racing event of the north country. The distance of the race is one mile and three-quarters and 132 yards and the dead level galloping ground of the St. Leger course affords a sharp contrast to the uphill and down dale nature of the Epsom track over which the Derby is run. This, in the opinion of English racing men, makes it a very tiring course, and winning the St. Leger is regarded as satisfactory proof of the staying powers of a three-year-old.

The French Grand National is the principal cross-country event in that country, and run as it is on the Sunday before that on which the Grand Prix is decided, it draws an immense attendance. Jumping races have attained great popularity with the Parisians as well as with the Parisiennes, the enclosure at Auteuil being regarded by the fashionable set with even greater favor than the paddock at Longchamps. The jumps at Auteuil, the headquarters of the body which may be termed the French National Hunt Committee, cannot be regarded as formidable in their nature; on the contrary, they are comparatively easy for a horse to negotiate. As a consequence races are run at a much stronger pace than similar events are in England. Except in the character of the racing there is little difference in the general features of the two great French races. More distinctive in some respects is the Trouville fortnight of racing, held in August at the fashionable seaside resort in Normandy, at which the principal event is the Deauville Cup. A counterpart of this meeting may in many respects be found in Saratoga, though the existence of the French resort is even more dependent on its racing season than is that of the famous American Spa. The two big hotels of Trouville are noted alike for their excellence and high tariff of charges; their season is limited and they make the most of the opportunity. Racing during the Trouville fortnight takes place every other day, the intervening days being given up to pigeon shooting, polo, and kindred sports.

The class of horses that run in the Deauville Cups is of the highest quality, such powerful stables as Mons. E. Blanc's being always well represented. The conventions are somewhat relaxed at Trouville in the typically French assemblage, the world jostles elbows with the half world and society folk mingle with those on the fringe of society. After the day's racing the gambling rooms offer attraction to the votaries of chance unsatisfied by the opportunities afforded them during the day and it is late in the night before the lights are out in the Casino. Gaiety and excitement prevail during every hour of the twenty-four.

"Waiter! Call this lamb cutlet, do you? It's so hard I can't finish it."

"You don't surprise me sir. I, for one, could never ha' begun it!"

She: "Did you enjoy yourself in Italy?"
He: "Rather."
She: "Go to Venice!
He: "Yes."
She: "See the Lion of St. Mark's?"
He: "Oh, yes—grand beast—saw him feed.'

Athletics.

THE GAME OF WRESTLING.

WERE we to judge of the excellence of our sports by the extent to which artificial rules prevail over natural ones, there can be no question but that the title of the very best game in the world would have to be awarded to the Japanese game of ju-jitsu. For the very first thing one learns in this exercise is to resist the instinctive temptation to use strength, to strain every muscle in the contest, and to keep those muscles taut. The man who obeys this natural impulse is verily at the mercy of even a child who has the slightest knowledge of the principles of ju-jitsu, for he is furnishing the force that is to compass his own downfall. Strange though it may seem, it is absolutely true that in this strange game your object is to apply against your opponent any force which he exerts, and to use the minimum of your own strength, because the more force you exert, the more effective is the weapon you thereby give to your opponent. You must try to make your opponent use force, while exerting yourself as little as possible.

At first, of course, it seems as though this were too paradoxical a game to be practicable. The uninitiated scoffer might say: "Well, suppose I refrain absolutely from using any force. Suppose I stand perfectly motionless, awaiting developments. What then?" Well, the value of this question can be tested by any one who chooses to try the methods it suggests. Suppose that you decide to stand absolutely motionless before a Japanese ju-jitsu player? You doubtless flatter yourself that you are exerting no force; but therein you err. The very effort of standing motionless calls for the exercise of much more force than you are aware of. You exert force to maintain your balance; the Japanese knows in what direction you are exerting that force, and pushes you ever so slightly in the opposite direction. You feel that you are losing your balance, exert force to recover it, and behold! your slight opponent has you at once. He avails himself of that force you are exerting—not by resisting it, but, with the lightest of deft pulls and pushes, by over-developing it. Thus, let us say, to recover your balance you have to exert a force of 10lbs. in a certain direction. The Japanese does not endeavour to check that force. Instead of that, he augments it. You thought to exert 10lbs. of force; his push, or pull, makes that ten into twenty or thirty or forty, and then over you topple, and lie on the ground with your little opponent industriously tying you into uncomfortable knots.

The inference to be gathered from this is that all stiffness of pose, all bracing to resist a shock, must be eliminated. The standing work, at the beginning of the bout, is almost entirely based on balance, and it must be your part to act as a jelly to pressure. The body must be limp, and the muscles slack, ready for exertion or resistance in any direction, not braced for either in the particular direction in which you anticipate it. Otherwise, you will be overthrown at once.

Not that the under man on the ground has the worst of it. Indeed, a prostrate man, with his legs between himself and his opponent, is in a master position. For in ju-jitsu the contest is not decided by a fall. The victor is he who has manœuvred his opponent into a position from which he cannot escape without breaking a limb, and a Japanese on his back on the ground is frequently far more dangerous than when on his feet.

To watch the game is certainly a fine spectacle. At the ju-jitsu school in Oxford-street, on springy matting, the wrestlers show how this wonderful science develops every muscle of the body. The game begins with what looks very much like a sort of complicated waltz. The wrestlers, of course, are barefooted, or in soft wrestling shoes, and they stand facing each other, each grasping the lapels of the other's loose jacket. Then they begin, with a light, swinging step, dancing at times as if to music up and down the room. In reality the Japanese, whose head is scarcely higher than his pupil's midriff, is imperceptibly guiding the bigger man here and there at will, the pupil being too wise to attempt to resist the gentle movement. Then, as the Japanese is changing his poise from one foot to another, the pupil deftly strikes him, with incredible quickness, on the tendon of the leg momentarily supporting his weight. That was neatly done, and would have thrown a less expert man at once. Instead of trying to regain his balance, however, the Japanese lets himself go, one leg this way and one that, doing the "splits" as easily as a ballet girl, and is on his feet again before his opponent knows it. In a flash he treats his opponent as his opponent has just treated him—but successfully. Perhaps the young Englishman cannot do the "splits." At all events, he falls limply and with a resounding slap, as he has been taught to fall. Then they are on the ground together, a wonderful muddle of intertwining arms and legs. They look like the little Japanese carvings of monkeys rolled and twisted up together in a ball. First you get a glimpse of the Japanese on top, one leg round his opponent's neck and the other locking the Englishman's knees, his arms clasping those of the other man, and his face wreathed in pleasant smiles. Then there is a twist, and the bigger man is on top, with the Japanese curled up like a ball under him. One would think that the little man must be crushed, but suddenly his feet shoot out, flinging the pupil clean into the air; and as he falls the Japanese pounces on him, and effects an irresistible lock—one that will break his opponent's wrist if the latter struggles at all. That decides the contest.

Such are the impressions given by the sight of two good ju-jitsu wrestlers at work. The art is strenuous enough in its way, though never roughly forceful; and, though not productive of knotty muscles, makes its advocates enormously strong, with a lithe, sinewy strength. It so developes the muscles of the neck and throat, for instance, that a Japanese expert can hang suspended by a rope round his neck without inconvenience. Moreover, it gives an excellent practical knowledge of anatomy, and besides being a delightful and healthe pastime, is a capital means of self-defence.

Cricket.

CRICKET IN CALCUTTA.

CALCUTTA *vs.* BEHAR WANDERERS.—This match on the C.C.C. ground opened on Monday the 24th ultimo. The visitors taking first knock. A. P. Danby was top scorer with 31, Luce made 24, and Bentinck 20, Hudson and Gordon being the only others to reach double figures. The innings closed for 118. The home team batted well and at the close of the day's play had made 235 for 5 wickets, but the next day the remaining batsmen could only contribute 15 runs, the total being 250. Of this B. E. G. Eddis had made 101 (his second century this season) in great style, Beachcroft put up 39, Bartholomew 25, and Stockley 20. On going in a second time the Planters showed improved form. Bentinck (101 not out), Danby, (30), Luce (47) and Sharling (22) all batted well, Bentinck's century being the result of sound cricket. The innings produced 250, the same as Calcutta's first venture. This left the home team 119 to make to win. The runs were speedily knocked off for the loss of two wickets and Calcutta won by 8 wickets. There was a big attendance, it was a perfect wicket and the weather could not have been better. Scores :—

BEHAR WANDERERS.

1st Innings.		2nd Innings.	
A. W. Bentinck, b Curtis-Hayward ...	20	not out ...	101
A. P. Danby, b Ballantyne ...	31	c Quin, b Eddis ...	30
F. M. Luce, c Whiteway, b Stockley ...	24	b Curtis-Hayward ...	47
W. J. Marsham, c and b Curtis-Hayward ...	4	c Jackson, b Stockley	5
E. G. Danby, b Beachcroft ...	1	b Stockley ...	7
H. A. Pickford, b Stockley ...	1	c Turnbull, b Beachcroft	2
P. Hudson, b Beachcroft ...	10	b Turnbull ...	11
G. G. Gordon, c Jackson, b Quin	13	b Beachcroft ...	0
H. D. Lang, b Beachcroft ...	0	run out ...	0
C. T. Brett, b Ballantyne ...	7	b Quin	1
A. F. Sharling, not out ...	2	b Curtis-Hayward ...	22
Byes	5	Byes, 16, leg-byes 8	24
Total ...	118		250

CALCUTTA.

1st Innings.		2nd Innings.	
J. D. Guise, b Sharling ...	17	did not bat.	
J. G. Ballantyne, b Lang ...	17	c Gordon, b Lang ...	54
B. E. G. Eddis, b Sharling ...	101	not out ...	23
H. R. Stockley, b Sharling ..	20	not out ...	0
C. P. Beachcroft, c Luce, b Marsham	39	did not bat.	
M. R. Quin, c Gordon, b Marsham	5		
C. P. Bartholomew, c Gordon, b Lang	25	b Brett ...	40
S. E. Whiteway, c Marsham, b Sharling	2	did not bat.	
T. Curtis-Hayward, not out ...	0		
G. Turnbull, b Lang ...	0		
J. E. Jackson, b Lang ...	0		
Byes 19, leg-byes 1, wides 2 no balls 2	24	Byes ...	2
Total ...	250	Total ...	119

BOWLING ANALYSES.

BEHAR WANDERERS.

1st Innings.	O.	R.	M.	W.	2nd Innings.	O.	R.	M.	W.
Curtis-Hayward..	12	43	2	8		27	80	2	3
Ballantyne ...	7	25	—	2		6	23	3	0
Stockley ...	10	23	3	2		11	35	1	2
Beachcroft ...	6	19	1	3		12	15	3	2
Quin ...	1	2	—	1		8	18	2	1
Eddis ...	—	—	—	—		5	26	—	1
Turnbull ...	—	—	—	—		6	21	2	1

CALCUTTA.

1st Innings.	O.	R.	M.	W.	2nd Innings.	O.	R.	M.	W.
Hudson ...	12	47	1	0		9	33	—	—
Lang	16	40	5	4		9	30	—	1
Sharling ...	18	52	2	4		13	42	—	—
Brett	3	17	0	0		4	12	—	1
Luce	6	29	0	0					
Danby ...	5	16	—	—					
Marsham ...	5	25	—	2					

In the first innings Brett bowled 2 no balls and Lang 1 wide.

BALLYGUNGE *vs.* BOMBAY.—Played on Xmas Day, the visitors winning by 118 runs. Bombay batted first, Captain Rutter made 86 in excellent style, Reade hit hard for his 44, while West (27 not out) and Airy (21) made useful contributions, the innings closing for 232. Ballygunge were all out for 116, Wood's 32 and 26 by Manders being the chief scores. In the second innings Bombay declared after losing 4 wickets for 123. Captain Greig showed good form and Captain Bradfield (41 not out) also batted soundly. Ballygunge put up 45 runs for one wicket when stumps were drawn, the match being decided on the first innings. Stafford was not out, 34. Scores :—

BOMBAY.

1st Innings.		2nd Innings.	
Capt. Greig, c Sherman, b Gould	7	c and b Manders ..	45
P. M. D. Sanderson, b Gould ...	3	c and b Manders ...	11
Capt. Rutter, run out ...	86	did not bat.	
J. O. Airy, b Nicolls ...	21	st. Tatam, b Salier ...	12
Capt. Bradfield, c Gould, b Salier	3	not out	41
P. Beaumont, b Nicolls ...	0	b Manders ...	2
R. E. A. Elliott, run out ...	10	did not bat.	
F. S. Crump, c Manders, b Gould	7		
F. F. West, not out ...	27		
B. C. Reade, c Gould, b Manders	44		
A. H. Otto, c Wood, b Manders	1		
Extras ...	23	Extras ...	12
Total ...	232	Total (for 4 wkts.) ...	123

BALLYGUNGE.

1st Innings.		2nd Innings.	
B. A. White, b Crump ...	8	did not bat.	
R. C. Hill, b Crump ...	0		
T. C. Stafford, b Elliott..	4	not out	34
T. C. Manders, b Crump...	26	not out	6
H. M. Sherman, c Airy, b Elliott	0	did not bat.	
E. L. Salier, c and b Crump	4		
A. T. Wood, c Reade, b Otto	32	c Greig b Crump ...	5
A. C. Tatam, c Airy, b Elliott	5	did not bat.	
E. Horncastle, b West ...	3		
C. B. Nicolls, b Crump ...	14		
F. Gould, not out ...	2		
Extras ...	18		
Total ...	116	Total (for 1 wkt.) ...	45

BOMBAY *vs.* BEHAR WANDERERS.—Played on the C.C.C. ground on the 27th and 28th ultimo. Bombay batted first and were all out for 217, to which Airy subscribed 67, Sanderson, Rutter, Greig and West making useful scores. Behar then went in and lost three wickets for 102 when time was called on Thursday. Resuming the following day, Bentinck, who was not out 58 overnight, carried his score to 95 before he was disposed of. Of the others Danby 30 was the chief scorer. Bombay batted a second time and declared when they had scored 173 for two wickets, Greig making 61, Sanderson 20 and Airy 83 not out. The Planters then had a second innings, making 93 for 4 wickets. The match was decided on the first innings, Bombay winning by 16 runs. Score :—

BOMBAY.

1st Innings.		2nd Innings.	
Capt. J. G. Greig, c Sharling, b Brett	24	c Pickford, b Hudson	61
J. O. Airy, c Gordon, b Hudson	67	not out	83
Capt. E. Rutter, c Luce, b Marsham	29		
Capt. Bradfield, c Pickford, b Marsham	4		
E. R. C. Elliott, c Luce, b Marsham	15		
P. Beaumont, b Hudson ...	4		
F. M. D. Sanderson, b Marsham	33	b Hudson ...	20
F. C. Crump, c Gordon, b Hudson	10		
F. P. West, L-b-w., b Hudson	23		
B. C. Reade, not out ...	4		
E. B. Watson, b Hudson ...	0		
Extras ...	4	Extras ...	9
Total ...	217	*Total (2 wkts.) ...	173

*Innings declared.

BEHAR WANDERERS.

1st Innings.		2nd Innings.	
C. P. Danby, c Sanderson, b Crump	30	c Rutter, b Greig ...	4
A. W. H. Bentinck, c Watson, b Elliott	95	c Beaumont, b Greig ...	20
C. T. Brett, c Sanderson, b Reade	0		
H. D. Lang, c Sandeson, b Greig	9	c Bradfield, b Crump ...	0
F. M. Luce, b Crump ...	8		
W. J. Marsham, c Elliott, b Crump	11	c and b Elliott ...	48
P. Hudson, c Crump, b Elliott	9		
E. G. Danby, c Crump, b West	0		
A. F. Sharling, st Sanderson, b Greig ...	18		
H. A. Pickford, run out ...	0	not out	16
G. G. Gordon, not out ...	9		
Extras ...	12	Extras ...	5
Total ...	201	*Total (4 wkts.) ...	93

*Innings declared.

BALLYGUNGE *vs.* NORTHUMBERLAND FUSILIERS.—Played at Ballygunge on Thursday last, the home team winning by 163 runs. Stafford played at brilliant innings of 74, Hill (62) was also in good form, while with the ball Wood met with most success, taking 6 wickets for 30 runs. Score :—

FUSILIERS.

C. E. Maude, run out	2
H. L. Ovens, b Ballantine	5
Capt. C. W. Reford Brown, b Wood	17
Pte. Jenkens, c Hill, b Ballantine	19
E. C. Salier, b Wood	22
Srgt. Beckingham, c Lowe, b Stafford	15
Adams, b Wood	0
A. C. Milne Home, c Stafford, b Wood	23
Lee Wadsworth, c Stafford, b Wood	8
Major Fishbourne, b Wood	2
Pte. Carr, not out	12
Extras	11
Total	136

BALLYGUNGE.

B. A. White, b Beckingham	24
H. Lowe, b Beckingham	6
T. C. Stafford, b Wadsworth	74
J. G. Ballantine, b Beckingham...	24
R. C. Hill, c Jenkens, b Brown	62
W. Bayly, st. Adams, b Brown	14
E. Antram, not out	44
C. B. Nicolls, c Brown, b Fishbourne	38
E. Horncastle, b Fishbourne	0
A. T. Wood, b Fishbourne, b Salier	1
F. Gould, st. Adams, b Fishbourne	2
Extras	10
Total	299

BALLYGUNGE *vs.* BEHAR WANDERERS.—This two days match played at Ballygunge at the week end resulted in a win for the visitors by 88 runs. Behar made 129 in their first innings, Ballygunge replying with 131. The second innings of the Planters totalled 148, and they disposed of the home team for 58. Scores :—

BEHAR WANDERERS.

1st Innings.		2nd Innings.	
C. P. Danby, b Manders ...	0	b Gould	0
H. Pickford, c Bayley, b Manders	4	b Manders	21
F. M. Luce, c White, b Gould	31	c White, b Manders ...	8
W. J. Marsham, c Stafford, b Gould	7	c Nicholls, b Gould ...	16
L. M. Crump, c Horncastle, b Manders	0	c Sub., b Manders ...	10
P. Hudson, c Tatam, b Manders	5	b Manders	4
A. F. Sharling, c Nicolls, b Gould	21	st. Tatam, b Gould ...	25
F. Macnamara, b Manders...	7	b Gould	14
G. G. Gordon, b Gould ...	30	c Horncastle, b Gould ...	8
E. C. Danby, b Manders ...	9	not out	18
H. D. Lang, not out ...	1	b Gould	0
Extras ...	12	Extras ...	24
Total ...	129	Total ...	148

BALLYGUNGE C. C.

1st Innings.		2nd Innings.	
B. A. White, l.-b.-w., b Lang	0	b Crump	5
R. C. R. Hill, c Gordon, b Hudson	40	run out	3
T. C. Stafford, retired hurt ...	39	absent.	
T. C. Manders, c Crump, b Hudson	4	c Crump, b Marsham ...	8
A. C. Tatam, c Pickford, b Marsham	0	c Gordon, b Marsham ...	17
H. E. Skinner, c Crump, b Marsham	10	c Hudson, b Crump ...	14
W. E. Bayley, c Danby, b Marsham	3	not out	4
C. B. Nicolls, b Marsham ...	0	c Danby, b Crump ...	0
E. Horncastle, b Hudson ..	12	b Marsham	7
J. R. Coulthard, b Marsham	0	b Marsham	0
F. Gould, not out ...	4	c and b Marsham ...	0
Extras ...	19		
Total ...	131	Total ...	58

RANGERS *vs.* DALHOUSIE.—Played on the Rangers' ground on Saturday afternoon and resulted in a draw. Scores :—

DALHOUSIE.

F. Sharp, c and b A. Hodges	25
W. Horrell, b Templeton	9
W. Hodges, c Nicol, b Margrett	23
R. Carter, c Calderwood, b Templeton	34
J. Wickens, run out	5
H. Tremble, c Margrett, b Cumber	13
H. Ball, b Cumber	0
H. Beadle, not out	0
R. Walton, F. Jolly, T. Smith } did not bat.	
Extras	11
Total (for 7 wkts.)*	120

* Innings declared closed.

RANGERS.

G. Hodges, not out	33
E. Templeton, c and b Beadle	4
H. Cumber, c Beadle, b Carter	4
R. Nicol, c Hodges, b Beadle	1
P. Margrett, c Wickins, b Beadle	0
C. Warden, c Horrell, b Wickins	19
A. Hodges, not out	2
Davids, Nugent, Jones } did not bat.	
Extras	4
Total (for 5 wkts.)*	67

* Innings declared closed.

NORTHUMBERLAND FUSILIERS *vs.* Y. M. C. A.—The return match between these teams was played in the Fort on Saturday and resulted in a draw. The Young Men, thanks to good scores by Price and Dyer, made 205 for eight wickets. The Fusiliers lost eight wickets for 174 ; Sergt. Beckingham was top scorer with 65. Scores :—

Y. M. C. A.

F. H. Reynolds, b Parrant	1
W. Dyer, run out	77
A. M. Price, not out	77
F. Shieldham, b Beckingham	10
W. Price, b Parrant	0
J. Maclean, b Beckingham	0
B. Horne, b Parrant	0
R. Wright, b Parrant	0
P. Vanspall, c and b Maude	22
Knolls, Pooler } did not bat.	
Extras	18
Total (for 8 wkts.)*	205

* Innings declared closed.

FUSILIERS.

H. Ovens, c Shieldham, b Price	25
Dr. Sergt. Hone, b Reynolds	15
Pte. Jenkins, b Price	2
C. E. Maude, b Price	16
Sergt. Beckingham, c Vanspall, b Price	65
Pte. Adams, b Dyer	6
Bandmaster Moss, b Price	6
A. C. Milne Home, b Price	18
Pte. Parrant, not out	14
Corpl. Bowen, Major Fishbourne } did not bat.	
Extras	7
Total (for 8 wkts.)*	174

* Innings declared closed.

CALCUTTA C. C. *vs.* BOMBAY.—This match was played on the C. C. C. ground on the 29th and 31st ultimo, and ended in a draw. The home team batted first. Eddis was again in fine form and compiled 82 : and with useful contributions from Guise (33), Ballyantyne (32), Quin (26), Bartholomew (26), and Turnbull (26), the innings closed for 279. Captain Greing and Airy opened the visitors account and hit freely. Airy made 38 and Rutter joined Greig and together they took the score to 146 when stumps were drawn—Greig having scored 57 and Rutter 47. Continuing their innings on the second day they gave an excellent display. Rutter was caught when he had put up 71 with the score at 194. Greig continued to score fast and made 160 before he was caught by Quin. Of the others Lieutenant Golden (30) made the highest score and the visitors were all out for 375. The C. C. C. went in again and made 152 for the loss of 5 wickets when time was called. Score.—

C. C. C.

1st Innings		*2nd Innings.*	
B. E. G. Eddis, c Crump, b Otto	82	c Elliott, b Crump	49
J. G. Ballantyne, c Airy, b Otto	32	c Greig, b Crump	41
C. P. Beachcroft, c b Crump	14	l.-b.-w., b Reade	19
Maj. Stockley, c Sanderson, b Crump	0	c Sanderson, b Crump	5
J. D. Guise, c Airy, b Elliott	38	c Airy, b Crump	13
C. P. Bartholomew, b Elliott	26	not out	11
T. Curtis-Hayward, c Sanderson, b Crump	7	did not bat.	
M. R. Quin (Cap.), c Sanderson, b Greig	26		
G. Turnbull, c Greig, b Elliott	26		
F. N. Warden, not out	15	not out	11
J. E. Jackson, c Greig, b Elliott	8	did not bat.	
Extras	10	Extras	8
Total	279	Total (5 wkts.)	152

BOMBAY.

Capt. J. G. Greig (Capt.), c Quin, b Ballantyne	160
J. O. Airy, b Stockley	38
Capt. Rutter, c Warden, b Stockley	71
E. R. Elliott, c Warden, b Ballantyne	14
Dr. Sheoward, b Eddis	6
P. M. D. Sanderson, c Warden, b Stockley	9
Lieut. Golden, c Beachcroft, b Ballantyne	30
B. C. Reade, b Guise	3
F. T. Crump, not out	14
A. H. Otto, b Quin	12
E. B. Watson, b Quin	0
Extras	18
Total	376

CRICKET AT LAHORE.

LAHORE GYMKHANA *vs.* FRONTIER CRICKET CLUB.—Played on 21st and 22nd December. After an exciting finish the Frontier Cricket Club won by one run.

FRONTIER CRICKET CLUB.

1st Innings.		2nd Innings.	
Faiz Ali Mahmood, c French, b Ross	7	b Ingram	1
Mela Ram, b Robinson	12	run out	65
Noor Mahomed Shah, c Robinson, b Ross	1	run out	3
Gopal Dass, c Bedwell, b Ingram	40	b Robinson	20
Mowla Bux, b Ingram	14	b Hawley	4
Basheshar Nath, b Ingram	1	c Ingram, b Kirke	8
Salig Ram, b Ingram	0	b Lang	10
Aziz-ud-Din, b Lang	0	c Kirke, b Lang	19
Saleh Mahomed, c Lang, b Ingram	5	not out	11
Mahomed Shah, b Ingram	17	b Lang	3
Lal Badshah, not out	3	c Colbeck, b Hawley	9
Extras	7	Extras	8
Total	107	Total	161

LAHORE GYMKHANA.

1st Innings.		2nd Innings.	
V. H. Wilson, c Gopal Dass, b Saleh Mahomed	54	b Saleh Mahomed	5
E. L. French, c Mowla Bux, b Salig Ram	0	l.-b.-w., b Salig Ram	5
H. F. Kilgour, b Saleh Mahomed	16	b Salig Ram	6
E. St. G. Kirke, b Salig Ram	4	c and b Salig Ram	5
E. Colbeck, b Basheshar Nath	7	c Aziz-ud Din, b Saleh Mahomed	2
Capt. Lang, b Salig Ram	26	c Aziz-ud-Din, b Saleh Mahomed	11
Capt. Bedwell, b Saleh Mahomed	7	b Saleh Mahomed	2
Capt. Ross, b Salig Ram	17	c Mela Ram, b Salig Ram	29
F. H. Hawley, not out	15	b Saleh Mahomed	0
S. M. Robinson, st. Mowla Bux, b Basheshar Nath	6	c Mahomed Shaw, b Salig Ram	15
F. Ingram, b Salig Ram	0	not out	10
Extras	19	Extras	9
Total	171	Total	96

BRITISH ARMY *vs.* THE WORLD.—Played at Lahore on the 24th and 25th December. The British Army winning by an innings and 18 runs. Scores :—

THE WORLD.

1st Innings.		2nd Innings.	
B. N. Bosworth Smith, c Clark, b Bowers	13	b Bowers	3
F. E. G. Talbot, b Clarke	5	b Bowers	8
E. L. French, b Bowers	6	b Clarke	0
P. E. Collen, c Lyon, b Greenwell	15	b Bowers	0
W. N. Lushington, b Bowers	0	b Bowers	15
Glascock, c Kearsey, b Bowers	7	c Bowers, b Clarke	16
E. St. G. Kirke, b Bowers	0	c Colbeck, b Bowers	38
C. M. T. Hogg, c Clarke, b Lang	9	c Clarke, b Heath	13
Capt. Ross, b Bowers	2	l.-b.-w., b Bowers	0
F. Skipwith, b Greenwell	19	c Lyon, b Bowers	13
O. F. Lumsden, not out	0	not out	7
Extras	15	Extras	22
Total	91	Total	136

BRITISH ARMY.

C. H. Lyon, b Ross	125
Capt. Heath, b Lushington	11
A. H. C. Kearsey, c Talbot, b Lushington	37
G. N. Bignell, c and b Skipwith	6
V. J. Reynolds, b Lushington	0
Capt. G. G. Lang, c French, b Skipwith	0
C. E. Colbeck, b Glascock	10
W. B. Greenwell, l.-b.-w., b Glascock	0
A. C. K. Clark, not out	28
A. H. M. Bowers, c Skipwith, b Lushington	11
F. H. Hawley, absent.	
Extras	17
Total	245

CRICKET IN RANGOON.

BURMA *vs.* STRAITS SETTLEMENTS.—Played on the 19th, 20th and 21st ultimo. The Straits team batted first and made 105, Williams taking 6 wickets for 52 and Brunskill 4 for 48. The Burma first innings totalled 247. Cameron played a fine innings of 90 which included fourteen 4's. Howlett and Williams also batted well. On going in a second time the visitors did better, scoring 251. Dunman was top scorer with 58, Whitley made 46, and Talma was not out 30. With 110 to make to win Burma went to the wickets again and succeeded in hitting off the runs for the loss of 7 wickets, thus winning by three wickets. Scores :—

STRAITS SETTLEMENTS.

1st Innings.		2nd Innings.	
W. Dunman, c Williams, b Brunskill	16	c Clarke, b Parrott	58
M. H. Whitley, st. Clarke, b Brunskill	23	c McLaren, b Brunskill	46
O. P. Griffith Jones, c and b Williams	17	b Brunskill	24
A. B. Hubback, b Brunskill	17	b Parrott	1
C. V. Miles, b Williams	1	l.-b.-W., b Brunskill	5
R. Scott-Murray, c and b Williams	0	b Parrott	22
E. W. N. Wyatt, c Cameron, b Williams	9	c Clarke b Cameron	17
E. L. Talma, c Cameron, b Williams	7	not out	30
H. M. Cantrell, b Brunskill	1	b Parrott	0
E. A. Harvey, c Brunskill, Williams	8	c Williams, b Brunskill	26
A. C. Corbetta, not out	1	c Williams, b Brunskill	11
Byes	4	Byes	4
Leg-byes	1	Leg-byes	3
		Wides	1
		No balls	3
Total	105	Total	251

BURMA.

1st Innings.		2nd Innings.	
J. H. Brunskill, b Whitley	2	c Hubback, b Wyatt	7
A. E. DeSilva, c Whitley b Wyatt	15	c Cantrell, b Scott-Murray	7
E. C. McLaren, b Whitley	1	not out	19
E. Burd, l.-b.-w., b Whitley	1	l.-b.-w., b Scott Murray	10
C. C. Cameron, run out	90	not out	3
E. G. Howlett, l.-b.-w., b Whitley	45	did not bat.	
H. Parrott, c Corbetta, b Scott-Murray	15	c Wyatt, b Harvey	18
J. H. J. Dawson, l.-b.-w., b Whitley	4	l.-b.-w., b Scott-Murray	6
S. Williams, c Hubback, b Talma	33	did not bat.	
J. P. Clarke, not out	13	c Whitley, b Wyatt	21
J. R. D. Glascott, c Cantrell, b Scott-Murray	10	l. b.-w., b Wyatt	12
Byes	13	Byes	9
Leg-byes	4		
No Balls	1		
Total	247	Total (for 7 wkts.)	110

STRAITS SETTLEMENT *vs.* RANGOON GYMKHANA.—Played in Rangoon on the 24th, 25th and 26th ultimo, the home team winning by six wickets. Dunman, Hubback and Miles were the chief scorers for the visitors, Phillips, Turner and MacLaren for the Gymkhana. Appended are scores :—

STRAITS SETTLEMENTS.

1st Innings.		2nd Innings.	
W. Dunman, c Tatchell, b Williams	6	b Bernard	75
C. V. Miles, c Rebsch, b Wright,	45	b Bernard	0
O. P. Griffith-Jones, c Hopkins, b Bernard	12	b Bernard	0
M. W. Whitley, c Howlett, b Bernard	10	c Howlett, b Williams	13
A. B. Hubback, c Bernard, b Wright	62	c Phillips, b Williams	7
G. A. Harvey, c Sinclair, b Williams	14	b Turner	6
E. W. N. Wyatt, b Williams	25	c Phillips, b Bernard	4
E. L. Talma, b Bernard	18	b Bernard	0
H. M. Cantrell, c Wright, b Williams	0	not out	0
A. C. Corbetta, not out	5	c and b Turner	2
R. Scott-Murray, c Howlett, b Bernard	0	b Williams	28
Extras	9	Extras	34
Total	206	Total	164

RANGOON GYMKHANA.

1st Innings.		2nd Innings.	
J. R. Turner, c sub b Whitley	45	l.-b.-w., b Harvey	46
E. Hopkins, c Whitley, b Wyatt	2	did not bat.	
E. C. MacLaren, b Whitley	35	b Wyatt	0
F. C. Phillips, c Talma, b Jones	69	c Talma, b Wyatt	1
W. K. Rebsch, b Whitley	26	not out	42
L. E. Sinclair, b Jones	5	not out	9
E. G. Howlett	5	b Wyatt	25
L. Wright, l.-b.-w., b Whitley	8	did not bat.	
S. Williams, c and b Jones	11		
E. C. Tatchell, b Whitley	0		
A. C. Bernard, not out	0		
Extras	26	Extras	16
Total	232	Total	139

Golf.

THE CHAMPIONSHIP OF INDIA.

ON the Tollygunge Club links last Saturday the opening and qualifying stage of this competition was brought to a conclusion. The 36 holes course was in really excellent condition, thanks to the untiring efforts of the Honorary Secretary of the Tollygunge Club, himself an enthusiastic player. The sixteen left in to try conclusions in the first and second rounds were headed by Mr. A. Mann whose score was 160, as will be seen by the following results.

QUALIFYING ROUND.

	Score.
A. Mann	160
A. McCormack	164
Lieut. A. R. MacAllen	167
R. McLean	168
Bruce Sinclair	169
Lieut. C. Campbell	170
A. Brebner	170
Major Wolfe-Murray	172
K. B. Dunlop	173
Major Hedley	174
Norman Mitchell-Innes	174
T. Drimmie	175
K. H. Townend	175
D. C. Scroggie	175
H. W. Dick	176
A. B. Crole	176

FIRST ROUND.

H. W. Dick beat R. B. Dunlop by 5 and 3.
D. C. Scroggie beat Major Hedley by 1 up (21st hole).
Lieut. A. R. MacAllen beat A. B. Crole by 2 up.
A. Brebner beat T. Drimmie by 2 up and 1.
N. Mitchell-Innes beat B. Sinclair by 1 up (20th hole).
Lieut. Campbell beat R. McLean by 2 up and 1.
Major Wolfe-Murray beat E. H. Townend by 2 up.
A. McCormack beat A. Mann by 2 up.

SECOND ROUND.

H. W. Dick beat D. C. Scroggie by 3 and 1.
Lieut. A. R. MacAllen beat A. Brebner by 1 up.
Lieut. Campbell beat N. Mitchell-Innes by 2 and 1.
A. McCormack beat Major Wolfe Murray by 1 up (20th hole).

THIRD ROUND.

MacAllen beat Dick by 4 up and 3 to play.
Cormack beat Campbell by 1 up.

The semi-finals were played on Tuesday. Mr. Cormack defeated Mr. Campbell by one up after a great game. The latter player seemed to be scarcely showing his form, Mr. Cormack took the lead at the punch bowl hole where the match started and never afterwards let it slip. Three up and six to go seemed too big a lead to be wiped off, yet his opponent made a great

effort. Winning the 14th Mr. Cormack was unplayable from the tee, he halved the next, won the sixteenth in a perfect three. Here Mr. Cormack's lead now only stood at one. The latter, however, by the aid of a fine four yard put at the 17th secured a half and became dormy one and a half in six at the last hole put him in the final. Lieutenant McAllen proved too strong for Mr. Dick winning by 4 and 3.

THE FINAL.

The final match of 36 holes between Lieutenant McAllen and Mr. Cormack resulted in an overwhelming defeat for the former. For the first ten holes the match was a good one to follow, Cormack only having a lead of one hole up to that point. From here, however, to the finish of the first round he fell to pieces and at the eighteenth hole stood 5 down. The final result of 8 up and 7 to play was after this a foregone conclusion and the match lost much of its interest. Mr. Cormack, without being startlingly brilliant, made few mistakes, and the game ended as stated.

THE ASIAN CUP.—This was played for at Barrackpore and ended on Friday, the 27th ultimo in a well deserved win for Mr. Archy Birkmyre. Lieut. MacAllen's scratch score of 79, which placed him second, was the outcome of brilliant golf. The scores are:—

A. Birkmyre	...	... 86 — 8	= 78
Lieut. A. R. MacAllen	...	... scr.	= 79
D. K. Hull	...	... 83 — 3	= 80
B. Sinclair	...	... scr.	= 81
J. E. Cubitt	...	... 89 — 7	= 82
J. G. Melrose	...	... scr.	= 83
Capt. D. McCoy	...	... 88 — 5	= 83
C. L. Sanders	...	... 97 — 14	= 83
D. C. Scroggie	...	... scr.	= 84
A. Mann	...	... scr.	= 85
G. Stapledon	...	... 86 — 2	= 84
M. Innes-Kerr	...	... 88 — 4	= 84
O. J. Barnes	...	... 90 — 6	= 84
R. H. Godwin	...	... 98 — 14	= 84
C. E. Dewar	...	... 98 — 14	= 84
Major Wolfe Murray	...	... scr.	= 85
Col. Renny Tailyour	...	... 89 — 4	= 85
H. W. Dick	...	... 87 — 1	= 86
R. L. Morgan	...	... 90 — 4	= 86
D. Fym	...	... scr.	87
A. Pointon	...	... 97 — 10	= 87
R McLean	...	... scr.	88
C. M. Hutchinson	...	... scr.	88
G. A K. Hutton	...	... 95 — 7	= 88
J. More	...	... 102 — 14	= 88
G. B. Merry	...	... 94 — 5	= 89
J. E. McEwan	...	... 103 — 14	= 89
C. H. Beaman	...	... scr.	90
T. Drimmie	...	... scr.	90
N. Mitchell-Innes	...	... scr.	90
T. H. Beavis	...	... scr.	90

CALCUTTA *vs.* VISITORS.—Played off on the 31st instant, a strong team representing each side. The result was a draw. Scores:—

SINGLES.

VISITORS.		CALCUTTA.	
Major Young	0	Mann	1
Brebner	1	Sinclair	0
Scroggie	1	Wolfe-Murray	0
Crole	1	Hedley	0
Lieut. Young	0	Mitchell Innes	0
Collins	0	Drimmie	1
Newton	0	Townend	1
Hutchinson	1	Walker	0
Beavis	0	Ogilvy	0
Anderson	1	Renny Tailyour	0
Thompson	0	Dunlop	1
Lieut. McLeod	0	Stapledon	1
Total	5	Total	5

FOURSOMES.

VISITORS.		CALCUTTA.	
Mann, Sinclair	1 *vs.*	Major Young, Brebner	0
Wolfe-Murray, Hedley	0 *vs.*	Scroggie, Crole	1
Mitchell Innes, Drimmie	0 *vs.*	Lieut Young, Collins	1
Townend, Walker	1 *vs.*	Newton, Hutchison	0
Ogilvy, Renny Tailyour	0 *vs.*	Beavis, Anderson	1
Dunlop, Stapledon	1 *vs.*	Thompson, Lieut. McLeod	0
Total	3	Total	3

Boxing.

HEAVY-WEIGHT CHAMPIONSHIP.

JACK O'BRIEN *vs.* TOMMY BURNS.—American exchanges to hand give details of the great contest between "Philadelphia" Jack O'Brien and Tommy Burns (Los Angeles), which took place at Los Angeles, California, on 28th November. The pair fought what are described as twenty terrific rounds at the Pacific A.C., and when the end came the men were in the centre of the ring engaged in a fierce struggle.

When Jeffries (the referee) held up the glove of both fighters a shout of disapproval went up from Burns' admirers, who believed their man had won. Burns, who fought like a bull from the beginning to the end, was always on the aggressive, crowding his opponent to the ropes, and frequently rushing him about the ring almost in fight. The fighting, practically from the first round to the last, was terrific and interesting. Burns landed undoubtedly many more blows than his opponent, and they seemed to show greater force. O'Brien's footwork, however, was clever, and his ducking saved him time and again from severe punishment. Burns, however, landed many stiff blows on O'Brien's face. Burns, too, was severely punished about the face. The men showed evidence of bitterness towards each other throughout the fight. It looked about the middle of the fight as though Burns would win easily. O'Brien was almost groggy at different stages, and a knockout seemed not improbable. Details:—

ROUND 1.—O'Brien clinched, after a left lead, and protested when Burns kept both hands working during the clinch. O'Brien staggered Burns which a left hook, and they clinched. O'Brien rushes with a right hook, which was blocked, and the round closed, with little advantage to either man.

ROUND 2.—Burns landed a left to the ribs, and O'Brien put two lefts on the jaw. O'Brien introduced two stiff uppercuts and left and right to the side of the head, Burns holding on fast. Burns seemed to lose his head, and went into a clinch. The round was strongly O'Brien's, who appeared to have the measure of his opponent, and seemed very confident.

ROUND 3.—Burns was eager, and landed a light left to the body. O'Brien hocked rights on the head and left to the body. The round closed with Burns holdings and O'Brien seemingly the weaker.

ROUND 4.—Burns attempted to reach O'Brien's ear as they were closely locked together. O'Brien put right to shoulder, but Burns ducked a straight left, and they clinched. As they were separated Burns put a right hook to the jaw. O'Brien cleverly escaped from a corner, and they exchanged right and left hooks. O'Brien missed a stiff uppercut as the gong sounded.

ROUND 5.—Burns landed right and left on the body, and O'Brien missing a right swing, they clinched. He danced away, but returned to plant a straight left to the jaw. They exchanged right leads to the jaw, and O'Brien received a stiff left to the mouth. Burns put a right and left to the face, but O'Brien countered with a right, without damage. Burns took three stiff straight rights to the jaw, while O'Brien landed a right hook as the gong sounded.

ROUND 6.—Burns continued to follow his man round the ring, and O'Brien missed a straight left and clinched. Burns taunted O'Brien, asking him to stand and fight, but O'Brien kept away, and Burns repeated the operation. O'Brien trotted circles about his opponent, occasionally leading, while Burns planted his left three times to the head as the gong sounded.

ROUND 7.—Burns attacked strongly, landing rights and lefts that did no damage. O'Brien landed a right and left hook evidently with some power. Burns showed ability to duck O'Brien's left leads, and Burns again invited O'Brien to fight. He landed a straight left to the chest and a right to the neck, and they went into a clinch. Burns landed several light kidney blows. O'Brien introduced a left hook to the jaw. O'Brien appeared much more worried than his opponent, and the round was largely in Burns' favour.

ROUND 8.—Burns put left to the head and a right to the jaw in a manner that swept O'Brien off his feet. Burns chased his man around, the ring attempting to win in a rush. O'Brien put a short right jab to the chest, and a right uppercut to the chin. Burns stood still and waited for O'Brien to come into range, and was always the aggressor, O'Brien making a poor show.

ROUND 9.—Burns, with right for the ribs, was short, but immediately afterward landed a stiff right to the head. He got a right on O'Brien's face, and tried hard for a knockout. O'Brien put right hook to the chin, and Burns, after blocking a left uppercut, received to light hooks on the left side of the head. The round was certainly Burns' and his opponent appeared somewhat distressed at its finish.

ROUND 10.—Burns continued his rushing tactics and O'Brien slipped in vicious swings. Burns hit hard. O'Brien seemed to be leading groggily on Burns' shoulder, but he straightened his man with a right uppercut. Just afterwards he for the first time used a lead that has always been his style of battle.

ROUND 11.—Burns continued to rush O'Brien, landing two straight lefts and taking a stiff left on the body. O'Brien danced away, then closed in after Burns had planted a left hook to the face. O'Brien landed a stiff upper cut as they clinched, and put a straight left to the face as they separated.

ROUND 12.—Burns pursued O'Brien over the ring, and landed a left on the face. Burns' glove in a clinch was locked under O'Brien, and he protested. Burns landed a left to the ribs and a right to the face. Burns hooked a light left to the heart. Burns ducked a left and chased his man around the ring. O'Brien rallied, lashing two uppercuts to Burns' chin. Burns was compelled to do by far the most leading, and as they separated from a clinch Burns swung O'Brien from him.

ROUND 13.—Burns appeared eager to come to close quarters, but O'Brien evaded and suffered punishment in a clinch. O'Brien took two damaging lefts, and appeared unwilling to come to close quarters, and used his right to upper cut with advantage twice in rapid succession. Burns put a right to the ear, and O'Brien countered as they clinched. Burns slipped over a straight left, and the round ended with little advantage to either man, except that O'Brien seemed a little bolder.

ROUND 14.—Burns began the round with one of his spectacular rushes, and as soon as released by the referee in a clinch bored in on O'Brien, landing hard right hook to the head, and then several body blows at close range. Burns slipped under left lead and assaulted O'Brien's ribs. O'Brien took a clean left to the chin before they clinched again and Burns led with a left hook to the stomach. Burns shot his right to the jaw, and they were clinched with the round ending. O'Brien made a much better showing than he did earlier in the fight.

ROUND 15.—O'Brien put a straight right to the mouth, followed with a tap to the head, and again his left reached Burns' face. The Philadelphian seemed in much better shape than heretofore. Burns tried to slip over a left and a right in a clinch, but the round was O'Brien's.

ROUND 16.—Burns missed a right hook, and ducked a left swing while O'Brien landed a straight left to the face. They clinched again and Burns, in breaking away, jabbed O'Brien twice with a left. Burns' seconds protested against O'Brien holding Burns' right glove. As they broke from a clinch O'Brien landed a light right, and Burns countered with a left jab to the ear. O'Brien put a stiff right to the ear as the gong sounded, and the round was in O'Brien's favour to a very slight extent.

ROUND 17.—O'Brien got in a stiff right upper cut and escaped a rush by Burns into a neutral corner. O'Brien put a left hook to the body and followed with two straight lefts to the face, both appearing effective. O'Brien landed a straight left to the eye, and then they clinched holding until separated. Burns managed to reach O'Brien with a light left hook, and missed a savage right swing a moment later. O'Brien put home a stiff jab to chin and received, a left to the body.

ROUND. 18.—Both were fast, and apparently not tired, but appeared cautious, as though the fight had just begun. O'Brien troubled his man's head with a stiff left, while Burns slipped inside two leads. O'Brien jabbed his man twice lightly with a left, and repeated the performance, dancing nimbly around outside of Burns' vicious blows, which fell short. Burns, however, was still the aggressor, and succeeded in planting a left on the body. Honours were even, but O'Brien was using his left to some advantage.

ROUND 19.—Burns was aggressive, but O'Brien put a right to the chin and a left to the face. In a clinch Burns put a left over the face, and O'Brien tried three times to land a left, which he found had the effect of keeping Burns at a distance. Burns blocked the left hook, and took a right hook to the chin. He also slipped under a straight left, and sent a right to O'Brien's body hard. They were clinching most of the time, and were locked in an embrace when the round closed, without advantage to either.

ROUND 20.—Burns attempted to strike with his right arm, and the referee used all his strength to force them apart from a clinch. His efforts sufficed to keep them apart but a short time. Burns sent his left to the head as they broke, appearing somewhat less vigorous, and weakened when O'Brien planted a hard left to the jaw. In a clinch that followed Burns' head seemed to wobble, and he was not so vicious. He clung fully twenty seconds to avoid punishment and Jeffries used his shoulder to push Burns away.

Cards.

BRIDGE.

Solution to Problem No. 20.

B HAS no more clubs, and, consequently, the 10 guards the suit, Z can win six tricks in diamonds if the suit is divided favourably, but before parting with dummy's cards of entry he must endeavour to clear his hearts. He should accordingly lead the queen of hearts, and put on dummy's king, so as to leave the lead in the right hand in case the ace is held up. If the king of hearts is allowed to make, he should lead the 10 of spades from dummy, and finesse it up to A. If this finesse comes off, he can then win the game independently of dummy's long suit, but if it fails he must fall back on diamonds. Should the diamonds go right he will still win the game unless, in the meantime, A and B have played out all their winning cards to save it.

Problem No. 21.

Score: A B, 0; Y Z, 0. Z deals and declares no-trumps. A's (the original leader's) and Y's (dummy's) hands are as follows:—

Y's HAND (DUMMY).

Hearts: K, 2. Diamonds, A, J, 10, 9, 3. Clubs, J, 5, 4. Spades, Q, 10, 6.

A's HAND (LEADER).

Hearts: Q, 10, 8, 3. Diamonds, K. Clubs, A, Q, 3, 2. Spades K, 9, 7, 5.

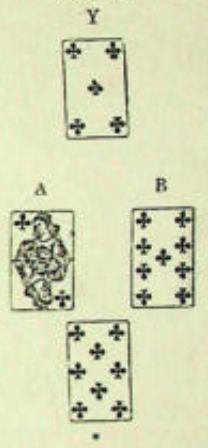
The first four tricks are as follow:—

Trick I.



Tricks: A B, 1; Y Z, 0.

Trick II.



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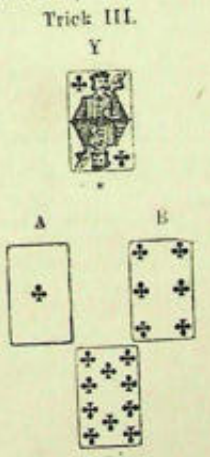
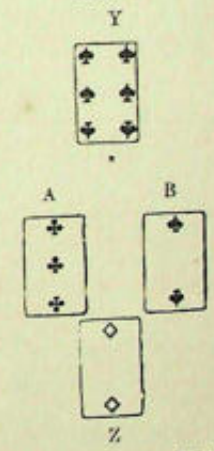
Trick III.



Tricks: A B, 3; Y, Z 0.

Trick IV.



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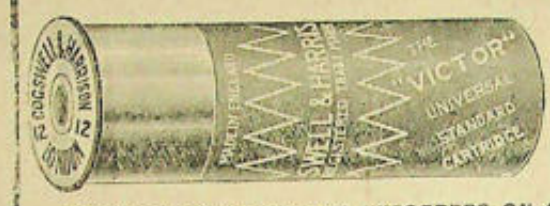

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NATURAL HISTORY IN 1906.

THE following notes on Natural History progress during the year just ended relate in the main only to vertebrate animals, and more especially the larger mammals, as being those likely to interest the majority of our readers. Even in this comparatively narrow sense no pretence is, however, made to give anything approaching a complete record of zoological progress; only such items being mentioned as appear to be of more than ordinary interest.

We may perhaps assign the first place in the year's work, regarded from this point of view, to Colonel C. D. Durnford's investigations regarding the nature of the flight of flying fishes. Dominated for years by the views of Professor Möbius, of Berlin, naturalists generally have given their adherence to what may be called the äeroplane theory, according to which the initial impetus of the flight is due to the screw-like action of the tail while the fish is still in the water, the wings acting merely as parachutes during the flight through the air, although it is admitted that they may vibrate to a certain extent at the commencement. Reading between the lines it will, however, be apparent that several observers have had a strong suspicion that active wing-action is an important factor in the flight, although they seem to have hesitated in setting themselves up as direct opponents of the äeroplane theory, on account of its "official" acceptance.

Colonel Durnford, whose two papers on the subject appeared in the *Annals and Magazine of Natural History*, bases his opposition to the generally accepted theory on mathematical grounds. According to his demonstration the äeroplane theory of the flight is a physical impossibility, owing to the relatively small wing-superficies, and consequently progression through the air must be due to intensely rapid wing-vibration, aided in certain circumstances by movements of the tail which in all cases give rise to the initial impetus. Under average conditions, the chief features of the flight appear, according to the new theory, to be as follows:—(1) the tail-impelled, visibly wing-assisted jump from the water to a height where the wings can work visibly; (2) the flight continued by an intensely rapid and laboured wing-movement, generally mistaken for a condition of rest, and, if seen at all, visible only as a blur; (3) short periods of slowing-down of wing-movement, when the vibrations again become perceptible; (4) either sudden cessation of wing-movement, followed by a sudden drop into the water, or a short slow-down into visibility immediately preceding the immersion. The result of dissection has been to demonstrate that flying-fish possess much greater development of the pectoral and caudal muscles than non-volant pelagic fishes of similar proportions; thus affording further support to Colonel Durnford's explanation. It may be added that the flying-gurnards, whose flight is less rapid and prolonged than that of the true flying-fishes, certainly make use of their wings when in the air; this, again, being to a certain extent a confirmation of the new theory. Those of our readers who may have the good fortune to be homeward bound may like to beguile some of their time on the voyage by endeavouring to detect the

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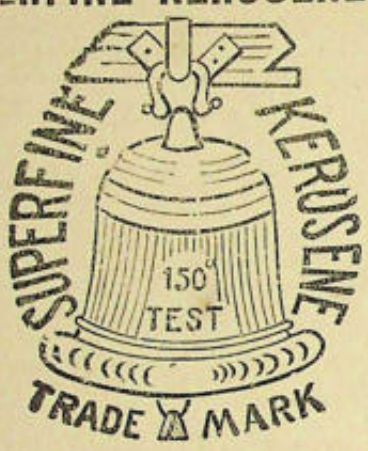

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wing-movements of flying-fish ; although the most favourable opportunities of doing this are afforded by small sailing boats.

Coming to big game animals, the year will be remarkable for the number of new species or races of African antelopes which have been described. The most interesting of these is Vaughan's kob (*Cobus vaughani*), from the southern Bahr-el-Ghazal, a species nearly allied to the white-eared kob (*C. leucotis*), but in which the old bucks are foxy red instead of chocolate-brown. The eland of British East Africa has been separated as a distinct race (*Taurotragus oryx Pattersonianus*), on account of the presence of an incomplete white chevron below the eyes ;—a feature occasionally seen in elands south of the Zambesi. Of smaller antelopes, the yellow backed dinkerbok of N.-W. Rhodesia has been distinguished as *lephalophus coxi ;* while a dinker from Portuguese East Africa has been named *C. Robertsi*, and one from Nyasaland (*C. Walkeri*). Whether the so-called *Gazella salmi* of the Fashoda district is really entitled to rank as a new species, remains to be proved. Be this as it may, considerable interest attaches to a small antelope from the Semliki Forest, which, with a previously known species from the Cameroons, is referred to the new genus *Hylarnus ;* this genus being intermediate between the royal antelope *Neotragus* of Guinea and the same antelopes (*Nerotragus*) inhabiting two small islands near Zanzibar and the mainland of South-Eastern Africa.

The revision of the local races of the Asiatic ibex (*Capra sibirica*) by Dr. Lorenz von Liburnau has already formed the subject of a special leading article in this journal, and may accordingly be passed over without further notice. Much interest attaches to the photograph of a young takin obtained by Mr. Claude White in northern Bhutan, and reproduced in our English namesake. This, however, is not the only photograph of a takin calf that has been taken, a second one having recently come under our notice. Adult takin have also been shot by Europeans ; we have a couple of fine heads in our possesion which we shall be glad to show to any interested readers.

Mr. Claude White has likewise contributed important information regarding the geographical range of the shou, or Sikkim stags. According to this information, the shou, as Jerdon originally considered to be the case, inhabits the upper part of the Chumbi Valley as well as the adjacent districts of Bhutan. More important still is the evidence acquired by Colonel Iggulden, during the Tibet expedition, to the effect that this fine deer is found north of the Sanpu in the neighbourhood of Lhasa. In Colonel Iggulden's opinion, shou are able in summer to cross the high range separating the Chumbi Valley and Bhutan from Tibet ; and if this prove to be the case, there is no valid reason why the Lhasa animal should be even racially different from the one inhabiting Chumbi and Bhutan. This, however, is a point on which further evidence is required, and the attention of sportsmen may therefore be directed to the subject.

Our knowledge of the okapi—and more especially the question whether there is more than one race or species—will probably be increased as the result of the year's collecting, since the Gosling—Alexander expedition in Nigeria procured one skin, while Major Powell-Cotton has sent home the skin and skeleton of an adult male and the body-skin of a calf from the Ituri Forest. Definite information with regard to the creature's habits is, however, still wanting. The wild pigs of the Malay area, which have long been a stumbling-block to Naturalists, have received attention at the hands of the well-known American Zoologist, Mr. G. S. Miller, who has been able to put matters on a much more satisfactory footing than before, especially as regards the long-snouted *Sus ōi* of Eastern Sumatra. Since Mr. O. Thomas described in 1904 the forest-hog (*Hylochœrus meinertzhageni*), of the mountain forests of east equatorial Africa, much literature has been published concerning these animals, of which three species have been named. In his description of the typical species, from Mount Kenya and the Nandi Forest, near the Victoria Nyanza, published in the *Proceedings* of the Zoological Society, Mr. Thomas figured the skull and teeth, the portions of skin being too incomplete to allow the portrait of the animal being given. Specimens from the Nandi Forest have, however, enabled Baron Maurice de Rothschild and Mr. H. Neuville to give such pictures. About two months prior to the appearance of their paper Mr. Thomas was able to confirm the existence of a forest-hog in West Africa ; the evidence being a skull from the Cameroons. Owing to differences in the teeth from those of the eastern animal, the Cameroon forest-hog has been named *H. rimator*. Another addition to our knowledge of the forest-hogs is supplied by Professor Matschie, of Berlin, who, in the *Annales* of the Congo Museum, describes specimens from the Ituri Forest, with illustrations of the adults and young. This Ituri forest-hog is named *H. ituriensis*. The differences distinguishing this species occur in the form and proportions of the skull and teeth and details of colouring. These hogs are stated to be forest animals, seldom coming into the open, and rarely seen by Europeans. Their ferocity renders them dreaded by the natives. In the Nandi district they were numerous up to 1891, when they were almost exterminated by rinderpest.

With the mention of an apparently new type of Zebra from East Africa described by the Hon'ble Walter Rothschild, and the record by Mr J. Noack of a dwarf race of elephant from the Congo, we must dismiss big game animals in favour of other groups.

Apart from the okapi referred to above the animals secured by Major Powell-Cotton in the Ituri Forest comprised fewer novelties than might, perhaps, have been expected. Mr. Lydekker has, however, described from this collection a sooty-coloured cat, which appears to be a dark forest race of the species typified by the red tiger-cat (*Felis carysothrix*) of West Africa. An earlier collection sent home by the same collector included a wholly black ratel, or honey-badger, which Mr. Lydekker has appropriately named *Mellivora cottoni*.

Turning to Asia, a feature of some interest is the identification by Mr. Thomas of a race of the brown bear from the Shan States, on the Burmese frontier of Siam ; this being by for the most southern extension of the range of the species in Eastern Asia. Almost the opposite of this is the discovery that a race of the Malay bear (named by Mr. Lydekker *Ursus arctus Wardi*) inhabits Eastern Tibet or Sze-chuan. This is analogous to the case of the Sze-chuan sambar.

Among the work done by the officers of the Indian Museum, reference may be made to Mr. Nelson Annandale's discovery that the lorises (*Nycticebus* and *Loris*) possess four teats in place of, as previously supposed, only two. They are thereby brought more into line with their West African representatives the pottos. This, however, does not represent all the work done on this group, as an American Naturalist, Mr. M. W. Lyon, has ascertained that the slow lorises (*Nycticebus*) inhabiting Borneo and Banka differ markedly in the characters of their skulls and teeth from all the other members of the group, unless it be the imperfectly known one found in Java.

Considerable interest attaches to Mr. Annandale's observations on the habits of the dugong. Unlike the manatee, these animals do not seem to feed by lateral movements of the two halves of the upper lip, which are less developed than in the latter, while the shortness of their flippers must apparently prevent the use of these organs in pushing food into the mouth. A single offspring may be seen with the female at any time of year ; but on no occasion were the two observed with their heads raised vertically out of the water after the conventional mermaid-fashion.

In America the great anteater inhabiting the central division of the continent has been found to differ markedly from the typical (*Myrmecophaga jubata* or *tridœtyla*) of Brazil ; while it is now ascertained that there are quite a number of local representatives of the little spotted skunk (*Spilogale*), instead of only one.

In Australia the most interesting piece of work is that of Miss Sweet on the eye of the marsupial mole (*Notoryctes*). Despite the fact that the creature spends much of its time on or near the surface, its eyes are much more degenerate than those of the mole ; the optic nerve having completely disappeared. This degeneration may be attributed to the irritating influence of the grains of the hot sand in which the animal burrows. To compensate for the total loss of vision, the glandular structures of the eye and nose have undergone a special development, and doubtless act in some manner as sense-organs.

As previously noticed in our columns, the creature seen by Messrs. Nicoll and Waldo, off Parà, has revived interest in the sea-serpent ; and naturalists are now less inclined than formerly to scoff at the idea of the existence of some unknown sea-monster. It would be well worth the while of some leisured and wealthy amateur to spend two or three months cruising off the coast of Tonkin, where the mysterious monster seems more prone than elsewhere to reveal itself. Possibly the suggestion may appeal to the well-known and enterprising American yachtsman and collector Dr. Abbott.

Sea-serpents lead naturally on to flying-snakes, which, according to Mr. B. Shelford, actually exist in Borneo. Three different species of tree-snakes from that island are reported to have the power of rendering the under surface of the body concave ; and when falling to the ground they invariably do so with the body held stiff and rigid. In Mr. Shelford's opinion, it is probable that the hollow lower surface of the snake helps to break the fall ; since it has been determined by experiment that a split bamboo made to fall with the concave surface downwards descends much more slowly than a cylindrical rod of the same weight and dimensions. If the account be trustworthy, these snakes are evidently up-to-date creatures.

A still more wonderful phenomenon has been recorded by Mr. W. Strickland in the case of certain spiders from Java. These, it is stated, have the power of slowly changing the color of the single pair of large glaring eyes on the head from brown to grass-green, and back again from green to brown ; the process being repeated at intervals for a considerable time, sometimes in one and sometimes in both eyes. What may be the use and purpose of this wonderful Kaleidoscopic power in these attis spiders (as they are called), remains for future observation to demonstrate ; but it is an altogether unique phenomenon. Lastly while passing over for lack of space many other observations and papers well worthy of mention, reference must be made to the issue of the first volume on Indian beetles (*Coleoptera*), by Mr. C. J. Gahan of the British Museum, in the *Fauna of British India*.

THE CALCUTTA KENNEL CLUB SHOW.

AGAIN we direct attention to the closing date for entries to the Calcutta Kennel Club Show—next Tuesday, the 15th January. When last we had the pleasure of a chat with the Honorary Secretary, we found him despondent over the paucity of entries ; but as a very large number of registration certificates have been applied for we have no doubt he will be kept exceedingly busy in a day or two and that about 6 o'clock on Tuesday next his job will be no sinecure, judging from our own experience of the *penchant* for rushing in entries at the last moment.

To those owners who have not yet made up their minds about entering their dogs we would say that the prize list is a very handsome one, the total value being about two thousand rupees. Then the fact of this show being held under Kennel Club Rules and two of the best judges of dogs in the East making the awards must appeal to everyone. To enable the executive to complete the numerous minor arrangements inseparable from a dog show entries at ordinary fees must close on the 15th instant ; late entries, which will be taken up to the 22nd instant, incur a penalty of one rupee.

The dogs will be benched in a huge shamiana close to the Ochterlony Monument and they will be on view to the general public from 4 to 7 P.M. and from 8 P.M. onwards, the judging being got through early in the day. Exhibitors, we understand, will pay a rupee to admit them to the grounds of the Fête and will receive passes enabling them to re-enter, should it be necessary to leave the show and return to it later on. They will, of course, have free entry to the show itself. The public will pay a rupee to get into the dog show and the souvenir catalogues will be a rupee each. A very special effort is being put forth in connection with this catalogue. It is to be printed on art paper, is to be copiously illustrated with photographic reproductions of type specimens of the principal classes from English champions, under which will be the English Kennel Club descriptions and scale of points, while on the opposite pages will be the entries for the show under each class. The catalogue will in reality be a valuable dog book and well worth the price asked for it.

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The C. K. C. held a Committee meeting last Monday, the Hon. Mr. A. A. Apcar, C. S. I., in the chair. Matters connected with the approaching show were discussed, and to the Committee were added the names of Colonel Harwood, Messrs. J. G. Dickson and R. C. Mawdsley.

Sporting Notes.

THERE is again a strong movement on foot to remodel the Tollygunge course, and the time seems to be really ripe for some such step to be taken. That the present style of hedges is a failure can hardly be disputed, but this question has so often been discussed that it would be idle to harp on it further. Yet a remodelling of the Tollygunge course might very well embrace a scheme for a good flat racecourse and perhaps a training track in addition. On such a course as would then be available a dozen big meetings might be held in the cold weather alone. The fetish that racing is only possible on Saturday afternoons is dying hard, but whether it come now or a few years hence, it is quite certain that we shall see mid-week meetings on a suburban course in Calcutta inter-larding the maidan races. With fifty and sixty entries in the smaller handicaps such as we see at present there is little, in fact no doubt but that the Turf Club could fill the programmes of such meetings without interfering with their main prospectus. The financial aspect of the project is really the first and most important question for consideration in contemplating such a scheme. There may be some doubts on this subject, but there are not a few persons in Calcutta who would be ready to back it, should necessity arise, with solid money. Steeplechasing would become a minor consideration, but would nevertheless obtain a real opportunity of entering upon a new and prosperous lease of life.

The second day's steeplechasing at Tollygunge was much more entertaining than the first, in spite of the many accidents on New Year's Day, which considerably reduced the very limited number of chasers in training in Calcutta. Only four accepted the handicap for the Tollygunge Plate and of these Senator was pulled up after the open ditch, over which he made a very clumsy jump. The three left going, Kipling, Seclusion and Olynthus, must have made a fine race of it but for two unfortunate mishaps. Seclusion dropped a leg in the water and never got galloping again, having evidently strained himself somewhat seriously. A little further on Olynthus over-reached and cut his tendon very badly. He struggled gamely home in the wake of Kipling, but pulled up dead lame and had to be taken away in the ambulance. These accidents prevented a fair test of the handicap which had been freely criticised before the race. The accident to Olynthus is most serious ; there is little or no chance of saving the horse, a very heavy loss indeed to his sporting owners and a most regrettable one to all interested in the welfare of local jump racing.

That good paperchaser, Lord Harry, headed the handicap in the Suburban Plate, but was reserved for his engagement with the Hunters. Strathspey and Wales were heavily backed to win this event, and the former looked a winner all the way round the course, but Mr. Reynolds' Coronet, who fell on New Year's Day, kept plugging away in front, and gaining considerably at every fence, he reached the straight full of running and fairly wore down Mr. Apcar's horse. This was the prettiest race of the whole meeting, as the five starters kept well together until the last two fences, Craig and Wales having a tremendous tussle for third place.

Only three ponies faced the music in the Open Handicap, and of these Footlight was made favourite, but Bull's Eye, a very well measured pony with a feather-weight, was also well backed. Hoyt rode a good race on the light weight, having quite recovered from his nasty fall off Olga on the first day, and eventually outstayed Footlight, who looked all over a winner on entering the straight. Four pony Hunters joined issue in the last chase of the day. Mistlebird, in spite of her crushing weight, was made favourite, and Mr. Evers on Zig Zag was followed as usual by a large number of backers. He fully justified their confidence by pushing the pony along from the fall of the flag, and without being headed won handsomely from Mistlebird. Energy, ran third. Good Chap was unable to compete, but we hope that he and his hard riding owner will be back in Calcutta again in time for the hurdle race and the Paperchase Cup.

The Hunters' Handicap was regarded as a good thing for Lord Harry, in spite of his 13 stone burden and he was fully backed at level money from the commencement of operations. His backers had an anxious time, however, as the old horse seemed anchored during the early part of the journey and a mile from home was still toiling far in the rear of the other trio. After the open ditch Capt. Holden took out his whip and answering with great gameness the favorite set to work and slowly closed with his field, reaching them as they entered the straight. Once in that position he was master of the situation as none of the other horses were celebrated for resolution, and Lady Gold was running all over the course. Capt. Holden rode a patient quiet race and is to be congratulated on owning such a perfect fencer and staunch racehorse as his old favourite, Lord Harry

Not a single fall occurred throughout the day, a fact which lends colour to the view that the matting to which we referred last week and which had been removed before Saturday, was the cause of the plethora of grief on the first day. Probably it had something to do with it, but want of schooling perhaps accounted for quite as large a share of the grief. Besides this is not the first time that nearly all the accidents have happened on one or other of the two days of the Tollygunge Meeting.

A huge boar was stuck on the 6th instant by Mr. M. Ferguson, the well-known hog hunter of Berhampore. Measured between spears from shoulder to heel he was a shade over 39 inches, and being too heavy for coolies, had to be brought in on a hackery : when weighed he was found to be just 3 maunds 19 seers. This is larger than any measurement recorded in *The Indian Field Shikar Book*.

We have to thank Messrs. T. E. Bevan for one of their very pretty wall calendars for 1907 devoted to extending the business of Messrs. Collard and Collard for whom Messrs. T. E. Bevan and Company are the agents : the coloured medallion is one of the best we have seen this year.

The final match for the Hyderabad Contingent Polo Cup was played at Secunderabad on the 31st ultimo between the 30th Lancers and the 20th Deccan Horse, the former winning by 5 goals 1 subsidiary to 2 goals 1 subsidiary.

Advancing years seem to help His Majesty King Edward VII to shoot straighter and make bigger bags than ever. We read that the King and a large house party were staying at Chatsworth last week. Two thousand head of game fell to eight guns in one day. His Majesty, who is in excellent health, was never known to shoot with such precision. All previous shooting records were broken.

Full details of the Bhamo Races are published among our Turf news to-day : the sport was uniformly good and the general arrangements reflected great credit on the executive.

We thank the Secretary of the London and Lancashire Fire Insurance Company for copies of their wall Calendar for this year.

Second entries for the Lucknow Spring Meeting are published to-day : we remind those interested that final entries close on the 15th instant.

Too late for inclusion in last issue the report of the final in the I. P. A. Championship tournament reached us and the match having been in progress while we were going to press. Calcutta "A" played brilliantly and beat the 12th Royal Lancers by 6 goals and 3 subsidiaries to 1 goal and 2 subsidiaries. Details will be found in the usual place.

Many Indian racing men will remember that grand and gallant bay Australian mare Cinder Ellen owned by Messrs. Verschoyle and Paris. She won the Merchants' Plate in January 1898, was a good second to the Maharajah of Patiala's fine mare Virago in the December Stakes.—Virago, as our readers know, won the Trials in 1897 and was fourth in the Cup the same year. Cinder Ellen ran third to Leonidas and Courallie in the Cooch Behar Cup, was fourth to Spray in the Chowringhee Plate and Metropolitan, was second to Bucephalus in the Farewell Stakes. In 1898 she ran fourth to Vanitas in the Viceroy's Cup and third to Vidette in the Keddlestone Stakes the following year. She was sent home to the stud and one of her daughters, Cinders by Florizel II., has recently been attracting a good deal of attention. A

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writer in the *Sporting Life* says :—"Cinders, is a mare by Florizel II. out of Cinder Ellen, and as a two-year-old she twice carried Mr. J. Daly's well-known brown jacket and red cap, on the first occasion being beaten by the smart Aspendale, but at her second attempt she won the Greer Plate at Phœnix Park. The latter place was also the scene of her next triumph, at the end of her four-year-old career, when she carried off the Canal Plate from a fair field, not having been stripped as a three-year-old. Cinders made her first appearance over a country in the New Century Steeplechase at Hurst Park last spring, when she fell, but since then her education has evidently been perfected, and she is now one of the quickest fencers we have seen, reminding one of the flying Desert Chief. Speaking of the last-named reminds me to mention that I am not including the aged son of Spahi in my list, for the reason that he is certain to be given plenty of weight by our handicappers, and there is no knowing whether his two Atlantic journeys may have affected him, as he proved somewhat of a failure in America. Reverting to Cinders, she scored her first victory over fences at Cork Park, when easily winning the Duckey Handicap Steeplechase last May, and a week later ran away with the Directors' Handicap at Mullingar. Forming one of the team Mr. J. J. Maher brought over to Cheshire, she was next seen out for the Haydock Park Handicap Steeplechase, on the first day of this month. She scored in ridiculously easy fashion, and three days later gave a similar performance for the Birmingham Handicap Steeplechase. By her run-away win yesterday—her fifth successive victory—Cinders has demonstrated that she is not only a flyer over fences, but can stay fairly well, so that if not a very big one, she should certainly pay for following."

Writing a day or two later the same scribe remarked :—"Cinders gave another electrifying exhibition of speed and jumping in the Midland Steeplechase, and certainly exploded the idea that because she is phenomenally fast she lacks stamina, for she finished faster and fresher than any of her rivals. Aunt May had done so well when giving lumps of weight to Ross at Kempton, and her conqueror had followed up his success by carrying his penalty at Sandown, that she was made a hot favourite, while only Cinders and Extravagance commended themselves to backers among her rivals. These two were inseparable in the market, but Cinders left Extravagance and everything else hopelessly in the rear before half a mile had been covered, and the farther she went the more easily she beat them. It will be interesting to see what penalty will stop her."

In the Court of Session, Edinburgh, last month, Lord Ardwal had before him a divorce suit at the instance of Sir John Alexander Miller, Bart., of Barneyhill, East Lothian, and Heywood Westbury, Wiltshire, against his wife, Ada Walker, or Miller. Sir John Miller, who, as our readers know, is a well-known sportsman and racing man, in his evidence, said he was thirty-nine years of age, and was married at the registry office in the Strand by license in July 1901. There were no children of the marriage. He and his wife lived happily until recently, when trouble arose owing to an acquaintance with Mr. Maximilian de Bathe, who used to call at the house, and had also stayed at his residence at Westbury. Witness remonstrated with his wife about this gentleman's attentions, but she went on receiving them just the same. Lady Miller being ill, it was arranged that she should go to Nice in March, and the witness went with her. While there he ascertained that De Bathe had followed them, and that he was calling upon Lady Miller. He asked her to give up this man, and she said she would think it over. Witness identified photographs of Lady Miller and Mr. de Bathe.

Walter Wells, manager at the Whitehall Hotel, Hampton Court, said that on the evening of May 24 of this year a lady and gentleman came to the hotel and stayed till July 9, when they left together. They gave the names of Capt. and Mrs. de Bathe, and when they went away the gentleman paid the account made out in the name of De Bathe.

Ada Race, who was chambermaid at the Whitehall Hotel in the period indicated, corroborated Mr. Wells's evidence. The lady's clothes were marked "A. M.," and she thought they were a newly married couple.

After other evidence to the same effect, his Lordship granted decree of divorce with expenses to neither party.

A French paper devoted to country life makes the unexpected protest that so far from the French being a nation of frog-eaters, as the English used to say in the unregenerate days before the *entente cordiale*, this excellent source of nourishment is not nearly enough utilised. The directions given for catching the famed batrachian with the esculent thighs are of an entertaining character; they appear, to judge by the particularity with which the French writer describes them to his countrymen, not to be universally known in France, though they have been described before now for readers elsewhere. A long, stiff rod is needed, and a supply of some bait chosen chiefly for its brightness of colour—a flower, or, still better, a scrap of red flannel, is a very taking lure. It is better to use no hook, as it is a trouble to disengage it when gorged, and the frog's obstinacy leads it to keep a tight hold on the bait and line once it has closed its jaws upon them. As soon as it lays hold, all that the angler does is to jerk it backwards over his head clear of the marsh or pool, and to slip it into the bag or basket with a valve-like aperture which he keeps for the purpose.

At the annual meeting of the members of the Birmingham Gunmakers' Association, held last month, the chairman (Mr. Hughes) said that the representations to the Home Office with reference to the Pistols Act had not met with very satisfactory results, and he did not at present see much hope of the Association obtaining any relief. The same thing applied to representations made to the India Office relative to the India Arms Act. There was, apparently, no hope of getting the prohibition of ·450 and ·303 rifles from importation into India removed. To his mind the reasons given by the Government for maintaining that prohibition were miserably poor. One was that the rifles were liable to be stolen and get into undesirable hands. That, said Mr. Hughes, would apply to any rifle.

News has been received from Major Powell Cotton's expedition, which left England two years ago on a journey from the Nile to the Zambesi. On October 18 the explorer, who, with his wife, had previously spent several months in the Great Forest, had reached a point south of Lake Albert Edward. While on the banks of the Sassa Major Cotton had a hairbreadth escape from a lion which he had wounded. An hour and a half after the beast had been shot, when it was thought that the lion was too disabled to move, the party approached the animal, which, however, suddenly sprang out and seized Major Cotton, fastening its claws in his flesh and endeavouring to get at his head. With remarkable courage, two Waganda natives rushed up to the lion, and while one beat it with a heavy stick, the other slashed it with a hippo hide whip. This drew the lion away from his victim, and at that moment another native shot it through the heart. Major Cotton was carefully tended by Captain Bastein, chief of the Congo Frontier Survey, and had recovered when the last news left. He and Mrs. Cotton were continuing their journey.

A Blue Book, dealing with the extermination of wild animals in Africa, has just been issued, and may be obtained from the King's printers. I commend it to the notice of everyone who feels an interest in the survival of big game in the wilds of British Central Africa. England claims and holds this vast extent of territory by right of conquest or otherwise, and ownership brings with it responsibilities in this connection, which the past and present Government show their desire to fulfil. But the task is by no means easy, as this Blue Book proves, because it is not alone the white men who are waging war upon big game. According to the testimony of a travelling commissioner, who reports to the Government, one native village of 2,000 Kaffirs had no fewer than 200 men who did nothing but hunt and kill elephants. No doubt the late war has left behind it a lot of white men who have gone in for hide and ivory hunting. None of the suggestions contained in this book will strike the man in the street as being of any practical value. One authority says, "prohibit the importation of gunpowder for five years." Another suggests the prohibition of elephant tusks of less weight than 25lbs. being exported. Put a gun tax on the nigger, says a third; but no one who knows him believes that he would pay it. The enclosure of reserved "sanctuaries for wild animals," looks well on paper, but it would require an area many hundreds of miles in extent if the elephant is to be thus protected. That something will have to be done and done quickly if the big game of Africa is to be saved from extermination, no one will doubt after reading this Blue Book.

An interesting relic, said to have belonged to Izaak Walton, was sold at Christie's, last month. This was a tankard made of lava. It was a sideboard ornament, and mounted with silver-gilt cover, handle, neck-mount, and foot, engraved with fruit in festoon and strapwork borders, it made a pretty show. Some German in the sixteenth century made it, and it is 5½ inches high. It was sold for £44 to a Mr. Brain.

Through inadvertence in our leading article two issues ago on "The Winning Sires of 1906," we gave the dam of Love Wisely as Enigma; this should have been Lovelorn. As one of Mr. Hamer Bass' numerous unnamed ones Love Wisely ran for some time as the Lovelorn colt.

We have received from the publishers a copy of *Thacker's Calcutta Directory* for the current year. This useful compilation has now passed the experimental stage and we are glad to hear the intention is to make it an annual volume of reference. It is complete, convenient, accurate and well printed as we are taught to expect of anything turned out by Messrs. Thacker, Spink and Co., and a word of special commendation is due in respect of the maps which accompany the book, the coloured one in particular.

We do not suppose that the prospecting party who have accepted the Bhutan Chief's offer to prospect N.-E. of Dewangiri will break ground much before March next, on account of the snow on the densely wooded mountain tract of the outer Himalayas. As to reach their goal they will have to traverse this forest for nigh 100 miles good sport should be met with—bear, both black and brown, methna, the huge mountain sambhur and other big deer, the wild dog and hill fox. There is a plethora of bird life from base to summit, actual game birds being plentiful on the lower slopes, while higher up the common and golden eagle show up. No European who has penetrated along the plateau of this cliff line has left any record of his journey. Hooker and Campbell had to stick to the right bank of the Mandas ravine and, as a matter of fact, we believe but three people have ever attempted to penetrate this fastness. The altered conditions however upon which we now stand with the Bhutias will throw open a hitherto untrodden track—at least so far as Europeans are concerned—and from what little we know of it, it will be found of equal interest to the naturalist, botanist or mere tourist in search of grand and diversified scenery. It is very sparsely populated however, so that coolies would have to be engaged for the full jaunt.

Should nothing occur to prevent it, the big shoot to be organised by His Highness the Maharajah of Cooch Behar in the N.-W. corner of Assam a month hence should prove a record one; for well stocked as the Maharajah's own preserves are the enforcement of close time and reservation of the Bâjni forest as an asylum for the past two seasons, must have resulted in a marked increase of game. It is to be hoped that the Viceregal visit to the frontier province will result in the relaxation of the over strict rules regarding elephant conservation, for as the cold weather advances those mischievous beasts are once more in evidence to the danger of life and property.

Some time back we reported the occurrence of one of those brutal assaults by native villagers on European shikaris which are getting almost common now-a-days. The case last week came up before the Collector of Poona who held a preliminary enquiry and postponed it till to-day when it will be resumed at Dhond.

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Lieutenant Ramsay, East Lancashires, in evidence said that on the 27th November he, Lieutenant Whyte, Connaught Rangers, and Captain Webster, R.A.M.C., went out after buck. They complained to one villager that women had purposely frightened the buck away, spoiling their sport. The man replied insolently and threatened to strike witness, who took hold of him and told him to behave properly, whereupon the man tried to catch Lieutenant Ramsay by the throat, at the same time shouting out. A big crowd soon came on the scene. Lieutenant Ramsay was alone at the time and tried to explain, but the villagers were very excited. Lieutenant Whyte then came up and both attempted to go away. Then the villagers set upon them with sticks and stones, knocked them down several times, and beat them. On gaining his feet Lieutenant Ramsay was cut across the nose by a nailed shoe. Both officers were bleeding badly and were covered with bruises. Their guns, which were loaded, were taken away from them. The villagers at first insisted on their going to Saswad to see the magistrate, but when they consented the villagers declined to go. Subsequently the village patel appeared and persuaded the villagers to let the officers go and to return their guns, which was done on the officers promising to pay Rs. 2. Mr. Green, District Superintendent of Police, instituted enquiries and caused some villagers to be arrested. Witness added that when the villagers found they were officers they were very civil and at once let them go.

Lieutenant Whyte gave corroborative evidence, and Captain Webster also gave evidence as to what he saw.

Lieutenant Ramsay, cross-examined, said that he had been in India off and on three and half years. He was beaten by about twenty-five villagers. He did not make a report till the following day. He never said that a woman assaulted him. He saw the chief constable on the 3rd December, and he took him to Mr. Green, District Superintendent. He identified seven accused by their faces, nothing else. The scuffle lasted five minutes.

Lieutenant Whyte, cross-examined, said he had been in India nearly three years. He did not speak Marathi. Lieutenant Ramsay did. Witness had never been in the place before; he saw his assailants for the first time. The affray lasted half an hour. They all sat on the road because they both refused to go further. The villagers had possession of the guns. He may have told the commandant that it was very hard to identify the men. On the 3rd December he went to Pipli village. The police told them they had the men who had committed the assault. About fifty were present when the accused were identified. He identified three, but he was not quite sure about one.

Several other witnesses were cross-examined, including the chief constable of Saswad, who effected the arrests.

We notice that Messrs. G. F. Kellner and Company have been entrusted with all the catering for Lady Minto's Fête. The Committee desire to point out the advantage of the early booking of tables for dinner; for many of the dates we hear the booking is almost full already, such is Calcutta's partiality for a new thing.

Our Bombay correspondent writes:—A very large number turned out for the Fourth Extra, which provided a card of seven Arab events, and the way in which the race for newly-imported animals filled made up for what would have been a short card by being split into three. The racing cannot be said to have been of a very high order and it was surprising that, with three which absolutely stuck out, punters only succeeded in getting home twice with their favourites—and one of these at very short odds in a field of three. Still further is it surprising to see the way in which the public comes up again hot and strong to attempt what they should have learnt from past experiences is an almost impossible task with ponies we have never seen run before. It serves them right, and only goes further to prove how the public is ready to follow a lead without any notion whatever about form.

So strong is the inclination to take an exalted view of a horse who has won on the previous occasion that punters went strong for Court Martial in the opening event. Imagine the chestnut beating Sabig, whose form in Poona was sufficient, at a difference of 6lbs.! It is true the former is very fit and the black, *au contraire*, was sweating profusely but had no difficulty whatever in winning with Ames looking back. His own stable had, I believe, a bit of a plunge on Turn of Luck, but it is gratifying to note the general public did not fall into this bit of gross misjudgment and German Gold was the only one of the quartette he could beat.

Leaving out the new ponies for the present, we come to the next case, in which one was pitchforked in, and that Hermit, in the Midget Handicap when, with Byramji scratching four of his stable, only three went out. Hermit, 9-13, made the running from Zurriff, 7-12! It is extraordinary how our jockeys have got hold of the idea that a good thing should be ridden out from start to finish and win pulling up and looking back. Williams took this fine looking bay, perhaps the best all-round Arab we have in the country, in front and had his opponents beat at the distance. So confident however was he that a game effort by Zurriff under the whip for over a furlong made him drive the favourite hard to win.

We were met with a bit of a puzzler in the Marine Lines Plate, for which Nooman went out favourite and plenty of money for King Cobweb, which form the stable rightly thought was good enough for a plunge. Bond made far too little use of him however, and his turn of speed was insufficient when it came to a finish. The race was fought out by "two tens and longer odds" candidates in Skylark and Shella, and a desperate finish it was.

The third race worth going nap on and the second instance of a pony being rushed away for a hollow win was the Bedouin Plate. His finish with Mudlool, a neck and neck race for two furlongs, should be sufficient proof and it is about time he was given a trial as a racehorse, held well in hand for the first part, and not as a squib. He took a six length lead and won anyhow. Darby, in giving chase to open up the way for Shanwar, was done with and his stable companion would have been much nearer had he been asked earlier. On this running Antica is a far better pony than supposed.

Turning to the new Arabs, there are several likely to do well though, peculiarly enough, these did not show up in the races. The first of these was the poorest looking lot, and the best of them were Lailan and Lucky Prince, who finished 1-2 with the latter a warm favourite. It was the second which saw the winner in front of not a few who will soon reverse this. To start with, the favourite, Rackhan, came up with such a tremendous dash at the bend that not only had he, in my opinion, the race won, but flew out on to the tan and consequently lost it. Two of the best were Commander and Shah Line, who both got away very badly, but the former showed something of his form in getting into third place, and it will take a big price to change his ownership. Third provided a great finish, ending in a fine win by Little Sanaya, after making all the running from Squire.

Amongst the numbers present all were delighted to see Lady Jenkins again after the long absence which followed her sad bereavement.

There were three races sailed on Saturday at the Yacht Club in only a slight wind. The "A" Class Handicap proved a very easy win for Eileen against two others, Sapphire and Melody, who got well over the line. On the heat up to the schooner, Eileen, bar accidents, had her race won and came in an easy winner, increasing her advantage on the return journey.

The Small Boat Race was a fine one in which six started, and Meg led throughout. After the first heat Lapwing sailed very well and kept Tomtit well in hand on time with Meg and Midget very near her. Finally Lapwing won by the narrow margin of a second from Midget, who just beat Tomtit on time and Meg won the class prize easily.

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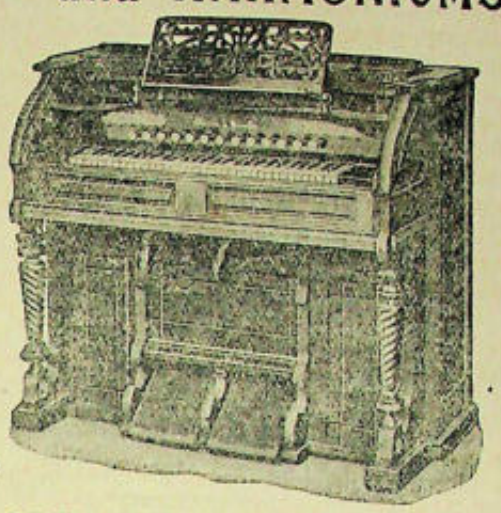

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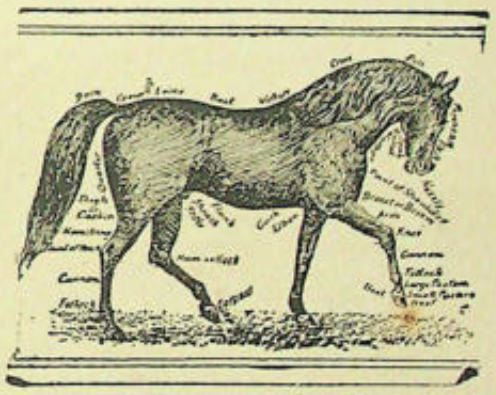

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Though Yellow Peril sailed well and led handsomely throughout she could not save her time. Sayonara held her well and won fairly comfortably with Pixie beating Yellow Peril by a margin of nineteen seconds.

One of the best runs of the season was secured by the Bombay Hounds when last out; there were two, the first ending in a kill before very long. After passing Bomanwadi and through the Railway gardens hounds ran their jack into a compound bounded by a thick cactus hedge and rolled him over before he could find a way out. The second was one which lasted quite an hour during which hounds hunted grandly and a very large number were left over the rough and rocky going. From Shar Village, after an erratic run and a temporary check, hounds hunted the dense wood on Hog's Back Hill, from which they fortunately chased their quarry into the open across Horse Shoe Valley and he took to the hill on the opposite side. It was a grand sight to see the jack tear down the hill again with the pack close up, but he then ran into some thick undergrowth where he was left, having saved his brush after a great fight and after outdistancing the major part of the field, about thirty, which met the Master that morning.

Athletic Notes.

SOME observations on training for Athletics in India, diet and kindred matters, will be found in our issue of to-day.

A full account of the recent Southern India Reliability Trials appears among our motoring news: our Special Correspondent took part in the run, which, all things considered, was a success.

The Bombay Billiard Championship is advertised elsewhere. It will be played for in February and will, doubtless, be as big a success as it was last year when Mr. E. W. Pyrke won the Cup.

The Annual General Meeting of the Calcutta Rowing Club has been fixed for Thursday, the 24th instant, and will be held, as usual, at the Strand Road boat-house at 6-30 P.M.

The Britishers gave the French footballers a good beating when they played them under Rugby rules at Richmond last Saturday. The verdict was 41 points to 13, the winners being "all over" their opponents in the second half.

"Talking of caddies, observes the Rawalpindi Correspondent of the *Civil and Military Gazette*, I hear that caddies on some links are in the habit of gambling in pies by betting on the result of each match. As the player addresses his ball, the lips of one caddy may be seen to move in earnest prayer to his particular deity to strengthen the arms, and straighten the eye, while the other caddy invokes the god of foozles, and chuckles indignantly when the ball is bunkered. Apart from such abuses, the game of golf, as played by Englishmen, is an education in morals to the native, possibly also in bad language. A police orderly acting as caddy the other day, expressed his astonishment at the way the *sahibs* play golf. On being asked why, he said 'because they don't cheat.' No doubt while I was hacking away in the bunker, his detective eye had been fixed on me from behind the friendly shelter of some distant tree; and then for the *sahib* to be such a fool as to lose this opportunity of under calculating his score was indeed most astonishing."

At the conclusion of the annual meeting of the Stewards of Henley Regatta the "foreign entry" question was dealt with and the result was embodied in the following resolution:—

At a special general meeting of the Stewards of Henley Royal Regatta, held at the Town Hall, Henley, on 15th December, it was unanimously resolved that no entry shall be accepted of any crew or sculler out of the United Kingdom unless such crew or sculler belongs to a club which is affiliated to a union or federation having an agreement with the Committee of Management of Henley Regatta, and the rules of the regatta were altered so as to give effect to this resolution.

Miss Piggott, now well known in Calcutta legal and commercial circles as an enterprising typist and lithographer, and the pioneer of independent lady typists in this city, sends us a neat and plainly printed calendar for 1907.

Many people will read the announcement of "benefits" at Harmston's Circus with regret, for such notices are the forerunners of the day, now close at hand, when these popular entertainers will fold up their tents and hie them to Allahabad, Jubbulpore, Bombay and other distant spots. Throughout the week under review they have been "playing to big business," as they say in the profession, and they need to, we should say, in order to cover their expenses, which must be enormous. Night and day performances have been put before full and appreciative audiences, and at the matinées the pleasure of the juveniles has been expressed in a manner little short of boisterous. The Frantz troupe are good enough for anything on the carpet; they are almost better on the rings. Several novelties they exhibited were witnessed with the pleased and genuine astonishment that a really superb effort seldom fails to evoke—and some of their "upstarts," "dislocations," "planks" and what not were truly marvellous. All the rest of the Company, whose turns we have noticed already, maintain the high standard of merit with which they led off, the clowns have some new funniments, the animals remain fixed in favour. The four miniature ponies, whose feats we had somehow missed up to last Saturday, were in great fettle at the matinée: in our box they excited a flagrant breach of the tenth commandment among the juveniles, and looking around the arena the same covetous gaze was seen on nine-tenths of the juvenile seat-holders. Last week's jumping contest found our old friend "Creamy" of Tollygunge Horse Show fame a prize winner; ridden by Mr. Reg. Powell this clever pony put up a creditable performance and the rider pouched a nice gold watch. There were five entries, namely, Mr Steve Margrett's "Singola," Mr. Ted Kerr's "Sea Spray," Mr. Steve Margrett's "Trier," Mr. R. Powell's "Creamy," and Mr. Ted Kerr's "Rocket." An extra item on Thursday was the presentation of handsome souvenirs to C. Hoyt and Watson, the rider and trainer of Seclusion, who won the Indian Grand National Steeplechase on New Year's Day. John Welby Cooke, an old favourite, is again on the bills astonishing us with his daring jockey acts and barebacked riding.

To-morrow night we may look for an extra special effort by the Company for the occasion is the benefit of that leviathan entrepreneur Colonel Bob Love—"one of the great triple events of the Calcutta season" *vide* advertisement. The Colonel deserves a bumper house if any one does, and it is Lombard Street to a China orange that he gets it. Among the items we see there is to be a high jumping contest. A handsome trophy presented by the Shippers and Dealers to the Colonel will be given by him to the winner. Another special turn will be that of John Welby Cooke in his great personation of John-John. The premier Augoste of the Orient, Wally Banvard, late of Harmston's Circus, will appear on this occasion only. Thomas Elliot, the well-known baritone, will contribute a song and the bill will be altogether of the "monster" order.

We invite attention to the advertisement of Messrs. W. H. Smith and Son's Library appearing in this issue. The firm has probably the largest number of surplus books withdrawn from library circulation and important "remainders" of popular works extant, and these, as our readers will see, are now being offered at greatly reduced rates. This Library is established in connection with W. H. Smith and Son's numerous Railway Bookstal's and Bookshops which are opened in all the principal towns throughout England and Wales. It embraces all the most important works of History, Biography and Memoir, Travel, Sport, Fiction, Poetry, Science, Theology, and Miscellaneous Literature, as well as the leading Magazines and Reviews. The list of books now offered at reduced prices is very large and gives a wide selection to Indian readers who, by sending a post-card, as invited in the advertisement, may "hear of something to their advantage" as the lawyers say.

The entries are now coming in for the Highland Gathering to be held in connection with Lady Minto's Fête. Everything points to the gathering being a success. The Highland Brigade are holding their annual games this week and the successful competitors are coming down for the Calcutta gathering, with the result that the piping and dancing will be of a very high order. A raised platform, 24 ft. by 24 ft., is being made so as to give spectators a full view of the intricate steps of the "Reel o' Tulloch" and "Gillie Callum" (Sword Dance).

The tug-of-war will be very keenly contested and a great struggle will be seen in the final. The European policemen in Calcutta are sending in a team and it is expected that H. M.'s "Perseus" will also send in a very strong lot.

The Piper Society of Scotland have very generously presented a gold medal for competition in the piping events, and the Committee have decided to award it to the most successful piper at the gathering. The Highland Society of London have also presented three very nice silver medals for Marches and Strathspeys. As the events are all open it is hoped that a large entry will be received from local athletes. Entry forms and further particulars may be had from the Honorary Secretary, Mr. Malcolm G. Stuart, Bank of Bengal.

As will be seen from the programme of events (advertised elsewhere) the prize money amounts to Rs. 1,500 and it is expected that the local expenses will amount to over Rs. 2,000.

The Committee appeal to the large number of influential Scotchmen in Calcutta for subscriptions to defray the expenses of the gathering, so that the total drawings may be handed over to Her Excellency without any deduction for preliminary expenses. The Committee confidently hope that this appeal may not be in vain.

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The South African Football team concluded their English tour on New Year's Day when they met Cardiff. The ground was a swamp and the Springboks suffered their second defeat, Cardiff beating them by 17 points to *nil*. Two days later at Auteuil the South Africans beat France by 55 points to 6. Appended are complete results of the tour.

Played 28. Won 25 Lost 2. Drawn 1.
Points:—For 532. Against 89.

Date 1906.	Opponents.	Points For	Points Against.
Sept. 27	East Midlands ...	37	*nil.*
Sept. 29	Midlands ...	9	*nil.*
Oct. 3	Kent	21	*nil.*
Oct. 6	Durham	22	4
Oct. 10	Northumberland ...	44	*nil.*
Oct. 13	Yorkshire ...	34	*nil.*
Oct. 17	Devonshire ...	22	6
Oct. 20	Somerset... ...	14	*nil.*
Oct. 21	Middlesex ...	9	*nil.*
Oct. 27	Newport	8	*nil.*
Nov. 1	Glamorgan ...	6	3
Nov. 3	Gloucester ...	23	*nil.*
Nov. 7	Oxford University ...	24	3
Nov. 10	Cambridge University ...	29	*nil.*
Nov. 13	South of Scotland ...	32	5
Nov. 17	Scotland... ...	0	6
Nov. 20	North of Scotland ...	35	3
Nov. 24	Ireland	15	12
Nov. 27	Dublin University ...	28	3
Dec. 1	Wales	11	0
Dec. 8	England	3	3
Dec. 12	Lancashire ...	11	8
Dec. 15	Cumberland ...	21	*nil.*
Dec. 19	Surrey	34	*nil.*
Dec. 22	Cornwall ...	9	3
Dec. 26	Monmouth County ...	17	0
Dec. 29	Llanelly	16	3
1907. Jan. 1	Cardiff	0	17

The first local match in connection with the Minto Fête Football Tournament was played on the Calcutta ground last Saturday. There was a fair attendance, H. E. the Viceroy being among those present. The competing teams were Mohan Bagan and the Calcutta F. C. After a hard game in which Calcutta had the best of matters, Mohan Bagan got away in the last minute and B. Bhaduri scored the only goal of the match. Teams:—

MOHAN BAGAN—Mookerjee, *goal*; Charterjee and A. Dass, *backs*; Roy, B. Dass, and Palit, *half-backs*; B. Bhadhuri, Sing, Sircar, Dessu and Abdul, *forwards*.

CALCUTTA.—Dods, *goal*; Gahan and V. Cooper, *backs*; Crawford, McConnell and Ansell, *half-backs*; Ferrier, Forster, Fyfe, Sherman and Binning, *forwards*.

Referee:—Mr. Wilder.

The following teams have already entered for the Murray Football Tournament:—1st Oxfordshire Light Infantry, The Royal Irish Rifles, The Black Watch, "N" Battery, R.H.A., IV Brigade, R.F.A. 2nd Rifle Brigade, 12th Lancers, 2nd Royal Welsh Fusiliers, 60th Rifles, 2nd South Staffordshire Regiment, The Carabiniers, 2nd Royal Berkshire Regiment, The Northamptonshire Regiment, The Royal Scots Fusiliers, The Cameronians, 1st Durham Light Infantry, The Somersetshire Light Infantry, 1st Gloucestershire Regiment, The Royal Dragoons, "O" Battery, R.H.A.

The Marquis of Hastings' prejudice against Hermit cost him dear. To Mr. Chaplin alone he lost £104,750, and when the astute backer gave the impetuous nobleman a little friendly advice to cover some of the money—which would have been easy, as Mr. Chaplin had taken a much shorter price than the horse was then quoted at—his good counsel was received with jeers and an offer of still longer odds.

Despite this insult, Chaplin behaved in a very generous manner, and when the Marquis was unable to come up to time on the following Monday morning, the winner did not press his claim. Seldom however, did the youthful plunger miss a chance of annoying his creditor, and at a sale of Her Majesty's yearlings he persisted in bidding over Mr. Chaplin, until the latter, stung by the peer's unmanly conduct, asked him to settle the outstanding account.

Not until Ascot had passed was the Marquis able to pay his debts, but at this meeting he more than recovered his Epsom losses. John Day's stable seemed irresistible. With Vauban they won the Prince of Wales's Stakes and secured the Triennial; in the Biennial, Europa started at a long price, and landed them a heavy sum; Lecturer's double event of the Gold Cup and Alexandra Plate caused many bookies to look serious; while the flying Lady Elizabeth carried nearly £10 000 of the Marquis's money when she romped home for the New Stakes

London Week by Week.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

Thursday, 20th December 1906.

THE Post Office this Christmas has extended a specially protecting hand over letters for the foreign mails, hitherto liable to be flooded out of their proper course by the Christmas card traffic. We are enjoined not to put our letters for abroad into the Post Office box as from to-day until after the 25th; but to "hand them over the counter" we would ensure their proper dispatch. Meantime we are resolutely enjoying ourselves as our indomitable national spirit is; we have not seen the sun this week, a heavy over-head fog having lain over London like a pall. Resignation to the inconveniences of the season became acute last year, and there are symptoms of revolt. Some of the large shops are flying notices that their shutters will be up ONLY ON THE 25TH AND 26TH I have seen none of the liberal placards that announce closing as from Friday night to Thursday morning; whence it may be inferred that the Christmas Holiday movement has undergone something of an eclipse: due possibly to the increasing numbers of people who go abroad for ten days or a fortnight to lands where Christmas is less inconveniently observed.

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The old fashioned Christmas card with snow and robin, which smelt at the top of its voice, seems to be dying out altogether. One rarely sees them nowadays: the specially printed card with the sender's name and good wishes; the picture post-card with a view of the sender's house, or some of his (or her) family has taken the place of the old card which the economically minded used to put away for dispatch next Christmas. I am inclined to approve of the modern card: it has the personal note which seems the essence of a reminder that you have not forgotten the recipient or are not forgotten of the sender. Some of us maintain touch with people we haven't seen for twenty years and never correspond with, by means of the Christmas card. Long life to it in its sensible shapes.

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Well, the fat is in the fire now with a vengeance, if only there *is* any real "feeling" in this country in favour of Mr. Birrell's much be-talked measure: which I doubt. The Lords have "insisted" on acceptance of their amendments to the Education Bill and thus throw the onus of killing the Bill on the Commons who will no doubt do the slaughtering quickly and kick the corpse out of the ring to clear it for a fight. "What fun we might have" said a hard riding gentleman whose name has not been recorded for an admiring posterity "if it were not these d—d hounds." The present atmosphere at Westminster recalls the saying "What fun we might have if it were not for these d—d bills." Now the principal *corpus vile* is disposed of the way is clear for that attack on the Upper House so dear to the radical mind. They put a grave face upon it in public: but the inner sanctuary of radicalism is aglow with delight: and after Christmas the fight will begin in earnest. "Down with the Lords" is a capital cry; and it will be the means of distracting attention from practical mischief, while it does no harm to anybody.

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The grants of the King's Hospital Fund for the year have been made. £110,000 or £10,000 more than in 1905 has been distributed among about a hundred hospitals.

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The Hampstead General Hospital gets the largest helping, to wit £5,000, this being given to enable the institution to take advantage of a conditional offer of £20,000 from a private quarter. The distribution committee continues to keep a vigilant eye upon the financial management of hospitals whose extravagance in some cases had become almost notorious; and its donations are regulated by the care displayed by those who administer the funds. The Prince of Wales announced at the meeting on Monday that a short act of Parliament had been applied for, in order to place the King's Fund on a strictly legal basis. When obtained this may lead to reconstitution of the council and committees and measures to define clearly their duties and responsibilities.

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The Admiralty has dealt with officers concerned in the Portsmouth stokers' riots and with the sentences on the stokers. Commodore Stopford is removed from his command of the barracks as having failed to deal with the disturbances with "sufficient firmness and resource." The impression gained from the reports was that he displayed great patience and tact as well as firmness, but evidently that impression was wrong. Commodore Drury Lowe is superseded for "having failed in his duties as executive officer;" and Commander Mitchell suffiers for having "allowed a drill order to be used for other than drill purposes:" though how he could be responsible for Mr. Collard's action in ordering stokers "on the knee" when he was not on the spot is more than the mere outsider can understand. Mr. Collard, having been tried by court-martial, escapes with a caution to use more judgment in future. As for the stokers who incited the riot, Moady's sentence of five years is reduced to three, and Day's eighteen months is reduced to twelve. From which we must infer that incitement to mutiny is really not such a grave offence as naval officers, who are responsible for discipline, suppose it to be. The Admiralty has directed that the order "on the knee" is not to be used for other than drill purposes.

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The Education Committee of the L.C.C. means to try and check the practice of cigarette smoking by small boys, but I do not think the means it is proposed to adopt will be very effective. One result of smoking appears in the shaky handwriting of the smoker and the idea is to enlarge some of these examples and hang them up in schoolrooms as awful examples. Boys must have changed much since my time if this has any effect: better, far better, a good strong cheroot smoked to the bitter end over a bucket.

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I had not realised till the other evening how cheaply His Majesty's faithful Commons can "do themselves" in the dining room at Westminster. The honourable member gets for one shilling a really excellent dinner very much better than that you pay five shillings for in a dozen restaurants of my occasional acquaintance. Then, the House being a Royal Palace, spirits and wine enter there duty free and are retailed practically at cost price. You can pay more than a shilling for your dinner if you like, of course, but the meal furnished at that figure should do something to discourage extravagance.

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There was another suffragist row at Westminster on Monday evening. It began about nine o'clock in the usual way, attempts to make speeches in the central lobby. The police were content to lead the orators forth into the chilly fog but the orators had come to be arrested and were not to be denied. As fast as the police conveyed them out they rushed in again and within an hour the crown of martyrdom had been won by eleven screaming females before a crowd that blocked the streets. The eleven included none of those who were released from Holloway some days ago. Twenty shillings or fourteen days as first class misdemeanants was the sentence. A brute of a brother paid one woman's fine and she was denied the privilege of imprisonment. The public is growing a little tired of suffragism and the paragraphs relating thereto are comparatively brief.

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"Peter Pan" began his third season on Tuesday night at the Duke of York's. The principal change in the cast is that Miss Pauline Chase plays the name part in place of Miss Nina Boucicault. Not everyone is satisfied with the change, but it seemed to me that Miss Chase was singularly successful in creating the eerie atmosphere of Mr. Barrie's peculiar fairyland and thereby strengthened the illusion of it. There are few changes in the play itself: the only one worth noticing is that at the end of Act III, where the gull does not wait for Peter to drive her off that amazing nest, but leaves it of her own will transferring her eggs to another nest in order that he may launch the original nest as a raft. Mr. Gerald du Maurier is the pirate captain as of yore, but Mr. Mank Allen takes the part of Mr. Darling which Mr. du Maurier doubled with that of Joe Hook in previous productions.

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The Westminster Play—The "Phormis" of Terence—was followed by a Latin pantomime which displayed a nice appreciation of topical opportunity and fearful talent for puns. Sophrona, a nurse, who has a very dirty boy to wash opens fire with remarks on Soap trusts: Nausistrata then appears as a suffragist, Phormio comes on attended by a Chinese slave who does not want to be repatriated. Next we have a publisher bent on making a corner in books: and a scene involving criticism of tinned meat. The new spelling favoured by Mr. Roosevelt is reviewed and this paves the way for an Education Bill which has been so mangled in "another place" that nobody recognises it. Then more suffragism from Nausistrata: and so curtain after a flood of puns which would stump all but the best latinist.

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"Alice in Wonderland" is to be revived this evening at the Prince of Wales': there was a dress rehearsal yesterday to which thirty nurses from each hospital in London were invited. The Vedrenne Barker management have decided to open the doors of the Court and Theatre an hour before curtain rise during the winter in order that the patrons of unreserved seats may not have to wait in the pavement outside. The Savoy went one better on the afternoon of the 8th, the first day of the Gilbert and Sullivan revival: the pit and gallery people were admitted early and supplied with tea.

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It was decided at a meeting of actors and actresses, held in the Garrick Theatre on Tuesday, that the Irving Memorial should be a statue erected on some central site in Town, at a cost of £3,000. The only voice raised not wholly in harmony with the project was that of Miss Ellen Terry. She did not oppose the scheme, but thought that help from the outside public should not be refused; in fact that it should be invited. Miss Terry, it must be added, has a scheme of her own in view and is supported by many prominent men in the church, art, literature and politics. This embraces erection of a museum, library and picture gallery as a public memorial to Sir Henry Irving.

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Colonel Von Donop has made his report on the Grantham Railway Accident of 20th September. Why the signals against the train were disregarded by the engine driver remains a mystery. The levers of the engine were so bent and damaged that no conclusions could be drawn from the fact that their position indicated endeavour to cut off steam; and there is nothing to show that the brake mechanism failed. The possible explanation of the disaster is that the driver, Fleetwood, drunk or was taken suddenly ill and that the fireman, Talbot, did not realise it in time to take control of the engine. Fleetwood had been absent from duty three times since February owing to illness and once was suddenly taken ill while driving. The Company is admonished that the nature of the unfortunate man's illness ought to have been ascertained before he was allowed to resume his place in the engine cab.

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A case of great importance has been decided by a police magistrate this week. By this decision it appears that if Arry kiss Arriet in the street an action for assault cannot be upheld—unless Arriet object to being kissed. If Arriet run away objection is not held proven, running away being regarded by the law as a possible incitement to Arry to repeat the kiss. It is reassuring to discover among the Metropolitan police a man endued with a sense of propriety so lofty that he arrests Arry for committing a kiss under these circumstances: but having regard to the frequency of the crime and to the other matters, perhaps of graver consequence, which demand the vigilance of the force it is just as well that the legal status of kissing should be clearly defined.

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It has been decided in the Court of King's Bench that a barrister must put a penny stamp on his brief when acknowledging his fee if it exceed the statutory £2. The claim of the Revenue authorities was opposed by the General Council of the Bar.

The King's Labour Tents in King's Way were opened for the winter on Tuesday by Princess Louise. This is their third winter: since first opened to 31st March 1906, there have been 239,470 admissions.

Mr. Justice Warrington has refused the petition of the Cyclists Touring Club to be allowed to amend its constitution so as to admit all classes of tourists especially motorists. Since motoring became so general the membership of the C.T.C. has fallen from over 60,000 to 32,500 and the governing body fears for the club's prosperity. On the other hand a large minority strongly objected.

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The Health reports say nothing of the prevalence of influenza in London, but there seems to be a great deal of it, though not of a serious form. Three people out of five one meets either have just had it or have it in their houses, and the doctors and chemists are as busy as they care to be. There has been a regular epidemic at Oxford, denials by authority notwithstanding.

The Marylebone Electric Light plant failed last evening and the result was that the shops on the north side of Oxford Street suddenly found themselves in the dark. The street lights went out too, and for fifteen or twenty minutes chaos reigned among the crowds of christmas shoppers. The shoplifting fraternity seized their opportunity and considerable losses are reported from many of the large shops.

ONLOOKER.

Review.

DACCA ANCIENT AND MODERN.*

MR. F. B. BRADLEY BIRT, whose former works on "Chota Nagpur" and "An Indian Upland" were so much appreciaed, has favoured us with a more important volume in his "Romance of an Eastern Capital." It is in fact the history of the revived city of Dacca, together with its predecessors at the head of the confluence of the great rivers of Eastern Bengal, once forming the ancient Hindu Kingdom of Vikrampur, whose rulers were Buddhists holdings way for many centuries, while across the big river the rajahs of Sonargoan flourished; perhaps earlier. Ere plunging into his subject Mr. Birt treats us in pages 7 and 8 to some admirable word painting on the scenes witnessed from the river steamers that now penetrate from end to end of the new province; justly lauding the advantages of that means of travelling over the rush, discomfort and unprofitableness of dashing through a country by rail. Legends and myths, though not altogether discarded, are not relied on; only such as bear some resemblance to probability being quoted. The story of these two ancient states occupies 50 of the 300 odd pages. Eastern Bengal, as we know it, dates from 1400 A.D. from which time down to 1758, when John Company became firmly established in Dacca, and the history of the satrapy is one long tale of intrigue, rebellions of the Subadars, invasions of neighbouring states; while, at the same time, the province had to be defended against Arracanese, Mughs, and in the 16th century Portuguese buccaneers.

To those acquainted with that part of the country it will be strange to read the Viceregal forces comprised cavalry by the thousand, though that large fleets were entertained will excite no surprise; in fact the gun boats of Bruce in Upper Assam which patrolled the river down to 1824 were the last of the *nawara* of Dacca.

Of the English officials who subsequently ruled Eastern Bengal there are some famous names. The short memoir of the first W. M. Thackery is to be found on page 227. His proceedings in Sylhet are not given in detail, but they would furnish instructive reading; as would also those of Hugh Lindsay who came after him in the then frontier province. Though eminently a political work "The Romance" will interest many of the general reading public. Books such as these dealing with the less known provinces of the Empire cannot but prove of benefit to the people, the tourist and the sportsman and we hope both Mrs. Bradley Birt and others will not only continue their efforts in this line, but incite others to follow their example.

* "*The Romance of an Eastern Capital.*" By F. B. Bradley Birt, I.C.S., Smith Elder and Company, Waterloo Place, London.

Shikar.

SHOOTING NEAR BUDAON.

THERE are some excellent jheels within easy reach of this town. The nearest railway station is Aonla, about an hour's run from Chandausi. There is a good road from Aonla to Budaon, and there are several small marshes on the way which are quite worth a visit. Some of these little swamps lie from a mile to a mile and a half to the left of the road, going towards Budaon, and about six miles from that town. In the cold weather one can rely on finding some teal and snipe. One morning in November I got five couple of snipe and a teal. Another day a snipe, four teal, a shoveller, and six pigeons. I also shot a black buck near the road, but antelope are not very numerous in the Budaon district, and their horns run small.

Near Kakora, on the Ganges, where the great fair is periodically held, are two splendid jheels. I went out in a punt on Nurpur jheel one November afternoon, and brought back eighteen duck and teal. There were six different varieties of duck in the bag, *viz* white-eyed pochard, red-crested pochard, gadwall, wigeon, pintail, and spot-bill. This jheel is a deep one covered with high reeds, so that duck not actually killed outright, are generally lost. There are snipe and quail round the edges of the marsh, the latter often being found in wet grass, in which they probably take refuge, when disturbed by natives working in the drier ground higher up.

Referring to my notes I find that I shot nine brace of grey quail and a couple of snipe, between four and six one evening round the edges of Nurpur jheel. The other swamp is the Bahadur Ganj jheel. I heard that this was excellent for duck, but had no time to exploit it myself. My investigations only extended to the snipe ground near it where I had a day's shooting. My bag was twelve couple of snipe, a brace of grey quail, four teal, and a pigeon. The big Kakora jheels require systematic working to do them justice; I only paid the district a flying visit, and had therefore no time to find out the best way of working them. The water is too deep for coolies to walk through in line, as they do in the celebrated Sind jheels, near Shadipally.

Kakora is a good place for black partridges, and there are also hog-deer to be had. Black buck, as I mentioned above, are not numerous, but some herds can always be found between Kakora and Budaon, if one leaves the road and rides across country.

I saw some geese on the Kakora jheels, and also a great many stock pigeons (*Palumbana eversmanni*) which come down to the edges of the marsh in the mornings. These are smaller, lighter coloured birds than the common blue rock, averaging only 7½ ounces instead of 10; while the rump is whitish and not ashy as in the case of Columba intermedia. Stock pigeons also are quite different to blue rocks in their habits, resting in the middle of the day and not feeding. Then too they do not return to their roosting place, till late in the evening, and roost in trees, not ruins and wells. Although one *can* get black partridges on foot round Kakora, yet the cover being high it is better, if possible, to borrow an elephant. I saw a Collector near Aonla shooting snipe from an elephant, but that was the conduct of a sybarite. If one cannot procure an elephant for the black partridges, the best plan is to beat out the patches of sugarcane with a few coolies.

Besides the small game enumerated above, there are hares and grey partridges, also, no doubt, sand grouse, but during my short stay I saw none of these last.

FLEUR-DE-LYS.

NOTES ON SOUTH AFRICAN GAME.

BIG game is far to seek. The huge elephant, the ponderous hippo and rhino, the terrible lion, the savage buffalo, the graceful cameleopard, the bigger species of buck—these constitute a large and costly order. But South Africa abounds in feathered game, of numerous varieties, from the ostrich to the quail, from the bustard to the snipe. All these are more or less accessible to the sportsman who visits comparatively civilised and inhabited regions; the majority more than less.

The domesticated and "cultivated" ostrich is, so to speak, an article of commerce. One no more thinks of shooting this valuable bird at the Cape than one does the farmyard goose or duck at home. But for the sportsman, there are still wild ostriches left. They are to be found in portions of the Kalahari (the hunter's paradise), south of Lake Nagami, and in the hinterland of Damaraland and Namaqualand. In the wild state birds are extremely shy and wary, and their flight, when at full speed, is more rapid than that of any mammal. But the ostriches, usually in small packs or large herds, run in wide circles, so that sportsmen on horseback can pretty readily cut them off and shoot them.

Passing the ostrich, as not every man's quarry, we come to the bustards. Of these there are a dozen varieties in South Africa. The best known are the paauw (the wild turkey of the sportsmen of the Old Colony) and the khoorhaan. The Stanley bustard is found in the Karoo, in Griqualand West, and in the Garden Colony. The kori bustard is the largest and noblest game bird in existence. A fine specimen, in good condition, might weight anything from 20lbs. to 50lbs. Usually encountered in pairs, this bird inhabits certain acacia-clad veld in the Karoo region; certain parts of the top end of Cape Colony, Natal, and the Orange River Colony; and particularly Damaraland and Bechuanaland up to the Zambesi. Straight powder being used, the "Ghaam paauw" is an easy mark for the rifle, but as the kori feed on open flats it is not easily approached. The best way to get within range is to ride round it in ever narrowing circles.

The black khoorhaan is very much smaller than the foregoing, being about the size of an English cock pheasant. The commonest, not only of the bustard family, but also of all the game birds in South Africa, it is to be met with practically everywhere, from the Cape to the Orange River. Other varieties of khoorhaan, some larger and some smaller than the foregoing, are found in the Karoo, and here and there in various parts of South Africa which are not too near town or too much cultivated. The habitat of the Vaal khoorhaan is, as its name implies, in the Transvaal, but it is also found to the westward, so far as Damaraland, but not to the northward so far as the Zambesi, where there is the black-bellied khoorhaan. This is a very graceful bird, somewhat suggestive of a peacock.

Pretty common throughout South Africa are at least three varieties of guinea-fowl—"Printado;" "Tarantal" of the Dutch; the "Galeny" of British farmyards. The crowned or common wild guinea-fowl is still preserved in some parts of Cape Colony, Natal, and the Orange River Colony. It is plentiful upwards to the Zambesi. It is abundant in the vicinities of the rivers Botletle, Crocodile, Notwani, and Chobe. In various districts pot-hunters have woefully shrunk this bird, by shooting into the brown when the birds are roosting, and by feasting on the livers and discarding the delicate flesh of the bodies of the slain guinea-fowl.

The more accessible and frequented parts of South Africa are fairly rich in Columbidæ—pigeons, doves, and turtles. There are Vinago, the common turtle, peristera, and the "Cape pigeon," which is a sea-gull.

There are at least three other interesting species. There is the rock-dove, the origin of domestic varieties. There is the Cape turtle—a pretty bird, measuring only 6in., but looking large, owing to the great length of its tail. And there is the carunculated ground-pigeon (*Geophilus carunculatus*), which is a native of South Africa. It is a thick and round bird, about equal in size to the common turtle.

South African wildfowl include numerous varieties of geese, duck, teal, pochard, etc. There is also the dikkop, or thick-knee, which is higher and larger than the great snipe. There are at least three varieties of snipe—the black-quilled, the painted, and the great. The black-quilled is the common snipe of the country. It is met with more plentifully in the Cape Colony and the Transvaal than elsewhere, and frequents the muddy vleis. Woodcock are unknown.

South Africa is a land of pleasing topsy-turveydom. There, the giraffe is a camel (kameel); the hyena is a tiger (teegre voolf); the unclean feeding hare is an ass (haas); the guinea-fowl is a peacock (paauw); and so no. Similarly, the Dutch term for all ground-roosting francolins and sand-grouse is partridge (patraise), and for tree-roosting francolins, pheasants (phaysaants).

The francolin, or Cape redwing, may be found all over South Africa. An allied species, also called the "redwing," inhabits the neighbourhood of the Orange River, as its scientific name (*Francolinus gariepensis*) implies. Many other francolins there are, including the Natal francolin, commonly known as the "Namaqua pheasant."

Quail, too, are generally distributed, including the common quail, which is more plentiful in the lower divisions of Cape Colony, the Transvaal, and Natal than farther north. Their annual arrival usually commences towards spring—about August—but depends largely upon the rainfall. In wet seasons they are to be encountered and flushed in countless numbers, particularly when good dogs are employed.

The sand-grouse, ori "partridge," is very commonly distributed throughout the Karoo and in Little Namaqualand. One has to seek the rarer varieties further up-country, particularly in Rhodesia.

It must be borne in mind that free shooting is almost as rare in South Africa as in Britain. Owners and occupiers of soil preserve and reserve the game on their lands, though they are usually very hospitable towards the immigrant sportsman of the right type.

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Fishing.

RIVER AND LAKE FISHING IN INDIA.

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SO far I have confined myself to writing only about fishing for mahseer in rivers. To write up to the title of these articles, there still remain to be mentioned mahseer fishing in lakes, and the taking of fish other than mahseer, wherever they may be found. I propose to take the former subject first and finish it before discussing the varied fishing to be obtained throughout India.

The principal lake fishing to be obtained in India is in Kumaon. A book on "Angling in the Kumaon Lakes" was published several years ago by Dr. Walker, and at once took place among the few standard works on Indian angling, but this book was written when Dr. Walker was about to retire from the Government service, after seventeen years' experience of these lakes. He was far too astute to publish this very attractive work while he still retained a personal interest in the sport to be obtained in them, and it is much to be regretted that want of proper supervision, and the incessant poaching committed by natives, in the way of taking undersized fish, has vastly altered the character of the fishing for the worse, in the last few years. There is, however, still a certain amount of sport to be had.

The four lakes in which fishing is obtainable are Bhim Tal, Sath Tal, Naukuchia Tal, and Malwa Tal. Naini Tal has been spoilt by boating and is next to useless for fishing purposes, though it contains monsters which refuse to take any kind of bait. Bhim Tal has rapidly deteriorated owing to excessive ground bait fishing by natives, both with and without licenses, and the taking of undersized fish which goes on for eight months in the year. Three years ago I mentioned this deterioration in the columns of the *Pioneer*, and at the same time suggested remedial measures which might be adopted, but it does not come within the sphere of the present article to discuss this question here. In the time that has elapsed since these lakes were stocked with mahseer, they have killed off all other fish running to any size in all these lakes. I hear that efforts have been made to improve the fishing in Bhim Tal recently, but three years ago it was very poor, and it will probably take some years to effect an appreciable improvement.

Sath Tal is a lovely lake, or rather two lakes with a connecting channel, until the draining of its waters for irrigating purposes severs the connection between the two. This occurs just before the rainy season, and the fishing distinctly falls off for a month or so at this time. The mahseer take a fly fairly well here. The lake has the advantage of being within easy reach—(four short miles)—of the hotel and the private boarding house at Bhim Tal, either of which can arrange for food for a day's outing. There are also two or three little cottages to let at Sath Tal.

Naukuchia is also four miles from Bhim Tal. There is a small furnished house on the edge of the lake for which a charge of one rupee per diem per room is made. This lake with its surroundings is exceedingly beautiful, but the water is unusually clear and the tackle used must be of the finest sort, and even then the fish taken run small.

Malwa Tal is perhaps the best fishing lake of the lot, and the least frequented. It has a furnished bungalow close to the lake. It is nine miles from Bhim Tal, and a thousand feet lower, and is therefore hotter than the other three lakes which are from four thousand to four thousand four hundred feet above sea level. Supplies should be taken from Bhim Tal.

The best and in fact almost the only way to fish these lakes is from boats of which there are three or four on hire at Bhim Tal. When necessary a boat must be carried across to the other lakes by coolies. The hire is Re. 1 per diem per boat, with eight to twelve annas for the boatman in addition. In these lakes the most successful bait is a fly. Bottom feeding fish are taken on paste and natural bait, but the fly takes a far larger number, while a spoon only takes an occasional fish, and that not of any size. The boatmen know their work well, and take the fisherman slowly and quietly round the lake at a distance of a fairly long cast from the shore. The fly should be thrown so as to drop within a yard of the bank or a fringe of weeds where there is one, and drawn slowly away. Where there are no weeds, as successful a cast as any is to drop the fly just on the shore and then draw it gently into the water. It will, as a rule, be taken, if taken at all, within a couple of yards of the bank, and the boat should then be quietly moved out towards the middle of the lake to avoid frightening other fish, until the one on the hook has been netted. A hand net is therefore essential.

Casting over a rising fish in other parts of the lake is also frequently successful.

Dr. Walker in his book on Angling in the Kumaon Lakes mentions the Jock Scott, Silver Doctor, Claret Fly, and Yellow Spider, as the best for these lakes, and these still remain the best as far as fishing by daylight is concerned, but unfortunately as sport has deteriorated the difficulty of taking fish, except at dusk, has increased. In 1903 when I was fishing these lakes for two and a half months, so few fish were taken by daylight that many anglers thought it useless to attempt fishing except from just before dusk till an hour after dark. At this time the fish can be heard rising freely all over the lake, though their manner of taking varies considerably. On some nights they rise short, and though you will feel them "knock" your fly at every cast, you may perhaps only take one or two small fish; at other times they take hold greedily, and you may get a dozen or more, of which perhaps half will run from a pound to 3lbs.,—(very few of the latter though)—and the remainder under a pound. At this time, a white fly is the correct article to use. In spite of Dr. Walker's condemnation of a rough fly manufactured from the tag of a towel, a fly so made will take more fish than the most skillfully tied white moth. In fact, a very successful fly, and one which can be made by any one, however incapable he may be of tieing a proper fly, is made from a reel of cotton of average thickness, by doubling and redoubling the thread until you get 32 strands. These are tied on half the upper length of the hook towards the eye, to make the body and then doubled back and tied with a few turns of thread to form the head of the fly. The ends of the threads should then be cut off level with the bend of the hook, which should be a small one, the whole fly being from half to five-eighths of an inch in length.

In the day time two, or even three, flies may be used on a cast, but if the fish are taking shyly it is better to use only one, while at night the difficulties of fishing without being able to see exactly what is happening, render it necessary to confine oneself to a single fly. How the boatmen manage to keep the boat moving at the proper distance from the shore at this time, has always been a constant wonder to me. It is, however, not so necessary to cast only towards the bank, at night, as it is by daylight, as the fish are rising freely everywhere, and an occasional cast over the rise of a good fish further out in the lake is often successful. There are two conditions under which fish will not take at night: one is when there are lowlying clouds, and the other is when the moon shines on the water. There are shops at Naini Tal which stock flies of the standard patterns and sizes above mentioned. Of these I should recommend the Yellow Spider for Bhim Tal and Naukuchia Tal, the Claret Fly and Yellow Spider for Sath Tal, and the Jock Scott for Malwa Tal, with an occasional change to the Silver Doctor if the other three are not taking well. The tackle used should be fine, and anyone who can make a long clean cast will take many more fish than a beginner. At night, however, slightly stouter gut may be used. I know nothing that will teach a fisherman how to throw a fly skilfully more than constant practice on the Kumaon Lakes, and the man who is an expert here, could hold his own among the best fly fishermen at home.

By far the best rods for this work are those made from the bamboos obtainable at Bhim Tal. There is a small native shop close to the lake where these are stocked in the rough. You can go and pick your own rod, and in 48 hours it will be delivered to you quite straight,—(however crooked it may have been when you saw it two days previously)—and with a few rings tied on, but no winch fittings. You must tie your reel on. The price of one of these rods when ready for use is from Re. 1-8 to Rs. 2! They are very much lighter than English rods, and are admirably suited for their work. One 12 foot and one 14 foot rod of this sort will see you through a season's fishing and will, with ordinary care, be in serviceable condition at the end of it.

YUBA BILL.

Shooting.

THE WILKINSON SHOT GUNS.

THE firm of Wilkinson, the Wilkinson Sword Company of London, is to be numbered amongst the oldest of the London gunmakers.

The house was founded by Henry Nock, the contemporary of Egg and the two Mantons, Joseph and John. Nock was known to fame in the days of the flint and percussion muzzle-loaders as the inventor of the "patent breech," or more properly "breeching." On his death he was succeeded by his son-in-law, Mr. Wilkinson. In after years the reputation of the Wilkinson firm as sword cutlers perhaps to some extent overshadowed their old celebrity as gunmakers, but, as well in England as abroad, they have always kept abreast of all developments in the manufacture of sporting firearms.

One winter morning recently, in the extensive show rooms of the company in Pall Mall, a very wide range of shot guns suitable for all purposes was submitted for the consideration of the representative of *The Indian Field*. Naturally the pick of the bunch was the "Best" gun. One rightly expects a good deal from a London "Best" gun, and the Wilkinson production will adequately fulfil exacting requirements. The side lock plates are closely fitted to the woodwork, the springs of lock and ejector work smartly and smoothly, and are set without effort on the opening of the gun. The weapon is well balanced, handles nicely, and shows every evidence, internally and externally, of perfect finish. The ejector of the two-piece hammerless side-lock tumblers are cocked by the falling barrels, the fences are well, but not too ornately carved, and throughout is distinctly good.

Then a gun with body-lock instead of side-lock, A. and D. ejector, and doll's head top extension, listed at 27 guineas is a weapon of really good appearance, with mechanism of sound construction made on absolutely reliable principles. This is a gun that looks well and may be depended on to work well. Another model, with screw-grip top fastening instead of doll's head, at prices ranging from 20 guineas, may also be mentioned. Of course the screw-grip is an absolutely reliable fastening. It, like the doll's head, is used in conjunction with double under-snap bolts, and either will be found perfectly satisfactory.

In "Colonial Quality," three models were submitted for examination. The first was a body-lock gun, well finished and engraved, with sear-detained ejector. It has steel barrels, as nearly all the Wilkinson guns have, and at a price of 21 guineas, is a production well worth consideration. A plainer quality, with the same system of body-lock and ejector, is listed at 18 guineas. This is really a very cheap ejector, embodying everything that is necessary for efficiency, but with a minimum of external adornment. Without ejectors, a body-lock hammerless gun of plain quality is offered at 10 guineas. It handles nicely, and as it has a good pair of well-bored steel barrels it should shoot well.

In rifles, Wilkinson's showed a large selection of sporting patterns of various bores. One, "in the white" (the unfinished state), which had just been made for India was examined with interest. It is a double ·450-400, a ·400 bore chambered for the powerful ·450-400 bottle-necked cordite cartridge. It has 24-inch barrels, and handles despite of its weight like a shot-gun. The flats of the action are wide, so that the barrels bedded on them take a firm bearing all over, and the under-lumps are broad and substantial. There is a doll's head top connection, and altogether the user of this rifle will have a very satisfactory sense of security, when he comes to fire from it cordite cartridges in the hot weather.

A Wilkinson-Webley ·455 self-extracting revolver, with special stock, laterally adjustable back-sight and a special form of cylinder cam, was another special weapon glanced at, and a re-examination of the sub-target gun, that very clever machine for rifle practice without ammunition, occupied the remainder of an interesting morning.

E. H. S.

THE OLD-TIME BLUNDERBUSS.

THE fire-arms of early times when contrasted with modern weapons, form an interesting link between the past and present. No more curious or serviceable arms were ever designed than the old-time blunderbuss. Its very name is suggestive of its appearance, although that is a corruption of the original, for "thunderburst"—or "thunderbust," as it was more often called—is the name by which it was first known. These arms were clumsy and heavy, as the name might imply, and they were fashioned in many forms, both in the type of gun and pistol. A blunderbuss may be generally defined as a short, heavy gun or a long, heavy pistol, although there are many exceptions to this definition. Its barrel was its distinguishing characteristic, which terminated at the muzzle like a bell, either round or elliptical, and, like other fire-arms, was of brass steel.

The blunderbuss, however, is not always a bell-mouthed weapon. Its earliest form was a straight barrel "streubuchse." It was intended to be used at short range, was consequently without sights, and from the shape of the muzzle was supposed to produce great scattering force upon discharge. The blunderbuss in its usual form has a bore at the muzzle of from an inch and a-half to three inches although rare specimens are found where this is increased to five inches, while at the breech it is a half-inch to an inch.

In the coaching days in old England every "machine," as these coaches were often designated, carried a pair of blunderbusses on the box to protect the mails and the passengers from the attacks of highwaymen. The barrel was of steel, and a most formidable weapon it was when its black mouth was thrust in the highwayman's face. And it was necessary in those days that the coach went "guarded and lighted," for the traveller over the old Bath road in the latter part of the seventeenth century, thus describes a certain trip. "Long before the flying machine had cleared the Metropolis—the Metropolis which knew Chelsea as a quiet country village with 1,000 inhabitants, and Marylebone as a place where cattle fed and sportsmen wandered—the six inside passengers had been twice nearly upset and shaken out of their seven senses; and it had scarcely begun its creeping passage over Hounslow's Heath when it was stopped abruptly, and the six inside passengers had their six purses taken away. When their eyesight, temporarily obscured by agitation, returned to them, they recognised the French page of the Duke of Richmond as the author of this graceful feat, and, having spoken strange words to the guard for having neglected the fleeting opportunity presented to him for the discharge of his blunderbuss (which was rather wild of them, the said blunderbuss being a mere vehicle for the release of coach guards who were weary of their lives, and perfectly well known as such), they jolted forward on their way to Bath, pale and penniless."

This very blunderbuss may have had a part in such an exciting episode; it is certain, at any rate, that no knowledge exists of of its ever having taken human life. The French page of the Duke of Richmond was none other than the notorious gallant Claude Duval, the greatest highwayman of that time, and of whom the epitaph was written, beginning:

Here lies Du Vall: Reader, if male thou art,
Look to thy purse; if female, to thy heart.

And Hounslow Heath was the favourite stamping-ground for all these notorious knights of the road. Of this same district 'tis written:

Dick Turpin vunst on 'Onslow's 'eath
His black mare Bess bestrode, sir;

Whilst there he spied the bishop s coach
A-coming up the road, sir.

He rode right up to the bishop's coach
And put his head within, sir:

Says the bishop, "Sure as eggs is eggs,
This ,ere's the bold Turpin, sir.

Here also plied their calling Augustine King, educated at Cambridge hanged at Colchester: William Nevison, whose name still haunts the hamlets of the north moors, hanged at York; and a host of others of their ilk whose careers ended with the noose, and whose memories have been perpetuated in countless editions of the "penny dreadfuls."

No wonder blunderbusses bristled on the coach-box, and the post rider carried a pair of these pistols on his saddle! A traveller in those days had all such things in mind when he picked out his conveyance for a coaching trip. One such passenger has left us the recollection of his efforts in this direction. He was intending to take the coach out of London over the Exeter road, anxious, too, for one well protected and that did not carry luggage on the top, and inquired of the landlord of the "White Lion" where he had "put up" if such a coath would not presently be due, whereupon the following dialogue ensued: "Oh, yes!" says the landlord, "we shall have one here to-night that is not allowed to carry a bandbox on the roof—the Quicksilver Mail, sir; one of the best out of London—Jack White and Tom Brown—Picked coachmen over this ground; Jack White down to-night." "Guarded and lighted?" "Both, sir; blunderbusses and pistols in the sword-case, a lamp each side of the coach and one under the footboard—see to pick up a pin the darkest night of the year."

The shoulder blunderbuss and the blunderbuss pistol were often used on shipboard. A pair of the former usually hung in the captain's cabin, and a pair of the pistols were in a case readily to hand in case of emergency. Ship's pistols and blunderbusses were usually with brass barrels, as they were less liable to be affected by the salt air than those with barrels of steel. Vessels trading with foreign countries where the people were of the troublous, uncivilised kind, were supplied with many such weapons, and a most effective arm it was against attack from the natives. In case of mutiny on shipboard, a blunderbuss in the hands of the captain commanded the entire deck. In England these arms were formerly used for home defence, especially on the heaths and in unfrequented parts of the country. Miss Tabitha Bramble, Smollett's interesting piece of female illiteracy in a letter to the housekeeper of Brambleton Hall, gives certain directions as to the conduct of the establishment during the absence of the family, and says, "the gardnir and the hind may lie below in the landry to partake the houses with the blunderbuss and the great dog." Most anything in the way of a missile could be used in a blunderbuss—nails, bullets, shot, pieces of old iron, and even stones and bits of broken glass—and the discharge of one of these arms with hostile intent, naturally resulted in terrible havoc.

The old dags of the seventeenth century, with their flat butts like the gun-stock, were often blunderbuss pieces. The stocks of a pair in the author's collection are inlaid with engraving brass, while the smaller one is ornamented with engraved silver trimmings; the barrels are inlaid with gold and silver; all have a hook for attaching to the sash or belt. Doubtless, they once graced the persons of distinguished gentlemen of old Spain in years long ago. The blunderbuss pistol probably formed one of a pair, and was formerly owned by an English sea captain. It is a most beautiful specimen of the gunsmith's art, and has what is most unusual in arms of so early a period, a brass lock-plate and brass priming-pan. In some cases all these types of arms have a bayonet attached as an additional means of offence or defence, after the weapon has been discharged. There is always the folding bayonet, which, when a catch is released, aided by a powerful spring, flies into position and locks firmly it a the end of the muzzle. Various forms of attaching this device were used; sometimes they are found folded beneath the barrel; some are on top and some at the side.

A short blunderbuss pistol with with gun-stock and pistol grip, belonging to the author, is a fine specimen of seventeenth century Spanish workmanship and came from Morocco. Attached to an arm on the side is a large brass ring for hooking on to a camel saddle; the metal work on the arm is heavily carved and engraved, and its barrel is inlaid with gold. The woodwork is worn so smooth by years of handing that the heavy carvings originally upon it are nearly effaced. Another form of the blunderbuss was the wall piece for mounting on the walls of castles or fortifications. These had swivels attached by which they could be swung around to command any position; they were much longer and heavier than the hand arms of this character. All these illustrated and referred to are of the flint-lock type of guns in use long before the percussion cap was invented. There are, however, blunderbusses with the percussion cap lock, one of the most formidable of its kind being displayed in the Museum of Fine Arts at Boston; this has a brass barrel with bell muzzle five inches in diameter.

The days of the blunderbuss have passed; they are only found now and then in some old curiosity shop, or treasured in the family of the old-time owner. They had their day and use when it was not uncommon to have engraved upon their spreading muzzles, "Happy is he who escapeth me." It would be idle to claim for these old arms anything approaching accuracy, as the term is now understood; the principle of boring precluded that. Where not wholly lacking, the sights were crude and of assistance only in aligning the barrel towards a small target, rather than directly upon it. Yet at short range the blunderbuss was an arm to be feared, and has, doubtless, accounted for many men. Its period of use was when the fighting was chiefly hand to hand, when the gentry wore swords for the settlement of their private quarrels and thugs and housebreakers wielded bludgeons over their victims. In warfare, when engaging forces mingled in mêlée, or when battling ships lay with lashed yardarms, and the cry was "All hands to repel boarders," the blunderbuss, with its handful of slugs could be depended upon, shot for shot, to work more damage to the enemy than any rifled arm of modern times. Though capable of killing game where sufficiently plentiful and easy of approach, it never won distinction as a sporting arm, for the sufficient reason that it passed out of common use long before the pursuit of sport only had become a recognised and universally popular recreation.

E. F.

Correspondence.

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Under no circumstances are questions answered by post.
Correspondents whose questions remain unanswered will please understand that we are unable to give them the information asked for.

THE INDIAN CRICKET BALL RECORD.

TO THE EDITOR OF "THE INDIAN FIELD."

SIR,—Can you tell me what is the Indian record for throwing the cricket ball.

W. B. N.

[The record is held by Mr. P. E. Plunkett, who, at the Dehra Dun Forest School Sports in 1895, threw 116 yards. Lance-Corporal Aldridge, of the Oxfordshire Light Infantry at Bellaryr, on 31st December 1895, threw at 115 yards 1 feet 1¼ inch. Othe, good performances are those of Mr. J. Buchanan, Rangoon 112 yards 1 feet 6 inches, and A. P. Young, of the Bombay Gymkhana, 110 yards, Private Calveley, of the Somersetshire Light Infantry, threw 109 yards 1 foot at the Regimental Sports held at Mian Mir on the 10th March 1897.—ED.]

IDENTIFICATION OF SPECIES.

TO THE EDITOR OF "THE INDIAN FIELD."

SIR,—I enclose a butterfly I caught the other day and would be much obliged if you can tell me what it is and if it is rare or not.

R. A. A.

Papun (BURMA), *30th November 1906.*

[It is a male of *Cheritra jaffra* (Butler) and may be found figured on plate XIX, Vol. III, of De Niceville's *Butterflies of India* and described in all its forms, on pp. 410 to 412. It is found in Southern India, Ceylon, the Malay Peninsula, and is not rare.—ED.]

REDUCED CHARGES FOR THE ·350 RIGBY-MAUSER.

TO THE EDITOR OF "THE INDIAN FIELD."

SIR,—Will any of your correspondents help me in finding a suitable reduced charge for the ·350 Rigby-Mauser cordite rifle?

The normal cartridge for this rifle is very powerful, being loaded with 43 grains cordite and 310 grains nickelcoated bullet. What I require is a suitable reduced charge for shooting the smaller animals, as buck, chinkara, etc.

The only apparently suitable bullet I can find listed is that for the new 35 calebre Winchester Automatic rifle—weight (180) grains nickel, coated, soft nose. Powder charge not stated. The M. V. of this cartridge is stated as 1,400 f.s. This should make a very useful reduced charge for the ·350 Rigby-Mauser.

I feel certain that "B." or "Fleur-de Lys" could tell me how to load my reduced charge cartridges. I want to load up old fired cases of the 43-310 type. and would much like to know where I can get reloading tools; how to clean the cases; what charge of what smokeless powder should be used; how it should be loaded (loose, or with cotton-wool pad) and whether the fact that the *short* reduced charge bullet would not lie properly in the chamber, but would have to "jump" into the "lead," is likely to spoil the shooting. Any other "tips" would be most gratefully received.

·350.

A TSINE CALF.

TO THE EDITOR OF "THE INDIAN FIELD."

SIR,—I am just returning to Rangoon after a four days' unsuccessful go after tsine and bison; but I saw a calf tsine, not properly but indistinctly in young bamboo shoots and grass, I do not know if anyone else has had the same experience. It happened as follows:—Unfortunately I only had one man with me (owing to the number and inquisitiveness of elephants hereabouts I had had to shift my camp to get any piece of work done). We were making our way through light tsine jungle towards bison jungle, when we heard a tsine snort, the Karen shikari and myself ducked and stared hard, but saw nothing. I moved along to the left past an ant heap in time to see a couple of cow tsine pass broadside on, at a walk going from right to left, I beckoned to my man and we both started in pursuit of the herd, we had only gone a few paces, when another big tsine came out of the grass and bamboo shoots from right to left and turned and faced us about 60 feet off, I knelt down and the shikari also went down, we could not tell against the light back ground whether it was a bull's head or not, it kept on looking to its left into the bamboo shoots, after a bit I also saw a small dun and white object move behind a thin bamboo clump into the more or less open and disappear in grass in the direction of the cow as I then concluded, it was about the size of the ordinary quite young calf, but I was unable to watch it very closely as by that time I had begun to be afraid I should have to shoot the mother, as she looked like charging; every minute or so she put her head down, snuffed and then advanced a few paces, looked to the left then at us and repeated the process, I got tired of kneeling and lay down, watching the cow at last I said to the shikari, "she will not go away, she has a calf beside her;" still she came on, when about 20 paces off (she was in the open and we had some trees a dozen paces to our left, I had a magnum double ·450 cordite and did not want to shoot, as I could not have helped absolutely knocking her out of time), when she was about 20 feet off, I said to the shikari, "I am going to jump up and run, she will not go" so we both jumped straight up together, the cow snorted, I ran back to her calf and we got behind the trees out of sight and followed up the herd,

I had a shot through bamboos and long grass at a very old bull by his colour, I could not see his head, the bamboo I found deflected the bullet, though when I came out I was going to where the herd had been, I said to the shikari, "I have got one," as the bull I can swear dropped to the shot, and I could hear the kick of his hind legs going like an animal in extremis, but the grass was long, there was no blood and we could not tell which way the herd or the bull went as the herd went away in four different directions, after casting about for some time, I was so fed up, I returned to camp, if I had not hit him badly the first time, I could easily have had another shot, as the cows did not go the shikari tells me for some little time (he was some way off and I had stalked the herd) while I was reloading and getting out into the open from the bamboo and long grass I was in, I walked out to kill him as I supposed I could not believe he was not somewhere in the long grass, however I had the place searched again to-day without any luck, so it must have been only a slight concussion which made him roll out of sight down off a little mound he was on and the click of heels I heard was him recovering himself, However owing to the dead leaves, etc., it was the only chance I got, one can hear the bison cracking the bamboos a mile off, but they can hear the leaves crackling under you 100 feet off and that is enough to defeat me I came across no fresh rhino tracks. Where I was is the Pegu Yomahs a very famous haunt of big game.

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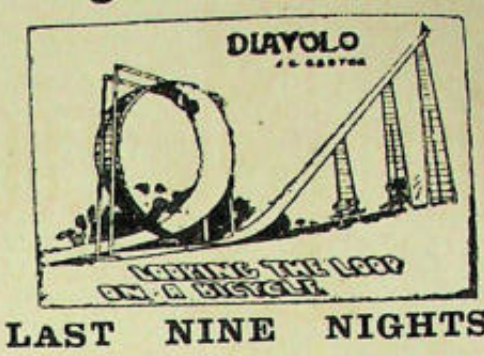

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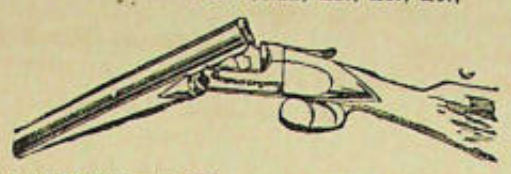

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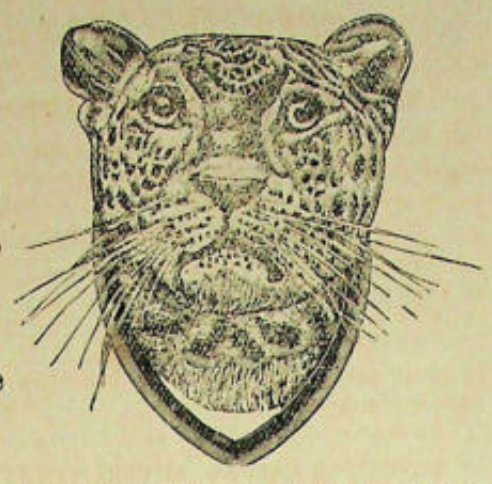

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The following is the list of events to be held at the Highland Gathering in connection with Lady Minto's Fête, in Calcutta, commencing 27th January.

EVENTS.
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8. Sailors' Hornpipe. 1st Rs. 45, 2nd Rs. 30, 3rd Rs. 15.

SPORTS.

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10. Putting the Stone. 1st Rs. 45, 2nd Rs. 30, 3rd Rs. 15.
11. Tossing the Caber. 1st Rs. 45, 2nd Rs. 30, 3rd Rs. 15.
12. Tug-of-War (open) (8 men a side—every man over.) Cup and Rs. 30 to N.-C. O., Rs. 120 to team.

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Name of Races.	Month.	Date.
Bombay Fifth Extra	Jan.	12
,, Sixth ,,	,,	19
,, Seventh ,,	,,	26
Agra New Year	,,	10
R. W Fusiliers Steeplechases	,,	12
Calcutta Second Meeting	,,	12, 15 & 19
Dibrugarh	,,	22, 24 & 26
Calcutta Fourth Extra	,,	26
Lucknow Spring	Feb.	2, 4 & 6
Bombay Eighth Extra	,,	2
,, Ninth ,,	,,	9
Calcutta Fifth Extra	,,	9
,, Sixth ,,	,,	16
,, Seventh ,,	,,	23
Gorakhpore Spring	,,	13 & 15
Bombay	,,	18, 16, 18, 20 & 23
Meerut Spring	Mar.	2, 5 & 7
Katiawar	,,	4 & 6
Jorhat	,,	6 & 8
Rangoon Spring	,,	9, 12 & 14
Bombay Tenth Extra	,,	2
,, Eleventh ,,	,,	9
,, Twelfth ,,	,,	16
,, Thirteenth ,,	,,	23
,, Fourteenth ,,	,,	30
Umbala Spring	,,	12, 14 & 16
Lahore Spring	,,	20 & 22
Rawalpindi spring	,,	23, 26 & 28
Jubbulpore	,,	26, 28 & 30

CLOSING DATES OF ENTRIES.

Lucknow Spring C. S. Cup	Final	15th January.
Lucknow Spring	Third	15th January.
Gorakhpore Spring	First	15th January.
	Second	31st January.
	Third	10th February.
Jubbulpore	First	12th February.
	Second	26th February.
	Third	12th March.

INDIAN SPORTING FIXTURES

POLO.	
Agra Tournament International Cup	Now on.
SHOWS.	
Rangoon Horse Show	18th & 19th January.
Calcutta Kennel Club Dog Show	6th February.
HOCKEY.	
All India Tournament (Allahabad)	Begins 24th February.
ROWING.	
Madras R. C. Annual Regatta	26th January.
Poona Royal Connaught B. C. Regatta	14th & 16th February.
BOXING.	
Minto Fete Tournament (Calcutta)	27th Jan.—5th February
ATHLETICS.	
Y. M. C. A. Meeting	26th January.
Bengal Presidency A. A. Meeting	2nd March.
FOOTBALL.	
Minto Fete Tournament	Now on.

ENGLISH RACING FIXTURES.

(Principal Races in 1907.)

Lincolnshire Handicap (1 mile)	Tuesday, 19th March.
Brocklesby Stakes (4 furlongs 5 yards)	Wednesday, 20th March.
Liverpool Grand National (4 miles 856 yards.)	Friday, 22nd March.
Queen's Prize (1 mile)	Monday, 1st April.
Craven Stakes (1 mile 22 yards.)	Thursday, 8th April.
Great Metropolitan Stakes (2¼ miles)	Tuesday, 23rd April.
City and suburban (1¼ mile)	Wednesday, 24th April.
Two Thousand Guineas (1 mile)	Wednesday, 1st May.
One Thousand Guineas (1 mile)	Friday, 3rd May.
Chester Cup (2¼ miles)	Wednesday, 8th May.
Kempton Park Great Jubilee Handicap (1½ mile)	Saturday, 11th May.
Newmarket Stakes (1 mile 2 furlongs)	Wednesday, 15th May.
Manchester Cup (1½ mile)	Friday, 24th May.
Prix du Jockey Club (1½ mile)	Saturday, 2nd June.
The Derby (1½ mile)	Wednesday, 5th June.
The Coronation Cup (1½ mile)	Thursday, 6th June.
The Oaks (1½ mile)	Friday, 7th June.
Grand Prix de Paris (1 mile 7 furlongs)	Sunday, 16th June.
Ascot Stakes (2 miles)	Tuesday, 18th June.
Ascot Gold Vase (2 miles)	Tuesday, 18th June.
Royal Hunt Cup (7 furlongs 166 yards)	Wednesday, 19th June.
Gold Cup (2½ mile)	Thursday, 20th June.
New Stakes (5 furlongs 144 yards)	Thursday, 20th June.
Hardwicke Stakes (1½ miles)	Friday 21st June.
Northumberland Plate (2 miles)	Wednesday, 26th June.
July Stakes (Newmarket) (5 furlongs 144 yards)	Tuesday, 2nd July.
Princess of Wales' stakes (1 mile 4 furlongs)	Thursday, 4th July.
Eclipse Stakes (1¼ mile)	Friday, 19th July.
Liverpool Cup (1 mile 3 furlongs)	Friday, 26th July.
Steward's Cup (Goodwood) (6 furlongs)	Tuesday, 30th July.
Goodwood Plate (2 miles)	Wednesday, 31st July.
Goodwood Cup (2½ miles)	Thursday, 1st August.
Brighton Cup (1½ mile)	Wednesday, 7th August.
Great Northern Leger (1 mile 5 furlongs)	Wednesday, 21st August.
Prince of Wales' Plate (5 furlongs)	Tuesday, 27th August.
Great Eber Handicap (1½ mile.)	Wednesday, 28th August.
Gimrack stakes (6 furlongs)	Thursday, 29th August.
Great Yorkshire Handicap (1 mile 6furs. 13yrds.)	Tuesday, 10th September.
Champagne Stakes (Doncaster) (5 furs. 152 yrds.)	Tuesday, 10th September.
St. Leger (1 mile 6 furlongs 132 yards)	Wednesday, 11th Septr.
Doncaster Cup (2 miles)	Friday, 13th September.
Prince Edward Handicap (1¼ mile)	Saturday, 21st Septr.
Jockey Club Stakes (1¾ mile)	Thursday, 3rd October.
Prix du Conseil Municipal (Paris) 1½ mile)	Sunday, 6th October.
Duke of York stakes (1¼ mile)	Saturday, 12th October.
Cesarewitch Stakes (2¼ miles)	Wednesday, 16th October.
Middle Park Plate (6 furlongs)	Friday, 18th October.
Cambridgeshire Stakes	Wednesday, 30th Octr.
Dewhurst Plate (7 furlongs)	Thursday, 31st Octr.
Liverpool Autumn Cup (1 mile 3 furlongs)	Friday, 8th November.
Manchester November Handicap (1½ mile)	Saturday, 23rd Novr.

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Second Day, Saturday, 5th January 1907.

THE second day at Tollygunge brought out poor fields in all the chases and though there were no actual falls a couple of horses came to grief. Olynthus broke a ligament, and Seclusion strained herself—both accidents in the Tollygunge Plate—Kipling having an easy win. Details in our Sporting Notes. Result:—

HUNTERS' HANDICAP STEEPLECHASE.—Rs. 500 to the winner, Rs. 200 to the second, and Rs. 100 to the third. A handicap steeplechase for *bona fide* paperchase horses that have never won a flat race, hurdle race, or steeplechase, value Rs. 550 or upwards. G. R.'s only. About 2½ miles.

Capt. H. N. Holden's b aus g Lord Harry, 13st	Owner 1
Mr. T. G. Evers' b aus g Cain, 9st. 7lbs.	Owner 2
Dr. W. C. Hossack's ch aus m Lady Gold, 11st. 10lbs.	Owner 3
Mr. Glen's b aus g Orphan Boy, 10st. 2lbs.	Owner 4

(Winner trained privately.)

Totalisator paid Rs. 25 to win; Rs. 12 and Rs. 12 for places.

BETTING: 5 to 4 agst. Lord Harry, 5 to 2 Cain, 4 to 1 Lady Gold, 7 to 1 Orphan Boy.

Orphan Boy led at the start but gave place to Cain and Lady Gold after two fences. These showed the way in turn to the last fence where Lady Gold was in front. She ran wide at the turn and Lord Harry coming through took command and won by two and a half lengths from Cain; a length and a half between second and third: same distance between third and fourth. Time—5mins. 26secs.

THE PONY HANDICAP STEEPLECHASE.—Rs. 1,000 to the winner, Rs. 300 to the second, and Rs. 200 to the third. A handicap steeplechase for ponies 14-2 and under. About 2¼ miles. (The Pony Steeplechase Course.)

Messrs. Goculdas and Nanjee's bk or br aus g Bull's-Eye, 6st. 13lbs. (dec. 8lbs.)	A. Hoyt 1
Mr. W. H. Walmsley's br aus m Footlight, 10st. 7lbs.	C. Hoyt 2
Mr. C. H. A. Pham's ch e m Discussion, 9st. 7lbs.	Drew 3

(Winner trained by A. Hoyt.)

Totalisator paid Rs. 27 to win.

BETTING: 11 to 10 agst. Footlight, 5 to 4 Bull's-Eye, 6 to 1 Discussion.

Discussion showed the way the first time round and then fell back, Footlight leading to the turn. Bull's-Eye came with a rush on entering the straight and won by three lengths; ten lengths between second and third. Time—5mins. 14⅘secs.

THE TOLLYGUNGE PLATE.—Rs. 5,000 to the winner, Rs. 1,000 to the second, and Rs. 500 to the third. A handicap steeplechase for horses. About 3 miles.

Mr. E. J. Marshall's b aus g Kipling, 11st. 2lbs.	Sheldrake 1
Messrs. Jones and Pugh's b aus g Olynthus, 9st. 12lbs.	Northmore 2
Hon. Mr. A. A. Apcar's ch aus m Seclusion, 5yrs., 10st. 5lbs.	C. Hoyt 3
Mr. W. T. Miles' ch aus g Senator, 9st. 12lbs.	Gee 0

(Winner trained by J. D. Scott.)

Totalisator paid Rs. 24 to win; Rs. 15 and Rs. 13 for places.

BETTING: 6 to 4 each agst. Kipling and Seclusion, 7 to 2 Olynthus, 15 to 1 Senator.

Olynthus was first to show out and led till two fences from home where she broke down and Kipling coming away won by eight lengths; Seclusion third a length and a half away. Time—6mins. 37secs. Seclusion blundered at the water jump, and Senator's saddle breaking at the open ditch he was pulled up.

THE SUBURBAN PLATE.—Rs. 1,500 to the winner, Rs. 300 to the second, and Rs. 200 to the third. A handicap steeplechase for horses which have not won a steeplechase value Rs. 2,000 or upwards, since 31st March 1904. About 2½ miles.

Mr. S. F. Reynold's b aus g Coronet, 10st. 4lbs.	Thomas 1
Hon. Mr. A. A. Apcar's bk aus g Strathspey, 10st. 4lbs.	Sheldrake 2
Mr. G. H. Beaumont's ch aus g Wales, 10st. 10lbs.	C. Hoyt 3
Capt. H. N. Holden's br aus g Craig, 10st. 7lbs.	Murphy 4
Mr. Austin's ch aus g Kingpin, 10st. 12lbs.	Howie 0

(Winner trained by Wishart.)

Totalisator paid Rs. 105 to win; Rs 34 and Rs. 17 for places.

BETTING: 6 to 4 agst. Wales, 5 to 2 Strathspey, 7 to 1 each Coronet and Kingpin, 10 to 1 Craig.

Coronet went away with the lead and maintained it throughout, winning from Strathspey after a rattling finish by a neck; Wales third eight lengths away. Time—5mins. 14secs.

PONY HUNTERS' HANDICAP STEEPLECHASE.—Rs. 500 to the winner, Rs. 200 to the second, and Rs. 100 to the third. A handicap steeplechase for *bona fide* paperchase ponies 14-2 and under that have never won a flat race, hurdle race, or steeplechase, value Rs. 500 or upwards, G. R.'s only. About 2½ miles.

Mr. Glen's b aus g Zig-Zag, 8st. 9lbs.	Mr. Evers 1
Mr. R. A. C. Pugh's b aus m Mistlebird, 11st. 7lbs.	Owner 2
Mr. Holmes's b aus m Energy, 11st. 5lbs.	Mr. Barrow 3
Capt. H. N. Holden's b aus g Pathfinder II., 11st. 6lbs.	Owner 4

(Winner trained privately.)

Totalisator paid Rs. 39 to win; Rs. 15 and Rs. 21 for places.

BETTING: 6 to 4 agst. Energy, 3 to 1 each Zig Zag and Mistlebird, 6 to 1 Pathfinder.

Zig Zag and Energy was quickest away and after the first obstacle Zig Zag led with Energy next and Mistebird third. They ran in this order till the last fence when Energy challenged but failed to get up to the leader. Mistlebird went in pursuit of the leader and secured second place, three-quarters of a length behind Zig Zag; four lengths between second and third. Time—5mins. 31⅗secs.

THE KIOSK PLATE, DIVIDED HANDICAP I.—Rs. 700 to the winner, Rs. 200 to the second, and Rs. 100 to the third. A high-weight handicap for horses that have not won a flat race, value Rs. 1,100 or upwards, since 31st March 1904. 6 furlongs.

Mr. Borneo's br e m Colina, 7st. 7lbs.	Fraser 1
Mr. A. N. Dass' b aus g Springlock, 7st. 13lbs.	A. Hoyt 2
Mr. H. P. Banker's b aus m Queen of Gems, 6st. 12lbs.	Davis 3
Mr. J. D. Scott's b aus m Lady Viola, 7st. 6lbs.	Melsom 4
Mr. J. D. Scott's b e m Honest Lady, 10st. 3lbs.	Sheldrake 0
Mr. R. B.'s b e m Bouquet, 8st. 12lbs.	Lansdown 0
Mr. G. H. L. Mackenzie's b or rn e m Lady Bentworth, 8st. 4lbs	Howie 0
Mr. Field's b e g Nirvana, 8st. 3lbs.	Baichan 0
Mr. J. A. Manning's b aus g Bucentaur, 8st.	Southall 0

(Winner trained by Norton.)

Totalisator paid Rs. 44 to win; Rs. 18, Rs. 44, and Rs. 35 for places.

BETTING: 2 to 1 Lady Viola, 5 to 2 Colina, 4 to 1 Bouquet, 8 to 1 Honest Lady, 12 to 1 the others.

Springlock, Lady Viola and Colina were quickest away, Springlock leading into the straight. Here Colina came away and eventually won by a length and a half; a length between second and third. Same distance between third and fourth. Time—1min. 17⅘secs.

THE KIOSK PLATE, DIVIDED HANDICAP II.—Rs. 700 to the winner, Rs. 200 to the second, and Rs. 100 to the third. A high-weight handicap for horses which have not won a flat race value Rs. 1,100 or upwards, since 31st March 1904. 6 furlongs.

Mr. Dartmoor's b aus g Defendant, 7st. 11lb.	Melsom 1
Mr. A. N. Dass' b e m Miss Trenton, 6st. (dec. 4lbs.)	A. Ferguson 2
Mr. H. V. Low's br aus m Vinolia, 8st. 4lbs.	Fraser 3
Mr. J. G. Galstaun's b e g Silphoe, 9st. 11lbs.	Robinson } dead-heat. 4
Mr. W. B. Green's b aus m Projecture, 8st. 3 lbs.	Bradshaw }
Mr. Biddy's ch aus m Token, 9st. 3lbs.	Kaeson 0
Mr. R. B. Lamotte's b aus g Prince Moorefield 7st, 13 lbs.	A. Hoyt 0
Mr. R. A. C. Pugh's b e m Manon, 7st. 11lb.	E. Bux 0

(Winner trained by Taylor.)

Totalisator paid Rs. 61 to win; Rs. 17, Rs. 16, and Rs. 16 for places.

BETTING: 2 to 1 agst. Projecture, 5 to 2 Silphoe, 4 to 1 Vinolia, 6 to 1 Defendant, 10 to 1 Miss Trenton, 12 to 1 each Manon, Prince Moorefield and Token.

Defendant, Vinolia and Miss Trenton were quickest away, and led into the straight. Defendant came away at the distance and won by two lengths and a half; a neck dividing Miss Trenton and Vinolia, dead-heat for fourth place. Time—1min. 17⅘secs.

LAHORE XMAS MEETING.

STEWARDS:

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Honorary Secretary:—CAPTAIN A. SMITH

Third Day, Monday, 31st December 1906.

GOOD sport was witnessed this afternoon, eight races figuring on the card. The Kour Sahib of Patiala scored two wins, the Consolation Plate and the Shalimar Plate. The race for

Lahore St. Leger provided a dead-heat beween Adalina and Bobmajor. Results :—

HANDICAP HORSE CHASE.—Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second, and Rs. 50 to the third. A high-weight handicap for horses that started in the Service Chase on second day. About 2 miles over the Steeplechase Course.

Capt. Rose Price's Monte, 10st. 4½lbs. ... Mr. Kersley 1
Mr. Norton's Gay Lad, 11st. 7lbs. ... Capt. Johnson 2
Totalisator paid Rs. 5.
Won easily by twenty lengths ; Gay Lad broke down. Time—2mins. 4secs.

HANDICAP STEEPLECHASE.—Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second, and Rs. 50 to the third. A handicap steeplechase for maiden ponies 14-1 and under. About 2 miles over the Steeplechase Course.

Mr. Lloyd's Roseleaf, 9st. 5½lbs. ... Mr. Kersley 1
Mr. Kennedy's Hoosainee, 9st. 5lbs. ... Jumman 2
Mr. Gretton's Rudolf, 8st. 8lbs. ... Mr. Day 3
Totalisator paid Rs. 4.
Won by fifteen lengths ; four lengths between second and third. Time—4mins. 13secs.

MATCH.—Rs. 150 aside. ½ mile.

Capt. Jackson's Hailfellow, 9st, 8lbs. ... Barrett 1
Mr. Gretton's Opal, 9st. 8lbs. ... Mr. Creak 2
Totalisator paid Rs. 2.
Won by three-quarter length. Time—55½secs.

THE WESTERN PLATE.—Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second, and Rs. 50 to the third. A high-weight handicap for maiden English and Australasian ponies 14-1 and under. 6 furlongs.

Messrs. Wilson and Jolliffe's Lady Knight, 11st 7lbs. ... ... Capt. Toogood 1
Capt. Toogood's Careless, 9st. ... Thakur 2
Mr. Sidney Smith's May Queen, 7st. ... Kadir 3
Also ran : Twinkle, Fabius, Maranta, Alice and Sago.
Totalisator paid Rs. 19.
Won by half length ; three-quarter length between second and third. Time—1min. 8secs.

ARAB PLATE.—Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second, and Rs. 50 to the third. A high-weight handicap for Arab ponies 14-1 and under. R. C.

Mr. Johnstone's The Ranger, 14st. 8lbs. ... Barrett 1
Mr. Sidney Smith's Palmy Days, 9st. 13lbs. Furnell 2
Mr. Mellon's Harmony, 8st. 10lbs. ... Mr. Day 3
Also ran : Cinque Ports, Moonib Pasha, Promise, Cut-off, Paladin, Chance, High Flag.
Totalisator paid Rs. 5.
Won by two lengths ; three lengths between second and third. Time—3mins. 23½secs.

THE CONSOLATION PLATE.—Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second, and Rs. 50 to the third. A high-weight handicap for ponies that have run at the meeting and not won. ½ mile.

Kour Sahib of Patiala's Red Shot, 11st ... Capt. Toogood 1
Mr. O'Hara's Margaret, 8st. 7lbs. ... Mr. Day 2
Sirdar Jewan Singh's Black Spot, 10st. Barrett 3
Also ran : Careless, Arina, Glenlea, Bluebell. Mac and Begum.
Totalisator paid Rs. 18.
Won by three-quarter length ; a head between second and third. Time—58½secs.

THE SHALIMAR PLATE.—Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second, and Rs. 50 to the third. A high-weight handicap for maiden Arab ponies 14-1 and under. 1,000 yards.

Kour Sahib of Patiala's Machine Gun, 9st. 9lbs. ... ... Barrett 1
Capt. Marriott's Wily, 11st. 7lbs. .. Native 2
Capt. Toogood's Malabar, 10st. 10lbs. ... Owner 3
Also ran : Surkhab, P. G., Little Red Rat, Tarang, Nadeem and Life-line.
Totalisator paid Rs. 4.
Won by one length ; half a length between second and third. Time—63½secs.

THE LAHORE ST. LEGER.—Rs. 500 to the winner, presented by the Calcutta Turf Club, with Rs. 200 to the second, Rs. 100 to the third from the fund. A high-weight handicap for C.-B. ponies 14-1 and under. 1½ miles.

Mr. Kennedy's Adalina, 11st. ... Capt. Beatty } dead-
Mr. Johnstone's Bobmajor, 11st. ... Capt. Johnson } heat.
Mr. Sydney Smith's Shamrock, 10st. 10lbs. Mr. Furnell 3
Also ran : Agile, Bruree, Ringette and Plasmon.
A length between the dead-heaters and the third. Time—not taken.

Fourth (Extra) Day
Wednesday, 2nd January 1907.

Very good racing was seen to-day by a small gathering. There was a clinking good finish between May Queen and Black Spot in the Visitors' Plate, an upsetting of pots when Glenlea won the Fort Plate and another fine finish in the City Plate won by Mr. Graham's Moonib Pasha on whom Captain Winter rode a good race. The same G. R. steered. Captain Toogood's Maranta to victory in the Lahore Plate with which the card wound up. Details :—

THE VISITORS' PLATE.—Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second, and Rs 50 to the third. A handicap for all ponies 14-1 and under that ran and were not placed first or second on the first three days of the meeting. ½ mile.

Mr. Sidney Smith's May Queen, 7st. 12lbs. King 1
Sirdar Jewan Singh's Black Spot, 10st. ... Barrett 2
Capt. Goodfellow's Blue Fell, 7st. 7lbs. ... Kadir 3
Also ran : Parlourmaid.
Totalisator paid Rs. 8.
Won by a head ; three lengths between second and third. Time—52½secs.

THE FORT PLATE.—Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second, and Rs. 50 to the third. A handicap for all ponies 14-1 and under. 3 furlongs.

Mr. Fail's Glenlea, 8st. 7lbs. ... Mr. Day 1
Kour Sahib of Patiala's Redshot, 12st. ... Capt. Toogood 2
Mr. Butler's The Butler, 11st. 7lbs. ... Mr. Furnell 3
Also ran : Careless, Arina, Ringette.
Totalisator paid Rs. 13.
Won by half a length ; neck between second and third. Time—1min. 7⅗secs.

THE CITY PLATE.—Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second, and Rs. 50 to the third. A handicap for all Arabs 14-1 and under. 1¼ miles.

Mr. Graham's Moonib Pasha, 10st. .. Capt. Winter 1
Mr. Mellor's Harmony, 8st. 12lbs. ... Mr. Day 2
Maj. Popham Young's Surkhab, 10st. 3lbs. Mr. Furnell 3
Also ran : Cut-off, Chance, Gendarme.
Totalisator paid Rs. 5.
Won by a length ; neck between second and third. Time—2mins. 27⅘secs.

THE GYMKHANA PLATE.—Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second, and Rs. 50 to the third. A handicap for C.-B.'s 14-1 and the under. ¼ mile.

Maj. Pott's Little Beauty, 8st. 13lbs. ... Mr. Furnell 1
Mr. Kennedy's Adalina, 9st. 7lbs. ... Mr. Creak 2
Maj. Popham Young and Mr. Brandreth's Happy-go-Lucky, 8st. ... ... Muttroo 3
Also ran : Grey, Chieftain, K. C., Nugget, Cherie, Artful.
Totalisator paid Rs. 16.
Won by one and a half lengths ; one length between second and third. Time—53⅘secs.

THE SHAHDARA PLATE.—Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second, and Rs. 50 to the third. A handicap for maiden Arabs 14-1 and under. 5 furlongs.

Capt. Marriott's Wily, 11st. ... Mr. Cooper 1
Mr. Johnstone's the Ranger, 10st. ... Barrett 2
Capt. Howard's Promise 9st 7lbs. ... Mr. Furnell 3
Also ran : Opal, Machine Gun, Matabar, P. G., Paladin, Tarang.
Totalisator paid Rs. 15.
Won by two lengths ; a length between second and third. Time—1min. 9⅘secs.

THE LAHORE PLATE.—Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second, and Rs. 50 to the third. A handicap for all points 14-1 and under. 1½ miles.

Capt Toogood's Maranta, 10st. ... Capt. Winter 1
Mr. White's Ailsa Craig, 8st. ... ... Barrett 2
Mr. Sidney Smith's Shamrock, 8st. ... Briscera 3
Also ran : The Jap.
Totalisator paid Rs. 4.
Won by a length ; a bad third.

MOULMEIN RACES.

STEWARDS :

MAJOR APLIN, I. A. | ST. L. B. ALDWORTH, ESQ.
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Clerk of the Course :—J. C. MURRAY, ESQ.
Handicapper :—E. C. SHUTTLEWORTH, ESQ.
Starter :—G. K. PARKER, ESQ.
Clerk of the Scales :—C. M. DEROZARIO, ESQ.

First Day, 27th December 1906.

A VERY successful meeting was held at Moulmein during Xmas week. There was a good attendance on both days, and though fields were small the sport was excellent. Details :—

THE KADO STAKES.—Rs. 49 to the winner and Rs. 25 to the second pony ; for all ponies over 13 to 13-2 hands. 4 furlongs.

Mr. J. H. Skelton's b w m Tees, 10st. ... Ainda 1
Mr. O'Brien's ch w p Gladiator, 10st. ... Oomer 2
Gladiator bolted off the course.
Won by six lengths. Time—1min. 8⅘secs.

THE SALWEEN STAKES.—Rs. 49 to the winner and Rs. 25 to the second pony. A race for I. B. ponies over 12 to 12-2 hands. W. I. 4 furlongs.

Mr. Y. C. Ariff's ch ib g Krishna, 9st. 11lb. Oomer 1
Moe Gyo ib g, 8st 7lbs. ... ... Bah Thwin 2
Mr. D. O'Hearn's w ib g Beauty, 8st. 9lbs. Wali Mahomed 3
Won by six lengths ; same distance between second and third. Time—1min. 4⅘secs.

THE MIDGET PLATE.—Rs. 49 to the winner and Rs. 25 to the second pony. A race for I. B. ponies, 12 hands and under. W. I. 3 furlongs.

Mr. J. H. Skelton's g ib m Sein Pu, 8st. 10lbs. ... ... Mr. Aldworth 1
Moung Toon Myaing's sk ib g Ngwai Gai, 9st. 4lbs. ... ... Bah Thwin 2
Mr. C. K. Sircar's g ib g Little Wonder, 8st. 12lbs. ... . Po Shan 3
Won by ten lengths ; six lengths between second and third. Time—46⅘secs.

THE MOULMEIN DERBY.—Rs 49 to the winner and Rs. 25 to the second pony. A race for I. B. ponies over 12-2 to 13 hands. W. I. 4 furlongs.

Mr E. G. Foy's g ib g Velvet, 10st. 9lbs. Hyder 1
Mr. K. C. Macdonald's g ib g Postscript, 9st. 8lbs. ... ... Mr. Aldworth 2
Mr. Forster's ch ib p Prince Charlie, 9st. 8lbs. ... ... Owner 3
Mr. G. R. D'Castro's ch ib m Nancy Lee, 9st. 8lbs. ... . Mr. Francis 0
Won by two lengths ; ten lengths between second and third pony. Time—1min. 60secs.

THE GIANT PLATE.—Rs 49 to the winner and Rs. 25 to the second pony. A race for ponies over 13-2 to 14 hands W. I. English and Australians. 5 furlongs.

Mr. Chit Hlaing's b w m Atalanta, 10st. 11lb. ... ... Oomer 1
Moung Toon Myaing's b w g Troutbeck, 9st. 3lbs ... ... Bah Thwin 2
Mr. C. Ebell's b w m Balarat, 10st. ... Mr. Aldworth 3
Moung Shwe Doke's b w g Taing Han, 9st. 2lbs. ... ... Mr. Pereira 0
Mr. A. C. Biswas' b w m Netta, 9st. 3lbs. Wali Mahomed 0
Won by two and a half lengths ; five lengths between second and third pony.

Second Day, 29th December 1906

THE MARTABAN HANDICAP.—Rs. 49 to the winner and Rs. 25 to the second pony. A race for all ponies that have run in the Kado Stakes on the first day. 6 furlongs.

Mr. J. H. Skelton's b w m Tees, 8st. 12lbs. Ainda 1
Mr. O'Brien's ch w Gladiator, 12st. ... Oomer 2
Gladiator again bolted off the course, leaving the other to walk over.

THE THATON HANDICAP.—Rs. 49 to the winner and Rs. 25 to the second pony. A race for all ponies that have run in the Salween Stakes on the first day. 5 furlongs.

Mr. Y. C. Ariff's ch ib g Krishna, 11st. ... Oomer 1
Mr. D. O'Hearn's w ib g Beauty, 8st. ... Po Myah 2
Won by six lengths. Time—1min. 25secs.

THE DWARF HANDICAP.—Rs. 49 to the winner and Rs. 25 to the second pony. A race for all ponies that have run in the Midget Plate on the first day. 5 furlongs.

Mr. J. H Skelton's g ib g Sein Pu, 10st. ... Mr. Aldworth 1
Moung Toon Myaing's sk ib g Ngwai Gai, 9st. ... ... Bah Thwin 2
Mr. C. K. Sircar's g ib g Little Wonder, 8st. 4lbs. ... ... Mg. Pu 3
Won by ten lengths. Time—1min. 27secs.

THE MOULMEIN HANDICAP.—Rs. 49 to the winner and Rs. 25 to the second pony. A race for all ponies that have run in the Moulmein Derby on the first day. 6 furlongs.

Mr. K. C. Macdonald's g ib g Postscript, 8st. 10lbs. .. .. Mr. Aldworth 1
Mr. Foster's ch ib g Prince Charlie, 7st. 12lbs. ... ... Po Shan 2
Mr. G. R. D'Castro's ch ib m Nancy Lee, 7st. 8lbs. ... . Mr. Francis 3
Won by a street ; two lengths between second and third pony. Time—1min. 35secs

THE AMHERST HANDICAP.—Rs. 49 to the winner and Rs. 25 to the second pony. A race for all ponies that have run in the Giant Plate on the first day. 6 furlongs.

Mr. C. Ebell's b w m Ballarat, 9st. ... Mr. Aldworth 1
Moung Toon Myaing's b w g Troutbeck, 9st. .. .. Bah Shwin 2
Moung Shwe Doke's b w g Taing Han, 8st. Mr. Pereira 3
Won by half a length ; six lengths between second and third ponies. Time—1min. 30secs.

THE CONSOLATION STAKES.—Rs. 49 to the winner and Rs. 25 to the second pony. A handicap for ponies under 13 hands that have run on both days and not won. 3 furlongs.

Mr. Foster's Prince Charlie, 9st. 4lbs. ... Mr. Aldworth 1
Mr. D. O Hearn's w ib g Beauty, 8st. ... Po Myah 2
Mg. Toon Myain's sk ib g Ngwai Gai, 9st. Bah Thwin 3
Mr. G. R. D'Castro's ch ib w Nancy Lee, 9st. .. .. Mr. Francis 0
Mr. C. K. Sircar's g ib g Little Wonder, 8st. ... ... Po Shan 0
Won by two lengths ; quarter length dividing second and third ponies. Time—47secs.

THE GIANT CONSOLATION STAKES.—Rs. 49 to the winner and Rs. 25 to the second pony. A handicap for ponies 13 hands and over that have run on both days and not won. 4 furlongs.

Mr. O'Brien's ch w p Gladiator, 12st. ... Hyder 1
Mg. Shwe Doke's b w g Taing Han, 9st. ... Mr. Pereira 2
Mg. Toon Myaing's b w g Troutbeck, 10st. Oomer 3
Won by two lengths. Time—59secs.
After the races Gladiator was put up to auction. There were a few bidders up to Rs. 1,000 when the pony was withdrawn.
Krishna was also put up and knocked down to Mr. Skelton for Rs. 400.

BOMBAY FOURTH EXTRA MEETING.

Saturday, 5th January 1907.

SELLING PLATE.—Winner, Rs. 200 ; second, Rs. 100 ; third, Rs. 50. A Selling Race for Maiden Arabs 14 hands and under. 14 hands entered for Rs. 1,500 to carry 10st. W. I. 3lbs. for each Rs. 100 down to Rs. 400. 5 furlongs.

Mr. Avasia's Sabig (Rs. 1,100), 8st. ... Ames 1
Mr. Vaid's Court-Martial (Rs. 500), 7st. 9lbs. ... .. Kamad 2
Mr. Baldock's Turn of Luck (Rs. 500), 7st. 12lbs. ... ... Leach 3
Mr. C. Murray's German Gold (Rs. 1,000), 8st. 3lbs. ... ... T. Reyes 0
BETTING : 6 to 4 on Court-Martial. 7 to 4 agst. Sabig, 5 to 1 Turn of Luck, 30 to 1 German Gold.
Won by four lengths ; a length between second and third. Time—1min. 8secs.
The winner was bought in by the owner for Rs. 1,600.

THE NEW COMERS' PLATE.—Winner, Rs. 220 ; second, Rs. 100 ; third, Rs. 50. For Arabs 14 hands and under landed since 1st July 1906. 14 hands to carry 9st. 7lbs. W. I. ¼ mile.

Mr. Alibin Talib's Lailam, 9st. 11b ... C. B. Mahomed 1
Mr. Kada's Lucky Prince, 8st. 9lbs. ... F. Williams 2
Mr. S. Abdul Rah-man's Razub, 7st. 5lbs. Etul 3
Mr. F. A. Essack's Lender, 9st. 11b. Kamad 0
Also ran : Tabrez, 9-1 ; Dahaun, 8-9 ; Flicker 8-3 ; (car. 8-6 ; Purvez, 8-0 ; (car. 8-3) ; Littletoy, 7-11 (car. 8-1, and Youngkolah, 7-8.
BETTING : Evens Lucky Prince, 3 to 1 agst. Lender, 5 to 1 Purvez, 6 to 1 Flicker, 8 to 1 Lailam, and longer odds the others.
Won by a length ; a head between second and third. Time—55⅗ecs.

THE MIDGET HANDICAP.—Winner, Rs. 500 ; second, Rs. 200 ; third, Rs. 100. A High-weight Handicap for Arabs 13-3 and under. 5 furlongs.

Mr. Kelso's Hermit, 8st. 13lbs ... F. Williams 1
Mr Vaid's Zurriff, 7st. 12.bs. ... ... Kamad 2
Mr. Bashari's Burbon, 6st. 4lbs. (car. 6st. 11lbs.) .. .. Native 3
BETTING : 7 to 4 on Hermit, 6 to 4 agst. Zurriff, and 10 to 1 Burbon.
Won by half a length ; four lengths between second and third. Time—1min. 8⅘secs.

THE NEW COMERS' PLATE.—Winner, Rs. 200 ; second, Rs. 100 ; third, Rs. 50. For Arabs 14 hands and under landed since 1st July 1906. 14 hands to carry 9st. 7lbs. W. I. ¼ mile.

Mr. A. S. Omer's Rajput, 7st. 8lbs. ... Native 1
Mr. H. A. Khaderis' Littlejohn, 8st. 10lbs. Dhondi 2
Mr. H. H. Hassan's Commander, 8st. 6lbs. Native 3
Mr. Ebrahim Mana's Matlik, 7st. 11lbs. (car 7st. 12lbs.) ... ... Abdoola 0
Also ran : Madras, 8-7 ; Rackham, 8-9 ; Shahline, 8-3 (car. 8-4) ; Greyboy, 8-3 ; Jalmond, 7-11 ; and Happyland, 7-8.
BETTING : Evens Rackham, 3 to 1 agst Happyland, 6 to 1 Commander, 10 to 1 Shahline, 12 to 1 each Jalmond and Matlik, and 20 to 1 to 30 to 1 the others.
Won by one and a half length. Time—55⅕secs.

THE MARINE LINES PLATE.—Winner, Rs. 500 ; second, Rs. 200 ; third, Rs. 100. A High-weight Handicap for Arabs. 1 mile.

S. A. Waheed's Skylark, 8st. 13lbs. ... Oomerkhan 1
Mr. Ali bin Talib's Sheila, 7st. 7lbs. (car. 7st. 12lbs.) ... ... C. B. Mahomed 2
M. A. Khan's Nooman, 6st. 13lbs. ... Native 3

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Capt. Merchant's Kingcobweb, 7st. 10lbs. (car. 7st. 11lbs.) ... ... Bond 0
Also ran: Bendigo, 9-1; Berlin, 8-12; Vasco, 8-10; Gladiator, 8-9; Sandown, 8-7; Royal, 8-3; Makhool, 7-6; Highborn, 7-5; and Panala II., 7-3.

BETTING: 8 to 1 agst. Nooman, 5 to 1 each Bendigo, Berlin, and Makhool, 6 to 1 each Vasco and Kingcobweb, 8 to 1 each Gladiator and Panala II., and 10 to 1 to 12 to 1 the others.

Won by a head; half a length between second and third. Time—1min. 52⅘secs.

THE BEDOUIN PLATE.—Winner, Rs. 200; second, Rs. 100; third, Rs. 50. For Arabs 14 hands and under which have not won a flat race value Rs. 900 or over, or flat races value Rs. 150 or over of the aggregate value of Rs. 900. 14 hands to carry 8st. 12lbs. W. I. 6 furlongs.

Messrs Goculdas and Nanjee's Vedas, 9st. 2lbs. ... ... Ames 1
Mr. T. Tejpal's Antica, 8st. 6lbs. ... Kamad 2
Mr. A. M. Ameer's Caravan, 7st. 13lbs. ... Native 3
Mr. H. A. Shabag's Shanawar, 8st. 11lbs. ... F. Williams 0
Also ran: Darby, 8-8; Honey, 8-1; Sabah, 7-12; (car. 8-3); and Nagashi, 7-2.

BETTING: 5 to 4 agst. Vedas, 2 to 1 Darby 3 to 1 Shanawar, 6 to 1 Antica, 10 to 1 each Caravan, Honey, and Nagashi, and 15 to 1 Sabah.

Won easily by six lengths; one and half lengths between second and third. Time—1min. 22secs.

THIRD NEW COMERS' PLATE.—½ mile.

Mr. S. N. bin Syed Rascheed's Little Sanaya, 7st. 11lbs. ... ... Native 1
Mr. M. Ismail's Squire, 7st. 11lbs. ... Native 2
Messrs. Goculdas and Nanjee's Toy, 7st. 5lbs. ... ... Kamad 3
Mr. H. Benzaher's Satanic, 8st. 12lbs. Heeroo 0
Also ran: Phiroz, 9-1; Rains, 9-1; Thuyyar, 8-9; Engine, 8-8; Liberal, 7-8; Sirree, 7-8; and Collector, 7-5.

BETTING: 2 to 1 agst. Liberal, 3 to 1 Sirree, 4 to 1 each Engine and Toy, 6 to 1 each Rains, Satanic, Thuyyar, and Squire, and 10 to 1 to 12 to 1 the rest.

Won by one and a half lengths; a head between second and third. Time—55secs.

BHAMO RACES.

STEWARDS:

G. W. DAWSON, ESQ. | E. PERCY SMITH, ESQ.
J. P. ALGIE, ESQ. | CAPT. BRASSEY.
CAPT. W. ST. G. KIRKE, R.A. | R. P. DOVE, ESQ.

Honorary Secretary:—E. P. DOVE, ESQ.

First Day, Thursday, 27th December 1906.

THE POLO SCURRY.—Open to *bonâ fide* Polo Ponies. 300 yards.

Capt. Kuke's br w m Cairness, 12st. ... Owner 1
Mr. Dove's b w g Samson, 12st. ... Owner 2
Mr. Holman Hunt's b w m Gentle Ida, 12st. Mr. Keighley 3
Also ran: Mr. Percy Smiths' Baby, Captain Carr's The Duke, Major Barnett's Serpolett and Mr. Burke's Mytchie.

Won by two lengths; one length between second and third. Time—16secs.

THE GIANT PLATE.—For Indo-Burman and Burma-bred ponies 13 hands and under. 13 hands to carry 11st. W. I. 5 furlongs.

Mr. Percy Smith's g ib m Sloe Gin, 10st. 2lbs. ... ... Capt. Brassey 1
Capt. Carr's ch ib g No. 50, 10st. 6lbs. ... Mr. Wood 2
Mr. Lowis' ch ib g Golden Locks, 10st. 6lbs. ... ... Owner 3
Also ran: Captain Kuke's Daddy Long Legs, Mr. Dawson's Harlequin, Mr. Hannington's Mohin, and Mr. Roe's Lucky Boy.

Won after a very good race by a short neck; two lengths between second and third. Time—1min. 26⅘secs.

THE CLUB PLATE.—For I.-B. Burma-bred and C.-B. ponies 12-3 and under that have never won a race value Rs. 50 and over. 4 furlongs.

Capt. Kuke's d cb g Marigold, 11st. 5lbs. .. Owner 1
Mr. Percy Smith's b cb g Baby, 11st. 3lbs. Owner 2
Major Barnett's w cb m Blotting Paper, 11st. 7lbs ... ... Owner 3
Also ran: Mr. Phillip's Lady Mad Cap, Mr. Lowis' Shwe Tayok and Maung Chikaing's Aungmin.

Won in a canter. Time—1min. 5secs.

THE RANGOON PURSE.—For I.-B. Burma-bred and C.-B. ponies 13 hands and under, and for other ponies 12-3 and under. 6 furlongs.

Mr. Dove's b w g Samson, 12st. ... Owner 1
Capt. Kuke's br w m Cairness, 12st. ... Owner 2
Mr. Holman Hunt's b w m Gentle Ida, 12st. ... ... Mr. Keighley 3
Also ran: Mr. Wood's Soup Plates Mr. Dudley's Poker, Mr. Percy Smith's Tiny and Mr. Dove's Idleness.

Won by a length. Time—1min. 38secs.

Second Day, Saturday, 29th December 1906.

THE CLUB HANDICAP.—For I.-B., B.-B. and C.-B. ponies 12-3 and under. 4 furlongs.

Mr. Lowis' ch ib g Golden Locks, 9st. 2lbs. Owner 1
Capt. Kuke's d cb g Marigold, 11st. 7lbs.... Mr. Dove 2
Mr. Percy Smith's cb b g Baby, 11st. 9lbs. Owner 3
Also ran: Mr. Keighley's No. 49.

Won by six lengths; three lengths between second and third. Time—1min. 5secs.

OPEN HANDICAP.—For I.-B., B.-B. and C.-B. ponies 13 hands and under, and other ponies 12-3 and under. 6 furlongs.

Mr. Dove's ch w m Idleness, 10st. 3lbs. ... Owner 1
Mr. Percy Smith's b w m Tiny, 10st. 10lbs. Owner 2
Mr. Holman Hunt's b w m Gentle Ida, 10st. 11lbs. ... ... Mr. Lowis 3
Also ran: Captain Kuke's Cairness.

Won by three and a half lengths; two lengths between second and third. Time—1min. 45secs.

THE BHAMO STEEPLECHASE.—For ponies 12-3 and under. I.-B. and B.-B. 12-3 to carry 10st., C.-B. 11st., and others 12st. W. I. 1½ miles.

Mr. Dove's b w g Samson, 12st. ... Owner 1
Mr. Holman Hunt's ch e g Hot Haste, 11st. 10lbs. ... ... Mr. Lowis 2
Mr. Percy Smith's b ib m Connie, 10st. ... Owner 3
Also ran: Mr. Hughe's Bobby and Mr. Phillip's Alphonse.

Won by six lengths; four lengths between second and third. Connie declared 9½lbs. No time kept.

THE IRRAWADDY HANDICAP.—For I.-B., B.-B. and C.-B. ponies 13 hands and under. 5 furlongs.

Capt. Carr's ch ib g No 5), 11st. ... Mr. Dove 1
Mr. Percy Smith's g ib m Sloe Gin, 10st. 13lbs. ... ... Owner 2
Mr. Lowis' d ib g Shwe Tajok, 9st. 6lbs. Owner 3
Also ran: Captain Kuke's Daddy Long Legs.

Won by three lengths; two lengths between second and third. Time—1min. 25secs.

CONSOLATION RACE.—Open to ponies that have run but not won a race at the meeting. 5 furlongs.

Mr. Holman Hunt's b w m Gentle Ida, 11st. ... ... Mr. Lowis 1
Mr. Percy Smith's b w m Tiny, 11st. ... Owner 2
Mr. Holman Hunt's ch e g Hot Haste, 11st. Mr. Dove 3
Also ran: Mr. Wood's Soup Plates.

Won by five lengths; two lengths between second and third. Time not taken.

TRAINERS' LOTS.

CALCUTTA RACES, 1906-1907.

HORSE.	DESCRIPTION.	OWNER.	TRAINER.
A.			
Annamulloch	bk e m	Mr. Holmes	Wishart.
Amplify	ch e m	Mr. J. D. Scott	Owner.
Applause	b e h	Mr. J. C. Galstaun	Tingey.
Au Fait	br e m	Capt. Farquharson	Saunders.
Airlock	bk aus m	Hon. Mr. A. A. Apcar	Watson.
Amyas	ch aus g	Mr. Dartmoor	Taylor.
Adviser	b aus g	Mr. S. F. Reynolds	Wishart.
Aberfoyle	b or br aus g	Mr. R. S. Hart	Ferguson.
B.			
Black Duke	bk or br e c	Mr. D. B. Myers	Dignum.
Bon Bon	b aus g	Mr. D. B. Myers	Dignum.
Baron II	ch aus g	Mr. Locke	C. Hoyt.
Blitzen	bk or br e m	Messrs. Hudson and Butler	Wishart.
Ballark	bk aus g	Hon. Mr. A. A. Apcar	Watson.
Beaunero	ch e g	Mr. G. B. Deakin	Owner.
Bundook	b e g	Mr. Dartmoor	Taylor.
Branga	ch aus g	Mr. T. G. Evers	Owner.
Botha	br aus g	Mr. O. M. D. Bell	Firth.
Bouquet	b e m	Mr. B. B.	Walker.
Belle Cole	b aus m	Mr. Stead	Torpey.
Bubble	br aus g	Messrs. Rodocanachi and Mackenzie	Norton.
Bucentaur	b aus g	Mr. J. A. Manning	Marriott.
Bonita	ch aus m	Mr. A. L. Butler	Wishart.
Bull's Eye	br aus g	Mr. M. Turner	Private.
C.			
Child Adopted	b e m	Mr. A. N. Dass	Taylor.
Carnival	ch e m	Mr. A. N. Dass	Taylor.
Curfew	ch aus g	Mr. J. B.	Ramshaw.
Craigendarrie	b e g	Mr. J. C. Galstaun	Tingey.
Cyril	b aus g	Mrs. A. Grosser	Smallman.
Colina	br e m	Mr. G. H. L. Mackenzie	Norton.
Cherson	b aus h	H. H. Kour Sahib of Patiala	T. Scott.
Contest	ch aus h	Mr. R. S. Hart	Ferguson.
Clear Artist	b or br e g	Mr. North	Bleach
Coin II	ch aus m	H. H. Mah. of Cooch Behar	Ramshaw.
Curlew	b aus m	Mr. B. N. Burjotjee	Owner.
Clynder	b e m	Mr. A. N. Dass	Taylor.
Curfew Bell	ch aus m	Messrs. Wood and Badger	Penton.
Coronet	b aus g	Mr. S. F. Reynolds	Wishart.
Circus Girl	b aus m	Mr. J. C. Galstaun	Tingey.
Claribell	ch aus m	Mr. J. C. Galstaun	Tingey.
Cingalee	ch e m	Mr. Cecil	Ramshaw.
Clodian	b aus g	Mr. J. G. Ballantyne	Mr. Evers.
Camira	b aus g	Mr. E. J. Marshall	J. D. Scott.
Chippy Norton	bk aus g	Mr. P. B. Avasia	Bleach.
Craig	br aus g	Capt. H. V. Holden	Owner.
D.			
Downland	br or bk e m	Mr. J. M. Bodocanachi	Norton.
Dea	br aus m	Hon. Mr. A. A. Apcar	Watson.
Decoration	b aus g	Mr. R. S. Hart	Ferguson.
Duplex II	b aus g	Mr. J. D. Scott.	Owner.
Dirty Boy	bk e g	Mr. J. C. Galstaun	Tingey.
Dulcimer	bk aus g	Mr. J. C. Galstaun	Tingey.
Dramatic	br aus g	Mr. O. M. D. Bell	Firth.
Dormant	b aus g	Mr. P. B. Avasia	Bleach.
Diakkaway	ch e m	Mr. J. C. Galstaun	Tingey.
Dunsinane	ch e f	Messrs. Wood and Badger	Penton.
E.			
Esmeralda	ch e m	Mr. J. D. Scott	Owner.
Envious	b aus c	Mr. Cowper	Owner.
Esperanto	b aus m	Mr. R. D. Coggan	T. White.
F.			
Footprint	b e h	Mr. E. L. F. de Soysa	Harper
Fitzgrafton	b aus h	Hon. Mr. A. A. Apcar	Watson.
Flo	bk or br aus m	Mr. F. Potter	Owner.
Footlight	br aus m	Mr. W. H. Walmesley	Ramshaw.
Ferndown	br e b	Messrs. Wood and Badger	Penton.
Flotsam	b aus g	Thakur Sripal Singh	Thomas.
Foy	bk aus g	Mr. Charles	Pringle.
First Bell	ch aus g	Col. Stisted	Firth.
G.			
Galley Slave	ch e g	Mr. E. J. Marshall	J. D. Scott.
Greenstone	b aus g	Mr. North	Bleach.
Gum	b aus g	Mr. J. C. Galstaun	Tingey.
Gladstone	b aus g	Mr. Locke	C. Hoyt.
Ground Glass	b e m	Mr. Cowper	Pringle.
Good Chap	br aus g	Mr. R. M. Hamilton	Mr. Cowper.
Gowan	ch aus m	Mr. J. C. Galstaun	Tingey.
Goldstamp	b e m	Messrs. Paris and Marshall	Wishart.
Golden	ch e f	Mr. A. Gamble	Norton.
H.			
Hoop Iron	b aus g	Mr. J. C. Galstaun	Tingey.
Handelian	br e g	Mr. J. C. Galstaun	Tingey.
Honest Lady	b e m	Mr. J. D. Scott	Owner.
Heritique	br aus m	Hon. Mr. A. A. Apcar	Watson.
Hooded Monk	b e g	Aga S. Shah	Owner.
Half Price	br aus m	Mr. Price	Owner.
Hazlenut	bk aus m	Mr. Dartmoor	Taylor.
Hint	br aus m	Mr. J. M. Rodocanachi	Norton.
I.			
Insurrection	b e g	Mr. A. N. Dass	Taylor.
Ivanhoe II	br aus g	Mr. R. D. Coggan	T. White.
J.			
Jacquelin	b aus m	Mr. R. S. Hart	Ferguson.
Jolly Abbot	gr e c	Mr. D. B. Myers	Dignum.
Jackeroo	br aus g	Mr. O. M. D. Bell	Firth.
Jack Sheppard	b e g	Mr. W. H. Walmesley	Pringle.
Jubilant	b aus m	Mr. G. K.	Munroe.
Jacinth	br aus g	Mr. Cowper	Owner.
Jolly Roger	ch e g	Col. P. K. L. Beaver	Heywood.
K.			
Kipling	b aus g	Mr. E. J. Marshall	J. D. Scott.
Killeevan	br e m	Mr. J. C. Galstaun	Tingey.
Kendal King	ch e g	Mr. Charles	Pringle.
Kingpin	ch aus g	Mr. Austin	Heywood.
L.			
Loch Lochie	b aus g	Mr. R. S. Hart	Ferguson.
Look Out	b aus g	Mr. Locke	C. Hoyt.
Long Tom	br aus g	Mr. J. C. Galstaun	Ferguson.
Lady Avon	bk or br aus m	Mr. J. D. Scott	Owner.
Lady Anna	b e m	Messrs. Paris and Marshall	Wishart.
Lady Veera	b e m	Mr. Bunting	J. D. Scott.
Lady Grey	gr e m	Mr. Bunting	J. D. Scott.
Lord D.	b aus g	Mr. Alec	Heywood.
Lucretia	ch aus m	Lieut.-Col. J. Desaraj Urs	Vinall.
Lord Harry	b aus g	Capt. H. V. Holden	Private.
Little Dolly	ch aus m	Col. P. K. L. Beaver	Heywood.
Lady Metal	b aus m	Mr. Dartmoor	Taylor.
Lamrock	br aus g	H. H. Kour Sahib of Patiala	T. Scott.
Lorette	br aus m	Mr. B. N. Burjorjee	Owner.
Lord Boyne	bk aus g	H. H. Kour Sahib of Patiala	T. Scott.
Loyal	ch aus g	Mr. J. A. Manning	Marriott.
Leda	ch aus m	Mr. R. S.	Walker.
Lady Viola	b aus m	Mr. J. D. Scott	Owner.
Leading Lady	b aus m	Mr. W. B. Green	Mr. H. E. Smith.
M.			
Merry Elsie	b e m	Mrs. A. Grosser	Smallman.
Meadow Saffron	ch e m	Mr. G. B. Deakin	J. D. Scott.
Mother Goose	br e g	Messrs. Wood and Badger	Penton.

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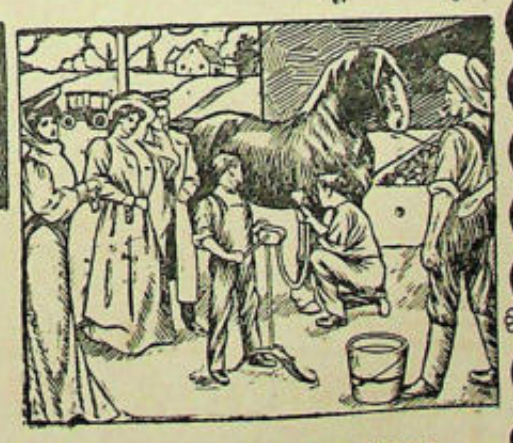

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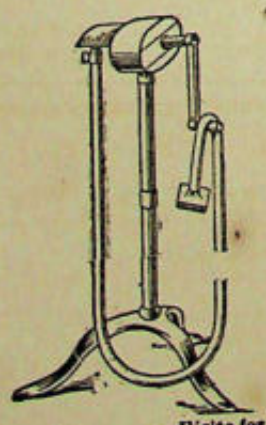

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O.

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P.

Pennant	b aus g	Mr. Borneo	Norton.
Pat. C.	b sth afr. h	Mr. J. D. Scott	Owner.
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Palas	ch aus m	Mr. R. D. Coggan	T. White.
Pendred	b c g	Mr. Charles	Pringle.
Palindrome	br or ch aus m	Mr. Stead	Torpey.
Paddy's Darling	b c m	Mr. J. C. Galstaun	Tingey.
Prince Lyon	br aus g	Mr. J. C. Galstaun	Tingey.
Presbyterian	ch c g	Mr. P. B. Avasia	Bleach.
Psalm	br c m	Mr. O. M. D. Bell	Firth.
Projecture	b aus m	Mr. F. Potter	Owner.
Pure Gold	b c g	Mr. J. C. Galstaun	Tingey.
Prince Moorefield	b aus g	Mr. R. B. Lamotte	Owner.
Pretender	b aus g	Mr. K. M. Hamilton	Mr. Cowper.
Picture	b aus m	Mrs. J. N. Gregory	Taylor.

R.

Red Coral	b aus g	Lieut.-Col. J. Desaraj Urs ...	Vinall.
Rosanule	b c h	Mr. Charles	Pringle.
Refuge Bay	b aus g	Mr. Charles	Pringle.
Riverside II	b nth aus g	Mr. J. C. Galstaun	Tingey.
Rustile	ch aus m	Mr J. C. Galstaun	Tingey.
Rezia	b aus m	Mr. A. N. Dass	Taylor.
Rustler	b aus g	Mr. J. C. Galstaun	Tingey.
Rather Rakish	ch aus g	Mr. Holmes	Wishart.
Roseland	b cb g	Mr. J. D. Scott	Owner.

S.

Seclusion	ch aus m	Hon. Mr. A. A. Apcar	Watson.
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Spark	b aus g	Mr. K. R. Tomkinson	C. Hoyt.
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Spero	b aus g	Mr. S. Margrett	Smallman.
Signorina	b aus m	Mr. J. B.	Ramshaw.
Son of a Gun	b c h	Mr. Bunting	J. D. Scott.
S. S.	b aus g	Thakur Sripal Singh	Thomas.
Sainte Marquise	br c m	Mr. J. C. Galstaun	Tingey.
Santa Maria	b c m	Mr. Holmes	Wishart.
Squire Alfred	b c g	Messrs. Wood & Badger	Penton.
Scamander	ch c m	Mr. W. H. Walmsley	Pringle.
Sacristan II	ch c g	Mr. Dartmoor	Taylor.
Solace	b aus m	Mr. Field	Heywood.
Silphoe	b c g	Mr. J. C. Galstaun	Tingey.
Sea Spray	b c f	Mr. G. B. Deakin	Owner.
Sermon	ch c g	Messrs. Wood & Badger	Penton.
Saloon	br cb g	Mr. J. B. Scott	Owner.
Steinhager	b c c	Mr. Charles	Pringle.
Stepaway	b c m	Mr A. L. Butler	Wishart.
Swindle	br aus g	Mrs. A. Grosser	Smallman.
St. Michael	b aus g	Mr. S. Margrett	Smallman.
Spain	ch c g	Capt. Milvain	Penton.
Sir Walter	b aus g	Mr. D. Norton	Owner.

T.

Thomond	br c g	Messrs. Wood & Badger	Penton.
Trencherman	b aus h	Mr. A. N. Dass	Taylor.
Trenayr	b aus g	H. H. Kour Sahib of Patiala	T. Scott.
Tartan	ch aus g	Mr. M. R. K. Hodgson	Owner.
Terence	ch aus g	Hon. Mr. A. A. Apcar	Watson.
Tycannah	b aus g	Mr. J. S. Love	Marriott.
Trenton	b aus g	Lt.-Col. J. Desaraj Urs	Vinall.
Trentside Lad	b aus g	Mr. J. M. Rodocanachi	Norton.
Turk	gr aus g	Mr. W. O. Rees	Owner.

V.

Veera	ch aus m	Mr. G. K.	Munroe.
Vespasia	b c m	Mr. D. B. Myers	Dignum.
Vanity Fair	b aus m	Mr. Dartmoor	Taylor.
Vinolia	bor br aus m	Mr. H. V. Low	Norton.

W.

Wal	b aus g	Mr J. W. Scott	Owner.
Wakeful	br aus m	Mr. E. C. Ramshaw	Owner.
White Heather	ch c g	Capt. H. D. McNeil	Owner.
Windy	br aus g	Mr. J. C. Galstaun	Tingey.
Wake up	b aus m	Mr. H. E. Smith	Owner.
Watch Fire	gr aus g	Mr. R. A. C. Pugh	Owner.
Wales	gr aus g	Mr. Beaumont	Owner.
Woodbine	ch aus m	Mr. Charles	Pringle.
Watchfire	gr aus g	Mr. Gutshcke	Mr. Pugh.

Y.

Yardley	ch aus m	Mr. J. D. Scott	Owner.
Yankee Boy	ch aus h	Mr. J. D. Scott	Owner.

Z.

Zig Zag	b aus g	Mr. Glen	Mr. Cowper.

Entries for Races.

LUCKNOW SPRING MEETING, 1907.

2nd, 4th and 6th February.

List of second entries closed 1st January 1907.

First Day, Saturday, 2nd February 1907.

THE MARTINIERE PLATE.—1¼ miles.

10 Capt. Hill's ... ... gr a h ... Cinque Ports, 13-3½.

THE PONY HURDLES.—About 2 miles over 8 flights.

15 Messrs. Goculdas and Najee's br aus g ... Bull's-Eye, 14-2.

THE STEWARDS' CUP.—5 furlongs.

4 Thakur Sripal Singh's ... ch aus m ... Rustile.

THE GREAT OUDH HANDICAP.—6 furlongs.

14 Mr. E. W. Williams' ... gr a g ... Avatar, 14-0½.

THE MAIDEN PLATE.—1,000 yards.

8 Lala Radha Mohun's ... b cb h ... Rosewater, 14-1.

THE HORSE PLATE.—7 furlongs.

4 H. H. Koer Sahib of Patiala's b aus g ... Trenayr.
5 H. H. Koer Sahib of Patiala's bk aus g ... Mallinyook.

Second Day, 4th February.

THE CALCUTTA PLATE.—1 mile.

4 H. H. Koer Sahib of Patiala's b aus g ... Trenayr.
5 H. H. Koer Sahib of Patiala's bk aus g ... Mallinyook.

THE ALUM BAGH PLATE.—6 furlongs.

15 Mr. E. W. Williams' ... b a g ... Pasha, 14-0.

THE FEBRUARY PLATE.—¼ mile.

9 Lala Radha Mohun's ... b cb h ... Rosewater, 14-1.
10 Lala Radha Mohun's ... bk cb h ... Black Prince, 13-3.

THE CHUTTER MUNZIL PLATE.—6 furlongs.

8 Messrs. Goculdas and Najee's ... ... br aus g ... Bull's-Eye, 14-2.

Third Day, 6th February 1907.

THE DELKUSHA PLATE.—1¼ miles.

6 H. H. Koer Sahib of Patiala's ... ... bk aus g ... Lord Boyne.

THE DESERT HANDICAP.—1,000 yards.

14 Mr. E. W. Williams' ... gr a g ... Avatar, 14-0½.

THE OPEN PONY CHASE.—R. C. about 2 miles.

14 Messrs. Goculdas and Najee's ... ... br aus g ... Bull's-Eye, 14-2.

THE PRODUCE PLATE.—5 furlongs.

3 Lala Radha Mohun's ... bk cb h ... Black Prince, 13-3.

N.B.—Final Entries close on the 15th January 1907.

H. ENSOR, Major,
Secretary.

Ponies.

W. I. T. C. Measurements.

BOMBAY.

The following ponies were classed, aged and measured, by the Official Measurer, W. I. T. Club, at Bombay, on the 12th December 1906 :—

Horse's Name.	*Description.*	*Owner's Name.*	*Age.*	*Height.*	*Period.*
Assayie	b a h	Lieut.-Col. C. M. Ducat ...	6	14-0¼	For life.
Bachelor	b a h	Mr. Almas bin Abdoola ...	3	13-1	31st March 1907.
Boonian	ch a h	Mr. Tahar Yunis	Aged	13-3½	For life.
Kabil	g a h	Mr. Essa Mulla Sulleman ...	6	13-2½	For life.
Koomash	g a h	Mr. Ali bin Talib	4	13-2¾	31st March 1907.
Lailan	g a h	Mr. Ali bin Talib	4	14-0	31st March 1907.
Makbul	b a h	Mr. Mula Hassoon	6	14-0	For life.
Reality	b a h	Mr. Khurshedji F. Vakil ...	6	14-0¼	For life.
Roosevelt	b a h	Mr. G. K. —	4	13-2¾	31st March 1907.

The following ponies were classed, aged and measured, by the Official Measurer, W. I. T. Club, at Bombay, on the 19th December 1906 :—

Agayat	g a h	Mr. Fatteh Daya...	5	13-2½	31st March 1907.
English Lass	b e m	Mr. J. F. Dawson	6	14-0	For life.
Meantun	b a h	Mr. Wahab bin Baker ...	4	13-3½	31st March 1907.
Prestidigitateur	ch a g	Capt. Meynell ...	6	14-0¼	For life.
Ryegrass	ch aus m	Capt. Hagger ...	6	14-1	For life.
Saad	b a h	Mr. Mukdasi Abdoola ...	4	14-0	31st March 1907.
Young Lomond	g a h	Mr. Morison ...	6	14-0	For life.

To have found a cricketer with a keener sense of humour than Tom Emmett would not have been an easy task. A good worker, his chief failing was that he occasionally underrated the value of the opposition, and this once brought him to grief.

F. Townsend was bowling curly underhand slows, the match being Gloucestershire v. England; and Emmett, rather than run the risk of hitting into cover-point's hands, allowed several that were about a foot off the wicket to pass. The bowler, however, persisted in sending them up, and Tom, to show his contempt for the bowling, shouldered his bat and smiled as the balls passed him. Eventually Townsend managed to get more break on one ball than usual, and, standing with uplifted bat, the contemptuous cricketer had the mortification of seeing the leather curl in and hit the off stump.

"A little over-confident, Tom, were you not?" a friend remarked; but he left the wicket without replying.

"What's the matter, Tom?" somebody else asked, when he at length reached the pavilion.

"Don't Tom me!" he rather angrily remarked.

"Well, Emmett, then," his well-wisher suggested.

"Don't Emmett me!" again requested the "outed" one.

"Then what would you like to be called?" demanded the persistent believer in "Tom."

"Look you," answered Emmett, turning to the anxious inquirer, "call me a——fool, for I feel like one!"

Then he retired into the pavilion.

Sport in England.

(FROM THE HOME PAPERS.)

LONDON, *Friday, 21st December 1906.*

THE TURF.

NEWBURY.

THE general muster of sportsmen on Tuesday was a capital one, whilst the proceedings were conducted well up to the advanced standard set by the management from the first. Fields did not work out quite as well as expected, although some very good class animals were seen out, including Dafila, who has earned the reputation of being our smartest young hurdler. It is not generally known that this brilliant performer was until recently owned by Mr. David Faber, who also allowed the best flat racer in England, *i. e.*, Polymelus, to go out of his possession.

JUVENILE HURDLE RACE—Of 100sovs.; second receives 10sovs.; for three year olds only. 1½ miles over hurdles.

Mr. H. M. Hartigan's b c Dafila, by Laveno or Wildfowler—Raia, 11st. 8lbs.	T. Moran	1
Mr. C. T. Pulley's br c Lennoxlove, 10st. 7lbs.	G. F. Butchers	2
Mr. J. Buchanan's b c Ormeton, 10st. 5lbs.	P. Cowley	3
Lord Howard de Walden's Peter Jackson, 10st. 5lbs.	J. Cain	0
Lord Coventry's Coup de Grace, 10st. 10lbs.	R. Morgan	0
Mr. T. Sherwood's Cherry Nob, 10st. 5lbs.	L. Sherwood	0
Mr. A. Stedall's Scotch Cross, 10st. 10lbs. ...	J. Dillon	0
Prince Hatzfeldt's Compton Toy, 10st. 5lbs.	E. R. Morgan	0
Mr. J. F. Hallick's Quick March, 10st. 5lbs.	C. Templeman	0
Mr. T. Southall's Gallerani, 10st. 12lbs. ...	A. Newey	0
Mr. R. R. Appleby's Stara, 10st. 12lbs. ...	R. Gordon	0
Mr. J. F. Hallick's Muscar, 11st. 8lbs. ...	T. Dunn	0
Mr. F. W. Adam's Marie Jeanne, 10st. 5lbs.	D. Dale	0
Mr. R. C. Dawson's Dowdingstown, 10st. 5lbs.	J. O'Brien	0
Major Edwards' Burra Sahib, 10st. 5lbs. ...	E. Driscoll	0

(*Winner trained by F. Hartigan.*)

BETTING: 13 to 8 agst. Dafila, 4 to 1 Scotch Cross, 6 to 1 Peter Jackson, 100 to 14 Marie Jeanne, 8 to 1 Lennoxlove, 10 to 1 each Gallerani and Ormeton, and 100 to 7 each the others (offered.)

Won comfortably by two lengths; three parts of a length divided second and third. Time—3mins. 0⅘secs.

CRANBORNE HANDICAP STEEPLECHASE—Of 200sovs.; second receives 20sovs., and the third 10sovs. 3 miles.

Lord Howard de Walden's b g Center Board, by Speed—Ballast, 5yrs., 11st.	J. Cain	1
Prince Hatzfeldt's ch g Rathvale, 5yrs., 11st. 9lbs.	Mr. Hastings	2
Mr. Wynford Philipps' b g Bushey Path, aged, 11st. 6lbs.	I. Anthony	3
Mr. C. T. Garland's Oatlands, 6yrs., 11st. 12lbs.	J. Dillon	0
Mr. T. Clyde's Sachem, 5yrs., 11st. 5lbs. ...	J. O'Brien	0
Mr. C. R. Hodgson's Canary II., aged, 10st. 10lbs. (car. 10st. 11lbs.)	R. Morgan	0

(*Winner trained by Major Beatty.*)

BETTING: 6 to 4 agst. Oatlands, 2 to 1 Rathvale, 5 to 1 Sachem, and 8 to 1 each the others (offered.)

Won easily by half a dozen lengths; a bad third.

MODERATE STEEPLECHASE—Of 150sovs.; second receives 20sovs., and the third 10sovs. 2 miles and about 50 yards.

Mr. L. Neumann's b c Baeldi, by Gallinule—Ballyohara, 4yrs., 11st. 10lbs. ...	J. Walsh, jun.	1
Mr. C. R. Hodgson's ch g Red Cloth, 5yrs., 11st. 11lbs.	R. Morgan	2
Lord N. Crichton Stuart's br g Clean Linen, 4yrs., 10st. 12lbs.	A. Newey	3
Mr. P. Whitaker's Newsvendor, 5yrs., 11st. 11lbs.	Mr. Whitaker	0
Mr. E. Lawrence's Perry, 6yrs., 11st. 4lbs.	Mr. A. Gordon	0

(*Winner trained by J. J. Maher.*)

BETTING: 11 to 10 on Baeldi, 2 to 1 agst. Red Cloth, 6 to 1 Clean Linen, and 20 to 1 each the others (offered.)

Won in a canter by six lengths; eight lengths divided second and third. Perry was last throughout. Time—4mins. 19⅕secs.

Considering the gloomy outlook in town, it was surprising that so many sportsmen undertook the journey to Newbury on Wednesday—a fact that once more demonstrates the wonderful hold the meeting has on the public's affections. Nor were they disappointed, so far as the racing went, capital fields and pulsating finishes being for the most part the order of the day throughout. Several lots of bloodstock were sold by Mr. A. Stevens during the intervals of racing, and Newbury is gaining some sort of standing as a favourable auction mart with owners.

BERKS HANDICAP HURDLE RACE—Of 200sovs.; second receives 20sovs., and the third 10sovs. 2 miles.

Mr. R. B. Dobell's b g Jenkins, by Simontault—Eugenia, 4yrs., 10st. ...	G. Goswell	1
Prince Hatzfeldt's b g Cossack Post, aged, 10st. 11lbs.	E. Driscoll	2
Mr. J. Wynford Philipps' b g Wedding Day, 5yrs., 10st.	I. Anthony	3
Mr. H. M. Hartigan's Domino, 4yrs., 12st. 9lbs.	T. Moran	0
Mr. H. Beasman's The Clown II., 6yrs., 10st. 10lbs.	T. Fitton	0
Mr. F. C. Graham Menzies' Alyth, 4yrs., 11st. 8lbs.	T. Dunn	0
Mr. J. B. Joel's Mount Prospect II., 5yrs., 11st. 7lbs.	Mr. Whitaker	0
Mr. A. E. McKinlay's One Away, 6yrs., 11st. 11lb.	F. Mason	0
Mr. C. Bewicke's Enceladus, 4yrs., 10st. ...	J. O'Brien	0

(*Winner trained by J. Cowap.*)

BETTING: 4 to 1 agst. Alyth, 5 to 1 each One Away, Cossack Post, Domino, Mount Prospect II., and The Clown II., 10 to 1 Jenkins, and 20 to 1 each the others (offered.)

Won easily by four lengths; three lengths divided second and third. Time—4mins. 1⅘secs.

FINDON SELLING HANDICAP STEEPLECHASE—Of 100sovs. 2 miles and about 50 yards.

Mr. H. B. Black's br h What Next, by Dictator or Quidnunc—Veda, aged, 12st. 7lbs.	F. Freemantle	1
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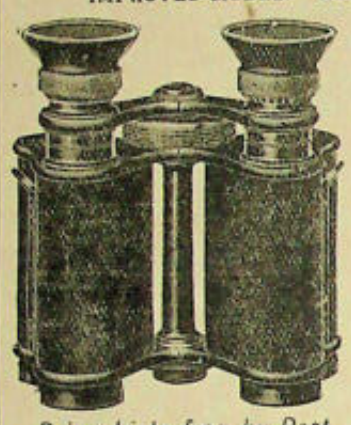

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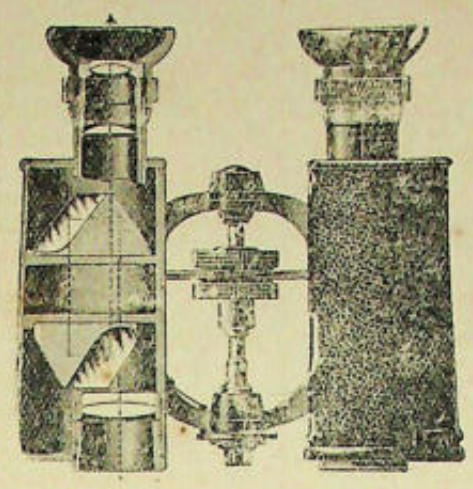

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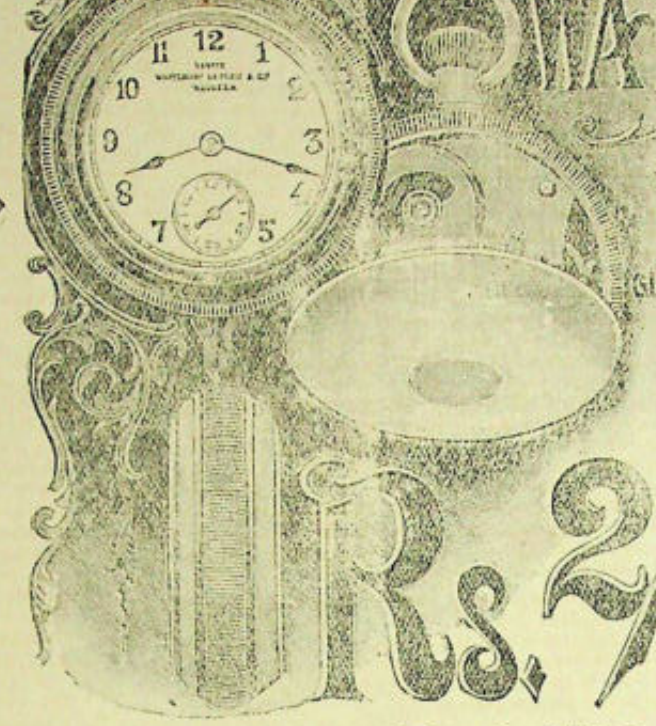

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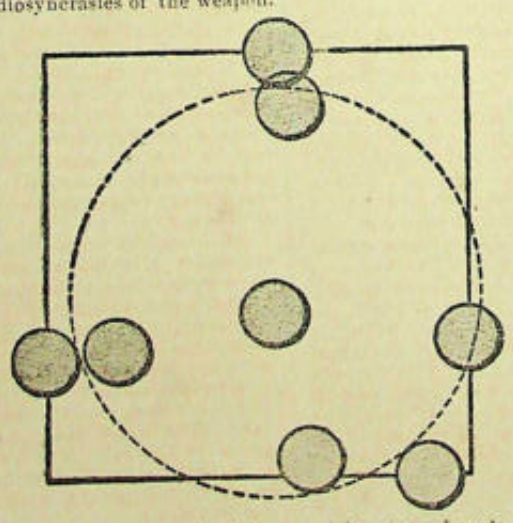

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FOOTBALL ASSOCIATION RULES.

The forwards in the big Leagues had their scoring boots on last week-end, and the bag of goals was the heaviest for some time past. In the Southern League, excluding an abandoned game, nine matches produced 81 goals; in the ten First Division League contests the total reached 36, while the Second League struggles, also ten in number, furnished 37. In the Southern League the home clubs did not sweep the board. Five of them won, but three lost, and there was one drawn game. The eight winning teams claimed 25 goals, and the losing sides only a half-dozen. There were not any goals in the drawn game, and altogether six teams failed to legitimately find the net. The home clubs in the League did remarkably well, seven winning their games in the Premier Division and nine in the Second Division. There was a drawn match in each section, and two visiting teams in the upper circle captured the full points. The losing teams had a poor time, the nine in the two division scoring only 5 and 8 goals respectively, as compared with the 21 and 29 obtained by the winners. There were not any goals in the drawn games, and the teams who failed to score numbered seven in League I, and four in League II.

SOUTHERN LEAGUE.

Fulham must be well satisfied with the result of their visit to Southampton, for they reversed last year's verdict, and thus gained a couple of points. Prior to the game the chances were certainly against the West Londoners, for Southampton had escaped defeat in their previous seven home engagements, while the last five they had won by a goal score of 13 against 2. Saturday's game was a test of strength under excellent conditions, and both clubs were well represented. When just before half-time the Sotonians assumed the lead, there was considerable rejoicing, but Fulham played a strong game in the second half, and Freeman and Hamilton both scoring, the Cottagers registered a fine win. It was a hard, stubbornly contested game, the issue remaining in doubt until the close, as Southampton, when they found themselves a goal behind, played with desperate energy and determination, but the Fulham defence held out to the end. This is the fourth win the West Londoners have scored away from home in the present tourney, on five other occasions they have haived the points, and only once have they lost, Tottenham administering a severe drubbing to them on 24th September. As showing the remarkable strength of the Fulham defence, it may be pointed out that in their last seven games they have given away only two goals.

The football public of North London came to the conclusion that Northampton would not provide an exciting struggle at White Hart Lane, hence a comparatively small attendance for the 'Spurs' grounds. The Cobblers were a beaten team from the start, and in each half their defence was thrice defeated. The score of 6—0 is the heaviest defeat they have had inflicted on them this season, Reading and Queen's Park Rangers each contenting themselves with a five to *nil* victory. Tottenham are now easily at the head with regard to the total number of goals scored, but as they have given away three more than Fulham they have a decimally worse average. The game at Millwall was of considerable importance to Portsmouth, as their failure would have seriously discounted their chances for the championship, their supporters being confident that they will attain to this giddy height during the current season. Millwall entered upon the game with confidence, for no team had taken a couple of points from North Greenwich this season, and they relied upon the same side as that which defeated the Arsenal the previous Monday. Portsmouth, however, were out to win, and having obtained a goal about which there was an element of good fortune, they retained their advantage to the end, and won by the narrow margin of a goal to love. The home team at least deserved to draw.

There were some surprises in the Southern League, in addition to that at Millwall, and the most startling was at the Palace, where Plymouth Argyle, who had won only one match since the first month of the season, beat Crystal Palace by 2 clear goals, both being obtained in a failing light. This is the third defeat on their own ground this season, and it was totally unexpected after successive wins at the expense of Millwall and Portsmouth. Another dramatic result was the defeat of Bristol Rovers at Leyton by 4 goals to 2. It is prodigious. The Rovers had met the strongest teams in the League, but it was left to Leyton, who have admittedly been most inconsistent of late, to be the first side to capture the Rovers' goal four times in an afternoon. It was an unexpected happening, but the run of the play was in accordance with the score, and Leyton thoroughly deserved every one of the goals that make up their heaviest S. L. score of the season. Brentford, who win at home just as regularly as they fail to do so away, had to work hard for their success against New Brompton, but the visitors had some vulnerable points, and the home team scoring thrice without response, brought their goal record at Griffin Park to 19 against 5. Queen's Park Rangers have good cause to complain of the scurvy trick played them on Saturday by the fog, as they were leading West Ham. at Boleyn Castle when the game was abandoned six minutes from time. The whole game will have to be replayed, presumably on cup-tie terms. Hard lines for the Rangers. Norwich City had no difficulty in beating Reading, Luton played a bright, incisive game against Brighton, and Watford did no better than was anticipated in sharing the points in a goal-less game at Swindon.

The S. L. table shows Fulham in a very strong position, and their neighbours, Queen's Park Rangers, uncomfortably near the bottom.

	P.	W.	L.	D.	Goals For	Goals Agst.	Pts.
Fulham ...	19	10	1	8	30	15	28
Portsmouth ...	16	9	3	4	25	15	22
Tottenham Hotspur ...	17	8	5	6	35	18	22
Brighton and Hove .	17	7	5	5	22	19	19
Watford ...	16	5	2	9	18	12	19
Bristol Rovers ...	18	7	6	5	24	22	19
West Ham. United ...	17	5	4	8	28	22	18
Southampton ...	16	7	6	3	26	19	17
Norwich City ..	16	7	4	5	29	22	17
Brentford ...	16	7	6	3	21	20	17
Swindon ...	17	5	5	7	19	16	17
Plymouth Argyle ...	18	5	6	7	24	29	17
Crystal Palace ...	16	6	7	3	23	22	15
Luton ...	16	6	7	3	18	28	15
Millwall ...	18	6	9	3	26	32	15
Leyton ...	16	5	7	4	22	29	14
New Brompton ...	16	5	9	2	17	25	12
Queen's Park Rangers ...	16	3	8	5	16	22	11
Reading ...	16	4	11	1	17	26	9
Southampton ...	15	1	9	5	11	36	7

The match at Upton Park between West Ham., and Queen's Park Rangers abandoned owing to fog, with the score at 1—0 against West Ham, is not included in the above table.

LEAGUE I.

A draw did not content the gunners at Everton. They won, and won handsomely, emphasising their victory by scoring three goals at Plumstead for the first time this season in a League game. Rarely have the Arsenal, either home or away, shown greater dash, brilliance, and determination in the early stages of a match than on Saturday. Metaphorically speaking, Everton were rushed off their feet, and before they were allowed to settle down the game had been lost and won. The Reds were all animated by the desire to wipe out last year's defeat, and after the first few minutes none of the onlookers doubted they would accomplish their object. In the mist, which more or less shrouded the play and players, the home team went to work with a skill and dash which the powerful defence of the Cupholders could not roll back. Not only did the Arsenal put up their biggest home score of the season, but incidentally in defeating Scott three times, they have taken more goals from Everton than any other team in the tournament now in progress. It was a thrilling win, gained by merit, and the spectators left the field doubly happy.

There were strange happenings in the League on Saturday, Sheffield Wednesday, who had an unbeaten certificate at Owlerton, were actually defeated by Birmingham, who had not previously won a game away from home. This was the Wednesday's first reverse since they lost to Newcastle at St James's Park on 29th September, and it has brought them down to third place in the table. It was a poor day for Sheffield, as the United were routed at Aston by the Villa by 5—1, but this is not the most severe drubbing the Bramall-lane brigade have had to submit to, their first away game of the season at Bolton finishing with a five goals margin against them. Sunderland followed up their success at Woolwich by scoring the odd goal in five at Bury, the Shakers having now been humbled three times before their own supporters. Manchester City and Blackburn Rovers halved the points at Hyde-road last season, and history repeated itself on Saturday, but the other Manchester team returned empty-handed from Preston, the Arsenal being the only club who have succeeded at Deepdale. Notts County had their heaviest score chalked up against them at Anfield-road by Liverpool, and the county are now in desperate straits, especially in view of Middlesbrough's sensational win of 5—0 over Stoke. In their previous six games the Ironopolis team had totalled 4 goals, and to come along with a quintette in one afternoon is to do something which almost borders on the miraculous. Newcastle United had no difficulty in making Bolton Wanderers play second fiddle at St. James's Park, and the Novocastrians are the only team who have obtained every possible point in home matches. Congratulations to Bristol on their splendid win over Derby County.

It will be observed from the subjoined table that Everton retain pride of place only because of goal average, and that the Arsenal are once more well in the running, Middlesbrough have now double figures in the last column, and more unlikely things may happen than for them to speedily get away from the lowly position they at present occupy.

	P.	W.	L.	D.	Goals For	Goals Agst.	Pts.
Newcastle United ...	17	10	3	4	36	18	24
Everton	18	11	5	2	38	18	24
Sheffield Wednesday ...	17	8	2	7	32	22	23
Woolwich Arsenal ...	17	10	5	2	33	26	22
Aston Villa	18	9	6	3	36	29	21
Bristol City	17	8	6	3	30	23	19
Preston North End ...	16	8	6	2	25	25	18
Sunderland	16	7	5	4	23	22	18
Sheffield United ...	16	7	5	4	27	26	18
Bolton Wanderers ...	16	6	4	6	24	21	18
Liverpool	17	8	7	2	36	27	18
Birmingham	17	8	7	2	26	26	18
Manchester United ...	17	6	7	4	22	31	16
Bury	18	5	9	4	31	36	14
Derby County ...	17	4	9	4	16	25	12
Blackburn Rovers ...	17	4	9	4	23	30	12
Stoke	19	3	10	6	19	32	12
Manchester City ...	17	3	8	6	23	39	12
Notts County ...	17	1	7	9	13	25	11
Middlesbrough ...	16	3	9	4	20	29	10

LEAGUE II.

The happenings of the last few weeks in the Second Division of the League have wonderfully improved Chelsea's chances of promotion. The Pensioners have not lost a match since 3rd November, whereas Nottingham Forest have been once beaten, West Bromwich three times, and Leicester Fosse twice in the same period. Chelsea, however, have been cutting things rather fine, and recently they have not been scoring enough goals to satisfy their well-wishers. On Saturday, when they met Clapton Orient, they had not anything to spare at the finish, the odd goal in three giving them the points. The Orient fought well, and their dashing and bustling methods kept the score against them down to very narrow limits. There was no doubt as to which was the more scientific team of the two, and Chelsea certainly deserved to win, but the Orient left the field with a much enhanced reputation. Nottingham Forest were also hard pushed by Leicester Fosse, the result of the game being similar to that at Stamford Bridge. Lincoln City, who had won only one game since 6th October, found West Bromwich less formidable than usual, injuries keeping some cracks out of the Throstles' side, and on their own ground the City won 2—1. It was the surprise of the afternoon in this competition. Blackpool did uncommonly well to draw at Grimsby, and were the only visiting team to escape defeat. Burnley got well home against Hull City, but Wolverhampton had not anything to spare against Chesterfield, and Burton won by the only goal of the match in their engagement with Bradford. Barnsley, Leeds, and Burslem were in a goal-scoring vein against Gainsborough, Stockport, and Glossop respectively, the winners in these games totalling 16 goals to 2.

The table below shows that there are several clubs with distinctly good chances of finishing in the first two places, and the leaders cannot afford to make a single slip.

	P.	W.	L.	D.	Goals For	Goals Agst.	Pts.
Notts Forest ...	17	12	4	1	35	20	25
Chelsea	16	11	3	2	32	14	24
West Bromwich Albion ...	17	11	5	1	41	18	23
Leicester Fosse ...	17	10	5	2	31	15	22
Hull City	16	9	5	2	28	16	20
Wolverhampton Wands....	18	9	7	2	30	24	20
Stockport County ...	16	8	5	3	22	28	19
Burnley	17	9	7	1	28	17	19
Bradford City ...	17	8	6	3	23	22	19
Gainsborough Trinity ...	18	8	8	2	21	29	18
Burslem Port Vale ...	16	7	8	1	33	37	15
Leeds City	18	5	9	4	23	30	14
Clapton Orient ...	15	5	7	3	19	26	13
Lincoln City ...	17	5	9	3	20	28	13
Blackpool	17	4	8	5	14	25	13
Grimsby Town ...	16	5	9	2	19	26	12
Glossop	15	5	9	1	22	45	11
Barnsley	16	5	10	1	27	23	11
Chesterfield	17	4	10	3	17	28	11
Burton United ...	16	4	10	2	13	32	10

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THE SOUTH AFRICANS' TOUR.

MATCH *vs.* CUMBERLAND.—The crowd of about 7,000 assembled on the Devonshire Park Ground at Carlisle on Saturday were treated to a capital game, it being fast, exciting, and vigorous, without a semblance of roughness. Cumberland had a good deal more of the game than would appear from the score. For long periods together they fought with great tenacity in close proximity to the South African line, and it was only a defence of the impregnable order and a modicum of hard luck which prevented them from scoring.

Whenever the South African backs got a chance, however, their superior class was clearly demonstrated. Their scoring bursts were grandly executed, and completely baffled the Cumberland defence. Their victory was a fitting reward of a skilful exhibition and a quickness to profit from their advantages.

W. Nanson started for Cumberland, and the Colonials carried the first scrummage, but Coade stopped their progress, and a forward pass to A. Morkel prevented a subsequent passing movement amongst the South African backs from materialising. Jackson sprinted finely for Cumberland, but off-side play lost Cumberland the advantage gained, and D. Morkel had a shot at goal, the ball going dead. A good kick by W. Nanson took Cumberland to the centre again, but the South Africans indulged in a fine bout of passing, the ball passing right along the three-quarter line. Another rush by the Cumberland forwards was stopped by Daneel, and Le Roux made a fine burst on the right wing, being just pulled down in time.

A cross kick sent the ball near the Cumberland line, but De Villiers passed forward. Once more the Cumberland forwards secured a firm footing in the South Africans' half. The ball was sent across to Jackson, and the Cumberland three-quarter made tracks for the line, but was floored by J. Le Roux. Davidson gained further ground for Cumberland with a well-judged kick to touch, but a passing bout amongst the South Africans changed the venue, Coade coming eventually to the rescue of Cumberland. Carolin made a clever opening for Hirsch, who, on nearing the line, gave to J. Le Roux, and that player completed a very pretty try, from which D. Morkel landed a goal.

The home forwards carried hostilities to within a few feet of the South African line, and after Fleming had been almost over, J. Davidson forced his way across, but the referee ordered a scrummage outside. For a time, Cumberland clung tenaciously to this position, and once more the ball was rushed by their forwards over the line, but again no score resulted, and play had drifted to the centre again, when the interval was reached with the score :—

	Pts.
South Africans (1 try) ... — ...	3
Cumberland	0

Carolin restarted, and Jackson made a good return. Burdett marked at the centre, but D. Morkel failed in his effort to score, and S. H. Osborne led the Cumberland forwards into the South African half. The Cumbrian front rank, who were playing a great game, carried several scrummages in fine style, and the way in which they repeatedly brushed the Colonial eight aside called forth loud cheers, but the defence of the Colonial backs was superb, and repeatedly checked their progress. Marthoze headed a rush of the South African front rank, and the half-backs passed out to J. Le Roux, who, on starting the second half, changed wings with A. Morkel. Jackson got Cumberland out of a dangerous situation, and Fleming further improved the Cumbrians' position, but the advantage gained was neutralised by Wilson getting offside. The latter soon made amends by a capital dribble, and continuing the movement, the Cumberland forwards went over the Colonials' line again in a body, but a Colonial touched down. Later Carolin sent along to A. Morkel, and the later put in a judicious cross kick, from which Hirsch got possession. Splendidly dodging the Cumberland backs, he raced round behind the posts for a fine try, from which Roos landed a goal.

In stopping a rush of the South African front rank, Jackson, the centre three-quarter, was injured, and though he resumed he never seemed himself again. Nanson, failing to take the ball from a high kick in front of his own posts, the Cumberland line was again in danger, but Black saved the situation. A mull by Hirsch gave Horsfall an opportunity to slip away for Cumberland, but again the defence of the Colonials prevailed. Then T. Davidson marked for Cumberland, and W. Nanson had a shot at goal which nearly came off, the visitors touching down. After Hirsch had been checked by Black, the ball was sent across to Morkel. Black bowled him into touch, but he parted to Hirsch as he was going, and the latter dropped over at the corner for another try, which D. Morkel almost converted from the touch-line.

J. Davidson was repeatedly applauded for excellent work on behalf of Cumberland, who had the misfortune to lose Valentine through an injury. Dobbin getting away from a scrummage put A. Morkel in possession. The latter cross-kicked, and Hirsch

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gave J. Le Roux a fine opening, from which he raced over the line, and grounded the ball. D. Morkel landed another fine goal from the place.

The Colonial three-quarter line were soon on the move again, and J. Le Roux tricked finely between his opponents for another great try, which D. Morkel this time failed to convert.

Cumberland just on time sent over the South African line. Horsfall following up smartly got his hand on the ball just as Burmeister touched down—another narrow escape for the Colonials. Result :—

	Pts.
South Africans (3 goals, 2 tries)	21
Cumberland	0

Cumberland.—T. Black (Whitehaven) ; T. Jackson (London) J. Shannon (Keswick), L. G. Horsfall (Aspatria Agricultura, College and Sunderland), and C. Coade (Turner's Club) ; Joe Davidson (Aspatria) and J. Fleming (Carlisle) ; C. H. Osborne (St. Bees), J. Thompson (Whitehaven and Cambridge), J. Valentine (Keswick), W. Nanson (Carlisle), B. McCoan (Whitehaven), Tom Davidson (Aspatria), T. Wilson (Glasgow), and D. Graham (Rochdale and Aspatria).

South Africans.—A. R. Burmeister ; A. O. Morkel, H. A. de Villiers, J. G. Hirsch, and J. S. Le Roux ; H. W. Carolin and H. J. Dobbin ; P. Roos (capt.), A. F. Burdett, D. Brookes, H. J. Daneel, P. Le Roux, W. C. Martheze, D. Morkel, and H. G. Reid.

MATCH *v.* SURREY.—The South Africans made their last appearance in the Metropolis on Wednesday afternoon, when they met the Surrey XV. on the Richmond Athletic Ground, in the presence of some 7,000 spectators. In their previous engagements with Kent and Middlesex the Colonials had been successful, the former being beaten at Blackheath by 21 points to 0, and the latter at Richmond by only 2 to 0 ; and as Surrey were yesterday defeated by 33 points to love, the South Africans have not had a point scored against them in the Metropolis except when they played England at the Crystal Palace, in the memorable game that resulted in honours being divided. It was a thousand pities that J. G. G. Birkett, one of the best three-quarters in the country, was unable to turn out for Surrey, he not having sufficiently recovered from the severe ankle-sprain he met with in the international ; and there were also other eleventh-hour changes. B. F. Mitchell, of Marlborough Nomads, was brought in to fill the vacancy caused by Birkett's inability to turn out, and he played right wing three-quarter. W. L. Lapage going to the centre. There were two changes in the South African team, A. F. Marsburg appearing at full back *vice* S. Joubert, and W. A. Millar was played forward instead of H. C. Daneel. The turf was in splendid order, and the game was played under favourable conditions, as to the weather, the slight haze that hung over the ground not interfering with the view of onlookers.

Surrey kicked off a minute before the advertised time, and in the opening stages, thanks principally to their forwards, they more than held their own ; but they flattered only to deceive, for the Colonials forced them back, and from this point the tide of battle rolled against the home side, who were no match for their clever, dashing, determined opponents.

There were encouraging cheers when Surrey, following the kick-off, promptly got into the South African twenty-five, and these were renewed when Lepingwell, from a pass by Stoop, found touch near the cornerflag. The South African forwards went away in a loose rush, but were sent back by Lyon. The relief was only temporary, Carolin initiating a movement which was completed by Hirsch getting over, but a scrum was ordered almost on the Surrey line. The ball came out to Hirsch, who just failed in an attempt to drop a goal. The next incident of note was a neat pick up from a scrum by Stoop, and he succeeded in gaining a lot of ground before finding touch with a clever cross-kick. Some long kicking by the backs was brought to an end by de Villiers, and after a sharp bout of passing the ball came back to de Villiers, and he got over, D. Morkel failing to convert from a somewhat awkward angle. Immediately on resuming, Dobbin took a nice pass from Millar, and made a thrilling sinuous run, but Lepingwell dashed across and brought his man down when a try seemed almost a certainty. Further success, however, was not long delayed, Carolin dropping a magnificent goal, and the Colonials were leading by seven points to *nil*. The Surrey forwards made great efforts to put a different complexion on the game, but although they held their own in the scrums they were not able to make much headway with their loose work. Hirsch made his mark, and D. Morkel attempted to score from near the half-way line, but the effort was not a success, the ball travelling slightly wide. The play was now almost exclusively in the Surrey half, and a charming bout of passing between Dobbin, Carolin, and de Villiers completely beat the County defence, Loubser having no difficulty in registering a try. Carolin failed at the easy place kick, and the Colonials now led by ten points to *nil*. This did not satisfy them, and they were unceasing in their attempts to strengthen their position, and after Mitchell had made a capital single-handed run which Marsburg brought to a summary close, de Villiers once more drew the opposing defence, and then passed to Loubser, who trotted over, and grounded the ball beneath the posts. The place kick was taken by Morkel who obtained the major points, and two minutes later Hirsch, getting the ball from a scrum, made a cork-screw run, eluded the Surrey defence, and scored, D. Morkel again converting an easy place kick. At half-time the score was :—

	Pts.
South Africans (2g 1dg 2t)	20
Surrey	0

The County started the second half in promising style, the three-quarters being prominent, but they were unable to break through the powerful defence opposed to them. Stoop worked untiringly, and Lepingwell and Lapage made plenty of ground at times, but their success stopped short of their ambitions as a result of the deadly tackling of their opponents. There was plenty of scrummaging, and in this Surrey did not suffer by comparison, but there was a lack of initiative among the threes, and this meant the difference between success and failure. The South Africans asserted themselves once more, and Le Roux making an opening, wormed his way over the line, and Morkel kicked a goal. A few minutes later Le Roux left the field, and after an absence of several minutes he returned, but he retired again almost immediately, and took no further part in the game. This was not the end of the misfortunes of the visitors, as ten minutes from the end Martheze received a nasty cut over the eye, and he also had to leave the field, the Colonials finishing with thirteen men. After Le Roux had left there was a passing movement by the Surrey threes, and Mitchell and Lapage had only Marsburg to beat, but the full back once more dashed the hopes of the County to the ground by a grand bit of tackling. Back came the Colonials, and Lyon attempting to clear with opponents close upon him, had his kick charged down by Carolin, and Dobbin picking up the ball, scored a try, Morkel adding the two points from the place kick. Surrey, although 30 points to the bad, continued to struggle hard against their more skilful opponents, but to no purpose, as Morkel scored near the cornerflag, but failed with the place kick. There was no further scoring, and the game ended :—

	Pts.
South Africans (4g 1dg 3t)	33
Surrey	0

SOUTH AFRICA.—A. F. Marsburg (Griqualand West) ; J. S. Le Roux (Western Province), J. G. Hirsch (Eastern Province), H. A. de Villiers (Western Province), and J. A. Loubser (Western Province) ; H. W. Carolin (Western Province) and F. G. Dobbin (Griqualand West) ; P. Roos (Western Province), J. W. E. Baaf (Griqualand West) ; D. Brink (Western Province), W. A. Burger (Border), W. A. Millar (Western Province), H. G. Reid (Transvaal), W. C. Martheze (Griqualand West), and D. F. T. Morkel (Transvaal).

SURREY.—G. H. Lyon (United Services) ; A. L. Purves (London Scottish), R. A. Lepingwell (O.M. Taylors), W. L. Lapage (United Services), and B. F. Mitchell (Marlborough Nomads) ; A. D. Stoop (Harlequins) and L. L. Greig (United Services), A. Alcock (Guy's Hospital), A. L. Picton (United Services), R. Simson (London Scottish), R. W. Cox (United Services), J. C. L. Farquharson (Old Alleynians), H. E. Ward (Harlequins), A. H. Bissett (United Services), and D. A. Hutchison (London Scottish).

Referee :—Mr. F. C. Poter-Irwin (Rugby Union Committee).

DUBLIN UNIVERSITY *vs.* CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY.—Rain fell throughout this game on the Dublin University ground on Saturday. Cambridge at the outset attacked, but the assault on the home line was short-lived. Following a loose Trinity rush, Purser knocked on when near the line. Trinity kept up the pressure, and the Cantabs had to touch down. Smartt heeled a free for Trinity, but the kick brought nothing in its wake, and half-time arrived with a blank sheet.

In the second half Cambridge were prominent, but they lost several chances of scoring. Trinity, after a period of inactivity, took command, and Parke wound up a good movement by scoring a try, which he failed to improve upon. From this point Trinity always held the upper hand, and a combined run by Aston, Beckett, and Parke culminated in the last-named scoring, and this time he added the extra points. Result :—Dublin University, 1 goal 1 try (8 points) ; Cambridge University, 0.

BLACKHEATH *vs.* OLD LEYSIANS.—It was a difficult matter to distinguish the players who took part in this match at the Rectory Field, Blackheath, on Saturday, owing to a mist that overhung the field of play. With the ground showing the effect of the frost, the teams never appeared to take matters too seriously, and consequently the game suffered. On the whole, Blackheath had decidedly the better of matters, and deserved their victory of 8 points to 0.

Divided into two "twenties," the game during the first half found the Old Boys' three-quarters indulging in a clever passing movement, which came to nought owing to Stokes' smartness. Playing full back, the son of the old International fielded well and several times found touch nearly the length of the field. Heeling out smartly, the club forwards gave their backs plenty of chances, and so heavy became the pressure that the Old Boys had to touch down thrice within a short time. Tuckett, Priday, and Waterhouse took their passes cleanly, and only H. J. Holloway's well-judged collaring prevented a score. Eventually in a period of extreme pressure a "free" for offside against the visitors gave Blackheath a chance, and Hill scored. Just afterwards the interval came with Blackheath 8 points to the good.

The second half opened evenly, until a fine punt by the visiting back found touch near the flag. Here Blackheath had to concede a minor, so energetic did the Old Boys' attack become. Hosken was prominent but found Stokes ready for him. However Blackheath took up the aggressive again and several forward rushes caused their opponents trouble. Once it looked as if Tuckett would cross the line, but Holloway brought him down, and a succession of scrums ended in the visitors conceding a minor. Within a couple of minutes of the close Waterhouse went over on the left for Blackheath, and Hill converted Result :—Blackheath, 1 goal and 1 penalty goal (8 points); Old Leysians, 0.

HARLEQUINS *vs.* LENNOX.—At Wandsworth Common on Saturday Harlequins gained an easy victory over Lennox by 4 goals and 3 tries to 0. Play was of a scrambling nature, being chiefly remarkable for an amazing number of knocks on and dropped passes. In the first half Stoop secured a try from a pass by R. O. C. Ward, which Lyon converted, and, although Quins had most of the subsequent play, they failed, through wretched passing and the good defence of Galloway, the Lennox full back, to score again before the interval.

In the second half, however, Harlequins were more successful. After J. G. G. Birkett had dropped the ball with the line at his mercy, Ismay got over in a forward scramble with an unconverted try. Eventually R. O. C. Ward forced his way over near the posts, and Lyon again failed to convert. A moment later the ball was dribbled over the line, and Birkett scored in a good position for R. O. C. Ward to convert. Stoop was the next to get away, sending in Oliver behind the uprights. Ward was again successful with the kick A few minutes later Stoop scored, and Ward goaled. Just on time, amid the gathering darkness, Stoop gathered smartly at the centre, ran clear, and after a sprint half the length of the field, grounded the ball under the uprights. Ward's kick, however, failed, Harlequins winning a somewhat uninteresting match by 26 points to 0.

LONDON SCOTTISH *vs.* MARLBOROUGH NOMADS.—The Scottish in this match, at Richmond, on Saturday, were never really extended. The forwards in the first half were constantly in possession of the game, but neither they nor their backs gave of their best. To see the Scottish at their best one wants to see them in a match where they are being pressed. The Nomads kicked off and after Nasmith had made a good run, Simpson picked up and passed to Purvis, who handed to Walter to score, with the match five minutes old, Geddes kicking the goal. On restarting, from a good mark by H. West, Geddes failed. Following this, a free was given for a bad offside by E. D. Simpson, but nothing came of the kick. Walter, after a good run, tried a drop at goal, and then a combined run of Walter, Simpson, and Purvis ended in the latter scoring, and Geddes kicking the goal.

Thus, with 10 points to their credit, London Scottish crossed over, and were soon scoring again First Simpson passed to Purvis, but no goal resulted. Then Walter made the run of the match from inside his own twenty-five right through the whole Nomad XV., scoring a try, which Geddes converted. A good run by Rogers and Mitchell ensued, and Hector Munro gained a try, off which Geddes kicked a goal. Scott and Young both scored tries, but neither were converted, and the game finished up with two good but ineffective runs by Mitchell. Result :—London Scottish, 4 goals and 3 tries ; Marlborough Nomads, 0.

LONDON WELSH *vs.* UNITED SERVICES.—The United Services returned the London Welsh visit at Leyton on Saturday. The visitors mustered a strong combination that fully sustained the splendid reputation which the club has made for itself this season. The Welsh at once began to press. Rowlands, Rees, and Harding being prominent. Gradually the visitors pushed their way into the Welsh half, the kicking of the backs being very effective. After a short repulse a good run by one of the centres enabled Biggs to score a try in the corner. Brown failed to convert. The Welsh on resuming put plenty of dash in their play, and a run by Maddocks was nullified by a knock-on from his final pass when in a favourable position for equalising. Good Welsh forward play, gained much ground, but the Services' backs again got going, and almost scored. From the relieving kick on the line Lyon received near midfield and dropped a goal.

Immediately on starting the second half each line was threatened, the Welsh conceding a minor, and then retaliating with a rush that ended in Jenkins scoring a try, which was not converted by Watts. The visitors were penned on their own line for the most part. Brilliant bouts of passing were repeatedly indulged in between Rowlands, Watts and Maddocks. On one occasion it appeared that Maddocks' opportunity had at last come, but he passed, and the scene was quickly transferred to the Welsh twenty-five, where Jones was collared, and Biggs scored, a goal resulting. Towards the close Lieutenant Watson had the misfortune of straining the ligament of his knee, and had to be carried off the field. Result :—United Services, 1 goal, 1 dropped goal, and 1 try (12 points) ; London Welsh, 1 try (3 points).

CROSS-COUNTRY RUNNING.

OXFORD *vs.* CAMBRIDGE.—The 27th annual cross-country race between the representatives of Cambridge and Oxford Universities at Roehampton on Saturday, will be noted by the historian as perhaps the most interesting of the long series. Critics had singled out the Light Blues to win, but though expectations were realised in that respect, no one expected the Dark Blues to make such a close fight of it as to be beaten by only 1 point. The Cambridge team is undoubtedly one of the strongest of late years, and it speaks volumes for the form of the sister Varsity's runners that they should have made such a pluckly fight.

They were handicapped, to begin with by the inability of S. H. Carnelly (fourth last year) to run, owing to an attack of dysentry, and bearing in mind Inman's collapse, Oxford would have assuredly won with the assistance of Carnelly At the same time, the first reserve for the Dark Blues, E. M. Swift, performed fairly well. The Oxford men had greatly benefitted by their sojourn at Bushey, where they had finished their preperation. Every credit must be given to Edwards for what was, under the circumstances, a brilliant win, as he beat A. R. Churchill's record for the course by 20secs., and this despite the treacherous nature of the going. Pearson's performance in 1905 did not constitute a record, as the course was shorter than usual. That honour now belongs to Edwards, who, on Saturday, ran the race of his life. The weather was far from being inviting, but the number of spectators was considerably larger than last year Among the officials one missed Mr. J. E. Fowler-Dixon, who is just recovering from illness. This is the first Varsity race he has not seen for a number of years past.

The country for miles around was partly snowbound, and the previous night's frost had rendered the going by no means easy. The course differed from that used last year, which was not the full distance. On this occasion it measured as nearly as possible 7¼ miles, and was exactly the same as that over which A. R. Churchill made his record of 42mins. 17secs. in 1904. Shortly the course was from near the Old King's Head, up the road for about half a mile, across the Heath to Kingston Vale, and through Beverley Brook. Then the plough (said to afford pretty good going) was struck, and the journey continued over Coombe fields and near the wood, down Coombe Hill, into the neighbourhood of Molden, skirting Raynes Park. Later the Crooked Billet at Cottenham Hill was passed, and the further portion of the return journey made by way of the Windmill on the Common, finishing hard by the Well House, Roehampton.

The trail layers were as follows:—E. Slack, G. I. Brassey, A. R. Churchill, A. P. Foord, E. H. D. Markham, C. C Turner, H. Cloudesley, and G. Barker ; while officiating as pioneers for the race were A. R. Welsh, A. S. D. Smith, G B Tatham, H. W. Pearson, J. P. Foote, H. Kenyon, J. L. Cloudesley, and St. J. Neville.

It was after the advertised time when the start took place. After going half a mile the runners were practically all together, but Edwards, Webber, Mais, and Pearson were cutting out the pace. When they struck the common, where trail had been laid between the bushes, Edwards made an effort to get away. He was promptly challenged, however, and soon afterwards Weber (the captain of the Light Blues, now in his fourth year) shot to the front and led to the Dismal Swamp, about two miles away. Hereabouts Edwards deprived him of the lead At the same time Mais went up into second place, followed closely by Pearson. Having established a commanding lead at Malden, where Pearson was second, Edwards continued to draw away and eventually won, apparently strong and certainly full of running, by 38secs., or 200 yards Displaying excellent judgment, Mais passed Pearson half a mile from home. Inman, the Sedburgh "fresher," who was expected to show up prominently finished last in great distress.

ORDER OF FINISH.

Posn.		Time. m.	s.
1.	F. M. Edwards, Queens', Cambridge (seventh last year)	41	57
2.	S. P. B. Mais, Christ Church, Oxford ...	42	35
3.	A. H. Pearson, Queens', Cambridge (first last year)	42	37½
4.	G. S. Butler, Keble, Oxford (sixth last year)	43	17
5.	E. S. Dougall, Pembroke, Cambridge ...	43	19
6.	O. F. Huyshe, Keble, Oxford (third in 1905)	44	0½
7.	J. Sainsbury, Oriel, Oxford	44	5
8.	H. G. Webber, Clare Cambridge (eighth last year)	44	39
9.	E. M. Swift, Keble, Oxford	46	25½
10.	E. C. Inman, Caius, Cambridge	50	21

TEAM PLACINGS.

Cambridge :—1, 3, 5, 8, 10—total, 27 points.
Oxford :—2, 4, 6, 7, 9—total, 28 points.
In 1905 the Light Blues won by 9 points.
Up to now Cambridge have won 17 matches and Oxford 10.
Officials :—Dr. J. A. Vodleker (L.A.C.), referee and starter ; H. K. Holman (L.A.C.) timekeeper ; R. R. Conway (Cambridge) and S. H. Carnelly (Oxford), judges.

In the evening the teams and numerous friends were the guests of the Thames Hare and Hounds, at the Trocadero, Piccadilly, Mr. W. H. Eyre (T. H. and H.) occupying the chair.

BOXING.

THE 8ST. CHAMPIONSHIP.

DIGGER STANLEY *vs.* IKE BRADLEY.—Few provincial theatres gained more fame in bygone days than the Adelphi in Christian street, Liverpool, but like many another in this era of sumptuous equipment, its memory has been almost effaced. Quite recently the vast structure was acquired by the Gymnastic Club and it was here on Thursday evening last the long looked for match between "Digger" Stanley (London) and Ike Bradley (Liverpool) for the 8st. Championship and £50 a side was decided. The reputations of the contestants were enough in themselves to draw sportsmen from distant parts, and long before the proceedings commenced every available seat in the building was occupied.

In some respects the contest was a trifle disappointing, as for the first dozen rounds Bradley, who is at all times a slow starter, did scarcely anything but defend. By adopting such tactics he played completely into the hands of the Londoner, whose skill was of a high standard, and so well timed were his deliveries that he completely outpointed the little Liverpool exponent. There were occasions during this period when Bradley's chance of staying the stipulated distance seemed improbable, and to a less plucky lad the overwhelming lead established by his opponent would have had a deterrent effect. He fully realised the situation, and coming up for the thirteenth round made a bold effort to neutralise the Londoner's cleverness by working himself to close quarters. While so engaged his superior strength was an important factor, and it then became evident that all hope of success was not entirely extinguished.

Stanley, likewise, was doing well, and, aided by a severe upper cut, he managed to more than keep his rival in check during the next two meetings. Bradley came up much refreshed for sixteenth round, and fighting with increased vigour he made gallant attempt to turn the tide in his favour. Stanley showed visible signs of tiring under his early exertions, and so we

he become from the heavy body punishment he received during the eighteenth stage that the sound of the gong alone saved him. Under the existing circumstances the Londoner battled on with splendid judgment, and did all that was needed by staying the full distance to win by a goodly margin of points.

The later stages of the contest were of such a stirring character that excitement naturally ruled high, and every move was watched with the keenest possible interest. To Stanley the honour of victory was a crowning reward, but too much praise cannot be bestowed upon the loser for the determined stand he made when the odds were so much against him. His defeat was admittedly, due to slowness at the start and the defensive tactics which were adopted until so late in the struggle is the only fault that can be advanced against him.

Of any speculation which took place Stanley was favourite, but this is not surprising considering his long record of successes, which include victories over Owen Moran and Jimmy Walsh, of Newton, Mass. The few reverses sustained have been brought about after closely-fought tussles with the last-mentioned in America quite recently, and the redoubtable Pedlar Palmer.

NATIONAL SPORTING CLUB.

As is customary on the concluding night of the Old Year, the entertainment at headquarters is set apart for the complimentary benefit to the club manager, Mr. A. F. Bettinson, and the large crowd that assembled in the handsome theatre last evening fully testified to the popularity of the beneficiaire. The programme arranged was of a very formidable character, those talented feather-weights, Johnny Summers (Canning Town) and Spike Robson (Newcastle) forming the chief attraction. It will be remembered that the pair met about ten months ago in the same ring, when the Londoner was returned the winner on points after a determined struggle lasting twenty rounds. Since then the Novocastrian has made a trip to the States, where he met with a considerable amount of success, and his victory over Tommy Murphy enabled him on his return to this country to find financial backing to the tune of £200 for a return match with his previous conqueror.

Summers' partisans immediately signified their intention of giving Robson a chance of retrieving his lost laurels, and the pair were thereupon matched to box twenty rounds for £200 a side and a purse of similar amount and the Feather-weight Championship. The encounter should have taken place a month ago, but owing to the Newcastle representative contracting a chill, the East-ender's supporters, rather than claim forfeit, agreed to have the match postponed. During this adjournment Robson shook off the effects of his illness, and under the care of Boyo Driscoll at Bridlington, succeeded in getting into excellent fettle. Yesterday, when he appeared to weight, he just scaled the necessary 9st. Summers had prepared from Mr. Gus Brewer's hostelry, the White Hart, Barnes, under the guidance of Steve Smith, and was found to be just a quarter of a pound lighter than his opponent. At the weighing ceremony there was no attempt at wagering, both parties preferring to wait until the evening before investing their money.

It was twenty minutes past ten when the combatants for the championship made their appearance, and Summers was at once installed a good favourite. The condition of each reflected great credit upon their respective mentors, and everything being in readiness, the men were ordered to begin. It was soon apparent that neither intended the bout to be of a very lengthy duration. Not a minute was wasted in sparring, and the exchange were of a very heavy character. The second round was contested even more heavily than the previous one, and the Londoner established a slight lead. In the succeeding meeting Summers used both hands with fine effect, and when they went to their corners both wore a somewhat flushed appearance. Continuing for the fourth time, Summers soon began to assert his superiority; and half way through the meeting worked his man into a neutral corner, and driving the right well home, sent Robson through the ropes. Instead of retreating to allow his rival to straighten himself, Summers also put his head through the ropes to deliver the finishing blow. While he was doing so Robson slipped to his knee, and evidently Summers did not observe this, for he continued to mete out punishment until the referee ordered him to desist, and very properly disqualified him for violating the rules. This proved a somewhat unfortunate ending to an interesting battle.

This is the second time that Summers has had to pay the penalty, for it will be remembered that the East-ender did almost exactly the same thing when he met Jim Driscoll (Cardiff), to whom he lost on a foul in the second round, in the same ring, a couple of seasons ago.

A bout which evoked great interest was that between Albert Cocksedge (Leicester) and Charlie Dew (Paddington). This was also a return match, the lads being articled to box fifteen rounds at 7st. 6lbs. for stakes and purse amounting to £125.

This was the concluding bout of the evening, and the lads gave a fine display. The Leicester man, who was quite a couple of pounds the heavier, hit much harder than his adversary and in the earlier part of the bout established a slight lead. However, Dew disputed every inch of the way and it was not until the full number of rounds had been contested that the fiat went in favour of Cocksedge.

The programme was further supplemented by exhibition bouts in which amateur champions opposed the pick of the professional ranks.

During the evening the beneficiaire returned thanks to the members for their liberal support, and intimated that for the New Year he had several interesting matches all but ratified. He was sanguine that the year of 1907 would be even more successful than the one just ended.

FEATHER-WEIGHT CHAMPIONSHIP.

Summers was the first to take the ring, having for his attendants Chris. Clarke, Billy Plimmer, Arthur Gutteridge, and his trainer, Steve Smith. Robson quietly followed, being esquired by Harry James, Dai Dollings, and his trainer, Boyo Driscoll. Upon the gloves being adjusted and the men introduced they faced each other for

ROUND 1.—After a brief spar Robson, who assumed a crouching position attempted to lead, but was short and was neatly countered on the face by Summers. Continuing to weave in, the Northerner scored twice lightly on the face. Working his man into a neutral corner, Robson tried his right but the East-ender easily avoided danger. Robson continued to keep at close quarters, and just before the termination of the round he was ordered to break away by the ruling official.

ROUND 2.—They left their respective corners with alacrity for the second round, Summers being the first to lead with a half-arm punch on the body. This brought about some spirited exchanges at close range, in which the Londoner was seen to advantage. At the break-away the Novocastrian twice delivered half-arm jolts on the side of the head and Summers jabbed the left home on the face just as the gong sounded.

ROUND 3.—The third round opened in determined fashion, the pair being quickly engaged at close quarters when Robson slipped down in a rally. He was quickly up again but a little later the Londoner dropped his adversary with a right-hand punch on the jaw. This had very little effect upon "Spike," who quickly returned to the fray, and some fine exchanges terminated the meeting.

ROUND 4.—Robson, in attempting to lead in the fourth round, was met with a fine straight righthanded punch on the mouth. Just afterwards Summers succeeded in getting home right and left on the head, and sent his man through the ropes. Instead of allowing Robson to recover, Summers kept banging away, and Robson dropped on his knees. Summers had evidently lost his head, for he twice hit his opponent while he was in this position, and, of course, the referee had no other alternative than to disqualify the Londoner and return Robson the winner.

Hunting.

THE MADRAS HOUNDS.

A BETTER day's sport than that of Sunday, the 23rd December, could not have been wished for. There was plenty of work for hounds and blood was plentiful, no less than a batch of jacks being accounted for. The meet was at the Lattice Bridge and a start was made along the old road as far as the Eastern Corner of Fox Hill. By doing this the Master avoided all the wet ground and after drawing for some distance a brace of jacks were found in a thick tope near a village. Settling to the line of one of these, hounds pushed him out of the tope and ran into him in a couple of hundred yards. This was disappointing, but the other jack had been viewed away, so, leaving the first jack unhonoured by any obsequies, the Master laid hounds on to the line of the second.

This they soon picked up and, quickly getting on good terms, they punted it briskly through the scrub and casuarinas till the jack took to the open and ran straight to the Canal bank. The Canal was big and looked very wet, so it was a great relief to the field to find that the jack had declined it and sought refuge in a clump of prickly pear on the bank. Out of this the hounds soon pulled her—it was a vixen—and she was killed and broken up. Neither of these jacks was a good one and they were quite unable to hold their own against hounds. After a short breathing space, hounds were taken back to the coverts and were not in there long before they were busy again, this time on a rather cold scent, apparently that of a jack which had moved out. Picking it out beautifully, however, they very soon began to run in earnest, the pace improving every minute. There was evidently a splendid scent and hounds quickly made it so hot for this jack that he abandoned his point, whatever it was, and swinging round retraced his steps towards the Lattice Bridge end of Fox Hill. Hounds were now running very fast and nearly straight, and it was perfectly clear that the pace must be too much for any jack before long. As bad luck would have it, a fresh jack intervened and half the pack went after him. The Master and most of the field were with these, but the rest stuck to the hunted jack, and smartly handled by the First Whip, pulled him down after a splendid run of nearly half an hour. After hounds had been got together again a move was made for home. It was a busy and enjoyable morning and hounds were fully compensated for their disappointing run on the previous Wednesday.

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Paperchasing.

CALCUTTA PAPERCHASES.

No. 3.

A GALLOPING course in the Salt Lake country attracted a smaller field, but a larger proportion of "equitators" than heretofore. The start lay to the right of the Monsoon Ride and after a sweep across the open returned by way of Screw Pine Gully to finish on the left of the road as you go from Johnpore Station. The distance was about three miles and some twelve fences were erected for negotiation. Amongst those out were Mrs. Lamond Walker on Detective, Mrs. and Miss Collin, Mr. and Mrs. Dudley Myers, Mr. and Mrs. Stokes, Mrs. Paris, Mrs. Forsyth, Miss Bletsoe, Sir K. Muir, Captain Holden, Messrs Antram, Bell-Irving, Dring, Barley Pugh, Thomas, etc. In the Horse Chase Mr. Evers led all the way on Cain, although he nearly came a cropper at the first wall. Turk, Ruddigore, Lady Fox and Fairy chased him across the open, and on nearing the jungle Detective was pushed up in front. They finished in the following order :—

1. Mr. Evers on Cain.
2. Mr. Ballantyne on Fairy.
3. Mr. Rees on Turk.
4. Mr. Halliday on Ruddigore.
5. Mrs. Walker on Detective.
6. Mr. Pauntley on Lady Fox.

Captain Pritchard on Young Poetess was next at hand, followed by Messrs. Morshead, Antram and Pierson and Miss Bletsoe.

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Some fourteen or fifteen ponies were then sent away by Mr. Turner and the official order was given as follows :—

1. Mr. Ritsen on Gee Bung.
2. Mr. Hallow on Hempie.
3. Mr. Barrow on Puck.
4. Capt. Holden on Pathfinder.
5. Mr. Howard on Smuggler.
6. Mr. Evers on Riff.

BLARNEY.

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THE FINAL.

CALCUTTA POLO CLUB "A" TEAM *vs.* THE 12TH ROYAL LANCERS.—The gathering on the Calcutta ground when these doughty teams met in the final on Wednesday, the 2nd instant, was phenomenally large and ultra fashionable too. Viceroyalty, distinguished visitors from many parts of the globe, the native nobility and their suites, polo experts and enthusiasts, and a big muster of mere spectators (but none the less interested) were there to see a good game and on the whole they saw it. Calcutta, who won, were in exceptionally fine form, their tactics were sound, their pace undeniable and their hitting hard and accurate, Messrs. Ismay and the Maharaj Kumar of Cooch Behar being particularly brilliant at short intervals. The Lancers played up well, but in their want of good combination lay their weakness and their shooting was not good at times. Messrs. Wood and Badger played a hard and plucky game and were often doing a good deal of the attack, but in the end the Lancers had to admit defeat, at the hands of a really first class team, by 6 goals and 3 subsidiaries to 1 goal and 2 subsidiaries. Details :—

First Chukker.—For a prolonged space Calcutta held the ball in the Lancers' ground and scored a goal. Then a minor foul was given against Calcutta who had to hit out from behind their line and the play was then confined to the Calcutta ground where the Lancers got a minor point and then Calcutta began to press again and their final shot went out wide of the flags. *Score:* Calcutta, 1 goal; 12th Lancers, 1 subsidiary.

Second Chukker.—The Lancers brought the ball into play, and running it to the opposite end, attacked the flags, but the attack was repelled and a hot tustle raged about mid-ground for a long space, till Ismay getting a run to the Lancers' ground, a long space, till Ismay getting a run to the Lancers' ground, a long space, till Ismay getting a run to the Lancers' ground,

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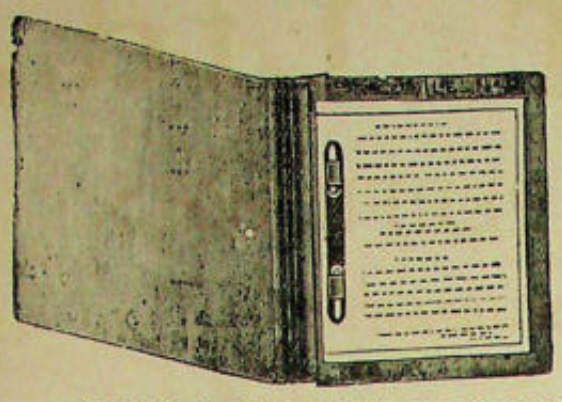

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committed—that of drinking a large quantity of cold water at once, as this does not relieve the parched throat. The feeling of thirst is mainly in the windpipe and the throat close handy. The water, if taken hurriedly, overloads the stomach after giving relief to the gullet, but the windpipe gets no relief until the body absorbs some of the moisture through the system; so, in spite of the desire to drink a quantity of liquid—of which one of the finest is toast-water or oatmeal-water—take it slowly, drop by drop, as it were, and the result will be much more satisfactory, as the stomach will not be overloaded and no unpleasant feeling be engendered.

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One of the great objects of training is to develop muscle and muscular power; at the same time to reduce excess of fat, which has the reputation of hindering muscular action by its presence in and around the muscles.

The chief place for fatty deposits is under the skin and close to it. By pinching up a roll of the skin the fat comes with it, and its thickness can be easily discovered. There is, however, no fear of fatty degeneration if the fat does not exist *in excess* under the skin. Fat also deposits itself in quantity among the intestines and around the vital organs of the body, and although its presence in small quantities is essential to the well-being of the body, when in bulk it obstructs their functions, and is liable to enter into the very organs themselves, and thus produce what is known as "fatty degeneration"—a very dangerous disease, especially of the heart.

By comparing *chemically* the composition of human muscle with other substances, will be found that the flesh of the bullock more closely, indeed quite, resembles it in the smallest detail; hence reason will tell us that, as muscular action *destroys* the substance of the muscles exerted, and that its rebuilding, or replenishing, must take place through the food we devour, being digested in the stomach and passing into the blood for the purpose, the most appropriate food for the requirements of training will be a certain amount of bullock meat known as *rump-steak*, or beef; and as this is easier to digest when uncooked rather than when cooked, it were better eaten *raw*; but the requirements of civilisation teach us that raw meat is not strictly in accordance with our early teachings, and savours of cannibalism, wherefore we turn our back against a habit which we term revolting, and fall back upon the happy medium of eating it when *underdone*.

On no account bathe upon a full stomach, and do not take violent exercise within two hours after eating a substantial meat meal. There is no need here to warn the athlete against over-eating, as common sense teaches us that we should leave off eating before we are in such a state that the sight of food is distasteful.

In reducing fat, do not, except in extreme cases, muffle up and sweat down the overplus; let good, fair exercise be the means, assisted by a Turkish bath.

Now as to wind, a most necessary part of the training for athletic exercises. One of the most essential requirements of an athlete is a good wind. To secure this, the first thing is to get into condition, and to do this, care should be taken not to do too much at first. Let the athlete practise with the dumb-bells and Indian-clubs for five minutes, then ten, and so on, increasing the time from day to day. Then, to expand the chest and so give room for the extra lung-power, let him take a brisk walk with a portion of a stick stretched across his back, keeping the elbows well to his sides; the military exercise of swinging round the arms, backwards and forwards, upwards and downwards; and a see-saw kind of action of the arms, such as we teach children at school when we set them to imitate the cobbler mending his shoes. At first these exercises will cause pain to the heart and distress the would-be athlete, but after a little practice the distress will wear off, and a few days will cause it to disappear altogether. This proves the proverb. "All things come to him who waits." A man cannot get into condition in a day, any more than Rome could be built in one. The more time we allow ourselves to train in, the more perfect we shall become.

A man must not expect too great things from his delicate lungs until they are properly under control. In activity they are called upon to act rapidly, for it is by their action that the waste caused by exercise is to a large extent thrown off in the shape of carbonic acid gas. Men talk of second wind; there is no such thing. It is simply this—the lungs get into more activity, and after a time this becomes their regular rate of working-speed, and one perceives a sense of relief. Well-trained men get this relief quicker than those who are poorly trained as the latter's troubles only increase as they continue to keep up the speed.

"Early to bed and early to rise make a man healthy, wealthy, and wise." This is a most important factor in the training profession. Ten o'clock should be the time for retiring, and eight hours the proper allowance of sleep.

When first you awake, get out of bed at once and have a sponge bath, rubbing yourself thoroughly with a rough towel until the skin glows under the operation. Cold-salt-and-water for the feet may be used while in the sponge-bath, as this will tend to prevent the feet becoming blistered, and it is advisable to rub a little Vaseline on the soles of the feet, as this is a fine preventive of blisters and soreness.

A few years ago Mr. Norman G. Pritchard, India's Champion Sprinter and who also distinguished himself on the running path in England and France, wrote an illustrated article for *The Empress* on the subject of training for athletics in India, with acknowledgments to our contemporary we extract the following:—

Sprint Training—First Week.

Having done a fair amount of moderate and hard walking for a fortnight or so the first week's trials are as follows:—Rise at 7, a short walk of, say, two miles before breakfast—light dumb-bells and punching ball for fifteen or twenty minutes on return. A sharp rub down with a soft towel, not hand gloves—cool for ten minutes. Then a tepid bath and breakfast. After office hours walk down briskly to the training track. Half a dozen or more starts with a pistol with sprints of 40 to 50 yards followed by a stride through the 100 yards and another over 200 to 300 yards with plenty of leg work is all that need be done for a beginning. Provided you do not live out at Tollygunge or Dum-Dum, a walk home is a nice wind-up for the day. Dinner comes with roast or boiled mutton, a potato or two boiled in their skins, with again stale bread or toast. A couple of glasses of claret—small glasses—instead of beer may be taken for dinner if the pedestrian fancies it rather than the malt beverage. A game of billiards may be indulged in before retiring. Smoking ought to have been given up gradually before entering upon this course of training, though a cigarette will do no harm after dinner.

Second Week.

My usual plan was to have a few starts every evening, and run about thirty or forty yards at top speed and ease up gently and not as one sees some men often do here—very suddenly and within about 10 or 12 yards. It will be found that sprints of about 40 to 50 yards are the best training for any distance up to a quarter. This at all events is my experience. After the above it would be well to run through a 100 at top speed, say, on Tuesdays and Fridays—not against the clock. You may expect to do 10⅘ seconds or even faster time, and feel a bit down in the mouth when your friend tells you the time is 11 seconds or perhaps worse. If you are training for the quarter, run about 200 yards at a fair pace and stride through the remainder of the distance but don't on any account do a fast 100 and a fast 200 or 3 0 the same evening. It does not pay in Calcutta in the middle of February. It certainly didn't suit me, and as I have been in India all my life this advice might be found useful. The walks, etc., should be the same in this week as in the first, except perhaps that longer spins of about 3 to 4 miles may be taken. Try and take a different route each day. Round the Fort one morning—Ballygunge, and plenty of Ballygunge, other mornings—Dalhousie Square way—Chowringhee, Esplanade, Eden Gardens, etc., etc. There is nothing like a change from the monotonous sameness of roads and houses. During the second week the rubbing down should be done with hand gloves and applied particularly strongly on the back of the thigh, calf and shoulders, in fact everywhere, but especially where you feel you want it most. The bath ought to be colder this week.

Third and Last Week.

If a man "has his heart in his work," and there is nothing in training like keeping a man's mind happy, he ought now to be feeling fairly fit. If he sits down after his meals to twiddle his thumbs the chances are very much in favour of him letting his fancies play with all sorts of unprofitable subjects. As a closing up of what ought to have been a pleasant fortnight's training, I will set down each evening's exercise briefly as follows:—

Monday.—Four or five starts with pistol with sprints of 30 to 40 yards. Rest for a minute or two and have your time taken for the 100. If you are not satisfied with your performance, retire to the dressing room and after a rub down, have another go and I will warrant that this time, be the clocking what it may, you will run better by the end of the week, we will say on Saturday, when you run your race. If you are training for the quarter or a shorter distance, run through it at half speed.

Tuesday.—Six or eight starts with pistol and sprints of 30 to 40 yards, run through the 100 once at half speed and do nothing more unless you are also training for a quarter when it would be wise to go over this distance at half speed, sprinting in the last 50 yards.

Wednesday.—The same as on Monday, with the exception that the second 100 be omitted. Run a fast 300 if training for the quarter.

Thursday.—Six or more starts after which run 130 yards, half speed for a 100 yards and top speed the remainder of the distance.

Friday.—Three or four starts with a couple of spins of from 30 to 50 yards should be all the work.

The day of the Race.—Rise when you feel inclined to, we will say at 7-30 and take a quick walk about a mile. Do no dumb-bell or punching ball exercise. Rub down and tub, the bath ought, for this last week, to be cold unless the athlete strongly objects to the water in this state. For breakfast loin chops with cabbage, stale bread or toast and a small glass of claret should suffice, provided you feel you have had enough to eat. At mid-day should be taken an egg beaten up with sherry or port.

Two hours before the race is run, supposing it takes place at three o'clock, the runner had better have a light luncheon of boiled fowl, toast and some light wine. No beer should be drunk at all upon this day. If the grounds at which the meeting is to be held—for instance, the Eden Gardens—are within a mile or so of your office, walk there if the sun is not too hot. This gentle stroll will help to keep the muscles from rusting and you ought to feel perfectly at ease mentally and bodily after a rub down, and confident at least of running your best. When going down to the starting post, make it a point of getting there punctually, if anything get there before the starter does. Try a start and a short burst of, say, 20 yards. Don't let the sight of another fellow dancing about on his toes, apparently very merry, upset you—he is probably quite as nervous as you are. When settled on your mark keep your eyes fixed on the tape ahead of you, never mind the men on your right and left, think of yourself only and that bit of worsted—leave your mark sharply and make for the tape as if your life depended upon your getting there—for the rest—trust the judges.

DIET.

As a general rule a healthy man in training may eat practically most things that go to make up one's dietary scale in India. What he MUST avoid are:—Sweets, pastry, confectionery, pies, pork, greasy, or stodgy, side-dishes, pickles, spices and spiced foods and condiments; and he should "go very slow" on bacon, ham, prawns, crabs, curry of any sort. Cucumbers, artichokes, assparagus, most "savouries," nuts and deserts.

But he may eat most other things. For instance for breakfast he may make choice of any of the following:—Porridge, Quaker oats, fish cooked in any way, eggs done in a dozen ways, from plain boiled to *omlette au fin herbes*. In the matter of meat there are chops, steaks cutlets, kidneys, liver and bacon, brains, sausages (occasionally), cold meat of any sort, stews, grilled fowl, and mince. Salad (tamato the best of all), green food such as spring lettuce, celery, onions, radishes, potatoes, and any green vegetables. Bread, butter, a little marmalade perhaps and fruit.

For tiffin cold meat and salad, something "made up" and light, a little plain milk pudding—rice, tapioca, sago, vermicelli, bread, fried plantains, stewed fruit and custards, a little bread and cheese.

For dinner any sort of soup or broth; fish of any description being careful to exercise discretion rich in respect of tinned sorts and sauces; any plain wholesome side-dish; all joints, both meat and poultry (except pork); all green vegetables such as cabbage, peas, beans, cauliflower, spinach (*most* excellent) and tomatoes, while pumpkin, turnips, onions, brinjals, may be taken in extreme moderation. Potatoes, of course, are admissable, and these can be served in at least a dozen ways; those prone to adipose tissue should, however, avoid them and their bread should always be cut thin and toasted. All second courses, and savouries should be strenuously shunned. In respect of puddings we recommend those we enumerate for tiffin. Fruit is best left alone at night and for ourselves we should not allow dessert if we were training anyone.

In regard to liquids, drink as little as possible, and it is curious to note how little one can do on (in the cold weather specially) when will power and moral fortitude are brought to bear on the subject. Beer or stout are good, but in *great* moderation they are full of sugar and are very fattening; claret is the next best thing to drink with meals; spirits, aërated waters, liqueurs, sweet wines are absolutely tabooed; a very occasional glass of port after dinner may do no harm if one feels a bit fagged. Do drinking between meals, no short drinks before meals, no highly iced beverages, should be the rule, and tea and coffee should not be taken too strong or too often. Cocoa is, for most people, better as a training beverage than tea or coffee.

Motoring.

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(FROM OUR SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT.)

NOT all the cars and bicycles which were entered for the above trials started, but nevertheless there was a goodly gathering at the new Queen's Statue, when Mr. F. P. Rannie, I.C.S., First Assistsnt Resident, sent us off this morning in the absence of the British Resident in Calcutta. The cars left in the following order:—Mr. E. E. Bryant's 6 H.-P. DeDion, Mr. H. C. Jeddere Fisher's 6 H.-P. DeDion, Mr. F. E. C. Carr's 8 H.-P. Darracq, Mrs. Goodall's 8 H.-P. DeDion, Messrs. Simpson and Co.'s 8 H.-P. Darracq, Mr. R. Jefferson's 8 H.-P. Rover, Mr. J. H. Blake's 9 to 11 H.-P. Swift, Mr. J. H. Barker's 10 H.-P. Cardillac, Mr. H. E. Ormerod's 10 to 12 H.-P. I. C. G., Mr. T. C. Durrell's 12 to 16 H.-P. F. I. A. T., Lieutenant A. G. Gwyer's 15 to 20 H.-P. Napier, Mr. G. V. Scovell's 15 to 20 H.-P. DeDion, Mr. F. E. Stewart's 20 H. P. Brown, H. H. The Maharaja of Vizianagram's 24 H.-P. Napier, and Captain Walker's 25 H.-P. Peugeot. (The list of the motor-bicycles will be included in to-morrow's diary).

To begin with the day promised fairly, everyone got off well, and no one supposed that the day's run to Kolar and back (120 miles) was going to prove such a veritable test of reliability. But so it turned out. We had hardly been running for half an hour when a Scotch mist struck in our faces which speedily developed into real rain. But it was wonderful how the motor-bicycles kept ahead of the cars. There had only been a minute's interval between the departure of the motor-bicycles and two minutes interval between the cars. Certainly this meant a long start from the last three or four cars off the mark (in one of which was contained your correspondent), but still it did seem to me that the "motor bikes" made wonderful way. Still there is nothing that calls for very special remark on the outward journey. Tyre troubles did not count, oil stoppages were a matter of a few seconds, but a car which should have done a fair non-stop run in each direction had the worst of luck by breaking a chain about 13 miles short of Kolar. This is an accident for which nobody is really accountable, and it was the only stop the car made on the double journey. And even then it only took 7 minutes 30 seconds to put on a new chain. However these are details. We had an excellent run, considering the weather, to Kolar and an excellent tiffin at that station, from which we returned to Bangalore. But on the way a nasty accident took place to Mr. J. H. Barker's car, which for some reason or another turned over in Hookote Town, and although the European occupants got clear, the native chauffeur was somewhat seriously injured. With two days proceedings yet to go, I dare not write any more at present.

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On our second day's run, from Bangalore to Katpadi (130 miles), only eleven cars out of seventeen, faced the starter. These all got into Mulbagal, (60 miles and tiffin) although there were sundry minor troubles on the way; and ten reached Katpadi, the finish of the day's run. Of these Messrs. Simpson and Co.'s 10-12 H.-P. Darracq, continues to possess a clean sheet, and the same remark applies to Captain Walker's Peugeot (25 H.-P. and Mr. F. C. O. Durrell's 12-16 H.-P. F. I. A. T. Others cars that have run conspicuously well are Mr. Hannay's 10-12 H.-P. Humber, Mr. H. C. Jeddere Fisher's 6 H.-P. DeDion. Mr. G. V. Scovell's 15-20 H.-P. DeDion, and Mr. F. E. Stewart's 20-22 H.-P. Brown. The last named gentleman is, however, hopelessly out of the trials through a piece of bad luck or carelessness, as you choose to look at it. He had a non-stop run on the opening day, and got within a few miles of Katpadi on the second day under the same conditions. But he had inadvertently left his petrol tap open, he expended two gallons in running three miles (!) and the result was that he had to beg petrol to get him into Katpadi when almost in sight of port. It was most unfortunate, for the car had made a splendid run up to this point.

As regards the motor-bicycles, I am in the dark as I write at Katpadi as to what is going to be decided and even as to what has become of a couple of the competitors. Eight started from Bangalore on the opening day, four tailed off yesterday, and only Messrs. Stewart, Rigold, Narasimham and Henderson left Kolar for Katpadi on the 28th December. Of these, only Stewart and Rigold arrived at Katpadi, and even these two had a terrible time of it. The mud was inches deep and the cycles could hardly get through it. When they increased their speed they skidded, and when running fast through this stuff the riders may veritably be said to have taken their lives in their hands. However, by hook or crook these two plucky riders pushed their way over roads which are a disgrace to the authorities of the taluq, into Katpadi, and their arrival was hailed with cheers from over thirty motorists who were dining at the Katpadi Railway Station. (A jolly good dinner we got for our money too—all honour to Messrs. G. V. Scovell and Benson, the latter of the Madras Railway.) Various toasts were proposed and freely honoured, but as these do not concern the trials they need only be mentioned. "The King" was proposed by Mr. G. V. Scovell, who, handicapped by many things (the sudden absence of his brother Secretary, Mr. F. E. Hooper, and absolutely frightful weather may be quoted), has worked his hardest to make satisfactory arrangements. Mr. G. F. Brierley proposed Mr. Scovell's health, and subsequent toasts were "the ladies," "absent friends" and Mr. Benson of the Madras Railway, another gentleman who has taken so much trouble. Subsequently all except unfortunate journalists retired to bed in the S. I. M. U. special train, and slept the sleep of the just—or otherwise.

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Coming to the third day, only 10 cars and a single cyclist (Stewart) started from Katpadi on the 90 miles run to Madras. For the few miles the roads were bad, with numerous villages and sharp corners and any amount of mud. After passing through Vellore, however, they improved, and the Wenlock causeway over the Palar River was reached. There had been much anxiety as to whether the water on this would be low enough to permit of passage, but fortunately there were only about 8 or 10 inches and with the assistance of dozens of yelling natives, the cars were all got safely across. From the further bank the Maharaja of Vizianagram's 24 H.-P. Napier got away with a long start of the other cars (the motor-cyclist had punctured four miles after starting.) Gradually the roads improved and when approaching Conjeveram, which was left some miles to the right, they became really first rate and we fizzed along at a steady average of about 24 miles per hour. The 12 H.-P. Napier continued to lead by a long way until about 15 miles from home, when a tyre went and a long stop was the result. A second puncture a few miles further on, necessitaed a dead slow progress upon a flattened tyre by this car, and she was actually the last that finished. They reached Madras in the following order:—

Mr. G. V. Scovell's 15 H.-P. DeDion, The Maharaja of Vizianagram's 12-16 H.-P. F. I. A. T., Messrs. Simpson & Co.'s 8 H.-P. Darracq, Mr. C. L. Hannay's 12 H.-P. Humber, Captain Walker's 25 H.-P. Peugeot, Messrs. Simpson & Co.'s 10-12 H.-P. Darracq. Mr. Stewart's 22 H.-P. Brown, and H. H. the Maharaja of Vizianagram's 24 H.-P. Napier. After luncheon, photographs were taken of the cars with their drivers and observers, and the large number of guests assembled, and then all those who had finished, ran to Government House, Guindy, where the prizes were presented by H. E. Sir Arthur Lawley, Governor of Madras.

The results were as follows:—

"A" Class:—Captain Walker's 25 H.-P. Peugeot, driven by H. W. Simpson.

"B" Class (1) (None arrived).

"B" Class (2) H. H. the Maharaja of Vizianagram's 12-16 H.-P. F. I. A T.,driven by Mr. Durrell.

"B" Class (3) Mr. G. V. Scovell's 15-20 H.-P. DeDion.

No motor bikes have arrived as I write, and the result of the hill climb has not yet been ascertained. His Excellency in presenting the prize winners, congratulated them heartily, and made a short, but humourous speech, in the course of which he proposed a vote of censure on the clerk of the weather, and a vote of thanks to Mr. Justice Boddam. He drew attention to the great interest taken by Mr. G. V. Scovell in the encouragement of the motor movement, and congratulated him heartily upon winning the beautiful Cup presented by H. H. the Maharaja of Vizianagram.

Cheers for the prize winners and for His Excellency brought the trials to a conclusion, and there is no doubt that they have been considering the terribly abnormal climate conditions, a signal success.

Four Ladies came through to-day, Mesdames Scovell, Durrell, Giffard and Hannay. No doubt there have been little complaints and minor dissatisfactions, but so far as I can gather, the competitors almost universally recognised the difficulties which had attended the trials, and considered that these had been met so far as possible.

Cricket.

CKET IN CALCUTTA.

CALCUTTA C.C. *vs.* MILITARY.—Played on the 5th instant, the C.C.C. winning by 5 wickets. The match produced some tall scoring. Lieutenant Walker was run out after making 129 for the Military—he batted well but gave three chances. Williams, Temperley, and Thirkell White also played attractive cricket and the innings closed for 354. Calcutta sent in Guise and Eddis and runs began to come fast. The century was signalled without a separation, but at 124 Eddis was given leg before after a well played 77. Beachcroft joined Guise and batting freely they took the score to 230 before Beachcroft was caught, and Nicholls came in. Eleven runs were added and then Guise's wicket fell when he was three runs short of his century, Nicholls made 56, and Pope 22. Bartholomew and Quin hitting off the remaining runs. Scores:—

THE MILITARY.

Lieut. Walker, run out	...	129
Capt. Rowlett, b Nicholls	...	1
Lieut. Thirkell White, c Pope, b Nicholls	...	36
Lieut. Williams, b Beachcroft	...	48
Lieut. Temperley, b Quin	...	48
Lieut. Salier, b Eddis	...	19
Lieut. Braithaupt, b Nicholls	...	3
Lieut. Lethbridge, c Pope, b Nicholls	...	12
Lieut. Milne-Home, c Bartholomew, b Nicholls	...	9
Colr.-Sergt. Bailey, b Nicholls	...	0
Major Ainslie, not out	...	4
Extras	...	45
Total	...	354

C.C.C.

J. D. Guise, b Williams	...	97
B. E. G. Eddis, l.-b.-w., b Salier	...	77
C. P. Beachcroft, c Ainslie, b Williams	...	50
C. B. Nicholls, b Lethbridge	...	56
C. M. Pope, b Salier	...	22
C. P. Bartholomew, not out	...	14
M. R. Quin, not out	...	19
L. P. E. Pugh, E. Horncastle, W. E. Bayley, A. E. Claughton	did not bat.	
Extras	...	20
Total (for 5 wkts.)	...	355

HORNETS *vs.* TOWN CLUB.—Played on the Hornets' ground last Saturday afternoon, the home team winning easily. Scores:—

TOWN CLUB.

Aktaruddin, run out	...	17
J. Sircar, st. Hoff, b Bailey	...	7
A. Ghani, c Hoff, b Bailey	...	0
B. Mukerji (Jr.), b Rosser	...	2
C. Datt, b Mabert	...	6
B. Roy, c Rosser, b Mabert	...	0
C. Mitter, c Rosser, b Mabert	...	1
B. Das, not out	...	24
S. Gupta, b Browne	...	1
M. Khan, c Rosser, b Mabert	...	0
A. Chowdry, run out	...	0
Extras	...	19
Total	...	77

HORNETS.

A. B. Rosser, retired	...	41
E. S. Mabert, b Das	...	1
A. A. Browne, retired	...	28
L. Jackson, retired	...	33
W. Hughes, not out	...	13
C. V. Smith, run out	...	6
J. Anderson, R. Simson, H. A. Bailey, F. Hoff	did not bat.	
Extras	...	24
Total (for 5 wkts.)	...	140

RANGERS *vs.* Y.M.C.A.—Played on the Rangers' ground last Saturday afternoon, resulting in a draw:—

Y.M.C.A.

F. H. Reynolds, not out	...	75
W. Dyer, b Lees	...	10
A. M. Price, b Lees	...	17
J. Grant, c Lees, b Hodges	...	11
H. S. Pooler, c and b Buckley	...	19
W. A. Price, c Calderwood, b Hodges	...	22
L. Foucar, b Templeton	...	0
J. Maclean, not out	...	4
P. Vanspall, A. E. Hildreth, J. Winter	did not bat.	
Extras	...	9
Total (for 6 wkts.)	...	167

RANGERS.

C. N. Warden, b Price	...	0
G. Schumacher, not out	...	26
G. Hodges, b Price	...	16
F. Lees, c Reynolds, b Price	...	21
A. Hodges, G. Nugent, E. Templeton, P. C. Margrett, J. Buckley, A. MacCullagh, D. Y. Calderwood	did not bat.	
Extras	...	5
Total (for 3 wkts.)	...	64

DALHOUSIE *vs.* CITY ATHLETIC.—Played on the Dalhousie ground on Saturday and resulted in a draw. Scores:—

CITY ATHLETIC.

S. Sircar, b Carter	...	7
G. Dey, c Prike, b Beadle	...	0
S. Bose, b Tremble	...	0
N. Mitter, b Tremble	...	6
B. Mookerjee, not out	...	43
S. Boy, c and b Wickens	...	3
S. Sinha, c Sharpe, b Tremble	...	5
S. Chatterjee, b Tremble	...	27
A. Sukul, b Tremble	...	0
J. Chatterjee, c Wickens, b Tremble	...	3
M. Ishaque, not out	...	2
Extras	...	7
Total (for 9 wkts.)	...	103

DALHOUSIE.

Sharpe, b Mitter	...	17
Harcel, b Sukul	...	3
Prike, b Sukul	...	5
Carter, b Mitter	...	6
Tremble, not out	...	15
Hodges, not out	...	2
Hickey, Beadle, Ball, Norton, Williams	did not bat.	
Extras	...	5
Total (for 4 wkts.)	...	48

BALLYGUNGE *vs.* ARYANS.—Played on Saturday, the Suburban team being defeated by 8 wickets and 32 runs. Score:—

BALLYGUNGE.

T. C. Stafford, c Bose, b Mukerjee	...	11
J. R. Coulthard, b Bose	...	0
F. Gould, b Bose	...	3
D. S. Shallow, b Mukerjee	...	10
E. W. Antram, b Mukerjee	...	4
A. C. Tatam, b Bose	...	12
R. McIntyre, c and b Bose	...	0
F. N. Whiteley, b Bose	...	23
A. V. Shorter, not out	...	5
A. G. Tough, b Bose	...	4
T. C. Manders, absent	...	0
Extras	...	10
Total	...	82

ARYANS.

B. Mukerjee, not out	...	55
O. Mozumdar, c Whiteley, b Gould	...	4
J. Bannerjee, c Stafford, b Gould	...	45
K. Bagchi, not out ...	...	4
Extras ...	...	6
Total (for 2 wkts.)	...	114

CRICKET AT LAHORE.

LAHORE GYMKHANA *vs.* ALIGARH.—Played on 31st December and 1st January, this match left the Gymkhana defeated by 9 wickets. For the winners Salam made 100 and 24 not out and he bowled effectively, taking 9 wickets in the two innings. The Gymkhana had by no means their strongest team out, and on the whole made a very fair show. Score :—

ALIGARH.

1st Innings.		2nd Innings.	
Shafqat, c Stubbs, b Kirke ...	37	b Kirke	24
Ali Raza, l.-b.-w., b Hawley ...	8	not out ...	38
Salam, c Ram Singh, b Robinson	100	not out	24
Amir Ahmed, b Kilgour ...	0		
Syed Hussain, l.-b.-w., b Kilgour	4		
Ishaq, run out	23		
Halim, st. Colbeck, b Kirke ...	24		
Rahat-ullah, c Bedwell, b Kirke	1		
Samad, b Robinson ...	0		
Ali Hassan, b Robinson ...	3		
Faqi, not out	0		
Extras	9	Extras ...	4
Total ...	209	Total (for 1 wkt.) ...	90

LAHORE GYMKHANA.

1st Innings.		2nd Innings.	
V. H. Wilson, b Shafqat ...	36	b Salam	0
C. E. Colbeck, b Shafqat ...	16	b Shafqat	28
H. F. Kilgour, b Shafqat ...	0	b Salam	8
E. St. G. Kirke, b Salam ..	2	run out	44
E. W. C. Ricketts, c Sayid, b Salam	5	c Ishaq, b Shafqat ...	45
S. G. Stubbs, b Salam ...	0	b Shafqat	0
Capt. Bedwell, b Salam ...	8	b Salam	1
Tikka Ram Singh, b Salam	0	not out	3
F. H. Hawley, b Shafqat...	13	b Salam	16
F. Skipwith, b Shafqat ...	4	c Raza, b Shafqat ...	17
S. M. Robinson, not out ...	11	b Shafqat	18
Extras	8	Extras	14
Total ...	103	Total ...	194

CRICKET IN MADRAS.

CIVIL *vs.* MILITARY.—Played at Chepauk on New Year's Day, the Civil team winning easily by 5 wickets and 312 runs. The Military batted first and were dismissed for 52. The Civil lost 5 wickets for 367. Partridge 128 and C. Morrison 102 not out, were in fine form, while Melver and Stephenson also batted well. Score :—

MILITARY.

Capt. C. J. Porcher, b Morrison	4
Lieut. Liepmann, b Morrison	0
E. A. Jackson, b Morrison	0
G. Fraser, b Milne	15
Capt. Cotter, c Melver, b Milne	0
Drummer Rossell, b Milne	12
A. R. Hill, c de la Hey, b Morrison	2
Corpl. Bradley, c de la Hey, b Morrison	3
A. H. Steele, b Milne	3
Sergt. Lewis, b Milne	11
B. R. Walker, not out	0
Extras — ...	2
Total ...	52

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

	O.	R.	M.	W.
Morrison	13	28	4	5
Milne	12⅗	22	4	5

CIVIL.

P. W. Partridge, retired	128
H. D. Taylor, b Walker	6
H. Shaw, b Walker	19
J. Melver, b Liepmann	59
J. S. Milne, c Fraser, b Walker	4
C. Morrison, not out...	102
F. I. Stephenson, not out	43
Extras	6
Total ...	367

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

	O.	R.	M.	W.
Liepmann	30	161	2	1
Walker	16	82	2	3
Rossell	1	5	0	0
Lewis	6	24	1	0
Fraser	4	19	0	0
Cotter	5	33	0	0
Steele	2	20	0	0
Bradley	3	17	0	0

Golf.

GOLF IN THE BRITISH ISLES.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

21st December 1906.

PERHAPS to the golfer of whatever social grade or sex the most important item in the fortnightly budget is the alteration in the rules and regulations for the Open Championship. For some time past there has been considerable discussion on the subject, for everyone concerned or unconcerned recognized that change was necessary in order to cope with the rapidly increasing entry, and the five clubs which govern the Championship have at last arrived through their delegates at the following decision which will at all events be put into practice in the immediate future. The Managing Clubs are The Royal and Ancient Club, the Honourable Company of Edinburgh Golfers, the Prestwick Club, the Royal Liverpool Club, and the Royal St. George's Club. It will be observed that while three of the five are Scotch and the remaining two English, Ireland is not allowed a "look in," the game being of comparatively recent introduction in the Emerald Isle. The following official statement has been issued :—

"At a meeting of delegates from the Managing Clubs held in Edinburgh on Saturday, 15th December, it was resolved that the Open Championship in June next, to be held at Hoylake, should be played under the following conditions :—

"On Tuesday and Wednesday in the championship week entrants will qualify to play for the championship by two rounds on each day ; one half of the entrants to be drawn to play on the Tuesday, and the remainder on the Wednesday. The 30 players returning the lowest scores on each day, including all who may tie, will be qualified to play.

"On Thursday and Friday the championship will be played for by such entrants as may have qualified, under the rules at present governing it."

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That some sort of qualifying round must be instituted has for the last few years been obvious, but golf is *an fond* a very conservative game, and to reconstitute so old an institution as the Open Championship required courage—and much consideration as to *how*. But the last straw was placed on the camel's back at Muirfield this year (1906) when there were 183 entries for the Championship and it was only possible to play one round in each of the first two days, and even then play was continued without intermission from 9 o'clock A.M. till very nearly 8 o'clock at night. So then by the new regulations the Open Championship will remain a purely Stroke Competition from start to finish and the two qualifying rounds will take place on the Royal Liverpool Club's Course at Hoylake on 18th and 9th June, respectively, and the first 30 players in each of these 36 holes qualifying stroke competitions (including any players who may tie for 30 th. place) will be eligible to take part in the 72 holes Stroke Competition for the Actual Championship on 20th and 21st June. This is quite clear, there will necessarily be much criticism, adverse and otherwise, but the Rules of the five Governing Clubs must, like the laws of the Medes and Persians, be unalterable until these same five clubs see fit to amend them further should necessity arise.

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Not1 very much interest is evoked by the challenge which A. G. Gow, of the Gog-Magog Club, issued to Mayo of Chipstead for £20. The golfing public are satiated with professional matches, and much prefer, unless under very exceptional circumstances, to gang their own gait and follow their own ball round a course when the chance presents itself, but still, of course, there will be a good many onlookers in this match, Gow *vs.* Mayo, the first half of which is to take place at Bridgworth on 3rd January and the second half at Brancaster a week later. Gow is full of "Gs."—A. G. Gow of the Gog-Magog Club bristles with the seventh letter in the alphabet, and he also comes from Gol'ang—but so far he has not distinguished himself greatly or conspicuously in big events ; he is young though and his day will assuredly come as it comes to every dog—I mean "*Gow' fer.*"

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Inattention to, and ignorance of rules entailing disqualification seems to be more prevalent among men than women—there may be more than one reason for this, the man or the man's partner may speak up, the woman or her's may through ignorance or what is popularly supposed to be woman's failing, a desire to conceal, let her little elusions and infringements of rules lie perdu, but a curious case of disqualification, when no less than four players were recently put off the running, occurred in the same competition on Saturday, 15th instant, in a club not very far from London. The facts are these : two of the four thought it wise to shelter during a heavy shower, another failed to record (or allowed his marker to omit) a something intended for a stroke, but which took the form of a mere heeltap ; and the fourth, beginning his medal round with a stroke to point, sent his caddy to recover the ball nesting nearly in the club house, and started all over again *sans* penalty ! In justice to golfers who regularly take part in stroke competitions one should remark that similar breaches of the Royal and Ancient Laws such as I have just recounted are rare, and although the world of golf quite recently was pleased to make more than insinuations as to the probity and honesty of ladies on the Links, with many years of experience of lady golfers I must make an emphatic refutation of H. L.'s charges on their behalf.

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The silk wound "Pneumatic" ball seems a wonderful invention, and according to "Alec Smith," who has achieved unparalleled feats with it in America there is no ball in the market to touch it for endurance, elasticity and all other endearing attributes of a golf ball ! These can be obtained 3s. each ! from the makers, Vulcan Works, St. Thomas Street, London, S.E. A great deal of discussion arose consequent on "gate money" being charged in the great foursome at Timperley last month, but the actual result was that the Club have been enabled to distribute the sum of £40 to local charities. A very interesting course of lectures on Golf delivered by Mr. Maitland-Brown, at Elgin, have just come to an end. The subject of the lectures embraced everything connected with the game, and were very largely attended and greatly appreciated. Mr. Brown is headmaster of the Elgin High School, and is himself a very good player, with a wonderfully easy graceful style and has besides considerable knowledge of the history of the game through all the ages in which it has been in existence, and now to 1906 we must make our adieus to Links and Golfers, and wish them and all their kind a continuance of prosperity in 1907 and a health to "Gowfers a'" from

M. E. S.

Boxing.

BOXING AT LUCKNOW.

DURHAM LIGHT INFANTRY TOURNAMENT.

Referee :—Mr. F. Owen O'Neill.

Judges :—Captain O. R. W. Hampden 1st Oxford L. I., Lieutenant G. E. Whittal, 1st Oxford L.I., and Sergeant-Major C. Cook Royal Dragoons.

Timekeeper :—Sergeant G. Rogers, 1st Durham L.I.

M. Cs.—Sergeant-Major C. Walton and Sergeant G. P. Cherry, 1st Durham L. I.

THE 1st Battalion, Durham Light Infantry, held their Annual Boxing Tournament at the Central Gymnasium, Lucknow, on 27th and 29th December, when some excellent bouts were witnessed. The tournament included a number of novices' competitions. The prizes were given away at the close by Lieutenant-Colonel Mansel, D.S.O.

FIRST NIGHT.

Light-weights.

NOVICES.—1st Round.—Pte. Davis, "G" Co. *vs.* Pte. Peel, Band.—Davis was leading in the second round, Peel's blows lacking sting. Davis secured the verdict.

Pte. Joyce, "G" Co. *vs.* Pte. Hill, "S" Co.—Joyce gave in the first round.

Semi-final.—Pte. Davis "G" Co. *vs.* Pte. Wilson, Bugles.—Wilson won on points, though a fourth round was necessary to enable the judges to come to a decision.

LIGHT-WEIGHT CHAMPIONSHIP.—Pte. Marshall, "B" Co. *vs.* Pte. Crowther, "G" Co.—Crowther showed to advantage in the opening round and secured the verdict.

Bugler Harris *vs.* Lce.-Corpl. Reay, "L" Co.—This was a very hard fought bout. Unfortunately Reay was disqualified for hitting low.

Bantam-weights.

BANTAM-WEIGHT CHAMPIONSHIP.—Pte. Morrisey, "G" Co *vs.* Pte. McIntyre, "E" Co.—This was a very level fight, McIntyre winning on points.

Pte. Mowbray, "H" Co. *vs.* Pte. Kelly, "K" Co.—Mowbray looked a likely winner, but Kelly improved in the final round and won on points.

Feather-weights.

NOVICES.—1st Round.—Pte. Laws, "A" Co. *vs.* Pte. Turnoch, "H" Co.—Laws was given the verdict on points.

Pte. Fuller, Band, *vs.* Pte. Scott, "A" Co.—Fuller won easily.

Middle-weights.

NOVICES.—1st Round.—Pte. Dempster, "A" Co. *vs.* Pte. Moran, "H" Co.—Moran was unable to keep his feet, causing a good deal of diversion. Moran was knocked out.

MIDDLE-WEIGHT CHAMPIONSHIP.—Lce.-Corpl. Gorman, "K" Co. *vs.* Pte. Dixon, "G" Co.—Dixon could not stand the pace and was knocked out in the opening round.

SECOND NIGHT.

Light-weights.

NOVICES. Final.—Pte. Drew, Band, *vs.* Pte. Wilson, Bugles.—Drew had the advantage of reach and although the other fought gamely, Drew won.

LIGHT-WEIGHT CHAMPIONSHIP. Final.—Bugler Harris *vs.* Pte. Crowther, "G" Co.—Crowther, although lacking the experience of his opponent, fought up splendidly. The contest was awarded to Harris Crowther being given the prize for the best loser in the tournament.

Bantam-weights.

CHAMPIONSHIP. Final.—Pte. McIntyre, "E" Co. *vs.* Pte. Kelly, "K" Co.—McIntyre had the best of the contest and secured the verdict.

Feather-weights.

NOVICES. Final.—Pte. Laws, "A" Co. *vs.* Pte. Fuller, Band.—The pace proved too strong for Fuller. Laws was declared the winner.

CHAMPIONSHIP. Finals.—Pte. McDonald, "H" Co. *vs.* Pte. Burns, "K" Co.—Burns was knocked out in the first round.

Middle-weights.

CHAMPIONSHIP. Final.—Lce.-Corpl. Gorman, "K" Co. *vs.* Pte. Dixon, "H" Co.—Gorman failed to put in an appearance, Dixon was declared the winner.

NOVICES. Final.—Pte. Dempster, "H" Co. *vs.* Pte. Fletcher, "B" Co.—Dempster was knocked out in the first round.

Young Soldiers' Competition.

Pte. Bainbridge, "B" Co. *vs.* Pte. Thornton, "B" Co.—These youngsters were soon making things lively for each other and some very smart work was witnessed. Brainbridge was given the verdict.

Pte. Young, "A" Co. *vs.* Pte. Ely, "A" Co.—Ely was defeated on points.

FINAL.—Pte. Young, "A" Co. *vs.* Pte. Bainbridge, "B" Co.—This was another good display. Bainbridge won on points.

Special Four Round Contests.

Pte. Meichan, "G" Co. *vs.* Pte. Halliday, "H" Co.—Halliday was knocked out in the third round.

Pte. Davies, "G" Co. *vs.* Pte. Peel, Band.—After some tame fighting in the first round the men warmed to their task and gave an interesting display. Davies was declared the winner.

Pte. Richardson, "G" Co. *vs.* Pte. Morrisey, "G" Co.—Richardson knocked out his opponent in the opening round.

The Kennel.

THE TENTH LAHORE DOG SHOW.

(FROM OUR SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT.)

THE above Show took place on the 27th and 28th December in an enclosed space in the Government Gardens. The entries were better than last year, and the quality of some of the exhibits of a high order. The classes were divided between Lieut. H. W. Bush and Major Williamson, while Mr. S. Brandreth came in on the second day to assist in the awarding of the specials. In spite of the various other attractions of the Christmas week the gate was good. We were pleased to notice on the first day walking round the benches and taking an interest in the judging, His Honour The Lieutenant-Governor, Sir Charles Rivaz, while Lady Rivaz graced the Show with her presence on the second day. It is pleasing to the promoters of Shows that those who are great ones in the land honour them by coming and showing a kindly interest. There are rumours afloat that the management of the Show may shortly change hands, and be given over to the N.I.K.A. entirely, for up to now, that is since Mr. Lionel Jacob left Lahore some years ago, the life of the Show has practically depended upon one man, namely, Mr. Bush, and though this is a thing that nearly always happens in India yet it is not desirable. There was none in Murree this year to start things, so there was no Show. However, all this is by the way, for nothing has yet been settled nor even discussed we understand between the two Committees. Let us therefore turn to our real subject. Major Williamson started to work on Greyhounds in one ring, while Mr. Bush occupied the other with Dachshunds, and both were kept busy till 2 o'clock by which time the former had finished his classes, while after lunch Mr. Bush continued till 3-30 before he could say "enough." This left only the specials for the next day.

There were altogether 44 classes, all more or less well filled, in all 221 entries. GREYHOUNDS were a very fair lot, but not so good as we have seen them, the Maharaja of Jind's Summerstone Lady was first, a nice bitch of some quality, with a good shoulder and general outlook, second Mr. Spencer's Stirrup Cup, a bigger dog, but rather straight in shoulder, followed by Fine Glooe, reserve, Joyous Flirt, V. H. C., and Fearless H. C. In the Limit Class the first prize went to Stirrup Cup, and the second to Joyous Flirt owned by Mr. Ames. In the Puppy Class the competition was small, only two faced the judge, Mr. Spencer's Sabre, a fair pup won. In the Bulldog Class there was only one entry, Mr. Penn Gaskell's Nuthurst Dick, son of the celebrated Nuthurst Dick, a good dog, a bit wanting in lay-back, but well worthy of the prize that was awarded. RETRIEVERS were not particularly good, being small in size, the winner was Glanbrane Rock, in the Limit Jind Nip came out top, both were owned by the Maharaja of Jind. The Open Class for SCOTTISH TERRIERS was a good one, the winner, Martian Thistle, being now well-known, a very nice terrier in many ways, but is one that misses being a flyer. Second Captain Hesketh's Gleambor Robin who is now getting a bit thick in skull, but legs and feet still good. Glendale Dirk, reserve, while Kim, a winner at Lahore a couple of years ago, had to be content with V. H. C. In the Limit Glendale Dirk won, followed by Major Jacque's Peter Quinine, a nice dog, a bit long in body and lacking in expression. Only two in the Puppy Class, Martian Model being first. The AIREDALE TERRIER Classes were the strongest that we have seen at Lahore for several years, the Open Class was headed by Maharaja of Jind's Jind Marquis, a good headed dog, rather inclined to be heavy all round, excellent bone. Second Mr. Inglis' Bob, good in bone, feet and expression, but not a nice coat. Major Paling's Reyt

Mystery, reserve, scores in body, coat and body points, but loses in head. Elrae Royalist, V. H. C. would take much beating if it was better in head.

IRISH TERRIERS, in the Open Class Captain Martin's Rampant Royalist had it all his own way, a high class terrier with the right kind of coat. Second, Martian Moonah, a nice puppy spoilt by a dark muzzle, and open feet, should furnish well. Mr. Toppin's Rathmore Paddy, reserve, is on the big side. Mr. Power's Terrible Turk, V. H. C., a good terrier spoilt by terribly bad feet covered with corns. Limit saw Martian Moonah first followed by Terrible Turk. Puppy Class Martian Moonah first. This ended Major Williamson's classes.

Turning to those which Mr. Bush had to judge, he commenced on DACHSHUNDS, in which the most notable thing was the large size of some of the exhibits. Pilgrim, who was put up to be raffled some time ago, withdrawn after many tickest were taken, and who is now the property of the Maharaja of Jind, was first, a nice chocolate wanting a bit in bone or his size, not too large. Second, Mr. Bickley Roe's Caviare, a large dog with immense bone, and depth of chest, looked almost like a Basset hound. Two quite nice bitches, Mr. Roe's Kader Dinah and Mr. James' Marie, V. H. C. Limit, saw Pilgrim eliminated, so Caviare went up first followed by Kader Dinah. Puppy Class, Mr. Roe's Cocum, not a bad headed pup is Second, Mr. Howell's Don Carlos, very good outlook with elbows all out which spoilt its chances. COCKER SPANIELS, a good class headed by General Des Voeux' Lady of the Lake, a recent importation, a really good bitch. Second, Maharaja of Jind's Jind Sporting Fred, a nice dog but weak in head. Limit, Mistress Elizabeth belonging to the Maharaja of Jind first, Second General Des Voeux' Samana Prince, bad in head and too big. Puppy Class, about the worst class in the Show, Mr. O'Hara's Erin Emperor first, a poor foul-marked pup which will never be much. BULL TERRIERS—First Captain Quin's Ch Houghton Ladylove, a very good bitch spoilt by a light eye, and a slackness of gait. V. H. C. the same owner's Illixem Wild, bad in head and coarse in stern. Limit—First Maharaja of Jind's Borleagh Young Kaffir, a nice active pup, good in head and bone, he also won the Puppy Class prize.

SMOOTH FOX TERRIER DOGS, OPEN.—The best class in the Show and hotly contested.—First Major Impey's Induna, Mr. Arden Close's Cruiser taking second and losing to the winner only in feet and condition. Third Maharaja of Jind's Dampierre, a grand terrier that is on the wane, but has wonderful bone, and showed well. V. H. C. Captain Lance's Speculation, Maharaja of Jind's Ch. Raby Huntsman. Major Impey's Iqbal, Indian Lad. H. C. Mr. Close's Canto and Captain Jackson's Trickster. Limit, Major Impey's Indian Lad first, a nice pup showed well, but will have a coarse head. Second Trickster, a very showy dog, good in bone, head and feet, but just too big. Junior, saw Induna first and Cruiser second. Puppy Class. First Indian Lad, second Trickster, reserve Canto, SMOOTH FOX TERRIER, BITCHES.—A good class but not so hot a one as the open dogs. First came Major Impey's Infanta, an all-round very fair bitch with no bad or particularly prominent bad points. Second the Maharaja of Jind's Delberta, a really high class bitch absolutely ruined by bad treatment, and prominent muscles on the forelegs from constantly being on chain. Third the same owner's Donno Phillipa, a taking all-white bitch, a good shower, a little high on the leg. Reserve, Mr. Arden Close's Cerise, a beautiful pup that should be heard of again before long. Limit, Donna Phillipa first, Cerise second. Third Captain Lance's Lucky Coup, a showy pup, but with a short head. Junior, first Infanta, second Captain Roe Price's Genteel Poverty, a nice bitch which misses being a flyer. Third Cerise. Puppy Class, first Genteel Poverty, second Cerise, reserve, Indian May. WIRE FOX TERRIER DOGS, OPEN.—One dog only, Jind Don't Hit Hard, nice head and size, poor on his legs. Puppy Class, also only one, Mr. Reid's The Devil, nice body, high rather, but the head was poor. WIRE FOX TERRIER BITCHES, OPEN.—First, Maharaja of Jind's Jind Glory, a really smart little bitch, which beat her dam, the celebrated Ch. Dufky Gleaner, who was second V. H. C. Mrs. James, Iriss, Captain Paterson's Sweet Dixie, Major Impey's Indian Rose.

Jind Glory also won first in Limit and Junior. Puppy Class, 1st Indian Rose a good headed light-made bitch. Variety Class, produced a schipperke, Peter Peshawar, owned by Miss Hawkins, who won, also a springer spaniel with crooked legs, and a very indifferent pomeranian. EASTERN BREEDS, OPEN, Miss Sorby's Pekinese, Chin Chin, 1st, a beautiful specimen, also competed Captain Martin's Afghan hound, Fatima, shown very light in condition and Mrs. Hibbert's Lhasa, a Tibetan Spaniel, which won in the Limit Class. GREAT DANES, judged by Mr. D. H. Powell, 1st Mr. Fleming's Reckless Warrior, 2nd Lord Reckless. Reserve, Private Ashton's Lord Ardath. Limit, 1st Reckless Warrior. Puppy, 1st Reckless Amazon.

LIST OF AWARDS.

CLASS 1.—Greyhounds, open.—1st, The Raja of Jind's Summerstone Lady; 2nd, Mr. Spencer's Stirrup Cup; Reserve, Raja of Jind's Fine Glove; V. H. C., Mr. Ames's Joyous Flirt; H. C., Mr. Spencer's Fearless.

CLASS 2.—Greyhounds, limit.—1st, Mr. Spencer's Stirrup Cup; 2nd, Mr. Ames's Joyous Flirt.

CLASS 3.—Greyhounds, puppy class.

CLASS 4.—Bull dogs—Only one exhibit, but a good one for India, son of the celebrated Champion Nuthurst Doctor: to this dog, Mr. Penn Gaskell's Nuthurst Dick, a prize was justly awarded.

CLASS 5.—Retrievers, open—1st, Raja of Jind's Glanbrane Rock.

CLASS 6.—Retrievers, limit.—1st, Raja of Jind's Jind Nip.

CLASS 7.—Cocker Spaniels, open.—1st, Major-General Des Vœux's Lady of the Lake; 2nd, Raja of Jind's Jind Sporting Fred; V. H. C., Raja of Jind's Mistress Elizabeth.

CLASS 8.—Cocker Spaniels, limit.—1st, Raja of Jind's Mistress Elizabeth; 2nd, General Des Vœux's Samana Prince.

CLASS 9.—Spaniel Puppies.—1st, Mr. G. O'Hara's Erin Emperor.

CLASS 10.—Bull-terriers, open.—1st, Captain Quin's Ch. Houghton Lady Love; V. H. C., Captain Quin's Illixem Wild.

CLASS 11.—Bull-terriers, limit.—1st, Raja of Jind's Borleagh Young Kaffir.

CLASS 12.—Bull-terriers, puppy class.—1st, Raja of Jind's Borleagh Young Kaffir.

CLASS 13.—Scottish-terriers, open.—1st, Captain Martin's Martian Thistle; 2nd, Captain Hesketh's Gleambor Robin; Reserve, Captain Hesketh's Glendale Dirk; V. H. C., Mrs. Frost's Kim; H. C., Major Jacques's Peter Quinine; Mr. French's Kulack; Captain Martin's Martian Model.

CLASS 14.—Scottish terriers, limt.—1st, Captain Hesketh's Glendale Dirk; 2nd, Major Jacques's Peter Quinine; Reserve, Captain Martin's Martian Model; V. H. C., Mr. French's Kulack.

CLASS 15.—Scottish-terriers, puppy class.—1st, Captain Martin's Martian Model.

CLASS 16.—Smooth Fox-terriers, dogs, open.—1st, Major Impey's Induna; 2nd, Mr. Arden Close's Cruiser; 3rd, Raja of Jind's Dampierre, V. H. C., Major Impey's Indian Lad; Raja of Jind's Ch. Raby Huntsman; Captain Lancer's Speculation; H. C., Mr. Arden Close's Canto-Captain Jackson's Trickster.

CLASS 17.—Smooth Fox-terriers, dogs, limit.—1st, Major Impey's Indian Lad; 2nd, Captain Jackson's Trickster; V. H. C., Mr. Close's Canto.

CLASS 18.—Smooth Fox-terries, dogs, junion.—1st, Major Impey's Induna; 2nd, Mr. Close's Cruiser; Reserve, Major Impey's Indian Lad; V. H. C., Captain Jackson's Trickster.

CLASS 19.—Smooth Fox-terrier dogs. Puppy Class—1st, Major Impey's Indian Lad; 2nd, Captain Jackson's Trickster; Reserve, Mr. Close's Canto; V. H. C., Mr. A. Ross's Victor, Mr. Reid's The Demon.

CLASS 20.—Smooth Fox-terries bitcher, open—1st, Major Impey's Infanta; 2nd, Raja of Jind's Delberta; 3rd, Raja of Jind's Donna Phjilipa; Reserve, Mr. Close's Cerise.

CLASS 21.—Smooth Fox-terrier bitches, limit—1st, Raja of Jind's Donna Phillipa; 2nd, Mr. Close's Cerise; 3rd, Captain Lance's Lucky Coup.

CLASS 22.—Smooth Fox-terrier bitches, junior.—1st, Major Impey's Infanta; 2nd, Captain Rose Price's Genteel Poverty; 3rd, Mr. Close's Cerise.

CLASS 23.—Smooth Fox-terrier bitches, puppy class.—1st, Captain Rose Price's Genteel Poverty; 2nd, Mr. Close's Cerise; Reserve, Major Impey's Indian May; V. H. C., Captain Lance's Lucky Coup.

CLASS 24.—Wire Fox-terrier dogs, open.—1st, Raja of Jind's Don't Hit Hard.

CLASS 25.—Wire Fox-terrier dogs, puppy class.—1st, Mr. Reid's The Devil.

CLASS 26.—Wire Fox-terrier bitches, open.—1st, Raja of Jind's Jind Glory; 2nd, Raja of Jind's Ch. Dusky Gleaner; V. H. C., Mrs. James's Iris, Captain Impey's Indian Rose, Captain Paterson's Sweet Dixie.

CLASS 27.—Wire Fox-terrier bitches, limit.—1st, Raja of Jind's Jind Glory.

CLASS 28.—Wire Fox-terrier bitches, junior.—1st, Raja of Jind's Jind Glory.

CLASS 29.—Wire Fox-terrier bitches, puppy class.—1st, Major Impey's Indian Rose.

CLASS 30.—Airedale terriers open.—1st, Raja of Jind's Jind Marquis; 2nd, Mr. Inglis's Bob; Reserve, Major Palin's Resyt Mystery. V. H. C., Captain Earle's Elrae Royalist; H. C., Mr. Rees Megg's Michael O'Leary

CLASS 31.—Airedale terriers, limit—1st, Raja of Jind's Jind Marquis; 2nd, Mr. Churchill's Elrae Countess; Reserve, Mr. Inglis's Bob; V. H. C., Captain Earle's Elrae Royalist, Mr. Hall's Covert Sceptre, Major Palin's Westwood Vixen.

CLASS 32.—Airedale terrier, puppy class.—1st, Mr. Inglis's Mac; 2nd, Captain Earle's Elrae Cadet; Reserve, Mr. Churchill's Elrae Countess; V. H. C., Mr. Rees Mogg's Michael O'Leary's Major Palin's Westwood Vixen.

CLASS 33.—Irish terriers, open—1st, Captain Martin's Rampant Royalist; 2nd, Captain Martin's Martian Moonah; Reserve, Mr. Toppins Rathmore Paddy; V. H. C., Mr. Power's Terrible Turk.

CLASS 34.—Irish terriers, limit—1st, Captain Martin's Martian Moonah; 2nd, Mr. Power's Terrible Turk; Reserve, Mr. F. Robert's Prince Kerry.

CLASS 35.—Irish terriers, puppy class.—1st, Captain Martin's Martian Moonah; Reserve, Mr. F. Roberts's Prince Kerry.

CLASS 36.—Dachshunds, open.—1st, Raja of Jind's Pilgrim; 2nd, Mr. Bickley Roe's Caviare; V. H. C. Mr. Roe's Kader Dinah, Mrs. James's Marie; H. C. Mr. Roe's Cocum.

CLASS 37.—Dachshunds, limit.—1st, Mr. Roe's Caviare; 2nd, Mr. Roe's Kader Dinah; H. C., Cocum.

CLASS 38.—Dachshunds, puppy class.—1st, Mr. Roe's Cocum; 2nd, Mr. Howell's Don Carlos.

CLASS 39.—Great Danes, open.—1st, Mr. Fleming's Reckless Warrior; 2nd, Mr. Fleming's Lord Reckless; Reserve, Private Ashton's Lord Ardath.

CLASS 40.—Great Danes, limit.—1st, Mr. Fleming's Reckles Warrior.

CLASS 41.—Great Danes, puppy class.—1st, Mr. Fleming's Reckless Amazon.

CLASS 42.—Variety—1st, Miss Hankin's Peter Peshawar (Schippeske).

Eastern Breeds—Open—1st, Miss Sorby's Chin Chin (Pekinese)

Eastern Breeds—Limit—1st, Mrs. Hibbert's Lhasa.

SPECIALS. OPEN.

1. Dholpur Challenge for best dog in the Show, Major Impey's Induna.

2. Dholpur challenge for best terrier, Mr. Arden Close's Cruiser.

3. Dholpur challenge for best other than terrier, General Des Vœux's Lady of the Lake.

4. Dholpur challenge for best dog bred by exhibitor in India, Maharaja of Jind's Jind Glory.

5. Major Impey's special for best novice terrier, any breed, Captain Martin's Martian Moonah.

6. Challenge brace for all terriers, Major Impey's Induna and Infanta.

7. Maharaja of Jind's special for best coloured cocker spaniel, Colonal Hodger's Billy.

8. Messrs Cooke and Kelvey's special for best brace, any breed, except terriers and dachshunds, Genera Des Vœux's Lady of the Lake and Samana Prince.

9. Special presented by the proprietor of *The Indian Field* for best dachshund bred in India, Mr. Bickley's Roe's Caviare.

10. Gazette Birthday Stakes, Major Impey's Indian May.

N.I.K.A. Specials confined to Members.

11. Dobson Trophy, for best dog imported 1906, Mr. Close's Cruiser.

13. Best Puppy born 1906, sporting breeds, terriers excluded Mr. Spencer's Sabre.

13. Novice Breeder's Stakes, Captain Earle's Elrae Cadet.

14. Best Smooth Fox terrier, born 1906, Captain Jackson's Trickster,

15. Best Wire Fox-terrier, born 1906, Major Impey's Indian Rose.

16. Best Terrier Fox-terriers excluded, born 1906, Captain Martin's Martian Moonah

17. Best Non-sporting puppy born 1906, Mr. Fleming's Reckless Amazon.

18. Owner of best dog of any breed who has joined the Association within the year, Major Palin's Resyt Mystery

19. Best Fox-terrier dog over 12 months and under 17lbs., Mr. Close's Cruiser.

20. Fox Terrier Nomination Stakes, Major Impey's Indian Lad, 1st, and his Indian May 2nd.

Mrs. Younghusband, the wife of the Commissioner of Lahore, kindly presented the prizes at 3 o'clock on the second day, thus bringing to a close one more of the series of the ever popular Lahore Shows, for whose origin we have to thank Mr. Lionel Jacob, and for whose continuance year after year we are indebted to the present Secretary of the N.I.K.A.

The Naturalist.

A NATURALIST IN THE N.-W. HIMALAYAS.

PART X.

SOME months have gone since I had the pleasure of writing to you regarding the birds and small mammals of these hills. Information is slowly gathered, but at last a certain amount of progress is being made. The collectors again visited Ladak and worked at Shushal, along the shores of the Pengong Lake, from thence back to Nubra, and by short stages into the Lidoas Valley in Kashmir

BIRDS AND EGGS.

I do not intend to inflict on the readers of the *Indian Field* a list of all the birds and eggs secured, and will only make mention of those to which special interest is attached.

A clutch of four eggs and the parent birds of *Phylloscopus indicus* the Olivaceous willow warbler were found, also the eggs of *Phylloscopus neglectus* the plain willow warbler, at Dras, on the Ladak Road on 28th May and on other dates.

A hard set clutch of the eggs of *Montifringilla adamsi* was taken on 5th June on the Fotu-la (Ladak Road) this mountain finch lays white eggs and apparently breeds early in the summer. On a previous occasion a single egg was obtained in the same locality. Eggs of *Otocorys longirostris* with the parent birds were got at Tsal-Tak at upwards of 15,000 feet altitude on 17th June, this is the first occasion on which I have got the eggs of this lark; but *Otocorys elwesi*, Elwes' horned lark, is easier secured, birds and eggs were found on 22nd and 27th June at Tankse and at Shushal, at that place were also obtained the eggs of the redshank.

Acanthis brevirostris breeds on the Khardong and between these and the Nubra Valley clutches of this Twite's eggs were taken late in July.

An addled egg of *Cyanecula-wolfi*, the white-spotted blue throat together with young birds were found in the Shyok Valley on 11th August.

Severtzoff's rose finch can nearly always be shot near Tankse and on the shores of the Pangong Lake during July when this fine bird breeds.

Can anyone throw any light on the habits of Brandt's mountain finch? Again the collectors have failed to secure the eggs, although several specimens of males were shot. Regarding the *Genus saxicola* I have not much to record. The Siberian chat (*Saxicola pleschanka*) was building at Kargil on 28th May *S. deserti* must, I fancy, lay its eggs early in the summer, judging by the young birds which were collected.

A cock of *Saxicola picata* was got at Kargil on 2nd September. The Indian redstart and eggs are frequently to be collected. The only other bird worth mentioning is *Leptopoecile sophiæ* Stoliczka's warbler tit, this rather rare specimen was secured in the Nubra Valley.

In Kashmir proper not much was done, possibly the best find was the young of the Ibi-bill, these were caught on an island in the Liddas Valley at an altitude of about 7,000 feet, they were small fluffy little creatures, grey in colour, slightly tinged with yellow, they were very active and great adepts at hiding. These young birds were evidently hatched out under a log, under which in a depression was a little birch bark. As the birds were caught on 3rd June and were very young the eggs must have been laid about the second week in May. Mr. S. Whymper tells me he got hard set eggs of the Ibis-bill when in the Kumaon hills, during the past summer. On being released the young birds were speedily joined by the parents.

MAMMALS

In Leh a Pallas' cat was purchased, although caught when quite young the little beast is as vicious as any animal can well be. This cat (*Felis manul*) is described on page 83, Fauna of India-Mammals. The colour of my specimen has varied greatly since the cold season set in formerly the general colouring was buffish brown with indistinct transverse bars across the back and on the limbs, the tail was and is, marked with black rings and has a deep black tip; now the general colouring is silvery grey, the body marks have become very indistinct. Two broad almost black stripes along the cheeks are very striking, the feet have remained buffish brown in colour; the whole of the fur is very dense and long and is slaty brown at the base, the head is spotted with brown. I should be very sorry to try and measure the animal, but the body must be small, the dense fur giving a misleading idea of size and in weight an English domestic puss would probably exceed this specimen of Pallas' cat.

Amongst the rodents a fair amount of success attended the expedition. Evidently *Mus-otis*, the large eared mouse-hare is, the common species near Leh and on the Khardong, this animal is mentioned on page 457, Fauna of India. *Ochotona auritus* so far as we can at present ascertain is only found within a limited area near the Pangong Lake, in habits it differs from *Mus-otis*, being often found in sandy burrows and amongst scrub jungle, whilst *Mus-otis* is found in barren spots and amongst stones I see in my notes that *Ochotona curzoniæ* has much the same habits as *Auritus*, but this mouse hare I have as yet only secured near Hanle which is many a long march from the Pangong.

The little grey hamster was secured near Khardong Village on the far side of the Pass, and also at Shushal, in each occasion at over 13,000 feet.

Of the mice there is nothing new to write about, Mr. Bonhote is kindly dealing with these perplexing rodents, but I am afraid to go thoroughly into the subject will take some time.

A. E. W.

Cards.

BRIDGE.

Solution to Problem No. 21.

TO justify his declaration with the score at love-all, Z should hold ace, knave of hearts, ace, knave of spades and queen of diamonds, and in that case A would lose the game by leading a heart or a spade. His best lead, therefore, is the king of diamonds, which in any case must fall to the ace, since this enables him to keep his hearts and spades guarded. He cannot make absolutely certain of saving the game, however, because the dealer may play out all Y's diamonds, leaving himself with the ace of spades and ace, knave and another in hearts. The fifth diamond lead forces A to unguard hearts or spades, and then the dealer might make the last four tricks without finessing. It is a thousand chances to one, however, that he finesses in hearts or spades up to A. He cannot hold six diamonds in his own hand in addition to the one discarded, because with seven in suit he would have made diamonds trumps.

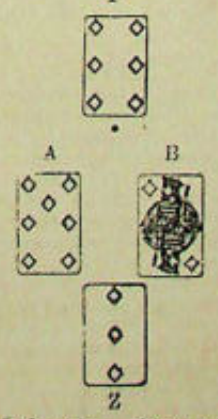
Problem No. 22.

Score: A B, 0; Y Z, 0. Z deals and declares hearts. Y's and Z's hands are as follows:—

Y's Hand (Dummy).
Hearts—Q J 6.
Diamonds—6.
Clubs—A K 8 7 6.
Spades—Q 10 5 4.

Z's Hand (Dealer).
Hearts—10 9 8 7 4.
Diamonds—Q 5 3.
Clubs—2.
Spades—A K 8 2.

Trick I.



B now leads the 7 of spades. How ought the dealer to play, and why? Forecast the play of the next few tricks.

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"ON THE RAILS"

TO everyone who has run or ridden a horse the three words we have written above possess a certain comforting significance. The inside place on the racecourse is *the* place, and short of the winning post itself is the goal of the rider's ambition. On the circular course or on that which lies round portion of a circle, the superiority of the place on the rails is not, of course, to be questioned ; other things being equal, the place on the rails is the shortest way home.

We are by no means sure that the superiority of the inside berth is not somewhat overrated on occasion : a few lengths of deep, sticky or broken ground often nullifies the advantage conferred by the inside place and the horse which has good sound turf under his hoofs a yard or two off the rails is really better placed than the horse which has the other combined with a patch or patches of bad ground. Probably every man who rides or has ridden in races will admit the correctness of this theory ; but only the minority can be relied upon to accept the practice even though they are at the trouble to walk round the course before the races begin. That perambulation by the way is a part of the jockey's business which he is too prone to omit : he knows the course so well ; has ridden a score of times over it during the last few years ; it cannot have undergone any change in the interval. Probably it has not, particularly if it has been well cared for ; but any ground undergoes changes in process of time from causes manifest or obscure ; and a boggy bit which has developed itself during the last monsoon may well make the difference of a length : which may make all the difference between first money, or second, or none at all.

But we were considering the importance of the inside berth, a subject to which Lord Downe drew attention in a speech humorous but wise at the Gimcrack Dinner on 30th November. Reckless riding, not to use a stronger term, has been much on the increase of late in England and recently the Stewards of the Jockey Club had up the leading jockeys and talked to them. "From enquiries we made we found that not only jockeys but owners had an extraordinary belief that if they were on the rails their horse acquired marvellous powers which invariably made him win.....Certain owners issue orders to their jockeys 'Get off as fast as you can. As soon as possible get on to the rails : if you can, do it fairly ; but if not, get there.'" Now there can be no doubt that this is a true presentment of the case : the inside berth has acquired the glamour of sanctity as it were and those interested do not trouble to ask themselves whether it has all the virtue tradition ascribes to it. We must all have seen even in a scurry run on a course, straight or almost perfectly straight, the curious tendency of the field to work toward the rails though commonsense indicates that a straight line from the extreme outside berth to intersect at right angles an imaginary line drawn between the winning post and the Judge's box is the shortest way home. On a course with turns in it, there is, as we have said, advantage attaching to the place on the rails, other things being equal ; but the very common tendency, almost unconscious it would seem in

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many cases, to make for the inside berth on a straight course is a curious example of unthinking obedience to tradition. On some courses the inside place is actually the worst; if the rails run not in a perfect straight line but with a "bulge" outward, the horse which is made to hug them goes farther than that the one whose rider steers a straight line. Some riders maintain that the propinquity of the rails does actually confer some obscure but tangible advantage in the same fashion as a straight path along a racecourse confers an advantage. There is, or was such, a path on one of the famous English courses, but we cannot depend on memory to say which it is: it ran the length of the straight, a bit off the rails and was considered *the* place in the breadth of the course, affording in some mysterious way assistance to the horse that secured it. If it be an advantage to have a horse running on one side only instead of on both, then there is an advantage accruing to the inside berth: but is it any advantage? The chances of interference are reduced by half, it is true, but interference is less frequent on our courses than it is at home; and the traditional virtue of the inside berth is quite as strong in this country as it is in England. Practical men will remind us that on a right hand course the place on the rails is open to the objection that the rider may not be able to use his whip with effect at the critical moment: on a left hand course the presence of the rails has this certain advantage that the horse cannot swerve away from the whip hand at work; though if the whip cord be properly used there should be no swerving to the near side.

Though some men are prepared to give definite reasons for their anxiety to obtain the inside berth and stick to it, the majority we think are content to account for their preference with the insufficient answer "because it *is* the inside birth," proclaiming their blind acceptance of a tradition which indicates advantage. This should not be: all our greatest jockeys—all men who have achieved success for themselves in any walk of life—have been men who thought out things for themselves, based their opinions on sound premises, and have had the courage to act upon them. Very many of us have less confidence in ourselves, or shall we say so much confidence in traditions and accepted theories, that we do not venture to think for ourselves, shrink from striking out a line of our own even though we may have convinced ourselves that our own line is the best one and at least deserves a trial. How often do we not meet with the bridge player who explains his omission to do this or that "because it is not in the book." It is a parallel case with blind acceptance of the tradition we have been discussing: it is not to be expected of the young professional jockey, more especially him who is still in enjoyment of his apprentice allowance, that he should ignore definite orders and exercise his own judgment, if he has any. Should he do so he would quickly be brought to his bearings with the reminder that if he wants to ride he had better ride to orders. There is "red tape" on the Turf as elsewhere, and thoughtful men in official life, who hate red tape with a deep and deadly hate, have often assured us that they are obliged to admit that the abhorred thing is really a necessary thing, so uncommon it is to find a subordinate who can be trusted to use his own judgment. But it goes without saying that he who holds him bound by what is "in the book," who blindly accepts traditional methods binding as the commandments, who accepts the bonds of red tape forged for the unthinking animal, is never likely to do much good in any walk of life.

At a dissenting chapel recently the minister, not having plate, sent round his hat. When it was returned he found there was not a farthing in it. "Ah!" said he, cheerfully, "things are not so bad. I am thankful that I have got my hat back again from this congregation."

Employer of labour: "Job? Why, I've more men now than I've work for?"

Hunter after work: "Well, but the little I should do wouldn't make much difference."

Barber—"Shall I take a little o'the ends of your hair, sir?" Customer: "Yes, I think you had better take it off at the ends' unless you can get it out o' the middle."

Who is that lady in the Rembrandt hat in that box opposite?" "Rembrandt? you mean remant."

Sporting Notes.

THE latest addition to the Hon'ble Mr. Apcar's dominating string of winners is an English three-year-old named Auber, by Islington—Umbrosa, purchased at the Newmarket sales for 2,000 guineas. This is a stiffish figure for a gelding and it is said that he will be trained on in England next season to meet a heavy list of engagements which runs right on to the autumn. Incidentally we hear that Great Scot is to be kept in work for yet another season, no doubt in the hope of advertising him for his future duties at the Stud.

Those who rushed away from Calcutta to join the throng of sight seers at Agra missed an interesting race on Saturday. Great Scot was reckoned a slashing mover, but as a spectacle his galloping pales before the beautiful clockwork stride of Fitzgrafton. In winning the King's Plate, carrying 9st. 10lbs., he proved himself a great horse and confirmed the general opinion that he was well able to give away the weight allotted by the handicappers. He finished in grand style and Mallard alone survived to hunt him home at the respectful interval of three and a half lengths. Sacristan II. and Saloon both began their season a trifle too early to expect to continue in form until the second meeting. The former has been a great disappointment to his connections, but was undoubtedly unlucky in meeting Saloon at the very top of his morning out.

It would have been very interesting to see how Kipling fared from the seven stone four mark in this handicap, but he was wisely sent out to gather in the Rs. 3,000, which lay at his mercy in the Tally Ho Stakes. He was asked to give Thomond but three pounds and answered the question cantering. What a fine chaser Seclusion must be if the Grand National running is a true indicator. There is nothing surprising in it on the chestnut's colonial form and in the Tollygunge Chase on the second day the race was all over barring accidents, according to his rider, at the time the accident befell him. Olynthus, his supporters thought, would also have beaten Kipling had he not cut his tendon all to pieces six furlongs and more from home, but this is a far more doubtful supposition. Messrs. Jones and Pugh's horse is unfortunately hopelessly injured, but better luck next time, and Kipling's success is an example of the great possibilities before a really first class jumper on this side of India. Despite all that may be said about the decline of chasing, it still affords the best and most likely opening for a budding owner of limited means. What steeplechasing wants is an increase in the number of meetings so as to make it worth people's while to buy and train horses specially to run at them. At present we get very little of the real article and most of the few horses running at Tollygunge nowadays are mere derelicts from the *maidan* training track. The argument that two meetings should be well filled before an attempt is made to hold three or four or even five is an attempt to arrive at a conclusion based upon a false premiss.

Messrs. Wood and Badger came home with a run in the seven thousand rupee Metropolitan Stakes and the favourite, Paddy's Darling, finished in the ruck. Small wonder when she is expected to race over every sort of distance on Saturdays and to gallop against the clock on the training track as well. However, her failure on this occasion resulted in a very popular victory as everyone was glad to see Sermon's owners getting back some of the English gelding's price. This horse looks as though he might develop into something of a stayer and doubtless he will be given an opportunity in this line later on.

Ballark's defeat of the well backed Killeevan makes him out a good horse and quite fast enough to merit a place near the top of the bigger handicaps. The objection very rightly taken by the owner of the second horse, who carried a great deal of money, was upheld after a long enquiry and should be a lesson to all and sundry of those jockeys whose exaggerated forward seats are a grave danger on this awkward circular course.

Everyone had forgotten Honest Lady in their admiration for Mr. Myers' hard working grey, but the little mare made no doubt of the matter and won comfortably by two lengths. The grey has been very unlucky and all these punishing defeats are bound to tell on him unless he has the heart of a lion. It must be terribly dispiriting to a horse to race his hardest and never to find his head in front. The pony race was a surprise all round as neither of the dead-heaters were fancied. In the run off the English pony won easily and must have long since repaid his purchase price.

The Second Meeting closed on Tuesday with an excellent afternoon's racing. The big race, the Prince of Wales' Plate, was won by that improving mare, Annamulloch, and it was pleasant to see the famous blue and silver braid jacket first past the post in an important race. On paper Contest looked a good thing for this race; he was well backed, finishing up equal favourite with Dulcimer. In the race itself Saloon ran well to the distance, but was worn down in the straight by Mr. Holmes' mare and Sacristan II., who ran very gamely, only to be beaten once again by the weight. There seems no end to Mr. Dartmoor's run of misfortune. In the St. George's Plate Lady Metal was ousted by Rustile, the verdict being a neck. In this race Dunsinane was backed down to 6 to 4, but could get no nearer than fourth, while Warstripe, another well-backed one, was lost in the crowd.

Mr. Apcar's succession of wins was carried on by Martinique, who very easily defeated a small field in the Howrah Plate, including the well-backed Killeevan, who headed the handicap.

Mr. Galstaun's English mare is in fine form just now and was brought out again in the last race, for which she was again backed down to level money, but the hard tussle with Martinique had its effect, and Scamander at 6-12 won fairly easily. The chestnut mare's connections have waited a long time since buying her in at such heavy cost in last year's Selling Race, but probably were well repaid by the result of Tuesday's race. Robinson left his effort of Killeevan until very late, but even if this were a mistake no other tactics could have altered the result so far as Scamander was concerned. Mr. Myers at last scored a win with Black Duke, which started favourite, and Duplex II. unexpectedly won the Clyde Plate for Mr. Scott.

The sale of race-horses last week was not very exciting and the steeplechasers, Decoration and Loch Lochie, did not change hands. Ping Pong was sold and also Watchfire, a grey belonging to Mr. Pugh that won a good hurdle race last Monsoon. Mr. Pugh is going home very shortly, but will probably be out again in time to continue his proverbial good fortune at the autumn meetings.

Racing interest now shifts to Lucknow, whither a noble army of backers has already departed. There is still enough attraction left in the balance of the Calcutta season to fetch the bulk of them back again, nevertheless there will be little fear of overcrowding in the New Stand!

A day or two ago it looked as if the entries for the Calcutta Kennel Club Show were going to be rather poor. But the usual rush towards the evening of the originally advertised closing date has brought in many till, we believe we are right in saying, the number has approached two hundred

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and seeing that the closing date has been extended to the 21st instant it is more than likely that number will be reached. All the Terrier classes had up to Tuesday attracted a good many entries, the Bassets and Dachshunds, Greyhound and Kangaroo hounds were fairly well represented, Great Danes should be a fine class judging by the quality coming, and the Bulldogs were fairly numerous. The Toy and Fancy breeds were not so well filled and the same may be said of the Sporting Dog sections; but there is time between this and next Monday to improve on this

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We congratulate our contemporary *The Empress* on the most excellent photographs of the Calcutta race stands and enclosures in its last issue; they are among its best pictorial efforts.

To our mofussil readers, those who go out in camp, shikaris and all dwellers in the more remote parts where communication is primitive and the cost of carrying goods a heavy item, we commend the perusal of a few words about the Sirdar Carbonic Gas Company's little sodawater plant which appear after "Correspondence" in to-day's paper.

By a curious coincidence we had hardly opened "Q's" letter regarding totalisator dividends, which will be found among "Correspondence" to-day, when, in an Australian exchange, we came across the following particulars about sensational returns made by the machines in the Colonies:—

The year 1906 will be strongly committed to memory by New Zealand tuifites by reason of the fact that no less than three dividends, with a highly sensational ring, have been declared. In May last, at Takapuna, two lucky individuals divided the whole of the pool invested on the Empire and Royal Handicaps in the double event machine, when Waipuna and Ben Blair brought off their respective victories, the dividend in each case being £513 18s. At Riccarton last month the Takapuna record was cast completely into the shade when Star Rose and Captain Shannon got home first, which successes brought the nice little windfall of £2,061 to the one successful ticket-holder. Once again backers were brought face to face with a surprise when the Black and Gold—Apologue combination for the Stanley and Spring Handicap came off last week at Takapuna, a dividend of £932 attaching thereto, which represented the whole of the money in the machine. Another sensational dividend having been recorded my readers will no doubt be racking their brains as to the amount of the previous best on record. The following little list which I have compiled will furnish them with the information:—

SINGLE EVENTS.

£306—Crummy, February, 1886. Fire Brigade Handicap, Town and Suburban, Napier.
£285 17s.—Ipswich, December, 1898, Electric Stakes Trot, Canterbury Trotting Club.
*£259—Louie, March, 1882. Napier Handicap.
£251 14s.—Kalo, April, 1885. Shorts Handicap, Auckland.
*£223 4s.—Mavis, March, 1881 Tradesmen's Handicap, Hawke's Bay.
£174 12s.—Lavender, April, 1886. Ashley Plate, New Brighton.
£169 4s.—Silver Bell, March, 1889. Trot, Dunedin.
£162—Waimarama, December, 1893, Christmas Handicap, Porangahau.
£159 6s.—Polly, May, 1893, Trot, Dunedin.
£158 9s.—and £103 10s.—Liberty, October, 1896, Hurdle Handicap, Hawke's Bay.
£147 12s.—Minnie II, October, 1894, District Race, Ohoka and Eyreton.
£139 10s.—Tristan, December, 1885. County Plate, Cromwell.
£137 3s.—Sebastopol, May, 1892, Welter Handicap, Geraldine.
£136 16s.—Disappointment, May, 1891, Trot. Auckland.
£135—Dead Shot, December, 1894, Nursery Handicap, Auckland.
£134 2s.—Moderation, April, 1895, Welter Handicap, South Canterbury.
£131 5s.—Moonee, January, 1890, Hack Race, Wellington.
£123 18s.—Dorothy, February, 1891, Hack Hurdle Race, Manawatu.
£122 8s.—Dundonald, January, 1892, Maiden Plate, Waikonaiti.
*£120 17s.—Admant, February, 1883, Dunedin Cup.
£114 6s.—Malvina, March, 1887, District Handicap, Peninsula.
£113 8s.—Sly Sam, May, 1885, Trot, New Brighton.
£103 19s.—Little Tom, March, 1894 Pony Race, Auckland.
£103 10s.—Catesby, June, 1888, Winter Handicap, Auckland.
£102 12s.—Frances, April, 1895, Flying Handicap, Beaumont
£101 14s.—Love Shot, November, 1894, Juvenile Stakes, Christchurch.
£101 2s.—Blackthorn, January, 1892 Trot, Vincent.
£100 16s.—Hanlan, October, 1889, Hack Race, Lowburn.
£322 4s.—Leo Delaval, January, 1902, Hack Handicap, Takapuna.
†£122 4s.—Rathstile, 1902, Settler's Hack Handicap, Napier Park.

* £2 ticket. † Dividends paid on first and second horses.

DOUBLE EVENTS.

£513 18s.—Waipuna and Ben Blair, Empire and Royal Handicaps, Takapuna, May, 1906.
£2,061—Star Rose and Captain Shannon, New Zealand Cup and Stewards' Handicap, Riccarton, 1906
£932 18s.—Black and Gold and Apologue, Stanley and Spring Handicaps, Takapuna, 1906.

We are indebted to the courtesy of the Superintendent of the P. and O. Company, Calcutta, for a copy of their annual Diary and Almanac which, with its numerous coloured maps and tabulated information, is an accessory every traveller to the East should possess.

With deep regret we announce the sudden death of Mr. Martyn Wells, Managing Agent of the Calcutta Tramways Co., Ld. His untimely removal from among us at the age of 45 will cause hosts of friends to mourn. A smart and enterprising business man, a charming personality—for he was the soul of ready good nature and geniality—a high and respected freemason and always a dear good fellow, his remains were followed to the grave last Sunday by a very large gathering of sorrowing survivors. We lose an old friend: many a kindness received at his hands, comes to mind in our sadness, much practical sympathy and generous support he extended to us at a time when we needed help. Sad it is to think we shall never again listen to his deep, rich voice trolling out the songs few could render so well, or hear his generous and delighted "bravo" from the front row at the performances of the A. D. S. of which for years he was the popular president. He died suddenly at his residence, 16, Loudon street, of heart failure following internal hemmorrhage and the publication of the news in the Sunday papers naturally came as a great shock to all who knew him.

The case in which several villagers of Pimpri committed a dastardly assault on two British officers who were out shooting has been disposed of by the Collector of Poona. Accused number four having proved an *alibi* from documentary and other evidence was acquitted. One other accused, number nine, against whom there appeared to be no evidence of identification was also acquitted. The Jeja woman, whom the officers declared threw stones at them, was fined Rs. 10. Number eight, whom Lieutenant Ramsay had sworn hit him over the face with a nailed shoe, was given eighteen months' rigorous imprisonment. Accused number ten, who caught Lieutenant Whyte by the throat, was sentenced to one year's rigorous imprisonment. All the other accused were given six months' rigorous imprisonment. We observe a contemporary calling these "severe sentences;" not nearly severe enough in our opinion. Of course the cowardly ruffians have appealed: every conviction of this kind has this sequel nowadays.

The Bangalore correspondent of our evening contemporary wires:—"During his visit to Mysore the Prince of Wales expressed a desire to have a complete skeleton of an elephant and its hide for presentation to the British Museum. The other day a record tusker and old rogue of magnificent proportions was noticed to be limping about looking very sick and was shadowed till he dropped dead in the jungle on the frontier between Mysore and Coorg. The State shikari being communicated with, it was found that the poor beast had been wounded in the left hind leg by somebody and that it had died of gangrene. It measures over ten feet in height (? ED.) and has four feet of unblemished tusks showing. The carcase is being carefully watched from a distance so that the hide may not be injured or the tusks stolen. The taxidermist cannot yet approach the body, which must be allowed to lie where it is until complete decomposition has taken place, when the hide will remain uninjured and the skeleton can be packed up."

At the annual meeting of the Indian Polo Association at Meerut during the first week in March, the business will include the following:—Election of honorary secretary in place of Major Lecky, who is taking six months' leave, and discussing the desirability of allotting some portion of the credit balance of about Rs. 7,000 to the improvement of the polo ground. Major Lecky will also ask the meeting to consider the fact that the championship tournament has again filled badly this year, which he regards as a strong proof that the tournament is not needed and should be discontinued. Major Leslie, of Kirkee, will bring forward a motion that the height of polo ponies should be raised to 14-2½ or even 14-3.

The Infantry Polo tournament is fixed to begin at Meerut on the 18th proximo.

Our shikari readers will read with much interest the article in our Shooting columns on the new ·476 bore which may be regarded as a satisfactory substitute for the favourite ·450. There is no doubt a large section of rifle shooters, ourselves among them, who will still prefer to employ a large calibre rifle however good may be the points possessed by the improved Accelerated Express small bores. Some may take the ·500, others will consider it too large and two heavy for their purpose, and to meet the objection Messrs. Westley Richards have introduced a new bore of rifle which is ·476, and, therefore, comes, between the ·450 and the ·500. The weight of the bullet is 520 grains and is made both solid and upon the capped principle. This rifle is now in course of

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Messrs. Murray and Company, Limited, of Lucknow, Karachi, Naini Tal and Cawnpore have presented us with a copy of their "Record" Notebook for 1907 for which we thank them.

It is said that millionaire W. G. Rockfeller has decided to give up his stables and stock of thoroughbred horses, and replace them with automobiles. Early in the year he spent a considerable amount in remodelling his stables. Now he has sent his horses to New York, with, it is presumed, the object of selling them.

The latest accounts of big game in Somaliland are, writes Ranger in the *I. S. and D. News*, when one remembers what a happy hunting-ground for pursuers of big game this used to be, only a few years since, very deplorable. Twenty years ago this was one of the finest shooting countries in the world; now, according to General Swayne's report, published in a parliamentary Blue-book last month, nearly all game animals have been enormously reduced. In 1891, General Swayne, entering the rolling western Somali plains at an altitude of 5,000 or 6,000 feet, saw with his brother upon a track of open grass country, a thousand square miles in area, a wonderful sight. "The whole ground was covered with immense herds of hartebeest, oryx, and Sœmmering's and Speke's gazelles, and troops of ostriches loomed up and disappeared in the folds of the prairie. I counted 400 oryx in one herd, and I estimated that the total number of animals I then saw could not have been less than ten thousand. In the midst of the veldt we shot two out of three lions. They were lying out on the short grass in full view, and had been clearly seen by us when yet two miles off." This is a wonderful picture. Unfortunately, all is now changed, and from the ravages of rinderpest, and still more of over-shooting by Europeans, game in Somaliland is now comparatively scarce. During the various recent expeditions in the country the slaughter of game by men and officers has been lamentably great, and the animals have had no chance of recuperating after the ravages of disease. Hyænas, jackals, baboons, Sœmmering's and Speke's gazelles, and the tiny dik-dik antelopes seem to be the most numerous species. Lions and leopards and wild asses are fairly plentiful. Elephants are almost extinct in the Protectorate, and all the large antelopes are sadly in need of rest and protection.

The Major, said that while fishing in the Lee, not far from Macrown, he saw a fine fish rise under the opposite bank. He immediately drew out his line so as to enable him, by a cast, to reach the exact spot. He had previously put on two large flies, such as are commonly used for salmon in high water. He drew back the line, which would extend 30 or 40 yards, behind him. On endeavouring to make his cast, he found he had, as fishermen call it, "hitched behind him." At this moment the salmon rose again in the same spot, and, in his eagerness to cover him, he gave a strenuous jerk, with the intent of breaking one fly and covering the salmon with the other. Splash into the river went something heavy, which immediately took to swimming towards the opposite bank, close to the spot where the salmon had risen. The action of the animal so effectually played the other fly before the salmon that he forthwith seized it, and both were well hooked. The Major continued to relate that hereupon commenced a hard struggle. Sometimes the salmon was on the surface, and sometimes the other was drawn under water, till, by judicious management, both were safely landed, and proved to be a fine hare hooked by the leg, and a salmon 20lb. weight! "I made them both a present to my worthy host," added the Major, "and it's myself that ate part of both." "I'll bear witness to the eating at any rate," said one. "And it's I'll bear witness to the catching," said the Major, "and who'll deny it?" Nobody denied it; it was in the days when pistols and coffee before breakfast were fashionable.

Owned by Frank Fraunfelter, of Easton, Pa., is a mare sired by a Percheron horse, and out of a Canadian mare that is not only a freak in appearance, but is also proving a most profitable investment for her owner. She is a four-year-old and called Blue Bell, being known as the hairless wonder, her dam having belonged to a wealthy farmer's widow living near Greensburg, Pa. Upon the death of the latter, the mare was thrown on the market and came into the possession of Robert Rumbough, of Greensburg, who disposed of her to her present owner for $4,000. Fraunfelter exhibited her at the county fairs during the past fall and is now making a tour of the big cities with her, where she is proving a splendid attraction, from two to five thousand people paying admissions daily. It is said that $12,000 was refused for this equine freak. The following is the story that goes with the mare:—

One day during the period of gestation, her dam was driven to town to see a circus that was to exhibit at Greensburg, and was tied along the street. When the elephants came along, she became so badly frightened that she tore loose and ran away. At the termination of the period of gestation, Blue Bell was foaled. She is a perfectly formed animal in every respect, with the exception of not having any hair, not even any eyelashes. She weighs 1,410 pounds, is 16 hands high, and is broken to harness. Her skin on the neck and sides is thin and tender like a horse's but on the hips and flanks is tough and coarse like an elephant's. Another characteristic of the elephant is her tail, which is absolutely hairless. The color of her hide resembles an elephant's very much. When out in the sunlight she presents a reddish cast.

Scientific tests in substituting molasses for oats and other cereals in feeding horses have yielded surprising results. Observes an American paper. It is now definitely established that as a horse diet there is magic in molasses. With this syrup on his bill of fare the horse rapidly takes on solid weight, develops prodigiously in muscular energy, grows a glossy coat and enjoys uninterrupted health. For these animals, therefore, molasses is declared to be both a tonic and health food. In addition to the many desirable results, a molasses diet reduces the cost of horse maintenance 25 per cent.

For scientific experimentation two abject and unthrifty animals were selected. One weighed 900 pounds and the other 940 pounds. No preparation was made for the sudden change of diet, but in place of the usual allowance of hay and oats the horses were given three times a day one quart of molasses diluted with three quarts of water and mixed with five pounds of cut hay. A marvellous improvement in the animals resulted. In two weeks one gained 40 pounds in weight and the other 45. In four weeks from the beginning of the molasses diet horse No. 1 gained 95 pounds and horse No. 2 102 pounds.

Both of these horses were shedding their coats, and after six weeks of molasses *regimé* their new coats were glossy and luxuriant. Horse No. 1 at the end of that period weighed 1,075 pounds and No. 2, 1,086 pounds. All symptoms of decrepitude disappeared. At the termination of the six weeks' experiment the animals could not be recognized as the forlorn creatures with which the tests had been begun. In place of those jaded specimens there were led forth from the stables two fine horses, the scientists describing them to be "full of play, life and energy." The animals were afterwards employed profitably for city work.

These and such like tests are extending the use of molasses as a food for horses. Firms employing many horses in the hardest kind of contract and truck work are discovering that the animals will perform more service and remain in better condition on a diet of molasses than when fed the choicest and most liberal allowance of cereals. In the United States Artillery Corps there are enthusiastic champions of molasses as a horse diet, and horses in the armies of France, Germany and Austria are being fed on molasses with very satisfactory results.

Quite recently tests have been conducted to determine what efficiency molasses might have in restoring invalid horses to health. A gelding greatly reduced as the result of a severe accident, and a lame and ailing truck horse were selected. At the beginning of the experiments the gelding weighed 1,250 pounds and the truck horse 1,140 pounds. Fed on a diet chiefly consisting of molasses, the invalid horses improved with marked rapidity. In fifteen days the gelding weighed 1,320 pounds, having gained 70 pounds. In that same period the sick truck horse gained 60 pounds. The total gain of the gelding in one month was 200 pounds and of the truck horse 110 pounds.

The conclusion that eminent specialists have arrived at is that good molasses is not only a fattening and energy-producing diet for horses, but that in many cases it will restore ailing animals to health.

In the final of the Punjab Frontier Force Polo Tournament at Peshawar the 53rd Sikhs and the 23rd Cavalry met. The Cavalry men began sensationally with 4 goals to *nil* to their credit in the first round, then the Sikhs held them for a space, but the 23rd got going again and in the end won by 7 goals and 5 subsidiaries to 2 goals and 1 subsidiary.

The Mysore Game and Fish Preservation Regulation of 1901 has been amended as follows:—The killing or capture of birds with bright coloured plumage, of peafowl and of antelope is prohibited for a further period ending with 15th June 1908. A district magistrate may, on the application of a holder of a game license, grant written permission to such holders to shoot not more than two buck with horns not less than fifteen inches in the case of black buck and not less than five in the case of chinkara.

Mr. J. Hobday, Assistant Conservator of Forests, Bhandara, was shot dead by his orderly Londia—presumably murdered, according to the meagre details which are available up to time of going to press. One account says:—Mr. Hobday was out in camp with his wife and two sons in the Sakoli Tehsil, and went out for a shoot on the morning of the 8th. At about 11 A.M. the party adjourned for some refreshments, and while partaking of these Londia shot Mr. Hobday in the back from behind a tree. Death was instantaneous, the bullet penetrating the heart. There seems no doubt that it was not a case of accident. Londia is said to have taken up his master's gun, loaded it with a cartridge, and shot him deliberately. It appears that Londia was recently reproved by Mr. Hobday for neglect of duty and Mr. Hobday ordered his transfer. He seems to have taken this to heart. Mr. Hobday's remains were brought into Bhandara on the morning of the 10th, and after the usual *post mortem* examination by Dr. Mindross, the Civil Surgeon, they were interred in the local cemetery. Great sympathy is felt for Mrs. Hobday and her two sons. Londia has been arrested and awaits trial.

Our Bombay correspondent writes:—Not only was the card the biggest, and the attendance likewise, but on Saturday we had the best day's racing we have so far had this season. Without taking the events in their proper order, the January Plate, for horses, commanded most attention and, as usual, attracted most speculation. The scale of weights was raised a trifle and not unnaturally Posco was top-weight giving his stable companion Gumbara two pounds and Baritone four and was withdrawn for her beating by half a length when she was said to have been shut in, though this did not appear very much against her. Gumbara met Baritone on 5lbs. better terms. The race itself was an absolute vindication of my last week's remarks. Adelaide cut out the pace very closely followed by Gumbara—a similar case to the one when Hermit with top-weight was sent away in front—and naturally enough we saw little of the favourite on reaching the bend. Fisher on Baritone was on their heels and, with the native on Adelaide riding a most erratic race, pounced in on the rails and taking the bend beautifully led his field into the straight. Here Robertson came with a rush on Freelance and got within half a length, but Fisher giving his mount his head kept his place fairly comfortably. After being passed by the first two the odds-on favourite gave way to Adelaide and Balayeuse.

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The mile race, the Prongs Plate, was a good one for punters, as after a fast finish behind Skylark and Sheila the previous time Nooman was made a warm favourite. He made an appearance at the bend, after Gladiator had made the running with the lead and had his field settled; Williams winning in a manner he apparently so dearly loves.

A poor sort of a race was the Small Consolation in which Solicitor, at sixes, romped over the favourites Dhaman and Shabib, the former being made far too much use of.

We now come to the races for the newly-landed, and first of these was the first division of the Hopeful Plate, for which, after their performances on the first occasion, Rajput and Toy were fancied. An easy first in 55⅕secs. was apparently more than five pounds better than a poor third in 55secs., and Rajput, well up all through, landed the money which made him a favourite at threes. The second division of this race provided the best finish of the day when Squire and Purvey, the favourites, left the field to finish out the race on their own. Heeroo on Squire held a length lead on entering the straight, but such a strong race did Oomerkhan ride that Purvey gradually worked his way up till at the finish the judge only was able to tell for certain and returned Squire by a head.

The second one for new ones was the divided Strangers' Plate, and in the first of these the time, 1min. 11secs., was the same as the older ponies in the Consolation Plate. Lailan naturally was in demand after his solid win the time before, but Commander was backed and went out equal favourite at threes. Abdoola took C. B. Mahomed's place on Lailan, presumably to get a better price, but after getting off badly never showed up. Commander made all his own running and not intending to cut it fine Oomerkhan landed him by a substantial margin. Another reported gallop had the effect of sending Yaffa out a warm favourite for the second division, but he never looked a winner. Tabriz was always to the fore and when Rakhan in blinkers again ran very near the left hand rails, Tabriz had the race well in hand. Madras too was always prominent and he just stayed Rakhan out. The time, 1min. 9⅗secs., shows the winner to be rather exceptional and it is probable that some of these fresh ones will turn out exceptionally well.

At the Yacht Club there were four races which filled well, but it is still a bit early for motor-boats, though I believe there will shortly be ample entries for races such as the one that fell through on Friday. The "A" Class handicap with four starters was a good one for the first round, but Eileen then sailed beautifully and eventually won comfortably from scratch with Sapphire, who led during the first round, an easy second.

The "B" Class was also easily won, in fact was a procession of three, in which Sayonara won by nearly eight minutes.

A fine race, however, followed for "D" Class in which Gracie was badly left at the line. Ranzo led Swin till at South Karanja when Swale caught the leader. On the run home Swin sailed splendidly and after a good race came in first with the Swale close up to Ranzo and beating her for second place on time.

For the Small Boat Class six started and Tomtit and Meg were always in front in a good race in which the scratch boat Tomtit won the handicap from Lapwing, who only beat Maud by three seconds whereas Meg won the class prize from scratch.

The Bombay Hounds have been having some rare runs of late and with large fields out on Sunday last we were glad to see a thorough sportswoman like Lady Jenkins presented with the brush after the second kill that morning. First was a short run, as after getting away close behind a jack that broke away from the woods near Sahar, the hounds ran him down just after crossing the Pipe. The second was a far better run over country abounding with good jumps over the favourite old run to the Backwater and Jackal Hill. When close on him hounds were fortunate in his veering away from the railway line and shortly after he hid in a thick bush only to be run down after slight hesitation as to his whereabouts on the hounds' part.

The run on Thursday was a most unfortunate one which resulted in the death of three of the best hounds in the pack. From Parla another very large field followed over the railway and it was here the pack crossed as a train passed. Bellman was amongst those who suffered, a fine dog always well up, but the loss was not discovered till later. Wildfire, another good one, had a very lucky escape as one of his feet was run over; bu the may be out again soon.

Athletic Notes.

IT is satisfactory to note that the prospects of the forthcoming annual meeting of the Bengal Presidency Athletic Association are distinctly good. Several entries have come in already and enquiries from no less than ten regiments which have not hitherto been represented at these sports seem to indicate that a good deal of new talent will be seen on the 2nd March in the British Army Championships. We may mention that the Colonel and Officers of the Northumberland Fusiliers have kindly lent their band and a picket for that afternoon and the catering has been entrusted to Messrs. G. F. Kellner and Co.

The International Rugby Football Match between Wales and England resulted in the defeat of the latter by 22 points to *nil*.

The Mohan Bagan Football Club is once more in trouble. In their recent match against Calcutta in the preliminary round of the Minto Fête Tournament they played certain men who were not qualified to take the field and on the lodging of a protest the Club has very properly been disqualified and prevented from taking further part in the competition. We hope it will be a lesson to them and to other native teams where in the standard of athletic morality is not all that could be wished.

The Calcutta Swimming Bath, as a notice elsewhere tells us, will be closed for about a fortnight for the usual annual repairs and overhauling, and the cleaning of the huge settling tanks and filtering beds outside. This is a sign that the hot weather is not very far off and a reminder that ere long this popular and health-giving resort will once more be in full swing. The bath is one of the best ordered of its kind, its water has been proved on analysis to be as pure as the Calcutta filtered water supplied for drinking, it gives opportunities for all who can swim to indulge in a fascinating and invigorating pastime and offers to all who cannot the chance of learning: and, be it noted, the subscription is very small. We hope to hear of a large number of new members this year, and while we think of it we may mention that the bath is reserved for ladies from 10 A.M. to 1 P.M. four days in the week, while for the small fee of Rs. 3 it can be reserved by members two days a week during the same hours. Water parties used to be popular a few years ago, why not revive them?

Another swimming record is credited to C. M. Daniels, who, at the New York A. C. Carnival, swam 25 yards in 11⅗secs., thus beating the record by ⅗sec.

Indian cricketers will be sorry to hear that Captain Wynyard broke a tendon of his leg playing against Wellington (N. Z.) on Boxing Day and had to be carried home.

We have no hesitation in saying that every shikari who desires to bring his library or his sporting accessories quite up to date must provide himself with a copy of *Thacker's Reduced Survey Map of India*, and preferably in the neat and handy book form edition. It is an accurate reduction of the Ordnance Survey Map of India to the scale of 69 miles to an inch and is so complete that a critical search in various provinces with which we are fairly well acquainted has so far failed to disclose a single omission, even villages of sufficient importance to boast a post office are shown, and all the leading features of the General Survey Sheets are given with a minuteness of detail that is as welcome and useful as it is surprising. There are inset produce maps, tea district maps, sketch maps of Calcutta, Bombay and Madras, and an accurate index. And all this for Rs. 5-8! In our opinion no one who moves about the districts, whether on public

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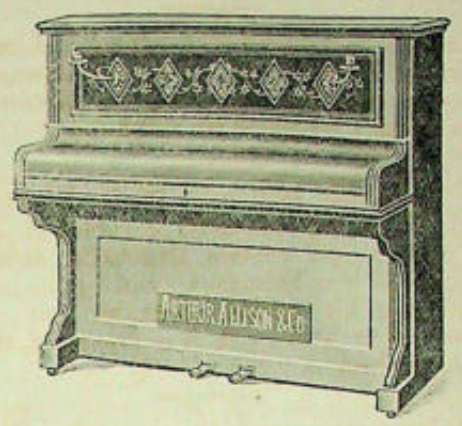

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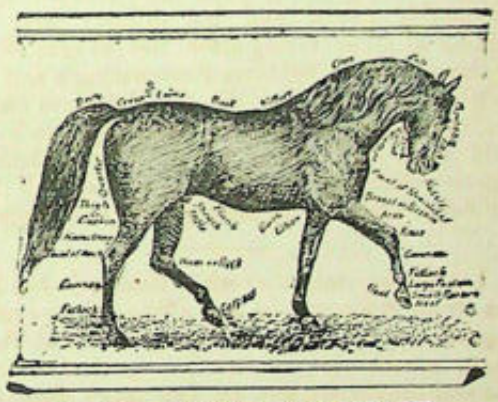

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Harmston's Circus had a great house last Friday when Colonel Bob Love took his annual benefit : it was so densely packed that the management experienced the rather dubious pleasure of turning money away from the doors, though this often really happens at Harmston's we believe. The great John Welby Cook was quite at his best in his funny equestrian scene "John, John, John." Banvard, a former member of the Company and a top-notch dummy clown materially assisting. Another "extra" was the vocal item supplied by Tom Eliot, a pleasing baritone and erstwhile in one of Bandmann's numerous troupes. It goes without saying that all the Company were going at a pressure of at least 100lbs. to the square inch and as a result the performance was in every way worthy of the occasion and the Colonel was both flattered and gratified. He said so in the short speech in which he responded to the ovation he received.

The high jumping competition that night drew six entries :—Mr. McGrath's Florence, Mr. Powell's Creamy, Mr. Davis' Kapunda, Mr. Drew's Narwanah, Mr. Powell's Little Cliff, Mr. Ted Kerr's Garry Owen. Little Cliff, Creamy and Narwanah acquitted themselves well, but after 4 feet 8 inches the two first-named were left to fight it out and first honours went to Little Cliff who cleared 5 feet 11 inches and Mr. Reg. Powell bore away a fine silver tea set to remind him of the evening's doings.

There were big houses at matinée and night performance on Saturday and throughout the week the tent has been well filled.

To-morrow night those graceful disciples of Terpsichore, the Collins Quartette take their benefit, and a silver tea set and a bicycle will be given away to some lucky ticket holders as souvenirs of the occasion. Also will appear Gus Burns with his clever performing dogs. On Saturday there will be a souvenir matinée—gold and silver watches this time—at night the final show, and then *au revoir* and all good luck to those who have catered so well for our amusement this cold weather.

London Week by Week.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

Friday, 28th December 1906.

NARROWLY we missed what the papers with misguided enthusiasm called a "real old-fashioned Christmas." It started snowing in the small hours of the 26th and when we got up in the morning there was four inches of snow on the ground. As soon as the main streets and pavements had been cleared by the unemployed, it began to thaw : and as soon as it had thawed enough the frost played its fine old practical joke swooping down to sheet the pavements with ice. From various parts of England comes news of heavy snowfalls : fourteen inches fell in parts of Norfolk and nearly as much in favoured regions of Yorkshire and Lincolnshire. Some cases of people losing their way or sinking through exhaustion have occurred, due largely I imagine to the suddeness of the fall for we had had little warning of it. Hunting has been stopped practically all over the kingdom for the time being.

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Everything is in a seasonable condition of suspense, except the amusements under cover : the papers make the most of defaulting benefit club secretaries, of elopements with cabs by young gentlemen in a state of inebriation and kindred matters. Happy the *Times* which has Mr. Henniker Heaton's memorial up its sleeve ! Twice during a barren week has it been able to fill a lordly page with the names of people who will support the book club at the expense of the publishers, not to mention a few columns of letters on the same subject daily. When you remember that the *Times* pays £5 per column for contributions and that there are ordinarily sex columns to a page, you feel the value of the service Mr. Henniker Heaton and the letter writers render the *Times* and wonder how that service will be requited. Not all the letters are flattering of course. One graceless being has had the audacity to promise withdrawal of his subscription because the *Times* asks us not to order books from the boycotted publishers. I have not withdrawn my subscription. The *Times* promised to lend me any book I might want, and when I want a book I order it without reference to the identity of the publisher : and I get it. If I did not get it, I should ask and go on asking till I did get it : but a wise *Times* does not put me to this trouble.

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I suppose we are on the eve of another outburst of Passive Resistance. Dr. Clifford and other leading lights have set their names to a manifesto couched in a spirit of combative piety which might almost be mistaken for political animosity. In this manifesto the faithful are enjoined to gird up their loins and passively resist payment of rates, cheering themselves with the knowledge that though resistance will cost them six times as much as the rate, they will thus vindicate a great and glorious principle. Christmas is notoriously a bad season for political agitation which suggests a train of curious reflection concerning human preference for amusement over vital principles, and the radical thunders against the Lords are suspended. I fear that in denouncing Christmas last week I quite overlooked the Political Peace on Earth it brings with it for a fortnight or thereabout.

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Olympia opened on Monday with a show and a programme calculated to appeal to those who appreciate twelve hours of undiluted amusement "brought slap bang up to date," (*vide* programme). In the "Mammoth Fun City" you may enjoy yourself with abandon if you go in the right spirit—best exemplified perhaps by the customary exchange of hats by 'Arry and 'Arriet. Here is the razzle-dazzle : the merry-go-round with Romping Rollicking Roosters, (*vide* programme) for horses : the Aunt Sally : the cocoa—pardon cokernut shy. Here is Hackenschmidt ; the much described wire walker : the Richardson's penny gaff : with all the fine old crusted side shows, as a white negress and performing animals, beside such modernites as the Hippodrome's discarded pygmies, snake charmers, etc., etc. You pay sixpence to go in : after two hours of deafening din you would gladly pay another to get out if need be, and come home to recover from a racking headache in a dark room. The place is crammed daily.

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The infinite possibilities of Sindbad are once more illustrated at Drury Lane this year. Mr. Sindbad (Mr. Walter Passmore) is a middle-aged gentleman who largely exercises the inventive facility to satisfy Mrs. Sindbad (Mr. Arthur Conquest) that he *has* been away at sea, though material evidence points to his sojourn at various publichouses. When he does go to sea it is in quest of a mysterious diamondiferous island, with his family disguised as members of the crew. The voyage is one of adventure : mutiny broke out owing to the indiscreet order "on the knee" and the Old Man of the Sea (Mr. Edw. Morgan) contrives to wreck the vessel, which affords an accommodating whale opportunity to place its services at the disposal of the ship's company. Next act or part takes up the adventures of one Hindbad (Miss Queenie Laughton) who also is in search of diamonds with the only reliable chart ; and despite the Old Man of the Sea and a fearsome dragon (who subsequently dissolves into a bevy of dancing fairies) reaches the Valley of Diamonds, a spectacle dazzling even beyond Drury Lane standards. From this in the next act we are landed in Sahara of which Mr. Fred. Emmery is the very clever and amusing Empress : naturally amid the desert surrounding the court has much to say of the Book squabble and other topical matters. I could not quite follow the connection of Sindbad and Company with the motor bus on which interest next centres : the bus stands still and the revolving stage comes into play to make would-be passengers run for it. There is an imposing "Durbar" scene which excuses a nautch as understanded in Drury Lane. Wild, irresponsible, incoherent the production may be : but the riotous fun is well maintained and the genuine humour, to say nothing of the wonderful beauty of certain scenes would win atonement for more incoherency than there is.

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"Red Riding Hood" at Terry's is a spirited pantomime but it suffers, so far, from want of rehearsal. Mr. Newman Maurice has stirred in Robin Hood to perform prodigies of valour in saving Red Riding Hood from the wolf (Mr. Guy Williams) who sings in very unwolf like fashion. Mr. Phil Smith is very delightful as the grandmother : and the villain Baron Badlot (Mrs. Gus Oxley) is as wicked as an amateur villain can be and he must be an amateur. No professional villain dare look so cheery and commits crimes so genially. There are some charming dances by little girls ; and some awful puns. There is also a harlequinade, but not of the sealed pattern. A harlequinade without sausages is as an egg without salt.

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It is proof of the amazing elasticity of musical comedy that it can be transformed into pantomime without difficulty. The "Belle of Mayfair" is become a pantomime out of deference to the season, a harlequinade having been added to the piece : and really the addition is not more out of harmony with the main theme (or what remains of it) than the many alterations which have been imported since I saw the play. The scene of the harlequinade is before the windows of the "*Times* Goose Club," and of course the dialogue is quite up to date in allusion. The only point I have to make against the new addition is the introduction of a Bishop who administers a sleeping draught. Dignitaries of the church are out of place in musical comedy, and a doctor would have done equally well.

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Alice in Wonderland forms the bell at the Prince of Wales's : both the Alice books are laid under contribution the Looking Glass serving for Act II. Mr. Saville Clark has gone outside the books to make up his play, but the shade of Mr. Dodgson will not complain, though the White Rabbit's long story about a man with a bald head runs distinctly off the rails. Miss Marie Studholme in the Alice : a very twentieth century Alice with no suspicion of the Victorian age about her. Miss Rita Leggerio is the White Rabbit and played that animal admirably : the Dormouse of little Ivy Sawyer was also very excellent. If the new Alice is not the Alice of our early days, it is only fair to say the new one is as dainty and free from suspicion of low comedy as could be wished. Mr. I. C. Buckstone plays the Gryphon and the Tweedledee, and in the latter is particularly humorous. Alice as managed by Mr. Seymour Hicks, who takes no part in it, is a lesson in child drill and training, never have I seen a piece run more smoothly or heard lines more clearly spoken. I have, however, one complaint to make. Why that Gollywog, that latter hideosity of doll land ? Away with that Gollywog. Suppress him ! Cut off his whiskers (if he has any) ! As the irate queen say of the offending Dormouse.

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To turn for a moment to other than pantomimes, His "House in Order" has passed its 400th night ; the longest run on record for a comedy I understand, since Our Boys.

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The Hippodrome has not yet used up the water which did such good service in the flood and the earthquake. "The Treasure Ship in Fairy Seas" entails much water, but the spectacle is distinctly a new one. The spectacular business begins when the treasure ship is sunk : thence forward the situation is sub-marine, with divers warring against sea monsters, with dances of sea nymphs. The Flying Ballet—a continental importation, and eventually the grand coral cave where the sirens dwell. Miss Kellerman, the Australian swimmer, is appropriately provided with the part of a mermaid. It is very cleverly stage managed and interesting even the scribe who has been "doing" Christmas shows at the rate of two a day, with an Xmas day respite, for nearly a week.

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The variety halls have put on new turns for Christmas week as usual. At the Tivoli Arthur Roberts is appearing in a burlesque sketch called "The Maid of the Mill 'ard by" disguised as a lady apprentice in a millinery establishment and looking very fair and youthful considering his years. At the Alhambra has a very funny new sketch called "The Awakening of the Toys" wherein wooden soldiers, dolls and animals perform wooden antics designed to please children but, to judge from its reception, not less gratifying to grown ups. By the way the Danish thought readers the Zancigs who have created such a sensation by their extraordinary performances at the Empire were commanded to Sandringham on Wednesday to give a demonstration before the King and Queen.

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I regard the Crystal Palace as beyond the scope of my dramatic purview, but am indebted to an unauthorised agent who went to see his aunt at Sydenham yesterday for a fervid if ill spelt appreciation of (1) the pantomime, which is Aladdin (2) of the circus, which is Sanger's and includes a clown who must be an uncommonly clever acrobat, a performing pony, elephants and dogs, and (3) side-shows of much variety.

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There is, it appears, some danger of the Crystal Palace ceasing to be. Lord Brassey, when distributing the prizes at the Crystal Palace School of Practical Engineering last Friday, said that the institution, meaning the Palace, could not go on without a grant from the public funds. I confess my own purblindness to the claims of the Palace on the Treasury : it is a place of public amusement, neither more nor less, and if it is wanted the public shillings will maintain it. If the public prefers the Hippodrome, the Empire, and the Alhambra, the public will go to one of those resorts, and the Crystal Palace has no more claim on the Treasury than the late lamented Lyceum or Coliseum. I take it that the School of Practical Engineering can be divorced from the place of entertainment at Sydenham and if required can be maintained by those who want it.

Motor vehicles in London do their full share of damage to the population. Without a census of vehicles which should show how many self-driven and how many horse-drawn conveyances of all kinds are plying in the streets, Mr. Gladstone's figures do not shed full light on the iniquities of the former: but it appears that of 1859 street accidents in October and November 666, or more than one-third, were caused by motors, tramcars being the worst offenders. Mention of tramcars reminds me that some dissatisfied person, without much to do I presume, has been counting the passengers who use the L. C. C.'s recently opened tram service on the Embankment: these amount to an average of about three per car. An ungrateful public evidently prefers the underground or the tube.

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It is a sufficiently harmless freak of imbecility to give the patients at an Animals' Hospital or Home of Rest a Christmas dinner, though one may be permitted to doubt whether, horses, donkeys, cats, parrots, and other tame fowl enter into the spirit of the thing. Rather an undesirable turn was given to one of these entertainments at the hospital in Hugh Street on Wednesday where Archdeacon Wilberforce is reported to have "said grace" before the donkeys, rabbits, etc., were fed!

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Some enquiring mind has collected curious figures relating to the price of first editions of Mr. Kipling's works. A copy of "Schoolboy Lyrics" published at Lahore in 1881 was sold by auction in 1899 for £135. You might suppose that this was the beginning of a boom; but no: Schoolboy Lyrics for some occult reason ceased to appeal to book collectors; the price came down with a run, and in 1900 the work was worth £3-10-0 and no more. The first edition of "Departmental Ditties" published 1886 went for £20-15-0 in 1897; in 1900 holders of Departmental Ditty stock were unloading at £4. These variations, of course, have no bearing on the author's popularity; they merely illustrate the vagaries of the book collector. Thus R. L. Stevenson's "Not I and other Poems" (four leaves only) sold in 1899 for £22; in 1905 for £2-19-0. Nought is stable in the book market but first folios of the late Mr. W. Shakespeare. I doubt if you would get more than its published price for a Romance of Two Worlds, even!

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A friend of whom I had thought better, got up at some unearthly hour on Christmas morning to be present at the swimming race in the Serpentine. Twenty-nine heroes dived in and swam a beautiful race in two degrees of frost, among the competitors was an athlete of 75 years who really is, I suggest, old enough to know better though one cannot help admiring his venerable hardihood.

The authorities are making a hideous mess of the old elms in Kensington Gardens: many of them certainly wanted cutting as they are mere shells; but a vast deal of perfectly sound wood has been cut and a depressing array of fat scaffolding poles is the result. You might imagine that the London County Council had been at work. [Reminds us of the Vandalism seen in Church Lane and Dalhousie Square, Calcutta.—ED.]

ONLOOKER.

Shikar.

MARKHOR IN THE KAJI NAG.

NEARLY every visitor to Kashmir knows by sight the range of mountains which they pass on the opposite side of the Jhelum near Uri, but very few ever come to know them better or to visit the delightful valleys which lie hidden from view in those rather bare looking hills, dotted here and there with rocks and precipices. But among those lofty mountains is found the Pir Punjal Markhor, which is the most difficult animal to bag and carries the finest trophies of any animal to be found in the vicinity of the valley, with perhaps the one exception of the Barasingh or Kashmir Stag. In July 1903 I returned from a successful shooting trip to Ladakh and having still a little more than a month of my leave remaining, I decided to try for Markhor in this range. My wife and I started off from Bara Mullah and marched along the north bank of the Jhelum, but at our first camp we heard that the nullah we were making for had been taken; so had to content ourselves with another small one which at that time of year was not likely to hold anything else than females and kids. The only sport which I got was with a small back bear which I saw lying on a rock sunning itself in the early morning. I got to within fifty yards of it, without being detected, but as it only presented a very small mark whilst lying down I waited patiently for it to get up, when a bullet through the shoulder sent it rolling down the steep slope to the valley where my tents were pitched. Shortly afterwards I saw a fine little gooral, but could not get close enough for a shot owing to the impossible nature of the ground. Higher up we saw, as the shikaries had foretold, numbers of females and kids, but not a single shootable head. The following day the good news was brought that Gooja Nullah had been vacated, so we at once prepared to move on. Early the next morning we were on the move, and by evening had reached the mouth of the nullah. Another short march brought us to our camping ground, where two minor nullahs met under a bridge of snow, which still remained unmelted of the immense mass which had been piled across the main nullah at this point by the spring avalanches. The shikaries and pony having found shelter under rocks and our tents pitched on the only flat piece of ground, we had time to look round.

The scenery was grand, precipitous rocky cliffs dotted with trees towered up on all sides to the open snow covered slopes of the highest peaks in the range, while below was the steep thickly wooded gorge down which the torrent rushed, swollen by the recent rains and the fast melting snow. It seemed a very likely place and we made up our minds to stay until at least one good head had been obtained.

In the evening we amused ourselves examining every bit of open ground with the glasses, but nothing was to be seen.

Long before daybreak on the following morning I started up the western nullah and we reached the ridge just after sunrise, but beyond one little beast and the fairly fresh tracks of a big one, we saw nothing.

Until 10 o'clock we toiled on and upwards searching every bit of ground below and opposite, but nothing appeared. As the Markhor usually lie up about this time it was useless going on, so we took a rest, eat tiffin and then slept until 3 o'clock, when the shikari woke me and said it was time to be moving again. We continued moving along the ridge, but for some hours we had no better luck than in the morning. At last we spotted a female standing on a point of rock and evidently a sentry to a herd, but since at that time of year the males have separated from the females it was not very encouraging. Fortunately our road to camp lay in that direction, so I decided to go a little out of my way and have a look into that little side nullah. In spite of the watchful female we arrived undetected, and leaving the chota shikari and tiffin coolie behind, my shikari and I crawled carefully up to a corner from which we could see most of the nullah. Just as I got into position suddenly round the next rocky spur of the hill a grand old beast with long curling horns came bounding down from rock to rock until he reached some bushes on which he commenced to bronse, his long black and white beard waving in the evening breeze which was now blowing down the nullah. Carefully and slowly we drew back and to make sure of him with a shot at about a hundred yards we started off up hill to a point which I had marked as being level with and just opposite the place where he was feeding. We reached our destination without accident, but being a little blown I stopped for a minute to look for a suitable spot from which I could look into the next nullah and to give me time to take breath after our sharp climb. The most suitable place seemed an overhanging rock with bushes on the open side under which I crawled with my rifle and glasses, and no noise having been made I felt safe from detection whilst I took my shot. But was he still there? Slowly I raised my head and looked round the corner of the rock and there he was not eighty yards away still feeding. I put up the glasses and had a good look at him as being partly concealed by bushes there might be some mistake, the rifle was then pushed forward and I waited for him to expose his shoulder. I had already felt several sharp pulls at my foot which was the shikari's method of reminding me that the time had come to shoot and just then the Markhor stepped out on to an open space in the bushes. The bead was on his shoulder as I fired and down he fell, rolling over and over until caught by a projecting rock in the small nullah below. As I leant over the hedge watching my first markhor falling, another good head, which we had not previously seen, rushed up, past us, and then stopped to look for the cause of the disturbance. He could not make me out owing to the bushes and it would have been an easy matter to have bagged him, but he seemed slightly smaller than the one I had shot, so I let him go. Then another appeared which seemed about the same size, but as I hoped to get an even better head, I did not fire at first, and he moved off. My shikari seemed very disgusted and seemed to think him to be such a fine head, that I stood up to see if I could view him again. At last I saw him and put up the rifle to fire, but this caused my foot to slip on the steep wet ground, and the bullet went nowhere near him. He did not wait for another but went off at his best pace up the hill and very disgusted my shikari looked. We then went down to where the first one lay dead and proceeded to measure his horns. They were nearly six spans in length and very thick, so a very fine head indeed. [What is a "span"? We can span 9¼in., our Sub Editor 9¾in, and a Shikri of our acquintance covers 10in. ED.] It was now getting late and we had some distance to go, so the shikaries and tiffin coolie got to work with their knives and in a short time the head and skin were removed and off we started for camp. On my part I felt very content with the first day's work, but I rather suppose that my men would have been better pleased if the other big one had been bagged and one or the other had its throat cut as being good Mahomedans the flesh was wasted. On reaching camp the tape showed the head to be fifty inches and twelve inches round the base.

A peg, then dinner, and a smoke in the moonlight completed the day's proceedings. The shikaries had orders for an early start again the following morning, but it was not to be, as when I woke, I heard the soft drumming sound of rain falling on the canvas of the tent and the whole landscape being blotted out by a thick mist, the only thing to be done was to remain in camp and wait for a better day. But day after day passed and still there was no improvement in the weather, so we stayed in the tents, read every particle of literature over and over again and discussed the rumours which reached us of floods in Srinagar and of the bridges over the Jhelum being swept away. Then a little excitement was caused by the arrival of a messenger from Srinagar who came to tell my shikari that H.E. the Viceroy was coming up to Kashmir and that his services would be required to arrange a markhor shoot, so off he went leaving his son, who was chota shikari to act in his stead.

At last one morning there was a break in the clouds and by 2 o'clock the sky was fairly clear and the wind steady, so we started out again to look round another portion of the nullah.

The best ground being cut off by the rushing torrents which united just below the camp we wended our way up the hill behind the tents. In about an hour's time we reached a ridge whence we could inspect a likely bit of country. We soon spotted some females on the opposite side of a small nullah and then a little further on my glass showed me a fine old beast lying on a rock enjoying the sun and drying his coat after the days of heavy ceaseless rain. He looked well worth getting, but the question was how to approach him without being seen, as between us lay an open grass slope over which we must pass in full view of him. My shikari was for retiring, but I was for trying the stalk and trusting to finding some way of crossing the maidan unobserved. We crept forward under cover of trees and bushes as far as possible and then we got to a part which was without cover of any sort and we were stuck. Then, when we were nearly giving up in despair, I noticed a cloud coming up the valley and saw that in a few minutes it would envelope the markhor and females and hide the maidan from their view for some time, during which we could safely cross, and passing above the females get to a good position above the old billy on the rock above where he was lying.

All went well and we arrived at the selected spot while the mist was still covering our prey, when it rolled away he was nowhere to be seen, as we found that bushes obstructed the view of the rocks. We then began to move down to where we had last seen him, searching each nook and corner with the glasses as we went, but still without success. At last whilst I was looking round one side of a rock the shikari spotted him quite close by and of course lost his head, and in his hurry in coming round to me trod on a stick which broke with a crack and alarmed the markhor. When I came round the animal was standing up in our direction, but even then I might have got a shot, but the shikari pushed a bush to one side to show me the beast and before I could get my rifle up he was gone in one bound. When next he appeared, still bounding from rock to rock, the distance was nearly two hundred yards and so a clean miss was the result of a snapshot I took at him He gave me no further chance, and we watched him climb the ridge and pass into the next nullah, when we turned homewards sadly depressed by our bad luck, but I managed to pass the time with a few appropriate remarks on the capabilities of my shikaries to act as such. The bad luck for the day did not finish there as my wife met me with the news that one of my spaniels was missing, that they had gone out as usual to meet me and only one had returned. We never found him, but the pugs of a panther next day gave us some idea of his fate. So ended a very unsuccessful day.

I stayed on some five or six days more in Gooja Nullah but, beyond shooting a red bear, which I met early one morning on my way to the markhor ground, without success. It either rained, or when we went out, we saw nothing worth shooting, as I think the nullah had been disturbed by the panther. Then we found a corner of the nullah high up which seemed to be full of animals, many of them measuring forty inches and over, but not quite good enough. I wanted something over fifty. At last the day arrived when I had made up my mind that if we saw nothing we would move our camp to where we heard that panther and bears were killing cattle on the northern side of the range.

We saw nothing up to midday and then I made out a very fine head and white coat and beard accompanied by two smaller beasts with red coats. The stalk was an easy one and we arrived at the place we had marked for the shot, but they had moved into some bushes. We made out, as we thought, my white friend, so when I got a spot at his shoulder I fired and down he fell and off went the rest, but to our astonishment there were three and they included the one I had set my heart on getting. My disgust can well be imagined when I found that I had shot another old light coloured beast but with only a fair head.

G. H. D.

A morning paper devotes considerable space to "The language of sealing-wax." Chocolate colour denotes invitation to dinner, green is used by hopeful young lovers, and so on. Any colour, we may add, dropped nice and hot on the fingers produces language of the most eloquent description.

Kind Lady: "Poor man Wouldn't you like a nice chop?" The man (suspiciously): "What kind of a chop, lady—lamb or wood?"

Black (to Brown): "For goodness sake be careful with that gun. You just missed me that time." Brown: "Did I, old chap? I'm awfully sorry!"

Teacher: "What are marsupials?" Boy: "Animals which havel pouches in their stomachs." Teacher: "What do they have pouches for?" Boy: "To crawl into and conceal themselves in when they are pursued."

First Mother: "I don't believe in the faith cures brought about by the laying on of hands." Second Mother: "Well, I do. I cured my little boy of the cigarette habit in that way."

Fishing.

AUTUMN CODLING IN A WEST HIGHLAND LOCH.

THE sea lochs which run far in amid the Argyllshire hills are full of interest to the fisherman. The shoals of porpoises and occasional whales which visit these inland stretching arms of the sea are clear proof that the waters teem with life; for the great marine mammals would never come so far unless they found good hunting.

Lochs Long and Goil are noted for the suddeness with which furious squals sweep down upon them from the surrounding mountains. Sailers of small boats have to be ever ready and watchful, for the blast striking the water, as it often does, at a descending angle, may come utterly without warning. That advancing line of darker colour which marks the coming squall elsewhere, is frequently absent in these fiords of Western Scotland. Down rushes the wind, and in a moment lashes the water far from shore into foam, while nearer in all is calm.

Though so distant from sea and so shut in by land, Loch Goil is yet often too rough for small boats. As I look now out of the windows of the house in Carrick Castle, where I am staying, I see the loch lashed into short angry waves by a bitter northerly gale. The trees are bending to the wintry blast while the mountains are shrouded in rain mist.

But the storms on these lochs are soon over, and to-morrow perhaps the wind will have veered round to the west, and the waters may be calm and smiling in the autumn sunshine. Carrick Castle is a charming village about half way up Loch Goil; it is called after a grim old ruin, once in the days of the Bruce a royal castle, and subsequently held by the Campbells. These latter at the end of the seventeenth century had the castle burnt over their heads by the men of Atholl. Since that day the building has remained a ruin.

All the western sea lochs hold saythe and lythe, or coal-fish and pollack as they are called in the South: these will take either a white fly or spinner and give excellent sport. Neither, however, are very desirable for the table, so that the fisherman who likes the proceeds of his angling to be appreciated, naturally turns his attention to the codling and whiting. Both these latter fish are most satisfactory to catch and also to eat afterwards; moreover, there are plenty of them in the sea lochs of the Western Highlands if only their haunts can be located. To do this one must consult the local fishermen, and by means of soft words persuade them to tell their favourite grounds. Whiting often only bite well just before dusk and stop feeding directly it gets dark. Codling are more complaisant and take in the day. Some of them run to five or six pounds, but the majority are of course much smaller. The angler who uses a light cane sea rod, Nottingham reel, and running line of moderate thickness is enabled to fish with finer tackle and lighter leads than the local fishermen, who still employ the time-honoured handline. Cod are looked on as somewhat voracious feeders, easy to hook with any sort of tackle, but I have found that in Western Scotland, at any rate, when one's bait is the easily stolen mussel, that it is very easy to miss bites if the strike is not made at the right moment; and I feel convinced that the handliner fails to hook at least half the fish which take his bait. An important item is the hook which should be fine in the wire, not too big and very sharp I have lately obtained most excellent sea hooks from a local tackle maker in Brighton. They are Limerick bend with turndown eye, and are astonishingly cheap considering their first-rate qualities. By fininig down the tackle I find it possible to hold the button with a two ounce sinker when the tide is running, and with so light a lead one can detect the slightest bite. There is rather an art in opening mussels, they should be got out of the shells whole, so as to keep the leathery part round the edges. The dark portion, known as the tongue, is tougher than the rest of the bait and it is a good plan after passing the hook twice though the middle to finish up by inserting the point though the mussel's tongue. Thus the bait holds on better. Soaking in salt water toughens mussels. These shell fish can be kept for a week by putting them in a dry bucket, without any water in it, and covering the top to exclude the light. The mussels do not require water; the closed shells contain enough fluid to keep the fish going for several days. When fishing off Carrick Castle a few days ago I got a dog fish among my codling. I hear that these troublesome brutes are usually very rare in Loch Goil, but this year numbers of them have come up. When a dog fish is hooked it should be got to the surface and netted as soon as possible for their teeth are so sharp that they will soon cut the thickest gut if not dealt with promptly.

Another annoying fish is the little gildee, which troubles the whiting fisher greatly by sucking off his bait. When the angler uses a rod he often hooks these small fish, and tso turns the tables. They are easy enough to catch if one goes to the trouble of putting small hooks on the paternoster.

On some whiting grounds gildees are in such numbers that the handliners do not attempt to fish until dusk; for when the whiting come on the feed the gildees leave the bait alone.

Whiting sometimes only take for about half an hour, and it then behoves the angler to make the most of the fleeting moments. Having found a really good place the fisherman should be most painstaking in remembering the marks exactly, so that he may be able to go again and anchor at precisely the same spot. Local professional fishermen, who ought to know better, are sometimes careless about marks; by missing the exact spot one may easily lose half the sport, which a little more care would have ensured.

Sea trout will often take a minnow in salt water: a blue and silver phantom is a good bait. There are also plenty of mackerel in the western sea lochs. The great secret is to let out plenty of line when spinning a minnow behind a boat; the water is usually very clear and fish will not take a spinner when they see it close to the boat.

FLEUR-DE-LYS.

Shooting.

WESTLEY RICHARDS NEW CORDITE EXPRESS RIFLE ·476 BORE.

WE suggested in the article on "Restrictions of Sporting Rifles," which appeared in our issue of the 15th November, that the difficulty arising from the recent prohibition would be solved by the ingenuity of the gunmaker in this case as in other past instances.



There is more than one path out of the wood; and the ·318 Accelerated Express Rifle—which has already received notice in our columns—in conjunction with the Copper Capped Expanding Bullet seems to afford a way of an easy and practical character, which many sportsmen will prefer to take.

Another solution is the suggestion made by certain correspondents that the ·500 bore rifle should be adopted in place of the ·450 High Velocity Nitro Express Rifle; and perhaps this on the whole would be the simplest plan, possessing as it does the strong recommendation of employing a calibre of rifle and cartridge of proved reliablity and holding a high place in the modern category of Sporting Nitro rifles; and, therefore, entails no addition to the list of sporting bores and cartridges which should be avoided wherever possible.

The slight increase in the weight of the ·500 bore rifle and of the cartridge is an objection to some sportsmen, and to such the only other way out, is to take an entirely new bore standing midway between the ·500 Cordite Rifle and the prohibited ·450.

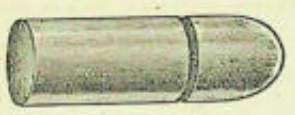
Messrs. Westley Richards and Company are introducing a new rifle on these lines. Its bore is ·476 and it shoots a bullet of 520 grains weight, with an approximate muzzle velocity of 2,150 feet second. The weight of the ·450 prohibited bullet is 480 grains, and the increase of 40 grains in the 476 bullet will be appreciated by the advocates of the heavier and larger bores of weapons.

The new ·476 Cordite Express Rifle gives a muzzle energy of from 5,000 to 5,250 feet lbs. as compared with the 4922 feet lbs. given by the prohibited ·450 bore.

The weight of the rifle will be:—

Single Rifles ... 8½ to 9lbs.
Double Rifle ... 10½lbs.

which are the same as the ·450 bore.



We give an illustration of the new ·476 cartridge. It shoots both the solid and the Capped Expanding Bullet. This powerful rifle would doubtless prove very effective, especially at big game, and it is anticipated will be regarded by all those sportsmen who pin their faith to the larger calibres as opposed to the new improved small bores, as being one of the best of its type, and as meeting in a satisfactory way the difficulty produced by the recent prohibition.

MIXED SPORT.

THERE are, doubtless, quite a number of shooters to whom the term "mixed sport," carries no meaning. We live and move now in days of feverish haste and excitement; everything is done at top speed or not at all. The humble shooter who tries to dispose of a gun excellent in all respects fails to do so simply because it is not an ejector, and some other fellow cannot let his estate because it does not produce a certain total of a certain kind of game. Somebody else is out of it in respect of some other detail which does not happen to be up to the high-pressure standard of twentieth century requirements and there you are.

In this way we see the older style of shooting (usually called mixed or general sport) rapidly leaving us, and its place taken by some one special feature or detail in which one or, at most, two sorts of game alone figure. Thus grouse and hares, or, to put it more correctly, grouse alone, from the quarry of the August gunner; partridges go by themselves in September: phea-ants mainly by themselves in October or November or whenever the owner of the coverts elects to start shooting. So far so good; far be it from me to say anything against it all; but there is no harm, I presume, in making a few comparisons as between things as we now know them and as they used to be before anything was done as such breakneck speed. At a modern shoot, then, be it at grouse, partridges, or pheasants, the shooter would by himself have but a poor time of it He could scarcely manipulate a pair of guns—hammerless ejectors though they be—by himself, and so the services of a loader are requisitioned. I quite agree with all this, too, and am not saying a single word against it. If it be grouse-shooting then the "pick up" will be partridges, and if pheasants, why, pheasants will compose the bag, with a possible trifling exception or two, which, among a total of fifteen hundred slain, or thereabouts, need hardly be noticed at all. The game, be it what it may; falling to each shooter is shot where he stands; he moves not out of his allotted place, merely going to the next position when told to do so by his host or the head-keeper. His cartridges contain the same load all through, and the same size shot; there is no variation of anything, and, possibly, during the entire day he has not set eyes on anything in the way of fur or feather save the particular bird or beast he is out to slay. And here, again, let me say I am merely mentioning this for the purpose of comparison, and am not to be considered as condemning it. I hope by this time my readers know "the Doctor" well enough to look upon him as a sportsman, and not a critic or journalist of the *Daily Mail* type.

Mixed sport, however, on the other hand presupposes much in the way of variety and change, and can anyone be blamed for having a leaning towards it on this account! The man with the cartridge belt strapped round his middle containing cartridges with Nos. 4, 6, 8, or even No. 10 shot, under his very hand and ready to be slipped into the chambers of his gun at any moment, is seldom seen now. But at the time he flourished, a few years back, such an equipment was necessary. For going over rough ground on mixed shooting intent, he could never tell whether a cock pheasant or a jack snipe would next present itself. A charge of No. 10, or even of No. 8, is only fired at a pheasant, hare, or rabbit by a novice or cruel-hearted shooter or poacher; never by a sportsman or a gentleman. Nos. 4, 5, or even 6 are never intentionally used on snipe or (as regards the first two numbers) on woodcock, because such sizes are too big for such small birds, and No. 7 or 8 does better. Naturally, then, each style of shooting calls to a great extent for its own special charge and size of shot, and a mixed assortment, therefore, was always found in the belt or in the pockets of the seeker after mixed sport as we knew him a few years ago. A rough piece of common land beaten out for rabbits or partridges would, perhaps, end abruptly at a bag probably holding lots of snipe of both varieties. Here a change of shot would be necessary if many of the nibble "long-bills" were to be shot. A comparison may here be struck as between the older gunner and the newer one; for the latter, if suddenly called away from killing tall pheasants with an ounce of No. 5, would make a sorry show at snipe unless he had more suitable ammunition, and this I say with the utmost respect for all the crack shots going. Theoretically, our best crack shots manage to shoot snipe with their ordinary game charges and No. 5 shot; in practice they generally manage to fail—at least, such of them that I ever saw make the attempt.

Finally, the seeker after mixed sport got more exercise out of the pastime than does the modern shooter out of his way of doing things, and this counts for something. Starting in the morning, he, possibly, would not be over the same land twice, and would have fresh ground before him all day. His bag would not be a big one. I admit, nor would there be the same amount of skill necessary in making it. Driven game is much more difficult to shoot than walked-up or game shot over dogs; but that is not the point I am discussing. I am only trying to show that the "mixed sport" shooter is rapidly passing; but for saying so I respectfully plead that I may not be jumped on by any of his present-day successors.—*The Shooting Times.*

Correspondence.

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QUERY.

TO THE EDITOR OF "THE INDIAN FIELD."

SIR,—With reference to the mauling of Colonel Hutchinson, 2nd Gurkhas, on 22nd December, it would be interesting to known what bore rifle he was using, and whether a single or double. Also what weapon the orderly had.

MORNING GLORY.

A GOOD BEAR.

TO THE EDITOR OF "THE INDIAN FIELD."

SIR,—I enclose a couple of photos of a lucky two days' black bear shoot I had about two months ago. The large beast was measured before skinning but 22 hours after death. Length five feet five inches. Skin over seven feet. I have not the other measurements by me at present, but will give details if you are interested.

MORNING GLORY.

RAMPUR-BANIAR, *7th January 1907.*

[The photos show a very fine specimen in beautiful coat. Five feet five inches is a big measurement, though the record is six feet seven inches.—Colonel L. L. Fenton, Kashmir.—ED.]

BIG TOTALISATOR DIVIDENDS.

TO THE EDITOR OF "THE INDIAN FIELD."

SIR,—Can you tell me what is the biggest dividend ever paid by the totalisator on ten rupee tickets at the Calcutta Races—monsoon or cold weather; and if you could mention a few other big ones, I should be very much obliged.

Q.

[We think we are right in quoting the Rs. 1,593 paid over Nirvana's win in the Entally Plate at the Fourth Monsoon Meeting last year as the record. We have not time to wade through eighteen volumes of the Calcutta Turf Club *Calendar*, but here are a few good "fat" returns:—Rs. 702 on Kapo in the August Stakes, Calcutta Second Monsoon Meeting, 1897; Rs. 590 and Rs. 445 on Meadow Saffron and Clynder for places in the Ellenborough Plate, First Day First Calcutta Meeting this season; Rs. 513 on Spring, International Pony Stakes, First Calcutta Meeting, 1892; Rs. 436 on Stowaway, New Year Plate, some years ago; a big dividend was paid on one of the late Lord William Beresford's horses in 1890 (we think) but we cannot remember details, and the Calcutta Turf Club *Calendar* in those days did not publish totalisator dividends.—ED.]

SHIKAR FROM BALLOONS!

TO THE EDITOR OF "THE INDIAN FIELD."

SIR,—Some months since a contemp rary suggested that the forest clad islands of the Sunderbunds admitted of being surveyed from balloons, and now that the expassion of Frasergunge is on the *tapis*, the idea will probably assume definite form. Employment of the airship is not without interest to sportsmen, especially since the recent adoption of hot air for inflation in lieu of the usual gas obviates all danger from using fire arms in proximity to the latter. Where water carriage in our big game districts (such as the said Sunderbunds and the eastern rivers and bheels) is available, there would be no difficulty in conveying the balloon and simple apparatus for generating hot air and as animals, unless in hilly parts, seldom look upwards there would be less possibility of scare than in beating or tracking. A good sweep of country can be taken in from even 500 feet elevation, so at any rate the haunts of animals could be located and subsequent operations carried out in perfectly legitimate and sporting manner.

AERO-SHOT.

POOL.

TO THE EDITOR OF "THE INDIAN FIELD."

SIR,—Will you decide the following: In a game of pool A and B respectively bet each other a rupee that the other won't win. A loses his chance of winning when B and C only besides himself are in, C having caused the misfortune by taking his last life. The proprietor of the table asks B and C to toss up who shall have the pool as it is late, and this they do, B winning the toss. Had they continued playing C would probably have won and the aforementioned bet be consequently settled. But B claims the rupee from A. A contends that B has not won the game, as C might have beaten him, in the same way as he beat himself (A), and the bet was made having regard to the number of players (six.) Whose argument is right?

LALL GOLEY.

[We consider the bet off. It was practically a draw. "B" didn't win the game, he won the toss for the pool.—ED.]

A DOMESTIC SODAWATER MACHINE.

WE had an opportunity last week of inspecting, among others, a small "Domestic" machine for manufacturing sodawater, lemonade, etc., by the simplest process imaginable at one's own home. The carbonic acid gas is compressed in a liquified state in a drawn steel cylinder of tremendous resistance, each cylinder containing sufficient gas to make 300 dozen of waters. The machine itself occupies a space of about one square foot, can be placed and worked on any table and is connected with the gas by copper tubing. This ingenious patent is the property of the Sirdar Carbonic Gas Company, Limited, of Bombay, and is most suitable for tea garden bungalows and mofussil residences far from rail or river communication. The cost of manufacturing sodawater is one anna a dozen and sweet waters a trifle over three annas, and the "Domestic" machine with the slowest working turns out two to three dozens per hour. A similarly constructed machine called the "Club" makes *three* instead of *one* bottle at a time and is chiefly in demand for clubs hotels and restaurants. The machine, however, which most appealed to us was the "Shikari" pattern and consisted of a strongly made teakwood case containing a "Domestic" machine and an "E" cylinder of gas capable of turning out 70 dozen sodawater, with a rack for one dozen bottles and a drawer for syrups to make lemonade, etc. The case measures about 2ft. 3in. by 2ft. by 1ft. 3in. and is eminently suitable for volunteer or field service, shikar parties, race meets and pigsticking camps. The price of this wonderful combination is Rs. 286.

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Another novelty we saw was a Berkefield one candle filter worked by a brass semi-rotary pump giving 5 to 7 gallons of filtered water per hour and costing only Rs. 85, a three candle pattern giving 30 to 35 gallons an hour was priced at Rs. 115.

The Company manufacture machines of much greater capacity suitable for regimental factories, and have lent a plant with a No. 2 service machine to the Dining Committee of the Minto Fête; this is capable of turning out 40 dozen per hour. Any of our readers may see these machines for themselves and obtain information by applying to the representative, Mr B. Scott, residing at 8, Hastings Street, Calcutta, and may meet him by appointment at the Minto Fête, when he will be pleased to show visitors the machines actually at work. We can commend this matter with confidence to tea planters, sportmen, mofussilites and others, to them these machines should prove a boon, a blessing and a saving of time and money.

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F. L. HALLIDAY,
Commissioner of Police.

CALCUTTA,
10th January 1907.

NOTICE.
THE CALCUTTA SWIMMING BATH
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A. R. COARD,
Hon. Secretary.

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NOTICE.
In consequence of the death of Mr. Martyn Wells, the Managing Agent of the above Company, I have, under the Power of Attorney issued by the Board, assumed control from date of the affairs of the Company in Calcutta.
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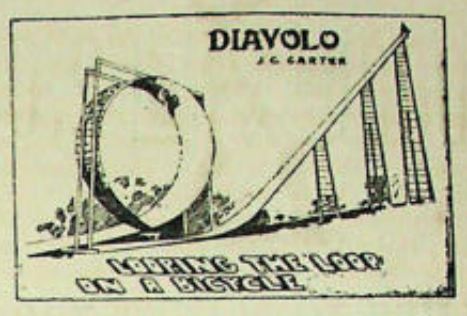

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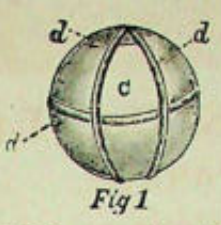

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EVENTS.

PIPING.

1. Pibrochs on Great Highland Bagpipes. Competitors to hand in a list of Pibrochs, from which the judges will select one. 1st Rs. 60, 2nd Rs. 45, 3rd Rs. 30, 4th Rs. 15. 1st prize winner will also receive the Highland Society of London's silver medal.
2. Marches. 1st Rs. 45, 2nd Rs. 30, 3rd Rs. 15. 1st prize winner, will receive the Highland Society of London's silver medal.
3. Strathspeys and Reels. 1st Rs. 45, 2nd Rs. 30, 3rd Rs. 15 1st prize winner, etc The most successful competitor in the piping competitions will receive a gold medal presented by the Pipers Society of Scotland.

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4. Highland Fling. 1st Rs. 45, 2nd Rs. 30, 3rd Rs. 15.
5. Strathspey and Reel of Tulloch. 1st Rs. 45, 2nd Rs. 30, 3rd Rs. 15.
6. Special Competition for dancing Strathspey and Reel of Tulloch for teams (Regimental or Company) from Highland Regiments in India. Cup and Rs. 60 to winning team, 2nd prize Rs. 40 to team.
7. Gillie Callum (Sword Dance). 1st Rs. 45, 2nd Rs. 30, 3rd Rs. 15.
8. Sailors' Hornpipe. 1st Rs. 45, 2nd Rs 30, 3rd Rs. 15.

SPORTS.

9. Throwing Hammer. 1st Rs. 45, 2nd Rs. 30, 3rd Rs. 15.
10. Putting the Stone. 1st Rs 45, 2nd Rs. 30, 3rd Rs. 15.
11. Tossing the Caber. 1st Rs. 45, 2nd Rs. 30, 3rd Rs. 15.
12. Tug of-War open) (8 men a side—every man over.) Cup and Rs. 30 to N.-C. O., Rs. 120 to team.

Entry forms and any further information may be had on application to the Honorary Secretary. All entries must be sent in by 20th January to—

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(*h*) Teams of officers attached to British Regiments in any district

(*i*) Such other teams as the sub-committe may decide to admit.

The entrance fee shall be Rs. 50 to be deposited with the entries or the entry will not be drawn.

The tournament will be held at Allahabad and will commence on Monday, the 24th February 1907.

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INDIAN RACING FIXTURES.

NAME OF RACES.	MONTH.	DATE.
Bombay Sixth Extra	Jan.	19
,, Seventh ,, ...	,,	26
Calcutta Second Meeting	,,	19
Dibrugarh	,,	22, 24 & 26
Calcutta Fourth Extra	,,	26
Lucknow Spring	Feb.	2, 4 & 6
Bombay Eighth Extra	,,	2
,, Ninth ,, ...	,,	9
Calcutta Fifth Extra	,,	9
,, Sixth ,, ...	,,	16
,, Seventh ,, ...	,,	23
Gorakhpore Spring	,,	12 & 15
Bombay	,,	13, 16, 18, 20 & 23
N. B. M. R. Regimental	,,	20
Bulandshahr Challenge Cup	,,	21
Bareilly Spring	,,	25 & 27
Secunderabad	,,	26 & March 2
Meerut Spring	Mar.	2, 5 & 7
Katiawar	,,	4 & 6
Jorhat	,,	6 & 8
Rangoon Spring	,,	9, 12 & 14
Bombay Tenth Extra	,,	2
,, Eleventh ,, ...	,,	9
,, Twelfth ,, ...	,,	16
,, Thirteenth ,, ...	,,	23
,, Fourteenth ,, ...	,,	30
Umballa Spring	,,	12, 14 & 16
Lahore Spring	,,	20 & 22
Rawalpindi Spring	,,	23, 26 & 28
Jubbulpore	,,	26, 28 & 30
Muzafarnugger Challenge Cup	,,	6
Madras Winter	,,	12, 14 & 16
Punjab Army Chases	,,	28 & 30

CLOSING DATES OF ENTRIES.

Gorakhpore Spring ..	Second ..	31st January.
	Third ..	10th February.
Jubbulpore	First ..	12th February.
	Second ..	26th February.
	Third ..	12th March.
N. B. M. R. Regimental ..	..	19th February.
Madras Winter ..	First ..	15th February.
	Final ..	5th March.
Lahore Spring ..	First ..	15th February.
	Second ..	1st March.
	Third ..	10th March.
Rawalpindi Spring ..	First ..	15th February.
	Second ..	6th March.
	Third ..	15th March.
Punjab Army Chases ..	First ..	15th February.
	Second ..	6th March.
	Third ..	15th March.

INDIAN SPORTING FIXTURES

POLO.	
Infantry Tournament (Meerut) ..	.. Begins 18th February.
SHOWS.	
Rangoon Horse Show	.. 18th & 19th January.
Calcutta Kennel Club Dog Show ..	.. 6th February.
HOCKEY	
All India Tournament (Allahabad) ..	.. Begins 24th February.
ROWING.	
Madras R. C. Annual Regatta ..	.. 26th January.
Poona Royal Connaught B. C. Regatta ..	.. 14th & 16th February.

LAWN TENNIS.

S. India Tournament	–	Begins 4th March.

BOXING.

Minto Fête Tournament (Calcutta)	..	27th Jan.—5th February.

ATHLETICS

Y. M. C. A. Meeting	..	26th January.
Howrah United Club Meeting	..	16th February.
Bengal Presidency A. A. Meeting	..	2nd March.

FOOTBALL.

Minto Fête Tournament	..	In February.
Madras Gymkhana Association Tournament	..	4th to 9th March.

ENGLISH RACING FIXTURES.

(Principal Races in 1907.)

Lincolnshire Handicap (1 mile)	Tuesday, 19th March.
Brocklesby Stakes (4 furlongs 5 yards)	Wednesday, 20th March.
Liverpool Grand National (4 miles 856 yards.)	Friday, 22nd March.
Queen's Prize (1 mile)	Monday, 1st April.
Craven Stakes (1 mile 22½ yards.)	Thursday, 18th April.
Great Metropolitan Stakes (2¼ miles)	Tuesday, 23rd April.
City and Suburban (1¼ mile)	Wednesday, 24th April.
Two Thousand Guineas (1 mile)	Wednesday, 1st May.
One Thousand Guineas (1 mile)	Friday, 3rd May.
Chester Cup (2¼ miles)	Wednesday, 8th May.
Kempton Park Great Jubilee Handicap (1¼ mile)	Saturday, 11th May.
Newmarket Stakes (1 mile 2 furlongs)	Wednesday, 15th May.
Manchester Cup (1½ mile)	Friday, 24th May.
Prix du Jockey Club (1½ mile)	Saturday, 2nd June.
The Derby (1½ mile)	Wednesday, 5th June.
The Coronation Cup (1½ mile)	Thursday, 6th June.
The Oaks (1½ mile)	Friday, 7th June.
Grand Prix de Paris (1 mile 7 furlongs)	Sunday, 16th June.
Ascot Stakes (2 miles)	Tuesday, 18th June.
Ascot Gold Vase (2 miles)	Tuesday, 18th June.
Royal Hunt Cup (7 furlongs 166 yards)	Wednesday, 19th June.
Gold Cup (1½ mile)	Thursday, 20th June.
New Stakes (5 furlongs 144 yards)	Thursday, 20th June.
Hardwicke Stakes (1½ miles)	Friday 21st June.
Northumberland Plate (2 miles)	Wednesday, 26th June.
July Stakes (Newmarket) (5 furlongs 144 yards)	Tuesday, 2nd July.
Princess of Wales' Stakes (1 mile 4 furlongs)	Thursday, 4th July.
Eclipse Stakes (1½ mile)	Friday, 19th July.
Liverpool Cup (1 mile 3 furlongs)	Friday, 26th July.
Steward's Cup (Goodwood) (6 furlongs)	Tuesday, 30th July.
Goodwood Plate (2 miles)	Wednesday, 31st July.
Goodwood Cup (2¾ miles)	Thursday, 1st August.
Brighton Cup (1½ mile)	Wednesday, 7th August.
Great Northern Leger (1 mile 5 furlongs)	Wednesday, 21st August.
Prince of Wales Plate (5 furlongs)	Tuesday, 27th August.
Great Eber Handicap (1½ mile.)	Wednesday, 28th August.
Gimrack Stakes (6 furlongs)	Thursday, 29th August.
Great Yorkshire Handicap (1 mile 6furs. 132yrds.)	Tuesday, 10th September.
Champagne Stakes (Doncaster) (5 furs. 152 yrds.)	Tuesday, 10th September.
St. Leger (1 mile 6 furlongs 132 yards)	Wednesday, 11th Septr.
Doncaster Cup (2 miles)	Friday, 13th September.
Prince Edward Handicap (1½ mile)	Saturday, 21st Septr.
Jockey Club Stakes (1¾ mile)	Thursday, 3rd October.
Prix du Conseil Municipal (Paris) 1½ mile)	Sunday, 6th October.
Duke of York Stakes (1¼ mile)	Saturday, 12th October.
Cesarewitch Stakes (2 miles)	Wednesday, 16th October.
Middle Park Plate (6 furlongs)	Friday, 18th October.
Cambridgeshire Stakes	Wednesday, 30th Octr.
Dewhurst Plate (7 furlongs)	Thursday, 31st Octr.
Liverpool Autumn Cup (1 mile 3 furlongs)	Friday, 8th November.
Manchester November Handicap (1½ mile)	Saturday, 23rd Novr.

ENGLISH SPORTING FIXTURES.

England vs. Ireland (Rugby)	9th February.
England vs. Ireland (Association)	16th February.
Oxford vs. Cambridge (Association)	20th February.
Ireland vs. Wales (Association)	23rd February.
Scotland vs. Ireland (Rugby)	23rd February.
Wales vs. Scotland (Association)	4th March.
Ireland vs. Wales (Rugby)	9th March.
Oxford and Cambridge Sports	15th March.
Scotland vs. Ireland (Association)	16th March.
England vs. Scotland (Rugby)	16th March.
Varsity Boat Race	16th March.
England vs. Wales (Association)	18th March.
Amateur Boxing Championship	27th March.
English Amateur Cup Final (Association)	30th March.
England vs. Scotland (Association)	6th April.
Tennis Championship, Fairs vs. Latham	6th May.
England vs. Scotland (Amateur Golf)	25th May.
Amateur Golf Championship	28th May.
Golf Open Championship	20th June.
England vs. South Africa (Cricket)	1st July.
Oxford vs. Cambridge (Cricket)	4th July.
Amateur Athletic Championships	6th July.
Eton vs. Harrow (Cricket)	12th July.
Gentlemen vs. Players (Cricket)	17th July.
England vs. South Africa (Cricket)	29th July.
Rugby vs. Marlborough (Cricket)	31st July.
Dublin Horse Show	27th August.

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CALCUTTA RACES.

SECOND MEETING.

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First Day, Saturday, 12th January 1907.

THERE was a big attendance at the races this afternoon when a long programme of eight events, which was further lengthened by a run off, were got through. The sport was interesting all through. The big race—The King's Plate—proved an easy thing for Fitzgrafton, but Paddy's Darling, who was most fancied in the Metropolitan, finished in the ruck, Sermon winning in good style from Annamulloch. The New Plate produced a dead-heat for first honours between Wakeful and Silphoe, the latter scoring in the run off. Kipling won the hurdle race easily and Ballark finished first in the Kidderpore Plate. He was, however, disqualified for crossing. Results.—

THE TALLY-HO PLATE.—Rs. 3,000 to the winner, Rs. 500 to the second, and Rs. 200 to the third A handicap hurdle race for horses. 2 miles over eight flights of hurdles.

Mr. E. J. Marshall's b aus g Kipling, 11st. 10lbs.	Sheldrake 1
Messrs Wood and Badger's br e g Thomond. 11st. 7lbs.	P. Morrison 2
Hon Mr. A. A. Apcar's ch aus m Nak Our, 9st. 5lbs.	C. Hoyt 3
Mr. Alec's br aus g Lord D., 9st. ...	Northmore 4
Mr. S. Margrett's b aus g St. Michael, 9st.	Murphy 0

(Winner trained by J. D. Scott.)

Totalisator paid Rs. 13 to win; Rs. 11 and Rs. 12 for places.

BETTING: 6 to 4 on Kipling. 3 to 1 Thomond, 5 to 1 Nak Our, 12 to 1 each Lord D. and St. Michael.

Lord D. and Kipling showed the way to St. Michael who bolted into the training paddock. Lord D. led to the Old Stand where he was caught by Kipling, Thomond and Nak Our who passed the post in this order. Won by three lengths. A short head between second and third; ten lengths between third and fourth. Time 3mins. 50⅕secs.

THE SCURRY HANDICAP.—Rs. 1,200 to the winner, Rs. 300 to the second, and Rs. 200 to the third. A handicap for Arabs 14-2, C.-B.'s 14-1 and other ponies 14 hands and under. 5 furlongs.

Lieut.-Col. C. H. Stisted's ch aus g First Bell, 8st. 11lb. (dec 2lbs.)	Evans 1
Messrs. McCall and Crichton's b aus m Mademoiselle, 7st.	Davis 2
Mr. J. D. Scott's b aus g Wal, 8st. ...	Southall 3
Mr. J. C. Galstaun's ch aus m Claribell, 10st.	Robinson 4
H. H. Mah of Cooch Behar's ch aus m Coin II., 9st. 8lbs.	Firth 0
Thakur Sripal Singh's b or br aus m Plover, 8st.	Murdison 0
Mr. W. B. Green's bk or br aus m Flo, 7st.	Bennett 0
Aga S. Shah's b e g Hooded Monk, 6st. 7lbs.	Kamad 0
Mr. J. D. Scott's ch eb m Esmeralda, 6st. 11b. (dec. 12lbs.)	Melsom 0

Mr. B. K. Mullick's br ch g Fortune, 6st. (dec. 6lbs.) ... ... A. Ferguson 0

(Winner trained by Firth.)

Totalisator paid Rs. 20 to win; Rs. 13, Rs. 49 and Rs. 14, for places.

BETTING: Evens First Bell, 3 to 1 agst. Wal, 6 to 1 Claribell, 8 to 1 each Esmeralda and Plover, 12 to 1 Flo, 15 to 1 the rest.

There was trouble with the starting gate, but when they were got off First Bell went to the front with Wal Mademoiselle, and Claribell next in order. First Bell preserved his lead to the end and won by three-quarters of a length from Mademoiselle; a length and a half between second and third; half a length between third and fourth. Time—1min. 4⅕secs.

THE JANUARY PLATE DIVIDED HANDICAP.—Rs. 1,500 to the winner, Rs. 300 to the second, and Rs. 200 to the third. A high-weight handicap for horses which have not won a flat race value, Rs. 1,500 or upwards, since 31st March 1904. 6 furlongs.

Mr. E. J. Marshall's b aus g Lipscombe, 8st. 3lbs.	Southall 1
Mr. Charles' b e g Pendred, 8st. 11lbs. ...	Bullock 2
Mr. P. B. Avasia's ch e g Presbyterian, 9st. 7lbs.	A. Hoyt 3
Mr. Dartmoor's b aus m Lady Metal, 10st.	Kaeson 4
Mr. W. H. Walmsley's b e g Jack Sheppard, 12st.	Mr. Bell-Irving 0
Mr. McGeorge's br e m Devil's Limit, 8st. 12lbs.	Mr. Evers 0
Mr. A. N. Dass' ch e m Carnival, 8st. 11lbs.	Lansdown 0
Mr. Austin's b aus g Bundah, 8st. 10lbs. ...	Baichan 0
Mr. J. C. Galstaun's br aus m Windy, 8st. 6lbs.	Robinson 0
Hon. Mr. A. A. Apcar's bk aus g Strathspey. 8st. 6lbs.	Evans 0
Mr. Dartmoor's b aus g Defendant, 7st. 10lbs.	Melsom 0
Mr. Alec's br aus m g Cadence, 7st. 10lbs. (dec. 2lbs.)	Drew 0
Mr. Field's b e g Nirvana, 7st. 5lbs. ...	Kamad 0

(Winner trained by J. D. Scott.)

Totalisator paid Rs. 80 to win; Rs. 16, Rs. 18, and Rs. 31 for places.

BETTING: 2 to 1 agst. Pendred, 4 to 1 Lipscombe, 6 to 1 each Strathspey and Presbyterian, 10 to 1 each Carnival and Lady Metal, 12 to 1 Windy, 15 to 1 each Jack Sheppard and Defendant, 20 to 1 the others.

Nirvana led from Pendred and Lipscombe, Pendred taking command at the half mile. He showed the way to the distance where Lipscombe caught him and in an exciting finish won by half a length; Presbyterian third a length and a half away; a head between third and fourth. Time—1min. 16secs.

THE METROPOLITAN.—Rs. 7,000 to the winner, Rs. 2,000 to the second, and Rs. 1,000 to the third. A handicap for horses. 6 furlongs.

Messrs. Wood and Badger's ch c g Sermon, 9st. 10lbs.	Bray 1
Mr. Holmes' bk e m Annamulloch, 6st. 5lbs. (dec. 12lbs.)	O'Neil 2
Hon. Mr. A. A. Apcar's bk aus m Airloch, 8st. 5lbs.	Evans 3
Mr. Spooner-Hart's ch aus h Contest, 7st. 11lbs.	A. Hoyt 4
Mr. J. C. Galstaun's b e m Paddy's Darling, 9st. 2lbs.	Robinson 0
Mr. Dartmoor's ch aus g Amyas, 8st. 11lbs.	Kaeson 0
Mr. J. C. Galstaun's bk aus g Dulcimer, 8st. 2lbs.	Melsom 0
Messrs. Hudson and Butler's br e m Blitzen, 7st. 8lbs. (dec. 11lbs.) ...	Murdison 0
Hon. Mr. A. A. Apcar's br aus m Martinique, 6st. 10lbs. (dec. 4lbs.) ...	Manley 0
Mr. E. J. Marshall's b aus g Camira, 6st. 8lbs.	Kamad 0
Capt. Farquharson's br m Au Fait, 6st. (dec. 10lbs.)	Bennett 0

(Winner trained by Penton.)

Totalisator paid Rs. 65 to win; Rs. 29, Rs. 44 and Rs. 20 for places.

BETTING: 5 to 4 Paddy's Darling, 4 to 1 Amyas, 5 to 1 each Sermon and Airloch, 12 to 1 each Blitzen, Camira, Annamulloch and Dulcimer, 20 to 1 each Contest, Au Fait and Martinique.

Camira was quickest away with Amyas, Airloch and Au Fait next in order. At the turn Airloch went to the front with Sermon, Annamulloch and Contest close up. At the distance Sermon and Annamulloch passed the leader and a good race home landed Sermon a winner by a length and a-half; same distance between second and third: half a length between third and fourth. Time—1min. 15secs.

THE NEW PLATE.—Rs. 1,200 to the winner, Rs. 300 to the second, and Rs. 200 to the third. A high-weight handicap for ponies 14-2 and under. 5 furlongs.

Mr. J. C. Galstaun's b e g Silphoe, 8st. 11lb.	Melsom †1
Mr. E. C. Ramsbaw's br aus m Wakeful, 8st. 10lbs.	Bray †2
Mr. Charles' ch e m Miss Hopson, 8st. 10lbs.	Bullock 3
Messrs. Scott and Marshall's bk or br aus m Lady Avon, 8st. 9lbs.	Southall 4
Mr. O. M. D. Bell's b e m Psalm, 9st. ...	Firth 0
Mr. J. C. Galstaun's b aus h Matalgia, 8st. 13lbs.	Robinson 0
Lt.-Col. J. Desaraj Urs' b aus g Minimus, 8st. 11lbs.	Evans 0
Col. F. K. L. Beaver's ch e g Jolly Roger, 8st. 3lbs.	Baichan 0
Mr. J. D. Scott's b sth afr h Pat C., 8st. 2lbs.	Kamad 0
Mr. Field's b aus m Solace, 7st. 8lbs. ...	A. Hoyt 0
Mr. Dartmoor's bk aus m Hazelnut, 7st. 7lbs	Kaeson 0
Mrs. J. M. Gregory's b aus m Picture, 6st. 10lbs. ... — ...	A. Ferguson 0

(Winner trained by Chater.)

Totalisator paid Rs. 211 to win; Rs. 25, Rs. 34 and Rs. 29 for places.

BETTING: 6 to 4 on Lady Avon, 8 to 1 each agst. Minimus, Wakeful, and Miss Hopson, 10 to 1 each Matalgia and Psalm, 12 to 1 each Jolly Roger and Silphoe, 20 to 1 the others.

BETTING ON THE RUN OFF: 2 to 1 on Wakeful, 6 to 4 agst. Silphoe.

Miss Hopson was first away attended by Silphoe, Lady Avon and Wakeful. This order was maintained till they entered the straight when Silphoe and Wakeful caught the leader, a splendid finish resulting in a dead-heat for first place between Silphoe and Wakeful; Miss Hopson half a length behind; a length between third and fourth. Time—1min. 3secs.

In the run off Silphoe led all the way and won by two and a half lengths. Time—1min. 2secs.

THE KING'S PLATE.—Rs. 10,000 to the winner, Rs. 2,000 to the second, and Rs. 1,000 to the third. A handicap for horses. R. C. 1 mile, 5 furlongs, 48 yards.

Hon. Mr. A. A. Apcar's b aus h Fitzgrafton, 9st. 10lbs.	Evans 1
Hon. Mr. A. A. Apcar's b aus h Mallard, 8st 13lbs.	Vining 2
Mr. E. L. F. DeSoysa's b e h Footprint, 7st 2lbs. (dec. 11b.)	O'Neil 3
Mr. Dartmoor's ch e g Sacristan II., 7st. 8lbs.	Kaeson 4

Mr. J. C. Galstaun's br aus g Prince Lyon, 7st. 8lbs. ... ... Melsom 0
H. H. Kour Sahib of Patiala's br aus g Lamrock, 6st. 4lbs. (dec. 6lbs.) ... Bennett 0
Mr. J. C. Galstaun's bk e g Dirty Boy, 6st. (dec. 1lb.) ... ... Simboo 0
Lt.-Col. J. Desaraj Urs' b aus g Trenton, 6st. (dec. 14lbs.) ... ... Manley 0
Mr. Dartmoor's b e g Bundook, 6st. (dec. 5lbs.) ... ... A. Ferguson 0
Messrs. Scott and Marshall's br cb g Saloon, 6st. (dec. 7lbs.) ... ... Kamad 0

(*Winner trained by Watson.*)

Totalisator paid Rs. 28 to win ; Rs. 17, Rs. 17 and ‡Rs. 23 for places.

BETTING : 6 to 4 agst. Fitzgrafton, 5 to 1 Mallard, 6 to 1 Sacristan, 8 to 1 each Saloon, and Prince Lyon, 12 to 1 Lamrock, 20 to 1 the others.

Prince Lyon was quickest away and led to the old stand, Saloon, Sacristan and Fitzgrafton next in order. Lamrock got alongside the leaders at the hospital corner but soon fell back as did Saloon and Sacristan and on entering the straight the order was Fitzgrafton, Mallard, Footprint, Sacristan and Lamrock. The favourite continued in front to the finish and won comfortably by three and a half lengths from his stable companion ; four lengths between second and third ; two lengths between third and fourth. Time—2min. 53secs.

THE JANUARY PLATE, DIVIDED HANDICAP II.—Rs. 1,500 to the winner, Rs. 300 to the second, and Rs. 200 to the third. A high-weight handicap for horses which have not won a flat race value Rs. 1,500 or upwards since 31st March 1904. 6 furlongs.

Mr. J. D. Scott's b e m Honest Lady, 9st. 7lbs. ... ... Southall 1
Mr. D. B. Myers' gr e h Jolly Abbot, 9st. 2lbs. ... ... Melsom 2
Messrs. Hudson and Butler's bk e m Mercedes, 9st. 8lbs. ... Murdison 3
Mr. J. M. Rodocanachi's b e m Downland, 8st. 3lbs. ... ... Fraser 4
Mr. A. N. Dass' b e m Clynder, 9st. 8lbs.... Lansdown 0
Mr. J. A. Manning's ch aus g Loyal, 9st. 8lbs. ... ... A. Hoyt 0
Mr. J. C. Galstaun's b aus g Gum, 9st. 2lbs. Robinson 0
Messrs. Wood and Badger's b e g Squire Alfred, 8st. 10lbs. ... ... Bray 0
Mr. S. Margrett's b aus g Spero, 8st. ... Drew 0
Mr. Charles' br aus g Foy, 7st. 13lbs. .. Bullock 0
Mrs. A. Grosse's br aus g Swindle, 7st. 9lbs. Bradshaw 0

(*Winner trained by J. D. Scott.*)

Totalisator paid Rs. 82 to win ; Rs. 24, Rs. 14 and Rs. 21 for places.

BETTING : 5 to 2 agst. Jolly Abbot, 4 to 1 Downland, 5 to 1 Mercedes, 6 to 1 each Clynder and Honest Lady, 8 to 1 Squire Alfred, 10 to 1 Gum, 12 to 1 Loyal, 20 to 1 the others.

Jolly Abbot was quickest out of the machine, but soon gave place to Mercedes, who brought them along to the bend, where she was passed by Honest Lady and Jolly Abbott. The former went away in the straight and won by two lengths ; same distance dividing second and third ; half a length between third and fourth. Time—1min. 15‡secs.

THE KIDDERPORE PLATE.—Rs. 2,000 to the winner, Rs. 300 to the second, and Rs. 200 to the third. A high-weight handicap for horses which have not won a flat race value Rs. 3,000 or upwards, since 31st March 19-4. 1¼ mile.

Mr. J. C. Galstaun's br e m Killeevan, 9st. Robinson 1
Mr. E. J. Marshall's br e g Master Charlie, 6st. (dec. 7lbs.) .. ... Kamad 2
Mr. D. B. Myers' b aus g Bon Bon, 6st. 13lbs. ... ... Bennett 3
Mr. Stead's br or ch aus m Palindrome, 7st. 13lbs. ... ... Bradshaw 4
Mr. A. N. Dass' b e g Insurrection, 7st. 4lbs. ... ... A. Fergusson 0
Mr. E. J. Marshall's ch e g Galley Slave, 7st. 11lb. ... ... Baichan 0
Mr. J. C. Galstaun's b nth am g Riverside II., 6st 11lbs. (dec. 11b). ... ... Melsom 0
Hon. Mr. A. A. Apcar's bk aus g Ballark, 10st. 12lbs. .. .. Evans (disq.)

(*Winner trained by Chater.*)

Totalisator paid Rs. 26 to win; Rs. 13, Rs. 23 and Rs. 15 for places.

BETTING : 6 to 4 agst. Killeevan, 3 to 1 Ballark, 6 to 1 each Palindrome and Bon Bon, 7 to 1 Master Charlie, 12 to 1 each Galley Slave and Insurrection.

Palindrome led to the home turn with Master Charlie, Killeevan and Ballark next in order. Master Charlie brought them into the straight, but opposite the stands Ballark came through and crossing Killeevan and Master Charlie won by a neck ; three lengths between second and third ; two lengths between third and fourth Time—2min 9‡secs.

An objection for crossing against Ballark was sustained and the race given to Killeevan.

Second Day, Tuesday, 15th January 1907.

The attendance this afternoon was small and the sport not particularly interesting. Punters fared badly for only one first favourite got home—Black Duke in the Sealdah Plate. The Prince of Wales' Plate found Contest most fancied but he could finish no higher than fourth victory resting with Annamulloch. Results :—

THE CLYDE PLATE.—Rs. 1,200 to the winner, Rs. 300 to the second, and Rs. 200 to the third. A high-weight handicap for ponies 14-2 and under. 6 furlongs.

Mr. J. D. Scott's b aus g Duplex II. 8st. 3lbs. ... ... Southall 1
Mr. J. C. Galstaun's b e g Silphoe, 9st. 7lbs. Melsom 2
Mr. E. C. Ramshaw's br aus m Wakeful, 9st. 12lbs. ... ... Bray 3
Mr. O. M. D. Bell's br e m Psalm, 9st. 7lbs. Firth 4
Mr. J. C. Galstaun's b aus h Matalgia, 9st. 6lbs. ... ... Robinson 0
Lt.-Col. J. Desraj Urs' b aus g Minimus, 9st. 5lbs. ... ... Morley 0
Mr. Dartmoor's bk aus m Hazelnut, 8st. ... Kaeson 0
Mr. Field's b aus m Solace, 7st. 12lbs. ... Baichan 0

(*Winner trained by J. D. Scott.*)

Totalisator paid Rs. 83 to win ; Rs. 18 ; Rs. 40, and Rs. 91 for places.

BETTING : Evens Matalgia, 6 to 1 each agst. Wakeful, Psalm, Silphoe and Duplex, 8 to 1 Minimus, 12 to 1 each Hazelnut and Solace.

Silphoe was best away and led to the turn with Solace Duplex II., Psalm and Wakeful next. On entering the straight Solace was done with and a great race ensued between Duplex II., Silphoe, Wakeful and Psalm. They finished in this order, Duplex II. winning by half a length ; same distance between second and third ; a head dividing third and fourth. Time—1min. 17secs.

THE SEALDAH PLATE.—Rs. 1,500 to the winner, Rs. 300 to the second, and Rs. 200 to the third. A high-weight handicap for horses which have not won a flat race value Rs. 1,100 or upwards since 31st March 1904. 1 mile.

Mr. D. B. Myers' bk or br e h Black Duke, 7st. 12lbs. ... ... Bradshaw 1
Hon. Mr. A. A. Apcar's bk aus g Strathspey, 7st. 12lbs. (dec. 11b.) ... ... Vining 2
Mr. Borneo's br e m Colina, 4yrs., 7st. 10lbs. ... ... Fraser 3
Mr. P. B. Avasia's ch e g Presbyterian, 9st. 2lbs. ... ... A. Hoyt 4
Mr. Holmes' b e m Santa Maria, 8st. 11lbs. Murdison 0
Mr. J. C. Galstaun's br e g Sainte Marquise, 8st. 11lbs. ... ... Robinson 0
Mr. Dartmoor's b e g Bundook, 8st 6lbs. ... Melsom 0
Mr. A. N. Dass' ch e m Carnival, 8st. 6lbs. (dec. 11b.) ... ... Lansdown 0
Messrs. Paris and Marshall's b e m Goldstamp, 7st. 10lbs. (dec. 11b.) Southall 0
Mr. B. B.'s b e m Bouquet, 7st. 9lbs ... Davis 0

(*Winner trained by Dignam.*)

Totalisator paid Rs. 26 to win ; Rs. 15, Rs. 26, and Rs. 26 for places.

BETTING : 6 to 4 agst. Black Duke, 5 to 1 St. Marquise, 6 to 1 Santa Maria, 8 to 1 each Presbyterian, Bundook, and Strahspey, 12 to 1 each Goldstamp, Colina, and Bouquet, 20 to 1 Carnival.

Colina showed the way to Presbyterian, Black Duke, and Strathspey who ranged up alongside her at the turn, Black Duke going to the front on entering the straight and winning comfortably by three and a half lengths ; three lengths between second and third ; a neck between third and fourth. Time—1min. 43‡secs.

THE HOWRAH PLATE.—Rs. 1,500 to the winner, Rs. 300 to the second, and Rs. 200 to the third. A high-weight handicap for horses which have not won a flat race value Rs. 3,500 or upwards since 31st March 1904. 6 furlongs.

Hon. Mr. A. A. Apcar's br aus m Martinique, 8st. 7lbs. ... . Vining 1
Mr. J. C. Galstaun's br e m Killeevan, 9st. 8lbs. ... ... Robinson 2
Mr. E. J. Marshall's b aus g Camira, 8st. 3lbs. ... ... Southall 3
Mr. J. M. Rodocanachi's b or br e m Downland, 6st. 3lbs. ... ... Fraser } D.H.
Messrs. Hudson and Butler's bk or br e m Mercedes, 8st. 7lbs. ... ... Murdison }
Mr. A. N. Dass' b e m Clynder, 8st 3lbs. Melsom 0
Mr. A. N. Dass' b aus h Trencherman, 7st. (dec. 2lbs.) ... ... Ele 0

(*Winner trained by Watson.*)

Totalisator paid Rs. 107 to win ; Rs. 31 and Rs. 20 for places.

BETTING : 2 to 1 agst. Killeevan, 3 to 1 Camira, 5 to 1 Martinique, 7 to 1 Clynder, 12 to 1 each Downland and Mercedes 20 to 1 Trencherman.

Camira led to the turn attended by Clynder, Killeevan, and Martinique. Killeevan showed out for a short space in the straight, but Martinique came with a rush on the outside from the distance and won by two lengths and a half : two lengths between second and third ; a length and a half between third and fourth. Time—1min. 15‡secs.

PRINCE OF WALES' PLATE.—Rs. 5,000 to the winner Rs. 2,000 to the second, and Rs. 1,000 to the third. A handicap for horses. 1 mile.

Mr. Holmes' bk e m Annamulloch, 7st. 4lbs. ... ... O'Neil 1
Mr. Dartmoor's ch e g Sacristan II., 8st. 11lbs. ... ... Bullock 2
Messrs. Scot and Marshall's br cb g Saloon, 7st. ... ... Baichan 3
Mr. Spooner-Hart's ch aus h Contest, 7st. 3lbs. ... ... A. Hoyt 4
Mr. J. C. Galstaun's bk aus g Dulcimer, 7st. 8lbs. ... ... Melsom 0
Messrs. Hudson and Butler's br e m Blitzen, 7st. ... ... Davis 0
Hon. Mr. A. A. Apcar's br aus f Dea, 7st. Manley 0

(*Winner trained by Wishart.*)

Totalisator paid Rs. 70 to win, Rs. 21 and Rs. 31 for places.

BETTING : 3 to 1 each agst. Contest and Dulcimer, 4 to 1 each Annamulloch and Sacristan II., 6 to 1 Dea, 8 to 1 Saloon, 20 to 1 Blitzen.

Saloon led to the turn closely followed by Contest, Dulcimer, Dea and Sacristan II. Annamulloch came up fast on entering the straight and at the distance was level with the leaders Saloon, Contest and Sacristan. Opposite the stands Annamulloch came away and won by three lengths Sacristan beating Saloon for second place by a length : a neck between third and fourth. Time—1min 41‡secs.

THE ST. GEORGE'S PLATE.—Rs. 1,500 to the winner, Rs. 300 to the second, and Rs. 200 to the third. A high-weight handicap for horses which have not won a flat race value Rs. 1,100 or upwards, since 31st March 1904. 5 furlongs.

Thakus Srinal Singh's ch aus m Rustile, 8st. 12lbs. ... ... Firth 1
Mr. Dartmoor's b aus m Lady Metal, 9st. 10lbs. ... ... Kalson 2
Mrs. A. Grosser's br aus g Swindle, 7st. ... Manley 3
Messrs. Wood and Badger's ch e m Dunsinane, 7st. 11lbs. (dec. 2lbs.) ... Bray 4
Mr. J. A. Manning's ch aus g. Loyal, 9st. 11b. ... ... Lansdown 0
Mr. J. D. Scott's br or bk aus m Sweet Sound, 9st. .. .. Southall 0
Mr. H. Wishart's br aus g Warstripe, 8st. 8lbs. ... ... Murdison 0
Mr. Holmes' ch e m Rather Rakish, 8st. 6lbs. ... ... O'Neil 0
Mr. McGeorge's br e m Devil's Limit, 8st. 3lbs. ... ... Mr. Evers 0
Mr. A. N. Dass' b aus g Mulison, 8st. 3lbs. Vining 0
Mr. A. N. Dass' b aus g Springlock, 7st. 13lbs. ... ... Drew 0
Mr. S. Margrett's b aus g St. Michael, 7st. 4lbs. (dec. 11b) ... ... A. Hoyt 0
Mr. Field's b e g Nirvana, 7st. ... Banham 0
Mr. D. B. Myers' b e m Vespasia, 7st. ... Davis 0
Mr. A. Gamble's ch e m Golden, 7st. ... Fraser 0

(*Winner trained by Harper.*)

Totalisator paid Rs. 76 to win ; Rs. 24, Rs. 51 and Rs. 31 for places.

BETTING : 6 to 4 agst. Dunsinane, 4 to 1 Warstripe, 8 to 1 each Rustile Lady Metal and Golden, 20 to 1 the rest.

Rustile led to the distance where she was challenged by Lady Metal, but the kept in front and won by a neck ; Swindle who ran prominently finished third a length and a half behind ; half a length between third and fourth. Time—1min. 2‡secs.

THE PRINSEP PLATE.—Rs. 1,500 to the winner, Rs. 300 to the second, and Rs. 200 to the third A high-weight handicap for horses which have not won a flat race value Rs. 3,000 or upwards, since 31st March 1904. 1¼ mile.

Mr. W. H. Walmsley's ch e m Scamander, 6st. 5lbs. (dec. 7lbs.)... ... ... Fraser 1
Mr. B. B's ch aus m Leda, 6st. 5lbs. (dec. 2lbs.) ... ... Davis 2
Mr J. C. Galstaun's br e m Killeevan, 9st. Robinson 3
Hon. Mr. A. A. Apcar's ch aus m Nak Our, 6st. 5lbs. (dec. 7.bs.) ... Manley 4
Mr. A. N. Dass' b e g Insurrection, 7st. 4lbs. ... ... O'Neil 0

(*Winner trained by Pringle.*)

Totalisator paid Rs. 32 to win ; Rs. 21 and Rs. 41 for places.

BETTING : Evens Killevan, 2 to 1 Scamander, 8 to 1 each Leda, Nak Our and Insurrection.

Scamander led for a couple of furlongs when Insurrection took command and brought them along to the distance where Nak Our, Leda and Scamander came up alongside. The last named came away opposite the stands and won by a length and a half from Leda, Killeevan third a head behind ; half a length between third and fourth. Time—2mins. 15secs.

BOMBAY FIFTH EXTRA MEETING.

Saturday, 12th January 1907.

A GOOD day, enlivened by several upsets, a big crowd and more bookmakers than ever. The racing is dealt with in our Sporting Notes we here give results :—

THE FIRST HOPEFUL PLATE.—Winner, Rs. 200 ; second, Rs. 100 ; third, Rs. 50. For Arabs 13-3 and under landed since 1st July 1906. 13-3 to carry 9st. W. I. ½ mile.

Mr. A. S. Omer's Rajput, 8st. 6lbs. ... Omerkhan 1
Messrs. Goculdas and Nanjee's Toy, 7st. 10lbs. ... ... Ames 2
Khan Bahadur Abdul Razak's Saeed, 7st. 13lbs. (car. 8st. 11b.) ... ... Robertson 3
Mr J. A. Kedari's Oaroon, 7st. 10lbs. .. Abdula 0

Also ran : Shahline, 8-8 ; Engine, 8-8 ; Koomash, 8-5 ; Hazza, 8-0 ; Mozzaffry, 8-2 ; Young Kolah, 7-13 ; Fadil, 7-13 ; and Anad, 7-1.

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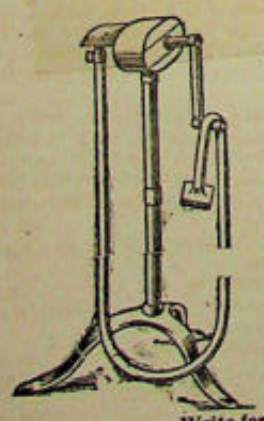

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BETTING : 3 to 1 agst. Rajput, 4 to 1 each Engine and Toy, 5 to 1 Shahline, 6 to 1 Koomash, 7 to 1 Saeed, and 10 to 1 the others.

Won by three-quarters of a length ; half a length between second and third. Time—55½secs.

THE SMALL CONSOLATION PLATE.—Winner, Rs. 200 ; second, Rs. 100 ; third, Rs. 50. For Arabs 13-3 and under which have not won a flat race value Rs. 150 or over. 13-3 to carry 8st. 12lbs. W. I. 5 furlongs.

S. A. Waheed's Solicitor, 8st. 6lbs. ... Omerkhan 1
Mr. Ali bin Talib's Dhaman, 8st. 12lbs. F. B. Mahomed 2
Mr. K. bin Saif's Shabib, 8st. 6lbs. (car. 8st. 8lbs.) ... ... Forster 3
Mr. N. Abdoola's Adham, 8st. 9lbs. .. F. Williams 0

Also ran : Bourbon, 8-12 ; Breechloader, 8-12 ; Royal Red, 8-7 ; Koolaib, 1-6 ; Tuticorin, 8-8 ; and Hobart, 7-5.

BETTING : 5 to 2 each agst. Dhaman and Shabib, 4 to 1 Solicitor, 8 to 1 Abham, and 10 to 1 to 15 to 1 the others.

Won by a length ; a head between second and third. Time—1min. 11secs.

THE STRANGERS' PLATE.—Winner, Rs. 200 ; second, Rs. 100 ; third, Rs. 50. For Arabs landed since 1st July 1906. W. A. 5 furlongs.

Mr. H. Hasoon's Commander, 8st. 6lbs. ... Greenhalgh 1
Mr. Dawood's Thugyar, 8st. 6lbs. (car. 8st. 6lbs.) ... ... Forster 2
Aga Mirza's Supporter, 8st. 4lbs. ... Robertson 3
Mr. A. M. Ameer's Poseidon, 7st. 11lbs. ... Native 0

Also ran : Greatshot, 8-11 ; Lailan, 8-11 ; Satanic, 8-5 ; Anchor, 8-6 ; Ibbas, 7-11 ; Phiroz, 7-11 ; Greyboy, 7-5 Nuzzer, 7-11 (car. 7-13).

BETTING : 3 to 1 each agst. Lailan and Commander, 4 to 1 Greatshot, 2 to 1 Anchor, and 10 to 1 the others.

Won by a length and three-quarters ; three-quarters of a length between second and third. Time—1min. 11secs.

THE PRONGS PLATE.—Winner, Rs. 200 ; second, Rs. 100 ; third, Rs. 50. For Arabs which have not won a flat race value Rs. 900 or over or a flat race value Rs. 150 or over of aggregate value of Rs. 900 or over. W. A. reduced 7lbs. 1 mile.

Mr. M. A. Khan's Nooman, 8st. 12lbs. ... F. Williams 1
Mr. K. Doree's Mukhool, 9st. ... ... Native 2
Mr. Ali bin Talib's Nusser, 9st. 3lbs. .. Ames 3
Mr. D. L. Khimjee's Remembrance, 7st. 13lbs. ... ... Heeroo 0

Also ran : Young Kohinoor, 8-12 ; and Gladiator, 9-0.

BETTING : 6 to 4 agst. Nooman, 3 to 1 each Nusser and Remembrance, 6 to 1 each Young Kohinoor and Gladiator, and 10 to 1 Mukhool.

Won by a length and a half ; half a length between second and third. Time—1min. 54½secs.

THE SECOND HOPEFUL PLATE.—Winner, Rs. 200 ; second, Rs. 100 ; third, Rs. 50. For Arabs 13-3 and under landed since 1st July 1905. 13-3 to carry 9st. W. I. 1½ miles.

Mr. H. A. Kaderi's Tabriz, 7st. 11lbs. ... Mujeed 1
Mr. A. M. Mana's Madras, 8st. 6lbs. ... Heeroo 2
Messrs. Goculdas and Nanjee's Rockhan, 8st. 4lbs. ... ... Ames 3
Mr. A. Khalil's Anee, 8st. 6lbs. (car. 8st. 7lbs.) ... ... Forster 0

Also ran : Gwalior, 8-11 ; Mustwin, 8-6 ; Raskob, 8-9 ; Elector, 8-6 ; Busheer, 8-6 ; Hamnasti, 8-4 ; Yaffa, 8-2 (car. 8-4) ; and Shummer, 7-11.

BETTING : 6 to 4 on Yaffa, 3 to 1 agst. Rockhan, 12 to 1 Tabriz, 20 to 1 to 30 to 1 the others.

Won by a length and a quarter ; a head between second and third. Time—1min. 9½secs.

THE SECOND STRANGERS' PLATE.—Winner, Rs. 200 ; second, Rs. 100 ; third, Rs. 50. For Arabs landed since 1st July 1906. W. A. 5 furlongs.

Mr. F. Main's Baritone, 9st. 3lbs. ... Fisher 1
Messrs. Goculdas and Nanjee's Freelance, 8st. 4lbs. ... ... Robertson 2
Mr. Tejpal's Adelaide, 8st. 10lbs. .. Native 3
Hon'ble Hill Trevors and Messrs. Goculdas and Nanjee's Balayeuse, 8st. 13lbs. ... Ames 4

Also ran : Gumbara, 9-5 ; Maraschino, 8-7.

BETTING : 6 to 4 on Gumbara, 4 to 1 agst. Balayeuse, 6 to 1 Baritone, 8 to 1 Adelaide, and any price the others.

Won by half a length ; a length between second and third. Time—1min. 16secs.

THE VETERANS' PLATE.—Winner, Rs. 500 ; second, Rs. 200 ; third, Rs. 100. A high-weight handicap for Arabs 14 hands and under. 7 furlongs.

Mr. Tejpal's Antica, 6st. 11lbs. ... Native 1
Mr. R. R. S.'s Mint, 8st. 8lbs. ... ... F. Williams 2
Mr. A. M. Buchari's Panala II., 7st. 2lbs. Mujeed 3
Mr. Essayie's Little Joker, 7st. 9lbs. ... Heeroo 4

Won by three-quarters of a length ; half a length between second and third. Time—1min. 37½secs.

THE THIRD HOPEFUL PLATE.—Winner, Rs. 200 ; second, Rs. 100 ; third, Rs. 50. A high-weight handicap for horses which have not won a flat race value Rs. 1,500 or over since 31st March 1904. 5 furlongs.

Mr. Adil's Squire, 8st. 2lbs. ... ... Heeroo 1
Mr. S. A. Waheed's Purvez, 8st. 5lbs. ... Oomerkhan 2
Mr. K. B. Abdul Razak's Ragu, 7st. 10lbs. Mujeed 3
Mr. A. J. Kadari's Collector, 7st. 10lbs. ... Dhondi 0

Also ran : Baroda, 8-8 ; Littletoy, 8-2 ; Moosayeb, 8-2 ; Happyland, 7-13 ; Siree, 7-13 ; Little John, 7-1 ; and Young Arthur, 6-9.

BETTING : 2 to 1 Squire, 5 to 1 each Littletoy and Little John, 7 to 1 each Happyland and Siree, and longer odds the others.

Won by a head ; two lengths between second and third. Time—55½secs.

BANGALORE GYMKHANA RACES.

Friday, 4th January 1907.

FIELDS were very fair and attendance good at the Bangalore Gymkhana races held on the 3rd instant. We are having more than usual of these little meetings this year, and they are undoubtedly great fun. Upon the present occasion, the Civil Officers of Bangalore, were "At Home" to their friends, and the Band of the 14th (King's) Hussars played. There were lots of ladies, and both Salamat, our great local "bookie" and the two-ruppee "tote" were well patronised Major Barnard and Mr. Spinks were in a winning vein. For the last two races the "tote" was absent. Results of the racing :—

THE NEW YEAR PLATE.—A handicap for ponies. 1½ miles.

Mr. A. G. Gwyer's b cb g Tam Ring, 12st. 7lbs. ... ... Maj. Barnard 1
Capt. J. B. Walker's b aus m Crazy Jane, 9st. 12lbs. ... ... Maj. Tottenham 2
Maj. Brandreth's ch aus m Mandoline, 9st. 7lbs. ... ... Owner 3
Mr. A. G. Gwyer's g aus g Piscator, 10st. Mr. Bruce 0
Capt. J. B. Walker's Torcoola, 12st. 7lbs. ... Mr. Bridges 0

BETTING : 7 to 4 agst. Tarcoola, 2 to Tam Ring, 3 to 1 Picator or Mandoline and 5 to 1 Crazy Jane.

Won all the way by three lengths ; a length between second and third. Time—59secs.

Totalisator paid Rs 6.

THE BANGALORE DERBY.—A Handicap for horses.

Mr. A. G. Gwyer's b aus g David, 12st. 5lbs. ... ... Maj. Barnard 1
Mr. P. Hannygton's b aus g Advance, 11st. 5lbs. ... ... Owner 2
Maj. C. B. Tottenham's br aus g Roger, 10st. 7lbs. ... ... Owner 3
Mr. P. F. Villier's b aus g Gay Lord Duck, 10st. ... ... Owner 0

BETTING : Evens Roger, 2 to 1 each agst. David and Advance and 5 to 1 Gay Lord Duck.

David made the pace from Roger. At the half-mile the latter closed up, but was shortly afterwards well beaten, and David won by two lengths from Advance ; a length and a-half between second and third. Time—2mins. 29½secs.

Totalisator paid Rs. 5.

THE BIRSANDRA CHASE.—For horses the property of Royal Artillery Officers. S. C. Course, 1½miles.

Mr. C. W. Spink's b aus g The Gander, 11st. 7lbs. ... ... Owner 1
Mr. H. Carnes' b aus g Boris, 11st. 7lbs. ... Owner 2
Mr. L. E. Burmester's br aus g Satan, 11st. 7lbs. ... ... Owner 3
Major J. W. Hobson's ch aus g Ginger, 11st. 8lbs. ... ... Owner 0

BETTING : 4 to 1 on the Gander, 2 to 1 agst. Boris, and 5 to 1 each 1 Gingen and Satan.

The favourite led throughout and won comfortably by two lengths ; a distance between second and third. Time—3mins. 40½secs.

Totalisator paid Rs. 3.

THE ARAB POLO SCURRY.—A Handicap. 2 furlongs.

Col. Connally's b a h Mauser 12st. ... Mr. Spinks 1
Capt. White's g a g Charley II., 12st ... Maj. Barnard 2
Capt. J. B. Walker's ch a h Dus, 10st. Maj. Tottenham 3
Mr. P. F. Villiers' ch a g Menam, 10st. 9lbs. Owner 0
Mr. L. Phillips g a h Glamour, 10st. ...Capt. Heyland 0
Mr. Surgent's g a g Snooker, 10st. ... Mr. Phillips 0
Mr. L. A. D. Naper's g a h Grand Master, 10st. 7lbs. ... ... Owner 0

BETTING : Evens Mauser, 2 to 1 agst. Charley II., 3 to 1 each Glamur and Bus, 4 to 1 Snooker, 5 to 1 three-quarter Menam, and 8 to 1 Grand Master.

Won comfortably by two lengths ; three-quarters of a length between second and third. Time—29secs.

Totalisator paid Rs. 3.

THE CHARGE STAKES.—A handicap for *bonâ-fide* chargers.

Capt. H. A. L. Mundy's b s amg Corisian, 12st. 9lbs. ... ... Owner 1
Mr. S. W. R. Mewburn's bk aus g Parthos, 11st. 2lbs. ... ... Mr. Woodhouse 2
Mr. T. C. King's ch aus g Ginger, 10st. 8lbs ... ... Owner 3
Mr. G. J. L. Astley's b aus g Bobbery Jack, 11st. 3lbs. ... ... Owner 0
Mr. G. K. Mason's b aus g Conundrum, 11st. 5lbs. ... ... Owner 0
Capt. R. W. Hewitt's br aus m Tina, 12st. Owner 0

BETTING : 2 to 1 each agst. Corislan and Parthos, 3 to 1 Tina, 5 to 1 each Bobbery Jack and Conundrum, and 8 to 1 Ginger.

Won easily by three lengths ; two lengths between second and third. Time—59secs.

THE OPEN POLO SCURRY.—A handicap for *bonâ fide* polo ponies. 2 furlongs.

Mr. A. G. Gwyer's b cb g Tam Ring, 13lbs. 7lbs. ... ... Maj. Barnard 1
Major J. W. Hopson's ch aus m Mustard, 10st. 13lbs. ... ... Owner 2
Mr. E. I. Bridges' b aus m Lady, 10st. Maj. Tottenham 3
Capt. J. B. Walker's b s af g Tom Tucker, 10st. 12lbs. ... ... Mr. Bridges 0
Capt. D. Howard Gill's b aus g Blucher, 10st. 11b. ... ... Capt Dennistoun 0
Major R. H. Haye's g aus g Ali Beg, 10st. Mr. Phillips 0

BETTING : 4 to 1 on Tam Ring, 2 to 1 agst. Tom Tucker, 4 to 1 Ali Beg, and 10 to 1 the others.

Won easily by three lengths ; a neck between second and third. Time—29½secs.

MADRAS GYMKHANA RACES.

Saturday, 5th January 1907.

HELD at Guindy in fine weather, and pronounced by all to have been an unqualified success. H. E. the Governor and Lady Lawley attended, and there was a very big gallery. Despite small entries the sport was good. Details :—

THE SUBSTITUTED MR. W. D. SMITH'S CUP.—A Cup, value Rs. 99, to the winner, and Rs. 25 to the second. A handicap steeplechase for all horses. 1½ miles.

Mr. Guy Liddell's ch aus g Sunny Jim, 12st. Owner 1
Mr. J. Josselyn's br aus g Odd Trick, 12st. Mr. Steele 2
Mr. H. A. B. Vernon's br aus m Brownpit, 10st. 7lbs. ... ... Capt. Symons 3

Also ran : Boxburghe, 18-9.

Won by half a length ; eight lengths between second and third.

Totalisator paid Rs. 6.

THE SUBSTITUTED TRADES CUP.—A cup, value Rs. 99, to the winner, and Rs. 25 to the second. A Polo pony scurry. 2 furlongs.

Rajah V. Krishnan's ch aus m Mothi, 12st. 10lbs. ... ... Capt. Torrie 1
Mr. W. H. Oakes' br aus m Mascotte, 12st. 10lbs. ... ... Mr. Steele 2
Capt. A. A. Duff's b a g Diadem, 11st. 2lbs. Owner 3

Also ran : Mistake, 12-7 ; Blazer, 12-7 ; and Grey Light, 12-3.

Won by a length and a-half ; three-quarters of a length between second and third.

Totalisator paid Rs. 9.

THE MERCHANTS' CUP.—A Cup, value Rs. 99, to the winner, and Rs. 25 to the second. A handicap for horses. 5 furlongs.

Mr. W. O'Horne's bk aus g Black Prince, 12st. 7lbs. ... ... Owner 1
Maj. Glyne's b aus g Straight Shot, 12st. Capt. Popham 2
Capt. T. H. Symons's ch aus g Desmond, 11st. 7lbs. ... ... Owner 3

Won by many lengths. Time—1min. 13secs.

Totalisator paid Rs. 3-4.

THE GOLFERS' CUP.—A Cup, value Rs. 99, to the winner, and Rs. 25 to the second. A handicap for Arabs and C.-B.'s 14-2 and under, and others 14-1 and under, which have never cost Rs. 950 or over and are the property of members of the Madras Gymkhana Club. 4 furlongs.

Mr. H. A. B. Vernon's gr a g Grey Light, 11st. ... ... Owner 1
Col. Browning's ch a h Ophir, 11st. ... Owner 2
Mr. Guy Liddell's ch c g Harefoot, 11st. ... Owner 3

Won by two and a-half lengths ; six lengths between second and third.

Totalisator paid Rs. 3-4.

THE BENCH AND BAR CUP.—A Cup, value Rs. 99, to the winner, and Rs. 25 to the second. A handicap for horses which never cost Rs. 950 or over, and are the property of the members of the Madras Gymkhana Club.

Mr. W. O. Horne's br aus g Chicane, *late* Dodger, 11st. 11lbs. ... ... Owner 1
Mr. J. Josselyn's br aus g Odd Trick, 12st. Mr. A. H. Steele 2
Capt. T. H. Symons's ch aus g Desmond, 11st. 7lbs. ... ... Owner 3

Won by a length ; six lengths between second and third. Time—2mins. 5½secs.

Totalisator paid Rs. 3-8.

Ponies.

W. I. T. C. Measurements.

BOMBAY.

The following ponies were classed, aged and measured by the Official Measurer, W. I. T. Club, at Bombay, on the 2nd January 1907 :—

Pony's Name.	*Description.*	*Owner.*	*Age.*	*Height.*	*Period.*
Basheer	g r a h	Mr. Abbool Gany	6	13-3½	For life.
Bibou	b a h	Mr. Harvey Peachey	4	13-3	31st March 1907.
Chum Chuman	b a h	Mr. Shahab Ahmed	4	14-0	31st March 1907.
City	b a h	Mr. Abdulla Fojan	4	14-0	31st March 1907.
Dumra	b a h	Mr. Suleman Mahalla	4	13-3	31st March 1907.
Fadil	g r a h	Mr. Abdul Razak bin Abdul Rehman	5	13-2½	31st March 1907.
Glencoe	b a h	Mr. S. A. Wahed	3	14-0½	31st March 1907.
Kustoori	b a h	Mr. Abdulla Fojan	4	13-3½	31st March 1907.
Lais	ch a h	Mr. Abdulla Khadayyar	4	13-2½	31st March 1907.
Rock Salt	g r a h	Mr. A. R. Obayed	6	14-0	For life.

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Horse's Name.	*Description.*	*Owner's Name.*	*Age.*	*Height.*	*Period.*
Ashgur	b a h	Mr. Abdul Rehman bin Tahar	5	...	31 December 1907.
Azroom	g r a h	Mr. Mahmood bin Mahomed	4	...	31st December 1907.
Black Arrow	b a h	Mr. Syed Rasheed	6	...	.....
Great Shot	ch a h	Mr. Ali bin Talib	Aged	...	.....
Hadee	b a h	Khan Bahadur Abdul Razak bin Curtas	4	...	31st December 1907.
Hama	b a h	Mr. Ali Zera	4	...	31st December 1907.
Isonomy	b a h	Mr. S. A. Wahed	3	...	31st December 1907.
Joker	g r a h	Mr. Saleh Tookmachi	4	...	31st December 1907.
Kalee Cheran	ch a h	Mr. G. K.	4	...	31st December 1907.
Kawakib	g r a h	Mr. Mahomed bin Baker	4	...	31st December 1907.
Keystone	ch a h	Mr. A. M. Ameer	3	...	31st December 1907.
Lucifer	g r a h	Mr. Abdoola Farras	4	...	31st December 1907.
Maroof	b a h	Mr. Ali bin Talib	5	...	31st December 1907.
Misar	b a h	Mr. Kadavi Abdool Rehman	4	...	31st December 1907.
Mushur	b a h	Mr. Mahomed Besher	4	...	31st December 1907.
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Poseidon	g r a h	Mr. A. M. Ameer	4	...	31st December 1907.
Revenge	b a h	Mr. Abdoola Farras	2	...	31st December 1907.
Safeer	b a h	Mr. S. A. Wahed	4	...	31st December 1907.
Snowberry	g r a h	Mr. A. M. Ameer	4	...	31st December 1907.
Swalior	g r a h	Mr. Ali bin Talib	6	...	.....
Talal	g r a h	Mr. Suleman Mahalla	4	...	31st December 1907.
Venus	b a h	Mr. Abdul Rehman bin Tahar	4	...	31st December 1907.

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(FROM THE HOME PAPERS.)

LONDON, *Friday, 28th December 1906.*

THE TURF.

WINDSOR.

IT was bitterly cold at Windsor on the 21st instant, there being a very keen wind, but this had the effect of making the going decidedly good, whilst the fog had disappeared, and it was possible to see everything that was taking place in each race. All things considered, and especially when it is borne in mind that we are on the eve of the Christmas holidays, there was a capital attandance, and those present were rewarded by some very fair sport. Judging from collateral running, Scotch Mine ought to have beaten Eastern Glory for the Christmas Maiden Hurdle Race with which proceedings begun. When Mr. Stedall's filly met Dafila and Tipperary, in the Wimbledon Three Year Old Hurdle Plate at Kempton Park, she finished third, whereas a little later, Eastern Glory, in receipt of 10lbs. from the same pair, was only fourth. However, Scotch Mine did not travel at all well in the market, as after opening at 5 to 1, she gradually beat a retreat, and finally twice those odds, or even more, might have been obtained about her, whilst she cut an inglorious figure in the race, and eventually finished last of those who completed the course. I am inclined to think that Frowkins would have won had he not fallen at the last flight of hurdles, for, being a son of St. Frusquin, he naturally possesses more than the ordinary turn of speed, and would scarcely have been caught on the flat. Old St. Moritz ran in curious fashion in the Friday Selling Hurdle Race, for, in the early part of the contest, he apparently refused to gallop, and was soon last of the half-dozen. When he at last took hold of his bit, however, he was quickly on terms with the rest of the field, but had apparently had enough of it in the run in, as he was performing in very shifty fashion, and would probably have been beaten had there been very little further to go. Nauclee, who cut out the work at a strong pace, had thus won the race at almost every point except the right one, and her owner was unlucky to catch St. Moritz in a fairly amiable mood. Details :—

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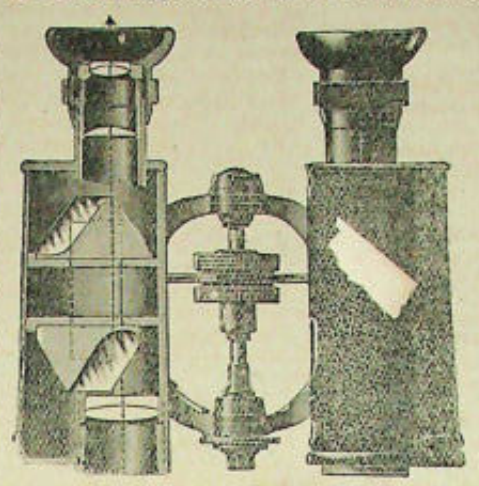

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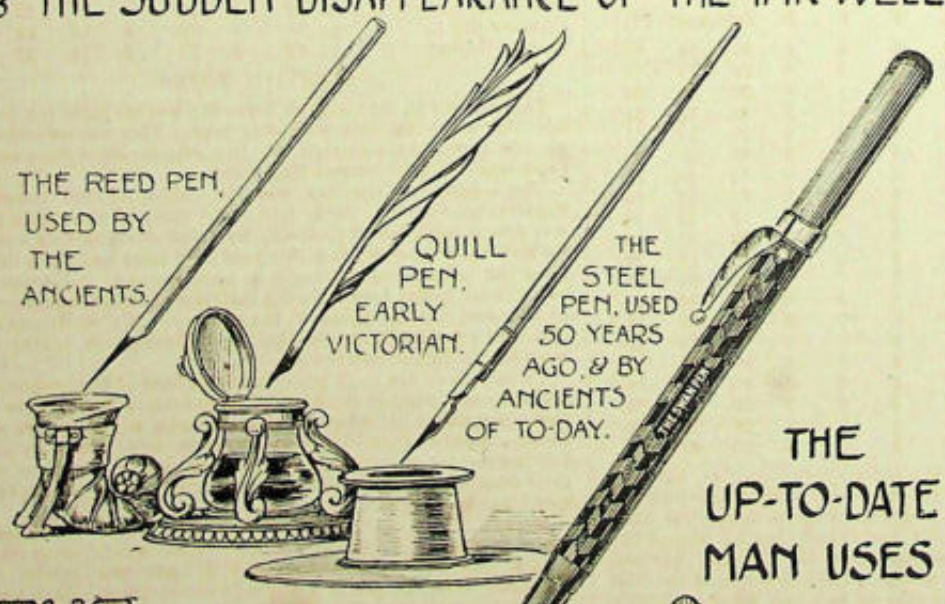

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(Winner trained by E. Morgan and bred by Mr. Anthony.)

Won in a canter by twenty lengths, Buckaway II. was a bad third, and the other pair did not complete the course. Time—6mins. 38secs.

THE CHRISTMAS MAIDEN HURDLE RACE,—Of 87sovs.; weight for age; winners extra. 2 miles.

Mr. T. C. Mundey's ch c Eastern Glory, by Victor Wild—Indian Queen, 3yrs., 10st. 2lbs.* ... ...G. F. Butchers 1
Sir Henry Randall's br g Bonnie Earl, 4yrs., 11st. 9lbs ... ... T. Dunn 2
Mr. F. R. Hunt's ch g Le Roy II., 3yrs., 10st. 7lbs. ... ... W. Taylor 3
Mr. G. Gunter's Fincastle, 4yrs., 11st. 4lbs. ... ... Owner 0
Mr. H. M. Hartigan's Battle Ground, 3yrs., 10st. 9lbs.* ... ... H. Smythe 0
Mr. H. Ingram's Frowkins, 3yrs., 11st. ...Mr. A. Gordon 0
Mr. F. Foley's Corringham, 3yrs., 10st. 2lbs.* ... ... J. Brader 0
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Mr. W. M. G. Singer's Buckfast, 3yrs., 10st. 7lbs. ... ... C. Kelly 0
Mr. A. Stedall's Scotch Mine, 3yrs., 10st. 7lbs. ... ... J. Dillon 0

*5lbs. allowance, under Rule 121, deducted.

(Winner trained by G. Butchers at Lewes and bred by Mr. E. Hobson.)

BETTING: 8 to 1 each agst. Bonnie Earl and Eastern Glory, 7 to 2 Battle Ground, 7 to 1 Cobham, and 10 to 1 any other.

Won by five lengths; a bad third. Time—4min. 3⅘secs.

THE THAMES HANDICAP HURDLE RACE—Of 62sovs. 2 miles.

Mr. H. M. Hartigan's b g Crepuscule, by Kingston—Sundown, 5yrs., 11st. 8lbs.* H. Smithe 1
Mr. F. Parker's b or br c March Flower, 4yrs., 11st. 4lbs. ... ... G. Goswell 2
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Mr. B. Baylis's Mirabelle, 4yrs., 11st. 5lbs. W. Dollery 0

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(Winner trained by F. Hartigan at Weyhill and bred in U. S. A.)

BETTING: 11 to 1 agst. March Flower, 9 to 4 van. 11 to 2 The King, 7 to 1 Rosemarket, and 10 to 1 any other (offered).

Won by two lengths from March Flower. Ivan was a bad third, Sea Gal fourth, Mirabelle fifth, and The King last. Time 4mins. 5secs.

HEAVY SNOW—MEETINGS ABANDONED.—The heavy snow-storm in the early hours of the 26th instant played havoc with the various Boxing Day race meetings, and only in a single instance—that of Limerick—was a programme carried through. An attampt will, however, be made to decide some of them later in the week. Following are the reports received from the different courses :—

KEMPTON PARK.

An early inspection of the course at Kemption Park yesterday morning made it apparent that racing was quite out of the question, as snow lay to a depth of three inches on the race track, and it was promptly decided by the Stewards to postpone the first day's card till to day and abandon the second afternoon's programme.

A telegram from Mr. Walter Hyde, the Secretary, late last night, says:—"Racing to-morrow most doubtful. Earliest information will be telegraphed from Kemption in the morning."

WOLVERHAMPTON.

There was a heavy fall of snow in the Wolverhampton district during yesterday morning, and racing at Dunstall Park was impracticable. It was therefore decided to abandon the second day's programme, and make an attempt to carry through the first day's programme this afternoon.

A telegram from Mr. Sheldon, the clerk of the course, last night, states that the track is covered with snow to the depth of six inches, and consequently the outlook for to-day is far from promising, especially at the time of telegraphing it was freezing hard. A meeting of the stewards will, however, be held at noon to-day when it is anticipated they will formally abandon the meeting.

A still letter telegram from Mr. Sheldon says :—"With six inches of snow on the course, and a severe frost to-night, racing is impossible to-morrow. The stewards willmeet at 12 noon, and abandon the meeting."

HOOTON PARK.

Late on Tuesday evening a heavy snowstorm swept the Liverpool district, covering the ground to the extent of nine inches. Naturally, racing at Hooton Park was out of the question, and the officials formally abandoned the meeting.

LEOPARDSTOWN.

A heavy fall of snow yesterday morning left the course in such a state that racing was impossible, and the acting stewards, Sir Ernest Cochrane and Mr Arnott, decided to postpone the meeting untill Saturday next

FOOTBALL ASSOCIATION RULES.

By way of a change, the Southern Leaguers on Saturday easily out-distanced their rivals in the matter of goal-scoring. The ten S.L games yielded 43 goals, as compared with 28 in the First Division of the League, and 28 in the second. In the S.L. games, home clubs were victorious in seven instances, one game was drawn, and two visiting teams were successful. The successful elevens claimed 32 of the 43 goals. The home clubs in League I. won outright on only four grounds, an equal number of "foreigners" won, and the remaining two games saw honours even. The eight winners scored 20 of the 28 goals. Of Second Division clubs, six home teams each captured two points, two were defeated, and one shared the spoils. Of the 23 goals, the nine winning teams scored 17. Taking gains and losses as compared with last season, in the Southern League Fulham, Watford, and Mill wall each dropped two points, and Plymouth, Tottenham, and Luton one. Two prints were gained by Norwich, West Ham, and New Brompton, and one point each by Brentford, Queen's Park Rangers, and Reading. In the First Division of the League, the clubs dropping points were Bolton Wanderers, Liverpool, Bury, and Stoke, two each; and Derby County, Middlesbrough, and Sunderland, one each. Two each were gained by Aston Villa, Sheffield United, Birmingham, and Preston N. E., and one each by the Arsenal, Blackburn Rovers, and Manchester City. In the Second Division, two points were lost by Grimsby and Blackpool, and one each by Chelsea, Leeds City, and Burnley. The corresponding winners of points were Bradford and Burslem, two each; and Gainsborough, Hull, and Glossop, one each.

We have not had to wait untilthe holidays were actually upon, us for startling surprises. The Southern League furnished them on Saturday with a vengeance. The most sensational was that at Fulham, where the champions were routed by West Ham United who were in a riotous mood. Football form is one of the most curious puzzles that ever troubled mankind. Here is a team that has not met with success on foreign soil since 1st September opposed to a side that has not been defeated on its own ground this season. The common-sense prediction on a comparison of these facts is an easy triumph for the eleven playing before their own supporters. West Ham simply demonstrated the truth of the oft-repeated statement as to the uncertainty of the game. They cared naught for form, but put on their heaviest total in an away match besmirched the escutcheon of the champions and incidentally scored four times as many goals as any other team at Craven Cottage, and just equalled the aggregate of the previous nine clubs who had sought to gain points at the riverside ground. It is astonishing inexplicable. Hats off to West Ham whose dramatic triumph is a happy augury for their holiday programme.

Watford also lost their unbeaten home certificate on Saturday Norwich City scoring a couple of goals on the Cassio-road ground without response. Watford had previously played eight games before their own followers, Tottenham, Portsmouth, Bristol Rovers, and Southampton being among those who had endeavoured in vain to capture a couple of points, but Norwich succeeded where they failed. This is the third consecutive match the East Anglians have won away from home, and their fourth during the campaign, a record equalled only by Fulham. Another startling happening was at Park Royal, where Queen's Park Rangers proved that they have plenty of good football in them by defeating the famous, Spurs by three goals to one. Here again collateral form was completely upset, but nobody will begrudge Tottenham are much too good sportsmen to do so—the much-needed win to the Royalists, who have only to maintain their all-round excellence of Saturday to steadily ascend the table.

There was heavy scoring in a couple of the games, the Reading *vs.* Luton encounter producing nine goals, seven of which went to the credit of Reading, the Strawplaiters having to be content with a couple. The significance of this result is to be found in the fact that Reading, had previously taken part in 16 games, and only 17 goals had rewarded their efforts, In their preceding six games, they had a beggarly array of five goals as their aggregate, and now they come along with seven in one afternoon! The Bristol Rovers contributed their share towards the strange happenings of the afternoon by beating Southampton in the western city by five clear goals. In no previous game this season had the Rovers scored more than a trio of goals, and only once had Southampton had so many as three chalked up against them, this being on the occasion of their visit to Leyton on 13th October when they lost by the odd goal in five. On 8th September last. Northampton scored a home win against Brentford, but since then they had not, either on their own ground or away, improved their record by a win. It was fitting that, with so many other startling events occurring, they should once more come out on top, and they sent Swindon away empty-handed. As the railway men had not lost a game since 10th November Northampton are to be congratulated on their performance.

The remaining fixtures in the Southern League were of the normal order, except that defeat of 5—0 inflicted on Leyton by Portsmouth, at Fratton Park, was more emphatic than was anticipated. Portsmouth have not been beaten at home this season, and the only other clubs who have not been defeated on their own ground are Swindown and Brentford. Brighton and Hove are showing fairly consistent form, and their win against Crystal Palace was not unexpected. So well, however, did the visitors play that only a goal separated the teams at the finish, and lack of ability to accept chances prevented the Palace sharing the honours. Millwall have performed disappointingly when away from home, with the memorable exception of their Plymouth success and their visit to New Brompton resulted in a loss of a couple of points as compared with last season's corresponding game. Brentford have more reason to be satisfied with their long jaunt to Plymouth, for they converted a last season's defeat into a draw, their third in succession in away games, prior to which they had lost six off the reel.

THE S. L. TABLE.

Fulham are still easily at the head of the table, but their tenure of this position is not so secure as it was, Portsmouthit with three games in hand, and a better goal average, being only four points behind. It is noteworthy that the clubs occupying the three last places each scored a win on Saturday, and that two of the first three were defeated.

	P.	W.	L	D	Goals For	Goals Agst.	Pts
Fulham ...	20	10	2	8	31	19	28
Portsmouth ...	17	10	3	4	30	15	24
Tottenham Hotspur	18	8	4	6	36	21	22
Norwich City ..	17	8	4	5	31	22	21
Bristol Rovers ...	19	8	6	5	29	22	21
Brighton and Hove .	18	8	5	5	24	20	21
West Ham. United ...	18	6	4	8	32	23	20
Watford	17	5	3	9	16	14	19
Brentford	17	7	6	4	23	22	18
Plymouth Argyle ...	19	5	6	8	26	31	18
Swindon Town ...	18	5	6	7	20	18	17
Southampton ...	17	7	7	3	26	24	17
Crystal Palace ...	17	6	8	3	24	24	15
Millwall	19	6	10	3	27	34	15
Luton Town ...	17	6	8	3	20	35	15
New Brompton ...	17	6	9	2	19	26	14
Leyton	17	5	8	4	22	34	14
Queen's Park Rangers ...	17	4	8	5	19	23	13
Reading	17	5	11	1	24	28	11
Northampton ...	16	2	9	5	13	37	9

Woolwich Arsenal did not win at Derby on Saturday, but they did the next best thing—they prevented the home team obtaining more than one point. They did not deserve more, but they would have had less than their deserts had they not shared the points. It was a hard, bustling game all through, but the defence was stronger than the attack. Each side netted the ball once, but on both occasions the off-side rule had been obviously infringed, and the referee had to disallow the goals. When the Gunners went to Derby last season they had a crushing defeat, and it must have given them immense satisfaction on Saterday to be able to prove to the Midland folk that they had made rapid strides since then. It would have been much more satisfactory to place an unqualified success to their credit, but single points obtained on foreign soil are priceless, and it speaks volumes for the grit of the Reds that ten games away from home have added ten points to their total, a record equalled only by Newcastle United.

Visiting elevens did exceedingly well on Saturday in the First Division of the League. Aston Villa found Bolton Wanderers in a complacent mood at Burnden Park, and helped themselves to a couple of points, while Newcastle United proved much too clever for Manchester United at Clayton, all the spoils going to the Novocastrians. Bristol City helped Notts County down the ladder by scoring three of the five goals obtained at Trent Bridge, this being the second home reverse of the County, the other seven games being drawn. This is a unique record, and one that a club can well afford not to possess. Stoke, who appear to be doomed to find the bottom of the table at no distant date, were not able to prevent Preston North End returning to the proud town with the points, and Sunderland had to devide the honours with Manchester City at Roker Park. There is no doubt that the City are an improving team, and they will yet occupy a respectable place in the table. Everton repeated their last season's victory over Sheffield Wednesday, at Goodison Park, but Sheffield has a set-off in the victory of the United over Liverpool, at Bramall-lane, the Liverpudlians dropping two points, as compared with last year's result. Middlesbrough gave one of those disappointing displays at Blackburn to which we have become accustomed from the Tees-siders, and had to pay the penalty, while at Birmingham the ex-Heathens took ample revenge for their humiliation by Bury last season, the Shakers on Saturday suffering a 3—1 defeat. This was Birmingham's eighth consecutive home win.

LEAGUE I. TABLE.

Everton and Newcastle United are now level on points, but the former retain pride of place because of a better goal average. They have, however, played one more game than Newcastle, and a closer analysis reveals that Everton have played 11 home matches and 8 away, while Newcastle have played 10 away and only 8 at home. Figures to date :—

	P.	W.	L.	D.	Goals For	Goals Agst.	Pts.
Everton ...	19	12	5	2	40	18	26
Newcastle United	18	11	3	4	39	19	26
Sheffield Wednesday	18	8	3	7	32	24	23
Woolwich Arsenal	18	10	5	3	33	26	23
Aston Villa ...	19	10	6	3	38	30	23
Bristol City ...	18	9	6	3	33	25	21
Preston North End	17	9	6	2	27	25	20
Sheffield United	17	8	5	4	28	26	20
Birmingham ...	18	9	7	2	29	27	20
Sunderland ...	17	7	5	5	24	23	19
Liverpool ...	18	8	8	2	36	28	18
Bolton Wanderers	17	6	5	6	25	26	18
Manchester United	18	6	8	4	23	24	16
Blackburn Rovers	18	5	9	4	27	31	14
Bury ...	19	5	10	4	32	39	14
Derby County	18	4	9	5	16	25	13
Manchester City	18	3	8	7	24	40	13
Stoke ...	20	3	11	6	19	31	12
Notts County	18	1	8	9	15	28	11
Middlesbrough	17	3	10	4	21	33	10

LEAGUE II. TABLE.

The table to date is appended :—

	P.	W.	L.	D.	Goals For	Goals Agst.	Pts.
Notts Forest ...	18	12	4	2	36	21	26
West Bromwich Albion ...	18	12	5	1	46	19	25
Chelsea ...	17	11	3	3	33	15	25
Leicester Fosse ...	18	11	5	2	34	15	24
Hull City ...	17	10	5	2	30	17	22
Bradford City ...	18	9	6	3	24	22	21
Wolverhampton Wands....	19	9	8	2	30	28	20
Stockport County ...	17	8	5	4	22	23	20
Burnley	18	9	8	1	28	18	19
Gainsborough Trinity ...	19	8	8	3	22	30	19
Burslem Port Vale ...	17	8	8	1	34	37	17
Clapton Orient ...	16	6	7	3	23	26	15
Leeds City	19	5	10	4	24	32	14
Lincoln City ...	18	5	10	3	20	31	13
Blackpool	18	4	9	5	14	26	13
Glossop	16	6	9	1	23	45	13
Grimsby Town ...	17	5	10	2	19	27	12
Barnsley	17	5	10	2	27	23	12
Chesterfield	18	4	10	4	18	29	12
Burton United ...	17	4	11	2	14	37	10

SCOTTISH NOTES.

The weather in Scotland on Saturday was all right for football but the gates all over were very poor. This was accounted for by the fact that although all the league clubs were engaged there was really no outstanding match.

The surprise of the day was the defeat of 3rd Lanark by Falkirk at Cathkin Park, and the victory of the country club was due to good, sound football, the Third never getting a chance. Falkirk have the best team this year they have had since they entered the League, and in Simpson Davidson, and McTavish they have three grand forwards, the last-named being considered one of the best inside rights in the country. Walter Arnott considers him a second Bobby Walker, and the Falkirk player could wish for no higher certificate.

Celtic still retain their position at the head of the League table, and they are going so strong and have such a fine reserve pack, that there seems little chance of them being anywhere else at the finish. Against Port Glasgow they were never really extended, but the feature of the game was the fine play of Bauchop, one of their reserves at outside left. He has good height, a nice turn of speed and tackles well.

Queen's Park did their friends a good turn by getting the better of Partick Thistle and if they repeat their display on New Year's Day the Corinthians have a hard task before them. Prophets, however, are at a discount where Queen's Park are concerned, for they generally play their worst when least expected. However, Saturday's points will do no harm.

It is hard to say what Rangers would do without the veteran Alec Smith as the Aberdeen forwards could do nothing with him, and he had a hand in the Rangers' three goals. Along with his

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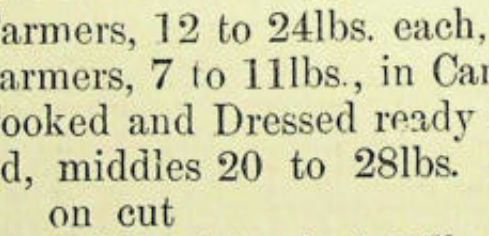

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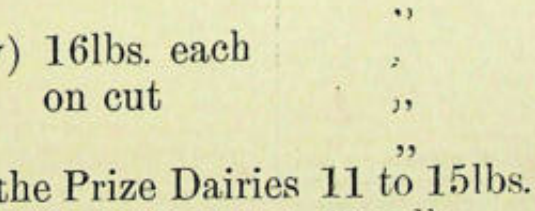

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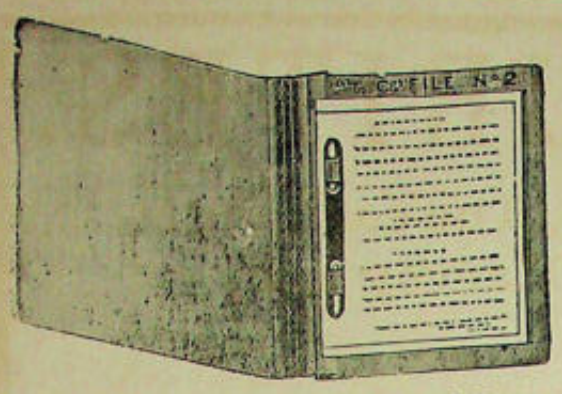

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partner Kyle the couple form one of the strongest left wings playing in Scotland just now. Newbigging the Ibrox team's goalkeeper also enhanced his reputation.

The Motherwell-Hamilton Academical match was a local "Derby," and although, to every body's surprise, Motherwell beat the Rangers only a week ago at Ibrox, they were fairly outplayed on Saturday. The breezy start made by the Hamilton men upset them, and they never got into their stride. It was a game with no little feeling in it, and half a minute before time a player on each side was ordered to the pavilion.

Dundee have no liking for Greenock, and although they got full points against Morton, they were lucky. The Northern club players have a touch of "swelled head" at present, and the ornamental work they indulged in was not only overdone, but unless. Hearts got the better of St. Mirren after a scrambling game, while Hibernians, thanks to Rennie, got a couple of points at Clyde's expense. Clyde made a fine show in the first half, and had most of the game, but in the second portion they were never in the hunt.

SCOTTISH LEAGUE.

Celtic (h)	4	Port Glasgow Athletic ...	0
Hibernians (h) ..	2	Clyde	0
Airdrieonians (h) ...	1	Kilmarnock	0
Glasgow Rangers ...	3	Aberdeen (h)	0
Falkirk	3	3rd Lanark (h) ...	2
Dundee	2	Greenock Morton (h) ...	1
Hamilton Academicals	2	Motherwell	0
Queen's Park ...	1	Partick Thistle (h) ...	0
Heart of Midlothian ...	2	St. Mirren (h)	0

RUGBY RULES.

CORNWALL *vs.* SOUTH AFRICANS.—The conditions on Saturday at Redruth were ideal, the weather being cold, but bright and fine, with not a breath of wind, and the turf firm and springy. The attendance was close upon 8,000. Cornwall were at full strength, whilst the Colonials, with one or two notable exceptions, were represented by the side which achieved such conspicuous success against Wales

Cornwall won the toss, and Roos started the game. Early in the match Cornwall were penalisad, and Morkel only just failed in kicking a goal. An exchange of kicks ended in favour of the Colonials, but J. Jackett cleverly cleared by finding touch well up the field. Dean got through cleverly, and when pressed, punted, and Carbis tackled Marsburg before he could return. South Africa worked down cleverly, but were sent back again by a strong kick by Solomon. Cornwall attempted to open out the game, but the visitors' steadly tackling prevented much ground being gained. At length Dean evaded De Villiers and passed to Bennetts, who, panting at the right moment, enabled Carbis to reach Burmeister before that player could clear, and R. Jackett dashing up, scored a try, which Milton failed to convert.

The Colonials improved in subsequent play, and a beautiful bout of passing between the backs ended in Hirsch scoring, no goal following. In easing play, Marsburg got away cleverly, but before he became actually dangerous his career was checked by Solomon, and from the scrum which followed Richards gained ground by finding touch at midfield. The Africans initiating passing, and the ball going to Hirsch, that player ran thirty yards before he was tackled by J. Jackett, the International bringing him down finely. The visitors came again, and a moment later Marsburg outpaced all opposition and scored near the corner flag. Morkel failed to add the extra points,

The Colonials continued to press to some purpose, and only deadly tackling prevented the score rising. Hirsch and De Villiers made splendid bursts for the goal line, but were held up just outside. Brink at length got through from a forward dribble. Morkel again failing to add the extra points. The county were kept strictly on the defenc, Dobbin and Jackson giving their three-quarters repeated opportunities but the interval arrived with the score:—

	Pts.
South Africans (3 tries)	9
Cornwall (1 try)	3

Cornwall improved on resuming, a strong forward rush almost ending in a score, but Burmeister saved the situation and punted out of danger. Cornwall returned to the attack, and after Bennetts had nearly scored by clever following up, the Colonials saved. The County continued to attack hotly, the forwards showing magnificent form which prevented the visitors from opening out the game. A free kick awarded them proved of little consequence, as J. Jackett transferred the game to the visitors' end by finding touch well down the field.

The Visitors gradually forced play into the home territory, but were once more driven back through a fine run by Dean, who eluded a number of opponents before forced to part with the ball. Bennetts rushing up nearly beat Burmeister for possession, but the Colonial back succeeded in warding off danger. Cornwall were now showing the better play, and were testing the defence to such purpose that the visitors found it expedient to play a fifth three-quarter. Milton made a burst from the line out, and, backed up by Roskrow and Howe-Brown, gained considerable ground.

Wedge then smartly got the ball from the scrum when favourably placed, and gave Richards a good chance to cross the line, but the ball was brought back for an infringement. A series of scrums took place on the visitors' line, but relief was at length afforded by Burmeister, who found touch at the twenty-five. The County still pressed, their forwards showing superior form both in the scrum and loose. A free to South Africa brough much needed relief, but in the ensuing line out the advantage rested with the South Africans, and Milton making a mark, punted into Burmeister's hands, but that player returned the kick with interest.

Cornwall were momentarily pressed, but J. Jackett kicked out of danger, and thy come away with a magnificent rush which took play once more into the visitors' quarters. Marsburg recovered a portion of the ground lost by a clever run, but he was brought to earth by Carbis, and play once more raged around the visitors' line. Dobbin was penalised, and the ball was placed for J. Jackett, who, however, failed to land a goal, and the visitors saved. Cornwall continued to play aggressively, but Jackson at length passed to Marsburg, who, outpacing all but Jackett, elected to pass instead of going for the line, and Dean, intercepting, saved the situation by finding touch at the twenty-five.

The Colonials attempted passing, but Dean and Solomon smothered their transfers, and backed up by Bennetts came through with the ball at their toes. They covered 50 yards before they were checked by Burmeister. On the ball coming into play again, Milton rushed it over the line, but a five yards scrum was ordered. Jackson was penalised, but Milton failed to place a goal. South African pressed in the closing stages, but were unable to score, splendid efforts by De Melker and Marsburg being frustrated by J. Jackett, whose tackling was of a high order. Result :—

	Pts.
South Africa (3 tries)	9
Cornwall (1 try)	3

ROSSLYN PARK vs. OLD UPPINGHAMIANS.

This fixture, on the Old Deer Park at Richmond on Saturday, produced quite a good game. The Old Boys had a capital side, and Rosslyn Park, though they played the game out in an energetic and business-like manner, were quite outplayed at all points and well beaten. Much of the Park play was quite good, but the side opposed to them was a good deal too strong for them, and they consequently suffered in all respects by comparison. Though their forwards did much excellent work, the Old Boys' scrummagers nearly always got the ball, and in the loose the displayed much cleverness in their foot work. Behind them, their backs had plenty of opportunities, and they all played well together, and on each side the tacking generally was capital. Early in the game, after the Old Boys' forwards had clearly demonstrated their superiority, there was a very fine run by the whole of their three-quarter line and, the ball going out to Bower, that player forced his way over in the corner and with a beautifully judged kick, Hearson placed the goal. The Old Boys continued to do all the pressing and once Bell appeared certain to score, when Muirhead brought him down just outside in great style, but then following a long spell of exciting scrummaging dangerously near the goalposts, the Old Boys' three-quarters got going again and Bower gained another try for them, but it was not improved. Shortly before the interval Rosslyn Park, from a free-kick entered their rivals' "25" for the first time, and then, following some passing, Dixon took the ball from Devas and ran in, but Bingham failed at the place-kick. After changing ends with a balance of eight points to three against them the Roselyn Park men made a great effort to pull the game round. For a quarter of an hour they quite held their own, and all round they did much good work, but the Old Uppinghamians, however, held too much in hand. The efforts of Rosslyn Park had no chance of success against the Old Boys' resolute tackling and towards the end they were a well-beaten side. Bower scored another try for the visitors as the result of a lot of good foot work by his forwards, and Hearson kicked the goal. A few minutes later Bell got over, but Hearson's kick failed, the ball hitting one of the uprights, and shortly before the finish a long dribble by the Old Boys' forwards ended in the ball being rushed over and another try obtained, and as this was not converted, the game ended in a win for the Old Uppinghamians by two goals and three tries (19 points) to a try (3 points).

BEDFORD vs. OLD MERCHANT TAYLORS.

THE TAYLORS WELL BEATEN.

Owing to the match with the Old Bedfordians having to be abandoned, Bedford were fortunately able to fix up with the Old Merchant Taylors on Saturday, and a very interesting game took place. The home team was not quite the usual one, but still they played a splendid game, and eventually beat a strong team of the Taylors by three placed goals to *nil*. With regard to the refereeing a singular incident occurred. The game had been in progress some three minutes when it was discovered there was no referee. Mr. Dasent kindly gave his services until the arrival of Mr. Lincoln, who was about twenty minutes late. The visitors kicked off, and play was soon in the centre. From here Whaley got to the visitors' "25." Raphael gained possession, but in running across the field he was well tackled by Gilliland. Taylors got to the other end, but Gilliland and Atkinson quickly returned over the centre. The Taylors, however, were not to be denied, and got close on the Bedford line. Atkinson was next conspicuous with a very fine punt and finding touch at the visitors' "25." Bedford were penalised for picking out of the "scrum" and Taylors gained ground. From near the centre Poynder passed to Atkinson, and the latter cleverly passed to Franklin, and, receiving, Ward scored a brilliant try, which Read converted. Resuming, Gilliland made a magnificent run and scored, Atkinson converting. Changing over, Bedford were leading by ten points to *nil*. For some time after the restart play was very even until at length from near the centre Poynder broke away, and racing along the line, gave to S. R. Wells, and, receiving from the latter, Atkinson transferred to Ward, who again crossed over, and Read was successful with the kick. The Taylors got close, but Bedford gradually worked down, Manton taking Play over the centre. There was no further scoring, however, and Bedford won by three placed goals (15 points) to nil.

OLD ALLEYNIANS *vs.* MARLBOROUGH NOMADS.—The meeting between these clubs at Dulwich Common on Saturday was productive of an uneven game, the Nomads' form being a decided contrast to the extraordinary display by the Old Boys, who gained an easy victory by 5 goals and a try (28 points) to a try. At all points the Nomads were outplayed, particularly at three-quarters, where the brilliant work of the winners easily outmanœuvred the shaky defence of their opponents. W. V. Sherlock, the left wing three, was a prominent factor in his side's success, scoring three tries, and playing a Major part in the work that led up to the others. From the outset the Old Boys asserted their superiority, and working the scrum well, the scoring line was early dangerous, Sherlock twice crossing the Nomads' line, to witness F. G. Manvell kick the goals. A revival by the visitors was short-lived. Bishop, at full back, relieving with capital punts, and good tackling quickly neutralised any attempts at a score. Weakness by the Nomads' back was mainly responsible for the Alleynians increasing their advantage, and with L. S. Manvell and Sherlock securing converted tries, the home team were 20 points ahead at the interval.

Subsequently the leaders continued to have the best of matters, although brisk work in the loose by the Marlborough scrum, magers repeatedly threatened danger. Mitchell was the only unit of the visiting threes to show up to advantage, but Bishop proved safe. Inglis and Price-Edwards scored further tries for the Old Boys, and F. G. Manvell converted the first one, while just previous to the conclusion Mitchell gained a capital try for the losers, and the Nomads retired defeated.

SWIMMING.

THE SERPENTINE CHRISTMAS MORNING HANDICAP.—That winter swimming is increasing in popularity was fully demonstrated when it was published in the *Sporting Life* a few days ago that this historical event had closed with a record entry. Only so recently as 1898, the entrants numbered only 11, while this year no fewer than 59 swimmers sent in their names.

The weather was quite in keeping with the occasion, as at the time fixed for the start the thermometer registered two degrees of frost, while there was a slight north-easterly wind blowing, which certainly did not add to the comfort of the competitors, more especially after the race. However, the water was comparatively smooth and a magnificent race was witnessed Twenty-nine swimmers—more, in fact, than the new diving board could accommodate the scratch division having to line up on the bank—answered to their names and with such a large number starting in one heat great
care had to be exercised both by the competitors and starter, All however, got away at their appointed time and when all were despatched on their journey, the sight was indeed a magnificent one. Every kind of stroke known to swimmers was used and as the men began to close up the excitement of the spectators knew no bounds, each urging on his own particular fancy. The judge had no easy task, as five feet would have covered the first half dozen.

Like many previous winners, Clears is a breaststroke swimmer, but at times uses a stroke between a side and a breast stroke. Up to the present he has not won any event of importance, but has been fairly successful in club events.

The second man, Searle, is another exponent of the old-fashioned breast stroke, and with a little more practice should show much improvement on the formhe exhibited yesterday.

Sydney Greenburg, who secured third prize, is a somewhat lucky swimmer, it being his happy lot to capture prizes when both himself and his friends think he has little or no chance of success.

H. L. Wetherley, the fourth man, and Tom Bradshaw, the fifth, represented the scratch and limit divisions, while the sixth swimmer was the veteran of the party, and although 75 years of age, was conceding starts to several younger men than himself.

The spectators were hardly so numerous as usual; still, sportsmen of all classes were present. Boxing was, as usual, well represented by Messrs. A. Venderhout, R. C. Warnes, R. K. Gunn (all winners of the amateur Boxing Association championships) whilst Mr. Joe Cohen (a big prop of the Lynn Boxing Club in its heyday). Mangle Hyams, Bill Watson, Arthur Stanley, and Lew Solomon were likewise in evidence. The majority of the above took a "dip." Mr. F. Clarke was, as usual, hapdicapper and starter, and Mr. Alf. Rowley judge.

At the conclusion of the race, Mr. D. J. Clears presented the prizes to the winners, the first being a sterling silver cup, the gift of Mr. J. M. Barrie. The next three received gold medals, while all who completed the distance received bronze medals.

Hunting.

KARACHI HUNT.

ON 3rd January the hounds met on the Sehwan Road, a mile beyond the New Jail. Mr. Graham commenced by drawing the rough scrub near the Pinjrapol Fields. We were not long kept in suspense. A whimper, nd then a crash of music, and the hounds were racing away in front of us towards Oomer Dosal's *khete* Hunting nicely together, they carried the scent through Oomer Dosal's *khete*, and on to the Stony Hills beyond. Here the jack turned sharp towards the river, and then back again towards the hills and then on towards Supura, but the hounds were never at fault and they finally ran into him in the open after a splendid run of 35 minutes, without a check of any kind, after rattling him through some rough scrub this side of Newman's Ruck. There was very little dew, and it was wonderful how well the hounds hunted and maintained the scent which, in places lay over the barest and most difficult of country. We were eleven miles from home, so the Master did not draw again. The meet on 6th January marked the commencement of regular hunting at Landhi.- Mrs Travers, who never misses a meet, was the only lady out. A start was made shortly after 7-30 A. M. by drawing the Bridge Wood. A jack broke away across the road from the big Banana Plantation, and gave us very pretty run across some difficult country along the Malric River. A big herd of cattle crossed the line, but the hounds never checked, and we finally lost in some thick covert opposite Thul Station at 25 minutes to nine. It was hard lines on the hounds not killing, as the jack was close in front of them when they lost. They must have passed over him in the thick grass. After several casts, we had to give him up, and then rode back towards the Corner Clump. Here two jacks were viewed away. We had a smart gallop after one—a fine dog jack—but he got into thick covert in the river bed, and we could not get him out. So the hounds were whipped off homewards at 10-30, and we repaired to the Hunt Camp to do ample justice to tub and breakfast.

SINDHI.

THE MADRAS HOUNDS.

THERE has been little or nothing to chronicle in the runs recently, last week's runs being very poor. On the 30th December there was no scent and the morning was close and muggy. Hounds met at the Lattia Bridge and the Master drew the casuarina coverts on Fox Hill, failing to find until nearly 8 o'clock. Then at last hounds got on to a line. This proved cold at first, but hounds puzzled it out and at one time were quite close to their jack. But even then they were never able to really run and after about half an hour's slow and unattractive hunting, they lost him. The first meet of this year was at Saidapet and was absolutely blank, being the second blank day of the season. On Sunday, the 6th instant, however, conditions were better and sport was good, in spite of the fact that scent was catching and hounds worked under difficulties. The meet was at St. Thomas's Mount and, as usual, the Master drew on to Sheepshead. The line of a jack was picked up almost immediately and after running a ring round the covert he broke at the Mount end and crossed the maidan straight for the Cantonment, where he went to ground under some rocks close to the Barracks. This was a cheerful gallop, but never at any time fast. The jack's stronghold proved impregnable, so we trotted back to Sheepshead, but discovered that this time it held nothing. The Master then drew on up the river bank and near the place where we killed the last time hounds were out in this direction we met a jack, which jumped up in the paddy not 20 yards in front of the hounds and dived down into a neighbouring patch of jungle. Hounds had not got a view of him and judging by the way they picked up the line, scent was indifferent. However they soon proved that they could hunt him and they did. At first he was determined to stick to the jungle, running short and twisting all over the place, but at last he broke towards Pallavaram and after running a wide ring he returned to covert. Again we bustled him round until he decided to quit and this time he set his mark straight for Pallavaram. Then followed a most enjoyable gallop. Crossing the Pallavaram Road near the first hill, he swung towards the Mount for some distance, then crossed the Railway and took a line across the Rifle range, over beautiful going along the foot of the hills. Eventually, he took to the hills and thus destroyed all chance of a kill. Fresh jacks were about, but hounds managed to hold the line for a long way over the hills, till they eventually lost him

It was a good hunt and if blood was wanting there was the satisfaction of knowing that a good jack lived to run another day and that we may meet him again this season. He was no doubt the same jack who took us much the same line six weeks ago. The cold weather this year seems to be a failure; there is no morning dew and so long as that remains the case scent is never likely to be good.

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AGRA DURBAR TOURNAMENT.

First Round.

THE SCOUTS *vs.* BIKANIR.—The tournament for the International Cup, presented by H. E. the Viceroy, began on the 7th instant with this game. It was well contested throughout, but the Scouts soon piled up a score and ran out winners by 8 goals and 3 subsidiaries to 3 goals 6 subsidiaries. Teams :—

THE SCOUTS.		BIKANIR.	
Kunwar Ranjit Singh	1	Capt. Heseltine	1
H. H. the Maharajah	2	Genl. Pretum Singh	2
Kanwar Bhairan Singh	3	Tewa Singh	3
Thakur Baktawar Singh (*back*)		Capt. Hon. H. Guest (*back*)	

ROYAL WELSH FUSILIERS *vs.* 18TH TIWANA LANCERS.—Also played on the 7th instant, the Fusiliers winning by 5 goals and 2 subsidiaries to 3 goals 5 subsidiaries.

In the first chukker the Welsh registered 2 goals and added another in the second period, the Lancers scoring 2 subsidiaries. The Lancers hit a goal and a subsidiary in the third chukker; a goal and two minors being credited to the Fusiliers in the fourth.

The fifth chukker produced fast play and a minor point to the Lancers.

The sixth period was devoid of score, but in the seventh chukker the Welsh hit a goal, the Lancers replying with 2 goals and a subsidiary. Teams :—

ROYAL WELSH FUSILIERS.		18TH TIWANA LANCERS.	
Mr. C. H. R. Crawshay	1	Lieut. A. M. Mills	1
Capt. R. I. B. Johnson	2	Capt. O. A. G. Fitzgerald	2
Mr. E. C. C. Lloyd	3	Gulnawaz Khan	3
Capt. O. de L. Williams (*back*)		Capt. V. A. S. Keighley (*back*)	

12TH ROYAL LANCERS *vs.* 17TH LANCERS.—Played on the 8th instant, an exciting game ending in favour of the 17th Lancers.

First Chukker.—Level play, the 12th getting away at the close of the period and scoring a subsidiary.

Second Chukker.—Play was in midfield till the 12th ran down and registered a minor point. The 17th attacked but failed to score and the 12th getting away again hit another subsidiary

Third Chukker.—Badger scored a goal for the 12th. The 17th then pressed but could not score and the 12th took the ball to the opposite end and hit a subsidiary.

Fourth Chukker.—The 17th ran down and Portal shot a goal. Play followed in the 17th's territory and the 12th scored a subsidiary. The 17th carried the ball down and Portal hit another goal.

Fifth Chukker.—The 17th got on and Carden scored a goal. The 12th then pressed but their opponents got possession and a bombardment of the 12th's goal resulted in Fletcher putting through.

Sixth Chukker.—The 12th attacked vigorously and hit 3 goals, Wood being credited with two and Hobson with one. Then the 17th pressed and Carden hit a goal, giving them the lead again.

Seventh Chukker.—Level play at the start and then the 17th got through and hit a goal which they followed up with a subsidiary, the final score reading: 17th Lancers, 6 goals 1 subsidiary; 12th Lancers, 4 goals 5 subsidiaries. Teams :—

17TH LANCERS.		12TH LANCERS.	
Capt. R. J. W. Carden	1	Mr. T. R. Badger	1
Col. C. P. Portal	2	Mr. R. B. Wood	2
Mr. B. E. Crockett	3	Capt. H. R. Milvain	3
Capt. A. F. Fletcher (*back*)		Major G. W. Hobson (*back*)	

Umpires :—Captains Heseltine and Williams.

RIFLE BRIGADE *vs.* BHOPAL GYMKHANA.—Also played on 8th instant, won by Bhopal. The Gymkhana registered 5 goals and a subsidiary in the first three chukkers, Imtyazali being most conspicuous. The Rifle Brigade then played up and put on 5 goals in the next three periods but the Bhopal Gymkhana continued to add to their score and eventually ran out winners by 8 goals and 1 subsidiary to 5 goals. Teams :—

BHOPAL GYMKHANA.		RIFLE BRIGADE.	
Resaldar Ghulam Mahomed	1	Capt. C. E. Harrison	1
Capt. Abdul Wahid	2	Capt. W. F. Bassett	2
Daffadar Imtyazali	3	Mr. S. W. J. Trafford	3
Mr. S. Johnston (*back*)		Mr. A. A. Todd (*back*)	

Umpires :—Colonel De Lisle and Captain Barrett.

15TH HUSSARS *vs.* IMPERIAL CADET CORPS.—Played on the 8th instant, the Hussars winning easily, though the Cadets played hard all through. The Hon'ble Bingham was hurt by a blow from a stick during the second chukker and was unable to continue, Captain Pilkington taking his place. The Hussars scored 12 goals and 5 subsidiaries and the Cadet Corps 4 goals 1 subsidiary. Teams :—

IMPERIAL CADET CORPS.		15TH HUSSARS.	
Kunwar Shivnath Singh	1	Mr. S. H. Charrington	1
Thakur Sakhai	2	Hon. J. D. Bingham	2
Raj Kumar Rajendra Narain of Cooch Behar	3	Capt. F. W. Barrett	3
Major Cameron (*back*)		Capt. N. J. Livingstone Learmouth (*back*)	

Umpires :—General Clements and Captain Hon'ble H. Guest.

Second Round.

17TH LANCERS *vs.* ROYAL WELSH FUSILIERS.—An excellent game was witnessed between these teams on the 10th instant.

First Chukker.—Level play in midfield. Then the Fusiliers rushed down and Lloyd hit a goal. The Lancers replied with a minor point, but before the period closed Johnston took the ball down and Lloyd hit another goal.

Second Chukker.—Portal got possession and running down scored a goal. The Fusiliers pressed for the rest of the chukker but could not score.

Third Chukker.—The Fusiliers attacked and Crawshay hit a goal. Then the Lancers ran down and put the ball through. They scored another goal and added a subsidiary before the close of the chukker.

Fourth Chukker.—Midfield play. A foul was given against the Lancers and from the penalty the Fusiliers hit a subsidiary.

Fifth Chukker.—The Fusiliers attacked and hit a goal. Lloyd hit a second and from a *mêlée* in the Lancers' territory Johnston scored a minor point.

Sixth Chukker.—The Lancers hit a goal, play being midfield for the rest of the game. *Final Score:* Fusiliers, 5 goals 2 subsidiaries: Lancers, 4 goals, 2 subsidiaries. Teams as before.

Umpires :—Major Vaughan and Captain Barrett.

15TH HUSSARS *vs.* BHOPAL GYMKHANA.—This game played on the 10th instant produced an exciting struggle and a fine exhibition of polo.

First Chukker.—Fast play in midfield; neither team scored.

Second Chukker.—After a spell of play in midfield Barrett got away and scored a subsidiary, which he followed up with a goal.

Third Chukker.—Bhopal got on and Abdul Wahid hit a goal. Even play, and then Bhopal got away again and scored a minor point.

Fourth Chukker.—Both teams attacked in turn but neither obtained any advantage.

Fifth Chukker.—Imtyazali hit a goal for Bhopal and Charrington replied with a goal for the Hussars. The latter continued to attack and further augmented their score by a goal and a minor point.

Sixth Chukker.—Barrett hit a goal and Bhopal registered a subsidiary.

Seventh Chukker.—Bhopal attacked and scored a subsidiary. *Final Score:* Hussars, 4 goals 2 subsidiaries; Bhopal, 2 goals 3 subsidiaries. Teams as before.

Umpires :—Majors Hobson and Vaughan.

39TH C. I. HORSE *vs.* THE SCOUTS.—Played on the 10th instant before a large gathering including, H. E. the Viceroy and the Amir. The Scouts were expected to win, but the C. I. Horse built up a big score in the early periods and ran out victorious.

First Chukker.—Watson hit a goal, play ruling level during the rest of the period.

Second Chukker.—Watson hit another goal Pitcher and Hewlett registered a couple more and another was added together with a minor point before the end of the chukker.

Third Chukker.—The C. I. Horse continued to have the best of the game and added 2 goals and a subsidiary.

Fourth Chukker.—Heseltine scored a minor point for the Scouts and Pitcher replied with a goal.

Fifth Chukker.—The Scouts showed improved form, Heseltine hit a goal and Pretum Singh a subsidiary.

Sixth Chukker.—Fast up and down play. The C. I. Horse scored a subsidiary.

Seventh Chukker.—The Scouts attacked vigorously and scored a subsidiary which was the last point registered. *Final Score:* C. I. Horse, 8 goals 3 subsidiaries; Scouts, 1 goal 3 subsidiaries. Teams :—

C. I. HORSE.		THE SCOUTS.	
Jemdr. Malik Mahomed	1	Capt. Heseltine	1
Col. W. A. Watson	2	Genl. Pretum Singh	2
Capt. A. Hewlett	3	Major Chanda Singh	3
Mr. D. Le G. Pitcher (*back*)		Capt. Hon. H. Guest (*back*)	

Umpires :—General Clements and Captain Barrett.

Semi-Finals.

ROYAL DRAGOONS *vs.* C. I. HORSE.—The Dragoons were to have met Kishengash in the first round but the latter scratched and the Royals made their first appearance in the tournament when they met the C. I. Horse in the semi-finals on the 12th inst. A splendid game was witnessed, the 39th winning by the narrow margin of a goal.

First and Second Chukkers.—Very level play. No score.

Third Chukker.—A penalty against the Dragoons was abortive and the Royals taking the ball down Tomkinson hit a goal.

Fourth Chukker.—The 39th asserted themselves and play was in their favour. Mahomed scored 2 goals and Waston 1.

Fifth Chukker.—Midfield play till the Royals got away and a goal by Tomkinson was followed by a minor point. The C. I. Horse hit a subsidiary.

Sixth Chukker.—The 39th attacked but failed to score.

Seventh Chukker.—Mahomed scored a goal for the C. I. Horse and De Lisle replied with another for the Dragoons.

Eighth Chukker.—With a minute and a half to go the Dragoons pressed and just missed scoring. *Final Score:* C. I. Horse, 4 goals 1 subsidiary: Royal Dragoons, 3 goals 1 subsidiary. Teams :—

ROYAL DRAGOONS.		39TH C. I. HORSE.	
Mr. H. A. Tomkinson	1	Jemdr Malik Mahomed	1
Capt. T. P. Gadman	2	Col. W. A. Watson	2
Col. H. de B. De Lisle	3	Capt. A. Hewlett	3
Mr. C. F. M. Pike (*back*)		Mr. D. Le G Pitcher (*back*)	

Umpires :—Colonel Macan and Captain Barrett.

15TH HUSSARS *vs.* ROYAL WELSH FUSILIERS.—Played on the 12th instant. The Fusiliers were outplayed but put up a plucky fight. The Hussars got busy on starting and scored 3 subsidiaries. Then the Welsh ran down and hit a goal. The Hussars returned to the attack and though the Fusiliers offered a stout defence Barrett and Charrington built up a score, minor points being signalled freely The Hussars put on 5 goals and 2 subsidiaries while the Fusiliers only added a second goal to their score. Teams as before.

Umpires :—General Clements and Major Vaughan.

The Final.

15TH HUSSARS *vs.* 39TH C. I. HORSE.—The tournament was brought to a conclusion on the 14th instant when these teams met in the final before a huge gathering of spectators. H. E. the Viceroy and Lady Minto, The Amir, Lord Kitchener, all the Native Princes in camp, and many other notabilities were present. Lady Minto presenting the Cup to the winners at the conclusion of a splendid game.

First Chukker.—The Hussars attacked and Charrington drew first blood—a goal. He carried the ball along to the 39th's territory again and another goal was signalled. Up and down play closed the period.

Second Chukker.—A spell of level play and then Barrett dribbled the ball down and hit a goal. The C. I. Horse pressed next and Hewlett hit a goal. A minor point was registered by the Hussars.

Third Chukker.—Up and down play and a subsidiary to the Hussars.

Fourth Chukker.—Level play in midfield. Watson got in a good run but was stopped. Then Mahomed rushed away and hit a goal.

Fifth Chukker.—The Hussars pressed and Bingham hit a goal. Continuing the attack they put on three minor points. Play ruled fast and level for the rest of the period.

Sixth Chukker.—Play in midfield till Watson got on and hit a goal. The Hussars then attacked but could not get through

Seventh Chukker.—With three minutes left the Hussars pressed and Barrett scored a goal. The 39th attacked till the end without success. *Final Score:* 15th Hussars, 5 goals 5 subsidiaries: C. I. Horse, 3 goals. Teams :—

15TH HUSSARS.		C. I. HORSE.	
Mr. S. H. Charrington	1	Jemdr. Malik Mahomed	1
Hon. J. D. Bingham	2	Col. W. A. Watson	2
Capt. F. W. Barrett	3	Capt. A. Hewlett	3
Capt. N. J. C. Livingstone Learmouth (*back*)		Mr. D. Le G. Pitcher (*back*)	

Umpires :—General Clements and Colonel Macan.

Cricket.

CRICKET IN CALCUTTA.

RANGERS *vs.* BURNS.—This match was played on the Rangers' ground on Saturday, the visitors being well beaten by 9 wickets. E. Templeton, now on the threshold of veteranhood, gave a glimpse of his old form in knocking up 96 not out and won the match, the losers total amounting to 88 only. Score :—

BURNS.		
R. Jackson, b Comber		12
A. Dods, b Templeton		8
R. Dinning, c Comber, b Templeton		7
T. Shieldham, c and b Hodges		13
R. Shepherd, b Templeton		0
J. Halliday, b Hodges		4
J. Medland, b Hodges		0
P. Smyth, c and b Buckley		16
H. Anderson, b Hodges		9
H. Anscombe, not out		4
S. Avrel, b Buckley		7
Extras		8
Total		88
RANGERS.		
C. Tripp, b Jackson		1
G. Schumacher, not out		34
E. Templeton not out		96
G. Hodges, H. Lyttle, F. Lees, A. Hodges, H. Comber, J. Buckley, P. Margrett, C. Cameron	did not bat.	
Extras		10
Total (for 1 wkts.)		141

DALHOUSIE *vs.* Y.M.C.A.—These teams played a drawn game on the Dals' ground on Saturday. F. H. Reynolds was in good form and put together 58 in workmanlike style for the Y.M., Carter bowled well for Dalhousie and made 30 runs. Score :—

Y.M.C.A.		
F. H. Reynolds, c Tremble, b Sharp		58
W. Dyer, l.-b.-w., b Carter		13
J. Grant, b Carter		13
H. Pooler, b Carter		19
A. Hildreth, b Carter		0
J. Winter, b Carter		7
L. Faucar, b Wickins		7
W. Price, not out		0
J. Maclean, P. Vanspall, Jones	did not bat.	
Extras		9
Total (for 7 wkts.) Innings declared.		126

DALHOUSIE.

H. Tremble, c Vanspall, b Dyer ...	...	6
W. Hodges, b Dyer ...	...	21
F. Carter, b Faucar ..	...	30
L. Prike, b Reynolds	...	2
J. Wickins, b Dyer	...	6
F. McCallough, not out	...	25
H. Horrell, not out ...	...	4
F. Sharp, c and b Maclean	...	2
R. Jackson, H. Beadle, F. Wilson }	did not bat.	
Extras ...	...	15
Total (for 6 wkts.) ...	...	111

CALCUTTA C. C. *vs.* NATTORE.—A two days' match between these teams on the C. C. C. ground brought disaster to the homesters who went under to the Parsi-Bengali combination to the tune of no less than 105 runs. The natives had first use of the wickets and ran their total up to 241 with useful contributions of 49 from Razak, 61 Baloo, 37 Rashid and no less than 42 from Mr. "Extras." Stockley took 7 of their wickets. Calcutta in their first knock offered a weak defence to the Parsi attack and were all out for 136 and in their second did but indifferently with 180. Score:—

NATTORE.

A. Razak, c Lee, b Stockley ...	...	49
J. Parshattam, c Guise, b Stockley	...	16
H. R. Mehta, b Stockley ...	...	2
K. Roy, c Lee, b Stockley ...	...	0
V. Palawarker, b Stockley ...	...	3
P. Baloo, b Guise ...	...	61
A. Rashid, run out ...	...	37
M. M. Batliwalla, b Simson ...	...	0
M. Roy, not out ...	...	17
J. Bagchi, c Jackson, b Stockley	...	14
J. N. Roy, c Nicholls, b Stockley	...	0
Extras	...	42
Total ...	...	241

CALCUTTA.

	1st Innings.		2nd Innings.
R. E. G. Eddis, b Baloo ...	0	b Razak ...	21
J. D. Guise, c Razak, b Baloo ...	19	c Bagchi, b Razak ...	20
H. R. Stockley, b Mehta ...	17	c Rashid, b Palawanker	1
F. H. White, b Mehta ...	5	b Palawanker ...	11
S. C. B. Lee, b Mehta ...	18	c Mehta, b Parshottam	1
M. R. Quin, c K. Roy, b Mehta	2	not out	43
		c Parshottam, b Palawanker ...	16
C. B. Nicholls, b Mehta ...	16		
G. Turnbull, c Mehta, b Baloo	41	not out	28
A. Simson, st Banchi, b Baloo	1	did not bat.	
E. Horncastle, c Mehta, b Baloo	2		
J. E. Jackson, not out ...	1	c Sub, b Palawanker	21
Extras	14	Extras	18
Total	136	Total (for 7 wkts) ...	180

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ROYAL IRISH RIFLES *vs.* THE JAT SIKH REGIMENTS.—Played at Ferozepore on the 3rd and 4th instans, the result being an easy win for the Sikhs by an innings and 208 runs. With two exceptions they all got into double figures and Captain Browne's 91 and Mr. Talbot's 99 materially helped the large total of 380 in their one innings. Score:—

THE JAT SIKH REGIMENTS.

G. D. Pennington, l.-b.-w., and b Gordon ...	13
F. E. G. Talbot, c Conyers, b Reynolds ..	99
W. E. Wilson-Johnston, c Knocker, b Gordon	35
Capt. H. E. Browne, c Holmes, b Findlater...	91
W. W. Muir, b Bullevant	50
H. L. Haughton, b Reynolds	24
C. F. W. Hughes, c Lynch, b Bullevant ...	14
Capt. R. G. Munn, c Lynch, b Bullevant ...	0
Capt. de C. Ireland, not out	19
G. R. S. Logan-Home, c Lynch, b Reynolds...	2
G. Channer, c Findlater, b Bullevant ...	10
Extras	23
Total	380

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

	O.	R.	W.
Gordon	21	65	2
Morrogh	10	57	0
Lynch	12	65	0
Bullevant	17-1	69	4
Reynolds	9	58	3
Lawlor	3	21	0
Findlater	5	27	1

THE ROYAL IRISH FUSILIERS.

	1st Innings.		2nd Innings.
J. B. Lynch, c Talbot, b W. Haughton	30	c Wilson-Johnston, b Talbot	15
Cr.-Sergt. Coomber, run out ...	2	b Haughton ...	0
T. J. Reynolds, c Pennington, b Talbot	21	c Hughes, b Haughton	2
Pte. Bullevant, b Haughton ...	0	b Talbot	10
Capt. Holmes, c and b Haughton	0	b Munn	4
A. Findlater, b Talbot ...	7	c Haughton, b Talbot	9
Capt. Knocker, not out ...	12	c Logan-Home, b Haughton ...	4
Capt. Conyers, c Talbot, b Haughton	1	b Munn	7
D. Morrogh, b Talbot ...	2	not out	18
J. Gordon, b Talbot	3	b Talbot	1
Pte. Lawlor, b Talbot	[illegible]	b Talbot	0
Extras ...	[illegible]	Extra ...	15
Total —	96	Total ...	76

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

	1st Innings. O.	R.	W.	2nd Innings. O.	R.	W.
Talbot —	18·5	36	5	14·5	27	5
Browne ...	5	19	0	9	17	3
Haughton ...	13	29	4	5	17	2

CRICKET AT BELLARY.

"D." Co. *vs.* "C." Co. CHESHIRES.—This match was played at Bellary on Saturday the 15th instant and ended in a draw in favour of "D." Company. Score:—

"D." COMPANY.

Sergt. Price, not out...	139
Sergt. Lay, l.-b.-w., b Stagg ...	0
Pte. Roache, c Watson, b Hance	11
Pte. Neynoe, run out...	3
Pte. McNulty, c Hance, b Christian ...	0
Mr. P. M. Mottram, c Hance, b Berry ...	20
Lce.-Corpl. Pilgrim, not out	8
Pte. Dooley, Pte. Holbrooke, Pte. Gibson, Pte. Robinson }	did not bat.
Extras	23
Total ...	204

"C." COMPANY.

Capt. L. A. Forster, c Dooley, b Price ...	22
Pte. Fitzgerald, b Neynoe	26
Pte. Cartwright, c Roache, b Price ...	12
Pte. Derbyshire, c Price, b Roache ...	6
Pte. Christian, b Neynoe	3
Mr. H. O. C. Thorp, b Gibson	20
Pte. Stagg, not out	27
Corpl. Hance, c Robinson, b Neynoe ...	6
Pte. Berry, Pte. Jones, Pte. Watson }	did not bat.
Extras	9
Total ...	130

Golf.

GOLF IN CALCUTTA.

THE LADIES' AMATEUR CHAMPIONSHIP.—Mr. Kennedy is to be heartily congratulated on her victory after a close and quite interesting game in the final against Mrs. Begg, whom she defeated by 3 up and 2 to play. So both the Championship Cups go out of Calcutta this year. We append results of the rounds.

QUALIFYING ROUND.

Mrs. Kennedy	98
Mrs. L. Walker	103
Mrs. H. C. Begg	101
Mrs. Bruce	104
Mrs. Wolfe-Murray	106
Mrs. Elton	107
Mrs. Kingsford	108
Mrs. Saner	118
Mrs. Oakley	120
Mrs. London	126

SEMI-FINALS.

Mrs. Kennedy beat Mrs. Walker
By 2 up.
Mrs. Begg beat Mrs. Bruce
By 3 up and 1 to play

THE FINAL.

Mrs. Kennedy beat Mrs. Begg
By 3 up and 2 to play

The Story Teller.

ON THE VELDT.

THE neighing of horses, the guttural imprecations of Kaffirs hurling anathemas at luckless mules, who have mistaken a stray boot or the ends of their harness for their nose bags, and the general stir and bustle of a huge camp, rouses one from a sound sleep, to attend to the duties of another long day, amid the kopjes and outheaps of the rolling veldt.

No bugles are sounded, but it is not necessary and somehow, everyone is awake. Some are giving their horses a last rub down, while the animals are busy with the contents of their nose bags, while others again are lighting fires, to cook their breakfast and brew a "billy" full of coffee. A pannikin of coarse mealy meal and a hard biscuit, washed down with a draught of inferior coffee, without milk, does not sound a particularly appetising concoction, but it is, and we are glad even for so much, and lucky the man who has had time to get through his simple breakfast, before the order "saddle up" is given. "Mount," and we are ready to walk, trot or canter, as the case may be; advance guard, escort the guns, or guardthe baggage. Nobody knows which it is to be, till we are well on the move and find ourselves, passing in turn, cavalry, artillery, or infantry and see nothing before us, but the unending veldt as far as the eye can reach, when we breathe a sigh of relief and know that our duties for the day are the pleasantest of the lot, and that we have to do advance guard and supply the scouts. As the day dawns, I find myself with eight men, far in advance of the rest of the regiment, with orders to keep 1,500 yards in advance of the supports and head due east. No big engagement is expected to-day, but one never can tell, where we may not meet a "commando" and it behoves us to keep a sharp look out. As the sun rises and puts some life into our chilled bones, we are miles away from last night's camp and going goodness knows where. Our regimental dog, which has followed us from Bloemfontein and accompanied us through many a trying day, now trots along ahead of me, sniffing into every ant bear hole he comes across, the only creature in that vast crowd, thoroughly happy and intent on enjoying life.

I look back, to find the column has halted for some reason unknown to my little band, so we do likewise and while waiting, I notice a hare scampering off in the distance, and to my surprise, see a kestrel in full chase. This is most unexpected and can I be mistaken that the bird is a kestrel? There can be not much doubt about it, the long tail, pointed wings, red back and light silvery underparts, all point to it bring a kestrel and the flight too is that of one, but surely the South African bird must be a very superior bird to his Indian cousin, if he can tackle a hare single handed. He means business too, for as I watch him stoop, a bunch of fur flies from his claws. Asking one of the men to keep an eye on the column, I give chase to see what the end will be, for this is the first kestrel I have ever seen, or heard of attacking a hare and my interest is aroused. The hare dodges from bush to bush and finally sits behind an ant heap from which I dislodge him and away he goes with the kestrel after him, stooping like a well trained peregrime. The hare is getting tired and I soon hope to see the end of the chase, but a shrill whistle catches my ear and I see we are on the moor once more and I must go back to my men, much to my disgust. I know of no other falcon which so closely resembles a kestrel as this one did, and yet it is hard to believe that a kestrel could possibly have raised sufficient pluck to tackle a hare. A couple of antelope jump up near the foot of a kopje, we rush off, headlong among the rocks, up above. More than one of us long to jump off our horses and draw a bead, with the hope of replenishing our empty larders, but the breeze is blowing directly from us, to the army behind, and a shot would easily be heard and bring up our supports in double quick time, so firing is out of the question.

Far away on the horizon a dark mass is visible which, as we get nearer, is seen to be a clump of trees and presumably a farm, so our hopes rise and we see visions of a "squeaker," a goose or even a humble *moorghy* dangling from our saddles and we push on the horses a little faster and increase the distance to about 2,000 yards. A depression in the ground, some 500 yards from the farm, aids us and we put our horses at a canter and arrive to find the place deserted and not a human being to be seen. Our business, however, is not with humans, and two of us hand our horses to a third, and we rush off to the poultry yard, but here, too, all is still, till a clucking in the shrubbery, hastens our footsteps in that direction and we are soon in pursuit of a cock and two fine fat hens. Practice makes perfect and by now, we were no novices at throwing bayonets, about the only use and chopping up wood they had yet been put to! and both the hens were soon secured, but the old cock proved a tougher customer, in more ways than one. Bit by bit we drove him to W—, who held the horses, but as they required very little holding, he transferred the two extra rains and his rifle to his left hand and out came his bayonet and the old cock was kicking his last and a crimson stream dyeing the green turf beneath him.

We were mounted and away with our spoils, before the supports showed over the rising ground behind us, and the little ground we had lost, was, of course, due to our caution in approaching a farm, which may have harboured rebels! We give the horses a good drink, fill our water bottles and resume our march, and as we rise from the stream to the top of the opposite bank, we see a succession of farms which put us in the best of humours. At the first we meet an old "frau" who insists on not understanding our attempts at Dutch or German and to all our questions, she returns a sullen "Ich kaun nicht verstehe," so we have to make our meaning clear with signs. I show her a half crown and point to a goose I see waddling along, but she resolutely shakes her head, and while we are considering the advisability of first catching the goose and talking to the old lady after, a shot rings clear in the still air and a bullet whistles over our heads and strikes the wall behind me, then another and still another.

We are into our saddles and gallop behind same cover, to try and see where they come from. They sounded too near to come from the further farm, so the Boers must be concealed behind that small kopje in front, whose summit is one mass of rocks and boulders. We let fly a volley into it on "spec" and a few seconds later hear a deep boom behind and simultaneously a shell shrieks over our heads and bursts with a dull "thud" straight over the kopje, the shrapnell searching every nook and cranny behind those rocks. The shells follow each other fast and we cautiously emerge from our hiding and canter round to the side of the kopje, and just in time, to see a party of half a dozen Boers, going for all they were worth, on their sure footed little ponies, on the other side and about 1,000 yards in front, so while they are within range and in sight we dismount and do a little target practice on our own and then return to the farm and have no compunction in taking by force what a few minutes before we would gladly have paid for. A report has gone that the Boers have fled, and once more the column advances and we move on with a goose each, to keep the fowl's company. We had not gone far before a dark brown volume of smoke rising behind us, tells us the owner of the farm has paid the price of his treachery and the surly old "frau" is a homeless wanderer on that vast wilderness, unless she has chosen to join the refuges, in the wagon that accompanies our transport.

It was late in the afternoon, before we came to another farmstead, but unlike the others, this showed a white flag and as we approached, cheery little faces under sun bonnets, smiled a welcome and sturdy little urchins in short knee breeches waved to us, while a strapping broad shouldered son of Scotia greeted us with "Aye, its a treat for sore een to see ye; come ben and ma lass will gie ye a sup o' summat and may be a wee drap."

Thanking our kind host, two of us dismounted, while a kaffir held the horses, we went inside and partook of a glass each of lovely rich milk, not feeling inclined for any stronger beverage much to the surprise of the old farmer. However we could only give ourselves a couple of minutes, which passed only too soon, and we were once more in the saddle, bidding good-bye to those kindly faces. We were told that a commando had gone ahead that morning, so we might come across "snipers" further on, where the ground was intersected by deep cuttings and ravines and afforded ample cover, but were not likely to meet with any big force, for two or three days.

We had gone about three miles past the Scotch farm and had passed a couple of small ones on our right, when we noticed the column had halted, so here we should evidently camp for the night. Just as I was turning back, I spotted a couple of bustard alight half a mile further on and as there was not much chance of a shot being heard in the hubbub of guns, carts, and the hundred and one distractions attending the forming of camp, I rode off to try my luck and when within a hundred yards, I dismounted and drew a careful bead at the legs of the only one I could see and was delighted to see him roll over. My little mess would be well stocked now, and I rode back in triumph with a goose, a fowl, and a bustard, hanging from my saddle, but only to find when I got there, that the whole of my section was to be on outlying picket and was to start in another half our. All my fond visions of roast bustard gone. The savoury and appetising smell, which in imagination had greeted my nostrils for the last half hour, to be postponed indefinitely; all my cherished illusions shattered at one fell stroke. Such is life on active service and instead of delicious game, I was to content myself with hard biscuits and a mouthful of "bully beef," *i. e.*, if it was served in time. Well I would make up for it on the morrow and the bustard will be the more tender, which was some consolation, as I marched up with the rest to make my bed among the hard rocks on that bleak uninviting mound showing black against the setting sun.

"EXILE."

A Highlander who lived not very far from Balmoral sent two beautiful collies as a present Queen Victoria, who knew him well, having often driven past his house and once or twice stopped to speak to him and his wife. The Queen not only accepted the collies, but told the donor that if he ever found his way to London when she was at Windsor he was to call and see her. As it happened, he had to go London soon after. So he went to Windsor and asked for John Brown, who had heard what the Queen said to him. John Brown let the Queen know that her Highland friend was in waiting and was told to bring him in. John took care to post the visitor in the etiquette to be observed, told him not to speak until the Queen spoke to him, and to be sure always to say "madam." The Highlander was then ushered into the presence of the Queen, who received him kindly and asked about his family. But when she began to praise the collies, and say what favourites they had become, and how kind it was of him to send them to her, the delighted mountaineer forgot his instructions. "Toots, wumman," he exclaimed, "What's twa collies atween you and me!"

Travel and Adventure.

IN THE HIGHEST SIERRA.

THE Yosemite Valley may well be called the crowning glory of the Sierra Nevada mountains. Every year thousands of visitors enjoy its majestic cliffs and waterfalls, and many have been the written descriptions of this world-renowned spot. Of late years, the King's river canyon has attracted an increasing number of mountain lovers, and several articles have appeared in American publications which are tending to increase the travel thereto. But of the great mountain mass which lies between them, of this, the grandest portion of our High Sierra, which blocks the direct travel from one to the other, and to which these canyons as well as many others are tributary, almost nothing is known to the travelling public, and practically nothing has been written of a detailed nature. It is with the idea of calling attention to this little known region, and of attracting thither a few mountain enthusiasts, that the following brief account is attempted:

Before taking up the description of routes and scenery through this magnificent mountain range, it will be necessary for the reader to have at least a general idea of its topography, which though highly complex in detail, is wonderfully simple in its broad outlines. It may here be observed that this part of the Sierra Nevada, like that to the north, consists of a gently sloping plateau, rising gradually eastward from the San Joaquin valley for a distance of seventy-five miles to the crest of the range, and then dropping off in one tremendous leap to the desert valleys of the Great Basin in from five to ten miles.

The altitude attained by the crest in this portion averages 13,000 to 14,000 feet, and the drainage from the snowcapped summits has given rise to a series of rivers, which cut their way to the valley through roughly parallel transverse canyons of extraordinary depth. The Yosemite Valley and Merced river is one of these, fed by the snowy group of Mt. Lyell. Next south of this is the San Joaquin, which is divided into two great branches, the middle and south forks. Still further south is the middle fork of the King's river, followed by the south fork of the same stream, upon which is situated the King's river canyon. It is evident, then, that to reach the summit country from the west, one has but to follow up the main canyons or the great divides between the water courses, or in any case has but minor tributaries and gorges to cross, but to make the trip from Yosemite to the King's river canyon parallel to the summit of the range he has to cross all the great river canyons, as well as the snowy divides between them. Furthermore, the trails in this portion are not well marked; in fact, the traveller must depend principally on his own general idea of the country in order to get through at all. But, on the other hand, the direct route through is not rough, and with the aid of a guide, or one member of the party familiar with mountain life, there should be no difficulty in working a way through this magnificent mountain region.

In passing, I may say that there are two possible routes. One, the high mountain route, which has not yet been completely worked out, lies between 8,000 and 12,000 feet above the sea, and is not safely attempted by anyone unfamiliar with the details of the country. The other, or middle route, is further west, and is the one to be preferred. While it does not pass through the highest portion of the range, side trips of one or two days' duration will in any portion bring the traveller to the crest region. It is this route which will therefore be described.

The start can be made best from the north, the reason for this being that the roughest part of the journey is at its southern end, which should therefore, be left until the season is as far advanced as possible, and the packs have become light. A good starting point is Summer-dale, or Fish Camp, on the Raymal stage road, about seven miles west of Wawona. This settlement is in the heart of the great sugar-pine forest belt, and a network of old lumber roads and trails extends away to the east through the deserted sites of many saw mills, to the Beasore meadows on the southern slope of the great divide between the Merced and San Joaquin rivers. From this point the old Mammoth trail trends eastward, through the Chiquita and Jackass meadows and through splendid timbered country, but edging continually toward the rim of the great San Joaquin canyon, which parallels the route just to the south. Finally, after crossing Granite creek a splendid clear tributary, the great spurs of the Merced divide force us out on the very edge of the San Joaquin canyon, and a fine view is obtained over the rugged country at the junction of its two main forks.

The Trail now plunges down into the canyon of the middle fork and for 3,200 feet it zigzags down the rocky slope, for we must cross the river at this point, where a substantial sheep bridge spans the otherwise impassible torrent. A short steep climb up the other side soon brings us over the low ridge which divides the south from the middle fork of the San Joaquin and we bear off through the timbered country to the south just at the brim of the latter canyon.

The course of the south fork of the San Joaquin is rather unique amongst Sierra streams, inasmuch as its course is toward the northwest or almost parallel to the main crest of the Sierra. The forest-covered plateau on either side or the course of its own deep canyon furnishes therefore a most obvious pathway which leads us for many miles into the very heart of the highest Sierra. It is fed by four great tributaries from the east, Mono Creek, Bear Creek, Piute Branch, and Evolution Creek. Each of these in turn furnishes a possible route toward the crest region.

For the first twenty-five miles after crossing the middle forks our route passes over this timbered plateau above the rive, canyon and then descends to Mono creek. Throughout its lower course Mono creek flows in a wide, almost level valley covered with reddish sandy soil and a sparse growth of timber. Highe up it comes down through a magnificent canyon whose walls rise to a height of 2,000 feet above the stream. The southern wall is especially fine and at intervals side gorges break through it, forming deep recesses about whose heads are the snowy summits of the Abbott group, nearly 14,000 feet in elevation. A rough trail leads up the north bank of the stream across the mountains to Owens valley, and a side trip to the splendid Alpine region about the headwaters of the creek is well worth the time. The deep recesses on the south wall are known as the First Second, Third, and Fouth recesses. Of these the Second is the largest and easy access to it is obtained by an old sheep trail. The stupendous scenery about the head of the Second, Third, and Fourth recess it is quite impossible for me to give an idea of in the short space of this article. Suffice it to say that they are headed by Mt. Abbott (13,700 feet), as yet unconquered by the mountain climber; Mt. Gabb (13,582 feet) and a number of others of nearly equal height, breaking off in tremendous precipices to the north and west. This region has the attraction to the mountaineer of being almost, if not quite, undescribed. To the south of the main canyon of Mono creek rise the imposing summits of the Slate group, consisting of Red-and-White peak and Red Slate peak, each about 13,000 feet in height. This group is a most striking one on account of the brilliant colouring of the rocks and the vast field of snow which lie about their bases.

Returning again to the lower portion of Mono creek valley, the traveller, if he wishes another high mountain trip, may leave his base camp and make his way up the steep slope which walls the valley on the south, and thus reach the top of the Mono-Bear creek divide where a good trail will be found following very nearly the summit of the ridge. This finally leads to the upper valley of Bear creek, which may now be followed without difficulty to the point where it branches about the base of the Seven Gables. This latter peak is one of the most picturesque that is to be found in the high Sierra. It is in the form of a huge rectangular block of granite, bounded by sheer precipices over 2,000 feet high on the north east and south, formed by the tremendous canyons of the upper tributaries of Bear creek which have cut their way through from the summit snows.

The crown of this immense block rises in peaks like the gables of a roof, that on the south east being the highest, and shooting up like the spire of a cathedral. The elevation is about 13,000 feet, and though in the wildest portion of the San Joaquin Sierra, its summit is not difficult of access. The view from that commanding point cannot be excelled, for it stands one of a host of giants in the heart of the wilderness. Close at hand and across the tremendous chasms on all sides rise Gabb, Abbott, Bear Creek Spire, and in the south the airy summit of Humphreys. The view is well worth the rather arduous trip to its base.

Returning again to Mono creek valley and following down the stream (here almost as large as the Merced river) to near its confluence with the San Joaquin we can again pick up the main trail which crosses the Mono-Bear creek divided at a much lower point, then crosses Bear creek itself and swinging far to the west about the huge mountain masses on its south side, finally descends to the bank of the Main South Fork of the San Joaquin river. This beautiful sparkling stream, fresh and pure from its snowy fountains, we now follow upward, through a miniature Yosemite, then through wide grassy valleys where the clear stream swings in graceful loops, to a point where it issues from a rocky canyon. Here our trail is forced up on the mountain side again, and for four or five miles we thread our way amongst the glaciated slopes, turn the "Great Bend," and again descend to the river at the Blaney meadows.

These constitute a good camping ground for the broad grassy flat furnishes the finest of feed for animals, a convenient hot spring of pure water is most convenient for bathing and the surrounding scenery is superb. The Blaney meadows can also be easily reached from the west, by leaving the end of the stage road between Fresno and Pine Ridge at Shaver and taking the Red Mt. trail.

About five miles above the hot spring, the Piute Branch enters the river through a deep canyon. This canyon is entirely impassable for pack animals, so if the traveller wishes to explore the Mt. Humphreys region he must either carry his food and blankets on his back, and as we say 'knapsack it," or must lead his pack train over a rough promontory 3,000 feet high and descend into the Piute canyon several miles above Either of these methods is mountaineering with a vengeance for there are no trails, nor can guides be procured that know this country. In 1893 the writer, in company with Mr. C. L. Cary, explored the high ridges to the north of the great canyon then returned to the Hot Spring and knapsacked it up the terribly rough canyon to its source. Here we attempted Mt. Humphreys, but failed, and the mountain remained unscaled till last summer when James and Edward Huchusa succeeded in completing the ascent. With the exception of the extreme head of the middle fork of Kings river this region is the most difficult of access in the whole length and breadth of the high Sierra, but these difficult regions are always the most magnificent. The whole south face of the divide between this and Evolution creek consists of a series of huge crowns, walled in by continuous precipices and separated by thin knife edges. These tower to a height of 4,000 feet above the creek. Mt. Humphreys, 14,055 feet in height at the head, is a fitting centrepiece for the stupendous picture.

Returning once more to our regular route, we take the well-marked trail up the canyon of the San Joaquin. Five miles above, the Piute Branch must be crossed, and, in high water, this sometimes gives trouble. Above this the river flows in a great canyon, and for the remainder of the distance the trail keeps close to the water's edge, for the walls of black metamorphic rise from 1,000 to 3,000 feet above the river. Over these walls at short intervals plunge glorious cascades, their snowy white contrasting most strikingly with the sombre walls. After crossing the river, we finally come to the point where Evolution creek, a stream which carries fully half the now much diminished river plunges over the east wall in a grand cataract.

Though apparently the most difficult of all the tributaries to follow up, we find to our surprise that a good trail winds up the apparently inaccessible side of the south fork canyon, and lifts us 1,000 feet up to the lower end of Evolution valley. This is a fine example of a great glacial valley. For six miles it pursues a perfect "U"-shaped cross-section, and its floor is covered with timber and meadows. There will be found only slight remnants of the old sheep trail, and our route is about go-as-you-please, but little or no difficulty is encountered till the head of the valley is reached. Here there is an immense amphitheatre into which streams from all directions tumble in foaming cataracts. On the south side is the Hermit, a clean-cut pyramid of granite rising 2,000 feet above the meadow. Blocking the whole eastern sky stands the colossal Mt. Darwin nearly 14,000 feet in elevation, and dominating everything in the neighborhood except Humphreys.

The main stream tumbles down from a shelf at the foot of Darwin, and though possible to take animals up to this shelf, it is better to proceed from this point on foot, as the distance to the source can be made easily in a day. Upon this shelf lies beautiful Evolution lake. Grouped closely around it are the great peaks of the main crest, and the Goddard divide Mts. Darwin, Haeckel, Wallace, Spencer, Eiske, and Huxley. This latter, the most beautiful of all, lies directly at the head of the lake, and the creek, which above this point flows from the south cut around its base. It is not possible to take a four-footed animal above this point, but a man afoot can climb on up the creek to its very source, which seems to be as near the heart of the high Sierra as it is possible to get. It heads in a broad open basin, contains two large lakes of crystal clearness fringed with snow. On the south towers the Goddard divide which separates the San Joaquin from the Kings river.

On the west we are hemmed in by the spires of Mt. Goddard itself, and on the east by the main crest of the Sierra. Crossing this basin and climbing the snow slopes of the Goddard divide, one can make his way to its crest, and look down the other side upon the headwaters of King's river—upon a scene of the most inspiring grandeur. Southward for miles the whole limit of vision is crowded with snowy ranges of peaks, cleft with immense canyons. To the east the main middle fork of the King's cuts its own preferred canyon through the black metamorphic rocks and at our feet fall away the great tributary gorges which swell its volume below. Against the eastern sky towers the mighty array of the Palisades, its highest point 14,212 feet above the sea; the finest mountain except Shasta in California.

To give even a short description of the scene would be beyond the limits of this paper, so we must return to our main camp on the San Joaquin, and continue our journey to its source, where at an elevation of 10,200 feet amidst extensive meadows and glorious Alpine scenery, we make camp at the foot of Mt. Goddard Though our traveller makes no other side excursions during his trip though he climbs no other mountains, he should not neglect the opportunity of enjoying the most extensive view in the Sierra from the summit of Mt. Goddard from an elevation 13,502 feet on the highest point on the divide between the basins of our two great watercourses, the whole region is now laid out to his view. From Mts. Conness, Dana, and Lyell, our familiar friends of the Yosemite region, over all the great canyons and mountains among which he has been travelling, over the vast wilderness of King's river, and even to Mt. Whitney, which towers above the King's-Kern divide, the country lies like a map. There is lesson in geology and physical geography to be learned from several hours' study on this commanding point which can never be gained from books.

Our direct route southward is now completely blocked—although a high mountain route is gradually being worked out across the savage sources of the middle fork of King's river, no one has as yet taken a pack train across the upper Goddard divide In any case such an undertaking would never be attempted by one unfamiliar with the details of the whole region. So our party will have to make a wide detour to the west, avoid this magnificent though difficult portion of the high Sierra, and enter it again along its southern boundary. So retracing our steps for a mile or so down the south fork, we finally leave its canyon by a ledge along the western wall.

An old sheep trail runs along this, but it is dim and hard to find. Our best assurance lies in the fact that it is impossible to travel anywhere except on the ledge, and as it is not over 100 feet wide we cannot go far wrong. This ledge can be followed for about three miles, when it finally brings us out in a great open region at the base of snowy peaks. Just to the south of what is known as Red Mt. is the Hell-for-sure pass, the only place for miles about where the San Joaquin divide can be crossed. Although at an elevation of 11,300 feet this pass is not as bad as its name implies. On the other side lies the lake-dotted basin in which the north fork of the King's takes its source. The descent of the other side is rough, but once down there is but little difficulty in pioneering a way (for now we have not even a sheep trail to follow) across the basin, and down into the canyon of the north fork of King's river. Crossing this small stream, and the high ridge on the other side, we find ourselves at the source of Crown creek, a tributary of the middle fork of King's river, which may now be followed down to Crown or Collins' meadow.

This beautiful meadow may also be reached from Pine Ridge by taking the Collins trail at Ockenden's, near Shaver. It is an excellent starting point for Tehipite and the upper middle fork country.

We are now in the region of trails again, and strike south on an almost level stretch to the brink of Tehipite, and then down, down for 3000 feet over one of the roughest trails in the mountains to the bottom of this wonderful gorge. The Tehipite is one of the grandest of Sierran canyons, ranking with Yosemite and Hetch Hetchy in the magnificence of its cliffs, and far surpassing the King's and Kern river canyons. The great feature of the valley is the noble dome which stands out from the north wall. This, according to measurement of the United States Geological Survey, rises 3,480 feet above the river; as clean cut and perfect a granite precipice as the world affords. The top is capped with a perfect hemispherical dome. The rock in my opinion ranks next only to El Capitan and Half Dome, though in many respects it is in no way inferior to them. At the foot of the Dome are the graceful Silver Spray falls formed by Crown creek. These are two in number and aggregate 200 feet in height. On the south side there is no such vertical precipice as the Dome, but the rugged wall is of pure gray granite without a sign of vegetation. Its highest points are 5,000 feet above the river.

It is in regard to the floor of the valley that the Tehipite as well as the King's river canyon falls so far below Yosemite and Hetch Hetchy. Instead of green meadows and picturesqul groves we have boulder-strewn flats and huge piles of talus all savagely rough. But the river is magnificent as it rushes throug in a continuous chain of rapids. In order to reach the high mountains again—to regain our lost ground—we must follow up the middle fork of King's for about fifteen miles to Simpson meadow. The trip is a most interesting one. Throughout the whole distance the canyon is magnificent, second to none in the Sierra. The trail, though rough, is safe and well marked. At Simpson meadow we have the most glorious camping spot which it has been my fortune to find in California. The meadow is over a mile long, covered with tall grass and groups of stately pines. Flowers of innumerable hues spangle its broad openings, and through the middle rushes the splendid stream well stocked with the finest rainbow trout. On all sides rise mountains to from 4,000 to 6,500 feet above the river.

This, then, is an ideal spot for a permanent camp, and our traveller may rest here, or spend some time exploring the roughest mountains in our country about the head of the river. A good trail leads up the south bank of the river five miles to its confluence with Cartridge creek, the first great tributary from the east. Above this point the main river canyon is impassable except to a man on foot, but Cartridge creek may be followed to its source with a light pack train of the best mountain mules or burros. A few miles above the river we find Triple falls, one of the most unique cataracts in the Sierra. Here, too, almost equal branches of Cartridge creek approach within a few feet of one another, and fall side by side over an absolutely vertical cliff 100 feet high into the same pool. The combined water then make another vertical drop of 100 feet into the dark chasm below. Above Triple falls are other smaller ones making altogether a chain 550 feet in vertical height. The view down the canyon from the top of these falls is very fine. The opposite wall of the middle fork canyon rises nearly 5000 feet above the river in an almost perpendicular cliff of black slate. This figure is no guess, for it depends on an actual measurement by barometer, and later by triangulation. I consider this the highest rock face to be found in the Sierra. The canyon above this point is savagely rough, but good mountaineers can navigate a pack train to its source near Lake Marian, which is the nearest point to the Palisades that can be reached from the south or west. Any further explorations of the middle fork north of this must be made with a knapsack. To the southeast of Lake Marian, however, is a rough pass over the great divide to the sources of the south fork of King's river. This latter heads in a beautiful broad basin at the southern end of the Palisades near Split Mt. (14,076 feet). Although so very difficult of access, this basin is a very paradise for the mountaineer, and once in it he may travel in any directon. But it is not possible to follow the main stream down to the King's river canyon, nor is it possible to leave the basin by any point to the south or east. We must return, therefore, to our base camp at Simpson meadow.

Picking up again our through route at this point, we take the well-beaten trail up the tremendous mountain to the south, climb 4,000 feet in one pull, and then pass through thinly timbered basins, and high meadows to the Granite Pass on the great Divide between the South and Middle Forks of King's river. We now cross Granite basin, and then a low divide to Copper creek, down which the trail then runs. Before finally descending, however, we may cross the high ridges to the east, and scramble down into Paradise valley, a miniature Yosemite on the main King's river five miles above the great canyon. This, as its name implies, is a good camping spot. There is abundance of meadow land, and the beautiful groves have been unmarred by the few campers who visit them. Although the canyon of the main river above Paradise valley is impassable, there is a dim trail up Woods creek, a large tributary entering from the east. This leads us back to the main crest again, and Mt. Pinchot (13,485 feet) may be ascended, or the lake basin north of the Kearsarge Pass explored.

Returning again to Copper creek, we hurry down the trail to the level floor of the King's river canyon, and aim to reach Kananyer's camp in time for dinner, for well we know the good things that Mrs. Kananyer will have in store for us.

J. N. LE. C.

An old-time English barrister was John Williams, a sarcastic wit and a bachelor with as intense prejudice against marriage. His clerk one day asked him for a holiday to get married; and some months afterwards, on entering his chambers, Williams found his dead body suspended from the door. He engaged another clerk and asked him if he was married. "No" the clerk replied, but thinking Williams would regard marriage as a guarantee of steadiness, he added, "but I am going to be." "Very well," replied Williams; "but understand this—when you hang yourself, don't do it here!"

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THE SOUTH AFRICAN FOOTBALL TOUR.

ON Wednesday, 2nd January, the South African team played their last match in England and thus brought practically to a close a tour which in every way has been hardly less successful than that of the New Zealanders in the previous season. We might tabulate the results of the two colonial tours in very few words and it may be of interest to set them down here :—

	Matches played.	Matches won.	Matches lost.	Points.
New Zealanders ...	32	31	1	830 agst. 39
South Africans ...	28	25	2	553 ,, 79

Add to the South African record the one drawn match, that against England at the Crystal Palace on 8th December, and we have the returns complete. It may be admitted that the extraordinary interest evoked by the methods, style and success of the New Zealanders did something to discount the sensation caused by the South Africans. The ease and certainty with which the former bore down all opposition until they met the Welsh team almost at the end of their tour set the world of Rugby Football agape and forced upon it the necessity for examining crystallised theories of play and turning over a new leaf. We are notoriously slow to assimilate new ideas especially in connection with sport and games in which it has been our peculiar pride to "set the time," but the New Zealanders taught lessons in Rugby Football which had to be learned. Above all British players learned the value of attack: the New Zealanders' success was due to many things, to pace organisation and cleverness of ruse; but before they came to the end of their tour the more discerning observers of their methods realised that the main principle was to attack at once and maintain the aggressive; but by the time this had been realised, the invincibility of the New Zealand team had been much more fully realised and the *morale* of the teams they met must have been affected. No county team felt equal to adoption of aggressive tactics; each felt that its great object was to defend its goal from the onslaught of the colonials; that the idea of attacking their defences was not to be entertained. Hence the New Zealanders from start to finish were very rarely put on the defensive and were suffered to play the game of attack in which they so excelled. In a word they played their own game and naturally succeeded. Now the South African tour is over thoughtful critics of football are asking whether the New Zealanders could beat the South Africans and if so by how much. Measuring the prowess of one against that of the other as shown by points won, the odds are all in favour of the New Zealanders: but we must bear in mind that the South Africans had a harder nut to crack than the earlier visitors. The New Zealanders were called upon to beat what we may fairly call old fashioned players: the South Africans had to face players who have largely changed their method and principles of play by the light of colonial teaching: they faced not the old fashioned players but the new or remodelled school of football: therefore comparison between the New Zealand score and the South African score does not give a fair standard

for comparing the merits of the two. Were the New Zealanders—as we hope they may—to meet British teams again they would find that their teaching had borne fruit: and the tale of points they might then compile against home teams would furnish a much better standard by which to measure the relative merits of themselves and the South Africans. There is another point to consider: the New Zealand's "wing forward" was a valuable contributory factor towards their success: but he was a fruitful source of difficulty to the referee: it is very often difficult to decide whether a player is or is not offside and it was particularly difficult to decide at times whether the wing forward was transgressing or not. There was very often a doubt and nobody complained when the visitors received the benefit of a very large doubt as frequently was the case: and receipt of that benefit did a good deal to roll up their wonderful score of points. We understand that the manœuvres of the wing forward had been condemned in New Zealand as opposed to the principles of Rugby Football: however that may be the formation which includes this place and the play expected of the wing forward were used and exercised on the English tour with valuable results. The South African game on the other hand has throughout been remarkable for its unswerving observance of the rules in spirit as well as in letter; their transgressions against rule have been so rare and so obviously accidental that the sportsmanlike spirit which actuated them has been the subject of general remark. The South African record is less brilliant than that of New Zealanders; their defeats by Scotland at Glasgow and by Wales at Cardiff were due very greatly to the mud in which they were quite unable to do themselves justice, but mud is a condition for which players at home must be prepared hardly as it handicaps men accustomed to dry grounds and dry grounds only; particularly was this the case at Cardiff on New Year's Day when they sustained defeat by two goals and three tries to nothing. Their defeat by the Cardiff team was a much heavier one than that inflicted on the New Zealanders by Wales, when the visitors were stale and off colour after a long series of matches. But if less brilliant than the record of the New Zealanders the record of the South Africans is none the less creditable; the South African players were all conspicuous for their fleetness of foot and if the forwards were somewhat weak the strength of the backs more than atoned for this shortcoming. Then the South Africans, so far as we may judge from accounts of matches and critical articles on their play, proved themselves peculiarly careful and scientific. What the New Zealanders could have done on the defensive we can hardly guess, for they were never forced to defend: the comparative weakness of the South African forwards obliged the team to adopt the defensive over and over again: and it was soon seen that in this team at all events was an exception to the rule that the fifteen strong in attack is a fifteen weak in defence. Their defence was every whit as able as their attack: they defended as soundly as they attacked brilliantly: so marked has been the excellence of the play of their backs that many critics hold these members of the South African team the finest exponents of the game ever seen in Britain: a compliment which has special significance in view of the praise which was lavished upon the New Zealanders. The comparative weakness of the South Africans would seem to be due in some measure to this scrupulous regard for fair play; this was often manifested in the scrummage; they never attempted foot-work until the ball was fairly in, and thus lost something to their opponents. This was characteristic of their principles of play: we cannot avoid the feeling that if the South African example receives the acceptance it deserves the lot of the referee, to put the point temperately, will be a much pleasanter one in future. "They played the game" in the highst sense of the phrase.

The philosophical shrewdness of some school children is remarkable. A Sunday-school teacher had been telling her class the story of "David and Goliath," and, she added, "All this happened over three thousand years ago." A little cherub opened his bright blue eyes with wonder, as he remarked, "Oh, teacher, what a memory you've got!"

Little Johnny Smith suddenly asked, in a startled voice, "Mamma, is that bay rum in the bottle on your table?" "Mercy, no dear!" she replied. "That is gum." "Oh," said little Johnny. Then, after a moment's pause, he added reflectively, "Perhaps that's why I can't get my hat off."

Sporting Notes.

IN the Calcutta Paperchases this season Mr. Evers is evidently bent on putting up a record. After winning the first four chases on Cain he came out last Saturday on a new recruit to the game, Cain being on the sick list, and again defeated all comers. Now that Messrs. Deakin and Holmes have practically retired from this particular field of sport, there is a sad lack of light-weight thrusters to keep him company.

Mrs. Collins' accident last week still further reduces the little band of lady riders and it should be difficult to collect a field for the Ladies' Cup this year. The season of cups is rapidly drawing near and with it approach unwelcome thoughts of the hot weather. However, sufficient until then, and we still have a few weeks left.

The disposal of the racing stable for which he trained left Ferguson disengaged, but he is to have charge of a larger and more important stable and Mr. Galstaun is lucky to obtain such a reliable stableman and clever trainer.

Saturday's racing in Calcutta was of a moderate order, but the big race, The Merchants' Plate, produced an exciting finish between Mallard, an odds on favorite, and the Ceylon horse, Footprint. The former was backed as though the race were over in spite of the advantage which Footprint held on the handicap according to book form. He put up 10lbs. overweight and nevertheless ran the favourite to a very short head indeed, while the Stand vibrated with sighs of suspense from the favourite's army of backers. Their suspense once over, they stated boldly that Mallard might have won with ease had he been ridden in some other manner the precise nature of which did not transpire. Possibly much the same might be asserted with equal force about Footprint. Mr. de Soysa's horse richly deserved to win a race, but so indeed did Mallard, a good honest horse, who has always been popular amongst Calcutta race-goers. Prince Lyon ran third in this race, defeating Kipling, who ran very disappointingly, probably because he is stale If he is not so he has every excuse to be, having done yeoman's work ever since the beginning of the season. Blitzen again displayed her astonishing loss of form, and there was evidently something seriously wrong with The Master.

In the rich Hooghly Plate Mr. Dartmoor had the chance of a lifetime. His two chestnuts, Amyas and Sacristan II, were allowed to go out at 5 to 1 and from time to time longer prices were obtainable about either of these very smart horses. The public backed Manlock down to two's and Dulcimer for a place, but Amyas and Sacristan II raced each other home a neck between them in the very smart time of 1min. 1⅖secs. Annamulloch was caught on the rails in this race and held there right up to the winning post, when she was running very strong indeed. This mare has been coming on very fast the last week or two and is a good deal better than the public believed her to be last Saturday if the betting be a proper criterion of their opinion.

It is a good thing to back horses that are in winning vein and Rustile brought home the green and white hoops in undeniable style from a field of sixteen in the Bhowanipur Plate. This was a splendid betting race as nobody liked to put down their money heavily with such a crowded field. Camira and Bell Dhu were most fancied, and very few seem to have thought of Rustile.

The Selling Handicap produced a rattling good race between Presbyterian, Master Charlie and Foy. Mr. Avasia's old English horse, carrying a big lump of weight, fought it out very gallantly with Master Charlie and had him beaten ten strides from the post. He then began to take it easy, but was surprised by Foy's rush on his near side, and before he could tackle the newcomer found himself beaten by a neck. That wonderful old mare Psalm had on a better fitting set of plates this time and rolled home comfortably in the one mile Pony Race. The totalisator paid Rs. 68 on the winner.

The City Plate round the course was a very pretty race. Leda slipped the whole field at the mile post and entered the straight with a tremendous lead, her rush having strung the field out into an extraordinarily long line. These tactics suited the favourite, Mr. Deakin's Beannero, and when Keesen set out in earnest, she strode to the front and won with great ease. A victory of the dark green jacket is always popular and doubly so when the public has guessed that it was coming. This race gave Keesen his third winning mount, while two others were notched by Vining, who profited by the enforced absence of Evans, and showed his ability to win a big race. It would have been hard lines on him indeed had Mallard scored his first win in the hands of another.

The entries for the English Spring Handicaps are to hand by this mail, and the lists are more interesting than usual to Indian readers by reason of the inclusion of both Dalkeith and Great Scot, whose performances on the Calcutta course are still fresh in memory. Mr. Apear's big chestnut has been put into the two big handicaps over two miles and a quarter, namely, the Great Metropolitan of 1,000 sovs. at Epsom and the Chester Cup. Dalkeith is more heavily engaged over shorter distances and is entered in Mr. Farquharson's name—The Queen's Prize, 1½ mile; the Newbury Spring Cup, value £1,250, over a mile, and the City and Suburban and Kempton Jubulee, both over a mile and a quarter.

There is nothing much doing in the way of betting on the Civil Service Cup as the weights are not yet out. As we go to press the prices are: 3 to 1 against Cain, 7 to 2 Circus Girl, 4 to 1 bar two.

That noble army of martyrs—the Honorary Secretaries—whose "sport" for the most part is hard work, many kicks and few ha'pence, in order that others may indulge *their* taste for sport in any shape or form—may find something to interest them in the special announcement of Messrs. Barton Son and Company which appears on page iii among our advertisements to-day.

Entries for the Calcutta Kennel Club's First Championship Show have closed. The result is excellent, as we felt sure it would be. Most of the popular classes have filled well, the terriers, greyhounds, danes and others almost to overflowing; the entries have outnumbered anything recorded in the old Tollygunge days and everything at present sets fair for a top-notch show.

There was witnessed the other day at Boulogne an incident of the dog muzzling regulations which has not yet, probably, been experienced in England, or anywhere else where unfortunate dogs are muzzled. A poor beast of a dog, abroad with his jaws free, was being tracked down by a gendarme, when M. Sironi, who, besides being a local professor of standing is a lover of dogs, observing the situation, and "cruel only to be kind," gave the animal a switch in the ribs which sent it in flight at full speed. In this way it escaped the gendarme, who then turned to vent his wrath on the professor, whom he would have arrested but for the combined resistance which the latter and his son-in-law, Dr. Trombacco, were enabled to offer. Escaping to the professor's villa, they managed to imprison several officers who pursued them, in an outbuilding, whence an escape was only obtained by leaping from a high window.

We see it stated that there is to be an Extra Race Meeting in Calcutta on the 2nd March. This is incorrect. The Annual Sports meeting of the B.P.A.A.A. is fixed for that day and there will be no horse-racing.

Complete entries for the Civil Service Cup are published to-day. The single final entrant was Mr. P. R. Butler's b cb h The Butler. Also are published the final entries for the Lucknow Spring Meeting.

There is nothing like straw for a horse's bedding, and possibly the great superiority of England's horses has been partly due to the system of bedding. The method is seen to perfection in a racing stable. The boys are taught by the head lad to bed up in

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The exploits of a man-eating horse are thus described by Captain James Creagh, late 1st Royals, in a home paper :—"During the second year of the Indian Mutiny I was riding along the road just outside Secunderabad, the largest military cantonment in India, and in the direction of the great city of Hyderabad, about five miles off. At that time no European, unless by permission and strongly guarded, dared venture inside its gates; for, had one done so, he would have been set upon and slain. The city—a hot-bed of fanaticism—was filled with marauders, ruffians, murderers, and savages from all parts of India, even of Asia, and animated with deadly hatred of Englishmen; everyone prowled about the crooked streets, armed to the teeth; there were no police, and the people lived in a state of anarchy.

"A horseman—a good specimen of the city ruffian—and a native of this pleasant spot, passed me on the road. His white turban shaded a black face, expressive of all the evil passions, cruelty, ferocity, and hatred of mankind, especially of misbelievers and Englishmen; and his appearance was not improved by a pair of enormous whiskers, dyed bright red, and stretching straight out, to the distance of about a foot, from the sides of his sooty cheeks. He was mounted on an excessively showy, dark bay horse, whose arched neck, dilated nostrils, long mane and tail, and remarkably fiery eyes excited my youthful admiration. I was in want of a horse, and the *syce*, by whom I was accompanied, and who spoke a few words of English, acted as interpreter. The horse stood straight up on his hind legs, and smartly coming down on his fore ones lowered his head nearly to the ground and let out behind, and, greatly to my alarm, repeated the performance several times.

"'For God's sake, sir, let yourself off or he'll be over on top of you,' shouted one of the soldiers of the main guard who had been a groom previous to his enlistment; and, following his advice, I dropped down on my feet and close to the brute's tail. Bucephalus shrieked, pirouetted, pawed with his fore feet, and kicked, till attracted by a coolie about 100 yards off, he made for him, open-mouthed and as hard as he could lay legs to the ground. The yells of the terrified black man vied with those of the horse, and both together produced a volume of sound which caused the whole guard to turn out, the Sepoys looking on stolidly, while the loud laughter of the soldiery manifested great amusement at the show. Just before Bucephalus reached the coolie the latter, with great agility, scrambled over a high wall fortunately for him close by, and the former—baulked of his prey—returned open-mouthed, and at a tremendous pace, back towards the main guard. Both sepoys and soldiers rushed into the rooms, and slammed the doors. The sentry came to the "charge," and having run up into a verandah on the first floor of the guard house, I watched from a safe point the gyrations of the mad horse till they were stopped by the red-whiskered man and some of his confederates, who, having cleverly lassoed him, again blindfolded him and led him away. I never heard of him again, but was told that such brutes—called by the natives 'man-eaters'—are not uncommon in India, and that the one of which I had had such a disagreeable experience, had probably been drugged in the hope that he might have been quiet for an hour's ride."

A slip of the pen last week made us quote rvana as the horse which returned Rs. 1,593 on totalisator. We should have written Cheer Up.

Calcutta is being subjected to what looks almost like a Madras invasion. Messrs. Eardley Norton and Barton have come up to practise at the Bar, and now we find the well known-firm of Messrs. P. Orr and Sons about to establish a branch of their business in the premises at present occupied by A. Stephen, the jeweller. We welcome the advent of our friends from "down south" and have little doubt their magnificent and valuable stock will provide Chowringhee with a gold and silver smith's establishment worthy of the main thoroughfare of the second city of the Empire. They open early next month if all goes well.

The following short hints on horse feeding are intended not for the experienced, but in the hope that some owners who, with the best intentions, know nothing of the delicate organization of the interior economy of a horse, may be induced to pay more attention to the feeding of that useful animal.

All probably know that a horse requires three meals a day, but are not careful of the proper interval of four to five hours between each meal. Few, for instance, know or care to know the time required for digestion—namely, at least two hours for oats and three hours for hay—so that the hay should be given in the evening when the day's work is over. The evening meal should be, of course, the most substantial, for, the work being over, there is ample time for rest and digestion, and for the renewal of exhausted tissue or muscle.

Some horses are such shy feeders as to eat only at evening or night. Feeding should be regular, and the horse required to work as little as possible on a loaded stomach, and an interval of half an hour should elapse before food is given to a heated and tired animal. It is equally injurious to feed a horse too often or too seldom, both being productive of the same result—namely, colic. The horse fed at too long intervals is apt to fret and knock about, eats too greedily when he gets the chance and is apt to become a cribber. Food, then should be given about every five hours, when the previous meal is digested before charging the stomach again. But little food or water should be given during short stoppages, in order that both stomach and bladder may not be overcharged while at work. Most people know how a bucket of water will stop a race horse, but few think how the overcharged stomach affects the lungs of a horse when at work. A horse when fed while heated and out of breath cannot digest its food, and the result is diarrhœa, or, curiously enough the extreme opposite, in the form of colic or indigestion.

Messrs. Swallow and Ariell, Ld., of Melbourne present us with a very pretty calendar surmounted by a coloured picture of an Australian sylvan scene with harvesters in the foreground: in its leafy luxuriance and deep tints it might be an autumnal scene from the old homeland. A big poster also issued by the firm is attractive and not lacking in humour: it represents a beautiful English child offering a biscuit to an infant aborigine slung on the back of a typical "gin."

Our sporting monarch was able to enjoy thirty-five days' racing last year, though absence from England prevented him from being at the first two of the three spring meetings at Newmarket. His first appearance on a racecourse was at Kempton on 11th and 12th May, and he was at Newmarket for three days in the following week. His Majesty was at Epsom all four days (30th May to 2nd June), and again at Ascot 19th to 22nd June, and he would, in the ordinary course of events, have been accompanied by Queen Alexandra, who, when not in mourning, usually favours these two meetings as well as Goodwood with her presence. The King was again at Newmarket in July, being present all seven days; and on 20th July he was at Sandown for the Eclipse Stakes. He was at Goodwood, accompanied by the Prince of Wales, for the four days (31st July to 3rd August); and, as he went to Marienbad soon after, he was not seen on a racecourse again until Doncaster, when he was again the guest of Lord Savile. The King went only three days to the races, Thursday being devoted to a motor drive through the Dukeries; and, as he proceeded direct to Scotland from Doncaster, he could not be at Newmarket for the first of the three autumn meetings. But his Majesty was at Newmarket for three of the four days of the Second October meeting (10th to 12th October), and for all the four days of the Houghton meeting (23rd to 26th October).

A snowstorm unparalleled in ferocity during the last quarter of a century holds the Highlands in its grasp, and at the time of writing has little appearance of relaxation, writes an English sporting contemporary. Christmas Day was crisp and frosty, and although snow threatened all day, it was midnight ere it began to descend in that smooth, mealy form

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so portentous of long continuance. And fall it did, in real earnest. All Wednesday and Thursday snow fell heavily, accompanied by a biting wind that drove the snow into huge wreaths, cutting through fur and feather, blocking up railways and mail-coaches, and bringing nearly every country district and hamlet into a state of splendid and enforced isolation. To find its equal one has to go back into the early eighties, and even then the elements were, perhaps, less bitter and severe. Deer were driven before the storm, choosing to sweep down into the woods rather than stay where no footed animal could live. In the wooded retreats there was at least shelter, and underneath the snow some rich grass, and deer are grand snow-scrapers.

Lions are evidently rather too thick in Portuguese East Africa, as the Compantria da Boror, whose head office is at Quilemane, is offering most liberal terms to huntsmen for their destruction. In addition to paying for the licences and permits of the hunters, the Compantria offers a reward of £5 for every lion killed in the company's lands, and the slayer can keep the skins of every lion he shoots; and these skins, we may remark, fetch very good prices.

It is painful to observe how the advance of science robs of their odour of sanctity many of the most respected animal heroes of our youth. The latest of our friends to be dragged from his pedestal is the African secretary-bird, which all properly brought up children used to be taught to venerate, in the course of early studies in geography or the art of reading, for its wise and philanthropic labours in killing off venomous serpents. Now, however, African ornithologists have proved that it is an inveterate destroyer of game birds, and a bird to be outlawed and abhorred; while even its former respectable name of the "secretary-bird" has been altered into the unpleasant title of the "secretary-vulture."

A correspondent writes:—"As you very truly remarked in reference to the First and Second Extra Meeting in Calcutta this season, Mr. 'Johnny Armstrong' was conspicuous by his absence; but unless something radically wrong happened to my race-glasses, that enterprising individual was rather too obtrusive at the Second Meeting!

"Last Saturday in the Bhowanipur Plate, we saw sixteen runners, in my humble opinion and in that of many others with whom I have discussed the matter, far too many for a five furlong race on the Calcutta Course as it at present exists. It was a pity motives of economy were allowed to weigh with the wealthy C.T.C. and that the race was not divided for until the course is widened, it is almost impossible to get satisfactory results out of a field of more than a dozen, whether these results are viewed from the standpoint of the sportsman, the spectator or the punter. It seems to me that the uninteresting and really redundant Pony Purse, in which there were only *two runners* (!) might have been wedged in much earlier in the programme so as to have admitted of the dividing I suggest without in the least effecting that two horse show. Besides, the sooner we put an end to pony racing the better; it is dying, why not stamp it out altogether in Calcutta at least and leave it to the big mofussil racing centres where it flourishes?

"In respect of forfeits in a place like Calcutta it appears to me that where the conditions set forth that 'top weight not accepting the weights will be raised etc., etc.' such condition should read 'top weight not *running* should be declared an hour before the time for starting the race etc., etc.' for only in this way, it seems to me, can sufficient time be given in which owners can arrange for jockeys to carry proper weight."

Our Bombay correspondent writes:—Last Saturday the Sixth Extra Meeting filled, and some good blood was seen out in each case. The Newmarket Plate was a most open race in which, of course, Killua was installed favourite, place money coming for Baritone, Vocalist, and Adelaide. Considering she won the Sydney Plate in 1min. 3secs., carrying 9st. 12lbs. there was every justification in sending the pony out at twos as with a stone and 9lbs. off her back she would be sure to go very close on 1min. 2secs. The race, as it happens, was run in 1min. 2⅕secs. and Killua held her fairly safe by half a length. The fight for places was a grand one, Killua, Gun Metal, and Vocalist rattled down the straight with barely half a length between each and Baritone quite three lengths behind at the distance; the latter just beat Vocalist on the post, a head behind the pony. It was one of the fastest finishes I have ever seen.

With Mandeville not quite wound up, Byramji's stable had another good thing for the Adelaide Plate for which five went out, all except Mr. Hunter's Achievement who, though good looking, cannot stand more than 13-3. Comeback was, of course, a hot favourite, and after allowing Koko and Mandeville to make the running, drew up at the bend, had the latter beat and was content to win by half a length from his stable companion, though I am inclined to think he could not have gone very much faster.

In more ways than one, the Little Arab Plate was a peculiar one thought to be in the hands of Byramji's lot again. When the betting started Mint was at evens and Little Joker threes, but gradually the grey's price shortened till he went out a decided favourite just a trifle above evens and Mint twos. Apparently expecting the grey, the stable must have been on good terms with themselves when they saw him take up the running from Young Gazelle and enter the straight like a winner. Shanwar, however, had hung on to him and after a short struggle forged ahead and Little Joker shot his bolt letting Darby up. Williams was just behind on Mint and coming with a wet sail seemed sure to land home in front, but Mujeed got to work on Shanwar who gamely staved the challenge off by a neck with Darby only a head behind the chestnut.

Antica, in the Church Gate Plate, showed himself a game stayer. Mudlool was equal favourite and his insignificant running was due more to the grey's improvement than his bad running. Once more Vedas, who found place money, failed to stay further than the bend after leading by five lengths. Ashroff was the surprise packet, but Antica overhauled him fast in the straight and won comfortably.

The first of the three Nurseries proved an upset as a strong favourite in Lucky Prince found a master in Nazzar whose win was most convincing.

The second also lost punters money as Little Sanaya ran most disappointingly and could not answer when the whip came out. Salanic looked good now, but Anee came through full of running with Matlik who beat Salanic by a head, the former winning well in hand.

There was a third set back for punters on the new ones as both Madras and Rackhan found an outsider in Caroon too good for them. At the bend Rackhan held the lead, but once more went very wide and with Squire was passed by Caroon who won by close on a length, Squire beating Rackhan who does not give promise of staying.

On both hunting days last week there was a kill though that on Thursday was but a short run. The meet on the 13th was at Sahar Hill, but at the Marole Caves hounds were at fault and it was some time before they got going again. The jack, as a matter of fact, was in hiding in the thick cactus from which he was eventually hunted into the Goregaon jungles where he was run down with the field well up.

Parla was the rendezvous for the 17th and putting up a jack immediately hounds ran him down after a short, fast gallop over the melon ground. At the pipe they soon found again, but this one proved a jinker. So well have hounds hunted throughout, however, that they were not to be tricked and, after a run along the railway, bowled him over.

Three events were sailed off at the Yacht Club last Saturday, only three sailed in the first two, the third had eight starters.

In the "A" Class Handicap the scratch boat *Eileen* led the whole way increasing steadily, but *Melody* also sailed well and saved her time comfortably beating *Turquoise* who was giving her 3½ minutes.

Trixie scratching left only three in for the "B" Class, but the race between the scratch boats, *Pixie* and *Sayonara* was an exciting one; *Erin* was never in it. The two raced level and the race was in doubt till very near home when Mr. Aspinwall's boat just got ahead and won.

Another good race was that for "D" Class for which eight sailed and *Tomtit* took a long lead from *Meg* and won the Class prize, but *Meg* could not save her time from *Midget*, *Clutha* and *Maud* who were sailing well together. *Midget* got the best of it after an exciting race and won the handicap with *Jean* second. *Clutha*, however, was flying a protest flag and it seems was not given room by *Jean* at North Karanja Buoy. No decision has been arrived at.

The batch of stallions brought out for Government arrived on the *Hindoo*, and are stabled at the Bombay Stable Co., Byculla. They have arrived in splendid condition and a fine-looking lot of seven. The two which stand out are General Cronje and Sandbag, both well-known at Home, the former being by Gallinule—Moira and his finish behind Pharisee in the City and Suburban will be remembered. The latter is a Carbine out of Sanderling and has run no less than eighty-one times! A grand looking Arab bred by Mr. W. Blunt. The others are Sforza by Galiazo—Sweet Lavender, Ozone by Ocean Wave—Bit of Fun, Kirkbride by Bread Knife—Florianthe, Bos Croker by Ravensbury—Harton Rose.

Athletic Notes.

THE two local teams who have qualified for the final stages of the Minto Fête Football tournament are the Customs F.C. and the Northumberland Fusiliers. The Calcutta division of the competition has not been particularly interesting. The Calcutta-Mohan Bagan incident excluded two teams, the Hornets and the Howrah United Club scratched, while the H.L.I., R.G.A. Hughli Defence, and E.B.S.R. were defeated in their matches. The other teams who have qualified in their respective divisions to take part are the Royal Irish Rifles (Meerut), Gordon Highlanders (Peshawar), the Queen's (Rawalpindi), Glosters (Lahore), Warwicks (Quetta), East Surrey (Mhow), Royal Scots (Poona), Durham L.I. (Lucknow), and Manchesters (Secunderabad).

The long-anticipated contest for the heavy-weight championship of the world has at last been ratified. James J. Jeffries has come out of his retirement, and appended his signature to articles for a world's championship battle with Bill Squires, of Australia. This interesting event took place at San Francisco on Saturday, the 29th ultimo, in the presence of representatives of the Rhyolite Club, Nevada, who have agreed to give a purse of £6,000 in April next, the winner to receive 60 per cent., and the loser 40 per cent. as their respective shares. Queensberry Rules are to govern the contest, and five-ounce gloves to be used. Squires cabled his acceptance, and is leaving for America almost immediately.

Jeffries holds a unique record, and at the best he was one of the greatest pugilists the world has ever known. Born at Carroll, Ohio, in 1875, he stands 6ft. 1¼in. high, and his best fighting weight was 15st. When he meets Squires he will probably be at least 16st., which is far too much weight for a nimble man to carry. Jeffries, possessed of natural fighting ability, tackled big game right away, and in his first year he boxed twenty rounds draws with Gus Ruhlin (the Akron giant, who defeated Tom Sharkey at the National Sporting Club, London, in June 1902), and Joe Choynski. In 1898 he whipped Joe Goddard (four rounds), the late Peter Jackson (three rounds), Peter Everett (three rounds), Tom Sharkey (twenty rounds), and Bob Armstrong (ten rounds). Since then he has twice beaten Jim Corbett and Bob Fitzsimmons, and overcome Gus Ruhlin, Hank Griffen, and Jack Munroe: but the latter can claim a victory over Jeffries at Butte in 1902. Jeffries was proclaimed champion in 1899, when he defeated Bob Fitzsimmons in eleven rounds at Coney Island, New York, and since that time the title has been in his keeping.

Squires was born in Narrabri, New South Wales, in 1879. He is 5ft. 9½in. in height, and weighs 12st. 8lbs. During his brief career in the ring he has met and defeated every heavy-weight of note in the Colonies, and is regarded as a second Frank Slavin, who hailed from the same country. On 6th November last Squires beat Peter Kling (Sydney) at Ascot Racecourse, Sydney, in three rounds for the heavy-weight championship of Australia. Little more than a week ago the Australian defeated Mick Williams, the South African champion, at Melbourne, in the record time of 45secs. His other battles are as follow:—Beat Tucker (two rounds), at Wallsend; Mick Ryan (three and four rounds), at Wallsend; Heckenberg

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(three rounds), in Newcastle; Starlight (four rounds), in Melbourne; Felix (eleven rounds), in Newcastle; beaten on a foul by Cripps (eight rounds), in Sydney; beat Felix (two rounds), in Sydney; Farley (one round), in Newcastle; Fenessey (four rounds), in Melbourne; Kernick (three rounds), in Melbourne; Felix seven rounds), in Sydney; Ed. Williams (one round), in Melbourne; Murphy (three rounds), in Melbourne.

The ruling clubs cannot be congratulated on the action they have taken regarding the Open Golf Championship, remarks *The World*. For two or three years it has been evident that some weeding-out system must be adopted, as the existing conditions imposed far too great a strain on the competitors, and rendered the tournament unwieldy and congested. By the old plan, initiated in 1898, the tournament lasted for three days, and competitors who were more than twenty strokes behind the leader at the end of the first day (two rounds) were compulsorily retired. More recently the twenty strokes were reduced to fifteen, without the least effect in the way of limiting the entries. Under the new regulations, which will come into force at Hoylake next June, a fourth day is added to the tournament. On the first two days the competitors will play qualifying rounds over seventy-two holes, and players to the number of thirty who come within the limit of fifteen strokes will fight out the issue on the last two days. It is obvious that the alteration is not sufficiently drastic. Every year the number of entrants increases, and the congestion on the first two days of the tournament will be as bad as, if not worse than, ever.

Some idea may be gleaned of the increasing popularity the motor is acquiring in the United States from the fact that the outturn of these vehicles of all descriptions rose from 3,500 in 1900 to 38,000 in the year just closed, while all the car-building firms have their hands full of order. Pretty much the same tale comes from Europe. Lest horse owners and breeders should feel alarmed at the passing of "man's friend" we cull from a London police report that, what an inspector described as "sausage horses," fetch between £16 and £17 each for the Amsterdam market. The introduction of the motor 'buses into Calcutta should throw a good number of our tiecа tats on owners' hands, so here's a chance for some enterprising individual to follow in the footsteps of the late lamented Mr. Croft to establish a German (?) saveloy factory in our midst.

G. Towns and Durnan have signed articles for a race for the world's sculling championship on the Nepean River for £500 aside to take place on 2nd March.

If an absolutely filled house, an enthusiastic audience, and numerous recalls spell success, then certainly it was success spelt with a capital S that attended the first concert given by Madame Hester Otway at the Calcutta Concert Hall last Saturday. To all true music lovers, the programme read an alluring one, and the sympathetic rendering of the items contributed by the four violins of l'Orchestre du Conservatoire, who with Mr. Alec Marsh and Mr. Ralli, together with Mrs. Denison Ross as accompanist, also assisted, was not one of the least pleasing features of the evening's entertainment. This opened with the familiar air, dear to all German hearts, of the National hymn—*Vater Prüne Du mit Segen*—the ever recurring melody of which floats through every movement of the *Quatuoren Si Maj.* The celebrated contralto herself was in excellent form, and a charming personality, combined with her very evident gift of a lovely voice, absolutely pure in tone and quality, soon won the sympathies of her hearers, who numbered amongst them Her Excellency Lady Minto with a party from Government House, the Chief Justice and all the *élite* of Calcutta. In her choice of five good items and several happily chosen *encores*, which the enthusiastic audience would not be denied, Madame Otway convinced us of her ability to sing equally well in four different languages, and, to the initiated *Still wie die Nacht* and *Ich grolle nicht*, with which two gems she delighted her hearers in the early part of the programme, were perhaps intrinsically the best, though they did not appeal to the greater part of the audience quite so successfully as *The Enchantress*, in which, as in most of the compositions of the same author, there is a distinct effort to obtain effect. In the *Che Faro* Madame Otway convinced us of her ability to faithfully interpret Gluck's music, although may be some of us have heard it sung with a thought more passion. After the fatiguing recitative and cantabile from Gounod's *Reine de Saba* it was more than obliging of the lady to respond to repeated recalls in a charming little French *morceau*, which was rendered by her in the same sportive fancy in which the composer had conceived it, while amongst other encores *Kathleen Mavourneen*, sung with great feeling, stood out pre-eminently as the most popular. In the person of Mrs. Denison Ross was provided a skilled accompanist, but being so, it was the more noticeable that she was more than a trifle too loud in her accompaniment of Mr. Ralli's 'cello solo, the allegro from Grieg's sonata in A minor, which somewhat marred this item. Mr. Alec Marsh contributed a couple of songs from "In an Indian Garden," the second of which, *The Temple Bells*, was a happier selection than the first. Wieniawsky's *Legende* was played by M. Sandre of l'Orchestre Conservatoire in a perfectly finished manner, handicapped as he too was by rather indifferent acompanying. Madame Hester Otway's second concert takes place next Saturday, the 26th instant, when those of us who had the pleasure of being present at her first will no doubt renew that felicity, and those who were unfortunate enough not to have yet heard this charming lady will do well to secure seats.

The Rink still continues to flourish, and at the races last week the attendance was phenomenally large, and the valuable prizes were contested with great eagerness and much skill. The first item on the programme was a one mile handicap on roller skates which was won by O. Mylne, who started from scratch. Private Reid distinguished himself in the 220 yards flat race, while in a similar race for amateurs J. Pybus came in first. In the quarter mile flat race for soldiers, Bombardier Humphreys came in first. To-night's Carnival will be followed by a ball, so that there is no doubt that the genial and ubiquitous proprietor as the season wanes, and the days of the rinker grow less in the land, still maintains the reputation for popularity and fun always held so well by the Columbia Rink.

London Week by Week.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

Friday, 4th January 1907.

THE Great Frost—the halfpenny papers were a little premature in awarding it the dignity of capitals—came to an abrupt end with the old year, and until last night—when it froze hard—there was a steady thaw to clear the streets. The frost was very sharp while it lasted and the snowfall in parts of the kingdom was something like a record. It is not often we hear of drifts twenty feet deep in the Border counties, and it must be many years since all communication between the north of Scotland and the south was cut off so completely as was the case. Trains have been stopped by the drifts and then to aggravate matters relief trains bringing food have been stopped. In many cases the drivers were obliged to return to their starting point and count themselves fortunate to get there. The deaths from exposure during the last days and nights of the year were numerous.

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The Arbroath accident was the only serious one arising from the snow storm. The Dundee Aberdeen express on Friday afternoon was one of the trains which had to stop and return; and while running back at a rate of twenty miles an hour through heavily falling snow it collided with a local train standing at the Elliott Junction platform. Twenty-one passengers and others were killed or have died of their injuries and the list of injured is a long one. How the accident happened we shall not know until the Board of Trade official discloses the result of his enquiry. The railway between Elliott and Arbroath runs along the coast and is very exposed, and it seems likely that the signals were obscured by snow or that the mechanism was frozen. A painful sensation was caused on Monday by the announcement that the driver of the express, Gourlay by name, had been arrested. It is reported that he was drunk when the collision occurred: but his state soon after the disaster in which he was hurt is unofficially explained by the statement that one of those who helped in the work of rescue gave him a stiff drink of spirits to revive him.

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I doubt whether any offer of burial in Westminster Abbey has evoked more universal approval than that tendered on Monday by the Dean to the executors of the late Baroness Burdett Coutts, whose death at the age of 92 occurred at Stratton Street on Sunday morning. Lady Burdett Coutts was something more than a personage; she was an institution for that during sixty years she had used her enormous wealth with a unique combination of wisdom and generosity. She came into her fortune in 1837: it is commonly supposed that fortune exceeded a million in ready investments and cash, and in addition she enjoyed half the profits of the famous bank founded by her grandfather. Perhaps the most notable feature of the lady's charities was the fact that in very many

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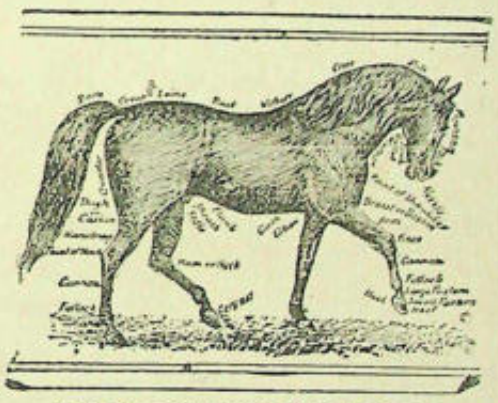

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You would remember the storm of acclamation which welcomed Queen Victoria's decision to make Miss Burdett Coutts a peeress in her own right, in 1871; and its renewal the next year when she received the freedom of the city, the only time this honour has been conferred upon a lady. And no doubt you remember the utter astonishment with which the announcement of her approaching marriage was received in 1881: the surprise was indeed pardonable: for who could ever have expected that the independent Baroness with her well known detestation of politics at the age of 67 would marry a young politician of 30? Mr. Ashmead Bartlett, by the way, was never her private secretary: he was the honorary and very capable administrator of her Turkish Relief Fund. If her husband owed anything to her name for his election for Westminster he owed nothing to her exertions; true to her antipathy she never spoke or wrote a word to aid his candidature.

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Mr. Haldane's speech on the Auxiliary forces made at Auchterarder on Saturday was not very illuminating. The nation is going to ask the Volunteers "to accept better organisation;" an organisation such as will fit them for war. What the better organisation is to be he did not say; but that may be because he had so much to say about the removal of the Scots Greys from Piers Hill barracks and to explain why those quarters could be used for artillery while unsuitable for cavalry. I do not suppose we need attach undue importance to Mr. Haldane's summary of his duty "to see that the Army, if it existed at all, should exist in a state of readiness, etc.;" but in view of radical views, the parenthetical qualification cannot be regarded as perfectly happy.

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Sir John Brunner, M.P., and the eighty-eight Liberal and Labour members who memorialised the Lord Chancellor on the subject of appointments to the Commission of the Peace have received a polite but crushing snub from Lord Loreburn. The memorialists began by urging the propriety of preserving the bench free from the taint of party: and proceeded to amplify the case for appointing more Liberals: which the Lord Chancellor, naturally, "could not reconcile" with the avowed object of the memorial. It is, of course, true that conservative justices vastly outnumber their Liberal Colleagues: twelve years ago they were as 8 to 1, now as about 13 to 4; but if the one party has nearly all the intelligence, education and social position, it seems only reasonable that that party should provide the country with J. P.'s. Mr. Gladstone's "workman magistrates" did not prove a remarkable success.

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The addition to the Statute Book of the New Street Betting Act has brought Sir Walter Gilbey into print with a plea for the introduction of the "tote." Sir Walter, with characteristic straightforwardness and sturdy good sense, points out that Acts of Parliament can no more abolish betting than abolish the stock exchange; and he urges that this means should be taken to give an innate human instinct fair play, to the profit of the Treasury. Mr. John Hawke, in the snug and self-satisfied tone of the faddist gratified, furnishes a very weak reply to Sir Walter on behalf of the Anti-gambling league. The only place in England where I have ever seen the "tote" system applied was at Ranelagh when the day's entertainment was pony-racing. The people took to it more than kindly as soon as they understood the business. *Why* should we not adopt it in England.

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Are we to have a channel tunnel or not? The promoters of the scheme are girding up their loins to approach Parliament on the subject and the military spokesmen are up in arms or down in pen and ink. It is difficult to see what advantage the country can gain from the tunnel should it ever be made; and it is not easy to see how it will ever pay—but that is the promoters' affair. The strategic objections are great: we need not fear invasion by train; but it is pointed out that capture of the Dover terminous by raid is not at all impossible and then what can the navy do? It really does not seem worth while to sacrifice the strange advantage of the channel to spare passengers an hour's sea-sick discomfort.

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A curious and disgraceful state of affairs has come into being at Tulse Hill a south western suburb about 4 miles from Charing Cross. There is at Tulse Hill a long row of 60 or 70 detached houses with gardens backing on Brockwell Park. Brockwell Park is under the L. C. C.; the police cannot enter it after closing time and the L. C. C. have no concern with the houses adjoining. The result has been a long succession of successful burglaries, nearly every house has been visited during the past five years; one twice in the last two months. Appeals to the police are useless because the L. C. C. replies that burglaries are no business of theirs and appeals to the police are equally useless because the L. C. C. refuse to allow them to patrol the Park at night. Priceless indeed the blessings of local self-Government by such as we elect to conduct it?

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I ought to have referred last week to Mr. Tree's production on the Thursday evening of "Antony and Cleopatra." The play has been remodelled in four acts consisting in all of thirteen scenes—it was manifestly necessary to dispense with the playwright's division which I reckon up to forty-two. I must confess that the result hardly satisfies: we look for spectacular effects in this play and we get them: we get them, to my thinking, in excess. For example in Act II, Scene 11 of the original Domitin Enobarbus (Mr. Lyn Harding), gives Agrippa and Mecœnas a full description of Cleopatra and her barge. At His Majesty's, the gentleman gives the description and does it very well: but Mr. Tree cannot resist the temptation to produce so gorgeous a sight and he does it admirably. The same thing occurs in connection with Octavius Cæsar's account of Antony's appearance with Cleopatra in Alexandria: the description is given also an impressive and gorgeous tableau. The mere spectator feels that these tableaux might be left to speak for themselves; if a purist he would keep the lines and cut out the tableaux. In other details unusual violence is done to the text: Shakespeare would no doubt appreciate the scenery and effects at his Majesty's; but I doubt whether his shade would sit patiently in the stage box while the latter portions, particularly of his play, are mangled and dovetailed and cut and rejoined as is the case here. I did not much care for Mr. Tree's Anthony; it lacks sincerity; nor does Miss Constance Collier quite fulfil my idea of Cleopatra who has always seemed to me the embodiment of serpent like grace. Octavia was particularly well done by Miss Maud Cressall and most of the minor parts were excellently filled.

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Another item omitted last week was the opening of the Hicks Theatre on Thursday evening and the translation from the Aldwych Theatre thereto of the "Beauty of Bath." I do not know that there is much to be said concerning the new house at the corner of Rupert Street and Shaftesbury Avenue. The stalls are roomy and comfortable beyond the standard of ordinary stalls, and the auditorium is very beautifully upholstered in pink, white and gold. It appeared to me that the piece "went" with more vigour and go than ever; a result, perhaps, of the satisfaction felt by the whole company at having a home of their own.

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The "Doctor's Dilemma" has been put into the evening bill at the Court. The unanimous condemnation with which the death scene was received did not move Mr. Bernard Shaw—nobody ever did not move Mr. Bernard Shaw—nobody ever expected it would, whatever their hopes and it remains: a blot on a play whose dialogue is perhaps the cleverest the author has ever written.

"Amasis" which has been running at the New since last July was transferred to the Criterion on Monday. Pharaoh has a good deal more to do since the piece was remodelled and as Mr. Rutland Barrington in the part is the backbone of the clever absurdity the change is a decided improvement. A great deal of new "business" has been worked in since I saw the play in the summer.

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Various revivals are billed for production within the next few days. "Dorothy o' the Hall" is to be revived at the New, pending production of a piece called "Matt of Merrymount" which has had some provincial success. "Lady Huntworth's Experiment" is to be revived with Miss Compton in the name part which fitted her so well and Miss Pollie Emery as Keziah. "The Bondman" is to be put on at the Adelphi with Miss Wynne Matheson in Mrs. Patrick Campbell's part. Mr. Frohman has imported a new supply of American girls to play in "Nelly Neil" a new musical piece which will be produced at Mr. Aldwych next Thursday. I wonder how the Parisians will like "Peter Pan:" Mr. Frohman is going to produce it in Paris.

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The O. P. Club gave a dinner at the Hotel Cecil on Sunday night to celebrate the revival of Savoy Opera. Mr. W. S. Gilbert (*why* has he never been knighted?) was the guest of the evening and the 450 diners included a large number of actors and actresses whose names were closely associated with Gilbert and Sullivan Opera in old days. Mr. Gilbert's speech was very interesting; not the least interesting item was what he told us about "Ruddigore" which play has always been regarded as the one failure of the series. It ran for eight months, and Mr. Gilbert said that it put £7,000 into his pocket. If this be the fruit of failure what is the fruit of Savoy success?

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Lady Clancarty, so well known aforetime as Belle Bilton of variety stage and after as Lady Dunlo who figured in the subsequent divorce suit, died on Monday at Garbally, County Galway. She had undergone an operation for cancer in Paris, but in her case the knife failed to give her the brief extension of life it procures in some cases. Lady Clancarty had devoted her energies largely to charity since her husband's accession to the title, and was deservedly esteemed and respected in County Galway.

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"Vanity Fair" has changed hands again: important changes are to be made in the paper under the new editor, Mr. Frank Harris; I hope these will not affect the cartoons.

First fruits of the new act to relieve Trades Union funds of all responsibility: the Free Labour Union advertises its preparedness to supply stalwart men as "counter pickets" where the peaceful pickets, towards whom the Government display such tenderness, happen to put in appearance. Where the peaceful and counter pickets meet I anticipate in the words of Artemus Ward "there will be a fite."

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THE SHADIPALLY JHEELS.

NEAR Shadipally, in Sind, are some of the best duck jheels in India. I spent a few days there at the end of 1903, and had excellent sport. A brother officer, B—, went up with me from Karachi, and we stayed in a resthouse close to Shadipally railway station, going to our ground each day on camels. The natives who act as beaters most thoroughly understand their work, and one can always rely on getting plenty of shooting. We exploited two swamps only, the Chota and Burra Chaylee Jheels. The first is five, and the second seven miles from Shadipally. A feature of the Sind marshes is the great extent of high reeds. The density of the cover makes the percentage of birds lost very high. I estimated that 20 to 25 per cent. of the ducks killed, or well hit, were never gathered. As many of the birds come over very high I think that one should use a specially powerful gun, in order to make the best of the shooting. An eight pound full choked 12-bore, chambered for brass perfects, with 1½ ounces of shot, would enable one to do better and neater work than with the ordinary type of game gun. Geese especially have to come very low, for one to be able to bag them with a light shot gun.

Our best day was on Burra Chaylee. There was some deepish water to cross in order to get to our stations at the edge of a vast sea of reeds. We were towed most of the way on grass boats, big cylinders of grass on which one sat astride. When the water shallowed and the boats would go no further, we waded to our respective stands. In front of me as I stood, thigh deep in water, was a great ten-foot wall of reeds. The coolies were in line afar off, and walking steadily through the marsh towards us, sent the birds beautifully overhead. The swift flight of the pochard and teal tested one's hand and eye to the uttermost. When later on the spot-bills came over, it was quite a relief to turn one's artillery on these big and comparatively slow going grey duck, after the strain of endeavouring to allow enough ahead for the lightning speed of the smaller birds. What a triumphant moment it was, when four spot-bills sailed over, and my right barrel crumpled up the two big drakes flying incautiously close together, while the left accounted for one of the remaining ducks!

A grey goose came over, too, and then it was I mourned the lack of a more powerful gun. Hit hard with both barrels he went on, and I saw him come down in the dim distance. This bird was never recovered. The shooting over, we gathered our duck. I had had the better luck, my pick up being forty one against B—'s thirty. I had one black backed goose (or nukta), 4 mallard, 7 spot-bill, 1 western white-eyed pochard,

5 common pochard, 4 shovellers, 1 gadwall, and 18 teal. B—had a drake pintail amongst his birds. At little Chaylee we did fairly with the duck, and shot a good number of snipe. One day on the small marsh I got a grey goose, 10 mallard, a wigeon, a whistling duck, and a pochard, besides snipe. The snipe were plentiful and I got twenty-six couple one day in addition to some duck.

One smart little lad named Rubayunoo attached himself to me the whole time, acting as retriever. One day he had a great chase after a wounded goose: he eventually caught the big bird and returned in triumph.

Shooting at Shadipally is not at all expensive. The natives who drive the duck over the guns are so skilled in their work, that one only requires a few of them. Another good feature about the sport is that one can get the snipe and duck into Karachi before they are spoilt, so that it is possible to distribute the fruits of the chase among one's friends.

Spaniels would be no use among the high reeds of the Sind jheels. When shooting a marsh in Scotland, which was densely covered with similar high reeds, I found that even a powerful retriever was quite at a discount. The fallen or beaten down reeds lie at right angles to the growing ones and make it impossible for a dog to get through. The only remedy for the high percentage of lost birds is to use a more powerful gun.

FLEUR-DE-LYS.

DEER IN THE ROCKIES.

A FEW years ago, George Newton, an old time Wisconsin schoolmate, who had located in a wild and isolated district, about 60 miles west of Glenwood Springs, invited me to visit him at his ranch, and greatly excited my love for sport by the statement that deer were plentiful thereabouts. I found an ideal western mountain ranch, not more than two hours' drive from a small railway station named DeBeque. His place was situated uppermost on one of the streams entering the Grand river, fully five miles above the nearest neighbouring ranch. Aside from being large, the place was a picturesque one stretching across a valley bordered on each side by abrupt mountains rising to a height of two thousand feet, crested with overtopping ledges or "cap" rock, presenting queer outlines against the sky. Through the valley coursed a trout stream weaving like a strand of silver through meadow and foliage, and a quiet prevailed which could be almost felt in the pure air as breathed. Naturally, my first inquiry was about the deer, and my astonishment can well be conceived when he took me but a short distance from his house that evening, just at the time that all game animals are feeding, and showed to me the slopes of the mountains fairly alive with them. He also showed me bands of rocky mountain sheep perched on the ledges within gunshot of his home. In contemplating the number I might kill in a day I was conscious of a sensation of murder creeping over me, so tame, and undisturbed were the animals. "We only kill what we want to eat," said my friend, "so they are not hunted much." During my stay of two weeks I think I saw fully twelve thousand deer in that vicinity, which may sound like a big story, but it is truthfully stated.

The sport I had contemplated on coming to the ranch did not materialize for they were too thick, so I contented myself with riding about the place testing the timidity of the animals, watching their habits, etc., and was well satisfied on returning to my home with two very nicely pointed antlers of the rocky mountain, or mule eared variety. I was told that this was the favourite feeding ground for deer in winter, and that they migrated in thousands from the higher mountains during the months of September and October to the valleys nestled along the Grand river. In fact I saw them passing over in bands, like flocks of sheep, making deeply beaten paths across the country. Mingling with cattle about the ranch they reached a point almost bordering on domesticity, and my friend showed me how he had to build high fences about his hay stacks to keep them out during the winter. I also noticed that he had a high barbed wire fence about a young orchard to protect that too. The strands were not more than six inches apart, as he said the deer would crawl through an ordinary wire fence.

One morning, rising early, I saw about one hundred deer about five hundred yards from the house grazing in a pasture, drifting towards the stream for a morning drink. Taking a round-about course through the bushes I secreted myself in their line of travel, and without detecting my presence some of them came within twenty feet of the spot where I was concealed. There were a number of fawns in the band, and here for the first time I heard them making a singular noise, which sounded like the mew of an overgrown kitten. Finally an old doe scented me out, and giving a warning snort scampered to cover followed by the entire band. Every deer hunter knows how easily a deer will scent a man; the wind being favourable they will manifest this instinct at very long range. In hunting I have learned to overcome this acuteness of the animal by the use of anise oil, a few drops of which sprinkled on my hunting jacket entirely deceived them. In the mountains there grows a plant known as wild celery, which has a flavour of anise. In this they like to wallow delighted with the smell of the bruised plant. It is not so much the sight of a man that terrifies a deer as the smell of one has been my experience. The use of anise has proved a profitable experiment.

My first trip to the Newton ranch was ten years ago and every year since then I have gone there, usually accompanied by a friend or two, and now the place has become quite a resort for hunters. Last October, one day I counted twenty-eight hunters mostly from Denver and every man had his one deer, all that is allowed to be in possession at one time by the laws of Colorado.

During my hunting seasons at the ranch I have witnessed many pleasing incidents, some of them almost amounting to the dignity of adventure. One experience I recall, which I trust I may be pardoned in relating, as it concerns my wife. She is fond of the recreations of the ranch and usually accompanies me on the hunting trips.

In the fall of 1895 a hunter reported, as he came in one night that he had seen an unusually large buck about two miles above the ranch, which eluded him by hiding in a dense patch of spruce timber. That was the very buck we had been wanting, having seen it on one or two occasions, so we decided to get an early start in the morning, and before daylight were well on the way, afoot. On nearing the place, while it was scarcely yet daylight, we were startled by a succession of growls, snarls, and a thrashing in the brush in the vicinity just where we could not locate, that sounded more like a general dog fight in a country village than anything else. It was some time before the light was sufficient for us to fix the spot when I saw three great timber wolves, about 100 yards distant, up the mountain side, threshing the ground with each other. I dropped my sights on the bunch and fired. They separated, slipping through the brush, and I saw one of them dragging a broken hindleg. On climbing to the place I found that they had been eating a deer and were fighting over the remains.

Turning away from the spot we proceeded on the hunt for the big buck, cautiously passing from one bunch of brush or trees to another, closely scanning the openings, when all of a sudden, as if placed there by magic, the splendid animals appeared on the summit of a bare knoll about 300 yards distant. I had a Ballard rifle mounted with a telescope sight, good for almost any distance, and taking a peep through the tube was more than delighted with the magnificent wide spreading antlers the fellow carried, there being six points on each side nearly perfect in uniformity at that. Sighting the cross hairs I fired. When the animal wheeled around, but still majestically held the summit. Injecting another cartridge I fired again and as before he wheeled partly around, standing rear and quartering towards me. Again I fired and he plunged over the brow of the knoll. We expected to find him on the other side, but on reaching the spot, found only drops of blood, spattered along his trail on the leaves and stones. We trailed the wounded animal for four miles, fully, some times the footprints entirely indistinguishable from the many others, and the dust absorbing the blood. Sometimes the trail was lost and we went in the general direction, crossing and recrossing until a spatter of blood on a leaf or stone betrayed the course of the fleeing deer. On approaching a ridge, a cautious survey was made, and only about 50 yards distant lay the animal with his head in the air keenly alert. With a bound he landed on his feet and dashed away on three legs, plunging into a patch of dense brush where he fell unable to proceed farther, but full of fight. Taking a lighter rifle which my companion carried, a neck shot ended his career.

On examination I found that the two first shots had pierced the antlers on each side at the main fork from the beam as clean as could be done with a drill, and the third shot had broken a hip. The shots had gone high, due to the use of express bullets which hold up well for almost any distance. The gun I used was a 40. 90 calibre, and I had been used to solid balls, which explained the high shooting, as the trajectory of a solid ball is greater than that of the express. The buck was the finest that had been killed in the district for several years, was as fat as the proverbial butter, and weighed, when dressed, 200 pounds. With much difficulty the venison was suspended on a pole, which I elevated by shoulder lifts, a little at a time, my wife slipping a forked pole, placed under the end, with the other end in the fork of a tree, as I lifted, in a manner that hunters will understand; and when we had the proud satisfaction of seeing him well up we started for the return trip to the ranch not having had a bite to eat all day, not even breakfast, where we arrived at 2 P.M., hungry but feeling successful. The next day the deer was brought in on a pack horse, and when the pelt was removed the fat was found to be two inches deep on the saddles.

THE WALLOPER.

Correspondence.

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A HUGE JACK SNIPE.

TO THE EDITOR OF "THE INDIAN FIELD."

SIR,—It may be of interest to some of your readers that yesterday I shot a *jack* snipe which seemed to me to be of abnormal size and weight. On reaching camp I weighed it most carefully myself and found it weighed slightly more than an ordinary fantail (full) snipe. The exact weight was 4⅞oz. As the average weight for a jack snipe is, I believe, 2½oz. and for an ordinary snipe 4¼oz. it will be seen that it weighed slightly *more* than the average full snipe.

GALLINAGO.

SAHARANPUR, *13th January 1907.*

RIFLE NOTES.

TO THE EDITOR OF "THE INDIAN FIELD."

SIR,—The importation of ·303 and ·450 bore sporting rifles being now forbidden in India and their ammunition being also difficult to obtain in the near future, it seems to me that it would be worth while in many cases for the possessors of these weapons to send them home to be rebored or otherwise altered to take suitable ammunition of a slightly larger calibre.

As regards the Lee-Enfield or Lee Metford this weapon is now being made in ·375 calibre as a sporting arm. It has, I believe, the same breech mechanism and magazine as the ·303, so that possibly ·303 magazine sporting arms might easily be converted into ·375 bores by having their barrels replaced by ·375 bore barrels, or it might perhaps be cheaper to have the ·303 barrels rebored for the ·375 cartridge. Double or single barrel rifles of ·303 gauge could no doubt be rebored to take any suitable cartridge from 315 to ·375 gauge.

Mr. Jefferies, an eminent rifle manufacturer, has just brought out a new ·475 calibre cartridge to take the place of the forbidden ·450. It is of the same kind as the newest and most powerful of the 450 cordite cartridges, but as its bullet is of 500 grains weight in place of 480 grains, it strikes a slightly harder blow with equal muzzle velocity—about 5 000ft. lbs. compared with 4,900ft. lbs. with a muzzle velocity of 2 150ft. secs. No doubt some of the existing ·450 nitro rifles could be rebored and chambered for this cartridge, as the difference in gauge and dimensions is trifling.

With suitable ammunition of about ·475 gauge made in the same varieties as the ·450, it would be possible to convert most of the existing ·450 single-shot and double barrelled rifles into ·475 bores. I wonder if gunmakers will take the matter up.

B.

THE U. P. GAME LAWS.

TO THE EDITOR OF "THE INDIAN FIELD."

SIR,—In continuation of my letter on the subject of the U. P. Shooting rules, printed in your issue of the 3rd January 1907, I wish to bring to *public* notice that, as I anticipated in my criticisms on Rule 10, the Conservator of this circle, so I am informed, has ruled that exempted officers and annual permit holders in form A on Rs. 100 cannot take friends with them during such period even if they are prepared to pay for them! In other words, they are, if they are to shoot at all, *compelled* to shoot *alone* for half the season and for the other half, as the demand for the jungles is, consequent on these very periods of grace much increased, they run a very good chance of not being able to get a permit in form A at all! Why exempted officers and Rs. 100 permit holders should be put under such serious disadvantages as compared with others is incomprehensible and the only effect will be that such officers and annual permit holders will endeavour as far as possible to secure jungles during *a permit period*. It will not cost exempted officers one pice more to do so, and if they succeed, they will block the jungles so taken by them to the *public* for 45 days! In other words, under this ruling if I am able to get a particular shooting area for a permit period I can shoot in it uninterruptedly for 45 days in succession, *i.e.*, for the first 15 days as a period of grace *alone*, for the next 15 days *with friends*, on payment for them, and for the third 15 days again as a period of grace *alone*. A more ridiculous state of affairs it does not seem possible to imagine! Of course the Forest Officer, as an Exempted Officer, will be bound by the same ruling, so he, too, if he wishes to have a friend to shoot with him in future, will be compelled to give himself a permit for a permit period which, of course, he can always do and the nett result will be the practical exclusion of the public altogether!

U. P.

SAHARANPUR, *15th January 1907.*

"U. P." OF SAHARANPUR AND THE FOREST DEPARTMENT.

TO THE EDITOR OF "THE INDIAN FIELD."

SIR,—In your issue of 3rd January your correspondent "U. P." of Saharanpur says the "main object of his note is to invite criticisms from any persons interested in them;" that "he personally, falling within the definition of Government Forest Officers, has no axe of his own to grind." As the locality whence "U. P." dates his letter is Saharanpur, his championship of the outsider creates a suspicion which is not dissipated by a careful perusal, and reperusal, of his lengthy letter. Notwithstanding his denial, it is clear that he *has* an axe to grind—a heavy one that he has been sharpening ever since the new rules came into force—and he has now delivered his blow. "U. P." of Saharanpur's "note" occupies nearly *nine* columns of your paper, containing, by calculation, eight thousand words; the lines in these nine columns make a continuous length, by calculation, of *seventy-five* yards! Having bound his victims, the Forest Department, hand and foot with this immense cord, and smothered them with a deluge of verbosity, he has buried the axe, which "he had not to grind," in the brains of these offending officials. Standing on the dividing ridge of his beloved Siwaliks, brandishing his dripping weapon, we outsiders contemplate in awed surprise this modern sporting Shiv!

Up to the 15th September 1906 all district officers were "restricted" by the new rules like the common herd outside the official pale. By dint of hard fighting certain of them won back their places among the "exempted." But this position is much below the commanding one which they held under the old rules

To regain their former standing, "U. P." of Saharanpur (who is evidently one of them) now attempts to use the sporting public as a means towards that end. But, intoxicated by the exuberance of his own verbosity, he has betrayed himself. All through his "note" he suggests suspicions against, and imputes unworthy motives to, the higher officials of the Forest Department who obstruct the path of sporting collectors. The Forest Department are well able to defend themselves and will probably do so at the proper time and in the proper manner. In the meantime the outside public should stand on their guard.

"U. P." of Saharanpur, on account of his official position, cannot discuss these rules "fromthe point of view of the general public," with an unbiassed mind; but he is eminently fitted to criticise them from the point of view of the "hitherto exempted official." The opinion *is* prevalent that "the interests of district officials, of the private person and of the military officer run entirely counter to one another." Any endeavour of the first to win over the two latter to their side should be viewed with suspicion. In the present instance it is plain that "U. P." of Saharanpur is making a stalking horse of the "general public" for the purpose of getting within range of the only forest game now left him, the Forest Department itself!

The rules picked to pieces by your correspondent are certainly defective in many respects. They will form a good basis for a new set which will doubtless be issued in due course. If "U. P." of Saharanpur had been more temperate in his language, and had confined his criticisms within reasonable limits some good might have come of his study of the new regulations; but he has been so led away by his eagerness to attack the Forest Department that he has succeeded in only exciting suspicion

It would be too great an infliction on your readers to follow your correspondent's example and to spread this letter over nine columns of your paper in the attempt to expose the unfairness and misleading nature of most of his criticisms. Let two instances suffice. "U. P." of Saharanpur says "rule 2 is intended to prevent any sportsman from spearing chital and para from horseback" and he cannot understand "why it should be considered more objectionable to allow a man to spear a chital stag or a para stag by *fair riding* than to allow him to approach and shoot one from within a few yards from off an elephant." Rule 2 (4) says: "spearing and running with *dogs* is absolutely prohibited." The *horse* is not referred to at all. No mention whatever is made of "spearing from horseback." Under rule 5 your correspondent suggests that "Gazetted Forest Officers being exempted might, under this rule, in a comparatively short time, shoot the full number of species allowed to be shot; and that then the outside public would be excluded on the grounds that a sufficient number of a particular species had already been shot." "If there is to be a limit let there be the same limit for one and all, exempted or otherwise." The exact words of this rule are: "The Conservator . . . shall restrict shooting so as to prevent the fixed limit being exceeded. *This restriction applies to both permit holders and exempted officers.*" "U. P." of Saharanpur says Conservators should not have such absolute powers. Who then is to have them? Sporting Collectors of course!

In other parts of his "note" your correspondent says the Forest Department works the rules "tactlessly" and "unfairly," that they tried to prove that game was being exterminated, which is "untue;" that they were reserving the forests for themselves; that they were ignorant of the requirements of sanctuaries; that they have exceeded their powers; that they can easily ensure their own applications being first received and so on

It seems impossible to touch this subject without importing into the discussion this contentious spirit—more's the pity for the outside sporting public.

S. J. S.

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INDIAN RACING FIXTURES.

NAME OF RACES.	MONTH.	DATE.
Bombay Seventh Extra	Jan.	26
Dibrugarh	,,	22, 24 & 25
Calcutta Fourth Extra	,,	26
Lucknow Spring	Feb.	2, 4 & 6
Bombay Eighth Extra	,,	2
,, Ninth ,,	,,	9
Calcutta Fifth Extra	,,	9
,, Sixth ,,	,,	16
,, Seventh ,,	,,	23
Gorakhpore Spring	,,	13 & 15
Bombay	,,	18, 16, 18, 20 & 23
N. B. M. R. Regimental	,,	20
Bulandshahr Challenge Cup	,,	21
Bareilly Spring	,,	25 & 27
Secunderabad	,,	26 & March 2
Meerut Spring	Mar.	2, 5 & 7
Kathiawar	,,	4 & 6
Jorhat	,,	6 & 8
Rangoon Spring	,,	9, 12 & 14
Bombay Tenth Extra	,,	2
,, Eleventh ,,	,,	9
,, Twelfth ,,	,,	16
,, Thirteenth ,,	,,	23
,, Fourteenth ,,	,,	30
Umballa Spring	,,	12, 14 & 16
Lahore Spring	,,	20 & 22
Rawalpindi Spring	,,	23, 26 & 28
Jubbulpore	,,	26, 28 & 30
Muzafarnugger Challenge Cup	,,	6
Madras Winter	,,	12, 14 & 16
Punjab Army Classes	,,	28 & 30

CLOSING DATES OF ENTRIES.

Gorakhpore Spring	Second	31st January.
	Third	10th February.
Jubbulpore	First	13th February.
	Second	20th February.
	Third	12th March.
N. B. M. R. Regimental		10th February.
Madras Winter	First	15th February.
	Final	5th March.
Lahore Spring	First	15th February.
	Second	1st March.
	Third	10th March.
Rawalpindi Spring	First	15th February.
	Second	6th March.
	Third	15th March.
Punjab Army Classes	First	15th February.
	Second	6th March.
	Third	15th March.

INDIAN SPORTING FIXTURES

POLO.	
Infantry Tournament (Meerut)	Begins 18th February.
SHOWS.	
Calcutta Kennel Club Dog Show	6th February.
HOCKEY	
All India Tournament (Allahabad)	Begins 24th February.
ROWING.	
Madras B. C. Annual Regatta	26th January.
Poona Royal Connaught B. C. Regatta	14th & 16th February.
LAWN TENNIS.	
S. India Tournament	Begins 4th March.
BOXING.	
Minto Fête Tournament (Calcutta)	27th Jan.—5th February.
ATHLETICS	
Y. M. C. A. Meeting	26th January.
Howrah United Club Meeting	16th February.
Bengal Presidency A. A. Meeting	2nd March.
FOOTBALL.	
Minto Fête Tournament	In February.
Madras Gymkhana Association Tournament	4th to 9th March.

ENGLISH RACING FIXTURES.

(Principal Races in 1907.)

Lincolnshire Handicap (1 mile)	Tuesday, 19th March.
Racehorse Stakes (4 furlongs 6 yards)	Wednesday, 27th March.
Liverpool Grand National (4 miles 856 yards)	Friday, 22nd March.
Queen's Prize (1 mile)	Monday, 1st April.
Craven Stakes (1 mile 22 yards)	Thursday, 4th April.
Great Metropolitan Stakes (2¼ miles)	Tuesday, 23rd April.
City and Suburban (1¼ mile)	Wednesday, 24th April.
Two Thousand Guineas (1 mile)	Wednesday, 1st May.
One Thousand Guineas (1 mile)	Friday, 3rd May.
Chester Cup (1¼ miles)	Wednesday, 8th May.
Kempton Park Great Jubilee Handicap (1½ mile)	Saturday, 11th May.
Newmarket Stakes (1 mile 2 furlongs)	Wednesday, 15th May.
Manchester Cup (1½ mile)	Friday, 24th May.
Prix du Jockey Club (1½ mile)	Saturday, 2nd June.
The Derby (1½ mile)	Wednesday, 5th June.
The Coronation Cup (1½ mile)	Thursday, 6th June.
The Oaks (1½ mile)	Friday, 7th June.
Grand Prix de Paris (1 mile 7 furlongs)	Sunday, 16th June.
Ascot Stakes (2 miles)	Tuesday, 18th June.
Ascot Gold Vase (2 miles)	Tuesday, 18th June.
Royal Hunt Cup (7 furlongs 166 yards)	Wednesday, 19th June.
Gold Cup (1½ mile)	Thursday, 20th June.
New Stakes (5 furlongs 144 yards)	Thursday, 20th June.
Hardwicke Stakes (1½ mile)	Friday 21st June.
Northumberland Plate (2 miles)	Wednesday, 26th June.
July Stakes (Newmarket) (5 furlongs 144 yards)	Tuesday, 2nd July.
Princess of Wales Stakes (1 mile 4 furlongs)	Thursday, 4th July.
Eclipse Stakes (1½ mile)	Friday, 19th July.
Liverpool Cup (1 mile 3 furlongs)	Friday, 26th July.
Stewards' Cup (Goodwood) (6 furlongs)	Tuesday, 30th July.
Goodwood Plate (2 miles)	Wednesday, 31st July.
Goodwood Cup (2½ miles)	Thursday, 1st August.
Brighton Cup (1¼ mile)	Wednesday, 7th August.
Great Northern Leger (1 mile 5 furlongs)	Wednesday, 21st August.
Prince of Wales Plate (2 furlongs)	Tuesday, 27th August.
Great Eber Handicap (1½ mile)	Wednesday, 28th August.
Gimcrack Stakes (6 furlongs)	Thursday, 29th August.
Great Yorkshire Handicap (1 mile 6furs. 13 yrds.)	Tuesday, 10th September.
Champagne Stakes (Doncaster) (5 furs. 132 yrds.)	Tuesday, 10th September.
St. Leger (1 mile 6 furlongs 132 yards)	Wednesday, 11th Septr.
Doncaster Cup (2 miles)	Friday, 13th September.
Prince Edward Handicap (1¼ mile)	Saturday, 21st Septr.
Jockey Club Stakes (1½ mile)	Thursday, 3rd October.
Prix du Conseil Municipal (Paris) 1½ mile)	Sunday, 6th October.
Duke of York Stakes (1¼ mile)	Saturday, 12th October.
Cesarewitch Stakes (2¼ miles)	Wednesday, 16th October.
Middle Park Plate (6 furlongs)	Friday, 18th October.
Cambridgeshire Stakes	Wednesday, 30th Octr.
Dewhurst Plate (7 furlongs)	Thursday, 31st Octr.
Liverpool Autumn Cup (1 mile 3 furlongs)	Friday, 8th November.
Manchester November Handicap (1¼ mile)	Saturday, 23rd Novr.

ENGLISH SPORTING FIXTURES.

England vs. Ireland (Rugby)	9th February.
England vs. Ireland (Association)	16th February.
Oxford vs. Cambridge (Association)	20th February.
Ireland vs. Wales (Association)	23rd February.
Scotland vs. Ireland (Rugby)	23rd February.
Wales vs. Scotland (Association)	4th March.
Ireland vs. Wales (Rugby)	9th March.
Oxford and Cambridge Sports	15th March.
Scotland vs. Ireland (Association)	16th March.
England vs. Scotland (Rugby)	16th March.
Varsity Boat Race	16th March.
England vs. Wales (Association)	18th March.
Amateur Boxing Championship	27th March.
English Amateur Cup Final (Association)	30th March.
England vs. Scotland (Association)	6th April.
Tennis Championship, Fairs vs. Latham	6th May.
England vs. Scotland (Amateur Golf)	24th May.
Amateur Golf Championship	28th May.
Golf Open Championship	26th June.
England vs. South Africa (Cricket)	1st July.
Oxford vs. Cambridge (Cricket)	4th July.
Amateur Athletic Championships	6th July.
Eton vs. Harrow (Cricket)	12th July.
Gentlemen vs. Players (Cricket)	17th July.
England vs. South Africa (Cricket)	29th July.
Rugby vs. Marlborough (Cricket)	31st July.
Dublin Horse Show	27th August.

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CALCUTTA RACES.

SECOND MEETING.

STEWARDS:

HON'BLE MR. A. A. APCAR, C.S.I., MR. J. G. DICKSON, MR. W. GARTH, MR. J. R STEWART, MR. J. D. WEST, } Calcutta Turf Club.

Judges:—MR. G. B. DEAKIN AND MR. A. G. H. MACPHERSON.
Starter:—MR. R. G. BATES.
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Third Day, Saturday, 19th January 1907.

THE second meeting was brought to a close this afternoon with excellent sport, a feature of which was the number of close finishes. The Hon'ble Mr. Apcar added the Merchants' Plate to his long list of successes this season, Mallard winning from Footprint. Details in our Sporting Notes. Results:—

PONY PURSE.—Rs. 1,200 to the winner, Rs. 300 to the second, and Rs. 200 to the third. A handicap for Arabs 14-2, C.-B's. 14-1, and other ponies 14 hands and under. 7 furlongs.

Mr. J. D Scott's b aus g Wal, 7st. 8lbs.	Kaeson	1
Mr. J. C. Galstaun's b aus m Circus Girl, 7st. 2lbs.	Melsom	2

(*Winner trained by J. D. Scott.*)

Totalisator paid Rs. 14 to win.

BETTING: 6 to 4 on Wal, 5 to 4 agst. Circus Girl.

Wal led from start to finish and won by three lengths. Time—1min. 32⅘secs.

THE SELLING HANDICAP.—Rs. 1,500 to the winner, Rs. 300 to the second, and Rs. 200 to the third. A high-weight handicap for horses entered to be sold for Rs. 1,500. 6 furlongs.

Mr. Charles' bk aus g Foy, 8st. 3lbs. ...	Bullock	1
Mr. P. B. Avasia's ch e g Presbyterian, 10st. 1lb.	Forth	2
Mr. E. J. Marshall's br e g Master Charlie, 8st. 10lbs.	Southall	3
Mr. J. M. Rodocanachi's b e m Downland, 8st. 9lbs.	Fraser	4
Mr. J. C. Galstaun's b aus g Gum, 9st. 4lbs.	Robinson	0
Mr. A. N. Dass' b aus g Springlock, 8st. 6lbs	Lansdown	0
Mr. Charles' ch aus m Woodbine, 8st. 4lbs.	Bray	0
Mr. B. B.'s b e m Bouquet, 8st. 4lbs. ...	Melsom	0
Mr. David Clark's b aus m Thetis, 8st. 3lbs.	Murdison	0
Mr. Dartmoor's b aus g Defendant, 8st. 11lb.	Kaeson	0
Mr. J. A. Manning's b aus g Bucentaur, 7st. 10lbs.	O'Neil	0
Mr. Field's b e g Nirvana, 7st. 5lbs. ...	Baichan	0

(*Winner trained by Pringle.*)

Totalisator paid Rs. 58 to win; Rs. 23, Rs. 41 and Rs. 17 for places.

BETTING: 2 to 1 agst. Master Charlie, 5 to 1 Foy, 6 to 1 each Presbyterian, Gum, Downland and Bouquet, 20 to 1 the others.

Master Charlie and Gum led to the turn, where they were joined by Foy and Presbyterian. In the straight Master Charlie and Presbyterian went to the front, but Foy came away opposite the stands and won by a neck; a head between second and third; two lengths and a half between third and fourth. Time—1min. 16secs.

THE BELVEDERE PONY PLATE.—Rs. 1,200 to the winner, Rs. 300 to the second and Rs. 200 to the third. A high-weight handicap for ponies 14-2 and under. 1 mile.

Mr. O. M. D. Bell's bk e m Psalm, 9st. 11b.	Firth	1
Mr. E. C. Ramshaw's b aus m Wakeful, 9st. 4lbs.	Bray	2
Col. P. K. Beaver's ch e g Jolly Roger, 8st 10lbs.	Baichan	3
Mr. J. C. Galstaun's b e g Silphoe, 8st. 11lbs.	Robinson	4
Mr. J. C. Galstaun's b aus h Matalgia, 9st. 7lbs.	Melsom	0
Mr. Bunting's b e m Lady Vera, 8st. 3lbs.	Kaeson	0
Mr. J. D. Scott's b aus g Duplex II., 7st. 12lbs.	Southall	0

(*Winner trained by Firth*)

Totalisator paid Rs. 66 to win; Rs. 28 and Rs. 21 for places.

BETTING: 5 to 2 each agst. Wakeful and Silphoe, 9 to 2 each Psalm and Jolly Roger, 8 to 1 Duplex II., 20 to 1 each Lady Vera and Matalgia.

Duplex led to the old stand, where she was joined by Lady Vera and Psalm. The last named went to the front at the turn and showed the way into the straight. Wakeful and Jolly Roger challenged her, but Psalm maintained her lead and won by half a length: a neck dividing second and third: three-quarter length between third and fourth. Time—1min. 44⅕secs.

THE MERCHANTS' PLATE.—Rs. 5,000 to the winner, Rs. 700 to the second, and Rs. 300 to the third. A handicap for horses. 1¼ miles.

Hon. Mr. A. A. Apcar's b aus h Mallard, 9st. 11b.	Vining	1
Mr. E. L. F. DeSoysa's b e h Footprint, 6st. 5lbs. (dec. 10lbs.)	O'Neil	2
Mr. J. C. Galstaun's br aus g Prince Lyon, 6st. 5lbs. (dec. 6lbs.)	Melsom	3
Mr. E. J. Marshall's b aus g Kipling, 7st. 4lbs.	Baichan	4
Mr. Maxwell's br aus h The Master, 6st. 11lbs. (dec. 1lb.)	Fraser	0
Mr. Spooner-Hart's ch aus h Contest, 6st. (dec. 5lbs.)	A. Fergusson	0
Messrs. Hudson and Butler's br e m Blitzen, 6st. (dec. 12lbs).	Davis	0

(*Winner trained by Watson.*)

Totalisator paid Rs. 19 to win; Rs. 13 and Rs. 20 for places.

BETTING: 6 to 4 on Mallard, 5 to 1 Kipling, 6 to 1 The Master, 7 to 1 Footprint, 12 to 1 Prince Lyon, 20 to 1 the others.

First Contest and then Kipling led and at the mile were well in front of the rest who were led by Prince-Lyon. There was little change till the turn, where Kipling led from Prince Lyon with Mallard and Footprint close up. At the distance Footprint and Mallard came away, the latter winning by a neck; three lengths between second and third; half a length between third and fourth. Time—2mins. 35⅖secs.

THE HOOGHLY PLATE.—Rs. 3,000 to the winner, Rs. 600 to the second, and Rs. 400 to the third. A handicap for horses. 5 furlongs.

Mr. Dartmoor's ch aus g Amyas, 8st. 3lbs.	Kaeson	1
Mr. Dartmoor's ch e g Sacristan II., 9st. ...	Bullock	2
Mr. Holmes' bk e m Annamulloch, 8st. 3lbs.	O'Neil	3
Mr. J. C. Galstaun's bk aus g Dulcimer, 7st. 8lbs.	Melsom	4
Col. P. K. L. Beaver's b aus g Manlock, 7st. 8lbs. (dec. 2lbs.)	Southall	0
Hon. Mr. A. A. Apcar's br aus m Martinique, 7st. 8lbs.	Manley	0
Mr. P. B. Avasia's b aus g Dormant, 6st. 12lbs.	Fraser	0

(*Winner trained by Taylor.*)

Totalisator paid Rs. 82 to win; Rs. 42 and Rs. 37 for places.

BETTING: 2 to 1 agst Manlock, 5 to 1 each Dormant, Amyas, Sacristan II. and Dulcimer, 8 to 1 each Annamulloch and Martinique.

Mr. Dartmoor's pair showed the way to the half mile, where Dulcimer went to the front and brought them into the straight. Here Amyas and Sacristan again took command, a great race home resulting in a win for Amyas by a neck: a length between second and third: two lengths between third and fourth. Time—1min. 1⅘secs.

THE BHOWANIPUR PLATE.—Rs. 1,500 to the winner, Rs. 300 to the second, and Rs. 200 to the third. A high-weight handicap for horses that have not won a flat race value Rs. 1,500 or over since 31st March 1904. 5 furlongs.

Thakur Sripal Singh's ch aus m Rustile, 9st. 4lbs.	Vining	1
Mr. E. J. Marshall's b aus g Camira, 9st. 6lbs.	Kaeson	2
Mrs. A. Grosser's br aus g Swindle, 6st. 13lbs. (dec. 1lb.)	Manley	3
Thakur Sripal Singh's b aus g Flotsam, 9st. 6lbs.	C. Hoyt	4
Mr. J. D. Scott's b e m Honest Lady, 10st. 7lbs.	Lansdown	0
Mr. Dartmoor's b aus m Lady Metal, 10st.	Bray	0
H. H. Kour Sahib of Patiala's ch aus m Florrie, 9st. 12lbs.	Southall	0
Mr. W. H. Walmsley's b c g Jack Sheppard, 9st. 11lbs. ...	Mr. Bell-Irving	0
Mr. D. B. Myer's g r e h Jolly Abbot, 9st. 10lbs.	Bradshaw	0
Mr. Charles' b e g Pendred, 9st. 9lbs.	Bullock	0
Messrs. Paris and Marshall's br e m Lady Anna, 8st. 5lbs.	Murdison	0
Mr. Austin's b aus g Bundah, 8st. 9lbs. ...	Baichan	0
Mr. J. C. Galstaun's br aus m Windy, 8st. 3lbs.	Robinson	0
Mr. O. M. D. Bell's br aus g Bell Dhu, 8st. 2lbs.	Firth	0
Mr. McGeorge's br e m Devil's Limit, 7st. 8lbs.	Fraser	0
Mr. A. N. Dass' b e m Miss Trenton, 6st. 4lbs. (dec. 1lb.)	A. Fergusson	0

(*Winner trained by Thomas.*)

Totalisator paid Rs. 149 to win; Rs. 30, Rs. 31, Rs. 40 for places.

BETTING: 5 to 1 each agst. Camira, Bundah and Bell Dhu, 8 to 1 Jack Sheppard, 10 to 1 Rustile, Lady Anna and Windy, 12 to 1 each Jolly Abbot and Swindle, 20 to 1 each the others.

Rustile was first away followed by Camira, Swindle and Flotsam and this order was maintained to the finish. Won by three quarters of a length: half a length between second and third: a length between third and fourth. Time—1min. 2⅗secs.

THE CITY PLATE.—Rs. 1,500 to the winner, Rs. 300 to the second, and Rs. 200 to the third. A high-weight handicap for horses that have not won a flat race value Rs. 1,500 or over since 31st March 1904. R. C. (1m. 5f. 48yds.)

Mr. G. B. Deakin's ch e g Beaunero, 7st. 8lbs.	Kaeson	1
Hon. Mr. A. A. Apcar's ch aus m Nak Our, 7st. 13lbs.	Vining	2
Mr. B. B.'s ch aus m Leda, 7st. 10lbs. ...	Melsom	3
Mr. A. N. Dass' b e g Insurrection, 7st. 13lbs.	O'Neil	0
Mr. Dartmoor's b e g Bundook, 9st. 2lbs.	Baichan	0
Mr. J. C. Galstaun's b nth am g Riverside II., 8st. 6lbs.	Robinson	0
H. H. Kour Sahib of Patiala's bk aus g Lord Boyne, 8st. 6lbs.	Southall	0
Mr. D. B. Myers' bk or br e h Black Duke, 8st. 4lbs.	Bradshaw	0
Mr. B. B.'s b e m Bouquet, 8st. (dec. 2lbs.)	Lansdown	0
Mr. Borneo's b aus g Pennant, 7st. 11lbs.	Fraser	0
Mr. Charles' b aus g Refuge Bay, 7st. 9lbs.	Drew	0

(*Winner trained by J. D. Scott*)

Totalisator paid Rs. 32 to win; Rs. 19, Rs. 31 and Rs. 17 for places.

BETTING: 6 to 4 agst. Beaunero, 4 to 1 Lord Boyne, 5 to 1 Black Duke, 8 to 1 Bundook, 12 to 1 each Leda, Insurrection, Pennant and Riverside, 15 to 1 Nak Our, 20 to 1 each Bouquet and Refuge Bay.

Insurrection and Beaunero were first away but soon resigned in favour of Leda who led all the way to the turn. In the straigh Beaunero went to the front and, in spite of an effort on the part of Nak Our, won by two and a half lengths: a length between second and third; four lengths between third and fourth. Time—2mins. 58secs.

BOMBAY SIXTH EXTRA MEETING.

Saturday, 19th January 1907.

ALMOST uncommonly good day for the bookmakers with whom the tide that leads on to fortune seems just now to be in full flood over here, while from all accounts that august body is doing little more than clearing expenses on your side of the country—eh what! Details are given in my Sporting Notes this week. I append results:—

THE FIRST NURSERY PLATE.—Winner, Rs. 20?; second, Rs. 100; third, Rs. 50. For Arabs 14 hands and under landed since 1st July 1906. 14 hands to carry 9st. 3lbs. W. I. 5 furlongs.

Messrs. Goculdas and Nanjee's Nazzar, 8st. 8lbs.	Ames	1
Mr. Kaita's Lucky Prince, 8st. 5lbs. ...	Heeroo	2
Mr. Hamed Dawood's Thuyyar, 8st. 5lbs. (car. 8st. 7lbs.)	Forster	3
Mr. Ali bin Talib's Lailan, 9st. 4lbs.	C. B. Mahomed	0

Also ran: Anchor, 8-11; Shummer, 8-5; Shah Line, 7-13 (car. 8-3); Mufiud 7-10; Fadil, 7-4; Young Kolah, 7-4; and Collector, 7-1.

BETTING: Evens Lucky Prince, 4 to 1 agst. Thuyyar, 6 to 1 Lailan, 8 to 1 each Nazzar, Shah Line, and Collector, and 15 to 1 and 10 to 1 the others.

Won by two lengths; a head between second and third. Time—1min. 10⅖secs.

THE LITTLE ARAB PLATE.—Winner, Rs. 500; second, Rs. 200; third, Rs. 100. A high-weight handicap for Arabs 13-3 and under. 6 furlongs.

Mr. H. A. Shabag's Shanwar, 7st. 10lbs. ...	Mujeed	1
Mr. R. R S's Mint, 9st. 3lbs.... ...	F. Williams	2
Mr. S. N. Mahomed's Darby, 7st. 11lbs. ... (car. 8st. 11b.)	Ames	3
The Hon'ble Mr. A. Hill Trevor's Advocate-General, 7st.	Kuria	0

Also ran: Little Joker, 7-3 and Young Gazelle, 7-4.

BETTING: 6 to 4 agst. Little Joker, 2 to 1¼ Mint, 4 to Darby, 8 to 1 Young Gazelle, and 10 to 1 each Shanwar an Advocate-General.

Won by a neck; a head between second and third. Time—1min 23⅖secs.

THE SECOND NURSERY PLATE.—Winner, Rs. 200; second, Rs. 100; third, Rs. 50. For Arabs 14 hands and under landed since 1st July 1906. 14 hands to carry 9st. 3lbs. W. I. 5 furlongs.

Mr. Doya Khalill's, 8st. 5lbs. ...	C. B. Mahomed	1
Mr. Ibrahim Manah's Matek, 7st. 7lbs. ...	Kamad	2
Mr. H Bin zaher's Salaanic, 8st. 6lbs. ...	Foster	3
Mr. R. R Natu's Little Sanaya, 8st. (car. 8st. 11b.)	Oomerkhan	0

Also ran: Chumchum, 8-6; Namoos, 8-2 (car. 8-3); Greyboy, 7-13; Happy Land, 7-4 (car. 7-7); Scipio, 7-1 (car 7-7).

BETTING: 7 to 4 agst. Little Sanaya, 3 to 1 Scipio, 8 to 1 each Greyboy, Matek, and Happy Land, and longer odds the others.

Won by three-quarters of a length; a head between second and third. Time—1min. 11⅘secs.

THE NEWMARKET PLATE.—Winner, Rs. 500; second, Rs. 200; third, Rs. 100. A high-weight handicap for horses. furlongs.

Mr. R. R. S.'s Killua, 10st. 7lbs. ...	Omerkhan	1
Messrs. Goculdas and Nanjee's Gun Metal, 8st. 3lbs.	Ames	2
Mr. W. J. Hutchin's Baritone, 8st. 10lbs. ..	Fisher	3
Mr. John Morris' Vocalist, 8st. 2lbs. (car. 8st. 4lbs.)	F. Williams	0

Also ran: Royalist, 8-13; Adelaide, 8-8; Maraschino, 7-0; Russley Maid, 6-12.

BETTING: 6 to 4 agst Killua, 2 to 1 Gun Metal, 4 to 1 Vocalist, 5 to 1 Baritone, 6 to 1 Adelaide, and 10 to 1 the others.

Won by half a length; a head between second and third. Time—1min. 2⅖secs.

THE CHARNI ROAD PLATE.—Winner, Rs. 500; second, Rs. 200; third, Rs. 100. A high-weight Handicap for Arabs. 9 furlongs.

Mr. A. M. Bushari's Panala II., 6st. 7lbs. (car. 7st. 2lbs.) ...	Mujeed	1
Mr. Ali bin Talib's Hampstead, 8st. 2lbs.	C. B. Mahomed	2

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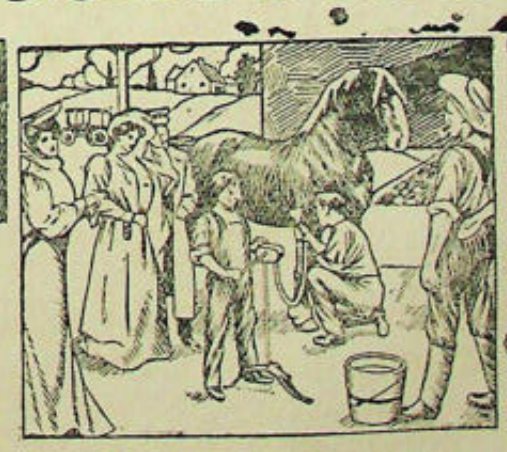

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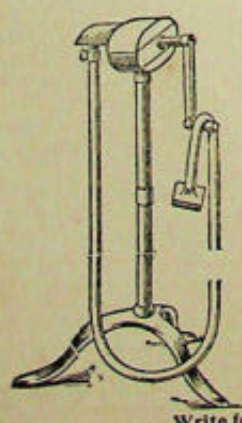

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Mr. Runchordas' Young Kaiser, 7st. 4lbs. Kamad 3
Mr. R. R. S.'s Precious, 10st. 11lb. ... F. Williams 4
Also ran: Skylark, 8-12 and Mooreed, 8 4.

BETTING: 6 to 4 on Precious, 6 to 1 each agst. Skylark, Mooreed, and Hampstead, 8 to 1 Panala II., 10 to 1 Young Kaiser.
Won by four lengths; a length between second and third. Time—2mins. 7secs.

THE CHURCH GATE PLATE.—Winner, Rs. 200; second, Rs. 100; third, Rs. 50. For Arabs 14 hands and under which have not won flat race value Rs. 500 or over, 14 hands to carry 8st. 5lbs. W. I. 7 furlongs.

Mr. T. Tejpal's Antica, 8st. 10lbs. ... Kamad 1
Mr. D. Runchordass' Ashroff, 9-st. 2lbs. ... Robertson 2
Mr. A. Razak's Osborne, 8st. 13lbs. ...Oomerkhan } D.-H.
Mr. Readymoney's Mudlool, 8st. 11lb. (car. 8st. 3lbs.) ... ... F. Williams }
Also ran: Vedas, 9-6; Wadi, 9-5; Caravan, 7-13; Honey, 8-1; Settler, 8-1; Breechloader, 8-0; and Nagashi, 7-2.

BETTING: 2 to 1 agst. Mudlool, 3 to 1 Antica, 7 to 1 Vedas, 8 to 1 each Osborne and Settler and longer prices the others.
Won by three-quarters of a length; two lengths between second and third. Time—1min. 38⅘secs.

THE ADELAIDE PLATE.—Winner, Rs. 500; second, Rs. 200; third, Rs. 100. A high-weight handicap for ponies 14-2 and under. 6 furlongs.

Mr. S.'s Come Back, 10st. 3lbs. ... F. Williams 1
Mr. Artin Essayie's Koko, 7st. 10lbs ... Heeroo 2
Mr. Vaid's Mandeville, 8st. 6lbs. ... Kamad 3
Mr. Kelso's Russley Rose, 9st. 7lbs. ... Oomerkhan 0
Also ran: Achievement, 6-12.

BETTING: 6 to 4 on Come Back, 3 to 1 agst. Russley Rose, 4 to 1 Mandeville, 7 to 1 Koko, and 10 to 1 Achievement.
Won by three-quarters of a length; two lengths between second and third. Time—1min. 16⅘secs.

THE THIRD NURSERY PLATE.—Winner, Rs. 200; second, Rs. 100; third, Rs. 50. For Arabs 14 hands and under landed since 1st July 1906. 14 hands to carry 9st. 3lbs. W. I. 5 furlongs.

Mr. H. A. Khaderie's Caroon, 7st. 11lb. (car. 7st. 2lbs.) ... ... Mujeed 1
Heeroo 2
Mr. Adil's Squire, 8st. ... ...
Messrs. Goculdas and Nanjee's Raickan, 7st. 5lbs. ... ... Ames 3
Mr. A. M. Mano's Madras, 8st. 8lbs. ... F. Williams 0
Also ran: Dhoora, 8-11; Albert Victor, 8-11; Spearmint, 7-11; Supporter, 8 2 (car. 8-3); and Ragub, 7-1.

BETTING: 6 to 4 agst. Madras, 2 to 1 Raichan, 4 to 1 Dhoora, 5 to 1 Squire, 6 to 1 Ragub, and 8 to 1 and 10 to 1 the others
Won by three-quarters of a length; half a length between second and third. Time—1min. 9⅘secs.

THE R. A. POINT TO POINT RACES.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

THE R. A. Point to Point Meeting was held in camp at Birsandra, 20 miles from Bangalore. Six batteries took part; Colonel Connolly and the officers of the R. A. gave a sumptuous luncheon and a special train, which ran from Bangalore, carried about 200 guests. The Resident, Generals Barker and Scallon and many ladies were present and a really excellent afternoon's sport resulted. Details:—

R. A. LIGHT-WEIGHT POINT TO POINT.—A Cup presented by the Rev. E. G. Brownrigg. For horses catch-weights 11st. 3½ miles.

Capt. Dinnestoun's Ardanine ... ... Owner 1
Mr. Pile's Hard Cheese ... ... Owner 2
Mr. Spinks The Rake ... ... Owner 3
Also ran: Mr. Naper's Skin the Great; Major Hobson's Plotter; Mr. Cox's Long Un; Mr. Tovey's Toreador; Mr. Terry's Billy.

BETTING: 2 to 1 all round.
Won easily by five lengths; ten lengths between second and third.

R. A. POLO SCURRY.—Catch-weights; Arabs 10st., others 12st. 2 furlongs.

Major Thomas' Lady Betty ... ... Mr. Spinks 1
Mr. Boyd's Christopher ... ... Major Graham 2
Capt. Tovey's Derision ... ... Owner 3
Also ran: Mr. Naper's Grand Master; Mr. Belgrave's Fizzle; Mr. Corne's Brown; Mr. Marryatt's Golden Gleam; Mr. Terry's Stella and Mr. Belgrave's Nubia.

BETTING: Evens Lady Betty, 2 to 1 and 3 to 1 agst. the rest.
Won after a good race by two lengths; a head between second and third.

THE CONNOLLY CUP.—Presented by Colonel W. H. Connolly. A heavy weight point to point race for horses. Catch-weights 13st. 7lbs. 3¼ miles.

Mr. Spinks' Sandyford ... ... Owner 1
Mr. Belgrave's Rufus ... ... Owner 2
Capt. Evans' Conky ... ... Owner 3
Also ran: Mr. Corne's Cunetator (?); Captain Gill's Tobey; Major Graham's Gaelty; and Major Thomas' Marraphantre (?)

BETTING: Evens Gaelty, 4 to 1 agst. Marraphantre, longer odds the others.
Won comfortably by four lengths; bad third.

R. A. PATHFINDING COMPETITION.—Teams of four from batteries or brigade staff. Catch-weights. 2 miles.

81st Battery, G. Battery, R. H. A. 1
83rd and 84th Batteries 2
Also competed: 76th Battery, 84th Battery and Brigade Staff.
Winners 22 points, second 29.

OPEN POINT TO POINT CUP.—Presented by Colonel John Manifold. For horses and ponies 14½. Catch-weights. 3½ miles.

Mr. Gwyer's David ... ... Capt. Palmer 1
Mr. Spinks' The Gander ... ... Owner 2
Capt. Palmer's The Gander ... ... Owner 3
Capt. Dennistoun's The Duck ... ... Owner 0
Also started: Mr. Naper's Sympathy; Mr. Corne's Boris Major Teckell's Fil Fil; Major Warner's Hazy Dream.

BETTING: 2 to 1 on The Gander, 2 to 1 agst. David, 3 to 1 and 4 to 1 the others.
Won after a grand finish by a head; bad third.

R. A. POINT TO POINT.—For ponies. Arabs 14¼, 10st., others 14¼, 12st. Weight for inches. 2 miles.

Mr. Belgrave's Nubia ... ... Mr. Burmester 1
Major Thomas' Lady Betty ... ... Mr. Spinks 2
Capt. Tovey's Derision ... ... Owner 3
Also ran: Mr. Naper's Grand Master; Mr. Marryat's Golden Gleam; Mr. Boyd's Christopher; Captain Gill's Blucher.

BETTING: Evens Lady Betty, 3 to 1 agst. Blucher, 4 to 1 Derision, longer odds the rest.
Won by a neck in the last dozen strides; bad third.

R. A. HAIRY COMPETITION.—Horses and hired chargers barred. Catch-weights. 4 furlongs.

Major Graham's John Peel ... ... Owner 1
Mr. Belgrave's Covert ... ... Owner 2
Mr. Burmester's Hirsuite One ... Owner 3
Also ran: Mr. Naper's Antepathy; Mr. Pile's Hell for Leather; Captain Dennistoun's 226; Mr. Boyd's Blank; Mr. Corne's Black Bear; Major Hobson's Plotter; Mr. Boyd's Spavin; Mr. Sherrard's Whistling Crow.

BETTING: Evens John Peel, 2 to 1 and 3 to 1 agst. the rest.
Won easily.

NOTE.—This telegram was much mutilated in transit: we can only hope we have guessed near enough to some of the names to render them recognisable ED.

AMBALA OPEN GYMKHANA.

STEWARDS:

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MAJOR R. ST. CLECKY, R.H.A.
MAJOR M. E. COOKSON, Royal Sussex Regt.
Judge:—T. R. BADGER, ESQ.
Starter:—MR. A. BEEDHAM.
Clerk of Scales:—W. H. KING, ESQ.

Saturday, 19th January 1907.

COPERS' PLATE.—Value Rs. 49. For C.-B. ponies 14-1 and under, the property of Residents of Ambala that have been purchased from dealers since 1st October 1906. C.-B.'s 14-1 to carry 11-7. W. I. ¼ mile.

Major Walker's b cb m Dame Durdan, 10st. 11lb. ... ... Mr. Beedham 1
Mr. Erskine's ch cb m Glennie, 11st. 4lbs. Mr. Wilberforce 2
Mr. Dibben's br cb m Doreen 11., 10st. 9lbs. ... ... Owner 3
Won easily by three lengths.

GARRISON PLATE.—Value Rs. 48; Rs. 32 to the winner and Rs. 16 to the second. For ponies 14-1 and under that have never won a race to the value of Rs. 45 or over, the property of N.-C. O.'s of the Ambala Garrison. ¼ mile.

S. S. M. Parker's b cb g Bakhtyar, 12st. ... Mr. Newman 1
S. S. M. Morgan's b a h Blister, 10st. 11lbs. Mr. Beedham 2
Sergt. Farry's b a g Squint 8st. 6lbs. ... Native 3
Q. M. S. Reeve's b a g Pat, 9st. 4lbs. ... Owner 0
Won by two lengths; good third.

INFANTRY CUP.—Value Rs. 49. A welter handicap for Arab and C.-B. ponies 14-2 and under and others 14-1 and under that had never won a race value Rs. 50 or over. 6 furlongs.

Mr. Kennedy's blk cb g Black Rock, 9st. 7lbs. ... ... Owner 1
Mr. O. Symons' b aus m Lily Harman, 12st. Owner 2
Capt. Gardner's b aus m Maisie, 11st. ... Mr. Connop 3
Capt. Hayes' gr a h Patch, 9st. ... Mr. Beedham 0
Won by a length; one and a half lengths between second and third.

STEWARDS' PLATE.—Value Rs. 49. A welter handicap for all horses. 5 furlongs.

Capt. Sir E. Lacon's b ausg Rusty, 12st. Capt. Milvain 1
Mr. Reynard's br aus m Small Scotch, 11st. 4lbs. ... ... Mr. Connop 2
Col. Wickly's b aus g Bosworth, 11st. 4lbs. Mr. Kennedy 3
Mr Jenkins' b aus m Wild Rose, 11st. 4lbs. Mr. Beedham 0
Won by a neck; two lengths between second and third.

TRIAL PLATE.—Value Rs. 49. Maiden Arab and C.-B. Ponies 14-1 and under that have not won a flat race value Rs. 50 or over since 1st October 1905. 1 mile.

Major Walker's b cb m Labby Annie, 10st. 4lbs. ... ... Mr. Beedham 1
Mr. Kennedy's ch a g Marsh, 10st. 6lbs. ... Owner 2
Mr. Ollivant's gr a g Zoowar, 8-st. 13lbs. ...Capt. Mitchell 3
Mr. Dibben's ch a g Mister E., 10st. Mr. Wilberforce 0
S. S. M. Parker's b cb g Bakhtyar, 12st. ... Mr. Connop 0
Capt. Vandergucht's b cb g Scally Wag, 12st. ... ... Owner 0
Mr. Thompson's b c m Bedelia, 12st. ... Mr. Dibben 0
Mr. Kenledy's gr a g Hoosainie, 10st. 12lbs. ... ... Mr. Evans 0
Won easily by three lengths.

RANELAGH PLATE.—Value Rs. 49. For all *bonâ-fide* polo ponies played up-to-date. English and Colonials catch-weights over 12-0 3 furlongs.

Mr. O. Symons' g aus m Resetta, 12st. ... Owner 1
Mr. Beeton's b cb m Moonshine, 11st. ... Owner 2
Capt. Milvain's ch aus m Molly, 12st. ... Owner 3
Mr. Shettle's br aus m Friendly, 12st. ... Owner 0
Won by two lengths.

TRAINERS' LOTS.

CALCUTTA RACES, 1906-1907.

HORSE.	DESCRIPTION.	OWNER.	TRAINER.
A.			
Annamulloch	bk e m	Mr. Holmes	Wishart.
Amplify	ch e m	Mr. J. D. Scott	Owner.
Applause	b e h	Mr. J. C. Galstaun	Tingey.
Au Fait	br e m	Capt. Farquharson	Saunders.
Airlock	bk aus m	Hon. Mr. A. A. Apcar	Watson.
Amyas	ch aus g	Mr. Dartmoor	Taylor.
Adviser	b aus g	Mr. S. F. Reynolds	Wishart.
Aberfoyle	b or br aus g	Mr. R. S. Hart	Ferguson.
B.			
Black Duke	bk or br e c	Mr. D. B. Myers	Dignum.
Bon Bon	b aus g	Mr. D. B. Myers	Dignum.
Baron II	ch aus g	Mr. Locke	C. Hoyt.
Blitzen	bk or br e m	Messrs. Hudson and Butler	Wishart.
Ballark	bk aus g	Hon. Mr. A. A. Apcar	Watson.
Beaunero	ch e g	Mr. G. B. Deakin	Owner.
Bundook	b e g	Mr. Dartmoor	Taylor.
Branga	ch ausg	Mr. T. G. Evers	Owner.
Botha	br aus g	Mr. C. M. D. Bell	Firth.
Bouquet	b e m	Mr. B. B.	Walker.
Belle Cole	b aus m	Mr. Stead	Torpey.
Bubble	br aus g	Messrs. Rodocanachi and Mackenzie	Norton.
Bucentaur	b aus g	Mr. J. A. Manning	Marriott.
Bonita	ch aus m	Mr. A. L. Butler	Wishart.
Bull's Eye	br aus g	Mr. M. Turner	Private.
C			
Child Adopted	b e m	Mr. A. N. Dass	Taylor.
Carnival	ch e m	Mr. A. N. Dass	Taylor.
Curfew	ch aus g	Mr. J. B.	Ramshaw.
Craigendarrie	b e g	Mr. J. C. Galstaun	Tingey.
Cyril	b aus g	Mrs. A. Grosser	Smallman.
Colina	br e m	Mr. G. H. L. Mackenzie	Norton.
Cherson	b aus h	H. H. Kour Sahib of Patiala	T. Scott.
Contest	ch aus h	Mr. R. S. Hart	Ferguson.
Clear Artist	b or br e g	Mr. North	Bleach
Coin II	ch aus m	H. H. Mah. of Cooch Behar	Ramshaw.
Curlew	b aus m	Mr. B. N. Burjotjee	Owner.
Clynder	b e m	Mr. A. N. Dass	Taylor.
Curfew Bell	ch aus m	Messrs. Wood and Badger	Penton.
Coronet	b aus g	Mr. S. F. Reynolds	Wishart.
Circus Girl	b aus m	Mr. J. C. Galstaun	Tingey.
Claribell	ch aus m	Mr. J. C. Galstaun	Tingey.
Cingalee	ch e m	Mr. Cecil	Ramshaw.
Clodian	b aus g	Mr. J. G. Ballantyne	Mr. Evers.
Camira	b aus g	Mr. E. J. Marshall	J. D. Scott.
Chippy Norton	bk aus g	Mr. P. B. Avasia	Bleach.
Craig	br aus g	Capt. H. V. Holden	Owner.
D			
Downland	br or bk e m	Mr. J. M. Bolocanachi	Norton.
Dea	br aus m	Hon. Mr. A. A. Apcar	Watson.
Decoration	b aus g	Mr. R. S. Hart	Ferguson.
Duplex II	b aus g	Mr. J. D. Scott.	Owner.
Dirty Boy	bk e g	Mr. J. C. Galstaun	Tingey.
Dulcimer	bk aus g	Mr. J. C. Galstaun	Tingey.
Dramatic	br aus g	Mr. O. M. D. Bell	Firth.
Dormant	b aus g	Mr. P. B. Avasia	Bleach.
Diakkaway	ch e m	Mr. J. C. Galstaun	Tingey.
Dunsinane	ch e f	Messrs. Wood and Badger	Penton.
E.			
Esmeralda	ch e m	Mr. J. D. Scott	Owner.
Envious	b aus c	Mr. Cowper	Owner.
Esperanto	b aus m	Mr. R. D. Coggan	T. White.
F.			
Footprint	b e h	Mr. E. L. F. de Soysa	Harper
Fitzgrafton	b aus h	Hon. Mr. A. A. Apcar	Watson.
Flo	bk or br aus m	Mr. F. Potter	Owner.
Footlight	br aus m	Mr. W. H. Walmesley	Ramshaw.
Ferndown	br e b	Messrs. Wood and Badger	Penton.
Flotsam	b aus g	Thakur Sripal Singh	Thomas.
Foy	bk aus g	Mr. Charles	Pringle.
First Bell	ch aus g	Col. Stisted	Firth.
G.			
Galley Slave	ch e g	Mr. E. J. Marshall	J. D. Scott.
Greenstone	b aus g	Mr. North	Bleach.
Gum	b aus g	Mr. J. C. Galstaun	Tingey.
Gladstone	b aus g	Mr. Locke	C. Hoyt.
Ground Glass	b e m	Mr. Cowper	Pringle.
Good Chap	br aus g	Mr. R. M. Hamilton	Mr. Cowper.
Gowan	ch aus m	Mr. J. C. Galstaun	Tingey.
Goldstamp	b e m	Messrs. Paris and Marshall	Wishart.
Golden	ch e f	Mr. A. Gamble	Norton.
H.			
Hoop Iron	b aus g	Mr. J. C. Galstaun	Tingey.
Handelian	br e g	Mr. J. C. Galstaun	Tingey.
Honest Lady	b e m	Mr. J. D. Scott	Owner.
Henrique	br aus m	Hon. Mr. A. A. Apcar	Watson.
Hooded Monk	b e g	Aga S. Shah	Owner.
Half Price	br aus m	Mr. Price	Owner.
Hazlenut	bk aus m	Mr. Dartmoor	Taylor.
Hint	br aus m	Mr. J. M. Rodocanachi	Norton.
I.			
Insurrection	b e g	Mr. A. N. Dass	Taylor.
Ivanhoe II	br aus g	Mr. R. D. Coggan	T. White.
J.			
Jacquelin	b aus m	Mr. R. S. Hart	Ferguson.
Jolly Abbot	gr e c	Mr. D. B. Myers	Dignum.
Jackeroo	br aus g	Mr. O. M. D. Bell	Firth.
Jack Sheppard	b e g	Mr. W. H. Walmesley	Pringle.
Jubilant	b aus m	Mr. G. K.	Munroe.
Jacinth	br aus g	Mr. Cowper	Owner.
Jolly Roger	ch e g	Col. P. K. L. Beaver	Heywood.
K.			
Kipling	b aus g	Mr. E. J. Marshall	J. D. Scott.
Killeevan	br e m	Mr. J. C. Galstaun	Tingey.
Kendal King	ch e g	Mr. Charles	Pringle.
Kingpin	ch aus g	Mr. Austin	Heywood.
L.			
Loch Lochie	b aus g	Mr. R. S. Hart	Ferguson.
Look Out	b aus g	Mr Locke	C. Hoyt.
Long Tom	br aus g	Mr. J. C. Galstaun	Ferguson.
Lady Avon	bk or br aus m	Mr. J. D. Scott	Owner.
Lady Anna	b e m	Messrs. Paris and Marshall	Wishart.
Lady Veera	b e m	Mr. Bunting	J. D. Scott.
Lady Grey	gr e m	Mr. Bunting	J. D. Scott.
Lord D.	b aus g	Mr. Alec	Heywood.
Lucretia	ch aus m	Lieut.-Col. J. Desaraj Urs	Vinall.
Lord Harry	b aus g	Capt. H. V. Holden	Private.
Little Dolly	ch aus m	Col. P. K. L. Beaver	Heywood.
Lady Metal	b aus m	Mr. Dartmoor	Taylor.
Lamrock	br aus g	H. H. Kour Sahib of Patiala	T. Scott.
Lorette	br aus m	Mr. B. N. Burjorjee	Owner.
Lord Boyne	bk aus g	H. H. Kour Sahib of Patiala	T. Scott.
Loyal	ch aus g	Mr. J. A. Manning	Marriott.
Leda	ch aus m	Mr. B. B.	Walker.
Lady Viola	b aus m	Mr. J. D. Scott	Owner.
Leading Lady	b aus m	Mr. W. B. Green	Mr. H. E. Smith.
M.			
Merry Elsie	b e m	Mrs. A. Grosser	Smallman.
Meadow Saffron	ch e m	Mr. G. B. Deakin	J. D. Scott.
Mother Goose	br e g	Messrs. Wood and Badger	Penton.
Mount Dane	br aus h	Mr. O. M. D. Bell	Firth
Munderah	br aus h	H. H. Maharajah of Mysore	Ferguson.
Matin Bell	bk aus m	H. H. Maharajah of Cooch Behar	Ramshaw.
Mayroid	br aus m	Mr. W. Griffiths	T White.
Minimus	b aus g	Lieut.-Col. J. Desaraj Urs	Vinall.
Matalgia	b aus h	Mr. J. C. Galstaun	Tingey.
Meg	ch aus m	Mr. D. B Myers	Dignum.
Massachusselts	b aus m	Mr. J. D. Scott	Owner.
Mary Jane	ch aus m	Mr. J. D Scott	Owner.
Master, The	br aus h	Mr. Maxwell	Wishart.
Martinique	br aus m	Hon. Mr. A. A. Apcar	Watson.
Master Charlie	br e g	Mr E. J. Marshall	J. D. Scott.
Mercedes	bk or br e m	Messrs. Hudson and Butler	Wishart.
Mistlebird	b aus m	Mr. R. A. C. Pugh	Owner.
Mulison	b aus g	Mr. A. N. Dass	Taylor.
Musette	br aus m	Mr. Maxwell	Wishart.
Malinyook	bk aus g	H. H. Kour Sahib of Patiala	T. Scott.
Mallard	b aus h	Hon. Mr. A. A. Apcar	Watson.
Manlock	b aus g	Col. P. K. L. Beaver	T. Scott.
Miss Hopson	ch e m	Mr. Charles	Pringle.
Metalwing	br aus g	Mr. Charles	Pringle.
Miss Stone	ch aus m	Mr. Holmes	Wishart.
Morsel	ch e f	Mr. J. H. L. Mackenzie	Norton.
N.			
Nightingale	br e m	Capt. Farquharson	Saunders.
Nak Our	ch aus m	Hon. Mr. A. A. Apcar	Watson.
Nirvana	b e g	Mr. Field	Heywood.
Nurse Kitty	b e m	H. H. Kour Sahib of Patiala	T. Scott.
Nigam	b aus g	Thakur Sripal Singh	Thomas.
Narwansh	ch aus g	Mr. C. Pearson	T. White.

O.

Olive Lee	br aus m	Mr. H. V. Low	Norton.
Olynthus	b aus g	Messrs. Jones and Pugh	Mr. R. Pugh.
Our State	b aus g	Mr. J. C. Galstaun	Tingey.
Orphan Boy	b aus g	Mr. Glen	Mr. Cowper.

P.

Pennant	b aus g	Mr. Borneo	Norton.
Pat. C.	b sth afr. h	Mr. J. D Scott	Owner.
Pineal	ch aus g	Mr. A. N. Dass	Taylor.
Plover	br aus m	Thakur Sripal Singh	Marriott
Palas	ch aus m	Mr R. D. Coggan	T. White.
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Palindrome	br or ch aus m	Mr. Stead	Torpey.
Paddy's Darling	b e m	Mr. J. C. Galstaun	Tingey.
Prince Lyon	br aus g	Mr. J C. Galstaun	Tingey.
Presbyterian	ch e g	Mr. P. B. Avasia	Bleach.
Psalm	br e m	Mr. O. M. D. Bell	Firth.
Projecture	b aus m	Mr. F. Potter	Owner.
Pure Gold	b e g	Mr. J. C. Galstaun	Tingey.
Prince Moorefield	b aus g	Mr. R. B. Lamotte	Owner.
Pretender	b aus g	Mr. K. M. Hamilton	Mr. Cowper.
Picture	b aus m	Mrs. J. N. Gregory	Taylor.

R.

Red Coral	b aus g	Lieut.-Col. J. Desaraj Urs	Vinall.
Rosanule	b e h	Mr. Charles	Pringle.
Refuge Bay	b aus g	Mr. Charles	Pringle.
Riverside II	b nth aus g	Mr. J. C. Galstaun	Tingey.
Rustile	ch aus m	Mr J. C. Galstaun	Tingey.
Rezia	b aus m	Mr. A. N. Dass	Taylor.
Rustler	b aus g	Mr. J. C. Galstaun	Tingey.
Rather Rakish	ch aus g	Mr. Holmes	Wishart.
Roseland	b cb g	Mr. J. D. Scott	Owner.

S.

Seclusion	ch aus m	Hon. Mr A. A. Apcar	Watson.
Strathspey	bk aus g	Hon. Mr. A. A. Apcar	Watson.
Spark	b aus g	Mr. K. R Tomkinson	C. Hoyt.
Senator	ch aus g	Mr. W. T. Miles	Owner.
Spero	b aus g	Mr. S Margrett	Smallman.
Signorina	b aus m	Mr. J. B.	Ramshaw.
Son of a Gun	b e h	Mr. Bunting	J. D. Scott.
S. S.	b aus g	Thakur Sripal Singh	Thomas.
Sainte Marquise	br e m	Mr. J. C. Galstaun	Tingey.
Santa Maria	b e m	Mr. Holmes	Wishart.
Squire Alfred	b e g	Messrs. Wood & Badger	Penton.
Scamander	ch e m	Mr. W. H Walmsley	Pringle.
Sacristan II	ch e g	Mr. Dartmoor	Taylor.
Solace	b aus m	Mr Field	Heywood.
Silphoe	b e g	Mr. J. C. Galstaun	Tingey.
Sea Spray	b e f	Mr. G. B. Deakin	Owner.
Sermon	ch e g	Messrs. Wood & Badger	Penton.
Saloon	br cb g	Mr. J. B. Scott	Owner.
Steinhager	b e c	Mr. Charles	Pringle.
Stepaway	b e m	Mr A. L. Butler	Wishart.
Swindle	br aus g	Mrs. A. Grosser	Smallman.
St. Michael	b aus g	Mr. S. Margrett	Smallman.
Spain	ch e g	Capt. Milvain	Penton.
Sir Walter	b aus g	Mr. D. Norton	Owner.

T.

Thomond	br e g	Messrs. Wood & Badger	Penton.
Trencherman	b aus h	Mr. A. N. Dass	Taylor.
Trenayr	b aus g	H. H. Kour Sahib of Patiala	T. Scott.
Tartan	ch aus g	Mr. M. R. K. Hodgson	Owner.
Terence	ch aus g	Hon. Mr. A. A. Apcar	Watson.
Tycannah	b aus g	Mr. J. S. Love	Marriott.
Trenton	b aus g	Lt.-Col. J. Desaraj Urs	Vinall.
Trentside Lad	b aus g	Mr. J. M. Rodocanachi	Norton.
Turk	gr aus g	Mr. W. O. Rees	Owner.

V.

Veera	ch aus m	Mr. G. K.	Munroe.
Vespasia	b e m	Mr. D. B. Myers	Dignum.
Vanity Fair	b aus m	Mr. Dartmoor	Taylor.
Vinolia	b or br aus m	Mr. H. V. Low	Norton.

W.

Wal	b aus g	Mr J. W. Scott	Owner.
Wakeful	br aus m	Mr. E. C. Ramshaw	Owner.
White Heather	ch e g	Capt. H. D. McNeil	Owner.
Windy	br aus g	Mr. J. C. Galstaun	Tingey.
Wake up	b aus m	Mr. H. E. Smith	Owner.
Watch Fire	gr aus g	Mr. R. A.C. Pugh	Owner.
Wales	gr aus g	Mr. Beaumont	Owner.
Woodbine	ch aus m	Mr. Charles	Pringle.
Watchfire	gr aus g	Mr. Gutshcke	Mr. Pugh.

Y.

Yardley	ch aus m	Mr. J. D. Scott	Owner.
Yankee Boy	ch aus h	Mr. J. D. Scott	Owner.

Z.

Zig Zag	b aus g	Mr. Glen	Mr. Cowper.

Entries for Races.

CALCUTTA RACES.

FOURTH EXTRA MEETING.

Saturday, 26th January 1907.

GANGES PLATE.—5 furlongs.

Mr. R. A. C. Pugh's b e m Manon.
Mr. E. C. Ramshaw's gr a h Girgistan.
Mr. Roland's br aus g Oom Paul.
Mr. J. B.'s ch aus m Florrie.
Mr. J. M. Rodocanachi's b aus g Downland.
Capt. Holden's br aus g Craig.
Mr. A. Gamble's ch e m Golden.
Mrs. A. Grosser's b aus g Swindle.
Mr. W. Bell-Irving's b aus m Wake Up.
Mr. McGeorge's br e m Devil's Limit.
Mr. A. N. Dass' b e m Miss Trenton.
Mr. Maxwell's br aus m Mussette.
Mr. Pearson's ch aus g Narawannah.
Mr. Dartmoor's bk aus m Hazelnut.
Mr. A Schwerdtfeger's b aus m Sal.
Mr. J. D. Scott's b e m Despedido.
Mr. J. D. Scott's b aus m Lady Viola.
Mr. J. D. Scott's bk br aus m Sweet Sound.

SELLING HANDICAP.—7 furlongs.

Mr. S. Margrett's b aus g St. Michael.
Mr. Charles' bk aus g Foy.
Mr. Charles' ch aus m Woodbine.
Mr. Charles' ch e g Kendal King
Mr. B. B.'s b e m Bouquet.
Mr. J. C. Galstaun's b aus g Gum.
Mr. J. C. Galstaun's br e g Handelilian.
Mr. J. C. Galstaun s bk aus g Dulcimer.
Mr. A. N. Dass' b aus g Springlock.
Mr. A. N. Dass' b e m Child Adopted.
Mr. Field's b e g Nirvana.
Mr. David Clark's b aus m Thetis.
Mr. Dartmoor's b aus g Defendant.
Mr. W. B. Green's b aus m Leading Lady.
Mr. J. D. Scott's b cb g Roseland.
Mr. J. D. Scott's b e m Despedido.
Mr. E. J. Marshall's b e g Master Charlie.

KEDDLESTON PLATE.—7 furlongs.

Mr. Ramshaw's b e g Lord Barrymore.
Mr. D. B. Myers' b aus g Bon-Bon.
Mr. Bornio's br e m Colina.
Mr. Charles' bk aus g Foy.
Mr. Charles' b e g Pendred.
Mr. R. D. Coggan's b or br aus m Elgin.
Mr. O. M. D. Bell's br aus g Bell Dhu.
Mr Walmsley's b e m Scamander.
Mr. Walmsley's b e g Jack Sheppard.
Messrs. Wood and Badger's br e m Ferndown.
Messrs. Wood and Badger's ch e m Dunscnane.
Mr. B. B.'s b e m Bouquet.
Mr. B. B.'s ch aus m Leda.
Mr. A. N. Dass' ch e m Carnival.
Mr. A. N. Dass' b e m Clynder.
Mr. Galstaun's b aus g Our State.
Mr. Galstaun's br e m Sainte Marquise.
Mr. D'Soysa's b e h Footprint.
Mr. J. D. Scott's b e m Honest Lady.
Mr. E. J. Marshall's ch e g Galley Slave.
Mr. E. J. Marshall's b aus g Linscombe.
Mr. G. B. Deakin's ch e g Beau Nero.

THE MINTO FETE PLATE.—1 mile.

Mr. D. B. Myers' b aus g Bon-Bon.
Mr. Walmsley's ch e m Scamander.
Mr. B. B.'s ch aus m Leda.
Mr. Galstaun's br aus g Prince Lyon.
Mr. Galstaun's br e m Killeevan.
Mr. Galstaun's b e m Paddy's Darling.
Mr. A. N. Dass' b e m Clynder.
Messrs. Hudson and Butler's br e m Blitzen.
Mr. Holmes' bk e m Annamullock.
Mr. D'Soysa's b e h Footprint.
Mr. E. J. Marshall's b aus g Kipling.
Mr. E. J. Marshall's br e g Master Charlie.
Mr. G. B. Deakin's ch e g Beau Nero.

THE CLUB PLATE.—6 furlongs.

Mr. Ramshaw's br aus m Wakeful, 14-2.
Mr. J. C. Galstaun's b aus h Matalgia, 14-1½.
Mr. J. C. Galstaun's b e g Silphoe, 14-2.
Mr. Field's b aus m Solace, 14-2.
Mr. J. M. Gregory's b aus m Picture, 14-2.
Mr. Dartmoor's bk aus m Hazelnut, 14-2.
Col. Beaver's ch e g Jolly Roger, 14-2.
Mr. J. D. Scott's ch aus m Kathleen II., 14-0½.
Mr. J. D. Scott's b aus m Lady Viola, 14-1½.
Mr. J. D. Scott's b aus g Duplex II., 14-1½.
Mr J. D. Scott's b sth afr a Pat C., 14-1.
Mr. Bunting's gr e m Lady Grey II., 14-1½.

BENGAL PLATE.—5 furlongs.

Mr. D. B. Myers' b e m Vespasia.
Mr. A. Gamble's ch e m Golden.
Mr. S. Margrett's b aus g St. Michael.
Mr. Bell-Irving's b aus m Wake Up.
Mr. Coggan's ch aus m Pallas.
Mr. O. M. D. Bell's ch e m Miss Stone.
Mr. M. Gutschke's br aus m Lily.
Mr. Briddy's ch aus m Token.
Mr. R. B. Lamotte's b aus g Prince Mooreßeld.
Mr. A. N. Dass' b e m Miss Trenton.
Mr. Hudson's br e m Dame Fortune.
Mr. Austin's b aus g Trustee.
Mr. R. J. Farquharson's b aus g Recoil.
Mr. Dartmoor's bk aus m Hazelnut.
Mrs. J. M. Gregory's b aus m Picture.
Mr. H. E. Smith's b aus g Lynnwood.
Mr. J. D. Scott's ch aus m Kathleen II.
Mr. J. D. Scott's b aus m Lady Viola.
Mr. G. B. Deakin's b e m Sea Spray.

LUCKNOW SPRING MEETING, 1907.

2ND, 4TH AND 6TH FEBRUARY.

FINAL ENTRIES—CLOSED 15TH JANUARY 1907.

First Day, Saturday, the 2nd February 1907

THE STEWARDS' CUP.—5 furlongs.

4 ENTRIES—Race falls through.

THE GREAT OUDH HANDICAP.—6 furlongs.

15 Messrs. Wood and Badger's ch a h ... William Rufus, 13-2.
16 Messrs. Wood and Badger's b a h ... Sheik, 14-0.

THE MAIDEN PLATE.—1,000 yards.

9 Mr. P. R. Butler's ... b cb h ... The Butler, 13-2½.
10 Mr. Sydney Smith's ... br e m ... May Queen, 13-1½.
11 H. H. the Koer Sahib of Patiala's ... ... br e m ... Sago, 13-3.

THE HORSE PLATE—7 furlongs.

5 ENTRIES—Race falls through.

THE JAHANGIRABAD PLATE.—½ mile.

11 Capt. McNeil's ... b a h ... Colonel, 13-2.
12 Thakur Sripal Singh's ... gr a h ... Leave Refused, 13-2½.

LUCKNOW MILITARY CHASE.—About 2½ miles.

10 Mr. J. D. Pritchard's ... dk b aus g ... Spectacles.
11 Capt. W. D. Grant's ... b nth am m Madeira.

Second Day, Monday, the 4th February 1907.

THE CIVIL SERVICE CUP.—6 furlongs.

18 Mr. P. R. Butler's ... b cb h ... The Butler, 13-2½.

THE COLVIN HORSE HURDLES.—R. C. about 2 miles over 8 flights.

12 Thakur Sripal Singh's ... b aus g ... Flotsam.

THE CALCUTTA PLATE.—1 mile.

6 ENTRIES—Race falls through.

THE FEBRUARY PLATE.—½ mile.

11 Mr. Sydney Smith's ... br e m ... May Queen, 13-1½.

THE CHUTTER MUNZIL PLATE.—6 furlongs.

9 Mr. J. C. Galstaun's ... b e g ... Silphoe, 14-2.

Third Day, Wednesday, the 6th February 1907.

THE DILKUSHA PLATE.—1¼ miles.

7 Mr. E. J. Marshall's ... br e g ... Master Charlie.
8 Col. P. K. L. Beaver's ... ch e g ... Jolly Roger.

THE CHARBAGH PLATE.—5 furlongs.

10 H. H. the Koer Sahib of Patiala's ... ... ch aus h ... Redshot, 14-0½.

THE DESERT HANDICAP.—1,000 yards.

15 Messrs. Wood and Badger's ch a h ... William Rufus, 13-2.
16 Messrs. Wood and Badger's b a h ... Sheik, 14-0.

THE PRODUCE PLATE.—5 furlongs.

4 ENTRIES—Race falls through.

DILKUSHA RACE OFFICE, *16th January 1907.*

J. H. ENSOR, Major, *Secretary, Lucknow Races.*

LUCKNOW SPRING MEETING.

THE CIVIL SERVICE CUP.—6 furlongs.

FIRST ENTRIES CLOSED 1ST MAY 1906.

1 Lt.-Col. C. H. Stisted's	ch aus g	...	First Bell, 14-0.
2 H. H. the Maharajah of Cooch Behar's	ch aus m	...	Bells, 13-3½.
3 H. H. the Maharajah of Cooch Behar's	bk aus m	...	Matin Bell, 13-3.
4 Major Young's	b e h	...	Fabias, 13-2½.
5 Capt. J. W. Jeffreys'	br aus g	...	Koorlong, 13-3½.
6 Mr. J. C. Galstaun's	b aus m	...	Circus Girl, 13-2½.
7 Mr. J. C. Galstaun's	ch aus m	...	Claribell, 14-0.
8 Capt. J. T. Coley's	br e m	...	Sago, 13-3.
9 Mr. D. N. Burjorjee's	dk b aus m		Lorette.

SECOND ENTRIES CLOSED 2ND JULY 1906.

10 H. H. Koer Sahib of Patiala's	ch aus m	...	Parlourmaid, 13-3½.
11 Mr. G. K.'s	ch aus m	...	Veera, 14-0.
12 Mr. J. D. Scott's	b aus g	...	Wal, 14-0.

THIRD ENTRIES CLOSED 15TH SEPTEMBER 1906.

13 H. H. the Maharajah of Cooch Behar's	ch aus m	...	Coin II., 13-3½.

FOURTH ENTRIES CLOSED 1ST DECEMBER 1906.

14 P. Nuthoobhoy's	ch aus g	...	Haden, 14-0.
15 Thakur Sripal Singh's	b aus g	...	S. S., 13-3½.
16 Thakur Sripal Singh's	br aus m	...	Plover, 13-3½.
17 Mr. W. B. Green's		...	Flo (late Maud).

FINAL ENTRIES CLOSED 15TH JANUARY 1907.

18 Mr. P. R. Butler's	b cb h	...	The Butler, 13-3½.

J. H. ENSOR, Major,
Secretary, Lucknow Races.

LUCKNOW, *15th January 1907.*

Sport in England.

(FROM THE HOME PAPERS.)

LONDON, *Friday, 4th January 1907.*

THE TURF.

GATWICK.

A KEENER twinge in the air sent the smoke-like wreaths of clouds of Wednesday to the rightabout, and left the sun master of a clear sky—a grand day, indeed. At this time of year we do not expect big attendances, nor does the value of the stakes run for hold out expectations of exceptional merit, hence the business part of the community formed the larger portion, and the band played to a small muster in the members' enclosure. Under the care of Mr. Hook, the going had fairly surprised us on the opening day, as we looked for mud and found solid grass, which was all the better for a night's blowing wind, so that good as were the field under existing circumstances, they might have been better, as with the entrance fee paid horses could have had a rare good schooling over a pretty easy country.

CATERHAM SELLING HANDICAP HURDLE RACE—Of 100 sovs.; second receives 5sovs. 2 miles.

Capt. L. S. Denny's b g Turbulent, by Matchmaker—Torpedo Catcher, aged, 11st. 13lbs.	P. Burrell	*1
Mr. G. P. Huntley's b or br g Australasia, 5yrs., 11st. 11lbs.	P. Cowley	*2
Mr. Colwyn's b g Ardour, 5yrs., 11st. 8lbs.	E Driscoll	3
Mr. Pat. Dandy's Uncle Marcus, 6yrs., 12st. 7lbs.	Mr. Tabor	0
Mr. W. Catling's Mrs. Bowes, 5yrs., 10st. 12lbs.	G. Fitton	0
Mr. A. Kite's Credo II., aged, 11st. 13lbs.	D. Faulkner	0
Mr. J. Parkinson's Goldcraft, 5yrs., 11st. 6lbs.	W. Palmer	0
Mr. E. Woodland's Grass Cat, 5yrs., 10st. 6lbs.	J. Lyons	0
Mr. A. Gaskin's Connie, 4yrs., 10st. 5lbs.	T. Barratt	0

(*Winner trained by G. Gully.*)

* After a dead-heat.

BETTING: 11 to 8 agst. Australasia, 3 to 1 Ardour, 7 to 1 Mrs. Bowes, 8 to 1 Turbulent, and 10 to 1 each others (offered.)

DECIDER: 7 to 4 on Australasia.

Dead-heat for first place. Four lengths behind Ardour was third. An objection laid by Cowley against Turbulent on the grounds of bumping from the last hurdle was overruled by the Stewards—Captain Hope Johnstone and Captain Russell—and the fiver deposited under the rule forfeited.

DECIDER: Australasia got on terms, but was beaten at the last hurdles, and was found to have broken down in the off fore-leg, and at 165 guineas Turbulent was bought in.

EARLSWOOD HURDLE RACE (Handicap)—Of 100sovs.; second receives 10sovs., and the third 5sovs. 2 miles.

Mr. R. Gore's b g Lapsang, by Blairfinde—Lapsa, aged, 11st. 7lbs.	P. Cowley	1
Mr. C. T. Pulley's br f Ware, 4yrs., 10st.	G. Butchers	2
Mr. R. E. Campbell's ch g St. Enogat, aged, 11st. 13lbs.	F. Freemantle	3
Mr. James Tait's Adelia, 6yrs., 11st. 4lbs.	E. Driscoll	0
Sir H. Randall's Bonnie Earl, 5yrs., 11st. 9lbs.	T. Fitton	0
Mr. H. Bonas' Scribo, 5yrs., 11st. 8lbs.	G. Clancy	0
Mr. V. P. Misa's Rosemarket, 5yrs., 11st. 4lbs.	M. Walsh	0

(*Winner trained by Owner.*)

BETTING: 2 to 1 agst. Lapsang, 9 to 4 Bonnie Earl, 5 to 1 each Adelia and Ware, 8 to 1 St. Enogat, and 10 to 1 each others (offered.)

Lapsang won comfortably by a length and a half; a bad third.

GRANGE SELLING STEEPLECHASE (Handicap)—Of 100sovs.; second receives 5sovs. 3 miles.

Mr. F. F. Smith's ch g Hallgate, by New Barnes—Heterodox, aged, 11st. 3lbs.	G. Fitton	1
Mr. G. Gully's b g Seymour, 6yrs., 10st. 5lbs.	J. Harland	2
Mr. H. J. Cove's b g Lifebuoy, aged, 10st. 10lbs.	Owner	3
Capt. Middleton's Broken Bonds, aged, 11st.	Owner	0
Mr. Edward Gwilt's Borderer II., aged, 11st. 5lbs.	Mr. W. Payne	0
Mr. E. Woodland's Snowden, aged, 10st. 11lb.	J. Lyons	0

(*Winner trained by Owner.*)

BETTING: 13 to 8 agst. Hallgate, 4 to 1 each Lifebuoy and Broken Bonds, 11 to 2 Seymour, 10 to 1 Borderer II., and 100 to 8 Snowden (offered.)

Won by four lengths; six lengths divided second and third. The winner was bought in for 115 guineas.

FOOTBALL ASSOCIATION RULES.

Although most of the matches in minor competitions were postponed on Saturday because of the Arctic-like surroundings, the majority of the fixtures in the three big leagues were duly brought off. The Plymouth Argyle *vs.* Portsmouth game was the only one postponed in the Southern League, but in the League Sunderland *vs.* Newcastle United, and Stoke *vs.* Liverpool could not be played. In the Second Division, ten games were decided, and 40 goals were scored, as against 23 in the First Division, and 29 in the Southern League. Five home teams in each league were successful, there were in all five home defeats, and seven games were drawn. In the Southern League, Brentford provided the sensation of the afternoon by defeating Watford; at Watford, this being Brentford's only away win of the season. Swindon did well to draw at Southampton. Norwich sorely harassed Fulham at Craven Cottage, and Leyton played a hard game at Brighton, the points being shared in each of these games. West Ham, Reading, and Bristol scored emphatic wins, and Queen's Park Rangers obtained a couple of much-needed points at the expense of Luton.

The Arsenal placed a splendid win to their credit at Plumstead, Manchester City going under by 4—1 for the second time this season. The Woolwich forwards were in an irresistible mood, and the halves and backs gave them excellent support. A weekend Sheffield Wednesday team was beaten at Owlerton by Bury, who were the first to defeat the Senior Blades on their own ground this season. Notts County did well to draw at Bolton, and Bristol City were full value for the point they brought away from Clayton, where Manchester United have not realised expectation. Birmingham, Derby County, and Everton all won by handsome margins, and Blackburn Rovers defeated Aston Villa, after a sharp tussle, by the odd goal in three. In the Second Division of the League there was a startling result—Nottingham Forest were defeated at home by Grimsby by three clear goals. Chelsea found one goal sufficient at Glossop for the two points, and Clapton Orient are to be congratulated on halving the spoils at Stockport. West Bromwich did not have anything to spare against Burnley, but Leicester Fosse easily disposed of Burslem, Wolverhampton were routed at Hull, and Gainsborough were overwhelmed at Chesterfield.

LEAGUE DIVISION I.

RECORD TO SATURDAY, 29TH DECEMBER (INCLUSIVE).

	P.	W.	D.	L.	Pts.	Goals For	Goals Agst.
Everton	22	14	2	6	30	48	28
Newcastle United	20	12	4	4	28	41	24
Woolwich Arsenal	20	12	3	5	27	40	28
Aston Villa	22	12	3	7	27	44	32
Sheffield Wednesday	20	8	8	4	24	31	27
Bristol City	20	9	5	6	23	36	28
Sheffield United	20	9	5	6	23	33	33
Birmingham	21	10	3	8	23	32	28
Preston North End	20	10	2	8	22	28	31
Bolton Wanderers	20	7	7	6	21	27	29
Sunderland	18	7	5	6	19	25	25
Liverpool	20	8	3	9	10	36	30
Blackburn Rovers	21	7	4	10	18	33	33
Derby County	21	6	6	9	18	23	26
Manchester United	21	6	6	9	18	23	36
Manchester City	21	5	7	9	17	29	45
Bury	22	6	4	12	16	36	46
Stoke	22	4	6	12	14	24	36
Middlesbrough	20	4	5	11	13	24	39
Notts County	21	1	10	10	12	16	33

LEAGUE DIVISION II.

RECORD TO SATURDAY, 29TH DECEMBER (INCLUSIVE).

	P.	W.	D.	L.	Pts.	Goals For	Goals Agst.
West Bromwich Albion	21	15	1	5	31	58	22
Leicester Fosse	21	14	2	5	30	42	16
Chelsea	19	13	3	3	29	35	15
Nottingham Forest	20	13	2	5	28	38	24
Hull City	20	12	2	6	26	37	23
Bradford City	20	10	4	6	24	29	26
Wolverhampton Wands.	22	10	3	9	23	38	25
Stockport County	20	8	6	6	22	24	26
Burnley	20	10	1	9	21	32	22
Gainsborough Trinity	22	9	3	10	21	25	40
Barnsley	20	8	2	10	18	37	27
Lincoln City	20	7	3	10	17	23	21
Burslem Port Vale	20	8	1	11	17	37	47
Grimsby Town	20	7	2	11	16	25	33
Clapton Orient	20	6	4	10	16	27	38
Chesterfield	21	6	4	11	16	21	31
Leeds City	20	5	5	10	15	26	34
Glossop	18	6	1	11	13	23	49
Blackpool	20	4	5	11	13	17	31
Burton United	20	4	2	14	10	14	44

SOUTHERN LEAGUE.

RECORD TO SATURDAY, 29TH DECEMBER (INCLUSIVE).

	P.	W.	L.	D.	Pts.	Goals For	Goals Agst.
Fulham	21	10	9	2	29	32	20
‡Portsmouth	19	12	4	3	28	35	16
Norwich City	21	9	8	4	26	37	26
*West Ham. United	20	8	8	4	24	37	25
Tottenham Hotspur	21	9	6	6	24	42	28
Brighton and Hove	21	9	6	6	24	27	24
Bristol Rovers	21	9	5	7	23	33	24
Brentford	20	9	4	7	22	30	28
Watford	20	6	9	5	21	19	20
Southampton	20	8	4	8	20	29	27
‡Plymouth Argyle	20	6	8	6	20	29	31
Swindon Town	20	5	8	7	18	21	20
†Luton Town	19	7	3	9	17	24	35
*Queen's Park Rangers	19	5	6	8	16	22	24
Reading	19	7	1	11	15	32	28
Crystal Palace	19	6	3	10	15	25	28
Leyton	19	5	5	9	15	23	38
Millwall	21	6	3	12	15	28	41
New Brompton	19	6	2	11	14	20	33
†Northampton	19	3	6	10	12	17	42

*Exclusive of match, 15th December, abandoned.
† Exclusive of match, 26th December, reckoned a "friendly."
‡ Exclusive of match, 29th December, reckoned a "friendly."

QUEEN'S PARK *vs.* CORINTHIANS.—The Corinthians, who appeared at Hampden Park, Glasgow, yesterday, are welcome guests in that city, and this New Year's day encounter is looked upon as an annual function of no little importance. The fixture is now a very old one. Of the forty-one matches already played, the Queen's Park have been on the winning side on twenty-two occasions, while the Corinthians have carried off thirteen of the engagements, six ending with honours even. The attendance was not, perhaps, as great as in former years, due principally to the fact that miserable weather conditions prevailed. The snow had certainly been cleared away, but the ground was on the hard and greasy side, due to a recent quick thaw. Still, there were about 18,000 present. The visitors lost the toss, and Cornelius set the ball in motion. Queen's Park were at once down on Rowlandson, but Fitchie's parting shot was weak. This delicate attention was replied to by Vassall dashing down the right and shooting hard, but Adam saved. Again Rowlandson was tried, this time rather severely, yet he cleverly cleared. A foul against M. Morgan-Owen on the "25" line looked dangerous for the Corinthians, but his side rallied, and Guy broke through, the home goalkeeper kicking aside. McIver was down with a rush, and as Paul was lying in goal the situation was saved at the expense of a corner. In saving from this kick Adam, the custodian, collided with an opponent, and was so badly hurt that he had to be carried off the field. Richmond took up charge of the Queen's Park uprights, Riley came to back, and Paul did double duty as centre half and centre forward. Nevertheless, the Queen's were the aggressors for a time, and Key brought out Rowlandson with a long, high shot. With that courtesy usually associated with the Corinthians, the latter allowed a substitute in the person of W. Stewart, of the Queen's Park Strollers, to defend the Queen's Park goal. Things were thus again equal, and Fitchie signalled the favour by giving Rowlandson a stiff shot to save. A second later he found the net, but the point was disallowed for offside. Soon afterwards what looked like a clean goal was not awarded the Corinthians. Stewart fumbled the greasy ball and it slipped up through his hands. He, however, regained it after it had apparently gone just inside. However the point was not claimed and the game proceeded. Rowlandson had some excellent saves after this, and did his work smartly and well. It was a good game under adverse circumstances, and neither had scored at half-time. The second period was started by Paul, and directly Rowlandson was called upon to clear. He made no mistakes and was repeatedly cheered for his clever work. He fisted, kicked away, and caught in marvellous fashion. It was his day, and he enhanced his reputation. After a stiff siege the Corinthians broke bounds. Their left wing worked right into the home corner, and Vassall centering, Cornelius had no difficulty in scoring for the visitors after ten minutes' play. Under close pressure immediately afterwards Witherington has a penalty awarded against him. Richmond took the kick, and beating Rowlandson equalised the scoring amid much enthusiasm. Both teams continued to play good football, the passing being very pretty to look at, and the defence on both sides strong and determined. In was really wonderful form on such a slippery footing. With ten minutes to go a corner fell to Queen's Park, which, though well placed, ultimately went behind. The Corinthians organised a combined attack on the home goal, which was all but successful, Morgan-Own being a shade too high in his final effort. The end drew near, and there was still a considerable amount of vitality in both teams. Certainly Rowlandson had most to do, but he possessed an infinite of resource in defending his charge. The result of the game was a draw of one goal each. Teams:—

QUEEN'S PARK.—J. C. Adam, *goal*; J. S. Thomson and A. Richmond *backs*; W. Kay, A. F. Murray, and J. Riley, *half-backs*; A. Armour, A. Templeton, H. Paul, T. T. Fitchie, and C., Hamilton, *forwards*.

CORINTHIANS.—T. S. Rowlandson, *goal*; I. G. Witherington and F. B. Mugliston, *backs*; K. R. G. Hunt, M. Morgan-Owen, and C. D. McIver, *half-backs*; G. C. Vassall, H. Morgan-Owen, N. S. Cornelius, G. K. Guy, and E. G. D. Wright, *forwards*.

Referee:—Mr. A. Jackson, Glasgow Rangers.

RUGBY RULES.

THE SOUTH AFRICANS' TOUR.

MATCH *vs.* LLANELLY.—As in other parts of the Kingdom few Rugby football games were played in Wales on Saturday owing to frost. The Llanelly club have taken a well-timed precaution of covering their playing ground at Stradey with a thick coating of straw before the frost set in. The snow falling on this prevented the ground becoming hard, and when snow and straw were removed on Saturday morning, the field was found to be in capital condition. Sixteen thousand spectators watched the contest—a smaller number than that expected, but still this was a record attendance for a match played at Llanelly. Both teams were strongly representative, except that the Welshmen missed the services of D. M. Davies at half. At the last moment the reserve, Ben Davies, being unavailable, it was decided to remove Harvey Thomas from the quartette to half, and bring in Griff Rowe in the three-quarter line.

The game will live long in the memories of all who witnessed it. In the first portion of the game it was a truly desperate struggle between two great packs of forwards. After the interval, victory rested with the Colonial eight, chiefly through the magnificent generalship of Paul Roos. Unfortunately, throughout the second half of play the spectators continually found fault with the refereeing of Mr. Marsh. "Barracking" of a most objectionable and undeserved character culminated in the need of police and players surrounding Mr. Marsh after the final whistle to prevent personal violence. Needless to say the action of the noisy section of the crowd is deeply regretted in Llanelly, and in fact in all sporting Wales.

Llanelly won the toss, and had the benefit of the gradient. Douglas Morkel kicked off, and Arnold returned to the centre. The first scrummage was carried by the home forwards, but offside play by Lloyd caused a penalty, and exchange kicking between Gabe, Marsburg, Arnold, and De Villiers resulted in the last-named finding touch over the halfway line. Indifferent half-back play by Llanelly allowed the Colonial forwards to dribble to the home "25." Dobbin initiated a fine round of passing, which looked likely to result in scoring, when De Villiers, who had no opposition in front, knocked on. Lieutenant Dobbs, the English International, dashed off and cleared all in marvellous fashion, except Marsburg, who hauled him down in a most determined and effective manner. Passing by the Llanelly backs broke down at Griff Rowe, who knocked on when there was a chance of his wing gaining a lot of ground. For a time the home side altered their tactics, and instead of heeling, their forwards started short, sharp, rushes, which called for the best defence of De Villiers, Hirsch, and Marsburg. Hard scrummaging in midfield took place for some minutes, and then Jackson, in a very smart way, picked up, after Llanelly had heeled, and kicked to the Welshmen's quarter line. The Colonials tried hard to get their backs in motion, but the home eight were in great form, and prevented the visiting quartette from having any chances.

Brink securing in a line-out, set Hirsch off, but the latter was finely tackled by Rowe. Two penalty kicks were given against the Springboks for offside tackles, and through these Gabe removed play into South Africa's half. The home forwards improved on this by dribbling to their opponents' "25." The Llanelly pack dashed off from the next scrum, and Tom Evans picking up near the line, beat Marsburg and scored in the corner. The cheers at this achievement were simply deafening, and hats were thrown into the air. Gabe's attempt to convert failed, but considering the difficult angle he did well in getting so close to the crossbar as he did. From the drop out Arnold marked, and his kick being misfielded by De Villiers, the Llanelly forwards dashed off with a terrific rush. It looked as if another try would be registered, when Marsburg risking his "neck," threw himself on the ball. An injury to Walters delayed play. Fine forward work by Paul Roos, Raaff, and D. Morkel made Llanelly act on the defensive. It was patent that the Colonials' great object was to get the ball oftener to their backs, but the tackling of Lloyd and Gave was a strong preventive. The home team were properly penalised for glaring offside work by their halves. After a fine dribble headed by Raaff and Brink, Dobbin sent the ball to Loubser, who cross-kicked. First Gordon Thomas tried to field, but failed badly, and then Raaff simply had to fall on the ball, which was between the uprights, to score. Jackson converted, and the Africans led by two points. Play after this was a trifle vigorous, and the ball travelled at a great pace up and down the field. Once De Villiers passed to Hirsch when a pass to Stegmann would have meant a try. Hirsch was held a few yards out. The home forwards again showed their strength by carrying play down to Marsburg, but the great full-back was as cool and daring as ever, and picking up from the toes of the invading forwards, found touch at the centre. The interval then arrived. Half-time score:—

	Pts.
South Africans (1 goal)	5
Llanelly (1 try)	3

Two points in arrear the Welshmen started the second portion of the game in grim earnest. Led grandly by Lieutenant Dobbs they rushed down the field. De Villiers was tackled in trying to save, and it looked as if a try had been scored; but there was an irregularity, and a scrummage five yards out was ordered. A minute later the ball came out on the Llanelly side, and Griff Rowe picked up and made a quick drop at goal, but the ball hit the crossbar. The Colonials seemed to wake up after these narrow escapes; and thanks to good kicks by De Villiers and Dobbin play was taken to the half-way line. Then the African forwards, with Burger, Millar, and Brink leading grandly, brought off a number of short, sharp rushes, and got quite close to the Welshmen's line. From a favourable position Roos placed the ball for Douglas Morkel to attempt to kick a goal from a mark. Premature charging by the Llanelly forwards was penalised; but Morkel's kick went wide, and a minor was conceded. The drop-out resulted in the Scarlets taking play to half-way. From here the ball came to Jackson, who passed to Dobbin, and the latter sent on to Stegmann. The African wing looked like getting over until Gordon Thomas came to the rescue. The Colonials were now playing better than ever, their heavier forwards staying better than their opponents. Llanelly had a free given against them for offside and Mr. Marsh came in for loud "barracking." Stegmann should have scored but for a bad foul on the part of one of the Llanelly three-quarters.

Plenty of short, sharp passing was now being indulged in by the Springboks, but for a time the defence of Llanelly prevailed. A. F. Marsburg, in following up a kick, came into contact with Dan Walters, the home captain, and both were injured, but resumed. The visitors were packing 4—3—1, and the ball was more often than not coming out on their side of the scrum. Thirty yards from the Welshmen's lines followed one of the most brilliant tries ever scored. Dobbin started the movement which ended in scoring. From him the ball went to Hirsch who beat Gabe nicely, and then Stegmann received. The latter passed back to Hirsch, and then De Villiers received after three forwards had handled, and after feinting to run inwards he passed to Loubser. The ball rebounded into the air from the latter's finger tips, but the referee concluded that it was not knocked forward, and so allowed a most brilliant try. Douglas Morkel, with a splendid kick, added the extra points, and thus the Colonials led by 7 points.

Dan Walters restarted for Llanelly, and play for a few minutes took place in the Africans' "25." Harvey Thomas was badly injured, but kept on the field. For offside play by Jackson, the Welshmen were awarded a free kick. The ball was placed for Watts, but the kick was charged down, and away came the Colonial forwards, and the homesters were forced to touch down—a very near affair for a try. Dobbin gave Stegmann a chance to cross, but Willie Arnold was too good for the African. In the Llanelly "25" the Colonials brought off several futile bouts of passing. Once De Villiers, receiving from Jackson, punted high to the mouth of the Welsh goal, where Willie Thomas ran across, and touched down just as Brookes was falling on the ball. From the kick-out by Gabe, Llanelly revived a little, and reached half-way. Gabe received from Harvey Thomas, and put in a kick to Dobbin, who marked, and found centre touch. From here the Colonials started passing, and after the halves and three-quarters had handled, the ball came to Loubser, who swerved past Gordon Thomas and scored a fine try. Douglas Morkel failed to convert. A few minutes later, with play on the Llanelly side of half-way, a free kick was given against the Welshmen. Morkel had the ball placed, and from the most difficult position scored a really magnificent goal. Only a few minutes more were left for play, which was quite uninteresting, the Colonials being quite satisfied with their 13 points' lead. Final score:—

	Pts.
South Africans (2 cg. 1 pg. 1 try)	16
Llanelly (1 try)	3

SOUTH AFRICANS: A. F. Marsburg, *full-back*; A. Stegmann, H. A. De Villiers, J. G. Hirsch, and J. Loubser, *three-quarter backs*; F. J. Dobbin and D. C. Jackson, *half-backs*; Paul Roos (captain), J. W. E. Raaff, W. A. Burger, D. Brink, H. Daniel, D. Morkel, W. A. Millar, and D. Brookes, *forwards*.

LLANELLY: Gordon Thomas, *full-back*; R. T. Gabe, W. Arnold, W. Thomas, and Griff Rowe, *three-quarter backs*; D. Lloyd and Harvey Thomas, *half-backs*; Dan Walters (captain), Harry Watkins, J. Watts, Lieutenant Dobbs, Harry Cole, J. Auckland, Tom Evans, and W. Cole, *forwards*.

Referee: Mr. Fred. Marsh, Durham.

MATCH *vs.* CARDIFF.—There would be at least 30,000 people present when the sides took the field. It had been practically raining since Sunday, and the result was that the ground was ankle-deep in mud. The only change in either team was that Burger took the place of Mare in the visitors' forwards. Early in the game Cardiff took up the attack, and it was only a knock-on by Gibbs that prevented them scoring in the first minute. Nicholls was early-on prominent with some sound defence, but before the game was ten minutes old, and whilst Cardiff were pressing in the South Africans' "25," there was quite a series of injuries. Nicholls had a nasty bump, and both Biggs and Millar were hurt, the last-mentioned being carried off. There was a considerable delay over this, but when they started again Cardiff immediately took up the attack, and Marsburg had to touch down to save, whilst Powell for Cardiff shortly afterwards saved a fine rush of the Africans' forwards by dropping on the ball in midfield. The first score of the match came from Nicholls, who coming out to the right, rounded the opposition in quite his old style. He had to go into the extreme corner for it, but eventually he got there, and it was a great kick of Winfield's, and close by the touch-line, that converted the point. After Morkel had tried and failed with a penalty, Bush started the next attack for Cardiff. There had been a long kick over his line, and Bush, instead of touching down, had rushed out with the ball. He kicked up the field, and Nicholls taking up a dribble after it, sent the ball over the line, Gibbs racing up and securing the try, but Winfield failed to convert. Cardiff were attacking strongly at this period, and Bush was well placed when he tried a drop for goal, the ball, however, not rising. Only once up till now had the Africans ever been near the Cardiff "25" line. Hirsch, however, brought them over with a strong run up the centre, but Gibbs tackled him in rare fashion. Then there was another delay through Smith, one of the Cardiff forwards, being laid out, and at this period Biggs, with his knee gone, limped off to the dressing-room, half-time being called a few minutes later with the score standing:—

	Pts.
Cardiff (1 g. 1 p.g. 1 try)	11
South Africans	*Nil.*

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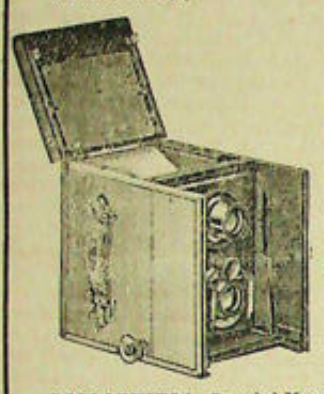

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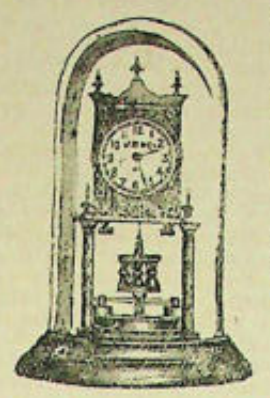

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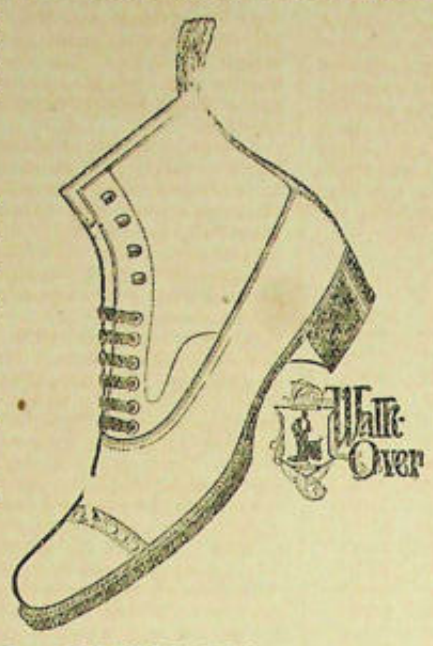

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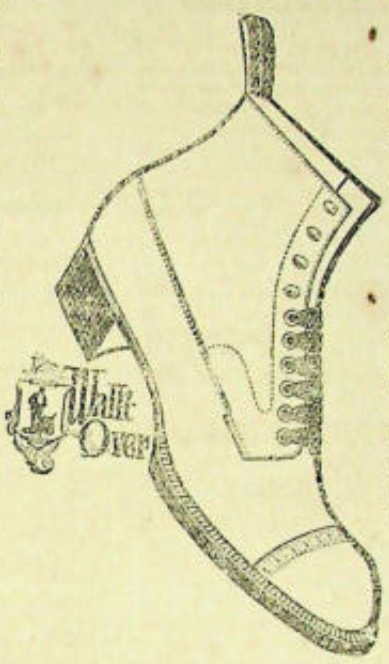

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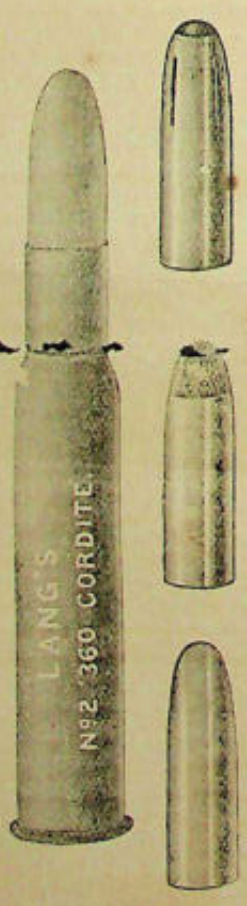

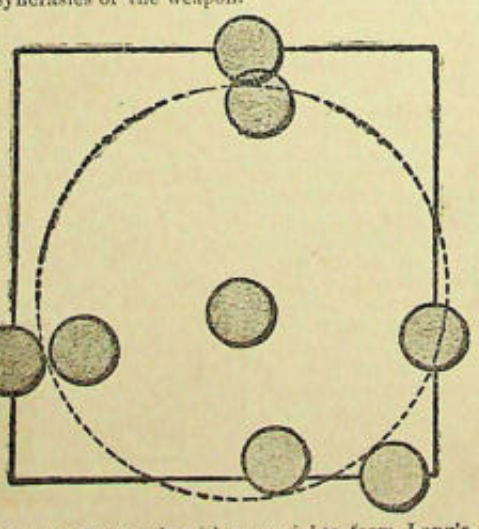

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	Pts.
Cardiff (1 p.g. 1 p.g. and 3 tries)	17
South Africans	*Nil.*

The teams were :—

CARDIFF: H. B. Winfield, *back;* J. L. Williams, R. T. Gabe, E. G. Nicholls, and Cecil Biggs, *three-quarter backs;* David and R. A. Gibbs, *half-backs;* Bush, *extra half-back;* George Northmore, W. Neill, J. Brown, A. Bryce, F. Smith, J. Casey, and J. Powell, *forwards.*

SOUTH AFRICANS: A. F. Marsburg, *back;* A. Stegmann, H. A. De Villiers, J. G. Hirsch, and J. Loubser, *three-quarter backs;* F. Dobbin and D. C. Jackson, *half-backs;* P. Roos (capt.), J. Baaf, D. J. Brink, H. J. Daniel, W. A. Burger, W. A. Millar, D. F. T. Morkel, and P. A. Le Roux, *forwards.*

Referee: Mr. Gil Evans.

It was a positive disaster at Cardiff, the most severe blow of the tour. Cardiff's success was accomplished under much the same conditions as prevailed at Glasgow—the ground was ankle deep in mud; rain fell heavily throughout play. The home club played at the top of their form; the South Africans much below theirs. Their forwards were badly beaten, and for once in a way their gallant three-quarters, who had so often pulled the side through, did not come to the rescue. It was a sad and sorry day for the Africans, for Cardiff succeeded where the full strength of Wales failed.

BLACKHEATH *vs.* FETTESIAN-LORETTONIANS.—Sunday night's thaw operated so effectively on the Rectory Field at Blackheath that yesterday the snow had almost melted away, while the ground was soft enough for a match to be engaged in without danger to the players. Still the ground was very slushy, and it was a sporting act on the part of the teams to decide to turn out. There were several hundred spectators, and their enthusiasm was so great and the efforts of the players so strenuous that it was for all the world like a miniature International. Blackheath, who adopted the New Zealand formation, only made one change in their advertised team, F. W. T. Sawyer taking C. J. Newbold's place in the forward line. Considering the conditions, the game was contested at a great pace, and, although the forwards generally controlled the exchanges, there were some delightful bursts of passing, so that at no time was the play dull or commonplace. The outstanding feature of the match was the grand individual work of C. C. G. Wright, who failed to get into the Cambridge fifteen this year. He was quite the fastest man on either side, and displayed immense enterprise in following up, frequently breaking through the forwards and getting to the ball like a flash before anyone was aware of his presence. The forward play on either side was excellent. First one pack and then the other were on top, and really there was little to choose between them, though Blackheath perhaps used their feet with the greater skill. The start was sensational, Friday intercepting a pass by one of the Scottish half-backs and slipping the ball to Wright, who romped over within five minutes. Robson successfully took the kick at goal. The visitors speedily retaliated, and McLeod made a brilliant run for quite forty yards, and looked all over a scorer, but Robson pulled him down a couple of yards from the line. After a series of "scrums" Cunningham got possession and dropped a beautiful goal. Once again McLeod burst through all opposition, but he kicked on instead of picking up the ball, and Coopper, although a couple of yards behind, got up just as McLeod was shaping to fall on the ball and kicked dead amid great excitement. Friday, who was very useful at centre for Blackheath, then set Coopper going and the old Devonport man magnificently eluded three opponents before touching the ball down behind the posts. Robson again converted and the home side were leading by ten points to four at the interval. On restarting, McLeod made a nice opening for Harper close in, but the wing man fumbled the ball badly and sent it into touch. Then Robson misfielded the ball right in front of his goal, but danger was averted. Then in endeavouring to stem a rush by the home forwards Schulze faltered, Williamson smartly collared him, and Wright, picking up near the half-way line, outpaced all his pursuers and scored a grand try on the right. Robson's kick was wide of goal. The Scots now pressed hard, their forwards doing splendid work and Harper was given a capital chance by McLeod, but instead of running straight on he chose to drop at goal, but, although in a favourable position, kicked short. The visitors kept up the pressure, and at length Gowlland scrambled over. McLeod converting. Blackheath were now only leading by four points, but their forwards gradually got the upper hand and gave the visitors some anxious moments. Wright cleverly intercepted a pass by one of the visiting backs, and kicking over Schulze's head, enabled Sawyer to get in on the extreme left, although Schulze nearly prevented a score by a heroic effort. Robson failed at goal. The game was now as good as over, for, although McLeod made his mark, he missed an easy opening of dropping a goal. The result was a win for Blackheath by two goals and two tries (15 points) to one placed goal and one dropped goal (9 points). Teams:

Blackheath: C. G. Robson, *back;* S. F. Coopper, C. A. Friday, and C. C. G. Wright, *three-quarter backs;* D. O. Twining and R. H. Williamson, *five-eights;* W. K. Flemmer, *half-back;* J. E. C Partridge, F. W. T. Sawyer, R. Maclear, W. T. D. Craven, F. J. V. Hopley, J. R. Upson, H. F. Tuckett, and H. W. Stirling, *forwards.*

Fettesian-Lorettonians: D. G. Schulze, *back;* H. Harper, K. G. McLeod, G. Cunningham, and A. L. Purves, *three-quarter backs:* A. H. Gallie and J. E. MacIntyre, *half-backs;* W. P. Scott, H. G. Monteith, G. C. Gowlland, W. C. Currie, R. W. Cassells, J. A. Herriot, J. Ross, and W. H. Purves, *forwards.*

Referee: Mr. P. Gilliard.

BILLIARDS.

The huge success of the unique entertainment at Messrs. Thurston's Grand Hall on Monday last is still the subject of conversation whenever and wherever a few enthusiasts of the fascinating game congregate. The eulogiums passed on the committee who organised the affair have indeed been flattering, and it is a moot point who are the most pleased—Sergeant-Major Fitzgerald, in whose honour the event was held, or the committee, Messrs. G. Reid (*Sporting Life*), S. A. Mussabini, Harry Young, and V. M. Mansell—who promoted it. A great success was confidently anticipated, but no one even in the highest flights of his imagination ever dreamt it would be the success it turned out to be. Crammed from floor to ceiling as the Grand Hall was, there were as many people turned away as would have crowded the hall a second time.

And what a gathering it was, too! Despite the "crush," everyone was in the best of humour, and for more than three hours sat or stood watching the *élité* of the profession putting forth their very best efforts to entertain. And that the professionals were successful in this, ample evidence was forthcoming in the vociferous applause rendered them at the completion of each "turn;" while the laughter was uproarious whenever a humorous incident—and there were many such—occurred.

The only big match in town during the week proved an excellent attraction to holiday-makers, Messrs. Thurston's Grand Hall, where Weiss and Harverson are contesting a match of 12,000 up for £25 a side, being very full on each afternoon since the match began on Wednesday. Unfortunately neither player has, so far, been seen at his best, but signs are not wanting that it will be a "battle royal" all through the piece, and visitors to the Leicester-square establishment are certain to witness a determined struggle this week end for honours. They are exceptionally keen rivals, and do not give anything away when they cross cues, the Colonial supremacy being the ambition of both exponents.

RECORD OF MATCHES TO DATE.

	P.	W.	L.	Possible Points.	Actually Scored.	Per-centage.
E. Diggle ...	5	4	1	55,834	54,790	98·13
T. Reece ...	3	5	2	34,000	33,261	97·82
H. W. Stevenson ...	*11	7	3	101,252	98,663	97·44
W. Pindar ...	3	2	1	18,000	17,467	97·03
G. Nelson ...	4	3	1	13,000	12,612	97·01
M. Inman ...	10	5	5	66,225	63,259	95·53
†C. Harverson ...	8	3	5	72,000	67,920	94·33
C. Dawson ...	11	6	5	108,000	99,632	92·25
F. Lawrence ...	2	0	2	5,500	5,055	91·90
W. A. Lovejoy ...	10	6	4	51,850	47,503	91·61
W. Cook ...	*14	5	8	53,315	47,065	88·39
W. Osborne ...	*7	3	3	21,942	21,979	88·12
†F. H. Weiss ...	5	1	4	24,600	21,116	85·83
A. Taylor ...	1	0	1	7,000	4,599	65·70
C. H. Wilkinson ...	3	1	2	2,850	1,862	65·33
W. Mitchell ...	2	0	2	21,600	14,011	64·86

* Remaining game drawn.
† Does not include match in progress.
Note.—The average column shows percentage of possible points scored.

THE "FIRST HALF" REVIEWED.

This being the closing day of the year, it appears to me to be a fitting opportunity for taking stock of the first half of the present season. The close of the first half of the season finds the leading exponents maintaining, and, in some instances—notably in those of Dawson, Stevenson, and Diggle—improving on the great form displayed during the previous season. When we remember what a record breaking season 1905-6 was, this seems a somewhat bold remark to make, but I hope to prove that this optimistic assertion has a sure foundation.

Really, though, the tabulated returns speak for themselves, and render comment almost a superfluity. I should, however, like to draw attention to the fact that Harverson, Inman, and Lovejoy are the only players who have, so far, created fresh individual records, while the "Twickenham Terror" has carved a further niche in the temple of fame by creating a fresh world's "red ball" records of 300, an honour of which he is pardonably proud. Quite apart from the great compilations referred to the sustained quality of Dawson, Stevenson, and Diggle's displays has been quite phenomenal. Averages of 375·00, 250·00, 200·00, 150·00, and any number between 100 and the last-mentioned figures speak far more eloquently than words of the wonderful—one might almost say miraculous—powers possessed by these "stars." With the 375·00 Stevenson takes pride of place while in the 250's he is joined by Dawson, and then a little lower in the scale, 200·00 and under, these players are joined by the famous Manchester exponent. There is only one fitting word to apply to all these great deeds—"Prodigious!" Should they ascend to greater heights in the closing half of the season—and one need not be surprised at anything these "magicians" may do—some other word in the English language will require to be invented to give an adequate description of their prowess.

Messrs. Burroughes and Watts' great tournament has more than realised the expectations formed that billiards of an exceptionally high class would be seen in the various heats. A reference to the appended table of results to date, to which is added a full analysis of all the games decided, will bear this out. Here, again, the figures are presented in such an interesting form that comment of any kind is quite uncalled for :—

	P.	W.	L.	Inns.	Points.	Aver.
*E. Diggle (rec. 1,000) ...	2	2	0	208	18,000	44·81
T. Reece (rec. 2,500) ...	3	2	1	827	26,940	23·42
H. W. Stevenson (scratch)	1	1	0	251	9,000	35·74
*M. Inman (rec. 2,250) ...	2	1	1	320	12,716	22·09
C. Dawson (scratch) ...	2	0	2	528	15,671	29·58
C. Harverson (rec. 2,000)...	4	1	3	924	34,384	27·37

Note.—The final column gives the average for every completed visit paid to the table. For this purpose the starts and misses have been deducted from the total points.

* Fourth heat abandoned, owing to illness of Inman. Game awarded to Diggle, with scores 3,716—3,666 in favour of Inman.

A cavalry sergeant was out of patience with an awkward recruit. "Never approach the horses from behind without speaking," he explained. "If you do, they'll kick that thick head of yours, and the end of it will be that we shall have nothing but lame horses in the squadron."

An officer, speaking of the orderly room clerk in his command, says the man spells like a broken typewriter.

First Man: "How do you do!" Second Man: "Beg pardon, but you have the advantage of me." First man: "Yes, I suppose I have. We were engaged to the same girl; but you married her."

Plumduff: "Has that charming widow any property?"
Ketchum: "Yes, considerable."
Plumduff: "Real estate or personal?"
Ketchum: "Personal. She has six children."

Hunting.

KARACHI HUNT.

10th January.—The hounds met at the Bunnia's Crossing at 7-30. Mrs. Travers and Mrs. Northen were the only ladies out. Mr. Graham commenced by drawing the guavas. The hounds picked up a line from the corner, and ran hard towards Rai Singh's wtll. But they were at fault before they had gone far—so the Master brought them back—and got them away nicely together.

Running with lots of music and dash they led us over the Bund country, past the Ruined Cottage to the One Tree Bund. Here the jack turned sharp left, setting his mask for the hills. He crossed some very bare pat—but the hounds hunted him beautifully and ran into him, after a good 30 minutes, near the bottom of the hills. The Master drew again near the Ruined Cottage—and a jack was viewed away—but there was no scent, so the hounds were whipped off homewards.

13th January.—It was a nice cold morning, as we left the Hunt Camp, and cantered to the kennels to pick up the hounds. But there was a dryness in the wind, which did not promise well for scenting. We drew Alladad Mango Tope and the Banana Patch Blank, and the Master was taking the hounds off to draw the Sugarcane at Gurahim's khete when the hounds picked up a line, going back towards the station. But it was obviously a "heel" line, so the Master lifted them and cast forward. A few minutes' suspense, and they were on again—going fast—and making the most of a catchy scent. They ran into their jack in the thick scrub beyond the khete—after a short gallop of ten minutes. Drawing the Subadar's khete, a jack was viewed away in the most approved fashion—breaking across the open—but the hounds could make nothing of him. We had several other short runs during the morning—but the scent failed us badly. The hounds were whipped off homewards at eleven.

SINDHI.

Paperchasing.

CALCUTTA PAPERCHASES.

No. V.

THE fifth Meet was held at a late hour on Saturday morning on the Monsoon Ride close by Garipar Hat, where a larger field assembled and a fair number of spectators. The course was a long one, some four miles as I judged it. Starting away from the Monsoon Ride itself the paper ran to the left of the fish market and away east hugging the jungle and crossing an old wall and a new fence with a bit of a ditch on the near side before swinging in to the left over the "old" wall. From this point a new line was followed as the course swung right-handed on to the Monsoon Ride and almost straight across it into the jungle beyond. After a turn in the open over some country which has not been used for a year or two, a couple of fences lay in the space to the north of the Ride which is a favourite finishing ground. Thence the paper twisted through a village into the old footpath through the Plaintain Garden and so back to the Monsoon Ride close to Garipar Hat. Leaving the Market on the left the paper went straight forward by the usual route to the "Hollow" wall, and the finish was laid in the open by the New Tank with a couple of fences unexpectedly appearing round the corner to the right.

Cain being laid up with fever, Mr. Evers has lost a point on his stable companion in the Average Cup competition. Fairy now leads but will have to keep going all the season to hold her advantage.

Grief was very plentiful, the open ditch causing any number of refusals. It was really rather hard to place a new kind of fence so early in the chase, because some of the triers were carried out by the unschooled horses. The bush fence at the finish was also very disconcerting and Fairy who was finishing alone refused when first confronted with it. Mr. Ballantyne turned her round but not in time to stall off Mr. Evers, who was coming along easily on Solanus, a very smart horse belonging to Mr. Robertson. Mrs. Collin took a very nasty fall at the "Hollow" wall, Kildare making a mistake for once. No bones were reported as broken, but the shaking and strain are likely to keep this sporting lady out of the hunt for the rest of the season.

The official order was given as follows :—

1. Mr. Evers on Solanus.
2. Mr. Ballantyne on Fairy.
3. Mr. Levetus on Jorrocks.
4. Mrs. L. Walker on Detective.
5. Mr. Soper on a brown.
6. Mr. Birkmyre on Lady Fox.

A poor show of ponies began a very half-hearted chase and Mr. Evers again came along first on Branga, with Messrs. Antram and Ritson and a stranger in close attendance.

BLARNEY.

By an oversight the results of the [illegible] chase were omitted from our last issue and in order to have the record complete on our files we give below the official placings :—

HORSES.

1. Mr. Evers on Cain.
2. Mrs. L. Walker on Detective.
3. Mr. Ballantyne on Fairy.
4. Mr. Halliday on Ruddigore.
5. Mr. Pugh on Great Hart.
6. Capt. Pritchard on Young Poetess.

PONIES.

1. Mr. Ritson on Geebung.
2. Mr. Pugh on Mistlebird.
3. Mr. Ballantyne on Minstrel Boy.
4. Mr. Buckland on Blazes.
5. Mr. Bell-Irving on Sarah.
6. Mr. Lyall on a brown.

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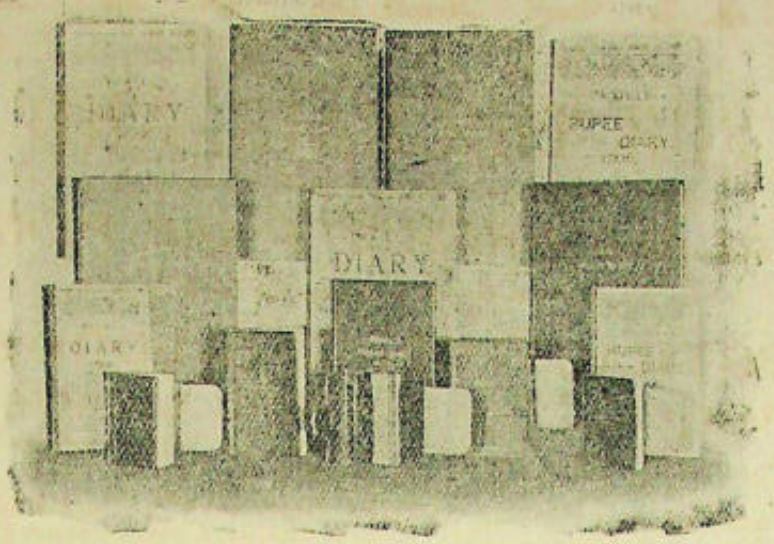

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Cricket.

CRICKET IN CALCUTTA.

BALLYGUNGE C. C. *vs.* CALCUTTA C. C.—The return match between these teams—a three days' fixture—was played at Ballygunge on the 18th, 19th and 20th instant and resulted in a win for Calcutta by 24 runs. The visitors batted first and scored 243, 82 by Guise and 35 by Low being the principal contributions. Ballygunge made 93 for the loss of one wicket when stumps were drawn on the first day. On Saturday the innings closed for 293, White 81 and Shallow 47, Nicholls, Tatam, Eddis and Gould all making useful scores. Calcutta went in again and when play was closed for the day had put up 254, of this Guise was responsible for 70 and Turnbull not out 116. The next day Turnbull carried his score to 155 before he was given out l.-b.-w. White, who was 37 not out overnight, added 56 to his score and was still batting when the inning closed for 379. Ballygunge were 330 runs behind, but in spite of good play by Bayley, Shallow, Nicholls, Eddis and Whiteley helped by Mr. Extras they were 24 runs short when the last wicket fell. Score :—

CALCUTTA C. C.

1st Innings.		2nd Innings.	
M.R. Quin (Capt.), b Gould	12	c and b Nicholls ...	3
J. D. Guise, c Gould, b Nicholls ...	82	st Tatam, b Manders ...	70
C. P. Bartholomew, st. Tatam, b Gould ...	1	b Nicholls	14
G. Turnbull, c Tatam b Gould	25	l.-b.-w., b Eddis ...	155
E. H. Thirkell White, b Nicholls	22	not out	98
S. C. B. Lee, b Nicholls ...	3	b Eddis	1
E. Horncastle, b Nicholls	3	b Eddis	1
H. F. Yeoman, b Manders ...	22	b Eddis	2
H. V. Low, b Nicholls ...	35	st. Tatam, b Eddis ...	14
A. Lethbridge, c and b Nicholls	1	b Manders	2
G. Pickford, not out ...	8	c White, b Manders ...	2
Extras ...	29	Extras	3
Total ..	243	Total ...	380

BALLYGUNGE C. C.

1st Innings.		2nd Innings.	
B. E. G. Eddis, c and b Quin	32	c Lethbridge, b Turnbull	39
B. A. White (Capt.), b Turnbull	81	b Guise	16
D. S. Shallow, c Horncastle, b Turnbull	47	c Turnbull, b Guise ...	41
T. C. Manders, b Turnbull ...	0	c Guise, b Turnbull ...	9
C. B. Nicholls, run out ...	38	c Lethbridge, b Quin ...	40
F. N. Whiteley, c sub., b Yeoman	5	b Turnbull	38
W. E. Bayley, c Guise, b Yeoman	4	not out	52
A. C. Tatam, not out ...	56	c Lethbridge, b Turnbull	
F. Gould, c Guise, b Lethbridge	89	c Horncastle, b Guise ...	12
E. W Antram, c Quin, b Turnbull	3	b Lethbridge ...	4
J. R. Coulthard, c White, b Turnbull	0	b Lethbridge ...	4
Extras ...	17	Extras ...	35
Total ...	293	Total ...	306

OLD XAVERIANS *vs.* HOWRAH UNITED.—This match was played at Howrah on the 21st January. The Xaverians winning easily.

HOWRAH UNITED.

Knight, b Power	32
Doyle, run out	0
Doran, st. Bell, b Vaughan	2
Lestrange, run out	2
A. Doran, b Vaughan	1
Hart, c Ready, b Vaughan	1
Roberts, b Marsden	1
Elynn, b Vaughan	21
Murtough, not out	0
Macrott, b Greenway	4
Woodley, c Stoddart, b Greenway	11
Extras ...	
Total ...	75

OLD XAVERIANS.

H. Bell, b Lestrange	35
L. Smith, st. Doyle, b Knight	5
D. Ready, b Lestrange	13
A. Vaughan, c Murtough, b Knight	6
F. Greenway, b Woodley	64
C. Marsden, b Lestrange	0
L. Smith, b Anania	3
G. Power, not out	63
W. Stoddart, not out	15
H. Newton, Father Power } did not bat.	
Extras	28
Total (for 7 wickets) ...	232

NORTHUMBERLAND FUSILIERS *vs.* CALEDONIANS.—This return match was played in the Fort on the 18th and 19th instant, the military team winning by 10 wickets. Sergeant Beckingham bowled well taking 4 wickets for 24 in the first innings and 9 wickets for 32 in the second. Score :—

CALEDONIANS.

1st Innings.		2nd Innings.	
G. V. Wade, run out ...	3	b Salier ...	9
J. Dunn, b Salier ...	5	b Beckingham ...	8
H. W. Beer, b Beckingham..	7	c and b Beckingham ...	5
L. Fox, b Beckingham ...	0	b Beckingham ...	8
E. H. Christensen, b Beckingham	16	b Beckingham ...	1
E. O. Elliot, b Salier ...	1	b Beckingham ...	54
E. Durant, c Temerley, b Beckingham	16	b Beckingham ...	0
J. G. Fulthorpe, c Downes, b Salier ...	1	b Beckingham ...	5
J. H. Dinsdale, b Salier ...	0	c and b Beckingham ...	1
R. H. Byers, b Salier ...	0	b Beckingham ...	4
W. G. Brown, not out ...	2	not out ...	0
Extras ...	3	Extras ...	2
Total ...	54	Total ...	97

FUSILIERS

1st Innings.		2nd Innings.	
Lt. Owens, c and b Elliot ...	6	not out	47
Sergt. Wilkinson, c Brown, b Elliot ...	9	not out	31
Lt. Maude, l.-b.-w., Brown	18		
Lt. Temperley, b Elliot ...	4		
Lt. Salier, b Brown ...	0		
Lt. Selby, b Elliot ...	7		
Lt. Downes, l.-b.-w., b Elliot	0	did not bat.	
Pte. Adams, b Elliot ...	2		
Lt. Milne Home, not out ...	4		
Sergt. Beckingham, c Beer, b Elliot ...	14		
Sergt. Marshall, b Brown ...	0		
Extras ...	12	Extras ...	3
Total ...	71	Total ...	84

CRICKET IN MADRAS.

COLONEL WILSON XI. *vs.* MADRAS C. C.—Played on the 14th and 15th instant. The M. C. C. winning by ten wickets. McIver and Partridge batted well for the winners. Score :—

COLONEL WILSON'S XI.

1st Innings.		2nd Innings.	
Col. Wilson, c King, b Stephenson ...	7	b Buckley	2
Master Gunner Bates, b McIver	46	b Strouts	2
A. Smith, c Strouts, b McIver	15	b Strouts	15
Sergt. McDougal, c Steele, b McIver	4	b Buckley	9
Capt. Bowen, c Stephenson, b McIver	6	c Stephenson, b Strouts	30
Sergt. Shearburn, b Buckley	8	run out	8
Capt. Cotter, b Buckley ...	0	b Buckley	1
H. Liepmann, c Buckley b McIver ...	13	b Strouts	10
Capt. Riach, b Buckley ...	4	b Strouts	6
Sergt. Young, not out ...	1	b Stephenson ...	8
Sergt. Laing, b McIver ...	1	not out	3
Extras ...	5	Extras ...	13
Total ...	110	Total ...	107

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

	O.	R.	M.	W.	O.	R.	M.	W.
Strouts ...	11	20	1	0	17	30	4	5
Stephenson ...	6	18	1	1	14	19	7	1
McIver ...	13·4	38	3	6	8	19	3	0
Buckley ...	9	20	1	3	6¾	17	1	3

M. C. C.

1st Innings.		2nd Innings.	
G. Fraser, b Bowen ...	5	not out	7
P. W. Partridge, run out ...	79		
F. H. A. Stephenson, c Wilson, b Liepmann ...	16	not out	6
J. McIver, not out ...	75		
R. C. Strouts, l.-b.-w., b Young	12		
W. A. Wilkinson, b Bowen	1		
R. Simpson, c and b Bowen	4		
G. F. Jerdein, b Bowen ...	5		
A. H. Steele, b Bowen ...	1		
L. E. Buckley, b Bowen ...	0		
Sir Henry King, did not bat.			
Extras ...	5	Extras ...	2
Total ...	203	Total ...	15

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

	O.	R.	M.	W	O.	R.	M.	W.
Capt. Bowen ...	18	63	3	4	2	3	0	0
Gr. Bates ...	1	17	0	0	...	...	...	...
Sergt. Shearburn ...	6	40	0	0	...	...		...
Leipmann ...	9·4	42	0	3	2	10	0	0
Young ...	5	30	0	1	..	...	...	...

PUNJAB COMMISSION TOURNAMENT.

QUEEN'S REGIMENT *vs.* S. AND T. CORPS.—Played at Rawalpindi on the 8th instant ending in a win for the S. and T. Corps by six wickets. Captains Heath and Neal were highest scorers for the Queen's, while Captain Lushington put up 120 for the winners. Score and analysis

THE QUEEN'S REGIMENT.

1st Innings.		2nd Innings.	
Capt. M. G. Heath, b Capt. Lushington ...	6	b Lancaster ...	52
Capt. G. H. Neal, l.-b.-w., b Kilgour ...	63	c Collen, b Lancaster ...	3
Capt. B. M. Tringham, c Capt. White, b Kilgour ...	16	c Lancaster, b Cullen ...	17
W. H. Alleyne, b Collen ...	1	c Lushington, b Lancaster ...	0
B. N. Kenny, c and b Sergt. N. Cullen	20	b Carroll	44
M. V. Foy, c Lushington, b Kilgour	0	c Kilgour, b Carroll ...	14
B. C. Quill, b Lancaster ...	17	b Carroll	14
Capt. F. B. B. Pickard, c and b Capt. Lushington ...	14	b Lancaster ..	27
G. J. Giffard, b Lancaster ...	0	b Lancaster ...	0
E. W. Maude, b Capt. Lushington	1	not out	4
G. B. Parnell, not out ...	6	c and b Carroll ...	1
Extras ...	27	Extras ...	22
Total ...	171	Total ...	198

	R.	W.	O.	M.	R.	W.	O.	M.
E. H. Lancaster ...	36	2	12	2	69	5	24	5
Capt. W. N. Lushington	41	3	11	2	16	0	6	0
H. P. Kilgour ...	28	3	11	1	13	0	5	2
P. E. Collen ...	18	1	6	3	—	—	—	—
Sergt.-Major Cullen ...	21	1	5	0	32	1	7	1
			H. O. Carroll		52	4	15	3

S. AND T. CORPS N. C.

1st Innings.		2nd Innings.	
H. O. Carroll, b-w, b Capt. Heath	21	c Giffard, b Alleyne ...	4
P. E. Collen, c Capt. Tringham, b Alleyne ...	38	b Alleyn	1
Sergt.-Major Cullen, b Capt. Heath	10	not out	35
Capt. Campion, b Alleyne ...	12	c Capt. Neale, b Alleyne	18
E. H. Lancaster, b Parnell ..	9	b Parnell	0
Capt. W. N. Lushington, c Quill, b Alleyne ...	120	not out	10
H. F. Kilgour, b Alleyne ...	31		
Capt. H. P. N. White, l.-b.-w., b Giffard	20		
Sub-Condr. Lyttle, b Alleyne	3	} did not bat.	
Sergt. Leicester, c Parnell b Giffard	0		
Sub-Condr. Hann, not out ...	0		
Extras ...	29		
Total ...	288	Total (4 wkts.) ...	82

	R.	W.	O.	M.	R.	W.	O.	M.
G. B. Parnell ...	86	1	16	1	29	1	10	4
Capt. M. G. Heath ...	40	2	13	1	13	0	5	1
W. H. Alleyne ...	66	5	16	2	26	3	16	5
G. J. Giffard ...	32	2	8	0				
B. M. Kenny ...	35	0	7	0				

ROYAL SUSSEX *vs.* WILTSHIRE REGIMENT.—Played at Ambala on the 14th and 15th January, the Royal Sussex winning by an innings and 169 runs. They put up 319 of which Bond was credited with 139. The Wilts were dismissed for 105 and 45 due mainly to the fine bowling of Lieutenant Morphett. Scores :—

1ST ROYAL SUSSEX REGIMENT.

1st Innings.

Lieut. Bond, c and b Babey ...	139
Sergt. Ayres, b Flippence	0
Lieut. Whittell, c Brambleby, b Flippence ...	20
Lieut. Wilberforce, c Babey, b Smith ...	18
Lieut. Morphett, b Greenland	13
Lieut. Birkett, c Babey, b Greenland ...	35
Cr.-Sergt. Weston, c Mulliken, b Smith ...	10
Lieut. Goring, c Pym, b Flippence ...	28
Sergt. Watts, b Greenland	0
Pte. Hewlett, not out	23
Pte. Bishop, c Barnes, b Williams ...	21
Extras ...	12
Total ...	319

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
L.-Corpl. Flippence	12	0	65	3
Pt. Smith	13	1	73	2
Corpl. Barnes	8	0	49	0
Sergt. Babey	7	0	58	1
Lieut. Mulliken	6	2	34	0
Sergt. Greenland	7	0	36	3
Corpl. Williams	2	1	7	1

1ST WILTSHIRE REGIMENT.

1st Innings.		2nd Innings	
Sergt. Babey, b Morphett	10	b Morphett ...	19
L.-Corpl. Williams, c and b Hewlett	30	b Morphett ...	6
Sergt. Pym, b Hewlett ...	2	b Morphett ...	4
Lieut Eberhardie, b Morphett	8	c Watts, b Morphett ...	0
Sergt. Greenland, c and b Morphett	0	c Watts b Morphett ...	0
Bandmaster Brambleby, c and b Morphett ...	13	st Bond b Hewlett ...	0
Corpl. Barnes, b Hewlett	4	b Morphett ...	4
Lieut. Edwards, b Morphett	2	c Wilberforce, b Morphett ...	2
Lieut. Mulliken, b Hewlett	10	c Watts, b Morphett ...	0
Pte. Smith, c Weston, b Morphett	10	b Hewlett ..	4
Pte. Flippence, not out ...	12	not out	4
Extras ...	4	Extras ...	2
Total ...	105	Total ...	45

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

1st Innings.					2nd Innings.			
	O.	M.	R.	W.	O.	M.	R.	W.
Lieut. Morphett	16	3	62	6	9	1	24	8
Pte. Hewlett	16	1	43	4	8	2	21	2

CRICKET AT OOTACAMUND.

2ND DORSETS *vs.* GYMKHANA.—Played on the 14th and 15th instant, ending in a win for the Gymkhana Club by an innings and 75 runs. Captain Copeland and Messrs. Marsden and Jackson batted brilliantly. Score :—

2ND DORSET REGIMENT.

1st Innings.		2nd Innings.	
Sergt. King, b Prest ...	41	b Jackson	33
Sergt. Chant, c & b Jackson	26	b Hamilton ...	0
Asst.-Surg. Dunlop, c Deane, b Hamilton	1	b Hamilton ...	15
A. F. Simpson, c Prest, b Jackson ...	26	c Kennedy, b Hamilton	7
P. Mitchell, b Marsden ...	3	c Jackson, b Copeland	0
Asst.-Surg. Thompson, b Marsden	4	c Copeland, b Jackson ...	32
Sergt. Barfoot, not out ...	16	b Hamilton ...	0
H. Watts, c Dean, b Jackson	1	b Hamilton ...	11
Pte. Fagg, l.-b-w., b Marsden	0	b Hamilton ...	0
Pte. Mantell, c & b Marsden	0	c Prest, b Hamilton ...	2
A. C. S. Hind, b Marsden ...	4	not out	0
Extras ...	17	Extras ...	8
Total ...	139	Total ...	108

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

	O.	R.	M.	W.
Hamilton	13	26	1	1
Copeland	7	22	2	0
Prest	5	21	1	1
Marsden	7	7	3	5
Jackson	7	23	0	3

OOTACAMUND GYMKHANA CLUB.

E. Marsden, c and b Barfoot ...	67
A. B. Jackson, b Thompson ...	50
Capt. Copeland, b Simpson ...	91
W. Prest, b Thompson	17
W. M. Standen, l.-b-w., b Tagg ...	9
Col. M. Kennedy, c and b Watts ...	22
C. Hemsley, c King, b Simpson ...	8
Major Deane, b Mitchell	12
H. Harvey-Kelly, absent.	
H. F. Hamilton, b Simpson ...	16
R. J. Malet, not out	4
Extras	26
Total ..	322

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

	O.	R.	M.	W.
Thompson	16	84	1	2
Tagg	19	91	1	1
Simpson	11	68	0	3
Barfoot	5	29	0	1
Watts	5	20	0	1
Mitchell	2	2	0	1

CRICKET IN BURMA

MEIKTILA *vs.* N.-C. O.'s, ESSEX REGIMENT.—Played at Meiktila on 12th January 1907 between the N.-C.O.'s detachment, Essex Regiment and Meiktila resulting in a win for the latter by 15 runs. Scores :—

N.-C.-O.'s DETACHMENT, ESSEX REGT.

Sergt. Purchase, c and b Jan Baz ...	13
Corpl. Redman, b Milman	0
Lce.-Corpl. Harper, b Jan Baz	39
Lce.-Corpl. Palmer, b Jan Baz	3
Dr. Bruce, c Vir Singh, b Scobie ...	16
Sergt. Larkman, c and b Jan Baz ...	0
Corpl. Oakes, b Jan Baz	4
Sergt Fennell, b Scobie	3
Capt. Walker, b Jan Baz	7
Lce.-Corpl. Hatton, not out	8
Lce.-Corpl. Price, st. Whitworth, b Jan Baz ...	0
Byes	12
Total	104

MEIKTILA.

H. R. Blanford, c Palmer, b Bruce ...	25
T. S. Whitworth, c Redman, b Bruce ...	61
Naik Shamas Din, b Redman	10
Vir Singh, b Redman	2
C. H. Harrison, c Redman, b Bruce ...	0
J. McK. Scobie, c Hatton, b Redman ...	12
Lce.-Naik Jan Baz Khan, c and b Bruce ..	2
E. W. E. Milman, b Redman	2
Khanzada, b Redman	0
Sher Baz, b Redman	0
Lal Singh, not out	3
Byes	2
Total ...	119

Wimbledon Camp.—Riddles of a slightly irreverent nature are the order of the night down here. Pattrel obliged us with one last night. The question is: "Why is Heaven a lonely place?" And the utterly indefensible answer is: "Because there is not a damned soul in it."

"Look here," said the well-known costumier to the less well-known mummer, "when are you going to pay me for those wigs you had from me two years ago?"

"My dear old chap," replied the mummer, "I am an actor: not a prophet."

Football.

MURRAY FOOTBALL TOURNAMENT.

COMMITTEE:

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Honorary Secretary : B. P. MILES, ESQ., 85th K.L.I., S.S.O., Lucknow.

The following is the result of the drawing for the Murray Cup Football Tournament, 1907.

FIRST ROUND.	SECOND ROUND.
Oxford Light Infantry vs. Durham Light Infantry	... ...
The Royal Dragoons	Bye ... ...
O/R. H. A.	Bye ... ...
Bedford Regt. vs. Somerset Light Infantry	... ...
South Staffordshire Regt. vs. Shropshire Light Infantry	... ...
Royal Irish Rifles vs. Cameronians	... ...
IV. Brigade. R. F. A. vs. Royal Welsh Fusiliers	... ...
2nd Rifle Brigade vs. Royal Scots Fusiliers	... ...
The Northampton Regt.	Bye ... ...
N/R. H. A.	Bye ... ...
12th Lancers vs. Royal Berks Regt.	... ...
A Team, Royal Irish Regt. vs. Gloucester Regt.	... ...
10th Hussars. vs. B Team, Royal Irish Regt.	... ...
The Black Watch	Bye ... ...
The Carabiniers	Bye ... ...
60th Rifles	Bye ... ...

1. The 1st Round to be played by 31st January and the 2nd Round by 15th February 1907.
2. The eight Teams left in after the 2nd Round will come to Lucknow to play the 3rd and following Rounds.
3. The ties will be drawn afresh for the 3rd Round, dates will be notified early.
4. The first named Team in each tie has choice of ground.
5. Matches to be played under the Rules of the Football Association (English, 1906).
6. Time of Matches one hour; in case of tie, 10 minutes extra to be played each way. If game is still drawn, it is to be played as above on the same ground the following day
7. For 1st and 2nd Round, teams to arrange for their own referees.
8. Results to be sent to Murray & Co., Ltd., at once.

Golf.

GOLF IN CALCUTTA.

THE LANSDOWNE MEDAL.—This competition extended over the "Pen and Ink" holiday, last Friday and Saturday, and was very interesting in many respects, especially in the result which found Major. W. E. Hedley and D. H. Brackenbridge tied at 80; the Major's scratch score was particularly good. Score :—

Major W. E. Hedley ...	...	80	scr.	80 } Tied
D. H. Brackenbridge	...	94	14	80 }
A. Mann ...	...	81	scr.	81
A. Hampson ...	...	92	10	82
K. B. Dunlop ...	...	83	scr.	83
Vincent Smith ...	...	97	14	83
C. R. Sandes ...	...	97	14	83
E. H. Townsend ...	...	84	scr.	84
R. W. Williamson	...	90	6	84
Alex Duff ...	...	92	8	84
B. Severs ...	...	93	9	84
J. A. Tassie ...	...	93	8	85
C. T. Beat ...	...	99	14	85
John Y. Phillip ...	...	91	5	86
C. H. Dunlop ...	...	96	10	86
Lieut. Kidner ...	...	97	11	86
T. P. Stewart ...	...	98	12	86
J. Crawford ...	...	100	14	86
R. H. Godwin ...	...	100	14	86
A. B. Simson ...	...	100	14	85
A. J. W. Christie ...	...	92	5	87
George B. Merry ...	...	97	10	87
J. Davenport ...	...	101	14	87
R. Graham ...	...	93	5	88
Lieut.-Col. Drury	...	94	6	88
J. Davenport ...	...	94	4	90
K. A. Lyon ...	...	97	7	90
Hon. Mr. R. W. Carlyle	...	96	5	91
A. Birkmyre ...	...	106	14	92
L. T. Carmichal ...	...	106	14	92
N. Birrell ...	...			

GOLF AT JULLUNDUR.

LAHORE *vs.* JULLUNDUR.—On Saturday, 12th January, a team of Lahore Golfers accepted an invitation to visit Jullunder to play a team of members of the Jullundur Golf Club. Major Longden, Honorary Secretary of the Jullundur Golf Club, made the necessary arrangements, and the team were most hospitably

entertained by the residents of Jullundur. The results of the matches were as follows:—

SINGLES.

Lahore. Jullundur.
Mr. Colbeck, 4 up and 2 to play *vs.* Major Longden.
Mr. Fendall *vs.* Captain Knox 3 up and 2 to play.
Captain Long 4 up and 3 to play *vs.* Major Sangster.
Mr. McNair 6 up and 5 to play *vs.* Major O. Smith.
Mr. Mitchell *vs.* Captain Brown 3 up and 2 to play.
The Lahore team won by three matches to two.

FOURSOMES.

Lahore. Jullunder.
Mr. Colbeck and Captain Lang *vs.* Major O. Smith and Captain Knox—all square.
Messrs. McNair and Mitchell 2 up *vs.* Major Longden and Captain Brown.
Mr. Fendall and Mr. Roe *vs.* Mr. Churchill and Major Sangster 2 up.
The result, decided by matches and not by holes, was all square.

GOLF AT KOLAR.

MADRAS *vs.* KOLAR.—A team of Madras golfers went to Kolar on the 11th instant and played two rounds of singles and a four-ball match. The conditions were two rounds of nine holes in the morning, followed by a four-ball foursome over nine holes in the afternoon. Each Club was represented by eight players. Although in places the course was a little rough through the green, the browns were in excellent condition. At the end of the first round Kolar were three matches to the good, but after the second round Madras had reduced the lead, leaving Kolar the leaders by one match. In the afternoon, the four-ball match was played, when the Madras team met with greater reverses, Kolar winning three matches and dividing the fourth thus winning the Cup by four matches.

The following are the details :—

SINGLES.

Madras.		Kolar.	Madras, 1st round.	Madras, 2nd round.	Kolar. 1st round.	Kolar. 2nd round.
J. M. Brown	*vs.*	L. Rowley ...	0	0	0	1
A. M. Urquhart	*vs.*	R. C. Carlton	5	0	0	0
D. Annan	*vs.*	C. H. Richards	1	0	0	3
C. R. T. Balston	*vs.*	A. Taylor ...	0	0	1	2
R. H. Meredith	*vs.*	G. E. Payne	0	0	2	1
W. McBean	*vs.*	H. M. Ray...	0	3	0	0
C. E. Ross	*vs.*	H. M. Leslie	0	1	1	0
J. W. Crusha	*vs.*	A. M. A. Cooke	1	5	0	0

FOUR-BALL MATCH.

Madras.		Kolar.	Madras.	Kolar.
J. M. Brown & A. M. Urquhart	*vs.*	L. Rowley & R. C. Carlton	0	4
D. Annan & C. R. T. Balston	*vs.*	C. H. Richards & A. Taylor	0	0
R. H. Meredith & W. McBean	*vs.*	G. E. Payne & H. M. Ray	0	6
C. E. Ross & J. W. Crusha	*vs.*	H. M. Leslie & A. M. A. Cooke	0	4

GOLF IN THE BRITISH ISLES.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

4th January 1907.

USHERED in was the New Year by a determined drizzling drenching thaw, a state of affairs delightful to the golfers' heart and to the equine race, but disappointing indeed to those who have lately been taking their pleasures wildly in the variety of amusements afforded by a prolonged frost and a deep fall of snow. The many meetings promoted chiefly by sea-side clubs to entice town-bored, holiday folk proved due failures, although in one or two instances enthusiastic golf-maniacs sallied forth with scarlet balls, scarlet cheeks, and noses to play, at what they were pleased to call "golf," but which savoured more strongly of a declaration of spades, with niblicks and caddies as diggers. And so with little of interest to recount during the past sennight, let us go back in our thought "to the year that awa'" and give a brief reminder to readers of what befell in 1906, of which perhaps the most striking feature has been the extraordinary increase in the number of new courses which have been opened, some of which hold out very fair promise of, in the course of time, developing into happy golfing grounds of the first water (!). There is no doubt whatever, judging by the progress of events during last year, that the Royal and Ancient game is more popular than ever, and that there is absolutely no reason why 1907 should not witness a still further development in all its branches, *i.e.*, Ladies' Amateur and Professional. By the Ladies' Golf Union players and members can always be kept cognisant of the changes and improvements, additions and "subtractions," in the lists of affiliated clubs, and indeed of all clubs, for it is not very long before a newly organised club joins the Mother Union and thenceforward finds all such minor details as handicaps and disputes (these are fortunately rare) relegated to the superior tribunal, but the men have no such Court of Appeal as yet (1907 may see this set on foot and established) and it is difficult for them to keep count of the new clubs started or of the progress in the older established ones. Another proof of the further development of the game is the flourishing state of the trade which deals with golfing paraphernalia and accessories. Of making many balls there is no end, and the innumerable brands which have sprung into use since the great Ball Case was settled, each claiming especial merit, are most confusing. In 1906, to see a man or a woman attired in the orthodox golf costume and carrying clubs any and everywhere was no unusual sight; no one turned round, or troubled to look; he or she elicited no comment except perhaps a muttered growl "golf-maniac," and before 1907 shall have sped away into eternity, to see a man or woman not carrying clubs will probably provoke comment, that is on a Saturday *or* (whisper this name) on Sunday. In spite of the strenuous efforts of Amateurs, the Professionals still rank first as players—though among the ever-swelling ranks of the great army of unpaid golfers, there are many who, had they the time, would probably run even the great quartette very close—such are Mr. James Robb, Mr. Robert Maxwell, Mr. John Graham, junior, and a host of others who, with youth and love of sport, will in all probability live to demonstrate their capability of holding their own even with James Braid, or Harry Vardon. To leave individuals for a brief space and turn to nations, the departed has certainly been Bonnie Scotland's year with all three great classes—perhaps I should say sections of the game. At Ranelagh and at Burnham the Scottish Ladies carried off both international honours and trophies at Hoylake. Mr. James Robb from o'er the border swept all before him; in far away New Zealand another braw Scot made himself champion, one E. Spencer Gollan, and the big big Braid has achieved marvel after marvel and shown himself beyond compare; and all the time so modest is big Jamie that to hear him talk (a privilege I often enjoy) one could imagine it was *Ball and the Clubs* who won the Open Championship, the Braid's Tournament, and all the big matches which are Jamie's scalps in 1906. Perhaps a list of the principal championship winners in the past year may be of interest, so presuming this, here they are, *place aux Dames*:—

Ladies' Open Championship	Mrs R. Kennion
" Scottish "	Miss Dorothy Campbell
" Irish "	" May Hezlet
" Welsh "	" Duncan
" American "	" H. S. Curtis
" Yorkshire "	Mrs. Swayne
" Midlands "	Miss C. M. Foster
Men's Open Championship	Mr. James Braid
" Amateur "	" James Robb
" Scottish "	" L. Ayton
" Irish Open "	" H. H. Barker
" " Close "	" H. A. Boyd
" South "	Viscount Allerawly
" Welsh Amateur Championship	Mr. George Renwick
" " Professional "	" Jack Ross
" Midlands "	" Edward Blackwell
" Yorkshire "	" H. H. Barker

1906 has indeed been an eventful one. Scarcely a day has passed without one or more, big events making its passage. Death alas! has robbed clubs of some of their most distinguished members. Marriage has played a conspicuous part in the lives of several golfing votaries, and we have yet to learn what influence the birth-roll will have in the ranks of golfers. That it (the game) has become a great factor, and a great industry there is no gainsaying, and that there is a still greater future for the Royal and Ancient sport there seems to be no doubt. Old men, young men, little men, big men, fat men, thin men, rich men, poor men, all in turn succumb to its fascinations, and its the same with the women, and will be so with those who are now children, and although a few decry the game, and say its influence is baneful and pernicious, of from the majority one heare nothing but eulogies and appreciation of the good work it achieves physically, mentally, and morally, and so we start 1907 with a toast "long life to golf, and health to all golfers, wherever the green may be,' and whether it be a green at all as some climatic eccentricities forbid. *R. I. P.* 1906, you have nobly done your work and can with a clear conscience take your rest and leave to your successors to follow your noble progressive example. Perhaps, however, before bidding 1906 a final adieu reference should be made to the legislation which has taken place, in the ordinary way. There is not much to record on this score, as golfers are for the most part an easy-going, pleasure-loving lot and there is enough strife in the world without going into the Links to encourage Law and Law-givers in anything beyond their rounds, but the great Ball Case excited unusual interest among thousands of golfers, and the decision of the three Judges was most eagerly and anxiously awaited by scores of firms ready, should the verdict go against the Haskell Company, to flood the market with rubber and other cored balls, all of which claimed marked superiority over every other kind ever invented. Of actual "cases" submitted to the Royal and Ancient Court of Reference there were only about two of importance; one was a proposal to change the date of the Amateur Championship and the other was a proposal voiced by Mr. W. Herbert Fowler that the Championships should from time to time be decided on Inland Greens. Both these propositions received but scant encouragement from the powers that be and the answer in the negative was curt and decisive, but in all probability like women's suffrage—it will come. Good-bye 1906. *Bon jour* 1907.

M. E. S.

Hockey.

PUNJAB NATIVE ARMY TOURNAMENT.

THE following is the draw in this tournament which opens at Lahore Cantonments on 4th February :—

	1st round.	2nd round.	3rd round.	4th round.	Finals.
39th Sikhs	byes.	aft.			aft. 16th
84th Puhjabis		5th	aft.		
25th Punjabis		mrn.	9th		
23rd Pioneers		6th		mrn.	
26th Punjabis		aft.		14th	
14th Sikhs		6th	mrn.		
47th Sikhs		mrn.	11th		
19th Punjabis		7th			
40th Pathans		aft.			
66th Punjabis		7th	aft.		
38th Dogras		mrn.	11th		
30th Punjabis		8th			
32nd Pioneers				aft.	
15th Sikhs	mrn.	aft.		14th	
33rd Punjabis	4th	8th			
27th Punjabis	aft.		aft.		
34th Pioneers	4th		12th		
2-1 Gurkhas	mrn.	mrn.			
67th Punjabis	5th	9th			

The Kennel.

CANINE EDUCATION.

AS the puppy's mind is immature and undisciplined, it is better to begin with the simplest part of his education, both for the purpose of developing his mind and the establishing of mental discipline. It is extremely difficult at first for the puppy to understand the simplest teachings, and also it is impossible at first for him to concentrate his mind intently on any one subject, therefore the trainer, when he commences the training, will find great difficulty in holding the puppy's attention, and in particular if he makes the lesson at all uninteresting. He may not note this fact, and therefore may make the mistake of condemning the puppy as being stupid under such circumstances.

From play, wherein the puppy joins and romps as he pleases, hardly any fatigue follows; but when he is held down closely to the study of one idea for a continued length of time, he suffers a great deal of nervous loss, becomes more or less overheated, confused, and painfully wearied.

Being so extremely fatiguing, the first lesson should be short and simple. After a time the mental training will produce mental strength and stamina, and long lessons can then be given without distress to the pupil. The powers of the mind are then so well in play that the most difficult parts of the training are learned with greater ease then were the simple beginnings. In these traits of the puppy, as they relate to the matter of learning, they are not unlike those displayed by the child in its first similar attempts. Study is foreign to every instinct of the young, child or puppy, and, if study it must, the result is weariness, confusion of ideas to a greater or less degree and a pronounced dislike to studying at all. And yet, the studies of the child are for his own personal gain and advantage in life, while the puppy is required to learn things which will be applied solely to the advantage of his master.

When a lesson of any difficulty is ended, all further attempts at it should also be ended till such a time as the next lesson begins. If the trainer commands the dog to do something under circumstances wherein he cannot enforce obedience, and the dog then escapes or succeeds in disobeying, a troublesome factor is thereby introduced; for it being to his own profit he learns the advantage of disobedience to himself and generally refuses afterward whenever he can do so, sometimes permanently, but at least until such time as discipline has become habitual. Some of the lessons, therefore, need to be given in a room or other inclosure from which the dog cannot escape, as will be fully described in proper place.

During the months of the pupil's puppyhood, before formal training begins, a few of the more simple orders may be taught, such as "Come in" and "Go on." The latter is taught easily by associating it with the act of freeing the puppy from his kennel, or by taking him on a chain into the fields, then unchaining him and at the same time giving him the order, "Go on." He would "go on" then whether the order was given or not, and this is the reason why the order is so easy to teach and why it may be taught when the pupil is still a tender puppy. by associating it with the act of going on the puppy soon learns its meaning, and if he is good for anything he takes unbounded pleasure in a command which denotes that he is at liberty to romp at his own free will.

"Come in" is not so easy to teach as is "Go on." The will of the teacher as made known by this order comes in conflict with the will of the dog. The latter is rarely inclined to give up the pleasure of free romping or taking his pleasure in his own way, so concerning the command "Come in!" force is sometimes necessary to secure the required obedience. Still, force should not be applied till the formal training begins. It doesn't matter whether the puppy obeys perfectly or not before that time. However, it is necessary to teach thorough obedience to the order when the proper time has come for it. No slovenly or reluctant response to the command should be tolerated. The dog should be required to come in promptly and directly, and a pat on the head and a kind word when he does so will result in his coming in cheerfully if he has any amiability in his nature. And yet, easy as it is to teach a dog to come in promptly to command by voice or whistle, there are few orders so commonly disobeyed. At field trials where one would expect to see the greatest perfection in the matter of obedience, but where one doesn't see anything of the kind, it often is a most laborious task for a handler to get control of his dog in a heat or at the end of it, and many find it necessary to keep their dogs on chain constantly to prevent them from breaking away at such times as they desire them to cease work. All this shows rank neglect of the necessary discipline. The handlers of such dogs have been satisfied to get them to come in after such fashion as it could be done each time in any sort of slip-shod way, and neglected the more troublesome but efficient method of teaching the command specially till it was thoroughly established.

If the dog is self-willed or sulky or over-eager in his enthusiasm, he may require some punishment to make him come in promptly. Most trainers punish the dog in the field with the whip for disobeying this order, and thereby increase instead of lessen the trouble; for, if, when the dog comes in to order he receives a hipping, he will come in still more reluctantly the next time, when he fancies that to obey is an act which ends in pain. It is quite a stupid expectation on the part of a trainer that, after whipping a dog for not coming in with the desired decree of obedience, he will come in with greater promptness the next time, with a possible whipping in store as a reward for coming in at all. With some amateurs the whip is the first and last appeal. How dogs perform even so well as they do under such stupid treatment is a source of wonder, yet they, in time, seem to learn what is desired and what is the proper act to adopt to avoid punishment, if the trainer is not too severe or too muddled or too inconsistent to permit of any fixed method.

If force is necessary, nothing is better for the purpose than a spike-collar. The punishment, when the collar is used, is applied to the dog when he is in the act of disobedience and away from his handler. He associates it then with the act of disobedience. When he comes in and is whipped, he associates such punishment with the act of obedience. When he comes in from the punishment of the collar the trainer can pet and praise him, and thus distinctly indicate that he has done right. With whip, this is impossible. The collar, thus, is distinctly associated with the act of disobedience; the whip, with the act of obedience. As may be readily anticipated, the one is promptly effective, establishes intelligent obedience, and is lasting in its effects; the other is confusing, inflicts pain with no intelligent cause for it, and never accomplishes what is desired in the finished manner necessary for good performance.

If the dog will not come in with the promptness necessary put the collar on his neck. Tie 20 or 30 yards of rope to it. The dog may attempt to run away. Let him have his flurry at the end of the rope till he becomes convinced that he cannot escape. Make no attempt to teach anything till he has become quite reconciled to the collar being on his neck and till he has given up struggling. This may require two or three different lessons more, or less in itself. At length when the collar has ceased to alarm him, give the order, "Come in," and pull him in with the rope at the same time. Bring him quite up to within reach of the hand and pat and praise him as if he had done a fine thing of his own motion, and wait till he has recovered his composure. A proper calmness and deliberation adds much to the efficacy of the lesson. Hurry and unnecessary violence do much to retard the purpose of the trainer in this and all other branches; the trainer then should walk away to the length of the rope and repeat the order, and the act of pulling the dog in. In a short time the latter will observe that he is punished when away from his trainer, and he will follow him closely, so that he cannot walk away from him. This should not be permitted. The trainer can correct it by driving a short peg in the ground and tying the dog to it, 2 or 3 feet of the rope nearest the collar being used for the purpose. When the trainer orders the dog to come in he pulls on the rope thereby pulling the pin from the ground and if the dog obeys he thus is not punished; for the pin being pulled out he cannot be punished by pulling on a taut rope, and if he disobeys the trainer pulls him in as before. This is continued till the dog will obey promptly and till obedience has become habitual.

When the collar is taken off a number of lessons should be given in a room or inclosure where the dog cannot escape. So long as he shows the slightest hesitation to obey or inclination to escape so long should the lessons be persisted in.

At length obedience will become a habit and the dog will not have the slightest inclination to disobey. Next the lessons should be given in the open field. If there should be any disinclination at first to obey promptly in the field the collar should be applied in the same manner. Once this training is thoroughly done it is permanent and amply compensates for the little extra trouble required to do it right.

The reluctant and imperfect obedience given to noisy orders to come in are in painful contrast to the prompt, quiet obedience given to the lightest notes of the whistle or lowest tones of the voice which the dog can hear when he is thoroughly trained to come in with the aid of the collar.

There was a young girl of Antigua,
Whose mother said, "Nelly, how bigua!"
She answered, "What rot!
I 'm sure that I 'm not,
I have really a very fine figua!"

The Naturalist.

STRAY NOTES.

"ALTHOUGH wild animals of all kinds are to be found in public manageries," says a zoologist, "it is remarkable how many delusions exist concerning them. Take serpents for instance. You hear snakes spoken of as 'slimy,' but a slimy snake is a thing unknown to Nature. You hear them spoken of as though it were their chief pleasure to attack human beings. This is a gross libel. The average serpent is a shy, timid creature, always inclined to shrink away from man, and never attacking him, except when provoked or driven to extremes. The supposed ferocious rattlesnake is the most timid and retiring of all the serpent tribe. Snakes are said to 'sting,' but that is another popular error. They don't sting; they bite."

A French scientist, M. de Farville, claims to have conclusive proof that fish are absolutely deaf. He placed a number of gudgeons, carp, pike, eels, etc., in a glass tank, and inserted a 5mm. rubber hose attached to a powerful siren. The siren was made to imitate the French vowels, o, a, e, i, and u. Although the sound transmitted into the water was 400 times that which could have been supported by a human ear, not one of the fish took the slightest notice of the noise, or gave an additional wag of the tail. The scientist considers that this is peremptory proof that fish have no sense of hearing whatever, and the precautions of anglers to avoid every sound are needless.

Crows do immense damage in New England cornfields, and about the only method of protection is to tar the corn before it is planted. The efficiency of this scheme was demonstrated by Professor Beal, who planted several acres to corn. Towards the end of the planting the supply of tar ran out, and he was compelled to finish without it. The areas planted to tarred corn were ignored by the crows, while the untarred patch furnished a glorious picnic-ground for the croaking banqueters. Though crows are ravenous corn eaters, it is stated that this fault is more than counteracted by their usefulness in destroying harmful insects. In one crow's stomach the investigators found the mandibles of 90 grasshoppers, showing that these birds are partial to such food. Robins steal fruit with a vengeance, and many an Eastern farmer has been near distraction because of the ravages of these birds. It has been discovered, however, that they prefer wild fruit, and that whenever it is obtainable they scorn fruit that is useful to man. In the stomachs of three hundred robins were found the seeds of forty-two species of wild fruits, and only four or five domestic. Because of this preference, the department suggests that wild fruits be planted in close proximity to orchards, so that birds may be attracted and kept ont of mischief. As many of these wild growths are ornamental, the advantages of having them about would be doubled.

A very important section of the New York Aquarium is the hospital for fish. The aquarium contains varieties of fish from nearly every country in the world, and amongst such an enormous number of captives disease and injury are fairly frequent. Unless the victim is a very hardy specimen the utmost efforts of the fish doctor to cure a patient are seldom successful, but in dealing with the ailments of strong varieties effective cures are frequently made. The hospital has its various wards—tanks of water—one being for fish with contagious disease, another for "surgical" cases, and a third ward being devoted to those progressing towards recovery. There is, of course, a special ward of suitable dimensions for the larger fish. One interesting fact has been ascertained with regard to curing fresh water fish. It was found that, for specimens suffering from various diseases and from sores incurred by collisions with the walls of the aquarium or with other fish, a few days' sojourn in salt-water proved an excellent remedy. On the other hand a bath of fresh water has often been found a valuable aid in curing salt-water fish. The salt-water used in the aquarium is obtained direct from the ocean, but is usually weakened by the addition of a certain proportion of fresh-water, and the temperature is regulated to correspond with that from which the patient was taken. It has been necessary at times to place many varieties of suffering fish in the same tank, but none of the various specimens endeavour to cause unpleasantness to their companions in misfortune by any display of antagonism. Healthy fish often indulge in serious fighting and sustain wounds necessitating a temporary residence in the piscatory hospital.

The sad story is well known of the American bison, which so nearly became extinct owing to its wholesale slaughter by the hunters; and it is feared by many that other North American animals, whose skin or fur is an important article of commerce, may share a similar fate. Canada has been called the world's last great fur preserve, and thus the fear of the extinction of many valuable fur-bearing animals which are hunted in that country may seem to be not unfounded. However, a reassuring report has been issued by Consul Raindal, of Dawson City, who says that there is no immediate danger of the fur-bearing animals being destroyed, and declares that there are vast unexplored regions in which they abound. The table purporting to show the annual sales of the Hudson's Bay Company at intervals of ten years shows that the most-prolific source of fur has always been the muskrat, the marten and beaver also contributing largely.

THE CALCUTTA ZOO.

ZOOLOGICAL GARDEN, Alipur. The following additions have recently been made to the collection of the Garden:—

Name of Animal.	How Obtained.	Where Placed.
1 Sambar Deer ..	Presented by Zemindar of Kerlajut ..	Paddocks.
1 Nilgai ..	" Babu Mudho Pershad	Do.
1 Sambar Deer ..	" L.L.S. Colston Ramsay, Esq., I.C.S.	Do.
2 spotted Deer ..	" Do.	Do.
3 Langurs ..	" Do.	Do.
2 Rhesus Monkeys.	" Do.	Dunmow House.
5 Civet Cats ..	"	Do.
	Do.	Near Burdwan House.
2 Peafowls ..	"	Penfowl House.
1 Mungoose ..	" Maj. J. Manner-Smith, V.C., C.I.E.	Do.
1 Bornean Ape ..	" Francis T. Nicolls	Gubbay House.

The Story Teller.

A SYNDICATE THAT FAILED.

PRIVATE SMITH, erstwhile White Chapel cockney and presently of the gallant "Buffs" quartered in Fort William, was refreshing himself with a glass of beer at the bar of a Bowbazar grog shop one sultry afternoon in June; the year is immaterial. Into the shop came a shambling, blear-eyed individual dressed in the shabbiest of clothes with a wisp of dirty white neck-cloth showing in lieu of a collar. His nose and pimply countenance testified to a fondness for strong drink, and the avidity with which he gulped down the peg of doubtful whisky, four fingers to about half that measure in water, with which he was served, bore still further testimony to this. He was accompanied by a fox terrier, smart and well bred by his looks, who sat on his haunches and yawned with a deprecating air as of one well accustomed to the place and afraid he was in for a long sojourn there.

Private Smith, who had an eye for a dog like most of his fraternity hailing from Whitechapel, cast an approving look over the dog and said to the owner, "Well, Matey! That's a nice lookin' dawg you've got there."

"Ah," said the man, proclaiming his Hibernian origin by a pronounced brogue, "Shure an' he's ivery bit o' that. Is'nt ye, Tim me bhoy, and a divil for sport." Then, suddenly ejaculating "Rats," he set the dog nosing into every corner of the bar with a zest that boded ill for any rats to be encountered.

A friendly conversation between the two men ensued. Private Smith paid for two more whiskies and water, which the seedy individual disposed of, each as a whole, without blinking, and treated himself to two more glasses of beer, more leisurely disposed of. It transpired that the Irishman, Timothy Murphy by name, was over 50 years of age and had formerly been in the army, a gunner in the Horse Artillery. He had never risen above corporal and had been reduced to the ranks again, finally taking his pension as a gunner, since when he had drifted about India in various employments on railways and so forth until his intemperance prevented his getting any more. He was now reduced to a precarious living, apart from his modest pension, by dog dealing, and incidentally, dog stealing though it was unnecessary to mention the latter to Private Smith in whose view the two were analogous, or at all events, incidents of the same profession.

The mention of Mr. Murphy's present profession brought up again the subject of "Tim" the fox terrier and Murphy with a cunning twinkle in his eye informed Private Smith that the dog was for sale.

"An' would there be iny officer in the Rigiment wantin' to buy him," added he. "Shure! There'd it be a bit in it for yeself." Private Smith brightened up, his own instincts in the dog trade asserting themselves, and said he thought he might get one of the officers to buy "Tim" who certainly was a class of dog not always easy to obtain in Calcutta.

Mr. Murphy's manner grew confidential and his tone low. "Shure an' if ye can find one that's a bit of a mug to buy him the better for the two of us" he said.

"Why," replied Private Smith "are you thinkin' a eofficer oo's a bit of a mug' would pay the most?"

"Not exactly" said Murphy. "It's another way me bhoy," and indulging in a pronounced wink with his left eye, which lengthened into a continual screwing up of that optic, he proceeded to explain as follows.

The dog, said he, had been with him from a puppy, and had been carefully trained to find his way home again to Murphy's abode, at present an unpretentious lodging in Bowbazar Street, as soon as he missed his master. When Murphy succeeded in selling him as he occasionally did, especially to visitors to Calcutta, the dog was sure to be let off chain within a few hours and at once bolted off to Murphy who concealed him till hue and cry was over.

If, he explained to Smith, an officer of the intellectual capacity denoted to them both by the term "mug" were to buy the dog he would be likely to "fork out handsomely" for the animal's return on the first occasion and might possibly part a second time without tumbling to "their little game."

Upon the "mug" declining to pay any more rewards for the dog's return the latter would, of course, resume his place in the stock in trade of Timothy Murphy and a new purchaser looked for in some other direction.

Mr. Murphy had, however, the instincts of the Company promoter sufficiently, if crudely, developed in him to point out to Private Smith the latter's interest in the prospective syndicate began with a commission of ten rupees if he could place the dog with the required "mug," and ended with a half share of such rewards as could be obtained by the return of the dog. Any future operations in other directions must, he indicated, be a matter of future arrangement.

Private Smith expressed himself quite prepared to take a hand in the "syndicate" though it occurred to neither of them to call their plan of operation by that name, and after some further talk they parted company, Murphy's address having been noted by Private Smith with a view to facilitating further meetings of the conspirators.

As Private Smith wended his way back to the Fort he was cogitating whom to select as the "mug." Any feelings of *esprit de corps* had been lost sight of during the settlement of the syndicate's plan of campaign owing, no doubt, to the attractive prospects thereby opened up to him, but he was bound to admit to himself in cogitation that the term could not fairly be applied to any one of the officers of his Regiment. Failing one who could be relied on to act as a "mug" the next best thing seemed obviously to be the selection of the most easy going officer amongst the Captains or Subalterns, and to trust to luck in the subsequent operations. Colonels and Majors knew too much, perhaps of the world and its ways thought Private Smith. Besides his Colonel and Major being married men with their wives with them in the Fort would be less likely than a junior officer to pay handsomely for a dog or to require canine championship.

Finally he pitched on the most junior of the Captains, Cotton by name and the Captain of his Company. One, moreover of a sporting turn of mind and much appreciated by the Regiment as Captain of their "rugger" team. How best to approach the Captain on the subject was the next thing and up to the time of his going to rest that night Private Smith had not made up his mind how to do it.

The next morning, however, he formulated his plans and the day being a Thursday, Tommy Atkins' weekly holiday, he proceeded in due course to carry them out. There was in the afternoon a game of "rugger" on the Fort ground between his Company's team and that of another Company and he was one of the forwards playing. Regimental games were always watched by a goodly number of the men accompanied by various dogs of sorts.

Watching his opportunity at half-time whilst the sides were congregated together by the touch line for a breathing space Private Smith bestowed a kick on a dog passing near him. The yelp elicited drew as he anticipated the attention of the Captain who was close by.

"Pity we 'aint got no decent dawgs in the Regiment, sir," said Private Smith.

The Captain smiled, 'Well, you men who have dogs generally seem to think a lot of them," he said.

Yes, sir. But begging your pardon, sir, we poor men can't get dawgs with much breedin'! Now I knows of a dawg, sir, a fox terrier, as a man 'as for sale in the town and a sort one don't often see. But lor! sir! 'e wants a big price for 'im 'e do."

"How much!" said the Captain.

"Fifty rupees, sir," replied Smith, "an' with it every bit, I never seed a better bred looking 'un."

The Captain rose to the occasion, fulfilling Smith's expectations.

"Well, my man," said he, "I wouldn't mind paying that for a really good dog, and you can tell your friend to bring him anp show him to me. But mind! don't go bringing me any rubbish."

No fear, sir. Once you sees the dawg you'll take a fancy to 'im" rejoined Smith.

So far so good, and, as may be imagined, Private Smith took the earliest opportunity of getting leave into town to hunt up his fellow plotter.

The conference between them resulted in Mr. Timothy Murphy presenting himself with his namesake, the dog, at the officer's quarters in the Fort the very next morning and enquiring for for Captain Cotton. The syndicate had decided that Smith need not be present and the two men were not to meet again until the dog was missing from the Fort. Private Smith would then be justified in going in search for the dog even if he was not specially deputed by the Captain to do so. His commission on the sale price was to be handed over on that occasion moreover. He felt some scruples about allowing his ten rupees to remain even for a day or two in the hands of an individual with such bibulous tendencies, but saw no other way out of it.

Captain Cotton did take a fancy to "Tim" and purchased him, paying over the Rs. 50 in notes to Murphy. The plans of the syndicate were further assisted by his keeping the dog chained up in his room and intending to keep nim on the chain for a day or two until accustomed to his new surroundings. Murphy had already told Smith that the longer the dog was tied up the faster would be his pace back to his old home. Private Smith, meeting the Captain, and being thanked for introducing "Tim" to his notice, felt that things were indeed shaping well, as the Captain mentioned that that he was keeping the dog on chain for the first few hours. This conversation took place on the morning "Tim" was purchased.

Subsequent events moved quickly; at all events for Private Smith. The very next morning, after parade, he was sent for by the Captain, told that the dog had been let loose that morning for a moment and had promptly disappeared, and was asked to go and see if the dog had run back to his old home.

The wily Smith, however, had no intention of finding the dog at once and intended to report at first that the dog had not found his way back to Murphy. A day or perhaps two might well elapse before the wanderer should be brought back by Murphy and himself, the former having, as they would say, met and recognized "Tim" at large on the *maidan*.

Now the Captain was interviewing Smith in the verandah of his quarters and, to the horrified gaze of the latter, there became visible below the approaching form of Mr. Timothy Murphy with the faithful "Tim" in evidence at his heels. Murpay was for him, resplendent in a new suit of slop clothes and had even mounted a collar, already limp and draggled, and tie.

The Captain hastily went downstairs followed by the crest fallen Smith and it became apparent at once to them both that Mr. Murphy was disguised in liquor. Habitual intemperance had no doubt schooled his legs to toe a line, but his tongue was not so much under control. The Captain, without paying very much attention to his mandlin utterances was satisfied with thrusting a couple of rupees upon him and conveying the unwilling "Tim" upstairs by means of a handkerchief slipped through his collar.

Private Smith was bursting with indignation but had sense enough to see that it was little use talking to his offending partner under present circumstances. Moreover the Captain might over-hear any references to his ten rupees or to the spoilt plot. He reserved what he had to say and it was likely to be in pretty strong language, for Mr. Murphy's private ear when he could next pay him a visit and collect his overdue share of profits earned. Unfortunately, however, he never got the opportunity of doing either. Murphy, on regaining comparative sobriety the following day found himself without any money at all, and for prudential reasons connected with an expected visit from Private Smith, transferred his few belongings to new lodgings in Bentinck Street.

Private Smith on finding he had disappeared from his former lodgings endeavoured to trace him but without success and not long afterwards the Buffs moved on to an up-country station.

The explanation of the plot having gone wrong was that Murphy spent about thirty rupees of the money he received on his new clothes and in settling some outstanding claims which had become troublesome and then started drinking. Having got through the ten that remained his own out of the original fifty, he encroached on the ten rupees that remained for Private Smith, and what change remained was extracted from his pocket before he was left in his lodgings by the grog shop attendant who conducted him home, he being in peril otherwise of arrest for pronounced drunkenness. The dog turned up in his room next morning when he was sleeping off his bout and with a hazy remembrance of things in general he started off with "Tim" to the Fort, priming himself first with some more drink at the grog shop and entirely forgetting that he was going to the Captain much too soon, and moreover, without Private Smith.

So came to grief the syndicate started with so much promise. And "Tim," well he remained with his new master, whether it was that being kept on the chain for nearly a week after his first escape he forgot his early training, or whether, like a sensible dog, he preferred the new life, and particularly the food, to the old, does not much matter. Private Smith enjoys the credit of having introduced the best bred dog in the Regiment into it, and for the rest, he is determined to do any further dog dealing he may indulge in without partner or partners but on his "bloomin' little own."

NAGA RAM.

Instances have frequently been given of the vagaries and eccentricities of racehorses. Very curious was the caprice of an American horse, who would never extend himself in his exercise gallops unless the rider was in full tog, and who had such an objection to bare-footed stable boys that whenever they approached him he would try to bite their legs. This horse was evidently an aristocrat, who stood upon etiquette and the proprieties. But horses have their likes as well as their dislikes. Some have a great love for cats. When the Godolphin, by mistake, flattened out his favourite grimalkin he pined with remorse, and was furious against any other member of the feline race that entered his stable. In Sir Edwin Lansee's picture of Voltigeur, the famous racer is painted with his head down caressingly to a tortoiseshell cat, which used to sleep on him at night. After he had been done for the night, Voltigeur would put his head to the rack, that puss might make a bridge of his nose and neck. Waxy and Camel were never happy unless they had the company of a rabbit in their stables, and Lanercost's pet was a dog. When the straight was divided, in 1841, Lanercost went to Pigburn, while another detachment was sent to Doncaster. The dog followed the latter by mistake, but having discovered hil error, rushed away, and was next heard of at Pigburn, whither he had found his way, although he had not been there before. There was great joy at the reunion, and when the dog was enticed out by the cry of "Cats!" he revenged himself by killing a number of ferrets that were kept in a loft of the stable, and then walked off. Gemma-di-Vergy was so fond of company that a boy had to sleep with him at night and sit with him all day. The habit began as a yearling, when he was found at a window, with his forefeet on the still, looking out into the yard where the stablemen were, having first climbed over a wall.

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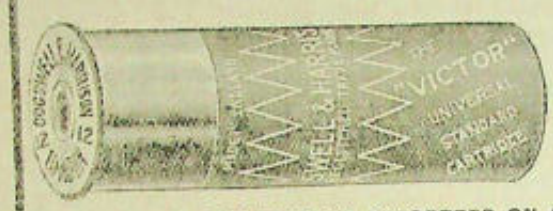

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ANGLO-INDIANS AND HOME GOLF.

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THE game of Golf has taken such a strong hold on men now and the number of golfers has so steadily increased, that it has become quite a common thing for the home-going Anglo-Indian to plan out his well-earned holiday with special reference to visits being paid to certain golfing centres, and many an Anglo-Indian returns to this land of regrets with health improved mainly through the pursuit of his favorite game at home. The game in India is quite a different game to that in England; in lieu of the hard baked Indian ground with a minimum of real turf, with its tiny putting greens too keen from overcutting, or not greens at all but merely browns, one gets the springy English turf affording delightful lies, the putting greens large and undulating and of such a consistency that the ball has to be fairly hit not just tapped, and every opportunity is afforded for lofting shots right up to the proximity of the holes. In every way the game at home is paradise compared to the game in India.

And it is extremely interesting to the keen golfer to notice on each visit to the Old Country how the Royal and Ancient game is steadily progressing towards more common-sense conditions. It is not only that clubs are better made and that the balls fly further, the change that is coming over the game involves a new *régime* for golf courses. There has steadily grown up a greater appreciation for inland courses; a seaside course has generally to be laid out with special regard to existing natural bunkers and in some cases the courses have suffered thereby, to wit, the first nine holes at Sandwich, which has too many short holes. But nowadays a tract of inland country—even though covered with scrub jungle and dotted with fir trees—is boldly selected, a long course is planned out and everything is ruthlessly uprooted to provide a good line of play. The sides of the course are trimmed down for a few yards to punish a stray ball without losing it and then further on one side the higher jungle is left to punish a real bad shot. The new style of bunker is also quite different to the old style. On old courses one sees the bunkers right across the course to catch a bad second; these are now being objected to because it is impossible to place such bunkers in the right situations owing to the improvements of the balls and the vagaries of the wind. The long drivers (and their name now is legion) object to their long shots being punished. At the Amateur Championship at Hoylake I saw competitors play their tee shots so as so avoid running into bunkers which had in past days been placed to catch the *second* shot, and at one hole Ted Blackwell actually drove his tee shot clean over such a second-shot bunker. And it has further been recognized that with courses kept in fine condition the difficulty is not so much to loft the ball but to keep it straight; in other words, one can readily carry over the bunkers from good lies but with cross winds, etc., the difficulty is to keep your long shots straight. So the old cross bunker is giving way to lateral bunkers.

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And, further, the new bunkers are being made in such a manner that the player has a fair chance of playing out of them. In the new bunkers a ball is always caught, but it runs down to the back of the bunker and thus the player has a fair chance of getting out at his first shot. In many of the old courses there are almost impossible places to play out of owing to the ball running and stopping right under high banks. On new courses the putting greens are very well guarded by pot bunkers at the sides and a player has to run up or pitch his ball very straight or he is punished. Such newish inland courses as Walton Heath, Sunningdale or Huntercombe have had immense sums of money spent on them lately to bring them into a state of perfection and modern golfers are far more fastidious than the older generation. Club houses are now small palaces, golfers' cheap railway tickets are issued by every line, and the great railways issue illustrated catalogues of the golf courses on their respective systems.

Scotland still retains the control of the game, but there undoubtedly exists a feeling of soreness in the South about this. The recent action of the Midland golfers in forming a Midland Golfing Association may have a great effect in the future towards the formation of an association recognized by all golf clubs as the ruling authority in the game. The dilatory ways of St. Andrew's, their hopeless unsympathetic conservatism, and their inability to keep pace with the requirements of the game (they have not recognized Bogey yet) will tell in time and the Southron golfers will be a powerful lot if they combine. It is quite common on Southern links to play friendly matches with stymie barred, but this is almost unknown in Scotland. The overcrowding at championships, the retention of only five courses on which championships can be played and other such items, all call for legislation. But the old game goes on splendidly, golf courses are kept in perfect condition, quite unknown in past years, and gradually the game is progressing and daily taking a stronger hold on men and women and benefitting them all greatly. Long may it flourish.

Sporting Notes.

IT is pleasing to learn that the response to the schedule put forward this year by the Calcutta Kennel Club, and which was considered rather ambitious, has quite come up to the expectations of the sanguine.

The entries which closed last week total 251 dogs divided up between thirty one odd separate varieties.

These figures compare favourably with those of Shows held in Great Britain at the smaller towns, and are not far behind some of the larger ones.

Also it must not be forgotten that the list consists of registered pedigree dogs and includes some that gained the proud title of champion at home and in point of general quality puts any previous local exhibition of dogs completely in the shade.

The general favourites, fox terriers, are first in numbers, there being thirty-four in the smooth variety and nineteen wire haired. Irish terriers come next, twenty-three, closely followed by the we are glad to see the "Die Hards"—Scottish terriers nineteen entries, have pushed themselves into increased recognition by sterling merit, Greyhounds total the same, nineteen. There are fifteen Cocker Spaniels, eleven Bbulldogs, ten great Danes, ten Airedale terriers, eight Hairless Mexican dogs, seven Foxhounds, seven Dachounds, seven Maltese terriers, seven Pekingese, seven Pomeranians, five Chow Chows only—this is difficult to understand as during a walk or drive any day ten to fifteen quite useful specimens may be seen in the streets. Four Bull terriers, four Pugs, four Lhassa terriers, four Japanese spaniels, four Retrievers, four Basset-hounds, three Kangaroohounds, three Collies, three Tibetan sheepdogs, two St. Bernards, two Poodles, two setters, one Schipperke one Borzoi, one Deerhound and one Wolfhound.

We may remind exhibitors that all dogs must be brought to the Show at 8-30 A.M. on Wednesday, the 6th February, so that they can all be in their places early and enable the judging to commence by 9-30 A.M. The Championship and Special awards will be made in the afternoon at five o'clock.

After all the Rev. H. W. Bush will not be able to judge. His coming was looked forward to with pleasure, but that particularly non-sporting gentleman, the Bishop of Lahore, has, we are told, so arranged that about the time Mr. Bush might have been judging dogs in Calcutta his services will be urgently needed for the saving of souls in Jullundur. The Committee, however, have been lucky in securing Dr. J. H. B. Martin, the well-known Australian judge, to take Mr. Bush's place. The other judge, Mr. Hood Wright, from Ceylon, should be in Calcutta now; he had started when last we heard of him.

The extension of the Calcutta racecourse on the Victoria Memorial side will effect a great improvement in the five furlong course which is at present marred by the sharpness of the turn at the Hospital corner. It is hoped that the track may be carried out opposite the milepost as far as the avenue known as Jail Road and continued alongside it over the site of the present Monsoon stand so as to make a much wider sweep of the turn than is at present possible. The idea is an excellent one but entails not only the demolition of the Monsoon Stand but also the filling up of the deep tank alongside it. This last operation should give the contractors a fine long job and even when they have filled it a considerable time must elapse before it will be fit to gallop over. If the scheme is pushed forward with the same vigour and at the same rate as the Memorial building itself, few of the present generation of Calcutta racegoers need expect to see its completion. In the meantime the Monsoon course will presumably have to be measured out from the new winning post to be placed opposite the lower of the two new Stands. The Hospital turn will then lie at a very dangerous point in the flat races and it remains to be seen whether it will seriously affect the size of fields at the autumn meetings.

All who can get away are on the move to Lucknow, while some of Mr. Apcar's horses and also Mr. Galstaun's have been sent direct to Bombay. The handicap for the Civil Service Cup is interesting reading. Claribell's immense success, in Calcutta has, of course, earned her a terrible weight and on her form at the end of the season she seems to be rather worse in the handicap than her stable companion Circus Girl. Whichever the stable fancies is sure to be heavily backed, but the Cooch Behar ponies are so well in that the race is a very open one.

At the Calcutta Fourth Extra Meeting all the top sawyers were absentees and the small Calcutta owners met with most encouraging success. Mr. J. D. Scott and Mr. Galstaun took a race each but the remaining four events were divided by Mr. McGeorge, Mr. Deakin and Mr. D. B. Myers. The last named won two races and has now had his fair share of the prize money. W. Kaesen and Bradshaw increased their total of winning mounts by two, while Melsom and Mr. Evers scored in the other races. In spite of the State arrival of the Viceroy and Lady Minto the attendance was distinctly disappointing and the Minto Fête profited to the extent of less than Rs. 5,000.

The Pony Race produced a field of seven (almost a record in these days) and strong competition between the Dehra Dun and Galstaun stables. Pat C. and Matalgia being backed down to 2 to 1. Mr. Scott's handsome little pony won quite comfortably and his stable companion, Duplex II., arrived in time to take third money.

In the Ganges Plate the Hastings stable apparently thought that they had a very good thing in Musette at 8st. 6lbs. while Swindle on his consistent running of late was also well backed. The privately trained Devil's Limit, one of the handsomest mares on the course, was quite forgotten. Her recent backward running had obliterated the memory of her English reputation and at one time she was on offer in the ring at 20 to 1. Mr. Evers got well out of the gate, went to the front at the half mile post and swung home unpressed in the respectable timing of one minute three seconds. Swindle ran second and Craig, Captain Holden's champion charger, caused some surprise by defeating the disappointing Musette for third place.

Some well informed enthusiasts had been backing Golden in the early hours of the morning, and the bookmakers began operations by chalking her up at level money. This advertisement enabled the filly to retain the proud position of favourite until the end, but in the race she made no show and Vespasia scored her first win for Mr. Myers. Sir Michael ran well and is a promising horse and will probably find an owner on the look out for a Moonsoon winner.

The big race of the day fell to Beaunero, to whom Annamulloch was quite unable to give the weight she was asked to do. Mr. Deakin's horse has come on very fast and should win a good race next year if not knocked about.

In the Selling Handicap Hande'ilian beat a very moderate field, Nirvana running second. In the Kedleston Plate the followers of Mr. Marshall's colours invested their winnings on Pat C. and Beaunero on the untrustworthy Galley Slave, who actually finished up favourite at 2 to 1, but this time they were disappointed, as Bradshaw scored cleverly on Bon Bon from Mr. Charles's Foy, the second favourite and the public fancy. Next Saturday will be a blank day, but the February week ends are to be filled with Extra Meetings in which the selling plate and hunter classes will figure largely.

The Ladies' Paperchase Cup was competed for with customary zest on Tuesday morning when Mrs. Lamond Walker added yet one more to her fine collection of paperchase cups and prizes. Detective has twice run second in this race, but was this year *facile princeps*. Mrs. Crocker made a great effort on Bluebell and hunted Mrs. Walker home in fine style, but the speedy little Detective was never really hurried and disposed of the last two fences at his leisure.

The Half Yearly General Meeting of members of the Western India Turf Club will be held at the race stand Mahaluxhmi at 8-30 A.M. on Saturday, 23rd February 1907.

AGENDA.

(i) To elect stewards for season 1907-08.

(ii) To confirm the following alterations in the rules of racing which were passed at the Half Yearly General Meeting of Members of the Club held at Poona on Saturday, 29th September 1906. The alterations to take effect from 1st April 1907.

Rule I. To delete the present definition of a "Maiden" and to *substitute*:—

"*A 'Maiden' is a horse which has never won a race (value Rs. 50), other than a match or private sweepstakes, at any recognised meeting in India or any other country.*"

Rule 91. (ii) (c) To delete clause (c):—

"When a penalty is imposed on winners of one or more races or on winners of an aggregate value, or on winners of a fixed sum, without specifying the value of the race to be taken into account, the penalty shall apply only to winners of races in any country of the value of Rs. 200 and upwards, unless it is imposed in a race confined to Maidens, in which case it shall apply to winners of raees of the value of Rs. 50 and upwards."

Rule 71. Delete the para.:—

The fees to native Jockeys shall be half the amount allowed to other Jockeys, and substitute:—

The fees to Native Jockeys who have won a flat race of the value of Rs 500 or upwards shall be half the amount allowed to other Jockeys.

The fees of Native Jockeys who have not won a flat race value Rs. 500 or upwards shall be:—

For a winning mount on the flat, Rs. 25, For a losing mount on the flat Rs. 12-8, irrespective of the value of the race.

The fees for a winning and losing mount respectively in a Hurdle race or Steeplechase are double the amounts allowed in a flat race.

N. B.—The above alterations have already been passed and confirmed by the Calcutta Turf Club.

(ii) To discuss any other business brought forward.

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We see the Rev. H. W. Bush, Honorary Secretary of the N.I.K.A., is going home shortly; we unite with all Indian doggy men in wishing him a right good time at home; his work on the N.I.K.A. and his labours with the *Gazette* of the Association entitle him to a golden statue in our opinion. Mr. H. Arden Close, D.S.P., Peshawar, is to act for him as Honorary Secretary.

The Rawalpindi Spring Meeting dates have been changed from 26th, 28th and 30th March to 19th, 21st and 23rd idem, the closing dates for entries remaining the same—15th February, 6th March and 15th March. The prospectus is published in the usual place to-day.

The Rangoon Golf Club Gold Medal (Scratch) Competition ended in a win for Mr. Gilbert C. Whigham, late of Prestwick. Full scores appear further on.

The following are the handicap weights for the Civil Service Cup :—

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Claribell	10	7
Haydn	10	0
Veera	10	0
Coin II.	9	11
S. S.	9	5
First Bell	9	1
Plover	8	7
Wal	8	7
Circus Girl	7	11
Matin Bell	7	9
Parlourmaid	7	9
Flo	7	3
Lorette	7	2
The Butler	7	2

Koorlong and Sago have been scratched.

Lord Delamere, a famous pioneer, explorer, and big-game hunter, has, it is stated, been committed for trial at Nairobi, Mombassa, under the Indian Penal Code. Lord Delamere, who is the owner of the Vale Royal in Cheshire, is one of the most famous of English hunters, and in one African expedition secured fourteen splendid lions. Accompanied by his wife, he left England last year to take up his residence in Nairobi, where he has built himself a splendid house, and has purchased 100,000 acres of land on which he has been successful in cotton growing and sugar planting. He once disappeared for months while in Africa, but returned at length, bringing with him a very fine collection of trophies. Soon after he met with a very bad accident while hunting in Cheshire, and it was then he fell in love with Lady Florence Cole, daughter of the Earl of Enniskillen, who helped to nurse him.

Mr. R. Ringley, of Inverness, is a fine rifle shot; he says so himself. In a letter to the *Shooting Times* he writes:—"Last year I shot at and killed a stag dead at 420 yards. Only the forepart of the animal was visible against the sky-line, and the bullet struck the vertebrae, smashing it and causing instant death. Returning home one evening, a string of geese passed over, and, holding on to the leader, I fired, and he came down with a rush, and the distance could not have been far short of 400 yards. The bird proved to be one of the pink-footed species. The remainder of the flock, contrary to my expectations, dropped some yards earthwards and, swerving, came back over me, when, aiming at the front bird, I brought him down also. Again, a rabbit, sitting lengthwise alongside a bluff, succumbed to a shot at 210 yards, measured distance. The weapon used was a 'Sherwood,' 300-bore, and the ammunition loaded with copper-capped bullets. I could give you some remarkable notes regarding seal-shooting with this rifle."

A Mysore correspondent sends the *Madras Mail* the following interesting account of the wonderful exploit of his fox-terrier, which ran all the way from Bangalore to Mysore, probably along the railway line, covering the eighty-seven miles in eleven hours and a half. The story seems almost too good to be true, remarks our contemporary but our correspondent, "T. D." says that it can be corroborated by several reliable people in Bangalore and Mysore:—On Friday, the eleventh instant, I took a dog in to Bangalore from Mysore by the night train to the City Station and then on by the Madras Railway to the Cantonment. He was left with his mistress, who had been in England for the past nine months. The dog seemed quite at home and at 6 o'clock the lady went out, but on her return at 8 o'clock he was nowhere to be seen. It was too late and dark to make enquiries that night. Next day at 10 A.M. a telegram was received in Bangalore to say that the dog had arrived in Mysore. On my return I found that he had come to my bungalow at 5-30 A.M., a full hour before any train arrives from Bangalore, in a thoroughly exhausted condition. He took nothing but water all day and for a whole week suffered from the effects of his extraordinary exertion. The distance travelled by him on foot must have been fully eighty-seven miles and this he covered in eleven and a half hours. He has done the journey repeatedly by train, but never by road, and I imagine he must have come on this occasion along the railway lines. It was a pitch dark night. *Mick* is a thick-set fox-terrier, standing 15 inch at the shoulder, and to look at him one would never think him capable of such an exploit.

Our Bombay correspondent writes :—Commencing with four runaway wins the last four were a great improvement and provided exciting finishes in a card of another eight events for the Seventh Extra. Although one hot favourite and two equal favourites secured brackets, the day was in favour of the pencil brigade, for the fact that a very large number of supported horses failed to place.

On his game finish behind Squire, Survey was made a very warm favourite for the opening event, Toy finding a pile of money for a place, but neither of these showed up. A bit of work has done Saeed an extraordinary amount of good, as coming early into the lead he held his field safe all the way after an inglorious exhibition over five furlongs run in 1min. 11⅘secs. Sirree, Scipio and Little John, all at tens, had a great race for places finishing as mentioned. Winning his five furlongs in the smart time of 1min. 9⅗secs. easy it was not surprising to see Tabriz go out well backed for the six furlongs in the FirstHopeful Plate. He was a hot favourite though an unknown quantity in Kalee Charan was supported late and displaced him. Neither of these again even ran 1-2-3, and the race was a hollow victory for Nazzar. The second two had their places assured at the bend, but the favourite could never get near.

There is nothing to say about the Mahim Plate than that it was a canter for Mudlool.

Royal Red was the disturbing element in the Matoonga Plate, he came away down the straight with a two length lead when Scarlet gave chase. It was a most exciting race as, both with whips going, Royal Red just stayed on to win by half a length. Scarlet was a warmish favourite, but neither Marvellous or Canter, who were backed, ran anywhere.

Even 10-3 is a feather weight to punters when they make up their minds an old favourite is to win and Tachreet carried the bulk of public money though the stable came strong at the end for Grey Falcon who was made equal favourite. Tachreet might have stayed at home and it seemed probable the other would do no good when Ashroft stuck to his guns so gamely. At the distance, however, Kamad was seen coming up and by the stand he jumped between the front two to win a fine race.

Four scratchings left only a field of five for the Epsom Plate and Chassepot on Poona form was heavily supported. Whether the stable expected the favourite to win by a street or not I do not know, but Williams took Chassepot with his 9-8 to the front at a great pace. He was followed by Baritone and Freelance, the latter coming outside and catching the leader whereas Baritone came fast and naturally went wide on the outside. Chassepot was absolutely done and was passed by every horse in the race and Baritone showed he had shot his bolt at the distance where Freelance held a nice lead with Shotover coming on the outside. It was a desperate finish between these two under the whip in which Dhondi on Freelance just stayed out by a mere head.

I think I mentioned, when last he ran, how well Great Shot was going when making the pace from Lailan and this has been fully confirmed as after a struggle with Sherlock, who made all the running, he landed the money invested on him. Lastly came a stirring finish between the three best fancied horses in the Second Beginners' Plate of half a mile. Rajput soon settled down with the lead with Squire in close company two lengths ahead of the field and at the bend the positions were reversed though the two were locked together for the rest of the journey. Caroon followed them and with Robertson hard at work put in a great effort and may have won in another hundred yards. As it was the positions were preserved and a verdict of a neck, all under the whip, shows the nature of the finish to which we were treated.

At the Yacht Club there were again three races sailed and all but the first were exciting. For this, the Challenge Cup, for which only three started and the scratch boat Turquoise had to come back

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for being over too soon and could never make this up though she passed Melody who beat her on time. Sapphire led the whole way and when Turquoise came up actually went away again in the run in.

For the "B" Class Handicap four started and Trixie sailed away followed by Yellow Peril who fell back on the windward tack and Trixie took up the chase and passing the other won a fine race by seventeen seconds.

Eight came up for "C" class, Tomtit Handicap, Coralie getting the best of a fine start, but Meg at Cross Island showed in front followed by Lapwing and the scratch boat Tomtit, who went ahead at North Karanja Buoy, but Meg again passed her at the Committee Vessel and a great race between the two scratch boats ended in Meg's winning by under a minute. Lapwing and Maud fought out third place which the former won ; but Jean on her big handicap of 23mins. 30secs. won the Handicap from Coralie and Maud ; Meg's being the class prize.

There is no kill to record this week though on Thursday the Bombay Hounds had a rare good run. On the 20th they were some time in finding, and when they did the jack crossed the railway and up the Ghats so the Master called them off.

Though he eventually gave them the slip a good jack provided a grand run on the 24th when he made over good galloping ground to Sahar. He was headed here and doubled back and once again crossed the Pipe and to the Backwater where hounds were at fault. They soon picked up again, however, and went up Hogg's Back Hill, but on the other side lost him completely after a great run of an hour.

The betting on the Civil Service Cup is as follows :—

Win.		Place.
3 to 1 agst.	Matin Bell	... 2 to 1 on
3 to 1 „	Coin ...	... 2 to 1 „
4 to 1 „	Circus Girl	... Evens
5 to 1 „	Claribell	... „
5 to 1 „	Wal ...	... „
6 to 1 „	First Bell	... 3 to 2 agst.
8 to 1 „	Plover ...	... 2 to 1 „
8 to 1 „	S. S. ...	... 2 to 1 „
8 to 1 „	Lorette ...	... 2 to 1 „
12 to 1 „	The Butler	... 3 to 1 „
12 to 1 „	Flo ...	... 3 to 1 „
12 to 1 „	Hadyn ...	... 3 to 1 „
12 to 1 „	Parlourmaid	... 3 to 1 „

The draw for the Lucknow Polo Tournament is as follows :—

Friday, 1st February.—Crusaders *versus* Lucknow Civilians: byes, Rifle Brigade, Durham Light Infantry and Royal Dragoons.

Tuesday, 5th February.—Durham Light Infantry *versus* Rifle Brigade ; the winners of the first day *versus* Royal Dragoons.

Thursday, 7th February.—The winners of the second day meet each other in the final.

Athletic Notes.

IF any of our readers are expecting detailed reports of the football and boxing tournaments in connection with the Minto Fête we may say at once they will be disappointed. We trust, however, our explanation will find acceptance. Those who are running these shows have not had the courtesy to invite us to witness them. If it is not worth while paying the sporting press the trifling compliment of a ticket for our representative, it is certainly not worth our while to devote time, space and money to reports. We are aware that it is "all for charity" and that under these circumstances we might pay at the gate and so be in a position to give our readers details. We trust we are never to be found behind the door when appealed to in the name of charity or asked to support sport in any form by putting our hands in our pocket ; it is the *principle* we object to and the slight to the press we protest against ; we trust our readers will find themselves able to give us their support on these points.

As a matter of fact this "charity" business can be overdone, in our opinion it is being overdone in connection with this fête. To quote an instance. Let us look at the Lucky Bag arrangements. The public have been called upon to exercise their charitable instincts in this particular direction. Many thousands of tickets have been sold, thousands of prizes have been collected. The tent in which these things are set out reminds us of a junk shop or a jumble sale. Surely the most casual glance around will convince any unbiassed person that the comparison is not inapt. Packets of tooth paste, rolls of crinkled paper, tins of patent food, pots of ringworm ointment (!) and a box of Doan's Dinner Pills can be acceptable to no one and how they came to be accepted passes comprehension. Grumbling was general on Tuesday and angry protests were frequent. So we say the "all for charity" idea can be carried too far.

Another instance. The Cyclist Corps are contributing quite a good turn to the programme of military displays. They were without passes and the application of their C. O. for passes was up to time of going to press, ignored ; so having been taken off the ground at the conclusion of their display they were unable to re-enter save on payment ! Now if *all* who are helping were treated alike there might be less cause for annoyance ; but when we find passes in the possession of singers, minstrels, stallholders, exhibitors *et hoc* why, we ask, are volunteers excluded from this little courtesy ? It may be urged that taking part in the Military shows they must be regarded as ranking with the ordinary soldier element ; but if this is the reason for the refusal to grant them passes those responsible can have but a poor appreciation of the position. These gentlemen have spent weeks in preparing their display, they have spent time and money on it, and have often been inconvenienced in business in order that they might acquit themselves creditably and assist in adding to the funds of the Fête. While they are actually in the arena, and *only* then, they may very rightly be regarded purely from a military point of view by the executive ; but their item concluded, they have a right to be treated somewhat differently to the regular who is there on duty all the time and in receipt of wage for what he is doing. At least they are entitled to all the privileges that other non-military helpers and performers receive. This is how it strikes us, and we may say we echo the feelings of not only the members of the Cycle Corps but of large numbers of the general public. And so we repeat the "charity" business can be overdone, the rules of ordinary business etiquette can be set aside it seems on occasions like this. It is most distinctly not playing the game.

The Western India Lawn Tennis Challenge Cup Tournament will be held between the 4th and 14th March ; entries closed on 28th February.

The meeting of the Northern India Coursing Club has been postponed till the 25th proximo.

The meeting between the East Surrey Regiment and the Customs teams in the Minto Fête Football Tournament produced a good game played in a sporting spirit throughout—very different from the time when the Customs played the H.L.I. This time the Customs succumbed to their military opponents, who won by 3 goals to 1.

On Saturday the Manchesters met the Royal Irish in the Minto Fête Football Tournament. The redoubtable Irishmen of whose prowess we in Calcutta have time and again had many exhibitions that linger in memory, were playing quite up to their form, but the Manchesters bringing with them a big reputation fully maintained it, and won, after a really superb game, by 3 goals to 2.

On Monday the Gordon Highlanders met and defeated the Durham L. I. by two goals to one : it was a fast game and in many respects an interesting display of science and skill.

The Americans are determined to be as well represented in the Olympic Games of 1910 at Athens as they were at the games held last spring. Of the 15,000 dollars raised to send out the 1906 team, there is a balance remaining of 2,889 dollars, and this sum has been placed in a savings bank to form the nucleus of a fund to defray the expenses of the next team. It is the intention of the United States to have particularly strong representation in the lawn tennis, fencing, and rowing competitions. President Roosevelt, who had expressed his strong approval of the Olympic Games movement, has accepted the honorary presidency of the American Committee.

Mr. James E. Sullivan, who has been congratulated by President Roosevelt for his labours on behalf of purity in athletics, speaking at a dinner in New York, is reported by the *Tribune's* correspondent to have said :—"The projectors of the international games to take place in England in 1908 have invited us to send a team. Cablegrams tell us that they propose to carefully scrutinise our list of competitors in order to see whether they are amateurs. I want to say that we will carefully scrutinise them before we send them. If a single athlete be rejected in England we will withdraw the whole team. Outside Oxford and Cambridge the English amateur athlete is a joke. We make laws and honestly enforce them. We honestly keep our athletics pure. We do not propose to accept the judgment of England of any other country upon the amateur, whose status as a man we guarantee. We believe in international athletics, and are desirous of fostering every international meeting ; but we do not propose to be stigmatised by self-constituted critics whose government is a far more lax one than our own."

According to a London contemporary, Mr. Edward Blackwell ought to win the English Amateur Golf Championship next year, and is likely to start favourite for that event. It is true that Mr. Blackwell is usually seen at his best at St. Andrews, where the tournament of 1907 is to be held ; but there are other amateurs who are partial to the classic course, and far further drivers and consistent in approaching though he is, Mr. Blackwell is too uncertain on the putting greens for his chance of winning to be highly considered. The time has gone by when the chief event of amateur golf lay at the mercy of a few famous player. Mr. Harold Hilton scored his last victory in 1901, and every year since then the Amateur Championship has been won by players who had not previously achieved a similar success. The tournament grows more open every year.

More motor racing lunacy ! Reuters Agency states that a noted English motorist, named Marriott, competing at Ormond Beach. was going at 125 miles an hour when he struck an inequality on the beach. The car turned somersault three times. Marriott was rendered unconscious, lost one eye and had a rib broken.

For the All-India Hockey Tournament already eleven teams have definitely sent in their names, a number of others from the nature of their enquiries showing a desire also to enter. The present holders, the Naini Tal Volunteers, have not as yet specified their intention of upholding their title to the Cup, but it is presumed that their name will be found among the list of competing teams. The entries at present received are as follows :—Queen's, Royal Scots Fusiliers, Royal Sussex, South Lancashire, 43rd Oxford Light Infantry, 85th King's Light Infantry, two combined teams—(6th Jats and 37th Dogras and 9th Infantry and 10th Jats)—1st Brahmans, United Provinces Police and the Allahabad Gymkhana. Mr. Ransford, 9th Infantry, stationed at Allahabad is Secretary.

As will be seen from the announcement among our notices of sporting events, the Calcutta Golf Club have fixed the 8th and 9th proximo for the Ladies' Challenge Bowl Handicap. On the 9th the Club will be "At Home" to the members of the Ladies' Golf Club.

The Shalimar Rope Works and Paulin Factory are familiar objects of the foreshore to all whose business on pleasure takes them down the river-side road between Howrah and the Botanic Garden. This large commercial enterprise is the property of Messrs. Ahmuty and Company, of Calcutta, well-known to our planter readers, our athletes and others whose requirements may range from a pruning knife to a horizontal engine, a few inches of Willesden canvas, or a tug of war rope, to a set of sails and cordage for a full rigged yacht. Our good friends of Church Lane have just favoured us with a copy of a brochure regarding the Rope Works ; we may say at once that we have seldom seen

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London Week by Week.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

Friday, 11th January 1907.

MERE mention of the word winter, these last few days, provokes the smile of scorn. We have been sitting with open windows and allowing fires to go out (to regret it, I admit), and asking ourselves if we really *need* put on overcoats to go out of doors. The trees are budding all too previously as they are like, to find; and a few misguided sparrows and starlings have begun to bethink them of their domestic responsibilities. But we cannot trust the climate and they are wise who are packing up to go south. Italy does not seem to be much in vogue this season: people brought back such lurid accounts of railway mismanagement, of deficient train accommodation, of incivility and baggage robbery last year, that one can't be surprised at the avoidance of Italian winter resorts.

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I was told last might by my neighbour after dinner that his revered leader, Sir Henry C. B., was not likely to remain long in active political life. Years are telling upon him and the old gentleman was always falling asleep in his place in the House last session. Conscious that this indicates failing powers, he is likely to retire ere long; which no doubt means the Upper House. By the way, I heard rather a quaint little story of His Majesty a few days ago. Somebody asked him how he liked C. B. "Very much indeed," said the King, "most agreeable, most thoughtful and pleasant: very much indeed." "But sir," urged the somebody, "you must miss Mr. Balfour's extraordinary acumen and ability." "Certainly I miss him," agreed His Majesty. "I certainly miss him: but you know," dropping his voice, "you know I always felt that I *bored* Balfour."

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The winter exhibition at Burlington House opened on Monday and is voted the best collection of old masters seen for many years. The picture that attracts most interest is the Gainsborough which in its dingy condition was contemptuously refused by a Bond Street dealer about 18 months ago and was subsequently sold for 9,000 guineas at Christie's: to wit Miss Linley. Rather unkindly the authorities have hung immediately opposite this picture another Miss Linley by Gainsborough: and if you can discover any resemblance between these two portraits of the same lady you must be clever indeed. A picture of the collection is the show of Turner's water-colours made to illustrate Thomas Campbell's poems. The exhibition is particularly strong in Reynolds and Gainsborough.

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Rarely I imagine has a funeral procession so simple brought together a crowd so enormous as that which collected on the route between Stratton Street and the Abbey on Saturday morning. The procession consisted of an open hearse and four mourning carriages: no wreaths were on the coffin; these I understaud may not be taken into the Abbey. On Thursday and Friday the house in Stratton Street was thrown open for that function called "lying in state" and, on each day, thousands of people poured in at the Stratton Street door and out by the rarely used door in Piccadilly. How many of the people who participate in a function of this kind are actuated by feelings of respect or regard and how many by morbid curiosity? I wonder.

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Rumour of course busied herself at once concerning the will of the Baroness: wherefore Mr. Burdett Coutts wisely authorised her solicitors to publish the facts. From their letter in yesterday's papers it appears that Mr. Burdett Coutts is sole executor: that the enormous income the late Baroness enjoyed from Coutts' Bank was held in trust and the widower has now no interest in it: that at various dates between 1881 and 1895, the Baroness transferred to her husband nearly all the property she possessed including the Columbia estate in the East End, the Holly Lodge estate at Highgate and her interest in Stratton Street; together with such of the contents as she could dispose of. It is also stated that when the Baroness married, "to avoid litigation," she surrendered in 1881 the larger portion of the income she derived from the trust estate: a circumstance which makes the magnitude of her charities the more noteworthy.

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The White Star Line has made arrangements to run its Wednesday mail steamer from Southampton instead of Liverpool as at present. The object is to obtain a larger share of the first class passenger traffic between the Continent and New York, which has fallen so largely into the hands of the German steamer companies. The White Star liners from Southampton will call at Cherbourg to collect passengers and, as now, at Queenstown for mails. The Homeward bound vessels will call at Plymouth, thence cross over to Cherbourg and finish the voyage at Southampton. The Liverpudlians will not much like the change, I suppose, but any step which makes for active competition with German enterprise is sure of popularity in the country at large.

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"Nelly Neil" was produced at the Aldwych last night with Miss Edna May in the name part. Beyond the fact that Nelly was saleswoman in a fruit shop and is selected by Lady Rokeby (Miss M. Lowell) to manage her "simplicity farm" at Humpstead where peers and anarchists meet on common ground to live the simple life. I have but a vague idea of the plot if there be any. "Nelly Neil" in a word is a musical comedy of the very familiar sort; a succession of "turns" so weakly linked together that you might take out half a dozen and put in new one or transpose the scenes or play the whole thing backwards without touching its coherence. Mr. Ivan Caryll's music is as familiar as the rest, and Mr. McLellan's book and lyrics are very much what we look for. The piece is beautifully staged and the simple life taught by the countess does not extend to simplicity of attire; it would not, you know. We will put up with much eccentricity on the stage, particularly on the musical comedy stage, but we draw the line at commonplace clothes Therefore Miss Edna May and the rest are charmingly dressed and their socialism is mere lip service. Mr. Joseph Coyne as a motor-humourist was delightful and ran over people and transgressed all the bye-laws with the best grace in the world. "Nelly Neil" is just the sort of piece to run for years.

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"The Bondman" did not greatly impress me when I saw it at Drury Lane, and I like it rather less at the Adelphi, though those to whom this glorified "penny gaff" appeals will no doubt like it much better, mourning only the Real Cow and the Real Haystack which have disappeared by reason I conceive of lack of stage space. Mr. Walter Hampden plays Michael Sunlocks and makes him the prig he is. Miss Wynne Mathieson is thrown away as Greeba, the "sloppy" heroine: what Mr. Hall Caine wants for this part is an old-fashioned actress versed in the traditions of what we used to call Surrey-side melodrama. The Adelphi audience was delighted with "The Bondman:" pit and gallery cheered themselves hoarse, and damp pocket handkerchiefs were much in evidence.

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A "very light Comedy" by Mr. Cyril Harcourt was produced at the Court on Tuesday. "The Reformer" appears to be in the nature of a counter-blast to "Man and Superman," inasmuch as it represents the male animal's triumph over woman. It is very slight. The "reformer" is Mrs. Rockingham, who intends to marry Lord Crowborough, his money and position to the end that she may "reform society:" her qualifications would seem to be audacity and tactlessness. The Earl cries off, because she "dresses so awfully well" and Sir Rupert Yeld, whom Mrs. Rockingham had denounced very freely as a man she means to cut when she became a countess, takes it as a challenge and applies himself to win her; the lady fearing the ridicule of "all London," and glad of the chance to make it appear that she was the withdrawing party, accepts him. The excellence of the acting won acceptance for a play which is by no means up to the Court standard though brightly written in spots.

I imagine that the other piece, "The Campden Wonder," which followed, was meant to be tragedy. Heaven knows it is tragic enough in intention; a criminal lunatic, aided by a fool of a parson, swears away the lives of his innocent mother and brother. They die on the gallows and are scarce cold before the man they are said to have murdered turns up to the utter dumbfoundering of the parson (he has no name: perhaps Mr. Masefield thought he was not worth it). Unfortunately the playwright has no belief in his own characters; comic he is, without intention, in a music-hallish fashion, but

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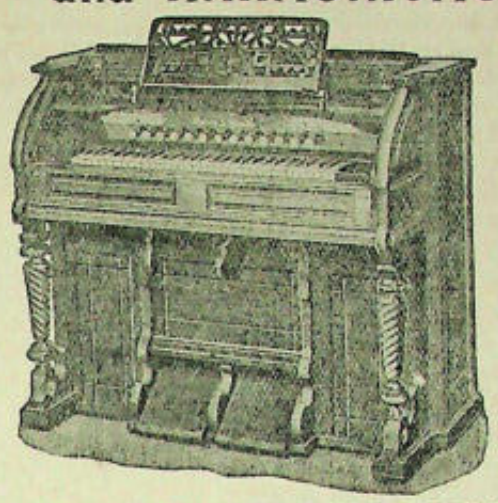

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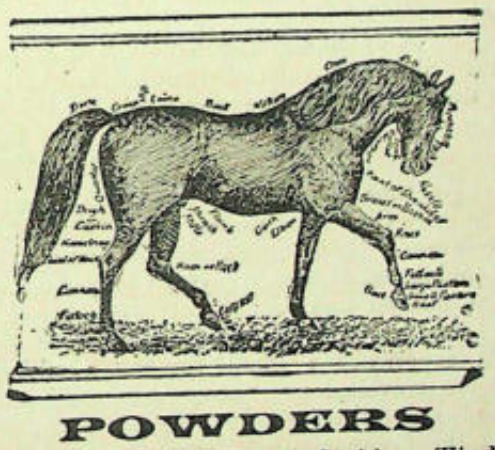

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tragic never; the most pathetic scenes only succeeded in being bathos for all the skill of the players. Some new turns at the Empire are very clever and amusing. Arthur Bendini as a clown conjuror is exceedingly funny. His idea of emulating William Tell's performance with the apple appealed to me: it occurs to him as he takes his revolver in hand that it would be dangerous to shoot an apple off his head direct so he fires at its reflection in a mirror to be staggered by the discovery that he has broken that without spoiling the apple. This is a fair example of Bendini methods, which are mostly of the destructive order. At the Tivoli Mr. Arthur Roberts has worked a skit on the Zancigs into "Robbing Hood," one of the objects involved being a compromising letter which the careless owner is fearfully anxious to recover before the contents are revealed.

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The turn which follows the Bendini performance is Mr. Hymack's. Mr. Hymack recites to an unappreciative pump, but his recitations are not the point: while reciting he divests himself of various articles of clothing: half a dozen pairs of gloves come off, one after another: he takes off about a dozen neckties, and several pairs of shirt cuffs: he throws aside his cane, to find another in his hand, he throws that away; another comes into his grasp and he breaks it across his knee only to find he has a third. The gloves and cuffs one can understand, but whence come the canes and whence the frock coat and tall hat in which he is finally arrayed is a mystery. The patter is poor stuff, but the sleight of hand which accomplishes the changes is very clever.

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By the way, the Zancig performance is more discussed than ever since the Sandringham visit. Observant persons have come to the conclusion that the man conveys information to his blindfolded and be-screened partner on the stage by an ingenious application of the time-signalling system: *i.e.*, that the *lacunæ* in his talk stand for letters of the alphabet according to length and proximity something on the Morse principle. If this be the secret, I can only say it is more wonderful than telepathy or thought-reading: Herr Zancig's skill in determining the duration of tenths of a second is only equalled by Fru Zancig's. My recollection of the performance does not incline me to accept the time-signal theory.

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Princess Estelle, the American wife of the Prince de Broglie, is the latest attraction at the Tivoli: a very handsome woman and tastefully dressed (though I confess that her conception of the allowable circumference of a hat errs on the extravagant side) she has a good voice if it lacks training. She sang American, French and English ballads to an appreciative audience, her husband conducting the orchestra.

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The new tube from Hammersmith by Brompton and Piccadilly Circus to Finsbury has been doing good business. It is not a month since it was opened and the management joyfully announces that nearly a million and a half of passengers have already used it. At a rough guess made from personal experience I should say half a million of these have travelled as "strap hangers." Each trams consists of three coaches only and at the busy hours of the day these are literally crammed.

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Rare, if unintentional, candour distinguished the defence put forward by George Cartwright charged at the Old Bailey with, among other things, stealing a coat. "As for stealing the coat which has been mentioned in the case, I would not do such a thing as it was not worth having."

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If "Independent Labour" captures the London County Council next March, the growth of the metropolis would receive the check it requires; for the conclusive reason that it will become uninhabitable. The I. L. party has issued its manifesto wherefrom we learn that it proposes, among other things, to become sole valuation authority, to absorb all the suburbs, to build "garden" suburbs, to take over the port and docks of London, to take over ownership of traffic of all kinds; to assume monopolies of coal and milk (why not clothes and beef too?) and to acquire the hospitals. There are a few more things that Independent Labour proposes to acquire when it controls the Council; and to ensure really businesslike management it will include women; whether the women will look after the docks or the milk does not appear.

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It is affirmed that the South African football team have received nearly £10,000 as their share of the gatemoney taken during their tour. From this sum the expenses have yet to be deducted. The net sum realised by the New Zealanders was nearly £9,000.

As examples of the fruit of the education for which we pay so heavily these cited by Mr. Eccles in a lecture a few nights ago are worth quoting. Local authorities have been trying to encourage the indition of essays on the evils of drink in the schools and these gems are extracted from the essays produced at Hull. "Another dangerous thing about alcohol is that should a person take too large a quantity of beer he would be taken or go to a very hot place," "Seafaring men who are in the habit of drinking are liable to collide with other vessels," "To-day many people are in gaol for committing suicide under the influence of drink," "Alcohol is a mocker. At last it biteth like a servant and stingeth like a hatter," "Doctors say that fatal diseases are the worst," "Medical men have found that there are more dead than there were," "Doctors say that the increased death rate shortens lives more." The quotation beginning "Alcohol is a mocker" seems to come from more guileful pen than that of a board school boy.

ONLOOKER.

Review.

THE GROWTH OF A GREAT MUSEUM.*

IT was a happy thought that induced Professor Ray Lankester to instruct his subordinates in the Natural History Departments of the British Museum (commonly known as the Natural History Museum) to write historical accounts of the various collections under their respective custody; collections for the well-being of which, as a whole, Professor Lankester is, as Director, of course, responsible. The first volume which dealt with the palæontological, mineralogical, and botanical collections, appeared some years ago; the present one is devoted to the Zoological collections, which alone come under the designation of natural history in popular language, and are the most generally interesting of all the contents of the Museum. The volume contains a very large amount of information relating not only to the growth of the Museum itself, but likewise to the rise and progress of natural history generally in Great Britain, more especially from the point of view of exhibitions and museums. Much of this information, if obtainable at all elsewhere, could only be acquired with great difficulty and trouble; and a considerable portion, if it had not been published in this form, might have been lost for ever. The issue of the work is therefore fully justified.

On the title page it is stated that the accounts of the various collections are separate and disconnected. The information is perhaps a little superfluous, seeing that the most casual of readers would not be long in finding this out for themselves. A lack of editing and of bringing the various sections into some degree of harmony with one another as regards style and mode of treatment, is indeed the weakest feature of the volume. The most striking example of this is to be found in the inordinate length and rambling character of much of the section on birds, which is altogether out of proportion to the rest in point of length and detail.

Other evidence of the want of editing is afforded by the occurrence of various errors and of discrepancies between the different sections in regard to matters of fact. As an example it may be noticed that the authors do not even know the proper way of spelling Montagu House, the precursor of the present building at Bloomsbury, since they write it with a final *e*, which is, however, omitted in the official guide to the Museum. It is a little too absurd for a Government institution to have two ways of spelling the name of its own building in its own publications, even if the usage of the London County Council in spelling Montague Street with the final *e* may be held to justify (which it does not) the present method.

Again, it might have been thought that in the case of such a notable benefactor to the Museum as the late Mr. Brian Hodgson the proper way of spelling his name and the dates of the more important events in his career would have been known to all the officials, we find, however, his Christian name spelt in one place with an *i* and in another with a *y*; while in one section of the work he is stated to have settled in Darjiling in 1843 and in another in 1844. As a matter of fact, the real date was 1845, as might have been easily ascertained by reference to Sir W. W. Hunter's "Life of Brian Hodgson." A happy-go-lucky way of spelling the names of places is also noticeable throughout the volume, as witness Sudan and Soudan, and Katiawar and Kathiwar. Again Sir George Newnes, Bart, will probably not be but pleased to find himself mentioned in one place as though he was only an ordinary knight.

These and other trifling blemishes detract, however, but little from the general interest and value of this volume, which are undoubtedly very great.

As regards the early history of the collection it appears that in the mammal collection two specimens—namely, the record pair of Indian baffalo horns and a single horn of a white rhinoceros—alone represent the original Museum of Sir Haus Sloane, which was purchased by the nation in 1753. Still older, however, is a pair of dwarf African baffalo's horns, once in Grew's collection at Gresham College, and described in the Catalogue of 1681, and also figured by Penant in 1781. It is likewise probable that a pair of antlers of the American white tailed deer came under the same category, although this was not known to be the case when the volume was written.

As regard birds, it is stated that although the Sloane collection included considerably over a thousand specimens, not one of these now remains in the Museum so far as can be ascertained; all having been allowed to perish, or having been purposely destroyed. Apparently we are to conclude from this that such actual payments of the dodo as the Museum possesses were not a portion of the Sloane collection, although it would have been mere satisfactory had definite information been given with regard to this interesting point.

A fate very similar to that which befel the Sloane birds seems also to have occurred in the case of those collected during Cook's voyages;—a really lamentable circumstance, since some of these undoubtedly belonged to exterminated species, of which, as noticed later, little or no record remains. One specimen from Captain Cook's collection has, however, escaped the general fate, this being a tree-starling, *Aplonis ulietensis*, peculiar to one of the Pacific islands.

Several amusing stories concerning some of the officials of the British Museum during its earlier days are told, of which one may be repeated. It appears that Mr. G. R. Gray, of the ornithological section, although a "conscientious clerk" so far as Museum cataloguing were concerned, had no knowledge of birds in life; a type of Museum official now, it may be hoped, as extinct as the dodo. "A story is told of him that, as he was being continually twitted about his ignorance of birds in the field, he one day hired a gun, and went into Hertfordshire to shoot birds. He was promptly arrested by a keeper for trespassing." Much space—perhaps rather too much—is devoted to Bullock's Museum, a well-known collection which for some years previous to 1819 (when its contents were sold by auction) occupied the Egyptian Hall, London, recently pulled down. A large portion of the sale-catalogue, of which but few copies appear to be in existence, has been reprinted *in extenso* in the volume before us.

Among the most valued treasures of the ornithological section of the Museum is a collection of, mostly coloured, drawings of birds made by W. W. Ellis who accompanied, in the capacity of artist, Captain Cook during his third voyage. A complete list of these drawings is given, with the identification, so far as praticable, of the various species delineated. One of these represents an extinct species, *Prosobonia ellisi* from Eimeo, or York Isle, otherwise known only by a single specimen in the Museum at Leyden; while others depict almost equally rare birds, the identification of some of which is still doubtful.

To pick out even a tithe of the more interesting passages relating to the bird collection would, however, be an almost endless task; and we must content ourselves with stating that among the other treasures are the collection of British birds brought together by Colonel Montagu, the author of the well-known "Ornithological Dictionary," and General Hardwicke's collection of Indian birds. The last-named great naturalist also bequeathed his collection of Indian mammals and reptiles, and among other great Anglo Indian benefactors to the Museum may be specially mentioned Brian Hodgson and Mr. A. O. Hume, whose collection of horns and antlers adds so much to the attractiveness and interest of the mammal gallery.

The Volume before us may indeed be described as a perfect mine of information with regard to the Zoological collections of the Museum, and thus of natural history in general.

* "The History of the collections contained in the Natural History Departments of the British Museum, Vol. II, the Department of Zoology." London, British Museum, 1906.

OUR OLD CHIPPED STONES.*

IN a concisely written booklet of some eighty pages Mr. A. C. Logan treats of the implements of the "Stone Age" as represented in India which should prove of interest to the archæologist. The compiler also notices the less known caves and deposits therein, taking us back, according to his computations, 300,000 years, when man first commenced to exhibit signs of intelligence in forming these crude weapons and implements. The speculations on the geology of the mountain ranges and their probable origin are also highly interesting. We commend the work to those whose inclinations lie in investigating prehistoric subjects.

* *Old Chipped Stones of India.* By A. C. Logan, I.C.S. Calcutta, Messrs. Thacker, Spink and Co.

Shikar.

OVIS AMMON IN THE ALTAI MOUNTAINS.

A MAN must have a constitution of iron, with nerves like steel and whip-cord, to spend the greater part of one year near the Equator, a few months in civilization and a congenial climate, and then penetrate into one of the coldest regions on earth, on the summit of the Altai Mountains in Mongolia. That is what I have done within a period of less than two years. It is an experience something like what it must be to jump from the frying pan into the ice box.

I went to the Altai Mountains solely because I was particularly anxious to get some good specimens of the hords of the Altai Mountain sheep, Ovis Ammon, coveted by all big game hunters. I succeeded beyond my expectations, getting, among others, a pair that measured 52 inches in spread and 21 inches around the burr, which are one of the largest ever obtained. But it was only through the great courtesy of the Russian government officials that I was able to cross Mongolia and reach the Altai Mountains.

I outfited at Tomsk, everything in the way of pack saddles, provisions in the way of canned goods, etc., and caught a small steamer going down the River Tom about fifty miles, where we turned up the River Ob, going to the south towards the Altai Mountains. After five days of the river trip, I came to the town of Biisk; there I bought tarataness (a Russian conveyance for travelling by post road) and three wagons. I now had all I needed. My tents, ammunition and eight guns, my photographic cameras and glasses, plenty of warm clothes and all kinds of things in tins, such as butter, preserved milk, sugar, tea, jamps and all that sort of thing. I had no use for meats for I relied on my gun to provide me with fresh chops and steaks, and I got plenty.

I left Biisk at night in an awful rainstorm, and crossed the River Bia on an oldfashioned ferry worked by horse-power paddle wheels; we traveled due south 400 miles, stopping every 15 or 20 miles to change horses at the different posts. As I was travelling with letters from the officials, I had no trouble in securing horses at the different stations or posts. We travelled with three horses abreast and made some days as much as 100 miles. In five days I reached Ongudai, and there I left my wagons and took pack horses, which I secured from some Tartars.

After five days of travelling across the foot hills of the Altai Mountains, I found myself on the border of Mongolia, and there I sent for the Zaissan, who is the chief of the Kalmuk tribes—a race of people who live on the frontier of Mongolia. The Zaissan did not want to let me have any horses, nor did any of his men want to go with me. At the time I did not known why he did not want to let me have the horses, nor why his men did not want to go, but he forced eight men into service after I had secured the horses, and they went with me as far as the border, where we camped for the night. The next morning I was surprised to find the men had all deserted me and the only men left with me were my personal servant, who was my Russian interpreter, for I did not speak a word of that language, and one man who spoke Kalmuk, and I had a Kalmuk who interpreted into Mongolian, and these were the only men left with me in the morning. I did not care so much

about them deserting me, but I did care for the fact that they stole my good axes which I had brought to chop wood for fire. After asking my interpreter to find out from the Russian why these men deserted, I discovered that they were afraid of a tribe of Kirghiz bandits on the border between Mongolia and Siberia. The only thing left for me to do was to try to make 30 miles the next day to a frontier post, where there were about 50 Chinese soldiers. There I found a little old man who might have been 100 or 1,000 years old, in charge of these men. After making him presents of tea, biscuits, and a few odd pairs of gloves, I told him my troubles, and he let me have two soldiers and one sergeant, who accompanied me for the remainder of the trip. Having protection from the Chinese authorities, I had no trouble at all in securing men, as they knew their horses and they themselves would be safe from the Kirghiz. I never saw but eight Kirghiz and these rode up to my camp one day. I asked Joseph, my servant, who they were, and he said Kirghiz. I made them di-mount and sit around the tent, while I asked them a few questions, among others what they were doing in this part of the country. The leader said he was looking for some lost horses. I told him the chances were he was looking for some of my horses which were not lost, and I instructed my interpreter to inform them that I had authority both from the Chinese and from the Russian governments to kill all Kirghiz who come near my camp, or within range of my gun, and my interpreter—who hated the Kirghiz—was only too glad to repeat this to them. They jumped on their horses, rode away and that was the last I ever saw of a Kirghiz on my trip.

I then proceeded with my caravan across the Altai Mountains, leaving my wagons in camp, on the Mongolian frontier, until I could work my way around the mountains and get back. This was in June, and I shot through the Altai Mountains during the rest of June, July and August. The storms were very severe, and as I was out of the timber line with no wood, I found it very much of a hardship sitting in my tent, wrapped in furs, all day long with nothing to do but smoke my pipe. However, as every day wasn't a stormy one, I managed to get out and hunt in the high peaks of the Altais, where game is very plentiful. The particular animal I was after was the Ovis Ammon, the rarest and greatest specimen of wild sheep ever known in the world; shot by Prince Temidoff, St. George Littledale, Major Cumberland, the Earl of Ronaldshaw and myself, a few others and I am the only American who has hunted it. While these men did not shoot in the particular part of the mountains that I did, they shot in that same range. It snowed all the time in the mountains, but I had excellent sport. The Altai Mountain sheep is the highest liver I ever saw, and to get at these animals required a lot of dangerous climbing, crossing glaciers and hanging to cliffs by an eyelid, as it were. It is a picturesque country, that region. You could easily drop ten Switzerlands into it and not miss them, but it is of no earthly use. I shot 25 Ovis Ammon, 10 ibex, and four antelopes.

I had no very exciting experiences. I mean I never found myself in anything like danger, but I got plenty of very fine sport. It was hard work getting at these Ovis-Ammon, for they are most difficult to approach. You may stalk as carefully as you can, against the wind, of course, always against the wind, and then, when you get within a few hundred yards, just when you are trying to pick out your proposed trophies with your glasses, the wind suddenly changes. That is enough. Your game scent you. They get your wind, off they scatter, and all your labor has gone for nothing. On one occasion when this sort of thing happened, I had been stalking my game all day, and I had just got up on a big bunch, when I felt the wind blowing on the back of my neck. They scented me at once, and were out of sight quicker than it takes me to tell it. It was now drawing towards evening, and, as it was snowing, I thought of quitting for the night, when I espied the herd again about 1,200 or 1,500 yards away. My rifle was sighted for 1,200 yards, and looking through my glass, I picked out what I guessed was a fine specimen. I was not shooting for the sake of slaughter. I object to that. I was in search of the finest specimens of horns that I could get. So I always singled out my trophies in the midst of the herd by means of my glasses before shooting. I took aim at this one, but my shot went high. I readjusted my sight, and had the satisfaction of seeing that he had been hit in the hindquarters, but not killed. He got away, and I decided to let him go, as I thought he would not go far. He was badly lamed, and I expected to find his carcass by daylight. Early next morning I was out again. After a while I espied what I thought was the animal I had hit the night before and killed him outright this time. But a disappointment was in store for me. I was chagrined when I found, after nearly two days' stalking of this fine animal, that about seven inches of one of his magnificent horns had been snapped off by his falling down among the rocks It was provoking.

But let me give you an instance of a bit of good luck that I had. I espied a big herd of about sixty or seventy. What I wanted was to get a whole family of good specimens. I singled out a fine buck, the female, and a youngster. I got them all, just as I wanted, and splendid specimens they were. These, with a lot more, are now being mounted in London.

I found other game very plentiful, but I was looking for this particular animal, and very large trophies in the way of large horns, and I found this hunting very hard as many a day I would pass by bunches of from 60 to 100 sheep and not fire a shot. I saw plenty of ibex, and brought home some very good trophies of this specimen; I also saw, and killed some very good specimens of the Mongolian gazelle. The big, gray wolf was very numerous, but as it was very early in the fall for him to fur up, I found his hide was not worth carrying out of the country. Bears were also very plentiful, and so were the Roe deer, whose horns were in the velvet, so I did not kill any. Birds were few; some fish in the small streams, but they were very bony.

The wild mountain sheep, of Mongolia, are not any different from the wild mountain sheep of any other country in the way of hunting. They are considered the hardest game to stalk that we know of, and as the Altai Mountains are barren, the sheep can not only see a long distance but, as they also have very good noses, they soon get your wind and sometimes it will take all day traveling up one canyon, and down another, climbing over cliffs and glaciers, and sliding on the rock, to get anywhere within gun shot of them. The Ibex, which belong to the goat family, are much easier game to stalk. I found the ibex, like the Rocky Mountain goat, to be a rather stupid animal and he is always looking down, instead of up, therefore, if the hunter will get above the animal, he can lie behind rocks and wait until the animal feeds on the moss on the mountain side, when, provided they haven't got your wind, they are much easier to shoot.

The gazelle lives on the open plains, which you find between the ranges of mountains and they are very hard to stalk—in fact, I, and my men, had to get the animal's wind; then let the men get behind and give the gazelle their wind, so that the animals would run toward me, and in that way I was able to kill them. Wolves, when hungry, will hang around carcasses of game you have killed, and it is not hard to get upon them, as they are generally too busy getting something to eat to notice you, so with a good rifle like I had—one which was sighted to 1,200 yards, I managed to get within 300 to 500 yards, which made the work very easy.

For days I was snowed in my tent; I had no books to read, and found it rather lonesome; I had no big fires built in front of my tent door taking as I had no wood. I amused myself by all of my guns apart, oiling and cleaning them; taking my cameras apart and fixing them, and writing my notes; taking the elevations, reading the thermometer, smoking my pipe, and eating hot soup and drinking plenty of hot tea. My *menu* was not an extensive one. For breakfast I had prunes, then porridge with tinned milk, next a good, big chop from a wild sheep, and evaporated potatoes. Luncheon I generally carried in my saddle bags and consisted of cold meats; and, for dinner, I had about a gallon of hot soup, some more chops, boiled rice with tinned milk and coffee.

After getting all the game that I wanted, as the weather was getting very cold and stormy, and I was afraid that I would be snowed in for the winter, I turned my face towards the north and came across the Altai Mountains, striking my old trail. I packed up my wagons in the tarataness and, again, we left with some Russian peasants, coming on down the same road and striking the head waters of the River Ria; there taking a boat on down the Obi River to the town of Ob. After waiting there two days I caught the train on the Trans-Siberian Railroad.

J. R. B.

Fishing.

OBSERVATIONS, ORIGINAL AND OTHERWISE.

THE variety of bamboo from which the modern bamboo rod is made is the "Calcutta bamboo." Its botanical name is *Bambusa arundinacea*. From other varieties it is distinguished by its charred marks on the yellow cuticle, without which none seems to be exported. Of course everyone who has become familiar with this cane has remarked the burns always present, yet never twice alike. To the split cane rod-maker they are a nuisance, forcing him to reject altogether many a cane otherwise excellent. So every maker is surprised that so much labour should be expended merely as far as is apparent to injure the cane, and naturally asks why this is done. Reasons of all kinds have been given, and there is a choice of about six, of which each seems equally probable. First a religious ceremony; second, roasted over a gridiron to kill an insect which bores into the cane; third, merely for purposes of ornament; fourth, the bamboo grows in jungles matted together with all manner of climbing and tenacious vines, that before they are separated and extricated they are fired to destroy these creepers; fifth, the canes are roasted over a gridiron to burn off the leaves and creepers, as the most expeditious way to get rid of these; sixth, this is done with a hot iron, each cane being treated separately merely to straighten them. My own idea is that the fourth and sixth processes are the most likely, and as I have been conversant with the use of the bamboo cane for at least forty years, either of these explanations would seem likely. A really good bamboo rod is the best one can have, but it is a very scarce article and necessitates a good maker.

The casting line or leader of the fly fisherman has for many years been subjected to experiment by the highest experts for the purpose of finding a perfect stain which should render the line practically invisible to the eyes of the fish. A light brown stain provided by the skin of the brown onion, or even that made from the decoction of coffee berries only, gives a brownish tint, and are useful mostly when the stream on which they are used is dark-coloured from rainfall, or from a brownish mud admixture or red-brown water. Others have used a diluted solution of ink of the bluish-grey color, and this is used by many anglers, being termed "mist colour" and presumed to resemble the tint of the cloudy day's atmosphere. This is more than likely to be the best of all the dyes for general use, for we know that the bluish-grey colour is the best for coloured or even clear water under ordinary circumstances. The shining of the unstained gut is without doubt at times very objectionable. I have stood on the banks of a stream and watched a fisherman below me fishing a pool with fine unstained gut in bright weather, and every curl of the casting line shone like a silver streak, bright the whole length; but, of course I was looking down upon it against the darkness of the bottom of the water which is not the position from which the fish would see it. At the same time I may mention that on the occasions I have observed this was when the water was unruffled by the slightest breeze or I should not have been idly watching another man fishing. I do not think when there is what we fisherman term a curl in the water that the glittering would be noticed by the fish, as each little curl shines as it disturbs the surface of the water. There is another thing I have noticed quite frequently—that in certain colours of the clouds all flies when held up are alike—I mean you cannot perceive the difference of colour between a light and dark fly, or between flies of several colours, and a simple fly of one colour. On those occasions you will always know when it is the case by looking at the water.

If the curl caused by the wind makes the water look to be a leaden colour, and the ripple be nearly white, you will have little chance of a fish; and then, if you doubt my statement, take some flies from your book of totally different colours, and hold them to the light and they will look like a plain printed fly on a light ground.

The prophet and psalmist David said in his heart, "All men are liars." He only *said* it; he probably did not mean it. I have heard it said by the pharisee fishermen who were not in the "know" and also by those who were not fishermen at all, that the angler was a "natural born liar" in matters pertaining to the size and number of fish, and the truth was not in him. I rejoice to note that in the latest book written by one of our angler statesmen and late presidents of the United States, Mr. Grover Cleveland, entitled "Fishing and Shooting Sketches," he ably takes up this question and keenly psychologizes the mystery of the whole subject. Here follows the passage to which I refer, and its profundity may be recommended to all my angler-readers who desire to preserve the innate truthfulness of the real followers of Izak Walton, who, like the "Father of His Country," never told a lie.

Mr. Cleveland thus explains his ideas:—"It is sometimes said that there is such close relationship between mendacity and fishing that in matters connected with their craft all fishermen are untruthful. It must of course be admitted that stories of large fishing adventures are sometimes told by fishermen, and why should this not be so. Beyond question there is no sphere of human activity so full of strange and wonderful incidents as theirs. Fish are constantly doing the most mysterious and startling things and no one has as yet been wise enough to explain their ways or account for their conduct. The best fishermen do not attempt it, they move and strive in the atmosphere of mystery and uncertainty, constantly aiming to reach results without a clue and through the cultivation of faculties non-existent or inoperative in the common mind. In these circumstances the fisherman necessarily see and do wonderful things. If those not members of the brotherhood are unable to assimilate the recital of these wonders, it is because their believing apparatus has not been properly regulated and stimulated. Such disability falls very short of justifying doubt as to the truth of the narration. The events narrated have been seen and experienced with fishermen's eyes and perceptions. This is perfectly understood by listening fishermen, and they to their enjoyment and edification are permitted by a properly adjusted mental equipment to believe what they hear."

I leave this passage to the readers of these pages for their consideration and comment. In my own opinion Mr. Cleveland has hit the nail on the head, as no other writter has done in the whole range of angling literature, and done as one might expect from so subtle a mind in the fewest of pen-strokes conceivable.

The vision of fish is the most important faculty that comes within the ken of the observant angler. Blind fish exist in subterranean waters, as witness those found in the Mammoth Cave of Kentucky, and in the case of fishes feeding in very deep water, such as the barbel of Great Britain, and the cat fishes of the deep rivers of the West and South, the barbules or feelers are no doubt helps to the visionary sense. Trout and other fish undoubtedly make use of their eyes, and it is very surprising to what a state of education nearly all fresh water fishes may and do arrive under the pursuance of the angler and general fisherman. The formation of the eye of the fish does not materially vary, one species from another, amongst the angler's fishes. The cornea is somewhat flat in sectional outline, and the ground plan, so to speak, is virtually alike in all except the mysterious and exceptional grayling, whose eye pupil and orbit are pear-shaped, with the larger end toward the body and the pointed end toward the nose of the fish, giving it a somewhat sinister appearance. What purpose this particular configuration serves I do not positively know, but one thing is certain: the visual ability of the grayling is equal, if not superior, to that of the trout, as proved by its rising often from a great depth to the fly. I have noticed also that the normal waiting position of this fish is inclined towards the surface of the water, instead of being horizontal, as is usually the case with the trout. This being so, the

greater mass of the rays of direct sunlight would fall on the forward part of the eye, and I offer as a conjecture based on the law of development, that this continued through many generations has evolved the peculiar oval shape in the English grayling. In the American grayling this peculiarity does not exist, the eye and orbit being circular, as is the eye of the trout. It is a general law observable through the whole range of animal life possessing vision that the eye is peculiarly adapted to the medium through which (and to the manner in which) it receives the light. The more closely we look into this truth the more apparent and wonderful is the adaptability. Indeed these premises are truisms, and would not need repetition did not we so habitually forget that design is the key to all the natural phenomena around us. Admitting this truth, it follows that the structure of the eye of the fish and its position are admirably adapted for seeing in a denser medium than air with great precision and certainty. Observation ratifies this conclusion in its entirety. The vitreous and crystalline humors of the organs are not different from those of mammals and other animals. The muscles moving the body of the eye are large and permit of great freedom, and the power of contraction and expansion of the irides is also distinct and pronounced. In air this latter feature is indeed very noticeable in the case of some fishes and the angler has only to accurately measure the breadth of the pupil of such fish in shaded water and compare this with the measurement of the same fish after the fish has lain in full sunlight a few moments to be at once forcibly convinced of the fact. The position of the orbit also needs a word of comment. In fish which readily rise and descend to feed, it is placed so as to command a large area around, in fact as large as in the nature of the creature is possible. In those that chiefly rise to their prey, such as the pike, pickerel and muskelonge, it is placed near the top of the head. In the British barbel (*Gyprinus barbus*), a ground feeder, the reverse obtains, and so also with the little ground-feeding gudgeon (*Gobio fluviatitis*). In the trout and salmon the orbit is more central, and the broad visual grip of both these are therefore the reasons why in due time the *Salmonidae* became so wary and capable on much-fished waters of protecting itself from its arch enemy—man. A pike cannot possibly see its ventral fin; a trout undoubtedly could if it felt so disposed. On the other hand a pike could undoubtedly see much farther behind and backward than a trout. Indeed, the practice of up-stream dry and wet-fly fishing, to which I record my own attachment as a matter of course, is based on the theory that the trout cannot see behind but to an exceeding short distance. Taking the trout as a fish not likely to seriously vary in regard to its faculties and their capabilities because of habitat, let us endeavour to ascertain the range of this power of vision both in the light of what has been said and what follows. First, one small but important fact has to be noted as bearing collaterally but interestingly on the subject. The fish is hard to frighten by any object it sees in the water only as separate and distinct from its cause or connection with its cause or connection in air if such exist. To make this clearer: If an object be presented so that another person besides the precentor can see its reception by the fish (himself unseen), that person will notice it seldom happens that the trout retires or darts away unless actually or positively touched—say with the point of a rod. Even then, so that the impact be gentle, he is not alarmed, and this fact is taken advantage of by the "groping" poacher of Europe who gently places his hand under the trout—lying with its eyes buried in the weeds, thinking its head secure, as does the ostrich that buries its head in the sand—and lifts it suddenly to the bank. Be the object presented a stone or fly, so that its connection with its arch-enemy of fishdom be not discovered, the fish fears not. Its brilliant, infallible visual faculty has apprehended the innocuousness of the object and no fear is aroused.

Try the experiment with the operator in full sight: what a difference in the result. The trout vanishes like a lightning flash, and be very certain that he will not again present himself to be fooled with, however good your intentions are.

Correspondence.

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Under no circumstances are questions answered by post.
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A SAMBUR.

TO THE EDITOR OF "THE INDIAN FIELD."

Sir,—I got a sambur the other day and, as this is the first animal of the kind I ever got, I should like to know, if the horns, the measurements of which I give at foot, are worth anything. The deer stood just under 14 hands and was in splended condition.

Right horn straight	...	... 36¼ inches.
Right horn along curvature		... 40¼ "
Left horn straight	...	... 34 "
Left horn along carvature		... 38 "

Raoul.

Chaibassa, Singbhoom, *25th January 1907.*

[Quite an average head, *vide* "Indian Field Shikar book."—Ed.]

A MONSTER BOAR.

TO THE EDITOR OF "THE INDIAN FIELD."

Sir,—I see in your issue of the 10th instant, you mention Mr. Fergusson having gathered a 39 inch boar, weighing 280lbs. odd.

I quite forgot to tell you before the "Indian Field Shikar Book" appeared that I assisted in downing one of the heaviest boars ever speared in India, though I unfortunately did not get the first dig. I was then a member of the old Nagpore Hunt and after a ten days' meet three of us elected to stop on for another day and were fortunate enough to get this monster. He was not much of a runner, but as plucky and savage a boar, as it has ever been my experience to meet. Mine was the only unbroken spear eventually, and it then took another quarter of an hour to polish him off. We took him into the railway station, and weighed him three or four hours after his demise. He turned the scale at 350lbs., had 9 inch tushes and was 38 inch at the shoulder, 66 inch in length, and 60 inch in girth. For all round measurements, I think you will agree with me, that these will take a lot of beating.

Taw Queh.

Belgaum, *20th January 1907.*

THE SELFISH DISTRICT OFFICIAL.

TO THE EDITOR OF "THE INDIAN FIELD."

Sir,—As the author of the article of the above title in your issue of 6th October 1906, I must, in justice to myself, ask leave to trespass on your columns with a short reply to the second article which appeared in the paper dated 6th December.

It would be well I think firstly to make it plain that the first article was inserted word for word as written by me, and that the second article is, as you have informed me, solely the work of the aggrieved sportsman, who has elected to break a lance with me in this matter; as the natural conclusion anyone would come to on a perusal of the latter is, that the body of it was written by the editorial staff and the insets by the gentleman above referred to.

This gentleman has obviously either not taken the trouble to read my article carefully, before sitting down to accuse me of "reckless partisanship" and "creating grossly erroneous impressions," or if he has done so, his reply can, I regret to say, only be termed very disingenuous.

He may have proved to his own satisfaction that "erroneous impressions have been removed," but that is I may say certainly not the verdict of those who know the whole ins and outs of the matter and who have read his article in the light of this knowledge. I can assure him that the feeling against him and his companion, amongst all classes in the districts he visited, is intense, and that public opinion universally condemns his actions.

To take his points as briefly as possible:—

1. His own eight bison were shot, in 2, not 4 districts, and 6 of them, not only in one district but in one division of that district.

2. He entirely omits any mention of his companion who shot 6, two of which were cows, also in this one division, so that the total between them was 12 for the one division. A reference to my article will show that I distinctly stated that there were *two* men shooting.

3. He also omits to say that the reason for the enormous numbers of bison he saw, was that he visited the very cream of the shooting country where all the bison assemble in the hot weather and early rains.

How does he, as a sportsman, justify the shooting of 14 bison by two guns in such a comparatively small area and under such circumstances?

5. I acknowledge and apologize for the incorrect statement about the size of the largest head which should be 36". The mistake occurred through my misreading 34" for 36" in a correspondent's letter, but I would ask why when he found, as he himself says that the "bison seldom run to record spread," he should have gone on slaughtering them at the rate he and his companion did.

6. Did he and his companion shoot cow buffalo or not? If they did, how many and were they shot in self-defence as he says or was the first, as is reported, shot while lying down in a swamp and the others as they bolted? They are reported to have shot 3 or 4, in the way described out of one herd.

7. Did they shoot a bull buff or not? He nowhere states definitely that they did though he insinuates it. My information is that they did not.

8 Is it true or not that they paid their coolies 2 annas apiece for taking their kit on a very stiff march up B—— Hill (I think he will recognize it without my being more definite) and eight pies apiece for the return journey, as is reported. If so, I can inform him that this is less than half what District officials consider fair for the journey.

9. With reference to the bolting of the 40 coolies he mentions; the report current is that "he marched in the evening from K—— to J——, 14 miles. The coolies were then given parched gram and sugar which did not appeal to them as they are rice-eaters. According to the coolies they asked for money to buy rice and were beaten by——'s men. In any case it is unusual to take coolies on 2 consecutive marches in those parts."

10. He held no communication whatsoever with the District officials concerned of one of the two districts he visited and was not accompanied by any subordinate, either Revenue or otherwise, and therefore did not pay for supplies and coolies or obtain receipts through them, and many complaints were made to the magistracy of non-payment and under-payment.

11. How does he justify his statement that he "broke no rules" when he shot in 3 separate Forest Reserves without a license? In the last one at all events he was perfectly aware that a license was necessary as he was told so on arrival by the Assistant Superintendent of Police, whom he mentions meeting, and his reply was that a mutual friend had written to the Collector and it would be "all right."

He has done enough shooting in India to know that no one can shoot in a Forest Reserve without a license, and that it is an offence under the law, and he is moreover perfectly aware that a Forest offence report was sent in against him in the first district he visited, and that he has been up to quite lately in correspondence with the Collector in the matter, which makes his denial of having broken any rules all the more astounding.

I leave it to all fair-minded sportsmen to decide whether my first article went beyond the bounds of fair comment on such actions

I have no personal axe to grind in the matter and had this gentleman not taken the matter up and accused me in polite language of being a liar, I should have said no more about it, but left it to his own conscience to decide whether he and his companion behaved as sportsmen should on this trip.

Chain Snaffle.

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TO THE EDITOR OF "THE INDIAN FIELD."

Sir,—The interesting details given in your last number regarding the forthcoming fight for the Championship of the World between J. J. Jeffries and Bill Squires prompt the enquiry as to whether you can give complete results of such contests. My reason for asking is that an argument has arisen as to the doings of John L. Sullivan therein. I shall be much obliged if you can furnish us with accurate details.

J. M.

Calcutta, *24th January 1907.*

Completed results will be found below:—

Holders of the World's Championship.

1719.—Figgs.
1730.—Pipes and Greeting.
1734.—George Taylor.
1740.—Jack Broughton.
1750.—Jack Slack.
1760.—Bill Stevens.
1761.—George Meggs.
1764.—Bill Darts.
1769.—Lyons.
1777.—Harry Sellers.
1780.—Harris.
1785.—Tackling, Tom (*alias* Johnson).
1790.—Ryan (Big Ben).
1792.—Mendoza.
1795.—Jackson (retired).
1803.—Jem Belcher.
1805.—Pearce (Game Chicken).
1808.—Gulley (declined the Championship).
1809.—Tom Cribb (received a belt, not transferable, and cup).
1824.—Tom Spring (received four cups and resigned Championship).
1825.—Jem Ward (received a belt, not transferable).
1833.—Deaf Burke (claimed the Championship).
1839.—Bendigo (W. Thompson) beat Deaf Burke (claimed Championship, and received a belt from Jem Ward).
1841.—Nick Ward (brother to Jem) beat Caunt, 2nd February. Caunt (beat Nick Ward, and received a belt by subscription. The belt was transferable).
1845.—Bendigo (beat Caunt, and got the belt).
1849.—Tass Parker (beat Con Parker for £100 a-side and the Championship).
1850.—Perry (the Tipton Slasher), after his flight with Paddock, claimed the Championship.
1851.—Harry Broome (beat Perry, and succeeded to the Championship).
1853.—Perry again claimed the title, Harry Broome having forfeited £20 to him in a match. Retired from the Ring on 13th August.
1853.—Nat Langham defeated Tom Sayers, 18th October.
1857.—Tom Sayers beat Perry for £200 a-side and the new belt.
1860.—Tom Sayers retired after his fight with Heenan.
1860.—Sam Hurst (the Stalybridge Infant) beat Tom Paddock. Both claimed the title of Champion. The belt handed to Hurst.
1862.—Jem Mace beat Tom King (January) for £200 and the belt.
1862.—Tom King beat Mace (November) and claimed the belt, which he subsequently gave up, declining again to meet Mace.
1865.—Joe Wormald beat Marsden, £200 a-side and the belt, both having claimed the Championship. Forfeited £120 to Mace.
1866.—Jem Mace and Joe Goss (a draw, £200 a-side and the belt).
1867.—Joe Wormald received forfeit from E. Baldwin, £200 and the Championship. Baldwin absent at the starting place.
1867.—Jem Mace and E. Baldwin (a draw, £200 a-side and title).
1868.—J. Wormald and E. Baldwin (a draw, £200 a-side and the title, in America.)
1869.—M'Coole beat T. Allen, in America, for Championship of the World.
1870.—Jem Mace beat T. Allen, in America for Championshp, of World.
1872.—Mace and Coburn (a draw, £500 a-side and Championship)
1882.—C. Mitchell won English Boxing Championship, St. George's Hall, Langham-place, 23rd December.
1885.—Jem Smith beat Jack Davis for £100 a-side and Championship of England.
1886.—Jem Smith and Alf. Greenfield, for £600 and Championship, fought a draw in favour of Smith (15th February).
1887.—Jake Kilrain and Jem Smith agreed to a draw (£2,000 and Championship of the World), Isle des Souverains, Seine, France, 19th December.
1888.—John L. Sullivan and C. Mitchell fought a draw by mutual consent, Chantilly, France (39 rounds, in 3 hours 11 minutes).
1889.—John L. Sullivan beat Jake Kilrain for £2,000 a-side, at Richburg, New Orleans (8th July).
1889.—Jem Smith and Frank P. Slavin fought a draw in favour of Slavin for £500 a-side and Championship of England, Bruges (23rd December).
1891.—Bob Fitzsimmons defeated Jack Dempsey, Middle-weight Championship of the World, 13 rounds, New Orleans (14th January).
1891.—James J. Corbett and Peter Jackson fought their memorable draw, 61 rounds, San Francisco, Cal. (21st May).
1892.—James J. Corbett beat John L. Sullivan, Championship of America, 21 rounds, New Orleans, La. (7th September).
1894.—James J. Corbett beat Charles Mitchell, of England, 3 rounds, Jacksonville, Fla. (25th January).
1896.—Robert Fitzsimmons beat Peter Maher in one round, 1 min. 35secs., in Mexico, opposite Langtry, Tex, (21st February).

1897.—Robert Fitzsimmons won from James J. Corbett, at Carson, Nev., in 14 rounds (17th March).
1899.—Jas. J. Jeffries won title from Robert Fitzsimmons, at Coney Island, N. Y., in 11 rounds.
1899.—Jas. J. Jeffries defeated Thomas J. Sharkey, challenger for the title, at Coney Island, N. Y., 25 rounds (decision) (3rd. November.)
1902.—Jas. J. Jeffries knocked out Robert Fitzsimmons, challenger for the title, at San Francisco, 8 rounds (25th July).
1903.—Jas. J. Jeffries knocked out James J. Corbett, challenger for the title, at San Francisco, 10 rounds (14th August).
1904.—Jas. J. Jeffries won from Jack Munroe, challenger for the title, at San Francisco, 2 rounds (26th August).

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The following is an **Abstract** of the **Calcutta-Bombay** service by way of the new route, as arranged with the Great Indian Peninsula Railway.

TO BOMBAY.

	H.	M.
Leave Calcutta (Howrah)	21	46
Moghal Sarai	10	28
Jubbulpore	19	10
Itarsi	23	46
Arrive Bombay	13	0

FROM BOMBAY.

	H.	M.
Leave Bombay	22	0
Itarsi	11	57
Jubbulpore	16	50
Moghal Sarai	1	41
Arrive Calcutta (Howrah)	14	50

The time taken in the through journey will be 39½ **Hours**, as compared with 45 **Hours** at present.

There will be a daily service in each direction on the above timing, and the special service to Bombay on Thursdays now taking 41 **Hours**, will be discontinued.

The special Postal Express train from Bombay to Calcutta on arrival of the inward Mail Steamer will continue to run.

The following is an **Abstract** of the timing of **other Trains** by the **new** route.

UP, *i. e.*, FROM HOWRAH.

	Express.		Passenger.		Mixed.	
	H.	M.	H.	M.	H.	M.
Leave Howrah	10	0	12	33	22	6
Bandel	10	59	14	9	0	5
Burdwan... ...	12	19	15	56	2	25
Raneegungee ...	14	5	18	18	4	45
					change.	
Asansol	14	40	19	4	5	40
Dhanbaid ...	16	9	20	59	7	52
Hazaribagh Road for Pareshnath.)	17	54	23	8	10	49
					arr.	
Gya	21	16	2	59	15	20
Moghal Sarai ...	1	52	8	47	.....	
			For			
Mirzapur... ...	3	16	Benares		.....	
Allahabad ...	5	55	.....		.....	
Cawnpore ...	10	45	.....		.....	
Etawah	13	55	.....		.....	
Tundla (for Agra) ...	16	18	.....		.....	
Hathras (for Muttra)	17	24	.....		.....	
Aligarh	18	9	.....		.....	
Ghaziabad ...	20	33	.....		.....	
Delhi	21	30	.....		.....	
Karnal	0	24	.....		.....	
Umballa	2	19	.....		.....	
Arrive Kalka	4	16	.....		.....	

DOWN, *i. e.*, TO HOWRAH.

	Express.		Passenger.		Mixed.	
	H.	M.	H.	M.	H.	M.
Leave Umballa	13	45	...		.....	
Karnal	15	40	.....		.....	
Delhi	20	0	.....		.....	
Ghaziabad ...	20	45	.....		.....	
Aligarh	23	38	.....		.....	
Hathras (from Muttra)	0	14	.....		.....	
Tundla (from Agra) ...	1	17	.....		.....	
Etawah	3	11	.....		.....	
Cawnpore ...	6	9	.....		.....	
Allahabad ...	10	45	.....		.....	
Mirzapur... ...	13	5	.....		.....	
			For Benares.			
Moghal Sarai ...	15	18	17	20	.....	
Gya	19	51	23	18	10	15
Hazaribad Road (from Pareshnath) ...	23	4	3	4	15	9
Dhanbaid ...	0	45	5	19	18	52
					change.	
Asansol	2	12	7	28	21	57
Raneegunge ...	2	33	7	56	22	26
Burdwan... ...	4	14	10	35	1	9
Bandel	5	12	12	31	3	9
Arrive Howrah ...	6	27	13	55	5	0

From the same date, the through service of Mail and Passenger trains by the **Existing** route will be as follows :—

UP, *i. e.*, FROM HOWRAH.

STATIONS.	Punjab Mail.	Express.	Passenger.	Passenger.	Passenger
	H. M.	H. M.	H. M.	H. M.	H. M.
Leave Howrah ...	21 6	19 39	7 6	15 15	22 6
Bandel ...	...	20 35	8 18	16 57	0 5
Burdwan ...	22 45	21 45	10 26	19 21	2 25
Raneegunge ...	...	23 10	12 47	21 42	4 45
Asansol ...	0 30	23 44	13 23	22 19	5 55
Madhupur ...	2 0	1 29	15 47	0 34	8 35
Kiul ...	...	4 0	19 8	4 32	12 12
Mokameh ...	4 39	5 5	20 23	5 52	14 20
Patna ...	5 54	6 47	22 42	8 7	17 10
Bankipore ...	6 10	7 14	23 22	8 46	18 0
Dinapore ...	6 31	7 36	23 46	9 10	18 24
Arrah ...	7 11	8 17	0 55	10 25	19 38
Buxar ...	8 19	9 53	2 38	12 18	21 34
					arr
Moghal Sarai ...	9 54	11 51	5 13	15 3	23 57
Mirzapur ...	10 59	13 17	7 9	16 58	...
Allahabad ...	13 0	15 52	10 19	20 17	...
			arr.		
Cawnpore ...	16 53	19 58	15 40	1 56	...
Etawah ...	19 23	22 42	.	6 0	...
Tundla (for Agra)	21 25	1 [illegible]	...	8 47	...
Hathras (for Muttra).	22 16	1 57	...	10 8	...
Aligarh ...	22 59	2 53	...	11 14	...
Ghaziabad ...	0 55	5 2	...	14 35	.
Delhi ...	1 39	6 0	.	15 38	...
Karnal ...	4 14	9 2	...	18 47	...
		arr.			
Umballa ...	5 58	10 45	...	20 53	...
Arrive Kalka ...	7 45	..	..	22 52	...

DOWN, *i. e.*, TO HOWRAH.

STATIONS,	Punjab Mail.	Express.	Passenger.	Passenger.	Passenger.
	H. M.	H. M.	H. M.	H. M.	H. M.
Leave Kalka ...	18 0	0 30	...	...	...
Umballa ...	19 46	2 30	7 25	...	...
Karnal ...	21 12	4 12	9 44	...	...
Delhi ...	23 46	7 21	21 29	11 20	...
Ghaziabad ...	0 20	7 58	22 25	12 8	...
Aligarh ...	2 23	10 45	1 51	15 11	...
Hathras (from Muttra)	2 57	11 24	3 11	16 9	...
Tundla (from Agra).	3 58	12 36	5 25	17 55	...
Etawah ...	5 41	14 42	8 13	21 0	...
Cawnpore ...	8 16	18 2	[illegible]	[illegible]	...
Allahabad ...	12 25	23 0	15 11	7 23	...
Mirzapur ...	14 2	1 11	20 59	10 12	...
Moghal Sarai ...	15 17	2 46	24 2	12 27	5 0
Buxar ...	16 45	4 40	1 28	14 57	7 19
Arrah ...	17 50	6 6	3 12	16 46	9 3
Dinapore ...	18 37	7 1	4 30	18 2	10 19
Bankipore ...	18 54	7 33	5 3	19 9	10 52
Patna ...	19 9	7 51	5 27	19 30	11 18
Mokameh ...	20 58	9 37	7 44	21 57	13 45
Kiul ...	21 31	10 33	9 25	23 19	15 10
Madhupur ...	0 21	13 36	12 53	2 47	19 19
Asansol ...	1 56	15 24	15 32	5 10	21 57
Raneegunge ...	2 17	15 47	16 0	5 38	22 26
Burdwan ...	3 50	17 37	18 31	8 10	1 9
Bandel Junc. ...	4 56	18 52	20 35	10 34	3 9
Arrive Howrah ...	5 45	20 0	22 20	12 13	5 0

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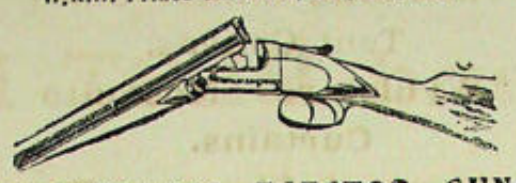

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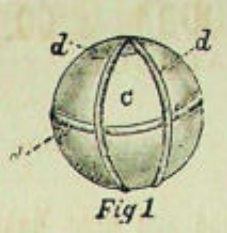

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INDIAN RACING FIXTURES.

NAME OF RACES.	MONTH.	DATE.
Lucknow Spring	Feb.	2, 4 & 6
Bombay Eighth Extra	"	2
" Ninth "	"	9
Calcutta Fifth Extra	"	9
" Sixth "	"	16
" Seventh "	"	23
Gorakhpore Spring	"	13 & 15
Bombay	"	18, 16, 18, 20 & 23
N. B. M. R. Regimental	"	20
Bulandshahr Challenge Cup	"	21
Bareilly Spring	"	25 & 27
Secunderabad	"	26 & March 2
Meerut Spring	Mar.	2, 5 & 7
Kathiawar	"	4 & 6
Jorhat	"	6 & 8
Rangoon Spring	"	9, 12 & 14
Bombay Tenth Extra	"	2
" Eleventh "	"	9
" Twelfth "	"	16
" Thirteenth "	"	23
" Fourteenth "	"	30
Umballa Spring	"	12, 14 & 16
Lahore Spring	"	28 & 30
Rawalpindi Spring	"	19, 21, & 23
Punjab Army Chase	"	21 & 23
Jubbulpore	"	26, 28 & 30
Munsarnuggar Challenge Cup	"	6
Madras Winter	"	12, 14 & 16
Punjab Army Chases	"	28 & 30

CLOSING DATES OF ENTRIES.

Gorakhpore Spring	Second	31st January.
	Third	10th February.
Jubbulpore	First	12th February.
	Second	26th February.
	Third	12th March.
N. B. M. R. Regimental		19th February.
Madras Winter	First	15th February.
	Final	5th March.
Lahore Spring	First	15th February.
	Second	1st March.
	Third	10th March.
Rawalpindi Spring	First	15th February.
	Second	6th March.
	Third	15th March.
Punjab Army Chases	First	15th February.
	Second	6th March.
	Third	15th March.

INDIAN SPORTING FIXTURES

POLO	
Infantry Tournament (Meerut	Begins 18th February.
SHOWS.	
Calcutta Kennel Club Dog Show	6th February.
HOCKEY	
All India Tournament (Allahabad)	Begins 24th February.
ROWING.	
Poona Royal Connaught B. C. Regatta	14th & 16th February.
LAWN TENNIS.	
g. India Tournament	Begins 4th March.
BOXING.	
Minto Fête Tournament (Calcutta)	27th Jan.—5th February.
ATHLETICS	
Howrah United Club Meeting	16th February.
Bengal Presidency A. A. Meeting	2nd March.
FOOTBALL.	
Minto Fête Tournament	In February.
Madras Gymkhana Association Tournament	4th to 9th March.
COURSING.	
N. I. Coursing Club Meeting	25th February.

ENGLISH RACING FIXTURES.

(Principal Races in 1907.)

Lincolnshire Handicap (1 mile)	Tuesday, 19th March.
Brocklesby Stakes (4 furlongs 5 yards)	Wednesday, 20th March.
Liverpool Grand National (4 miles 856 yards.)	Friday, 22nd March.
Queen's Prize (1 mile)	Monday, 1st April.
Craven Stakes (1 mile 22 yards.)	Thursday, 8th April.
Great Metropolitan Stakes (2¼ miles)	Tuesday, 23rd April.
City and suburban (1¼ mile)	Wednesday, 24th April.
Two Thousand Guineas (1 mile)	Wednesday, 1st May.
One Thousand Guineas (1 mile)	Friday, 3rd May.
Chester Cup (2¼ miles)	Wednesday, 8th May.
Kempton Park Great Jubilee Handicap (1¼ mile)	Saturday, 11th May.
Newmarket Stakes (1 mile 2 furlongs)	Wednesday, 15th May.
Manchester Cup (1¼ mile)	Friday, 24th May.
Prix du Jockey Club (1½ mile)	Saturday, 2nd June.
The Derby (1½ mile)	Wednesday, 5th June.
The Coronation Cup (1½ mile)	Thursday, 6th June.
The Oaks (1½ mile)	Friday, 7th June.
Grand Prix de Paris (1 mile 7 furlongs)	Sunday, 16th June.
Ascot Stakes (2 miles)	Tuesday, 18th June.
Ascot Gold Vase (2 miles)	Tuesday, 18th June.
Royal Hunt Cup (7 furlongs 166 yards)	Wednesday, 19th June.
Gold Cup (1½ mile)	Thursday, 20th June.
New Stakes (5 furlongs 144 yards)	Thursday, 20th June.
Hardwicke Stakes (1½ miles)	Friday 21st June.
Northumberland Plate (2 miles)	Wednesday, 26th June.
July Stakes (Newmarket) (5 furlongs 144 yards)	Tuesday, 2nd July.
Princess of Wales' Stakes (1 mile 4 furlongs)	Thursday, 4th July.
Eclipse Stakes (1¼ mile)	Friday, 19th July.
Liverpool Cup (1 mile 3 furlongs)	Friday, 26th July.
Steward's Cup (Goodwood) (6 furlongs)	Tuesday, 30th July.
Goodwood Plate (2 miles)	Wednesday, 31st July.
Goodwood Cup (2½ miles)	Thursday, 1st August.
Brighton Cup (1½ mile)	Wednesday, 7th August.
Great Northern Leger (1 mile 5 furlongs)	Wednesday, 21st August.
Prince of Wales Plate (4 furlongs)	Tuesday, 27th August.
Great Ebor Handicap (1½ mile.)	Wednesday, 28th August.
Gimrack Stakes (6 furlongs)	Thursday, 29th August.
Great Yorkshire Handicap (1 mile 6furs. 13 yrds.)	Tuesday, 10th September.
Champagne Stakes (Doncaster) (5 furs. 132 yrds.)	Tuesday, 10th September.
St. Leger (1 mile 6 furlongs 132 yards)	Wednesday, 11th Septr.
Doncaster Cup (2 miles)	Friday, 13th September.
Prince Edward Handicap (1½ mile)	Saturday, 21st Septr.
Jockey Club Stakes (1¾ mile)	Thursday, 3rd October.
Prix du Conseil Municipal (Paris) 1½ mile)	Sunday, 6th October.
Duke of York Stakes (1¼ mile)	Saturday, 12th October.
Cesarewitch Stakes (2¼ miles)	Wednesday, 16th October.
Middle Park Plate (6 furlongs)	Friday, 18th October.
Cambridgeshire Stakes	Wednesday, 30th Octr.
Dewhurst Plate (7 furlongs)	Thursday, 31st Octr.
Liverpool Autumn Cup (1 mile 3 furlongs)	Friday, 8th November.
Manchester November Handicap (1¼ mile)	Saturday, 23rd Novr.

ENGLISH SPORTING FIXTURES.

England vs. Ireland (Rugby)	9th February.
England vs. Ireland (Association)	16th February.
Oxford vs. Cambridge (Association)	20th February.
Ireland vs. Wales (Association)	23rd February.
Scotland vs. Ireland (Rugby)	23rd February.
Wales vs. Scotland (Association)	4th March.
Ireland vs. Wales (Rugby)	9th March.
Oxford and Cambridge Sports	15th March.
Scotland vs. Ireland (Association)	16th March.
England vs. Scotland (Rugby)	16th March.
'Varsity Boat Race	16th March.
England vs. Wales (Association)	18th March.
Amateur Boxing Championship	27th March.
English Amateur Cup Final (Association)	30th March.
England vs. Scotland (Association)	6th April.
Tennis Championship, Fairs vs. Latham	6th May.
England vs. Scotland (Amateur Golf)	25th May.
Amateur Golf Championship	28th May.
Golf Open Championship	29th June.
England vs. South Africa (Cricket)	1st July.
Oxford vs. Cambridge (Cricket)	4th July.
Amateur Athletic Championships	6th July.
Eton vs. Harrow (Cricket)	12th July.
Gentlemen vs. Players (Cricket)	17th July.
England vs. South Africa (Cricket)	29th July.
Rugby vs. Marlborough (Cricket)	31st July.
Dublin Horse Show	27th August.

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Saturday, 26th January 1907.

THERE was a sparse attendance this afternoon and Viceroyalty was there in State: the proceeds to be handed over to the Minto Fête which importunate enterprise we believe will benefit to the extent of something under Rs. 5,000. The racing was fairly good, the weather pleasant, and the business, which takes most people to the races, brisk enough. Comments will be found in our Sporting Notes. We append results :—

THE CLUB PLATE.—Rs. 1,000 to the winner, Rs. 300 to the second, and Rs 200 to the third. A high-weight handicap for ponies 14-2 and under, which have not won a flat race value Rs. 3,000 or upwards, since 31st March 1904. 6 furlongs.

Mr. J. D. Scott's b sth afr h Pat C., 8st. 8lbs.	Kaesen 1
Mr. J. C. Galstaun's b aus h Matalgia, 9st.	Robinson 2
Mr. J. D. Scott's b aus g Duplex II., 8st. 8lbs.	Southall 3
Mr. Field's b aus m Solace, 7st. 11lbs.	Barratt 4
Mr. J. C. Galstaun's b e g Silphoe, 9st. 9lbs.	Melsom 0
Col. P. K. L. Beaver's ch e g Jolly Roger, 8st. 9lbs.	Baichan 0
Mr. J. M. Gregory's b aus m Picture, 6st. 8lbs.	A. Fergusson 0

(Winner trained by Owner.)

BETTING : 2 to 1 each agst. Matalgia and Pat C., 8 to 1 Duplex II., 10 to 1 each Silphoe, Jolly Roger, and Solace, 20 to 1 Picture Totalisator paid Rs. 35 on the winner; Rs. 15 and Rs. 15 for places.

Won by three-quarters of a length; two and a half lengths between second and third. Time—1min. 17⅘secs.

GANGES PLATE.—Rs. 1,000 to the winner, Rs. 300 to the second, and Rs. 200 to the third. A high-weight handicap for horses which have not won a flat race value Rs. 750 or upwards, since 31st March 1904. 5 furlongs.

Mr. McGeorge's br e m Devil's Limit, 8st. 3lbs.	Mr. Evers 1
Mrs. A. Grosser's b aus g Swindle, 8st. 2lbs.	Manly 2
Capt. H. N. Holden's br aus g Craig, 8st. 1lb.	Bray 3
Mr. Maxwell's br aus m Musette, 8st. 6lbs.	Murdison 4
Mr. J. D. Scott's bk or br aus m Sweet Sound	Southall 0
Mr. C. Pearson's ch aus g Narwanah 8st. 7lbs.	Drew 0
Mr. Roland's br aus g Oom Paul, 7st. 8lbs.	Melsom 0
Mr. R. A. C. Pugh's b e m Manon, 7st. 6lbs.	Ell 0

(Winner trained privately.)

BETTING : Evens Musette, 2 to 1 agst. Swindle, 6 to 1 Sweet Sound, 12 to 1 each Devil's Limit, Craig and Oom Paul, 20 to 1 each Manon and Narwanah.

Totalisator paid Rs. 130 on the winner; Rs. 25, Rs. 15 and Rs. 47 for places.

Won by two and a half lengths; three-quarters of a length between second and third. Time—1min. 3secs.

BENGAL PLATE.—Rs. 1,000 to the winner, Rs. 300 to the second, and Rs. 200 to the third. A high-weight handicap for maiden horses. 5 furlongs.

Mr. D. B. Myers' b e m Vespasia, 8st. 5lbs.	Bradshaw	1
Mr. J. D. Scott's ch aus m Kathleen II., 7st. 10lbs.	Southall	2
Mr. S. Margrett's b aus g St. Michael, 8st. 7lbs.	Bray	3
Mr. A. Gamble's ch e m Golden, 8st. 5lbs.	Robinson	4
Mr. O. M. D. Bell's ch e m Miss Stone, 9st.	Murdison	0
Mr. R. D. Coggan's ch aus m Pallas, 8st. 7lbs.	O'Neil	0
Mr. R. B. Lamotte's b aus g Prince Moorfield, 8st. 7lbs, ...	Howie	0
Mr. Biddy's ch aus m Token, 8st. 7lbs. ...	Mr. Evers	0
Mr. W. Bell-Irving's b aus m Wake Up, 8st. 4lbs.	Bulloch	0
Mr. Dartmoor's bk aus m Hazelnut, 8st. 4lbs.	Kaesen	0
Mr. M. Gutschke's br aus m Lily, 8st. 2lbs	Drew	0
Mr. A. N. Dass' b e m Miss Trenton, 8st. ..	A. Fergusson	0
Mr. R. J. Farquharson's b aus g Recoil, 7st.	Melsom	0

(Winner trained by Dignum.)

BETTING : 7 to 4 agst. Golden, 5 to 1 Wake Up, 6 to 1 Vespasia, 7 to 1 each Pallas and St. Michael, 10 to 1 Hazelnut, 20 to 1 the others.

Totalisator paid Rs. 99 on the winner; Rs. 39, Rs. 89 and Rs. 28 for places.

Won by two lengths; a neck between second and third. Time—1min. 3secs.

THE MINTO FETE PLATE.—Rs. 1,500 to the winner, Rs. 300 to the second, and Rs. 200 to the third. A high-weight handicap for horses. 1 mile.

Mr. G. B. Deakin's ch e g Beaunero, 8st. 11lb....	Kaesen	1
Mr. Holmes' ch e m Annamulloch, 9st. 6lbs.	Murdison	2
Mr. A. N. Dass' b e m Clynder, 7st. 11lbs.	Bray	3
Mr. E. L. F. DeSoysa's b e h Footprint, 9st. 12lbs.	O'Neil	4
Mr. J. C. Galstaun's br e m Killevan, 9st. 12lbs.	Robinson	0
Mr. E. J. Marshall's b aus g Kipling, 9st. 6lbs.	Southall	0
Messrs. Hudson and Butler's br e m Blitzen, 7st. 10lbs.	Fraser	0
Mr. B. B.'s ch aus m Lola, 7st. 3lbs. ...	Melsom	0

(Winner trained by J. D. Scott.)

BETTING : 8 to 1 each Annamulloch, Killeevan and Beaunero, 12 to 1 agst. the rest.

Totalisator paid Rs. 58 on the winner; Rs. 17, Rs. 19 and Rs. 28 for places.

Won by a length; same distance between second and third. Time—1min. 43secs.

SELLING HANDICAP.—Rs. 1,000 to the winner, Rs. 300 to the second, and Rs. 200 to the third. A high weight handicap for horses entered to be sold for Rs. 1,000. 7 furlongs.

Mr. J. C. Galstaun's br e g Hande'ilian, 7st. 2lbs.	Melsom	1
Mr. Field's b e g Nirvana, 7st. 11lb. ...	Baichan	2
Mr. J. C. Galstaun's b aus g Gum, 9st. ...	Robinson	3
Mr. W. B. Green's b aus m Leading Lady, 7st. 2lbs.	Bennett	4
Mr. A. N. Dass' b aus g Springlock, 8st. 2lbs.	Bray	0
Mr. B. B.'s b e m Bouquet, 8st. ...	O'Neil	0
Mr. Charles' ch aus m Woodbine, 7st. 9lbs.	Kaesen	0

(Winner trained by Mr. Chater.)

BETTING : 2 to 1 agst. Hande'ilian, 4 to 1 each Bouquet and Woodbine, 12 to 1 the rest.

Totalisator paid Rs. 18 on the winner; Rs. 16 and Rs. 100 for places.

Won by two lengths; three lengths between second and third. Time—1min. 30secs.

KEDDLESTON PLATE.—Rs. 1,000 to the winner, Rs. 300 to the second, and Rs. 200 to the third. A high-weight handicap for horses which have never won a flat race value Rs. 2,000 or upwards. 7 furlongs.

Mr. D. B. Myers' b aus g Bon Bon, 7st. 12lbs.	Bradshaw	1
Mr. Charles' bk aus g Foy, 7st. 6lbs. ...	Fraser	2
Mr. E. J. Marshall's ch e g Galley Slave, 7st. 11lbs.	Southall	3
Mr. Charles' b e g Pendred, 9st. 4lbs. ...	Bullock	4
Mr. J. D. Scott's b e m Honest Lady, 9st. 10lbs.	Kaesen	0
Mr. R. D. Coggan's b or br aus m Elgin, 9st. 2lbs.	T. White	0
Mr. E. C. Ramshaw's b e g Lord Barrymore, 8st. 8lbs.	Barratt	0
Mr. J. C. Galstaun's br e m Sainte Marquise, 8st. 11b.	Melsom	0
Mr. A. N. Dass ch e m Carnival, 7st. 11lbs.	R. Morrison	0
Mr. O. M. D. Bell's br aus g Bell Dhu, 7st. 2lbs.	Manly	0

(Winner trained by Dignum.)

BETTING : 2 to 1 agst. Galley Slave, 4 to 1 Foy, 6 to 1 each Bon Bon and Bell Dhu, 12 to 1 Lord Barrymore, 20 to 1 the rest.

Totalisator paid Rs. 52 on the winner; Rs. 13, Rs. 15 and Rs. 13 for places.

Won by half a length; four lengths between second and third. Time—1min. 29⅘secs.

BOMBAY SEVENTH EXTRA MEETING.

Saturday, 26th January 1907.

THE BEGINNERS' PLATE.—Winner, Rs. 200; second, Rs. 100; third, Rs 50. For Arab ponies 13-3 and under landed since 1st July 1906, 13-3 to carry 9st. 3lbs. W. I. ¼ mile.

Khan Bahadur Abdul Razak Bincurtas' Saeed, 8st. 2lbs.	Mujeed	1
Mr. Baderdin Alwa's Serree, 8st. 2lbs.	C. B. Mahomed	2
Messrs. Hussain and Sbastary's Scipio, 7st. 13lbs.	Heeroo	3
Mr. H. A. Khaderi's Little John, 7st. 4lbs.	Abdul	0

Also ran: Flicker, 8-11; Bibou, 8-11; Purveez, 8-8; Malvan, 8-8; Hazza, 8-8 (car. 8-10); Mazzaffary, 8-5; Fatil, 7-11; Happyland, 7-11; Faraj, 7-13; and Toy, 7-13 (car. 8-0).

BETTING: 5 to 4 agst. Purveez, 5 to 1 Toy, 6 to 1 Saeed, 10 to 1 each Malvan, Serree, Scipio, and Little John, and longer odds the others.

Won by two lengths; a head between second and third. Time—55secs.

THE HOPEFUL PLATE.—Winner, Rs. 200; second, Rs. 100; third, Rs. 50. For Arabs landed since 1st July 1906. W. A. reduced 3lbs. 6 furlongs.

Messrs. Goculdas and Nanjee's Nazzar, 8st. 11lb	Ames	1
Mr. Syed Raschid's Spearmint, 8st. 11lb. (car. 8st. 4lbs.)	Oomerkhan	2
Mr. Ali bin Talib's Gwalior, 8st. 8lbs.	C. B. Mahomed	3
Mr. G. K.'s Kaleecharan, 7st. 13lbs. ...	Kamad	0

Also ran: Madras, 8-3; Thuyyar, 8-3, (car. 8-4); Tabriz, 8-1; Kawakib, 7-13; Sir Roy, 7-13; and Saaid, 7-5.

BETTING: 2 to 1 agst. Kaleecharan, 5 to 1 Tabriz, 4 to 1 each Gwalior and Nazzar, 10 to 2 each Madras, Thuyyar, Kawakib and Spearmint, and 20 to 1 the others.

Won by three-quarters of a length; a neck between second and third. Time—1min. 23secs.

THE MAHIM PLATE.—Winner, Rs. 200; second, Rs. 100; third, Rs 50. For Arabs 13-3 and under which have never won flat race value Rs. 500 or over, 13-3 to carry 8st. 10lbs. W. I. 5 furlongs.

Mr. Readymoney's Mudloo', 8st. 11lbs. ..	F. Williams	1
Mr. Hajee Salleman's Gaucho, 8st 7lbs. ...	Foster	2
Mr. S. A. Waheed's Angler, 8st. 11lbs. ...	Oomerkhan	3
Mr. Ali bin Talib's Dhaman, 8st. 10lbs.	C. B Mahomed	0

Also ran: Sahoon, 8-11; Calcutta, 8-10; Settler, 8-9; Namdar, 8-8; Muzzade, 8-7; Shabib, 8-4 (car. 8-5); and Hobart, 7-0 (car. 7-9).

BETTING: 6 to 4 agst. Mudlool, 5 to 1 Settler, 6 to 1 each Sahoon, Muzzade and Gaucho, 8 to 1 each Calcutta and Shabib, and 10 to 1 to 15 to 1 the others.

Won by three lengths; two lengths between second and third. Time—1min. 7⅘secs.

THE MATOONGA PLATE.—Winner, Rs. 500; second, Rs. 200; third Rs. 100. For Arabs which have never won flat race value Rs. 150 or over. W. A. reduced 7lbs. 1 mile.

Mr. A. M. Ameer's Royal Red, 7st. 11lbs.	Native	1
Mr. T. Tejpal's Scarlet, 7st. 9lbs. ...	Kamad	2
Mr. A. M. Bushari's Bourbon, 8st. 2lbs. ...	Mujeed	3
Mr. Ali bin Talib's Nagashi, 8st. 5lbs.	C. B. Mahomed	0

Also ran: Kummar, 8-10; Ormonde, 8-10; Adham, 8-5; Recruit, 8-2 (car. 8-4); Canter, 8-2; and Marvellous, 7-9.

BETTING: 6 to 4 agst. Scarlet, 6 to 1 each Kummar, Royal Red, Bourbon and Recruit, 8 to 1 Canter, and 10 to 1 the others.

Won by half a length; three lengths between second and third. Time—1min. 54⅕secs.

THE DADUR PLATE.—Winner, Rs. 500; second, Rs. 200; third, Rs. 100. A high-weight handicap for Arabs 14 hands and under. 7 furlongs.

Aga Farruck Shah's Grey Falcon, 7st. 11lbs.	Kamad	1
Mr. D. Runchordass' Ashroff, 8st. 11lb. ...	Etul	2
Mr. Ali bin Talib's Eed, 8st. 11lbs.	C. B. Mahomed	3
Mr. Artin Essaric's Little Joker, 7st. 9lbs. ...	Heeroo	0

Also ran: Tackreet, 10-3; Bandit II., 8-6; False Start, 9-0; Witness II., 8-12; Antica, 8-5; Panala II., 8-3; and Osborne, 7-6.

BETTING: 2 to 1 agst. Tackreet, 3 to 1 Grey Falcon, 5 to 1 Ashroff, 8 to 1 each False Start, Antica, Panala II. and Little Joker, and 10 to 1 the others.

Won by three-quarters of a length; a head between second and third. Time—1min. 36⅘secs.

THE EPSOM PLATE.—Winner, Rs. 500; second, Rs. 200; third Rs. 100. A high weight handicap for horse. 1 mile.

Messrs. Goculdas and Nanjee's Freelance, 6st. 10lbs.	Dhondi	1
Aga S. Shah's Shotover, 8st. 4lbs. ...	Kamad	2
Mr. Kelso's Royalist, 8st. 12lbs. ...	Heeroo	3
Mr. W. J. Hutchin's Baritone, 8st. 2lbs. ..	Fisher	0

Also ran: Chassepot, 9-8.

BETTING: Evens Chassepot 2 to 1 agst. Shotover, 4 to 1 each Baritone and Freelance, and 6 to 1 Royalist.

Won by a head; a length and a half between second and third. Time—1min. 45secs.

THE SECOND HOPEFUL PLATE.—Winner, Rs. 200; second Rs. 100; third, Rs. 50. For Arabs landed since 1st July 1906. W. A. reduced 3lbs. 6 furlongs.

Mr. Ali bin Talib's Greatshot, 8st. 8lbs. ...	C. B. Mahomed	1
Mr. Syedday's Idbas, 7st. 3lbs. ...	Native	2
Mr. A. Razak's Sherlock, 8st. 6lbs. ...	Oomerkhan	3
Mr. A. M. Ameer's Posseidon, 7st. 13lbs. (car. 8st. 4lbs.)	Robertson	0

Also ran: Mustwin, 8 8 (car. 8-9); His Majesty, 8-8; Madrid, 8-3; Joker, 7-13; Tardeo, 7-13; and Lisbon, 6-0 (car. 7-10).

BETTING: 2 to 1 agst. Greatshot, 5 to 2 His Majesty, 4 to 1 each Mustwin and Sherlock, 6 to 1 Posseidon, and 10 to 1 to 20 to 1 the others.

Won by a length and a half; half a length between second and third. Time—1min. 21⅘secs.

THE SECOND BEGINNERS' PLATE.—Winner, Rs. 200; second, Rs. 100; third, Rs. 50. For Arab ponies 13-3 and under landed since 1st July 1906, 13-3 to carry 9st. 3lbs. W. I. 2¼ miles.

Mr. Adil's Squire, 8st. 12lbs.	Heeroo	1
Mr. A. S. Oomer's Rajput, 9st. 11lb. ...	Oomerkhan	2
Messrs. Goculdas and Nanjee's Caroon, 8st. 6lbs.	Robertson	3
Mr. Abdoolan's Baroda, 8st. 11lbs. ...	Abdoola	0

Also ran: Liberal, 8-11; Shohline, 8-11; Fattehkhan, 8-11; Greyboy, 8-11; Luckyshot, 8-5; Matlik, 8-5; Moosayeb, 8-5; Kabil, 8 5; Sheehab, 8-2; and Kagal, 7-8.

BETTING: 3 to 1 each agst. Squire and Caroon, 4 to 1 Rajput, 5 to 1 Luckyshot, 6 to 1 Matlik, and longer odds the others.

Won by a neck; a head between second and third. Time—51⅘secs.

RAWALPINDI THIRD OPEN GYMKHANA.

Saturday, 19th January 1907.

NOVICE ARAB PLATE.—Rs. 49 to the winner, and Rs. 10 to second. For Arab ponies 14-1 and under that have never won a race value Rs. 50 or over. 14-1 to carry 12 st. W. I. 1,000 yards.

Mr. Sydney Smith's Khalifa, 10st. 10lbs. ...	Mr. Campion	1
Mr. H. L. Fraser's Raccus, 12st. ...	Owner	2
Capt. E. C. Lloyd's Silvertail, 10st. 9lbs. ...	Owner	3

Won by two lengths; twelve lengths between second and third. Time—1min. 7secs.

BEGINNERS' PLATE.—Rs. 49 to the winner, and Rs. 10 to the second. A Scurry for C.-B. ponies 14-2 and under that have never won Rs. 50 or over. Catch weights 11st. 7lbs. 2¼ furlongs.

Mr. H. P. Chaplin's Lady Virginia, 11st. 7lbs.	Mr. Annesley	1
Capt. E. Campion's Witchcraft, 11st. 7lbs.	Owner	2
11th Lancers' Ganda, 11st. 7lbs.	Major Carruthers	3

Also ran: Lodestar, Pete, Jin, Adjusting Screw and Kitty.

Won by one length; half a length between second and third. Time—29secs.

OPEN ARAB STAKES.—Rs. 49 to the winner, and Rs. 10 to the second. A high-weight handicap for Arab ponies 14-1 and under. 1 mile.

Capt. O. Winter's Whirlwind, 9st. 11lbs ...	Owner	1
Mr. Sydney Smith's Paimy Days, 10st. 5lbs.	Mr. Campion	2
Major Moore's Gendarme, 9st. 3lbs. ...	Thapur	3

Also ran: Freckles, Wily, Lohengrin, Malabar and Discount.

Won by two lengths easily; half a length between second and third. Time—not taken.

OPEN STAKES.—Rs. 49 to the winner, and Rs. 10 to the second. A high-weight handicap for C.-B. ponies 14-2 and under and other ponies 14-1 and under. 5 furlongs.

Mr Sydney Smith's May Queen, 9st. 7lbs.	Mr. Campion	1
Capt. A. S. Toogood's Careless, 11st. 7lbs.	Mr. Annesley	2
Capt. O. Winter's Arina, 11st. ...	Owner	3

Won by one length; ten lengths between second and third. Time—1min. 8⅖secs.

CHARGER STAKES.—Rs. 49 to the winner, and Rs. 10 to the second. A high-weight handicap for chargers, owned or hired by officers, who have been regularly ridden on parade. 5 furlongs.

Mr. H. P. Chaplin's Myrtle, 12st. 7lbs. ...	Mr. Annesley	1
Major Sir J. Milbanke's Shangram, 11st. 7lbs.	Mr. Gibbs	2
Mr. H. L. Fraser's Diablo, 11st. 7lbs. ...	Owner	3

Also ran: Barluck, Monte, Melody, Little Titch, Karim and Nautch Girl.

Won by two lengths easily; half a length between second and third. Time—1min. 9⅖secs.

C.-B. RACE.—Rs. 49 to the winner, and Rs. 10 to the second. For C.-B. ponies 14-2 and under that have never won a race value Rs. 50 or over. 14-2 to carry 11st. 7lbs. W. I. 7 furlongs.

Mr. Sydney Smith's Shamrock, 10st. 9lbs.	Mr. Winter	1
Col. F. G. Delamain's Daffodil, 10st. 9lbs.	Mr. Carruthers	2
Mr. P. R. Butler's Lodestar, 10st. 9st. ...	Lloyd	3

Also ran: Adjusting Screw and Tesoro.

Won by two lengths easily; half a length between second and third. Time—1min. 50secs.

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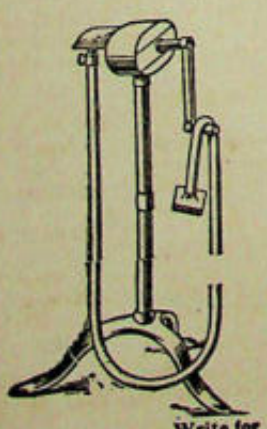

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11th Lancers' Cockatrix, 10st. 9lbs.	Major Carruthers	1
Mr. T. Luck's Torba, 10st. 2lbs	Mr. White	2
Mr. W. R. Savage's Daylight, 10st. 11lb.	Mr. Campion	3

Also ran: Lady Virginia and Rupert.

Won by two lengths; half a length between second and third. Time—44secs.

Entries for Races.

LUCKNOW SPRING MEETING.

THE CIVIL SERVICE CUP.—6 furlongs.

FIRST ENTRIES CLOSED 1ST MAY 1906.

1 Lt.-Col. C. H. Stisted's ... ch aus g ... First Bell, 14-0.
2 H. H. the Maharajah of Cooch Behar's ... ch aus m ... Bells, 13-3½.
3 H. H. the Maharajah of Cooch Behar's ... bk aus m ... Matin Bell, 13-3.
4 Major Young's ... b e h ... Fabias, 13-2½.
5 Capt. J. W. Jeffreys' ... br aus g ... Koorlong, 13-3½.
6 Mr. J. C. Galstaun's ... b aus m ... Circus Girl, 13-2½.
7 Mr. J. C. Galstaun's .. ch aus m ... Claribell, 14-0.
8 Capt. J. T. Coley's ... br e m ... Sago, 13-3.
9 Mr. D. N. Burjorjee's ... dk b aus m Lorette.

SECOND ENTRIES CLOSED 2ND JULY 1906.

10 H. H. Koer Sahib of Patiala's ... ... ch aus m ... Parlourmaid, 13-3½.
11 Mr. G. K.'s ... ... ch aus m ... Veera, 14-0.
12 Mr. J. D. Scott's ... b aus g ... Wal, 14-0.

THIRD ENTRIES CLOSED 15TH SEPTEMBER 1906.

13 H. H. the Maharajah of Cooch Behar's ... ch aus m ... Coin II., 13-3½.

FOURTH ENTRIES CLOSED 1ST DECEMBER 1906.

14 P. Nuthoobhoy's ... ch aus g ... Haden, 14-0.
15 Thakur Sripal Singh's ... b aus g ... S. S., 13-3½.
16 Thakur Sripal Singh's ... br aus m ... Plover, 13-3½.
17 Mr. W. B. Green's ... ... Flo (late Maud).

FINAL ENTRIES CLOSED 15TH JANUARY 1907.

18 Mr. P. R. Butler's ... b cb h ... The Butler, 13-3½.

J. H. ENSOR, Major,
Secretary, Lucknow Races.

LUCKNOW, *15th January 1907.*

Races to Come.

THE GREAT NORTHERN SPRING MEETING.

TO BE HELD AT RAWALPINDI
On 19th, 21st and 23rd March 1907.
(Under C. A. C. Rules of Racing.)

STEWARDS:

LIEUT.-GENL. SIR O'MOORE CREAGH, V.C., K.C.B.
BRIG.-GENL. J. A. COXHEAD, C.B., Royal Artillery.
COL. B. J. C. DORAN, C.B., The Royal Irish.
COL. C. T. Mc M. KAVANAGH, M.V.O., D.S.O., 10th Royal Hussars.
LIEUT.-COL. R. PRINGLE, D.S.O., Army Vety. Corps.
JAMES BROWN, ESQR.

Honorary Secretary:—CAPTAIN E. CAMPION.

First Day, Tuesday, 19th March 1907.

THE PONY HURDLES.—Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second, and Rs. 50 to the third. A Welter Handicap for Arab and C.-B. ponies 14-2 and under, and other ponies 14-1 and under. Distance—About 1¼ Miles over 6 flights of hurdles. Entrance—15th February, Rs. 5; 6th March, Rs. 10; 15th March, when the race will close, Rs. 20; with Rs. 10; more for each pony declared to start.

THE NOVICE PLATE.—Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second, and Rs. 50 to the third. For Arab ponies 14-1 and under that have never won a flat race of the value of Rs. 50 or over. Arabs 14-1 to carry 12-0 W. I. Distance—1,000 yards. Entrance—15th February, Rs. 5; 6th March, Rs. 10; 15th March, when the race will close Rs. 20; with Rs. 10; more for each pony declared to start.

THE MAIDEN PLATE.—Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second, and Rs. 50 to the third. For maiden C.-B. ponies 14-1 and under that have not won flat races of the value of Rs. 50 or over amounting in the aggregate to Rs. 1,500 or over. 14-1 to carry 11-7 W. I. Penalties—Winners once 4lbs., twice 7lbs., oftener 10lbs. Distance—6 furlongs. Entrance—15th February, Rs. 5; 6th March, Rs. 10; 15th March, when the race will close, Rs. 20; with Rs. 10; more for each pony declared to start.

THE KULDUNNAH PLATE.—Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second and Rs. 50 to the third. For maiden English and Australasian ponies 14-1 and under. 14-1 to carry 10-7. W. I. Penalties—Winners once 4lbs., twice 7lbs, oftener 10lbs. Winners of flat races of the value of Rs. 50 or over amounting in the aggregate to Rs. 1,000 or over 7lbs. in addition. Distance—6 furlongs. Entrance—15th February, Rs. 5; 6th March. Rs. 10; 15th March, when the race will close Rs. 20; with Rs. 10; more for each pony declared to start.

THE DESERT PLATE.—Rs. 700 to the winner, Rs. 200 to the second, and Rs. 100 to the third. For Arab ponies 14-1 and under, 14-1 to carry 12-0. W. I. Penalties—Winners once 3lbs., twice 7lbs., oftener 10lbs. Allowances—Maidens allowed 7lbs. Ponies that have never won a flat race value Rs. 50 or over allowed 7lbs. in addition. Distance—R. C. Entrance—15th February, Rs. 20, 6th March, Rs. 40, 15th March, when the race will close, Rs. 60, with Rs. 25 more for each pony declared to start.

THE RAWALPINDI GRAND NATIONAL.—Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second, and Rs. 50 to the third. For Maiden horses, which are *bonâ-fide* and unconditionally the property of British Officers of his Majesty's Services on full pay, to be ridden by Officers of His Majesty's Services on full pay or Gentlemen Riders qualified under Rule 68. W. A. and C. raised 2st. Distance—About 2 miles over the Steeplechase Course. Entrance—15th February, Rs. 5; 6th March, Rs. 10; 15th March, when the race will close, Rs. 20, with Rs. 10 more for each horse declared to start.

Second Day, Thursday, 21st March 1907.

THE GHARIAL PLATE.—Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second, and Rs. 50 to the third. A high-weight handicap for Arab ponies 14-1 and under. Distance.—R. C. Entrance—15th February, Rs. 5; 6th March, Rs. 10; 15th March, when the race will close, Rs. 20, with Rs. 10 more for each pony declared to start.

THE PUNJAB ARMY CUP.—(Under its own conditions.) A cup value £50 and Rs. 200 cash to the winner, Rs. 200 to the second, and Rs. 100 to the third. A Steeplechase for Arab and C.-B. ponies 14-1 and under, maidens on the flat, over hurdles and over a chase course. Distance—2 Miles.

THE KASHMIR PLATE.—Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second, and Rs. 50 to the third. A high-weight handicap for ponies 14-1 and under. Distance—7 Furlongs. Entrance—15th February, Rs. 5; 6th March, Rs. 10; 15th March when the race will close, Rs. 20, with Rs. 10 more for each pony declared to start.

THE KIMBERLEY PLATE.—Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second, and Rs. 50 to the third. A high-weight handicap for C.-B. ponies 14-2 and under. Distance—6 furlongs. Entrance—15th February, Rs. 5; 6th March, Rs. 10; 15th March, when the race will close, Rs. 20, with Rs. 10 more for each pony declared to start.

THE ARAB PLATE.—Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second, and Rs. 50 to the third. A high-weight handicap for maiden Arab ponies 14-1 and under. Distance—1,000 yards. Entrance— 15th February, Rs. 5; 6th March, Rs. 10; 15th March, when the race will close, Rs. 20, with Rs. 10 more for each pony declared to start.

THE MARCH PLATE.—Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second, and Rs. 50 to the third. A Welter handicap for horses. Distance—7 furlongs. Entrance—15th February, Rs. 5; 6th March, Rs. 10; 15th March when the race will close, Rs. 20, with Rs. 10 more for each horse declared to start.

Third Day, Saturday, 23rd March 1907.

THE HIE OVER PLATE.—Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second, and Rs. 50 to the third. A hurdle race for Arab and C.-B., ponies 14-2 and under, and other ponies 14-1 and under. Weights—Welter Handicap. Distance—2 miles over 8 flights of hurdles. Entrance—15th February, Rs. 5; 6th March, Rs. 10; 15th March when the race will close, Rs. 20, with Rs. 10 more for each pony declared to start.

THE PUNJAB ARMY HANDICAP PONY CHASE.—(Under its own conditions.) A cup value £30 and Rs. 200 cash to the winner, Rs. 200 to the second, and Rs. 100 to the third. A handicap chase for ponies that ran in the Punjab Army Cup. Distance—2 miles.

THE SAHARA HANDICAP.—Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second, and Rs. 50 to the third. A Welter Handicap for horses. Distance—R. C. Entrance—15th February, Rs. 5; 6th March, Rs. 10; 15th March, when the race will close. Rs. 20, with Rs. 10 more for each horse declared to start.

THE C.-B. PLATE.—Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second and Rs. 50 to the third. A high-weight handicap for C.-B. ponies 14-2 and under. Distance—1 mile. Entrance—15th February, Rs. 5; 6th March, Rs. 10; 15th March, when the race will close, Rs. 20, with Rs. 10 more for each pony declared to start.

THE DISTANCE PLATE.—Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second and Rs. 50 to the third. A high-weight handicap for Arab ponies 14-1 and under that have not won flat races value Rs. 50 or over amounting in the aggregate to Rs. 600 or over. Distance—5 furlongs. Entrance—15th February, Rs. 5; 6th March, Rs. 10; 15th March, when the race will close, Rs. 20 with Rs. 10 more for each pony declared to start.

THE FAREWELL PLATE.—Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second and Rs. 50 to the third. A high-weight handicap for ponies that have run at the meeting and not won. Distance—7 furlongs. Entrance—15th February, Rs. 5; 6th March, Rs. 10; 15th March, when the race will close, Rs. 20, with Rs. 10 more for each pony declared to start.

GENERAL CONDITIONS.

1—All Entrance money, Starting Sweeps and forfeits go to the Fund (subject to Rule 139.)
2—In the event of a walk-over, only half the added money will be given (under Rule 140.)
3—Entries unaccompanied by a remittance for the full amount of such entries will be refused.
4—C. T. C. and W. J. T. C. Certificates only accepted. Ponies not in possession of above can be measured for this Meeting only under Rule 39 for which a fee of Rs. 10 will be charged.
5—Except where otherwise specified starting declarations for each race accompanied by a Jockey's fee for a losing mount (if not ready paid), and any sweep stake due, must be placed in the Box outside Honorary Secretary's Office (opposite the Club) by 12 noon the day before the race to which they refer.
6—Owners running one pony at the Meeting to subscribe Rs. 10, two or more Rs 20 to the Fund. This includes free admission to Grand Stand and Enclosure and applies also to the Punjab Army Chases.
7—A Course fee of Rs. 10 will be charged for each pony running at the Meeting or using the Course, Punjab Army Chases included.
8—Handicaps for first day will be published at 7 P.M. on the 17th March 1907. Those for subsequent days by 8 A.M. the day before the race.
9—Gentlemen Riders allowed 5lbs. in all races, handicaps expected.
10—Should the Entrance money in any race advertised at Rs. 200 to the winner exceed all advertised prizes, the surplus will be divided between second and third horses in proportion of 2 to 1. In no case will the winner receive more than Rs. 199.
11—Unless there are 8 entries in a race, the added money of which is Rs. 1,000, such Race may be declared void.
12—If owners, when making Entries, will notify their colours, they will be registered at the Honorary Secretary's Office otherwise colours must be registered not later than 1. P.M. of the day preceding the race; any owner failing to have this done or running a horse in colours other than those regstered with the Honorary Secretary will be fined according to the discretion of the Stewards.

NOTICE.

1—Lotteries will be held at the Race Office at 9-30 P.M. the night before Racing, 10 per cent of Lotteries and 10 per cent. of Totalisator to go to the Fund.
2—Admission to the first enclosure *by ticket only* which will be issued by the Honorary Secretary, or can be obtained at the Gate for *Cash or Cheque only*. Rs. 10 for one day or Rs. 20 for the Meeting. Ladies free. Owners entering horses but not running will be charged full gate money.
3—Admission to the second enclosure Rs. 2 for one day and Rs. 4 for the Meeting.
4—The Starting Machine will be used at the Meeting.
5—Handicaps will be done by the Official Handicapper.
6—All Communications and remittances to be made to "Honorary Secretary, Rawalpindi Races," and not by name to any individual.

E. CAMPION, CAPTAIN,
Honorary Secretary, Rawalpindi Races.

PROGRAMME OF THE PUNJAB ARMY CHASES.

TO BE RUN AT THE
Rawalpindi Great Northern Spring Meeting,
On 21st and 23rd March 1907.
(Under C. T. C. Rules of Racing).

STEWARDS:

LIEUT.-GENL. SIR O'MOORE CREAGH, V.C., K.C.B.
BRIG.-GENL. J. A. COXHEAD, C.B., Royal Artillery.
COL. B. J. C. DORAN, C.B., The Royal Irish.
COL. C. T. Mc M. KAVANAGH, M.V.O., D.S.O., 10th Royal Hussars.
LIEUT.-COL. R. PRINGLE, D.S.O., Army Veterinary Corps.
JAMES BROWN, ESQ.

Honorary Secretary:—CAPTAIN E. CAMPION.

First Day.

THE PUNJAB ARMY CUP.—A Cup £50 and Rs. 200 each to the winner, Rs. 200 to the second, and Rs. 100 to the third. A Steeplechase for Arab and Country-bred ponies 14-1 and under maidens, on the flat, over hurdles, and over a chase course. Ponies must not have:—(1) been purchased by their present owners for a sum larger than Rs. 600 including any contingencies; (2) must not have changed hands subsequent to 1st January 1906 for a larger sum than Rs. 600 including any contingencies; (3) must be *bonâ-fide* and unconditionally on the 15th December 1906, the absolute property of British Officers in His Majesty's Army on full pay or of a Regimental Polo Club. To be ridden by British Officers of His Majesty's Army on full pay. Distance—2 miles. Penalties—Winners after 1st April 1906 of flat races, steeplechases or hurdle races value Rs. 50 or over once 4lbs., twice 7lbs., three times 10lbs., oftener 1st. Allowances—(1) Riders who have never ridden the winner of a race of the value of Rs. 50 or over on the flat, over hurdles or in a chase allowed 6lbs. (2) Riders who have never ridden the winner of a race of the value of Rs. 200 or over on the flat, over hurdles or in a chase allowed 3lbs. (3) Owners riding their own ponies who can claim allowances 1 or 2 allowed an additional 4lbs. Weights—Arabs 14-1 to carry 13st., C.-B.'s 14-1 to carry 12st. 4lbs. W.I. *N. B.*—The riders of a Polo Club pony can only claim allowance (1) or (2) (1) and (2) are not accumulative. Entrance—15th February, Rs. 15; 6th March, Rs. 25; and 15th March, when the race will close, Rs. 40; with Rs. 10; more for each pony declared to start. If a pony is sold after being entered, the buyer on payment of an entrance fee of Rs. 20 can run the pony.

Second Day.

THE HANDICAP PONY CHASE.—A Cup £30 and Rs. 200 cash to the winner, Rs. 200 to the second, and Rs. 100 to the third. A handicap chase for ponies that ran in the Panjab Army Cup, Weights to be published by 10 A. M. the day before the chase. To be ridden by British Officers of His Majesty's Service on full pay. Distance—2 miles. Entrance—15th February, Rs. 10; 6th March, Rs. 15; 15th March, when the race will close, Rs. 20, with Rs. 10 more for each Pony declared to start.

GENERAL CONDITIONS.

1—Only C. T. C. and W. I. T. C. certificates of height will be accepted. Ponies that do not hold such certificates will be measured in accordance with Rule 39.
2—The chases to be run on a chase Course at the Rawalpindi Great Northern Spring Meeting.
3—All entrance money and forfeits to go to the Fund, subject to C. T. C. Rule 139.
4—Starting Declarations for the Panjab Army Cup and the Handicap Pony Chase to be made by 12 noon the day before the race; a box will be placed at the Race Office, for starting declarations and acceptances.
5—In the Panjab Army Cup a polo "club" Pony must be entered in the name of a member of the club other interests being declared.
6—A subscriber (other than an officer belonging to a Regiment which subscribes the Regimental Subscription) entering a pony means a subscriber of Rs. 20.
7—Railway Fares of ponies running in the Panjab Army Chases will be paid by the Fund.
8—Entries *which must be accompanied by the necessary fees* to be made to.—

E. CAMPION, CAPTAIN,
Honorary Secretary, P. A. C., Rawalpindi.

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ETON HANDICAP HURDLE RACE—Of 150sovs.; second receives 15sovs. 2 miles.

Mr. D. Wells' ch g Syncopate, by Egerton—Symphony, 6yrs., 11st. 10lbs. ...	F. Lyall	1
Mr. H. M. Hartigan's ch c Battle Ground, 4yrs., 10st. 5lbs.	T. Moran	2
Mr. H. Bonas' ch h Gilbert Handley, aged, 11st. 11b.	P. Cowley	3
Mr. A. Stedall's Rassendyl, aged, 12st. 13lbs.	J. Dillon	0
Mr. J. North's Elston, 5yrs., 10st. 7lbs. ...	G. F. Butchers	0
Mr. C. Hibbert's Sabot, aged, 10st. 8lbs. ..	J. Nightingall	0
Mr. H. Heasman's The Clown II., aged, 11st. 11lb.	T. Fitton	0
Mr. G. Barclay's Housewife, 6yrs., 10st. 10lbs.	W. Rollason	0
Mr. C. B. Grant's Glenely, aged, 10st. 7lbs.	T. Dunn	0
Mr. F. C. Parker's Kilruddery, 4yrs., 10st. 5lbs.	F. Mason	0

(*Winner trained by Rooney.*)

BETTING: 15 to 8 agst. Syncopate, 4 to 1 Elston, 9 to 2 The Clown II., 7 to 1 Rassendyl, 10 to 1 Sabot, 100 to 8 Gilbert Handley, and 100 to 7 each others (offered).

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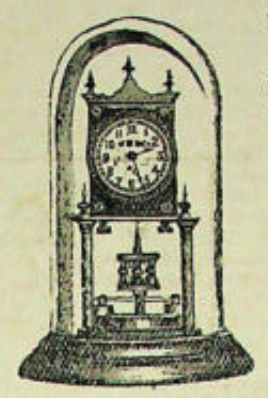

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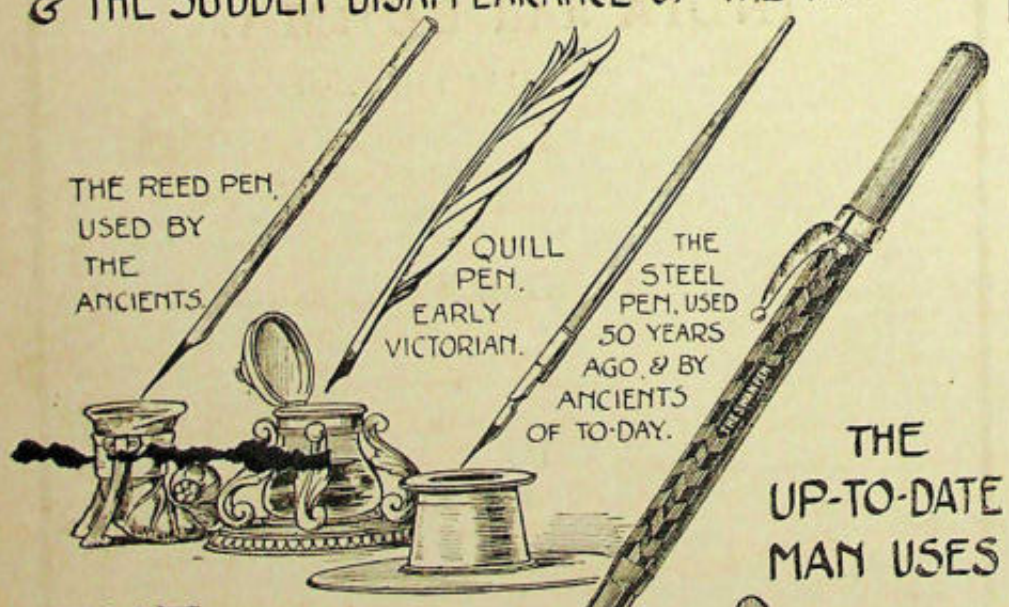

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Capt. R. C. de Crespigny's b g Kozak, by Carlton—Koza, aged, 11st. 5lbs. ...	Mr. Bulteel	1
Capt. N. Money's br g Island Chief, 5yrs., 10st. 12lbs.	T. Moran	2
Mr. T. L. Walker's ch h Quarto, 6yrs., 10st. 5lbs.	G. Green	3

(*Winner trained privately.*)

BETTING: Evens Island Chief, 5 to 4 agst. Kozak, and 100 to 8 Quarto.

Won by a length and a half; Quarto, saved from a fall, was a bad third.

ISLAND SELLING HURDLE RACE—Of 70sovs. 2 miles.

Mr. R. Gore's b g Decave, by Buckingham, dam by Kendal—Dissipation, aged, 11st. 7lbs.	A. Heckford	1
Mr. H. Bonas' b h Morning Glass, aged, 11st. 12lbs.	P. Cowley	2
Sir H. Randall's Cricket, 5yrs., 11st. 8lbs.	T. Dunn	3

(*Winner trained by Owner*).

BETTING: 9 to 4 on Morning Glass, 4 to 1 agst Decave, and 7 to 1 Cricket.

Won by a neck.

PARK STEEPLECHASE—Of 70sovs. 2 miles and 100 yards.

Mr. J. M. Kerne's b g Doggie, by Hackler—Ballymacarney, 5yrs., 11st. 10lbs. ...	T. Dent	1
Capt. L. S. Denny's b g Savanaka, 6 yrs., 12st. 4lbs.	Owner	2
Mr. G. P. Huntley's ch f Kendal Gate, 4yrs., 10st. 5lbs.	W. Rollason	3

(*Winner trained by H. Persse.*)

BETTING: 7 to 4 on Doggie, 9 to 4 agst Savanaka, and 8 to 1 Kendal Gate (offered).

Won by a length; a bad third.

After another white frost it was a surprise to find the pavements damp in town, and though the change bringing up the clouds obscured sunshine at Windsor, the temperature was appreciably milder till, towards the finish, a turn in the wind to north-west caused it to blow more keenly. Strengthened by the Saturday half-holiday folk, theiattendance showed an improvement, particularly in the smaller enclosure, though we have seen more people here at a New Year's meeting. The executive cannot grumble, however, and, considering class engaged, can congratulate themselves on having provided two pleasant and sometimes exciting afternoons' sport, fields ruling larger, while, as was the case on Friday, two of the finishes raised layers and backers to enthusiasm. The going was a bit heavy, but not too soft for cross-country work. Details:—

FIVE YEAR OLD MAIDEN STEEPLECHASE—Of 70sovs. 2 miles and 100 yards.

Mr. W. Gordon Canning's br g Abelard, by Bushey Park—Pet Vixen, 11st. 5lbs. ...	C. Kelly	1
Mr. W. B. Patridge's b g Robin, 11st. 5lbs.	I. Anthony	2
Mr. W. Pullen's ch g Friarsgate, 11st. ...	A. Wilkins	3
Mr. F. C. Graham Menzies' Alyth, 11st. ...	W. Rollason	0
Mr. Hunter Moore's Regicide, 11st. ...	F. Freemantle	0
Mr. C. N. Manning's Jan, 11st. ...	Mr. Cove	0
Mr. W. Bass' Forbearance, 11st. ...	Mr. W. Bulteel	0
Major Morris' Chastity, 11st.	E. Dodson	0
Mr. W. Silver's Fearless, 11st.	Owner	0

(*Winner trained by G. S. Davies.*)

BETTING: 5 to 4 on Abelard, 5 to 2 agst. Robin, 100 to 8 each Alyth and Regicide, and 20 to 1 each others (offered).

Won cleverly by a length; a bad third. Alyth was fourth, Regicide fifth, and Jan next. Nothing else completed the course. Time—4mins 23⅘secs.

SATURDAY SELLING HANDICAP HURDLE RACE—Of 70sovs. 2 miles.

Sir H. Randall's ch g Wallaroo, by St. Gris—Ting, 4yrs., 11st. 11lb. ...	W. Rollason	1
Mr. R. C. Dawson's ch c Dowdingstown, 4yrs., 10st. 10lbs.	F. Mason	2
Mr. C. Bewicke's b m Heroine, 5yrs., 11st. 10lbs.	J. O'Brien	3
Mr. Pat Dandy's Uncle Marcus, 6yrs., 12st. 2lbs.	Mr. Tabor	0
Mr. P. P. Lewis' Spatchcock, aged, 11st. 4lbs.	W. Little	0
Mr. J. Parkinson's Marie Blanche, 4yrs., 11st. 2lbs.	W. Palmer	0
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Mr. J. Baylis' Marmalade III., aged, 11st. 8lbs.	G. F. Wilson	0
Mr. G. Parrott's Thalassa, 4yrs., 11st. 2lbs.	W. Fitton	0
Mr. J. F. Raisin's Wavecrest, 5yrs., 11st. 3lbs.	B. Dougherty	0

(*Winner trained by Hallick.*)

BETTING: 6 to 4 agst. Heroine, 4 to 1 Wallaroo, 5 to 1 Marmalade III., 6 to 1 each Wavecrest and Uncle Marcus, and 100 to 8 each others (offered).

Won by a neck; eight lengths divided second and third. The winner was brought in for 65 guineas Time—4mins. 4⅘secs.

CASTLE HANDICAP STEEPLECHASE—Of 150sovs.; second receives 15sovs. 3 miles.

Mr. W. B. Partridge's bl g Timothy Titus, by Timothy—Precipice, aged, 13st. 11lb.	I. Anthony	1
Mr. C. T. Pulley's b g Canter Home, aged, 10st. 5lbs.	G. F. Butchers	2
Mr. B. W. Parr's b m Amu, 6yrs., 10st. 5lbs.	F. Freemantle	3
Mr. S. G. Sheppard's Denmark, 6yrs., 11st. 11lbs.	T. Dunn	0

(*Winner trained by E. Morgan.*)

BETTING: 6 to 5 agst. Timothy Titus, 7 to 4 Denmark, 6 to 1 Amu, and 10 to 1 Canter Home.

Won with consummate ease by five lengths; Amu was a bad third. Time—6mins. 35⅘secs.

BIRMINGHAM.

All round London on Monday morning a strong white frost silvered the earth, and far into Warwickshire the fields were powdered, but nearing Birmingham the grass showed green, and the railway sleepers were wet. We heard of rain having fallen in the country round, but it had not dispersed the thickish fog which shut out the view from "Brum" to Castle Bromwich, and brooded over the course in tantalising fashion, so that little beyond the start and finishes for barely a quarter of a mile radius were visible. Monday is as popular here as with the sons of St. Crispin and the Sheffield "blades," consequently the number of holiday makers was large, and supplemented by the enclosures the attendance was a particularly good one. Better going could not have been desired, but the mist proved a great drawback to full enjoyment of a capital afternoon's sport, in which by the bye, refusals and falls were more prevalent than of late. Details:—

WALSALL HANDICAP STEEPLECHASE PLATE—Of 90sovs.; second receives 5sovs. 3 miles.

Mr. J. W. Philipps' b f Irish Bride, by St. Gris—Wedding Eve, 5yrs., 11st. ...	I. Anthony	1
Mr. T. E. Gilbert's ch g Orgueil, 6yrs., 11st. 6lbs.	Mr. Gilbert	2
Lord Fitzwilliam's b g Brineoge, aged, 11st. 9lbs.	F. Mason	3
Mr. P. E. Speakman's Buckaway II., aged, 11st. 2lbs.	Mr. Rogers	0
Mr. F. Greswolde Williams' Ma Bouchal, 6yrs., 10st. (car. 10st. 4lbs.) ...	Mr. Wood	0
Mr. White Heather's Detail, aged, 11st. 7lbs.	Mr. R. Payne	0
Mr. W. Paul's Pierre, aged, 11st. 5lbs. ...	J. Tierney	0
Mr. J. W. Philipps' Dathi, aged, 12st. 2lbs.	Mr Cuthbertson	0
Mr. G. P. Sanday's St. Boswells, aged, 11st. 5lbs.	Owner	0
Mrs. Wilson's Annie's Joy, 6yrs., 11st. 11lb.	F. Lyall	0
Mr. T. L. Walker's Quarto, 6yrs., 10st. (car. 10st. 11lb.)	G. Green	0

Mr. Philipps declared to win with Dathi.

(*Winner trained by R. W. Smith.*)

BETTING: 3 to 1 agst. Orgueil, 7 to 2 Brineoge, 5 to 1 Annie's Joy, 7 to 1 Dathi, 8 to 1 each Buckaway II. and Irish Bride, and 10 to 1 each others (offered).

Won by three-quarters of a length; six lengths divided second and third.

MAIDEN FOUR YEAR OLD HURDLE RACE PLATE—Of 80sovs.; second receives 5sovs. 2 miles, over hurdles.

Mr. Barclay Walker's b c Round Dance, by Perigord—Bailarina, 10st. 10lbs. ...	T. Moran	1
Mr. A. B. Worthington's ch f Reconciliation, 10st. 5lbs.	H. Whiley	2
Major J. D. Edwards' ch c Burra Sahib, 10st. 10lbs.	A. Newey	3
Mr. R. Walker's Transition, 10st. 5lbs. ...	P. Jones	0
Mr. W. Bass' Machappie, 10st. 10lbs. ..	E. R. Morgan	0
Lord Coventry's Coup de Grace, 10st. 10lbs.	T. Garrett	0
Mr. J. B. Joel's Northaw, 10st. 10lbs. ...	Mr. Whitaker	0
Capt. F. C. Stanley's Attalea, 10st. 10lbs.	F. Mason	0
Mr. J. Perkins' Pescadero, 10st. 5lbs. ...	J. F. Rollason	0
Mr. H. G. Bradford's Avenue, 10st. 5lbs. ...	G. F. Butchers	0
Mr. F. Greswolde Williams' White Belle, 10st. 5lbs.	W. Watkins	0
Mr. C. Hill's Missel Grive, 10st. 10lbs. ...	Thornton	0
Mr. J. W. Philipps' Hyacinth, 10st. 10lbs.	I. Anthony	0
Mr. S. Greatrex Yates' Paynim, 10st. 10lbs.	Mr. O. Anthony	0

(*Winner trained by F. Hartigan.*)

BETTING: Even Round Dance, 5 to 1 each agst. Avenue and Coup de Grace, and 100 to 8 each others (offered).

Won by five lengths; Burra Sahib being a bad third.

STAFFORDSHIRE HANDICAP HURDLE RACE—Of 100sovs.; second receives 5sovs. 2 miles, over hurdles.

Capt. N. Money's b or br g Bulbo, by Simontault—Donzella, 4yrs., 10st. 4lbs.	T. Moran	1
Mr. W. B. Partridge's ch m Lovely, aged, 10st. 5lbs.	E. Morgan	2
Mr. G. Barclay's ch m Liza Johnson, aged, 10st. 13lbs.	C. Brady	3
Mr. F. C. Kimberley's Reclamation, aged, 10st.	T. Knight	0
Mr. C. Bewicke's Enceladus, 5yrs., 10st. 7lbs.	J. O'Brien	0
Mr. Lines' Manor Hamilton, 5yrs., 9st. 13lbs. (car. 10st. 3lbs.)	Mr. J. Bell	0
Mr. H. Hunt's Ravdale, 4yrs., 10st. 12lbs.	A. Parvin	0
Mr. A. E. McKinlay's St. Hubert, aged, 12st. 13lbs.	F. Mason	0
Mr. F. Straker's Lady Corea, aged, 10st. 12lbs.	E. Lawn	0

(*Winner trained by F. Hartigan.*)

BETTING: 11 to 4 agst. Bulbo, 5 to 1 each Enceladus and Liza Johnson, 6 to 1 Lady Corea, 7 to 1 Manor Hamilton, 8 to 1 Reclamation, and 10 to 1 each others (offered).

Won by a length; eight lengths divided second and third.

With the non-filling of the Stayers' Selling Race, never very popular with owners, the card on the second day was reduced to five events. The race was kept open till the specified time, but had to be declared void, and this furnishes the only possible peg to bring an objection against that very necessary arrangement of publishing the order of running beforehand. A compensating balance in saving of the half-hour might have been effected by beginning that time later or finishing the same time earlier, and in such cases, which are likely to be of rare occurrence, an alteration overnight appearing in all the sporting papers should be permitted. The arrival list had been so materially increased that the defalcation's principal effect was to cause regret for the enforced waste of time, as of late three or four runners have been the strength for three mile contests. A rise in temperature banished the mist and clouded the sky, but no rain fell, and the going was in grand fettle. Another capital attendance was to be chronicled, and 'tis to be hoped that Birmingham, so keen on sport of other kinds, but which has in the last quarter of a century let three meetings die out, will rally round the last, which, struggling out of difficulties, is beginning to prove its value. Details:

GRAND ANNUAL HANDICAP STEEPLECHASE—Of 150sovs.; second receives 10sovs. 2 miles.

Mr. C. Kirkwood's b g Armature, by Hackler—Magnet, aged, 11st. 11lbs. —	Owner	1
Mr. L. de Rothschild's br g Key West, aged, 11st. 13lbs.	E. Driscoll	2
Lady Wynn's b g Extra Hack, aged, 10st. 13lbs.	H. Jackson	3
Mr. H. I. Higham's The Sheikh, 5yrs., 11st.	T. Savage	0
Mr. C. T. Garland's Sudden Rise, aged, 11st. 13lbs.	Mr. Bulteel	0
Mr. A. E. McKinlay's Millman, aged, 11st. 2lbs.	F. Masson	0
Mr. J. Daly's Jenkinstown, 6yrs., 11st. 2lbs.	J. Walsh, Jun.	0
Col. Hanford's White Eyes, aged, 10st. 2lbs.	G. Green	0

(*Winner trained by C. Russell.*)

BETTING: 11 to 8 agst. Key West, 3 to 1 Jenkinstown, 5 to 1 The Sheikh, 10 to 1 each Millman and Sudden Rise, and 100 to 8 each others (offered).

Won a bit cleverly by a length; a bad third.

MAIDEN HURDLE RACE PLATE—Of 70sovs.; second receives 5sovs. 2 miles, over hurdles.

Mr. H. G. Fenwick's b c Fairfax, by Matchmaker—Heart's Desire, 5yrs., 11st. 10lbs.	F. Mason	1
Mr. J. W. Philipps' b c Alderman, aged, 12st. .. — ...	I. Anthony	2
Mr. C. Hill's b c Missel Grive, 4yrs., 11st. 7lbs.	Thornton	3
Col. Hanford's Shillelogher, 6yrs., 11st. 7lbs.	G. Green	0
Major J. D. Edwards' St. Kevin, 5yrs., 11st. 10lbs.	A. Newey	0
Mr. W. Bass' Ra, 6yrs., 12st.	E. R. Morgan	0
Mr. W. Espley's Merrow, 5yrs., 11st. 10lbs.	T. Savage	0
Mr. J. F. Lloyd's Corbeau, 5yrs., 10st. 12lbs.	Owner	0
Mr. G. Cooper's Royal Scottie, 4yrs., 10st. 2lbs.	E. Lawn	0
Mr. J. Rogers' Tipster, 4yrs., 10st. 2lbs ...	W. Watkins	0

(*Winner trained by T. Coulthwaite.*)

BETTING: 7 to 4 on Alderman, 6 to 1 each agst. Fairfax and Ra, and 10 to 1 each others (offered).

Won a fine race by a neck; ten lengths divided second and third.

MODERATE STEEPLECHASE PLATE—Of 70sovs.; second receives 10sovs. 3 miles.

Lord N. Chrichton-Stuart's br g Clean Linen, by Hackler—Verily, 5yrs., 11st. 2lbs.	J. Conway	1
Mr. W. Nelson's ch h Jubilee Jack, aged, 12st. 5lbs.	A. Neway	2
Mr. J. W. Philipps' b g Wedding Day, 6yrs., 11st. 9lbs.	I. Anthony	3
Mr. R. Craig's Toss Up, aged, 12st. 5lbs. ...	Mr. Sissill	0
Mr. White Heather's Leila McDonald, 6yrs., 11st. 9lbs.	Mr. Payne	

(*Winner trained by Captain Coventry.*)

BETTING: 6 to 4 on Jubilee Jack, 9 to 2 agst. Wedding Day, 5 to 1 Clean Linen, and 10 to 1 each others (offered).

Won by ten lengths; a bad third.

FOOTBALL ASSOCIATION RULES.

The games in the three leading Leagues on Saturday emphasised the advantage of playing at home particularly when the turf is on the heavy side. In the 30 matches in the Southern League and the first and second divisions of the League only three visiting clubs won, and three participated in drawn games. The Second League clubs had the heaviest bag of goals, 42 being their total, 35 were scored by S. L. clubs, and only 30 by the competitors in the first division of the League. Seven S. L. teams failed to score, six League I. elevens could not find the net, and four League II. clubs could not penetrate the opposing defence. As compared with last season, Luton and Swindon each gained two points, and Tottenham Hotspur and Plymouth Argyle one, while Fulham and West Ham each dropped two, and Bristol Rovers and New Brompton were a point worse off. Two points went to Bury, and a similar number to Sheffield Wednesday that they did not get on the same grounds last season, while Sunderland and Newcastle each gained one point. Those who lost points were Derby County and Manchester (two), and Aston Villa and Birmingham (one.) The most pronounced reversals occurred in the second division, Clapton Orient, Barnsley, Burnley, and Leeds each showing a two points improvement, Hall City, Bradford City, Leicester Fosse, and West Bromwich Albion being the teams to provide them. Grimsby and Gainsborough obtained the single points dropped respectively by Lincoln and Stockport.

Saturday was not a happy day for Southern League clubs who were away from their own grounds. There was only one success to the credit of visiting sides, and in one case a home side gave a display of a sensational character. This was in the Millwall *vs.* Watford match at North Greenwich, where Stevenson, after an unexpectedly rapid recovery from his knee injury, was in his old position at left back. The Dockers were on business intent, and so well did they start that visions of a repetition of the Luton win of 10th November were conjured up. At half-time, Millwall were in possession of a three goals lead, and in the second half they smothered the Watford defence. Goal after goal came, and still the crowd clamoured for more. The players obligingly responded and, when all was over, eleven legitimate goals had been scored, of which ten went to the credit of the home team. It was more than a rout; it was a debacle. There is no explanation for it except that one set of players was on the crest of their form, while their opponents collectively floundered almost helplessly about in the trough of inefficiency. Everything went away for the visitors, who struggled hopelessly against the dash, the vim, the determination, the skill, and deadly sharp-shooting of the Dockers, who surpassed themselves. In their previous ten games Millwall scored eight goals, and now they come along with ten in one afternoon. It is far and away the biggest win in the season in the Southern League, it is the first double figure score, and five times as many goals were scored against the losers as in any previous away match in the present tournament. Watford had figured in nine out games previous to Saturday, and had given only nine goals away. Some things in football defy analysis, and Millwall's performance certainly does.

There are interesting features to be noticed in some of the other London contests. When [redacted] appearance at White Hart-lane a sturdy, stubborn contest may confidently be anticipated. On Saturday the Rovers were anxious to avenge the humiliation put upon them by the 'Spurs out West in September, and so well did they defend that they were only a goal down at the interval. Tottenham, however, were intent on a substantial win, and getting well into their swing in the closing stages, the Rovers were handsomely beaten by four clear goals, the only other occasion when a quartette was obtained against them being at Leyton, on 15th December, but 4—2 was then the final result. There was a ding-dong struggle at Leyton, where Reading also had to remember that in their home game they had gone under, and on Saturday they were beaten for a second time this season

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by Leyton by the only goal scored. The home side lost their brilliant centre-half before the game was ten minutes' old, but they played a hard game, and Hesham eventually defeated Whittaker, and obtained a couple of much-needed points for his side. The win was much appreciated, as Leyton had obtained only one point from three games during the holidays. Brentford are a most difficult team to overcome on their own ground this season, and the ten matches to date they have played at Griffin Park have yielded them 16 points. Northampton who are now showing vastly improved form, scored four goals without response when at home to Brentford on 8th September, but they had to play second fiddle on Saturday, the score of 2—0 rather flattering them. Crystal Palace had had such a poor time during December, four of the five matches played having been lost, that the players realised the importance of a convincing start for the New Year. Hence the grit and determination shown against the Rangers, who were engaged in an uphill struggle after the first twenty minutes. The home side thoroughly deserved their win.

The two Metropolitan teams who were in the country seeking points were both unsuccessful in their quest. West Ham, whose doings have aroused immense enthusiasm among their loyal and enthusiastic supporters, went to Swindon with high hopes, but they were not fulfiled. The railway men scored twice without response, and the Hammers were the ninth team to fail to find the net at the Wiltshire town. To date, Swindon have not been beaten at home, and as they exactly reversed the score at Boleyn Castle in September, honours are even. Fulham have not had much satisfaction from their games with Luton, so far as points are concerned, for four months ago the Strawplaiters returned from Craven Cottage with a point in their possession, and the return fixture has provided them with a couple more, Fulham had only lost one match on foreign soil prior to that under notices and that was so far back as 21th September. The champion, are not going well just now, but perhaps they have been lying low, like Brer Rabbit, for the forthcoming cup ties. Plymouth Argyle were successful at New Brompton, and thus bagged all the points this season, and Portsmouth, who had drawn when at Brighton, made no mistake in the return, their 3—0 win enabling them to go once more to the head of the table. Norwich City could not afford to halve the spoils with Southampton, at Newmarket-road, but the Sotonians compelled them to do so, and thus returned the compliment paid them by the Canaries early on. This is the second drawn game Southampton have played away, and the third Norwich have taken part in at home.

SOUTHERN LEAGUE TABLE TO DATE.

	P.	W.	L.	D	Goals For	Agst.	Pts.
Portsmouth ...	20	13	3	4	38	16	30
Fulham ...	22	10	3	9	32	22	29
Norwich City ..	22	9	4	9	38	27	27
Tottenham Hotspur ...	22	10	6	6	46	28	26
West Ham. United ...	21	8	5	8	37	27	24
Brentford ...	21	10	7	4	31	28	24
Brighton and Hove .	22	9	7	6	27	27	24
Bristol Rovers ...	22	9	8	5	33	28	23
Plymouth Argyle ...	21	7	6	8	31	31	22
Southampton ...	21	8	8	5	30	28	21
Watford ...	21	6	6	9	20	29	21
Swindon Town ...	21	6	7	8	23	20	20
Luton Town ...	20	8	9	3	24	37	19
Crystal Palace ...	20	7	10	3	30	29	17
Leyton ...	20	6	9	5	24	38	17
Millwall ...	22	7	12	3	38	42	17
Queen's Park Rangers ...	20	5	9	6	23	29	16
Reading ... —	20	7	12	1	33	29	15
New Brompton ...	20	6	12	2	20	35	14
Northampton ...	20	3	11	6	17	44	12

LEAGUE 1.

After having escaped defeat in their last five matches, the Arsenal went down at Middlesbrough in a heavy-scoring game. For the second time within a month the Arsenal defence was pierced on five occasions, but they responded in better style than at Birmingham on 8th December, three goals standing to their account when Saturday's game came to a close. This is a serious check for the Arsenal, and it is the more annoying because they were so exceedingly well placed on Saturday morning, and they now drop into fourth position because their goal average is decimally worse than that of Aston Villa. In considering the causes which led up to the Arsenal defeat, it must not be overlooked that the Gunners were without Ashcroft, and Bateup, sound that he may be under the bar, is not the equal of the incomparable Ashcroft. Middlesbrough were below full strength, but they had to encourage them the recollection that their visitors had never won a match at Ayresome Park, and one has to go back six seasons for the last time the Arsenal scored on the Middlesbrough ground. It was unfortunate to be on the losing side after scoring three goals, but the home forwards adapted themselves more readily than the Southerners to the treacherous underfoot conditions, and it was this, combined with the deadly accuracy of the shooting, that gave them the victory.

Bristol City are pursuing the even tenor of their way, and Stoke, at any rate, will have wholesome respect for the scoring abilities of the latest acquisition to the upper division of the League. The verdict at Stoke was 3—0 in favour of the City, and on Saturday the Westerners were successful by 4—0. Seven goals without response is a sorry picture for Stoke to gaze upon. Both Sheffield clubs have had occasion recently to condole with each other, but Saturday found them both on the winning side, the more meritorious performance of the two being that of Sheffield Wednesday, who overcame Manchester City, at Hyde-road, by a goal to love. [illegible] entertained Bolton Wanderers, and narrow though the margin was in [illegible] Junior Blades, it gave them the two points, and provided some consolation for the rout at Bolton on 8th September, when the Wanderers galloped home by 6—1. While Sheffield rejoiced, Manchester had, metaphorically speaking, to put on sackcloth and ashes, for the reinforced Clayton team, after keeping out Notts County in the first half, were thrice defeated at Trent Bridge in the concluding forty-five, and thus enabled the Midlanders to register their second win of the season, and their first before their own supporters. It was only a moderate performance for the Villa to draw with Sunderland, at Aston, nor did Preston North End, in halving the points with Everton, do quite so well as their supporters anticipated, for eight previous home games had provided the Proud Men with 16 points. Bury just got the better of Derby County, Newcastle United converted a last season's draw at St. James' against Birmingham into a 2—0 win, and they have thus taken the four points from the Brums this season. Liverpool were true to tradition in allowing Blackburn to defeat them at Anfield-road, and it is significant that this was the first away win of the Rovers this season.

LEAGUE DIVISION I TABLE TO DATE.

	P.	W.	L.	D.	Goals For	Agst.	Pts.
Everton ...	24	15	6	3	50	24	33
Newcastle United ...	22	14	4	4	46	24	32
Aston Villa ...	24	12	8	4	46	85	28
Woolwich Arsenal ...	22	12	6	4	44	34	28
Sheffield Wednesday ...	22	9	4	9	36	28	27
Bristol City	22	10	6	6	41	29	26
Sheffield United ...	22	10	6	6	36	35	26
Bolton Wanderers ...	23	9	7	7	34	31	25
Preston North End ...	23	10	9	4	30	36	24
Birmingham	23	10	10	3	32	31	23
Blackburn Rovers ...	23	8	10	5	36	34	21
Sunderland	19	7	6	6	27	27	20
Manchester United ...	23	7	10	6	24	39	20
Liverpool	22	8	11	3	36	35	19
Manchester City ...	23	6	10	7	33	47	19
Derby County ...	23	6	11	6	23	29	18
Bury	24	7	13	4	37	46	18
Middlesbrough ...	23	6	12	5	31	45	17
Notts County ..	22	2	10	10	19	33	14
Stoke	23	4	13	6	23	40	14

LEAGUE II.

This is not the first time this season that the West Londoners have been in the van, as they went to the head of affairs on 29th September, but their tenure of the topmost rung of the ladder was of a fleeting character. The prospects are just about as bright as they could be. A team able to go on a holiday tour, play four successive away games, and obtain seven points from them, must, with ordinary luck, hold their own against all comers. The away record of Chelsea since the advent of November is remarkable. On the third of that month they lost at Burslem, but since then they have played seven games, of which five have been won and two drawn. This is the sort of form that spells promotion.

The results of the games in the second division of the League on Saturday were simply a story of home successes. The visiting clubs were quite out of the running, not one even capturing a point. Clapton Orient have once more struck a winning vein, and their reversal of the 2—1 defeat from Hull, at Homerton, immensely pleased their supporters. Saturday was a bad day for the leading teams, Chelsea being an honourable exception. Leicester Fosse were overthrown in dramatic style at Burley, the 5—0 defeat being the heaviest they have had this season; West Bromwich Albion were beaten by the odd goal in five at Leeds, and Nottingham Forest had to admit the superiority of Burslem at Burslem where both West Bromwich and Chelsea had previously been defeated. As Burslem played the Forest to a draw at Nottingham, the ex-First Leaguers will not have pleasant memories of their games with the Potteries team. Wolverhampton improved their position at Glossop's expense, Lincoln were outplayed at Grimsby, and Barnsley, Gainsborough, and Burton each won their match by 3—1, their respective victims being Bradford, Stockport, and Chesterfield.

LEAGUE II. DIVISION TABLE TO DATE.

	P.	W.	L.	D.	Goals For	Agst.	Pts.
Chelsea	21	15	3	3	40	16	33
West Bromwich Albion ...	22	15	6	1	60	25	31
Leicester Fosse ...	22	14	6	2	42	21	30
Notts Forest ...	21	13	6	2	40	28	28
Bradford City ...	22	11	7	4	33	30	26
Wolverhampton Wands....	23	11	9	3	42	35	25
Hull City	22	11	9	2	39	28	24
Burnley	22	11	10	1	38	25	23
Gainsborough Trinity ...	24	10	11	3	28	42	23
Barnsley	22	10	10	2	43	31	22
Stockport County ...	22	8	8	6	26	31	22
Burslem Port Vale ...	21	9	11	1	41	50	19
Grimsby Town ...	21	8	11	2	29	33	18
Clapton Orient ...	22	7	11	4	31	42	18
Chesterfield	23	7	12	4	31	35	18
Lincoln City ...	21	7	11	3	23	35	17
Leeds City	22	6	11	5	29	38	17
Glossop	20	7	12	1	26	53	15
Blackpool	22	5	12	5	18	34	15
Burton United ...	21	5	14	2	17	45	12

THE AMATEUR CUP.

There were few surprises in the first round of the competition proper of the Amateur Cup on Saturday, and in all the Southern ties the clubs were well matched. Ilford, who have had a splendid run of success, found themselves unable to defeat the New Crusaders, who gave a display more in keeping with their last season's form, and they should win in the re-play next Saturday. Clapton won at Eastbourne only because they were more incisive in front of goal, and at Ealing, the Civil Service, who are playing a strong game, justified anticipations by advancing into the next round at the expense of the home club, who put up a stubborn fight. Cheshunt are not so good a team as last season, and they went down heavily at Barnet to the Alston Athletic. The 2nd Lincoln Regiment were much too good for Wandsworth and the 2nd Grenadiers, whose doings have attracted considerable attention in military circles, knocked out Wycombe Wanderers in a game in which the defence on both sides was beaten by the attack. The Dulwich Hamlet team, on their own ground improved after an indifferent start, and won comfortably against King's Lynn by 3—1. In the North, Stockton beat Blackburn Crosshill by 8—1, the Sheffield Club surprised students of form by knocking out Darlington, and Bishop Auckland former cup winners, easily qualified for the second round. The ground at West Hartlepool was not fit for play, and the tie was postponed. The other games do not call for special comment.

SCOTTISH FOOTBALL NOTES.

When the players left the fields in Scotland on Saturday they were covered in mud from head to foot, and it was by no means an ideal day for football. The frost which prevailed on Thursday and Friday gave way to thaw and heavy rain, and all the fields were soft and muddy; in fact, so bad was it at Aberdeen that the local club's League match with Clyde was declared off and a friendly played.

The surprise of the day came from Greenock, where Morton beat Rangers by two goals to one, and deserved their victory. The Rangers are, indeed, a curious lot, and after their great display on New Year's Day against the champions—the Celtic—their match with Morton was looked on as something approaching a walk-over. However, it was not to be, for Morton adopted the game suited to the day and the ground, and were always on top.

Falkirk's appearances in Glasgow are now looked forward to with interest, and when one sees the team at work it is not difficult to find out why they are so far up in the League table. They draw the crowd, and against Celtic they had a £490 gate, easily the best of the day in Scotland. The game was a stubborn one, and although Celtic got full points they had to go all the way, and it was lucky that Quinn was in such good form, he having two of the goals and big say in the third. Logan and Davidson were the best of the Falkirk forwards and each had a goal.

Hearts made a poor show against Dundee, and deserved to be beaten, the Edinburgh forwards showing the least possible idea of combination. The Airdrieonian-Motherwell match was an exciting tussle, and a goalless draw is a fair reflex of the game. Motherwell had the best of the first half and did most of the attacking, while in the second portion the story was reversed.

To go to Hamilton with a particularly weak team Queen's Park courted disaster, and of course the Academicals got the points easily. T. T. Fitchie was the only outstanding player in the amateurs' ranks, and but for him the home team would have had an increased score.

St. Mirren did a good stroke of business in defeating Third Lanark, and credit for this is due to the fine work of the Paisley defence, Jackson and Crawford never giving the home side much chance to do any serious harm.

RUGBY RULES.

ENGLAND vs. FRANCE.—Weather and ground conditions were excellent when England, having lost the toss, kicked off. The Englishmen at once attacked strongly, and Isaac only just pulled up Brikett (who, receiving from Lambert, was travelling at a great pace) a few yards from the French line. Then aided by a free-kick, the Frenchmen made some headway, but on their opponents quickly returning to the attack, Stoop kicked across when near the line, and Nanson scored a try. Hill taking the kick added the maximum points, and so at the end of just three minutes England led by 5 points.

From the restart the French forwards twice came down the field in brilliant style and in saving from one of these Lee, the English full-back, was badly kicked in the ribs. He pluckily continued for a time, but eventually retired. The Englishmen again became aggressive, and Lambert, picking up after a forward rush, sent on to Birkett. When tackled the latter returned to his clubmate and Lambert got over. The referee, however, properly disallowed the score, for Birkett's pass was undoubtedly a forward one.

From the ensuing scrum the French forwards, always on the move and dodging about in a somewhat bewildering manner, came right down the field with a splendid dribble, and nearly got in from a loose scramble, but at the critical moment Verges fumbled. The Frenchmen were not allowed to remain long in the English twenty-five, and from a run by Birkett and Lambert, Isaac saved grandly. From the line out Shaw was almost in, and a moment later Shewring, receiving from Stoop, who was playing magnificently, made a dodgy run, and outwitting all opposition, scored England's second try—this after but fourteen minutes. An easy kick at goal was badly bungled by Hill and the Englishmen were eight points up.

The wonderful way in which the French forwards kicked and intercepted passes was quite one of the features of the game. Wedge who worked the English scrum grandly, started a good movement, and got the ball out to Birkett. The latter, after a lengthy run, passed to Lambert, who scored easily. Basil Hill placed the goal, and thus after nineteen minutes the Frenchmen found themselves in a minority of 13 points.

Following the kick-off the French attacked, and from a penalty near the English line Maclos came within an ace of obtaining a goal with a well-judged kick. Lee now left the field, and the policy of playing without a full-back proved disastrous to the Englishmen, and cost both the tries scored against them. After a magnificent run by Maclos and Lacassagne, which nearly ended in the home side's downfall, and at the other end an unsuccessful attempt at a penalty goal by Hill, Vareilles, the French left three-quarter, who shared with Maclos the distinction of being the best of the quartette, literally tore down the wing, and an opportune pass to Muhr sent that forward over, to gain the visitors' first try. Maclos, with a fine kick placed the goal. Thirty-three minutes had now elapsed.

Vareilles shortly afterwards made another great run half the length of the field, but unaccountably slackened when clear of all opposition, and a splendid chance was lost. From some loose play in the English twenty-five Communeau got in, and Maclos kicked the Frenchmen's second goal. The English forwards and team generally appeared to be holding their opponents too cheaply, and at this time Mills was withdrawn from the pack to play full back. Just before half-time Maclos made excellent use of a penalty kick for off side, and placing a goal for the visitors made the scores level. Half-time:—

	Pts.
England (2g 1t.)	13
France (2g. 1pg.)	13

Lee did not reappear, and Mills still played back. One of the first incidents was a good run by Lambert, and an equally superb tackle by Isaac, whose collaring and kicking were alike excellent. It was seen that the Englishmen were now trying hard, and their heavier forwards, rid of their former sluggishness, followed better, broke up more quickly, and gradually wore down their lighter opponents.

Only twice or thrice in this half were the Frenchmen able to cross the half-way line, and their defence proved incomparable to their attack. They were demoralised by the skilful tactics of Birkett and Lambert, for whom Stoop acted as pivot, and the runs of these men were seldom pulled up. Batchelor was hereabouts playing badly, probably because of lack of opportunity throughout, Shrewing being very selfish.

In twelve minutes Lambert was over. He received from Birkett, and kicking over Isaac's head, beat the back for pace and scored. Hill just placed the goal with a poor kick. After Shewring had made a miserable attempt to drop a goal, Lambert again got in near the corner flag, the ball being kicked across from the right. Hill failed with the kick, and England led by 21 points to 13.

Following the drop out, Isaac saved splendidly from the feet of the English forwards, and within three minutes Birkett, given the ball by Wedge, was in. Hill converted, and England had doubled the visitors' score. Continued pressure was exerted on the French lines, and again Lambert was over, for Hill to fail from a difficult position.

Following one failure, Birkett shortly afterwards dropped a goal from about ten yards out, although two men were waiting for his pass. Later, a series of scrums took place on the French line, and Lambert from Birkett's kick across, ran in near the left corner flag. Hill's excellent attempt at goal just fell short.

England was now 23 points to the good, but before the close this difference was augmented to 28 points as the result of a good try by Slocock, after Kelly securing from a line out, had brushed aside all opposition. Hill placed the goal, and the whistle went for "no side," gaving England a decisive victory. Result:—

	Pts.
England (5g 1dg 4t)	41
France (2g 1pg)	13

ROWING.

CAMBRIDGE CREW START PRACTICE.—The Cambridge University crew got afloat for the first time on the 9th instant, and is considered one of the strongest early combinations seen out for a number of years.

The candidates arrived in the town during the morning, and assembled at the Goldie Boathouse at 2-30. There was no tubbing, and the light ship was launched at once, and taken for a forty-minutes spin between the Victoria Bridge and the Red Grind. They paddled at an average stroke of 24, and began to settle down. Mr. F. J. Escombe coached, and was accompanied by Messrs. B. C. Johnstone, R. V. Powell, and D. A. Newhall. The last of these rowed for Harvard last August, and is now in residence at Oxford. Name and weights:—

	st.	lb.
A. B. Close Brooks (First Trinity) (bow) ...	10	7
2. F. G. Hudson (Jesus)	11	10
3. E. W. Powell (Third Trinity)	11	6
4. J. S. Burn (First Trinity)	12	6
5. H. G. Baynes (First Trinity)	14	2
6. O. Shimwell (Trinity Hall)	13	3
7. H. M. Goldsmith (Jesus)	12	4½
D. C. R. Stuart (Trinity Hall) (stroke) ...	11	0
F. R. Hoare (First Trinity) (cox)	8	7

BILLIARDS.

H. W. STEVENSON *vs.* M. INMAN.—There was a consensus of opinion that Inman's great break last Friday evening was a deciding factor in the result of the eigth heat of Messrs. Burroughes and Watts' great tournament. That this opinion was based on solid ground was amply demonstrated on Saturday, when the Richmond professional won with remarkable ease by no fewer than 1,879 points—the finish being a tame one.

Stevenson is quite a remarkable player, and has accomplished many phenomenal feats in his brilliant career, but it was asking too much to expect him to concede Inman a start of 1,307 in 2,432 up on the last day of a match, but this was exactly what he had to do on Saturday, the scores at the close of Friday evening's play reading :—Inman (rec. 2,250), 7,875 ; Stevenson, 6,568.

With the result practically a foregone conclusion, it was a decided compliment to Stevenson and Inman that the public should turn up in such large numbers to witness the penultimate session, the Soho-square salon being crowded before a ball was struck. Probably the majority came in the hope of seeing the brilliant Yorkshireman make a supreme effort to get on something like fighting terms with his determined opponent, but in this they were grievously disappointed. As a matter of fact, Stevenson had practically only one opening for the display of his matchless skill and touch, and consequently he only returned the poor aggregate of 226, averaging 28·25 compared with Inman's figures of 562 and 70·12.

Whatever chance Inman had of sending up a big break at his first turn was destroyed when he hit the object white at his second stroke. He afterwards made three scoring shots off the coloured ball, and then ran both balls below the line. The leader repeated the safety courtesy at his next two visits, from the last of which Stevenson scored a superb "loser," but he had hardly got going at the top of the table when all three balls ran in a dead line, and he failed to pocket the red with the object white. From this Inman got going and if striking rather more deliberately than the occasion warranted, he played splendidly for a contribution of 117, the end coming at a fairly easy cannon of the top cushion.

This failure left the scratch man with the opening referred to, but he had several difficult problems to solve before reaching the century. However, a daring and brilliantly executed screw back cannon half the length of the table set him in position for spot-end play, and he reached 182 without further trouble, when and awkward red winner pulled him up. Except for a minor item of 19 (half a dozen successive superb cannons faling to get him position), Stevenson did not again trouble the marker. Not so Inman, who followed his 117 with a brilliant 252—in which is gudgment and strength were alike excellent—56 (losing the white), 98, and 17 unfinished, the last mentioned item taking him to his points. Interval scores:—

Inman (rec. 2,250) (in play)	8,437
Stevenson	6,794

The final session, which again attracted a very full house, requires but little description, and not until near the close did the spectators witness anything over which to wax enthusiastic. Realising the utter hopelessness of his task, which the persistently exasperating treatment he met with from the balls in no way helped to lighten, Stevenson did little worthy of his great reputation. In the earlier stages he marked up two pretty items of 43 and 76, but not until Inman, who for once in a way was giving a moderate display, had tacked on 35, 37, and 99,did we see the scratch player engaged on a run that aroused the spectators' enthusiasm.

Backward and forward along the top cushion Stevenson manipulated the balls with a daintiness of touch that thoroughly delighted the company, until he had reeled off forty-seven of the most attractive cannons imaginable. The balls then splitting, the Hull man endeavoured to get them back towards the area mentioned but just when he had apparently succeeded in his object, he missed a cushion cannon by little more than a hair's-breadth. This was his last constribution of note in the match, Inman claiming attention for the remainder of the sitting, while registering a brilliant all-round 287.

The Londoner held such complete command over the balls throughout, that not once had he a difficult shot to negotiate. His play at the spot end was quite a feature, and on one occasion, on the completion of a small sequence of nine close cannons, he caused a roar of laughter by remarking in an audible tone. "That constitutes another record." He looked certain to reach game, until at the total named he unfortunately lost the object white, and came down at his next stroke—a difficult red winner. His next turn, however, gave him the necessary 16 points, and he retired an easy winner amid a round of well-merited applause. Inman averaged 46·91 and Stevenson 29·72. Final scores :

Inman (rec. 2,250)	9,000
Stevenson	7,121

WEISS *vs.* HARVERSON, FOR £50.—As was only to be expected the attendance at Messrs. Thurston's Grand Hall on Saturday afternoon was a very large one. All the essentials for a strenuous fight were in evidence in this instance for the respective scores were :—Weiss, 10,724 ; Harverson, 10,570.

During the earlier part of the session Harverson, though he only increased his suspended break from 69 to 74, made such fair progress in his next few hands, recording 60, 25, and 87, to Weiss' 24 (twice), that he got within 25 of the leader. But the Australian champion speedily showed that he meant to keep a tight hold on the leadership and by means of 92, 27, 37, and 38, while Harverson was adding 85 and 34 (twice) he again secured a three-figure lead.

Then came a serious misfortune for the leader, for he miscued at a simple short cannon, and let Harverson in with such fine position that the South African put up 163, the scores at his retirement being called :—Harverson, 11,075 ; Weiss, 11,018. Though keeping the balls running nicely at times, it was not one of the South African's happiest efforts. He was often in difficulties, and was only able to continue after scoring 82, through the medium of a fluke.

Three times during the subsequent play the scores were dead level, and try as they would neither player could obtain an advantage of any account. As might be imagined, breaks under these circumstances ruled very moderate, 55 by Weiss being the best. The Australian's further scores were so modest as 27, 36, 35, 23, 32, and 16 (unfinished). Harverson's compilations were 46, 42, 34, 36, and 25. The averages were low, Harverson's aggregate of 730 showing 18, and Weiss' total of 590 working out to 15. Interval scores :—

Weiss (in play)	11,314
Harverson	11,300

If anything, play was keener than ever at night, the result being in doubt for a considerable period. Weiss was very careful when he resumed his small unfinished break in the presence of a big company, the Australian champion taking plenty of time over each stroke. These methods served him so well that he had reached 82 when he went all round the second object ball in playing a cannon. However, fortune intervened, the object white dropping into a pocket, and Weiss then left the balls safe.

The next few innings were vain attempts by both to force an opening, but at last Harverson succeeded, and keeping the balls from getting to close quarters, he, by means of accurate hazard striking, put on 83, this taking him to the front by five points.

The game lost nothing in interest in the following hour, Weiss compiling 22, 121, 31, and 82, and Harverson contesting every inch of the way in rare fashon, marking up 20, 35, 49, and 130.

A bad stroke ended Harverson's three-figure break when he was going very strong—just a simple halfball red loser from the "D." This was the turningpoint of the match, for following on, Weiss contributed a grand 237, an item quite without fault. With three possible exceptions, the Australian champion manœuvred the balls so brilliantly that he was never extended, but on these occasions two wonderful screwcannons and an extra good run-through white loser got him through safely.

Subsequently Harverson made several desperate efforts to get up again, scoring 61, 47, 29, and 21 (off the red) without response, but Weiss always appeared to have the issue in safe keeping after his double-century effort, and at last ran out with 41, a winner 117 points. Aggregating 684, Weiss averaged 17, to Harverson's 583 and 15. Scores :—

Weiss	12,000
Harverson	11,883

Hunting.

THE MADRAS HOUNDS.

ON Wednesday last week hounds met at the Amanjakarai Bridge, an old fashioned meet which has not been patronised much of late years. All the coverts along the river, on both sides of the road, were drawn without success until in a mango tope near the fifth milestone a jack was found, who, without much delay, broke in the direction of Kadambakam, a very good line, indeed, if he had been able to continue it. Our hopes of a gallop were, however, doomed to disappointment for hounds got so quickly away that they had their jack in view at once, and, giving him no chance of getting into his stride, ran into I killed him in a few hundred yards. The Master's efforts to find another jack were all unavailing. We drew on along the road for nearly a couple of miles and then back along the river, but this yielded nothing and we had to return home after a most disappointing day.

On Sunday, the meet was at the Nantambakam Bridge and again we had only a poor morning's sport. The Master first crossed the bridge to the left bank of the Adyar River and drew through the covert to the left of the road. Here it was not long before hounds spoke to a line, but this was apparently some what stalle and while hounds were puzzling it out a jack was viewed back by a member of the field. Hounds were laid on to his line after as little delay as possible, but so bad was the day for scent that they could not speak to it and could make nothing of it. This was a fair specimen of what we met with throughout the morning. Another jack was found in Sheepshead Covert, but here again it was soon evident that there was no scent. Hounds succeeded in picking out the line slowly out of the covert up the river, back to covert and again up the river bank At times they ran for a few yards but at others they were only just able to hold the line and this went on until the scent disappeared altogether.

Wednesday, this week, was another bad and scentless day. Hounds met at Kadambakam, but nothing was done and it would, therefore, be unless to describe their movements.

Sunday last, however, was a much better day. It was a nice, cool morning with some dew, though not as much as there should be at this season of the year. The meet was at the Lattice Bridge and there was quite a big field out for Madras, over thirty people being present. These included Mrs. Horne, Mrs. Miller, Mrs. Clementson, the Hon'ble Mr. Weir, Major Giffard, and many others. Sharp to time the Master moved off to the cocoanut tope from which we had a good gallop earlier the in season. This time, however, it held nothing and a draw across the paddy fields to Fox Hill and over the scrub on the hill was also fruitless. The outlying covert, from which many a good hunt has started, provided the needful in the shape of a brace of jacks. These separated in the fields beyond the covert and, a single hound being stopped on the line of one of them, the pack settled to the other. Close as they were to him, they could not run at any pace, and indeed, throughout the morning scent was never very good. Hounds managed to hold the line, however, and every now and again ran fast. The jack took a line to the south over the open parallel to the big coverts, but soon turned into them and then swung left handed towards the Lattice Bridge, hounds throwing up after a sharp ten minutes run. A cast forward resulted in another find, again of a brace of jacks, no dint of the first brace, who must have rejoined forces. Hounds divided for a few minutes, but were soon got together again and ran somewhat better than before up to the north end of the coverts and out on to the fields below the tank bund. Skirting this bund, the jack took to the open and went right across to Fox Hill, hounds never going very fast, but yet hunting very well. On a clump of prickly pear on the Vellacherri side, the jack lay up, but was ejected and went away in view of the leading hounds along the edge of the Vellacherri swamp. Here the pace was as fast as need be desired and the jack, keeping outside the covert where he was found, reached the paddy fields with hounds gaining fast on him. Here again they were brought to their noses, but ran well until they suddenly threw up near the bund of a small tank. We searched the crops and the prickly pear and the tank bund, but nowhere found any sign of him.

Crossing again to the big coverts we then drew across to the canal and on the far side near the latter hounds again picked up a line. This line was possibly stale or else scent had gone off, for though they hunted across to the other side of the coverts, up along the fields outside of them and back into the casuarinas for a mile or more hounds were never able to get on terms and we had to trot slowly after them. There scent failed altogether and hounds were sent home.

B. B. B.

Paperchasing.

CALCUTTA PAPERCHASES.

No. 6.

THE Sixth Meet was held on the Monsoon Ride, the Jodhpur country being still unrideable, and very much larger fields set out in both chases. The pace was made very hot and those who wanted places had to ride hard for them, even in the pony chase and there was a renewed vigor about the proceedings generally. This is just as it should be and evidently the pendulum of paperchasing has not yet begun to swing backward.

The Honorary Secretaries had made a very nice course indeed, much of it consisting of last week's course reversed. with the worst bits omitted and rather more open galloping country substituted. The distance must have been well over three miles, but this is always hard to estimate on a very twisting course. There was plenty of jumping and an unusual number of bushed fences, but very few people came to grief in spite of the large number competing.

Messrs. Turner and Deakin laid the paper and when the word was given Messrs. Rees, Evers, Ballantyne and Levetus, a new recruit to the front rank, took them along at a real good pace. The jungle path after the second wall looked very awkward for pulling horses and Cymmerau slipped up with his fair rider while Jorrocks was badly interfered with and Mr. Levetus came also to grief. In the open they went along at a rare bat, Turk and his rider going along in front with a determination that would have done them both credit ten years ago. At the finish that wonderful mare Lady Gold swung past the veterans and won handsomely. Orphan Boy brought Mr. Evers in next while Fairy secured her place as did Detective, beating Posie pulling up.

The official order was :—

1. Dr. Hossack on Lady Gold.	4. Mr. Ballantyne on Fairy.
2. Mr. Rees on Turk.	5. Mrs. Walker on Detective.
3. Mr. Evers on Orphan Boy.	6. Mr. Pugh on Posie.

followed by Mrs. Crocker on Bluebell, Mrs. Morgan on Fusilier and a bunch of military thrusters.

The pony chase was a race throughout and Mr. Evers after starting late and getting off the paper in the jungle wore down the leaders, some of whom were not in very deadly earnest, and got home first. There should be a good race for the Pony Cup this year if Good Chap is fit to go, as Branga, Mistlebird and Mr. Bell Irving's Arab can all make Mr. Hamilton's pony gallop.

The order in the pony chase was :—

1. Mr. Evers on Branga.	4. Mr. Pugh on Mistle-bird.
2. Mr. Robertson on Gux.	5. Mr. Pauntley on Irish Boy.
3. Mr. Bell Irving on Samah.	6. Mr. Morshead on a Grey.

THE LADIES' CUP.

On Tuesday morning this time honoured trophy was again won by Mrs. Lamond Walker, who had the easiest of victories on her good little horse Detective. Mrs. Paris and Mrs. Crocker rode with the greatest possible determination and dash, but could not cope with the speedy lightweight. The following ladies started, and with the exception of "Posie" all completed the course. They finished in thir order.—

Mrs. Walker on Detective.	Miss. Sukis on Scisnara.
Mrs. Crocker on Bluebell.	Mrs. Morgan on Fusilier.
Mrs. Paris on Jorrocks.	Mrs. Collin on Molleen.
Mrs. Forryth or Corydon.	Miss Peck on a Bay.

BLARNEY.

Racing.

TOTALIZATOR FOR ENGLAND.

SIR WALTER GILBEY'S SUGGESTION.

SIR WALTER GILBEY writes to *The Times* :—The "Street Betting Bill" which has been passed by the present Government encourages me to ask for a small space in your paper in order to advocate the introduction into this country of the "totalizator" (*pari mutuel*) which has been such a success in France and the other leading countries of Europe, as well as in all our Colonies and the United States.

As regards street betting, the objects of the Bill may be laudable enough, but in my opinion it only touches the fringe of the question, and it would be idle to suppose that it will altogether extinguish betting.

It is well known what a large sum is yearly derived in France from the percentage levied on the money which passes through the totalizator. I have not the figures since 1901, but in that year the revenue derived by the State was £632,681, which sum was applied to the encouragement of agriculture and horse-breeding and to assisting the hospitals.

To take our furthest and yet most up-to-date colony—New Zealand—as an instance, where the laws of temperance and morality are most strict. There, with a population of only 700,000, they realize £80,000, per annum by their "totalizators."

To abolish betting on horse-racing would be as impossible as to close the Stock Exchange.

Wagering is inherent in all classes of society, and the Legislature does not declare betting in itself to be illegal.

The great danger of betting is doing so on credit, and the immense advantage of the totalizator would be that it would have the effect of making gambling on horse-racing a ready money transaction.

Thus, the argument of the working and middle classes against Lord Davey's measure would fall to the ground, and our great voluntary institutions could be benefited by the funds derived from this system. Efforts are continually being made to induce our Government to give an adequate grant towards the encouragement of light horse-breeding with a view to securing the necessary supply os horses for our Army; but I fear there is little likelihood of the Chancellor of the Exchequer's complying with this request.

As I have previously pointed out, the remedy is at hand in the legalisation of the totalizator on racecourses.

Mr. John Hawke, Honorary, Secretaty National Anti-Gambling League, writes to the same journal :—

May we ask space for a few lines to reply to Sir Walter Gilbey's letter in your issue of to-day?

If we may say so, without offence to that gentleman and his equine friends, he apparently suggests the Chinese plan of roasting the pig (improving the breed of horses) by setting fire—in a moral sense—to the house, involving the State as a partner in a vast gambling system.

He says that the legalized "totalizator" has been successful in the Colonies and eleswhere, but omits to notice the tremendous and sweeping legislative efforts which are now being made in the countries in question, and particularly in the Australian continent, to grapple with the demoralization caused by the so-called success' and to put an end to the "tote shops."

Apparently Sir Walter Gilbey thinks that the vast amount of legitimate business undoubtedly transacted in the Stock Exchange of the world is no more needful to the community than is betting upon horse races, so that this latter must be a necessary institution. Has he ever read the following paragraph from the report of the House of Lords' committee of 1844, which was drawn up after a very full consideration of the "breed of horses" argument' which Sir Walter Gilbey reverts to :—"The Committee would consider the advantages of horse-racing more than problematical if they were to be unavoidably purchased by excessive gambling and the vice and misery which it entails?"

Is he cognisant of the evidence as to this entailed vice and misery given before the Select Committee of that House in the Sessions of 1901-2? Does he know that Lord Durham presided over its deliberations, and that Lord Derby and Lord Harewood were members of it? That its report was a unanimous one, and that it deplored betting "as opposed to the true interests of sport, injurious to the community, and degenerating into one of the worst forms of gambling.!"

He says that it is inherent in all classes of society. This is too wide; but were it not so does he advocate it in place of the suppression or curbing of all practices "injurious to the community" or a profit-sharing policy on behalf of the State? To what would this lead us in some other directions?

We should welcome Sir Walter Gilbey's assistance in dealing with credit betting, which he condemns as the great danger; but, in full recollection of Artemus Ward's caution to those who, in these modern times, venture upon the regions of propuecy we are yet disposed to think that there is not the smallest chance of the establishmens of "tote shops" in Great Britain either in the near or remote future.

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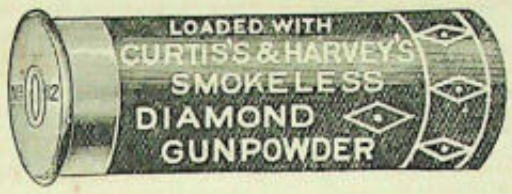

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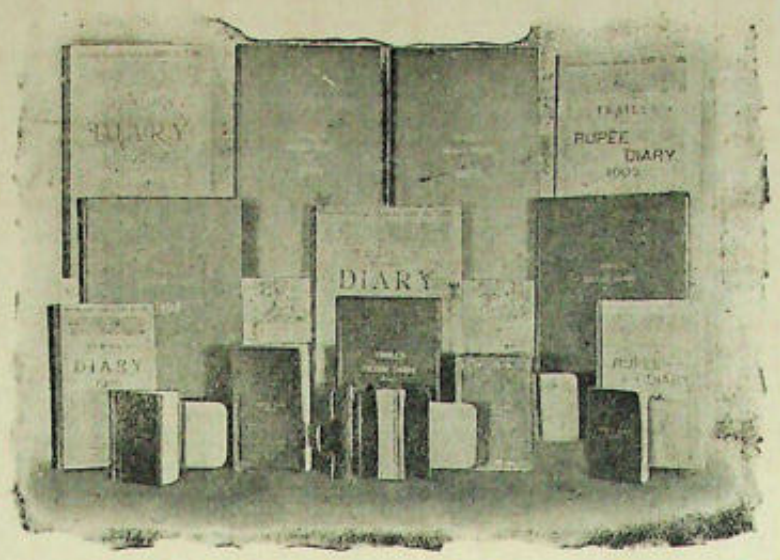

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Saturday, 26th January 1907.

THE twelfth annual meeting of this Association was held on their ground on the Calcutta *maidan* this afternoon in unseasonable, sultry weather with a strong south-west breeze blowing across the track. The track arrangements were as good as the nature of the ground would permit, though a ditch near the start for the hurdles rather spoilt the handicap in that race. In other respects the handicaps turned out very well. The running was not particularly good and the over eagerness of some of the backmarkers in the 100 yards—heats and final—spoiled the starts : in every other race they were sent away well together. The prizes were presented by Lady Fraser. Appended is a list of the winners.

100 YARDS FLAT RACE (handicap).—Open.

1, S. R. de Silva ; 2, A. Bergmann ; 3, A. K. Greene. Time—11 seconds.

THROWING THE CRICKET BALL.—Members only.—B. Baldwin—76 yards.

HIGH JUMP.—Members only. 1, A. E. Mahar, 5'5" : 2, A. F. Collingwood, 5'0."

1 MILE WALKING RACE.—Members only. 1, A. Bergmann ; 2, T. Maxwell.

120 YARDS HURDLE RACE (Handicap).—Members only, 1, F. W. Youngs 6 yards behind scratch ; 2, P. Vanspall, 1, yard; 3, A. M. Price, 10 yards behind scratch.

SACK RACE.—Members only. B. Galestine.

LONG JUMP.—Members only. 1, A. E. Maher, 20'1" ; 2, A. M. Price.

220 YARDS FLAT RACE.—Boys' Race for Members of the Wellington Branches under 18 years of age. H Pritchard.

220 YARDS FLAT RACE (Handicap).—Members only. 1, C. B. Thompson, 8 yards ; 2, W. Ryan, 14 yards ; 3, A. F. Collingwood, 5 yards.

THREE-LEGGED RACE.—Members only. B. Galestine and Fox.

LADIES' RACE (Arithmetic Race).—1, Miss West and Shuldham ; 2, Miss Vanspall and W. A. Price.

440 YARDS FLAT RACE. (Handicap).—W. H. Challen Y. M. C. A. (Jamalpur), 20 yards ; 2, C. B. Thompson, Y. M. C. A. (Jamalpur) ; 3, W. Ryan, Y. M. C. A. (Central).

CONSOLATION RACE, 100 YARDS.—Open to any competitor who has not won a prize. A. Nyss.

TUG-OF-WAR.—Won by Chowringhee Y. M. C. A.

THE ELKINGTON CHALLENGE SHIELD.—To be held for one year by the Member of the Y. M. C. A. (Calcutta) obtaining the highest number of points in the Annual Sports, Young, Pritchard and Ryan (tie).

THE DAVIES CHALLENGE BOWL.—To be held for one year by the member of the Y. M. C. A. (Calcutta) obtaining the second highest number of points in the Annual Sports, A. M. Price and Bergmann (tie).

Without number are the coups that have been landed at Goodwood. For the Stewards' Cup especially have horses been "readied" and heavily backed by stables confident of success. Not always, however, has the good thing "copped," for the best laid of plans occasionally go wrong, and the unexpected turns up once more.

Mr. Rolt had two horses entered for the race under notice in 1847. They were Collingwood and The Cur, with either of whom the owner felt confident of winning this much-coveted prize. Bob Pettit was engaged for Collingwood, while George Whitehouse was put on the second string. Pettit's mount was first favourite. Having backed the horse for a large sum, Mr. Rolt, of course, declared to win with him.

After the usual delay the flag fell. As the horses passed the lawn, backers of the favourite rejoiced to see that Mr. Rolt's pair were the only ones who had any chance. Despite this, however, Whitehouse kept at work on The Cur, who gained a head verdict from his stable-companion.

When the numbers went up, the owner's face was a study. He and all the stable connections had dashed the money down on the good thing, which had been upset by one of their own horses. Much enraged, he laid the case before the Jockey Club, and Whitehouse was asked to explain his conduct.

Very ingenious was the offending jockey's defence. The colours of Campanile were very like those of Collingwood, and Whitehouse asserted that he did not know which he was racing against. As there was no evidence to disprove this statement, the case was dismissed. Pettit, however, always asserted that Whitehouse intended winning on the non-favourite, if possible, in revenge for not being on Collingwood himself.

Wheeling.

HOW I MADE THE WORLD'S AUTOMOBILE TRACK RECORDS.

PEOPLE call me a dare-devil, and say that I am reckless of the peril of death which ever pursues, often close at hand, the racing chauffeur. Nothing, however, could be further from the truth. As a matter of fact, I am sometimes badly frightened when I start in a race, or try to lower a record. It is not that I am afraid of being killed, but I have a great dread of being broken to pieces and left to linger out my life in such a condition. Occasionally, when I see a cripple on the street, I shudder, and wonder if I shall ever be like that. Of course, such a thing might easily happen. Realizing which, when I take my seat in the motor-car for a big event, now and then, I am seized with a feeling that is almost one of panic, saying to myself : "This is your finish, Barney!"

I suppose that I can afford to make such a confession, holding as I do all the world's records for speed on the circular track from one to fifty miles. And, though afraid sometimes, I am not daunted. Three times in the last three years I have been nearly killed in accidents which, incidently, wiped out the lives of three other men. Yet, immediately after each one of these unfortunate occurrences I did not hesitate to start again, and succeeded in beating records.

People often ask me how it feels to go a mile a minute, and it puzzles me to reply. I might say that it comes natural to me to go fast. The bicycle was a slow machine, relatively speaking when I began to ride it. After a fashion, I grew up with it ; and in the same way I tackled motor cycling in its early beginning. When the automobile first appeared I transferred to it my attention, and have kept on with it as it has become faster and faster. The mile-a-minute feeling amounts to nothing more than a cutting wind with a sensation as if somebody were trying to tear your clothes off. You do not lose your breath, as is popularly imagined, and, whatever your tremors before starting, you are altogether too busy to be afraid while running the course.

I was born twenty-seven years ago in a little Ohio town called Wauseon, not far from Toledo. I was only fifteen years old when I first went into bicycle racing, as an amateur, and for some years thereafter I rode the wheel in summer and travelled in winter as salesman for a firm that dealt in machine supplies.

I won the championship of Ohio, as an amateur, in 1895 and 1896, and rode in contests also in Indiana, Michigan and Kentucky. Such exercise, in which every muscle of the body is used, furnishes most admirable training, and to this early experience I attribute in large degree the development of my physique. In 1901 I went into motorcycling, having meanwhile become a professional rider of the wheel, and it was at that period, during my last season as a cycle racer, that, finding myself in Salt Lake City, I took notice for the first time of gasoline engines. No body out in that part of the country seemed to know anything about such engines and so I thought it might be worth while to make a study of them.

I am a born mechanic. Though I have never served an apprenticeship to the trade, I could go into a shop now and build an automobile from start to finish. That, indeed, was why Tom Cooper, the famous bicycle rider and my closest friend, thought of sending for me when he wanted somebody to help him. He was engaged at that time with a Detroit man in an attempt to build two high-power motor-cars, and, the job proving too much for them, Tom wrote to me to come on from Salt Lake and lend my assistance in finishing the machines.

In those days it did not occur to me that I would ever have a chance to drive an automobile. I was the man with the oil-can—the helper in overalls. Nevertheless, deep down in my mind there was a determination that, if ever I had such an opportunity, I would make a showing. In response to Tom's letter, I went to Detroit and started in to work. His partner by this time had became discouraged with the machines, and declared that they could never be made to go. Tom and I felt more hopeful, and so we decided to buy them, becoming the owners of both for less than $2,000. We tinkered at them for quite a while, and at length they seemed to be in pretty fair shape ; but, when we shipped them to Dayton (Ohio) to take part in a race there, they obstinately refused to run.

We were not easily disheartened, however. A great contest for the national championship—the most important automobile race ever held in this country—was to take place in Detroit, in the summer of 1902. Alexander Winton, who at that time held the world's record for one mile, was to be the star of the occasion. As for myself, I had never taken part in a race of the kind, and nobody supposed that I had the slightest chance. Nevertheless, having no reputation to lose, I was undeterred by any such consideration from entering. I drove, and won, beating Mr. Wilton by half a mile over a course five miles in length.

As might be imagined, this exploit attracted a good deal of notice. Tom's former partner, who had sold to us the winning machine (and who, before the race, had stipulated that his name was not to appear in connection with our entry), hugged me and actually wept for joy, saying that we would build a motor-car to challenge the world. All at once I found myself the object of much flattering attention—a circumstance gratifying for the moment, but which proved to be decidedly a misfortune. For, being thrown into the company of men of means much greater than my own, I was obliged to spend too freely the little money I had, and soon was reduced literally to my last dollar.

Though I had defeated Alexander Winton, he still held the world's record for a mile on the circular track, having made the distance in a minute and two seconds. To beat it was a step in the direction of my ambition, and so, choosing a day when the road was frozen hard (rendering it less liable to be cut up on the turns), I undertook the task. It was necessary for me to win, and I did so, my time being one minute and one second. Nevertheless, though the feat was applauded, the glory of it did not fill my pockets, and, being flat broke, I decided that I must do something immediately by way of earning bread and butter. Going to Toledo, I secured a job in the assembling shop of an automobile factory, and there I was glad to work for a while at $2 a day.

Often it happens that when things look their very worst the clouds, if one could but know it, are really just on the point of breaking away. In the spring of 1903 I was engeged in tinkering at those two old machines when I got a letter from Alfred Reeves, offering me $250 and a third of the gross gate receipts to come to New York and drive on the thirtieth of May. Of course, I accepted with alacrity, and with a determination to do something worth while or perish in the attempt—knowing as I did that New York was the greatest place in the world (as has often been said) to make a good showing, and the poorest place to make a poor showing. If I succeeded there, it would put me on my feet.

The first thing I did was to buy a red sheepskin, which I came across accidentally, and to get a tailor to make me a coat out of it. Then for two days I worked at painting my machine, which Tom and I called the "999," with the reddest paint that I could purchase What I wanted to do was to render my performance spectacular, and in this aim I fully succeeded. Auto speed racing at that time was new in New York, and I perceived that there was a great chance to do something sensational. The affair was pulled off at the Empire City track, between Yonkers and Mount Vernon, and I drove a mile in one minute flat, beating all previous performances on the circular course.

The New York newspapers made a great sensation of it, and what they said was copied by the press all over the country. My method of driving was entirely new, and much space was devoted to discussing it. It was remarkable chiefly by reason of the fact that it converted the track, practically, into an ellipse. To understand this, one should realize that the so-called circular track is not really circular, but oblong—the sides of the oblong being called the "straights," while the rounded corners are the "turns." The path being 100 feet wide, my plan (which was my own invention, though since adopted by others) consisted in veering outward as far as possible on two of the turns at opposite ends of the oblong, so as to make the course almost an oval. By this means I got rid of the corners in a measure, and was enabled to obtain a proportionately greater speed.

This event marked the turning point in my career. People in Indianapolis who were interested in the sport asked me, soon afterwards, if I would try to drive a mile in less than a minute. I replied that I would make the attempt, and, going to that city, I did the trick in fifty-nine and two-fifth seconds. It was, of course, the first mile ever covered by an automobile under one minute on a circular track. Straightaway racing is something entirely different, and the records, for obvious reasons, are much lower. When I have accumulated a million dollars, I may take up straightaway motoring as an amusement ; meanwhile, my business is driving on circular tracks where there are gate receipts.

When, four or five years ago, I ventured to predict that some day I would drive a mile in less than a minute, people said that I was crazy. In flying around the [illegible] tremendous a centrifugal energy is developed on the turns that, it was formerly supposed, a machine going at such a rate must either be upset or be thrown through the fence. Since the time of which I speak several men have done a mile under a minute : but I did it first, and for that I claim the credit. To attempt it was believed to be equivalent to facing almost sure death, and yet I made the experiment. That was what took the nerve.

When, in running around the so-called circular track, you go down one of the long stretches at the rate of a mile a minute, the turn ahead of you looks so narrow that you feel as if, in trying to pass around it, you would shoot literally off the earth. It had been customary for drivers to shut off the power on approaching a corner, lest such a fate befall them, but I kept on at full speed, and lived to tell the tale. After that it was easy. On the fourth of July, in Columbus, I did a mile in fifty-six and two-fifths seconds, and drove ten consecutive miles in less than a minute each. There is much in learning how to perform such a feat. At the present time I can drive a mile in fifty-nine seconds as safely as I could cover the same distance three or four years ago in a minute and five seconds.

Next, I was asked to make an attempt to lower the mile record still further in New York, and I did it in fifty-five and four-fifths seconds—which stood quite a while, until I myself broke it. That ended the days of my driving on "999"—the good old machine which owed its efficiency so largely to my own tinkering. In many ways it was so primitive and lacking in up-to-dateness, so to speak, that people often laughed at it, declaring that it could not possibly start in a race without being pushed. It did not possess any tranmission gear to change speeds, and it had no "differential"—the mechanical arrangement by which the wheels on one side of a car are made to go slower than those on the other side in rounding turns.

By this time I had acquired the reputation of being a dare-devil of the first water, and incidentally I held all of the world's records. An automobile manufacturer hired me at a handsome

salary, and told me that, as a part of the bargain, I was expected to beat every one of my own records on his machine. The value of this for advertising purposes was obvious. Thereafter I won races all over the United States, but broke the records only for five, ten, and fifteen miles. On the third day of October, 1903, I tired for the mile at Empire City, but got only fifty-six seconds—my previous record having been, as I have said, fifty-five and four-fifths seconds. After subsequent failures in the West, I smashed it at last, at Los Angeles, with fifty-four and four-fifths seconde. Since then I have made the distance in fifty-three seconds even.

In January 1904, I went to Florida and took part in a straight-away race for the world's championship against the fastest machines in existence, the distance being one mile. One of my competitors was W. K. Wanderbilt, junior, who on the previous day had broken the world's record, his time being thirty-nine seconds. Nobody seemed to think I had a chance in the contest. Nevertheless, after the preliminary heats, I started with two competitors and won, beating Mr. Vanderbilt in forty-three seconds. There were other races, but I could not engage in any of them because of an accident to my machine.

I consider that my best achievement up to the present time was a record that I made at Fresno, Cal., last winter, where I drove fifty miles in a few seconds over forty-eight minutes. But I have made up my mind to be satisfied with what I have accomplished, and to make no further attempt to lower records—unless, of course, a temptation should be offered in the shape of an extraordinarily large purse. Meanwhile, my reputation enables me to command $1,000 for taking part in a race, and, with a share of the gate receipts added I sometimes receive as much as $3,500 for a day's work. Formerly such races were organized by automobile associations, but nowadays, in most instances, I send my agents, who are called "promoters," to a city, and they make the arrangements, in co-operation with some local club.

As for being afraid, I may confess that I am somewhat of a fatalist. Though hurt many times I have escaped death thus far, and some confidence in my luck has been engendered in my mind. My principal rivals, the first and last of them, have come and gone; they have left the game and I remain. Webb Jay, who beat me once or twice, went through the fence at Buffalo last August, and has not yet fully recovered. For fifteen days it was not known whether he would live or die. His skull, an arm and leg, and six or seven of his ribs were broken. A week before the accident to Jay, Earl Kiser, an old bicycle rider, went through the fence with his motor-car at Cleveland, and one of his legs was torn off above the knee.—BARNEY OLDFIELD, in *Illustrated Outdoor News*.

Cricket.

CRICKET IN CALCUTTA.

TURFITES *vs.* JOCKEYS AND TRAINERS.—This match was played on the Hornets' ground last Thursday: it was interesting and at times not lacking in humour. The Turfites won on the first innings, their opponents' grand total for two innings, curiously enough, just equalling theirs. Mr. "Edwards" a well-known local smiter, was largely responsible for this victory with his 96 and C. Simpson backed him up well with 53. Score :—

TURFITES.

Cutler, b Bradshaw	2
L. "Smithering," c Penton b Bradshaw	1
W. "Edwards," l.-b.-w., b Deeble	96
C. Simpson, st. Smallman, b Bradshaw	53
G. W. Russell, b Gee	10
E. H. Ducasse, c Torpey, b Ramshaw	2
F. Pell, c Cooke, b Gee	8
E. W. Russell, l.-b.-w., b Bradshaw	22
W. "Dick," b Gee	23
W. Corydon, b Deeble	0
Scot-Savil, not out	7
Extras	15
Total	239

JOCKEYS AND TRAINERS.

	1st Innings.		2nd Innings.	
J. Penton, l.-b.-w., b G. Russell	31	b Pell		7
Southall, b G. Russell	0	b Pell		20
Smallman, b G Russell	1	b Pell		1
Gee, c Ducasse b Russell	0	c and b Edwards		29
Howie, c Dick, b Ducasse	8	b Edwards		18
Welby Cooke, c Russell, b Ducasse	2	b Dick		13
Torpey, c Simpson, b Pell	7	b G. Russell		13
Murphy, c E. Russell, b Ducasse	4	c Simpson, b Edwards		5
Bradshaw, b Edwards	14	c and b G. Russell		27
Deeble, c Edwards, b Pell	4	not out		9
Ramshaw, not out	4	c Simpson, b Pell		1
Extras	8	Extras		13
Total	83	Total		156

TOWN CLUB *vs.* CALEDONIANS.—In a half-day match on the Town Club ground the home team beat the Caledonians by one wicket. Scores :—

CALEDONIANS.

G. V. Wade, c A. Gham, b B. Mukerjee	12
A. West [illegible] Dass	29
E. Rogers, B. Muke[illegible]	0
P. Ledbetter, b B. Dass	16
L. Fox, b B. Mukerjee	0
E. O. Elliot, run out	2
E. H. Christensen, b Aktaruddin	2
J. Fulthorpe, b B. Dass	1
E. Durant, b B. Dass	0
J. Byrne, c Chowdhry, b Aktaruddin	18
B. H. Byers, not out	0
Extras	9
Total	89

TOWN CLUB.

P. Bose, b Elliot	1
H. Banerjee, c Christensen, b Elliot	5
B. Mukerjee, b Elliot	21
J. Sircar, c Byers, b Elliot	0
Aktaruddin, c and b Elliot	6
C. Dutt, b Elliot	3
A. Ghani, c Rogers, b Elliot	11
B. Dass, b Elliot	13
R. Ghosh, b Christensen	8
T. Roy, not out	13
B. Chowdhry, not out	0
Extra	16
Total	87

CALCUTTA *vs.* RANGERS.—This two days' fixture terminated on the C.C.C. ground on the 27th instant in a run away victory for Calcutta by an innings and 159 runs. G. Turnbull was seen at the top of the fine form he has exhibited this season and made 103; J. D. Guise and E. Horncastle with 80 and 65 and S. C. B. Lee with a well played 50 helped to run up the C.C.C. score to the very respectable figure of 393. The visitors' reply to this was 126, the brothers Hodges being the only ones to stand up to the C.C.C. bowling. In their second innings they fell off still more, Calderwood heading the individual contributions with 29 and the total being but 108. Score :—

CALCUTTA.

J. D. Guise, c A. Hodges, b Schumacher	80
M. R. Quin, b Lees	0
G. Turnbull, c Nugent, b Buckley	103
E. H. White, c Schumacher, b Lees	0
C. B. Nicholls, b Templeton	32
C. M. Pope, b Lees	15
S. C. B. Lee, l.-b.-w., b G. Hodges	50
E. Horncastle, c and b Templeton	65
A. Simson, c Hodges, b Lees	4
H. G. Pearson, not out	24
J. G. Tredaway, b Templeton	5
Extras	15
Total	393

RANGERS.

	1st Innings.		2nd Innings.	
G. Schumacher, c Treadaway, b Quin	0	b Quin		0
F. Lees, b Guise	7	b Nicholls		0
A. Hodges, b Nicholls	31	c and b Nicholls		9
G. Hodges, c Nicholls, b Turnbull	23	c Tredaway		0
G. Nugent, b Nicholls	17	c and b Nicholls		4
E. Templeton, c Simson, b Nicholls	0	c Turnbull, b Simson		4
H. Cumber, c Tredaway, b Turnbull	8	not out		12
D. Y. Calderwood, b Quin	14	c Lee, b Nicholls		29
C. Tripp, b Quin	6	b Simson		29
P. C. Margrett, b Guise	0	b Guise		7
T. Davis, not out	3	b Guise		4
Extras	17	Extras		16
Total	126	Total		108

BALLYGUNGE C.C. *vs.* THE GARRISON OFFICERS.—Ballygunge received a visit from a strong team of the Officers of the Garrison, got together by Major Fishbourne, and won easily by no less than 154 runs and 7 wickets, a margin that would have been considerably increased had the match been continued until the usual hour for the drawing of stumps, instead of only until about four o'clock.

Winning the toss, Major Fishbourne decided to bat, and sent in Captain Hill and Lieutenant Walker to face the bowling of Eddis and Cowdrey, 19 were scored without loss, but then a series of misfortunes overtook the side, and the first three wickets all fell to Eddis at that total. Captain Hill and Lieutenant Temperley and later, the latter and Major Burlton improved matters somewhat, but the whole team were out shortly before lunch for 148, a total far from indicative of the batting strength of the side. Eddis bowled extremely well, capturing 9 wickets (6 clean bowled) for 76 runs, but none of the others tried met with much success, in fact, considering that the home team were without the services of any of their regular bowlers, Gould, Mander, Wood and Nicholls, they did extremely well to get rid of their opponents for anything under about 300.

White and Eddis opened for Ballygunge, and runs came fast from the beginning, White being the first to leave, bowled off his glove by Stockley, Shallow then joined Eddis, and the bowling was flogged all over the field, a dissolution not being effected until the score had been taken from 55 to 212, Eddis at that total deliberately allowing himself to be stumped by Hill off Temperley. His 107 was one of his best displays and was all but faultless; he scored at a tremendous pace and treated all the bowlers alike Shallow went on gaily, until when he had made 141, he followed Eddis' example; the old Brighton College boy's innings was a brilliant one, his strokes all round the wicket being clean, hard and well timed, and put together without a mistake.

After he left, Sherman and Whiteley kept together until stumps were drawn, the total then being 302 for 3.

During the 4 hours or so that play was in progress, no less than 450 runs were made, over 280 of these being made between half-past two and four o'clock; in four days at Ballygunge, no less than 1671 runs have been scored, a fact that speaks well for both the wicket and the out-fielding. Scores :—

OFFICERS OF THE GARRISON.

Capt. R. C. R. Hill, c Mytton, b Eddis	14
Lieut. G. H. Walker, l.-b.-w., b Eddis	7
Major Stockley, b Eddis	0
Major Wolfe-Murray, b Eddis	0
Lieut. A. C. Temperley, b Cowdrey	24
Lieut. H. L. Ovans, c Mytton, b Eddis	9
Major Burlton, b Eddis	41
Capt. E. R. Hill, b Eddis	14
Lieut. C. G. Maude, not out	19
Lieut. E. L. Salier, b Eddis	12
Major Fishbourne, b Eddis	0
Extras	8
Total	148

BALLYGUNGE.

B. A. White, b Stockley	13
B. E. C. Eddis, st. Hill, b Temperley	107
D. S. Shallow, st. Hill, b Stockley	141
H. M. Sherman, not out	21
F. N. Whiteley, not out	4
Extras	16
Total (3 wickets)	302

The rest did not bat.

THE PUNJAB COMMISSION CUP.

SEAFORTH HIGHLANDERS *vs.* GORDON HIGHLANDERS.—Played at Peshawar on 16th and 17th January, the Gordons winning by an innings and 125 runs. Carr's 216 was the reward of a really fine exhibition. Fowke and Sullivan bowled well for the winners. The losers had bad luck, especially in their first knock. Score.—

GORDON HIGHLANDERS.

G. H. Fowke, run out	40
Capt. J. K. Dick-Cunyngham, b Buchanan	21
L. Carr, c Arnold, b Pullar	216
A. L. Davis, b Pullar	17
Sergt. McArthur, b Pullar	5
Major G. Staunton, b Pullar	0
J. Picton-Warlow, c and b Chamley	30
Sergt. Sullivan, b Chamley	7
K. H. Bruce, c Keith, b Chamley	16
G. T. G. Cumine, not out	25
Pte. Insch, b Chamley	16
Extras	46
Total	439

SEAFORTH HIGHLANDERS.

	1st Innings.		2nd Innings.	
Capt. King, b Fowke	5	c D. Cunyngham, b Sullivan		14
C. P. V. Gray, b Fowke	0	c Clair b Fowke		0
Capt. Buchanan, b Sullivan	3	c Insch, b McArthur		62
R. A. L. Keith, c Insch, b Fowke	16	b Fowke		13
Capt. Chamley, run out	1	b McArthur		47
Major McLachlan, b Sullivan	2	b Fowke		45
Capt. Carden, b Fowke	32	b Fowke		0
Qr.-M. Sergt. Arnold, b Fowke	8	b Fowke		8
Pte. Pullar, b Fowke	8	b Fowke		2
M. B. Duncan, not out	0	b Fowke		11
Corp. Morton, b Fowke	0	not out		0
Extras	17	Extras		20
Total	92	Total		222

CRICKET IN MADRAS.

M. C. C. *vs.* KOLAR G. F. C. C.—This one innings match was remarkable for fairly good scoring. The Kolarians made 242—with 84 by Gundry. Madras who made 246 for three wickets, with contributions of 98 by Partridge and 87 by McIver, won easily. Score and analysis :—

KOLAR GOLD FIELD C. C.

V. Gundry, run out	84
R. Bocquet, b Liepmann	19
W. J. More, c McIver, b Liepmann	12
R. C. Carlton, b Milne	0
C. H. Richards, c and b Milne	26
T. A. Clarke, b Milne	7
T. D. Cossens, c McIver, b Milne	16
D. S. Watters, b Stephenson	0
O. H. Stonor, st Stephenson, b McIver	9
F. W. Wilkins, not out	45
C. Beadon, b Milne	6
Extras	18
Total	242

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

	O.	R.	M.	W.
H. Liepmann	15	82	0	2
L. E. Buckley	8	38	0	0
J. S. Milne	17-2	67	4	5
F. H. Stephenson	6	18	1	1
J. McIver	4	24	0	1

M. C. C.

P. W. Partridge, l-b.-w, b More	98
F. H. Stephenson, b Gundry	13
H. Liepmann, retired	26
J. McIver, not out	87
J. S. Milne, not out	12
Extras	10
Total	246

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

	O.	R.	M.	W.
Richards	15	87	3	0
Watters	11	42	1	0
Gundry	12	48	1	1
Bocquet	2	10	0	0
Clarke	2	15	0	0
Wilkins	4-2	28	0	0
More	5	38	0	1

CRICKET AT BELLARY.

BELLARY *vs.* THE CHESHIRE REGIMENT.—This match ended in a win for the Cheshires by 59 runs. In the second innings the Station hit up 81 for the loss of one wicket. Scores :—

BELLARY STATION.

Sergt. Brisley, b Price	4
Sergt. Woolard, l.-b.-w Price	11
Pasanha, b Price	1
Dent, c Forster, b Liepmann	10
Sinclair, c Price, b Liepmann	4
Vaughan, not out	17
Forbes, c Forster, b Price	1
Warden, c Sherringham, b Liepmann	8
Mainwaring, b Price	9
Rev. Smith, c Price, b Liepmann	2
Britton, b Liepmann	15
Extras	11
Total	93

CHESHIRE REGIMENT.

Capt. L. A. Forster, b Sinclair	1
Pte. Carey, b Forbes	29
Sergt. Price, c sub, b Mainwaring	4
P. M. Mottram, c and b Sinclair	41
Pte. Roache, c sub, b Forbes	9
H. O. C. Thorp, b Dent	5
G. Sherringham, b Forbes	1
H. M. Liepmann, b Forbes	29
Pte. Watson, not out	11
Sergt. Davies, c and b Sinclair	0
Corpl. Hance, c Warden, b Sinclair	9
Extras	13
Total	152

OFFICERS *vs.* SERGEANTS CHESHIRE REGIMENT.—Played on the 24th, and ended in a draw in favour of the Officers. Score :—

OFFICERS.

Capt. Forster, b Davies	48
Pte. Fitzgerald, b Price	3
Mr. Thorp, l.-b.-w., Bradshaw	70
Mr. Britton, b Pountian	16
Mr. Sherringham, c Price, b Pountian	53
Capt. Scott, b Pountian	1
Mr. Warden, not out	12
Mr. Frost, not out	0
Rev. Smith, Lc.-Corpl. Watson, Corpl. Hance } did not bat.	
Extras	17
Total	220

SERGEANTS.

Sergt. Smith, c Britton, b Forster	18
Pte. Malcolm, b Sherringham	11
Sergt Price c Britton, b Forster	10
Sergt. Lay, c Thorp, b Forster	11
Sergt. Pountian, c Watson, b Forster	46
Sergt. Davies c Watson, b Forster	1
Sergt. Woolard, c and b Forster	15
Sergt. Bradley, c and b Thorp	10
Sergt. Bradshaw, not out	0
Sergt. Connolly, Sergt. Mills } did not bat	
Extras	4
Total	162

CRICKET IN BOMBAY.

GYMKHANA vs. GARRISON.—Played on the B. G. ground on Saturday the 26th instant, and won very easily by the homesters who made 225 for 5 wickets, while the Garrison could not do better than 62 all out. Score :—

BOMBAY GYMKHANA.

Mr. C. L. Burns, b Blanford	...	7
Mr. C. G. Stileman, l.-b.-w, b Blanford	...	7
Mr. E. E. Coombs, b Murray	...	62
Mr. E. Priestly, c Wilson, b Murray	...	52
Mr. H. Cheetham, not out	...	40
Mr. P. R. Cadell, b James	...	12
Mr. J. Monteath, not out	...	41
Mr. R. E. A. Elliot, Mr. Beine, Mr. de Rhe Phillipe, Mr. R. Peel	did not bat.	
Extras	...	4
(Total for 5 wkts)	...	225

BOMBAY GARRISON.

Commander James, R. N., b Coombs	...	26
Captain Thompson, R. E., b Coombs	...	7
Mr. Yates, R. G. A., b Coombs	...	0
Major Rich, R. G. A., b Stileman	...	3
Mr. Dopkin, R. G. A., c Rhe Phillipe, b Coombs	...	3
Mr. Bell, R. N., b Stileman	...	4
Mr. Blanford, R. G. A., not out	...	6
Mr. C. Lashley, R. N., b Stileman	...	0
Mr. Roughton, R. G. A., run out	...	0
Mr. Murray, R. N., l-b-w, b Stileman	...	4
Captain Wilson, R. I. M., b Coombs	...	2
Extras	...	7
Total	...	62

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

BOMBAY GYMKHANA.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Mr. Murray*	13	0	67	2
Mr. Blanford	11	0	59	2
Captain Wilson	3	0	21	0
Mr. Roughton	9	0	37	0
Commdr. James	4	0	37	1

*Bowled one wide.

BOMBAY GARRISON.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Mr. E. E. Coombs	10-3	3	31	5
Mr. C. G. Stileman	10	3	24	4

Golf.

CALCUTTA GOLF CLUB.

CAPTAIN'S CUP.—The following are the entries and draws for the Captain's Cup Handicap by holes :—

	Hcp.
E. H. Townend	scr.
J. R. Kay	4
A. McVicar Smith	4
C. N. Sandes	11
W. Ross Smith	11
Lt.-Col. W. J. Buchanan	6
J. O.'B. Saunders	8
N. Mitchell Innes	scr.
B. Severs	6
J. B. Simpson	11
Lt. H. B. Green	scr.
D. W. Forsyth	2
C. N. Doucil	6
Henry Harris	9
John Crawford	9
D. H. Brackenridge	8
G. B. Merry	4
F. H. Stewart	scr.
John Davenport	8
O. J. Barnes	5
S. K. Stein	8
G. Turnbull	5
G. W. Walker	scr.
L. T. Carmichael	—
A. J. Ferguson	scr.
Norman Birrel	8
Lt. Col. J. M. Fleming	4
Lt. W. H. Kidner	8
C. D. H. Dunlop	4
W. E. D. Fyfe	3
T. H. Ambrose	8
J. H. Fyfe	11
J. A. Tassie	7
C. T. Peath	6
M. Innes Kerr	3
Alex Mann	scr.
Col. R. Macrae	6
Robert Graham	11
P. Parrott	6
Capt. McCoy	4
C. E. Dewar	11
A. J. W. Christie	11
J. A. Davenport	5
T. R. S. Mackenzie	scr.
J. G. McEwan	11
H. Danks	2
Lieut.-Col. J. Drury	4
R. W. Williamson	5
C. C. Morgan	6
E. A. Lyon	3
E. J. Venn	11
R. D. LaTouche	11
J. W. Taylor	6
J. Smyth	11
John More	11
H. E. Holden	9
K. B. Dunlop	—
Hon. R. W. Carlyle	scr.
J. Hampson	5
G. S. Hannah	8
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First and Second Rounds to be played by 16th February, 3rd round 23rd February, 4th round 2nd March, 5th round 9th March and final on the 16th March.

RANGOON GOLF CLUB.

THE Annual Competition for the Club Gold Medal (scratch) took place on 19th and 20th January, and the following cards were returned :—

G. C. Whigham	41 + 37 = 78	winner.
Capt. G. H. Davis	40 + 41 = 81	
T. O. B. Ditmas	40 + 42 = 82	
W. G. Anderson	43 + 40 = 83	
E. Higinbotham	40 + 44 = 84	
W. H. L. Cabell	42 + 42 = 84	
G. Ballance	43 + 42 = 85	
W. B. Daniel	45 + 45 = 90	
D. M. Sime	47 + 43 = 90	
J. B. Orr	49 + 41 = 90	

GOLF IN BOMBAY.

THE BLACKHEATH GOLD MEDAL. On the 16th and 7th instant this competition was played with the following results :—

Scratch—	Mr. A. L. S. Roberts	45	+43=88
	Mr. R. Aitken	47	+42=89
	Mr. R. P. Scott	47	+43=90
	Mr. L. Brachi	45	+48=93
	Mr. E. E. Coombs	41	+53=94
	Mr. G. Miller	47	+47=94
	Mr. M. A. Murray	48	+47=95
	The Hon Mr. Muir Mackenzie	47	+48=95
Hand'cp—	Mr. G. B. Ramsay	106	−24=82
	Mr. L. Brachi	93	− 8=85
	Mr. R. Peel	103	−18=85
	Mr. G. Miller	94	− 6=88
	Mr. A. L. S. Roberts	88	scr. =88
	Mr. E. E. Coombs	94	− 6=88
	Mr. R. Aitken	89	scr. =89
	Mr. D. Revie	100	−10=90

"FORTY TWA" MEDAL.

The best cards put in were :—

Mr. H. F. Souter	44	− 8=36
Mr. E. B. Ouseley	47	−10=37
The Hon. Mr. Muir Mackenzie	41	− 2=39
Mr. A. S. Bishop	47	− 7=40
Mr. H. E. Harrington	48	− 7=41
Mr. C. A. Russ	44	− 1=43
Mr. G. Miller	47	− 3=44
Mr. I. C. Bayly	50	− 6=44
Mr. A. E. Baker	56	−12=44

The Naturalist.

THE TAKIN AND THE MUSK-OX.

YEAR by year the number of species of big game animals which have never yet fallen to the rifle of the European sportsman is becoming smaller and smaller ; and if one of our intrepid explorers is ultimately successful in bagging an okapi, even the heart of Africa will not have many novelties in the way of sport left to offer. Strange to say, there is, however, a comparatively large ruminant living actually within sight of British Indian territory, and known to naturalists for more than half a century, which has up to the present altogether escaped the attentions of the European shikari, for the very sufficient reason that the country where it is found is closed to the white man. We mean, of course, the takin (*Budorcas taxicolor*), which was first described by Brian Hodgson in the year 1850 on the evidence of specimens obtained by Major Jenkins from the Mishmis inhabiting the hills to the north-east of Sadya. The name "takin" (which is of Tibeto-Chinese origin and akin to bantin and thamin, and, like both the latter, might be spelt with a terminal *g*) is, by the way, a terrible stumbling-block to the ordinary Cockney, who instead of pronouncing the *a* in continental and eastern fashion, will insist on dubbing the creature a "take-in." And some time ago, when a specimen had been received by the British Museum, a certain London journal wanted to know why such a fuss was made about it, seeing that "take-ins" are by no means unknown in museums generally !

In addition to having never hitherto been shot, till quite recently the Mishmi takin had never been seen alive by a European. Some time ago, however, Mr. J. Claude White, the Commissioner of Sikhim, had a young takin in his camp which it was hoped might be transported alive to England, although the fates willed it otherwise. Of this specimen a photograph appeared in our London namesake for 11th October. Apart from this single immature example, the takin in a living state still remains, so far as I am aware, unknown to Europeans, at all events in the territories bordering British India. Since, however, the range of the takin extends from the country north of Sikhim and the Mishmi Hills through Eastern Tibet into Sze-chuen and not improbably still further eastward in China, it is just possible that Europeans may have seen (and perhaps even killed) the animal in some part of its Chinese habitat, although I have never heard of any testimony to that effect. The Tibetan and Chinese race of the takin, it may be mentioned, is a brighter-coloured animal than the typical Mishmi animal, much of the long hair been golden yellow ; and its horns seem to be less massive.

Although, as we have just seen, practically nothing is known of the takin in the living condition, it is fairly well represented in the museums of both London and Paris, the former possessing several skins and skeletons, as well as skulls ; while there are at least skins in the Indian Museum. No description of the animal is therefore necessary, although attention may be directed to a few of its chief characteristics.

The most striking feature of the adult is formed by the sharply angulated blackish horns which are present in both sexes, although rather smaller in the ewes than in the rams. In the young they form simple spikes, while in the full-grown animals constitute that portion above the bend. Very characteristic of the animal is the highly arched region of the nose, or chafron, which is specially conspicuous in the skull. The muzzle resembles that of goats and sheep in being vertically grooved ; the ears are very small and almost quadrangular ; the tail is little more than a stump ; and the limbs are very short and thick, with the lateral pair of hoofs remarkably large. As regards the teeth, it must suffice to mention that these are of the general type of those of the sheep and goats, and therefore quite unlike those of oxen. In the skeleton the most remarkable feature is the shortness and width of the front and hind cannon-bones ; the breadth of which approximates to half the length. The female has four teats, like the serow and one species of thar.

The little we know concerning the habits of the creature is all derived from native reports. The small size of the ears is sufficient to indicate that takin, unlike serow, do not live in jungle. Mr. John Cockburn, in Sterndale's "Mammalia of India," has stated that when at Sadya he was shown by a Mishmi the open spurs inhabited by these animals, and also that their range extends from about 8,000 feet to the Alpine region which forms their true habitat. This is confirmed by Mr. White, who, as recently stated in the *Field*, has ascertained that takin inhabit the zone immediately below the snow-line ; and likewise that they are exceedingly fierce in disposition, so much so indeed that the natives (who have to get within short range) find them very awkward customers to tackle. They generally go about in pairs, each of which may be accompanied by a kid.

Turning now to what naturalists have written regarding the affinities of this strange ruminant, we find the following statement (with the initials J. C.) in Sterndale "The takin," it is there written, "is essentially a serow with affinities to the bovines through the musk-ox, and other relationship to the sheep, goat, and antelope."

In suggesting affinity with the oxen (bovines) the author was clearly on the wrong tack, seeing that the teeth of the musk-ox (like those of the takin) are of a totally different type, and much nearer those of the sheep and goats. This was recognized by Dr. Blanford, who in the "Fauna of India," observed that the takin is "allied to both goats and antelopes ; I cannot see the bovine affinities attributed to it."

Some years later (1898) Dr. Matschie, of Berlin, strongly supported the relationship of the takin to the musk-ox, basing his conclusions on the shortness and width of their cannon-bones, the shape of the skull and horns, the small and peculiarly formed ears, the nature of the muzzle, the shortness of the tail, the stout, short legs, and the relatively large lateral hoofs. He might have added that, as in the serows, the females of both have four teats.

The next to enter the arena was Dr. E. Lönnberg, of Upsala, who, in a paper published in the Zoological Society's Proceedings for 1901, disputed these alleged resemblances, Dr. Lönnberg, it should be mentioned, does not regard the musk-ox as a near relative of the sheep and goats, but as the sole living representative of a comparatively primitive group, which has become specialized after its own particular style. He points out that the muzzle of the two animals is different, that of the takin having a downward prolongation of the naked area to divide the upper lip after the fashion of sheep and goats, and still more the serows. To the form of the ears, tail, and lateral hoofs he attaches little importance ; while as he truly remarks the home of the two animals are strikingly different, although he forgets to mention that, as in the serows, those of the females in both species are relatively large. He also challenges the statement with regard to the proportions of the cannon-bones ; but the measurements given (although no doubt exact) are misleading. When compared with the other bones of the legs, the fore and hind cannon-bones of the musk-ox are indeed remarkably short and wide, although not quite to the same extent as in the takin. And since it is only in these two ruminants and the Rocky Mountain goat (*Oreamnus*) that this very marked shortness of both cannon-bones occurs, it must surely be regarded as a feature of some importance. The wild goat, it is true, has a short front cannon-bone, as Dr. Lönnberg remarks ; but then the hind cannon-bone is very long, actually longer indeed than in a wild sheep (*Ovis gmelini*) in which the front cannon-bone greatly exceeds the corresponding element of the goat in length.

In connection with the relationships of the takin it is important to refer to two extinct ruminants, *Euceratherium* and *Preptoceras*, of which the remains have been discovered in certain Californian remains. That the ancestors of these animals came from Asia is practically certain ; and their describers, Messrs. Furlong and Sinclair, are of opinion that they present resemblances both to the takin and the musk-ox, although not nearly related to either. Probably, writes the former, *Preptoceras* "bear somewhat the same degree of relationship to *Ovibos* that *Budoreas* does ;" which is perhaps not a very lucid way of putting matters when the nature of the latter relationship is just what we don't know. However, there seems a considerable probability that the two extinct American ruminants together with the Rocky Mountain goat and the musk-ox, are all the descendants of an Asiatic assemblage of ruminants of which the takin and the serow are Old World survivors. There is, moreover, the further possibility that an extinct ruminant from the Pliocene Tertiary deposits of Samos known as *Criotherium* which has curiously bent horns, may be a member of the same assemblage.

On the whole, despite the criticisms of Dr. Lönnberg, I am disposed to agree with Messrs. Cockburn and Matschie as to the existence of some kind of kinship between the takin and the musk-ox, although it is impossible to formulate the nature of the affinity. Possibly the fact that both animals dwell on or near the snow may be additional evidence of their relationship. By means of the Rocky Mountain goat, the takin is probably connected in some way with the serows, which are themselves relations of the goats and sheep. This whole assemblage of ruminants over inhabited north-eastern Asia, whence the Rocky Mountain goat, the musk-ox, and the two extinct genera referred to above wandered into the New World, while the takin and the serows remained in the old family home.

It should be added that any information sportsmen may be able to obtain with regard to the habits and food of the takin and the exact limits of its habitat would be of the greatest interest and value to naturalists at home.

R. LYDEKKER.

THE CALCUTTA ZOO.

THE following additions have recently been made to the collection of the Zoological Garden :—

Name of animal.	How obtained.	Where placed.
1 Cardinal, 1 Zostrop, 3 Munias	Presented by Mrs. Harris	Sarnomoyi House.
2 Cobras	„ W. Val Weston, Esq.	Reptile House.
4 Pythons	„ D. Sunder, Esq.	„
1 Indian Antelope	„ Cecil Camer[illegible] Esq.	Paddocks.
2 Bengal Pittas.	„ N. F. Cockell, Esq.	Sarnomoyi House.
1 Green Monkey	„ A. W. Oats, Esq.	Dumraon House.
1 Leopard	„ H. G. Ambler, Esq.	Small Carnivora House.
1 Robber Crab.	„ A. J. Parker, Esq.	Mullick House.
1 Leopard	„ Mrs. Hamilton	Small Carnivora House.

THE BOMBAY NATURAL HISTORY SOCIETY.

A MEETING of the members of the Bombay Natural History Society took place at the Society's Rooms on 24th January 1907, Mr. James MacDonald presiding.

NEW MEMBERS.

The election of the following 19 new members since the last meeting was duly announced :—

Mr. P. L. Faulkner (Shillong, Assam) ; Mr. Minns (Sandoway, Arakan) ; Mr. R. H. MacNair, I. C. S. (Khandwa, C. P.) ; Mr. A. C. Beet, I. C. S. (Chanda, C. P.) ; Lieut. H. T. C. Ivens (Peshawar, N. W. F. P.) ; Col. J. Forbes (Bombay) ; Mr. Schelling (Bombay) ; Mr. M. E. Coningham (Secunderabad, Deccan) ; Mr. Geo. Carmichael, I. C. S. (Poona) ; Mr. Harold A. Higgins (Suganugger, Baramasia P. O., Chittagong, Assam) ; Capt. C. A. Gill, I. M. S. (Jhelum) ; Mr. Reginald L. Sinclair (Surat) ; Major H. N. Dunn, B. A. M. C. (Umballa) ; Mr. H. C. Pratt (Selangor, F. M. States) ; Mr. C. J. W. Shepperson (Coimbatore) ; Mr. R. G. Cross (Doloo P. O., Cachar) ; Major J. A. Wilson (Shillong, Assam) ; Mr. B. H. H. Mundy, F. R. G. S. (Bombay) ; and Mr. J. Stopford-Taylor (Bombay).

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The Honorary Secretary, Mr. W. S. Millard, acknowledged receipt of the following :—

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1 Snake ...	"Dendrophis Pictus."	Tuticorin ...	Mr. C. E. Rhenius.
7 Sea Snakes	.....	Karwar ...	Mr. C. C. Boyd, I.C.S.
Some 600 Birds' Skins,	.....	Assam ...	Mr. E. C. Stuart Baker.
1 Wild Dog Skin.*	Cyon dukhunensis.	Kanara ...	Hon. Mr. Justice Pratt, I.C.S.
A Cabinet of Birds' Eggs.	.....	.....	Col. K. S. Dunsterville, R. A.
1 Domestic Buffalo Skull with Horns.	Bos bubalus...	Jaffe rabad, Kathiawar...	Prof. of Agriculture, Kirkee.
A Box of Ceylon Moths.	.....	Ceylon ...	Mr. E. E. Green.
Snakes, Lizards, &c.	.....	Koweit, P. Gulf.	Maj. S. G. Knox.
Some Trapdoor spiders' nests and spiders.	Acanthodon Sp.	Nasik District.	Mrs. Manwaring.
2 Snakes ...	.....	Myitkyinn, U. Burma.	Mr. E. McDougall.
13 Fishes ...	.....	Nasik ...	Mr. E. Comber.
1 Female Gonal	Cemas	Kulu ...	Lieut.-Genl. W. Osborn.

* Forwarded to the Natural History Museum, South Kensington.

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THE JOURNAL.

The Honorary Secretary mentioned that the next Journal would, he hoped, be ready to issue to members in another three weeks. It had been greatly delayed owing to the non-arrival of some of the plates from England.

EXHIBITS.

Dr. N. F. Surveyor exhibited a specimen of the Papay a fruit (Carica papaya) showing hypertrophy of the columella.

Mr. L. C. H. Young exhibited a curious instance of asymmetrical variation on the underside of the hindwing of the butterfly Melitæa persea koll from Chitral.

PAPERS READ.

1. A few notes on Indian fungi, with illustrations and specimens, by Lieutenant Colonel K. R. Kirtikar, I.M.S. (retd).
2. A new Krait from Oudh (Bungarus walli), by Capt. F. Wall, C.M.Z.S., I.M.S.
3. Some new Asian Snakes, by Capt. F. Wall, C.M.Z.S., I.M.S.
4. Notes on the Arabian Gazelle, by Major S. E. Prall, I.M.S.
5. The Flying Squirrel (Pteromys Inornatus) and Walnuts, by C. H. Donald.

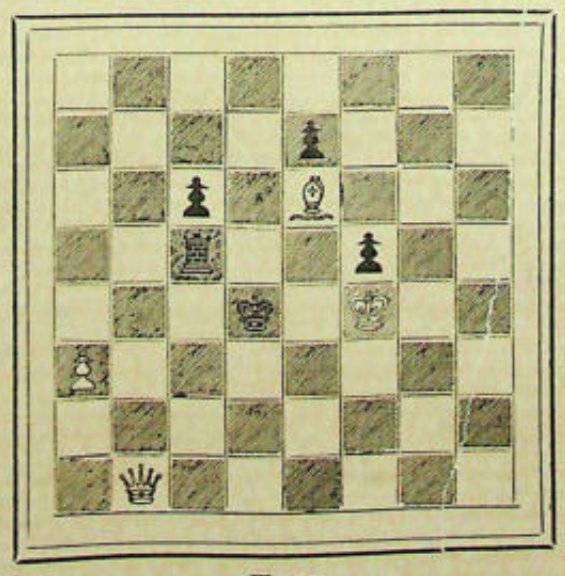
Chess.

Solution to Problem No. 387.

WHITE	BLACK.
1. K. to K sq	1. K. takes R
2. Kt. to K 6	2. K. moves
3. R. to Q B 5	Do.
4. R. to K 5 mate	

Problem No. 388.

BLACK.



WHITE.

White to play and mate in four moves.

Game.

WHITE.	BLACK.
1. P. to K 4	1. P. to K 4
2. P. to K B 4	2. P. takes P
3. Kt. to K B 3	3. P. to K Kt 4
4. P. to K R 4	4. P. to Kt 5
5. Kt. to K 5	5. B. to Kt 2 (*a*)
6. P. to Q 4 (*b*)	6. Kt. to K B 3
7. B. to Q B 4	7. Castles
8. Kt. to Q B 3	8. P. to Q 3
9. Kt. takes K B P (*c*)	9. B. takes Kt
10. B. takes R (*ch*)	10. K. takes B
11. B. takes P	11. K. to Kt sq
12. Castles	12. Kt. to R 4
13. P. to K Kt 3	13. Kt. to Q B 3
14. Kt. to K 2	14. Q. to K 2
15. Q. to Q 3	15. B. to Q 2
16. B. to Kt 5	16. B. to K B 3
17. B. takes B	17. Kt. takes B
18. Kt. to B 4 (*d*)	18. Q. takes R P (*e*)
19. Kt. to R 4	Resigns.

(*a*) This certainly appears to give the second player a marked advantage if the firs. player attempts totake the K Kt P in reply.

(*b*) Had White taken the Pawn with his Kt, Black would have replied with P to Q 4, and, in answer to P takes P, obtained a winning advantage by Q to K 2 ch, &c.

(*c*) An excellent conception, although the sacrifice appears in some measure compulsory; for, had White retreated, the Kt Black would have replied with Kt takes K P followed by R to K sq, &c. The attack which White now obtains by giving up his two pieces for the R is full compensation for his loss.

(*d*) This move, by which White secures the menacing position of his centre Pawn, seems not to have been foreseen (nor, indeed, as the event shows, when seen understood by his adversary). White now threatens to play Q R to K sq, and afterwards post his Kt at Q 5, or to check with the Q at B 4 followed by P to Q 5.

(*e*) Had he taken the P with Kt, White would still have gained a piece by Kt to Q 5, Q takes Kt, &c.

When a man's wife comes in and sees him razor in hand and with his face all lather, and asks him, "Are you shaving?" it's a provoking thing for him to answer, "No, I'm blacking the stove," but it's human nature so to reply.

Sub-Editor: "Here's another letter from that man who signs himself 'Vox Populi.'" Editor: "What has he got to say now?" Sub-Editor: "He writes to inquire if we will kindly inform him what 'vox populi' means."

He was a young man from the country, but he was of an inquiring turn of mind, and liked to find out all about new places. Visiting London for the first time, he told the waiter from whom he ordered his dinner to bring him the local paper.

They had a very sad affair down at Woolwich. A young lady at an evening party happened to mention that all the cadets wore white pants. A bashful young man, stricken with the "Pinafore" mania, thereupon exclaimed, "So do their sisters, their cousins, and their aunts."

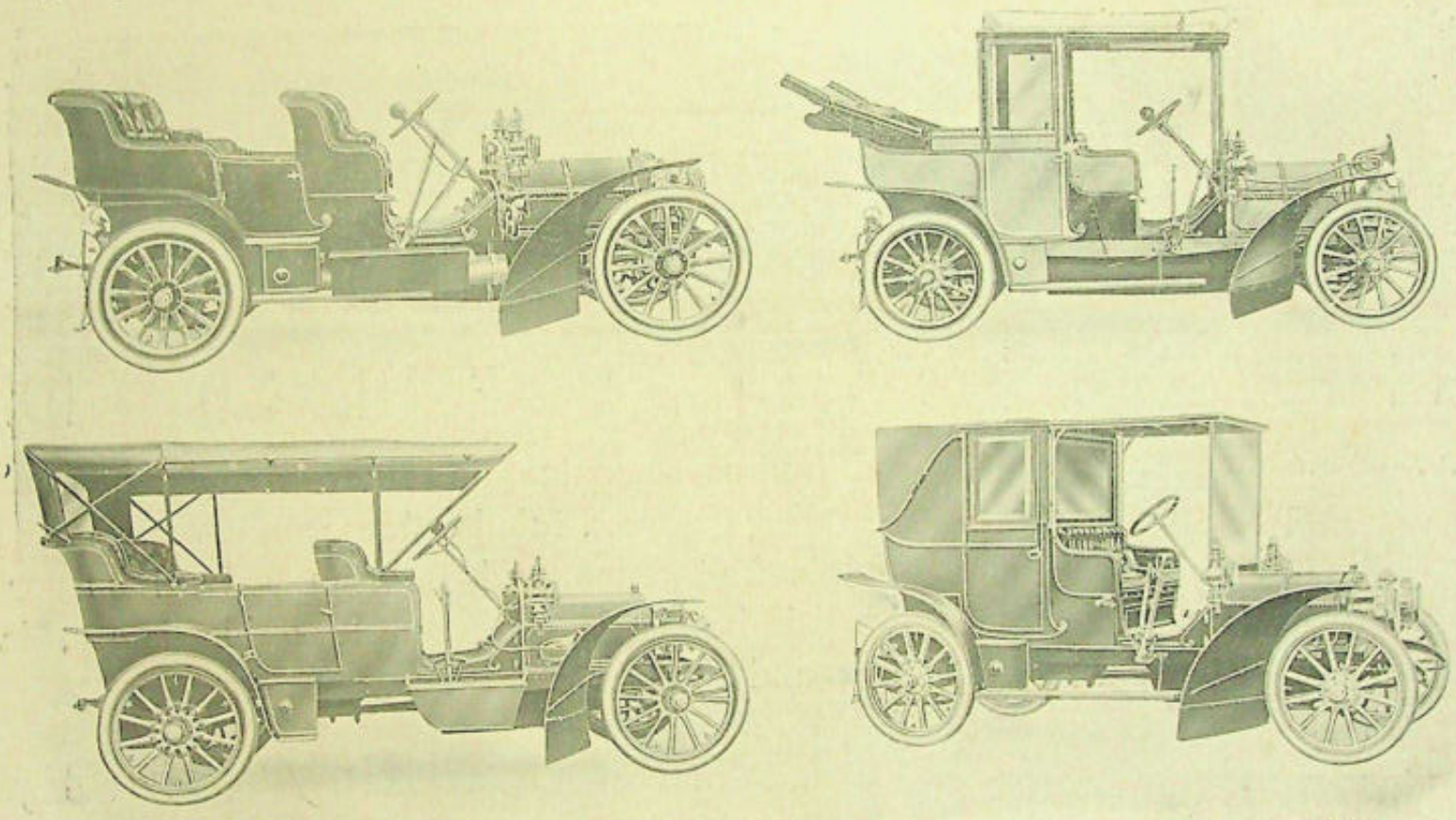
Wife: "You must send me away for my health at once. I am going into a decline." Husband: "Why, whatever makes you think so?" Wife: "All my dresses are beginning to fees comfortable."

THE MOTOR CARS OF TO-DAY.

A few Notes on the Principal Cars seen at the recent Exhibitions at Olympia and the Paris Salon.

The Daimler. Naturally the Coventry Daimler Cars have attracted great attention, partly owing to the phenomenal success of the Company, and also owing to the long list of prominent British Motorists who have adopted this make. The 1907 Cars possess many improvements on former patterns and these embody a considerably larger radiator and more efficient circulating pump. The position of the engine and gear shafts is now reversed, thus allowing the frame to be placed lower while the clearance from the ground is as large as formerly. The sparking plugs are now placed somewhat differently. The external camshaft is retained, and the system of lubrication is also as before. An extremely clever addition to the levers of the gate-change has been made, by which it is not possible to put in the reverse unless the forward speed lever is in the neutral position. A particularly attractive feature of the Daimler Cars is the hinged bodies, which permit of all the gear being examined with the greatest ease. An improved radius rod is now added which facilitates tightening the chains. Altogether these Cars are a credit to British industry and they combine careful design, excellent materials and perfect workmanship.

F. I. A. T. Experts say that 1906 has been a "Fiat" year, and truly the success of these Cars has been remarkable. The Italians started their Motor Car building some years after France and two or three years after English manufacturers had got some excellent Cars on the market, yet in the opinion of many, they have surpassed all other nations. While taking the "Mercedes" patterns to work upon, they have so improved upon them as to make the "Fiat" Cars even more popular than the famous German make, while the cheap labour market in Italy allows the Italians to place their Cars before the public at a price Germany cannot touch. Recognising the demand for a small four Cylinder Car at a reasonable price, the Fiat Company have this year brought out their 14-16 model, which is a replica of the larger patterns while it can be purchased complete with a handsome body for well under £600. Despite its 14-16 Engine the Car is not under-powered, and it tackles hills in a way which would put to shame many Cars of higher horse-power. The Cars have not been altered to any great extent from 1906 models, though all the gear wheels in front of the engine are now enclosed, with the result that the engine is quieter than ever, and vies with the "Renault" for first place as regards silence. The gate-gear for the change speeds works with great ease and facility The chain lubricator driven by a small belt is still retained and appears to give no trouble. The petrol tank is carried at the rear of the car, and is under pressure. This system not only has the advantage of safety, but precludes the necessity for removing a front seat each time the petrol has to be replenished. The Fiat Company evidently are not going to be content with satisfying the European market, they are already opening up and pushing agencies abroad and are reported to be doing an enormous trade with America. Of course there are many other Italian makes to the fore, and it may be generally stated that all these Cars are of good design and soundly made.



Types of well-known Cars.

Argylls. A sensation was caused at Olympia by the Argyll Company deciding to reduce the price of their cars by £100 as soon as the Exhibition opened Many people have considered that the 14-16 four-cylinder Argyll at £475 was as good value as could be obtained, and naturally many were in doubt as to whether Argylls, Limited, could make the same car at £375.

To understand how such very large reductions are possible, it must be kept in mind that motor car production at Alexandria is carried on under the most advantageous conditions for securing the minimum cost and maximum quality of workmanship.

The factory covers 15 acres of floor-space, and requires 3,000 employés. The capacity for production exceeds forty cars per week. A large section of the machinery has been specially designed and made to turn out Argyll parts at minimum cost and in minimum time. The conditions under which the employés labour are of the best, and the factory—situated as it is in a picturesque valley within easy reach of Glasgow, that great centre of engineering activity—has at its command the very best of engineering skill.

Thus it comes about that cars which could only be produced at the old works on a small profit at £475, are now offered at £375, and those previously listed at £550 now appear at £475, while equally startling reductions are being made in the other models.

It must be clearly understood that the cars offered at the new prices are the 1907 models, and that they, while listed at lower prices than the 1906 cars, are by no means inferior to, but are really an improvement on the old patterns, and the finish and workmanship will, where possible, be improved rather than cheapened; for, paradoxical as it may seem, in motor manufacture if you turn out cars on a large enough scale, the better the workmanship, the lower the price

A report about Argylls would not be complete without a reference to the excellence of the body work now put on the cars. The Glasgow firm are evidently making a bold bid for Indian and Colonial business and we find the bodies of the car being made of metal throughout, the shape is pleasing, there is plenty of room and a wide side entrance. The brasswork with which these cars abound is always an attractive feature. To anyone requiring the best value for money we can safely say "Buy an Argyll."

De Dion-Bouton. It is practically impossible to tour anywhere without coming across the "De Dion" cars which like the brook appear to go on for ever. Gradually the firm is falling into line with up-to-date practice, while not in any way sacrificing the excellent points of their cars which have contributed so largely to the great name earned by this make for downright reliability. We find the 1906 model in the 8 h.-p. size with expanding clutches being still made in 1907, although a new model with mechanical valves and side lever gear is now added A small double cylinder car 8-10 h.-p. is to be manufactured, while the 15 and 28 h. p. will represent the larger models. The continued demand for these cars is remarkable, and the factory is always months behindhand with its deliveries. De Dion Bouton are now paying considerable attention to the commercial side of the business. They have some 60 omnibusses running on the streets of London, and are busily engaged in turning out lorries and parcel delivery vans. One particularly interesting vehicle is the De Dion convertible wagonette, in which the seats can be removed at will and the vehicle converted into a 30 cwt. lorry.

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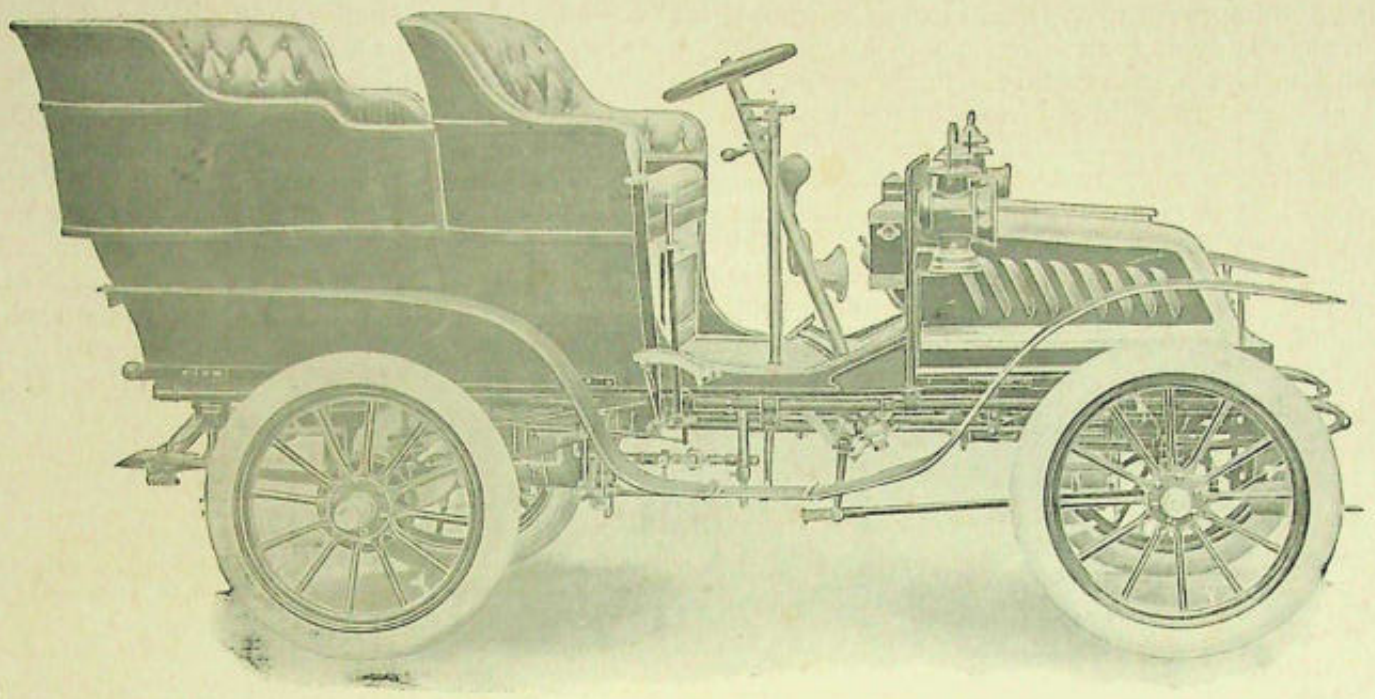

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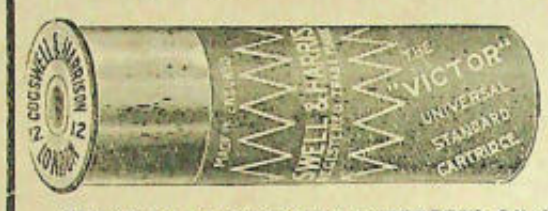

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SECONDED OFFICERS AND THE BURMA BATTALIONS POLO TOURNAMENT.

AT the recent Burma Battalions inter-regimental polo tournament, a full description of which will be found elsewhere in our columns, the most pronounced topic of discussion was, whether seconded officers should be eligible to play for their respective regiments, or whether they should be debarred from entry. The bone of contention proved to be one which produced many diversified opinions. Some members of the Burma Battalions Polo Association maintained that seconded officers should undoubtedly be given a footing, whilst others asserted that it should be confined entirely to those officers actually doing duty at the time with their regiments. The entries for the tournament produced five teams. Out of these Battalions the 93rd Burma Infantry possess no seconded officers, and in consequence the team was composed solely of officers with the regiment. Of the remaining four teams, the 72nd claimed the services of an officer in the Burma Military Police, whilst the 90th and 92nd were each playing one member from the Police and another who has obtained civil employ in the Burma Commission. The 1/10th Gurkhas have no polo-playing seconded officers, so their team also comprised a choice of those at Head-Quarters only. Those regiments that have no seconded officers on their books, we think quite justly, point out that those that have gain a distinct advantage, for nowadays the places of those seconded do not remain vacant, but are promptly filled up. As a result of this the regiments, some of the officers of which have found employment in outside billets, have a larger total from which to elect their teams. The arguments in favour of the admission of seconded officers in teams would seem to be that were such not eligible several regiments could not raise four players, and that in consequence the tournament, if not completely, would very nearly fall through.

Let us take a perspective of the situation. In the 90th to our certain knowledge there are several polo players, the 72nd could have easily substituted an officer in place of the seconded one whom they claimed from the Military Police. Of the 92nd we have no authentic facts. There can be no gainsaying the knowledge that had the 90th been obliged to exclude their two seconded officers they would not have won the tournament by a very large margin, and the 72nd would have been immeasurably weaker, but the question *pro* and *con* the discussion is certainly not whether regiments can put in strong combinations, but whether they will be able to compete at all. We have pretty conclusively demonstrated that as far as this recently contested fixture is concerned two out of the three battalions could have placed four players in the field without having to fall back on the services of those employed in perfectly separate departments. Let us examine the case of Military Police officers. Their tenure of office, and period of absence from military duty usually extends to five years and may be prolongated to seven. If such are allowed entry year after year, there is very little inducement held out for the younger generation to attempt to make themselves expert in the game, for their chances of ousting the seconded officer are very few.

Now from every point of view this state of affairs is most undesirable. If a regiment wants to excel in polo the junior officers *must* receive every encouragement to make the game a hobby, and to take it up in real earnest, instead of in a half-hearted, station-game, fashion. Regimental teams at polo have one great advantage, putting accidents on one side, the movements of every officer are known for a practical certainty for the ensuing twelve months. Is there any definite obstacle to prevent any one of the Burma Battalions deciding at this moment the composition of their team for the tournament in January 1908, taking care, of course, to embrace two substitutes. Let us imagine that there are two junior subalterns who are both anxious to represent their Battalion. If they were given to understand now that the downing in January next of the Regimental polo team colours depended entirely on the progress each individually made during the next nine months, we think that the keenness of competition would be engendered. Yet it so happened this year that within 48 hours of the first match a telegram had to be despatched to Simla to ascertain whether an officer was eligible to play or otherwise! That a Regiment had not decided within a couple of days of an important tournament the composition of its team would seem incredible, yet this statement is correct. Furthermore is there any tangible reason to prevent a regimental team, provided it is restricted to officers serving with the regiment, from playing together regularly. The Battalion that furnishes the detachment in the Andaman Islands, of course, labours under a disadvantage in this respect, but our argument holds good as far as the other regiments are concerned. We feel sure that Honorary Secretaries of Station Polo Clubs in places where Burma Battalions are located would have no objection to providing such teams with one chukker together, and we are equally certain that the majority of the other players would also welcome this introduction. The game against a team or with a team is of far more interest to all concerned than the hazardous scramble for possession of the ball, the subsequent leech-like voracity with which the player sticks to it regardless of all combination, and the final belt into space, when an opponent is approaching, without the slightest heed as to the locality of the goal-posts. This is too well-known a feature of station polo to require description. The Captain of the regimental team would have, if the course we suggest were adopted, ample opportunity of coaching the other members, provided, of course, he is capable of doing so and of studying their play. He could point out errors in judgment and faulty strokes. Moreover, instruction coming from that direction would be much more readily digested, remembered and acted upon, than words, perhaps heated, and let slip during the excitement of the moment, by some player wholly unconnected with the regiment.

The difficulty expressed that if seconded officers are excluded from competition several teams would fall through is in our opinion not an insurmountable obstacle. If it were proved to the satisfaction of the Committee of the Burma Battalions Polo Association that it was quite impossible, without the aid of a seconded officer for a regiment to raise a team of any description, then that officer mi ht be permitted to play, but this concession would only have to be allowed after the fullest enquiry.

At a general meeting a question of such vital importance leads to much talk, and we all know that on such occasions much talk leads as a rule to nothing except perhaps to unpleasantnesses. We would therefore take this opportunity of opening our columns to those of our readers who are interested in this controversy. In this manner we hope that suggestions and arguments that have not yet been formulated may be given expression to and that the opinions set forth through the medium of our columns may lead to a satisfactory solution of this somewhat knotty problem.

THE B. P. A. A. SPORTS.

THE attention of athletes all over India is drawn to the announcement made by the Honorary Secretary of the Bengal Presidency Amateur Athletic Association, especially with reference to the closing date of entries for their forthcoming championship meeting—this year the closing date is fixed for Wednesday, the 20th February.

This meeting, now in its fifteenth year, is far and away the most important athletic gathering in India, and it is pleasant to reflect that the efforts of the executive continue to meet with a yearly response which cannot but advance the excellent objects for which the Association exists. No less than seven championship shields are offered.

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Besides the above, a sum of nearly Rs. 5,000 is allotted for handsome prizes and medals, and money is lavishly spent in making the meeting worthy of the position it holds, the executive wisely considering that the encouragement of sport should take precedence of the accumulation of funds.

We are in a position to say that entries are coming in steadily, and from distant parts of the country; but it is as well to be in good time, hence this reminder regarding the closing date. The Eden-Garden ground by the courtesy of the Calcutta C. C., is now available for training. Monday, the 4th. Competitors should note that they must not use the track before practice at the nets is over, and they must not repay the C. C. C.'s hospitality by walking or running over the cricket pitch.

Special Telegrams.

INTERNATIONAL RUGBY FOOTBALL.

(From Our Own Correspondent).

London, *Saturday, 2nd February 1907.*

SCOTLAND *vs.* WALES.

SCOTLAND beat Wales in the International Rugby Match by six points to three.

Previous Winners.

Scotland won 12, Wales 9, drawn 1.

1883	Scotland	3	0	Wales	1	0		
1884	Scotland	1	1	Wales	0	0		
1885	Scotland	0	0	Wales	0	0		
1886	Scotland	2	1	Wales	0	0		
1887	Scotland	4	8	Wales	0	0		
1888	Wales	0	1	Scotland	0	0		
1889	Scotland	0	2	Wales	0	0		
1890	Scotland	1	2	Wales	0	1		
1891	Scotland	3	6	Wales	0	0		
1892	Scotland	1	1	Wales	0	1		
1893	Wales	1	3	Scotland	0	0		
1894	Wales	1	1	Scotland	0	0		
1895	Scotland	1	0	Wales	1	0		
1896	Wales	0	2	Scotland	0	0		
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1900	Wales	0	4	Scotland	0	1		
1901	Scotland	3	1	Wales	1	1		
1902	Wales	1	3	Scotland	1	0		
1903	Scotland	1	1	Wales	0	0		
1904	Wales	1	4	Scotland	0	1		
1905	Wales	0	2	Scotland	0	1		
1906	Wales	0	3	Scotland	1	0		

Sporting Notes.

THE Civil Service Cup has again been lost and won. Lorette started at fifteens as the public followed the lead of the Galstaun and Dehra Dun stables in backing Circus Girl and Wal while another contingent went for the handsome Matin Bell. Lorette pulled off the good thing for the layers of odds by a short head while Robinson on Circus Girl could barely struggle home in front of the Cooch Behar pony, the verdict being a neck between second and third. Fraser, who rode the winner, had an afternoon out, scoring three times in all.

On the first day Robinson and Baichan notched a couple of winners apiece, but the event of the day was the collapse of Coin II. who was backed at 2 to 1 on in anticipation of another victory in the Cup.

The jump races fell to three horses well known at Tollygunge, Daphne, Wales, and Look Out; the last-named was reported very severely injured after his fall at the drop fence in the National, but he has recovered in time to recompense Mr. Charrington for his shaking and to give his owner one of those wins which have been going in his direction very frequently of late.

The original scheme for the new stands and paddocks on the Calcutta course will probably be carried out with very few alterations, the experience of the past season having more or less confirmed the ideas of the architects. When the third and middle stand is completed, the present club stand will be reserved throughout. If the newly proposed rules regarding "Stand Members" go through as anticipated, the club stand will still be well filled and a great deal of dissatisfaction done away with among that large circle of Calcutta race-goers who feel keenly their exclusion from the "front seats" while realizing that they are scarcely justified in asking for all the rights and powers of voting which belong to full members of an influential Racing Club.

As usual, at the end of the season, there are plenty of likely horses for sale in Calcutta, and with the heavy list of prize-money nowadays issued for the Monsoon Meetings, there should be buyers for anything that has shown good form during the cold weather. Lord Boyne, Trenayr, and Mallinyook are advertised while Mr. Bell has a very promising lot at Garden Reach; Botha, Bell Dhu, Dramatic, and Mount Dare amongst others. In the hunter class Mr. Pugh has two very nice mares in Manon and the pony Mistlebird which may be in the market as he is going home in March.

The entries for the Calcutta Extra Meeting on Saturday are quite satisfactory. The Lansdowne Plate has drawn twenty-six, of which Annamulloch is about the best performer, while there are eighteen in the six furlong Outram Plate, and eleven in the one mile and a quarter race, including Mr. S. Margrett's Spero. For the Hunters' races a fine entry of thirteen has been beaten up in each class, but a number of names look as if they had been given more for the entertainment of the handicapper than for real business.

Lord Harry's weight must, of course, be very crushing, and he will probably be reserved for his big engagement, a month hence, in the Paperchase Cup, for which he should be a very hot favourite. Of the others Tiritiri has great ancestry, and Trilby is said to be very speedy, but neither are in strong enough training to seem dangerous. Fred is a handsome little horse and in clever company, and may run well, but neither Fusilier nor Orphan Boy seem to have recovered their hard work in the Monsoons. Queen of Hearts, if nicely weighted, should carry plenty of money in this race.

The ponies are a very level lot with the exception of Branga and Mistlebird. Goodchap has been laid up since his fall at Tollygunge, but Zigzag is very hard and well. A very good-looking one in this party is The Result in Mr. Deakin's stable but the touts will know more about all these amateur race-horses than the majority of their owners before the winding-up gallops are half over. It is a good plan to back the favourites in these hunter races.

The first, and let us trust the last, serious accident of the paperchasing season befell Mr. Archy Birkmyre last Saturday morning, and he has suffered a great deal of pain and discomfort from the broken collarbone and bad bruises he sustained. His fine English hunter, Lady Fox, made a bad mistake, as the best of jumpers will sometimes, at the first hurdle, and turned completely over.

This fence, for no apparent reason, proved very disastrous, and it was here that Mr. Bell-Irving came to grief in the pony chase. When a good jumper falls, the owner and onlookers always try to find some excuse for his mistake and draw attention to difficulties, light, shadow, etc., which would never have occurred to them under happier circumstances. Such falls are really quite unaccountable just as it is impossible to give a logical reason for 90 per cent of the falls in a two-day steeplechase meeting occurring on one or other of the two days.

The Native Cavalry Polo Tournament, at Umballa, begins on Saturday.

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There is an excellent entry of sixty-five for the Grand National Steeplechase, now increased in value to three thousand pounds, and, as might have been expected, the unbeaten steeplechaser Hack Watch is engaged and will be very difficult to handicap out of the race. Two previous winners, Mr. Morrison's Drumcree and Prince Hatzfeldt's Ascetic's Silver, are also nominated, and the King can be represented by Flaxmon, who was a good horse once, but of whom nothing has been seen for two years. The favourite last year, John M.P., is again entered, but is no more likely to stay the course than he did then; among the other entries are Mr. Hannam's Cinders, who has been running so well this winter, Seisdon Prince, and the three which finished second, third, and fourth to Ascetic's Silver a year ago.

One of the most tragic and adventurous of the incidents of the late great storm in Scotland was the death of two gillies on the island of Pabba, off the outer coast of Harris. The two men put out on Christmas Day in a small boat, and owing to the terrible weather were taken out of their course, and eventually landed on this small island. For days their smoke signals were seen, but the rough state of the sea made it impossible to communicate with them; and when more than a week later, it was at last possible to reach the island, both men were found to have perished of exposure. A generation ago Pabba was inhabited by fisher families and used sometimes to be made the starting-point of a voyage to St. Kilda by adventurous tourists; but it has since become a typical "desert island" of the Atlantic, and no place for winter castaways.

It is a very obvious conclusion that when one is riding in an open-air vehicle smoking is not nearly so enjoyable as when indulged in under ordinary conditions writes *The Field*. It is very difficult to make a cigar burn evenly and steadily in a motor-car, as often the draught will catch it more on one side than another, while, too, the sense of taste seems somewhat impaired, because the smoker draws harder than usual in the attempt to keep it alight. The cigarette is generally quite useless for smoking in such a case at a fair speed, as it is blown right out of the smoker's mouth, sometimes tearing the skin of his lips in its hurried departure, while the ash from it is blown backwards into his face or those of the passengers behind him. For this reason the attention and ingenuity of many have been directed towards a solution of this problem, so that, by means of a shield or some similar device, the pipe or cigar may be smoked at a normal rate and with as much comfort and enjoyment as at any other time. Owing to the wind pressure causing most smokers to draw harder, an evil has crept in here. As a rule, medical men are agreed that it is less harmful to smoke a good deal in the open air than indoors, yet, on the other hand, as the cigar or pipe lasts a shorter time on a car, it generally follows that more tobacco is smoked in a given period when motoring than at any other time. There are some who prefer not to smoke at all in an open motor vehicle, maintaining that they cannot get sufficient enjoyment out of the practice under these conditions. A medical man has just been experimenting in this connection, and found that the effect of tobacco in an appreciable quantity was to accelerate the action of the heart. In moderation this is harmless, but even then there are few smokers who realise what the exact effect is. One cigar was smoked after dinner when the heart was beating at 82 per minute. The cigar lasted forty minutes, after which the pulse was again tested, and the rate per minute was 120, an increase of thirty-eight beats in the minute. Next evening, when the heart was beating normally again, a run was taken on a fast open motor-car, and the experimenter sat on the front seat by the driver. He smoked again for forty minutes, in which time he had consumed two cigars and a third part of another. On testing the heart a further acceleration of fifteen beats per minute was noticed, while there was apparent a slight irregularity as well, and in addition the state of mind was not nearly so restful nor the sense of enjoyment so strong. Another case, which occupied four weeks in the experiment, showed, after continuous daily smoking while motoring for this period, such a bad effect as to necessitate complete abstention from this practice for a period of three months. It is always advisable, therefore, to smoke as little as posssble under these circumstances; otherwise the undoubted benefits derived from motoring will be annulled and the car erroneously blamed.

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The prospectus of the Lahore Spring Meeting is published in our issue of date.

The advertisement in our Sporting Columns regarding the sport and gay doings to be held concurrently with the Jorhat Race Meeting will interest a good many of our readers.

Judging by ancient chronicles, England was a most wonderful game preserve some hundreds of years ago. Here is an account of an archiepiscopal banquet described by Father Fuller in his "Church History." George Nevill, brother of the great Earl of Warwick, was being installed into the Archbishopric of York, and, in accordance with the practice of the times, gave a big feast to all the nobility and many of the principal clergy and big landowners. At this prodigious banquet there were provided three hundred quarters of wheat, three hundred and thirty tons of ale, one hundred and four tons of wine, one pipe of spiced wine, eighty fat oxen, six wild bulls, one thousand and four wethers, three hundred calves, three thousand geese, three thousand capons, three hundred pigs, one hundred peacocks, two hundred cranes, two hundred kids, two thousand chickens, four thousand pigeons, four thousand rabbits, two hundred and four bitterns, four thousand ducks, two hundred pheasants, five hundred partridges, four thousand woodcocks, four hundred plovers, one hundred curlews, one hundred quails, one thousand egrets, two hundred roes, above four hundred bucks, does, and roebucks, one thousand five hundred and six hot venison pasties, four thousand cold venison pasties, one thousand dishes of jelly parted, four thousand dishes of plain jelly, four thousand cold custards, two thousand hot custards, three hundred pike, three hundred bream, eight seals, four porpoises, and four hundred tarts. At this feast the Earl of Warwick was steward, the Earl of Bedford treasurer, the Lord of Hastings controller, with many more noble officers; servitors, one thousand; cooks, sixty-two; kitcheners, five hundred and fifteen. Just imagine what this meant in those far-away times, when no game was shot with a gun, but had to be secured by crossbows, longbows, nets, springes, and trapping. Glance at the items, "Two hundred and four bitterns, four thousand woodcocks, one thousand egrets, three hundred pike." Bear in mind all this stock of game had to be caught within a few days, and it was bound to be got locally, as there was no rapid delivery nor any cold stores in those days. Game must have abounded and fish and fowl were ready for any man's hand.

The Rawalpindi Dog Show is fixed for the 20th March and, at present, Captain Martin, the well-known Scottish terrier exhibitor, is at the helm.

Chamois hunting in the Alps and Pyrenees, except to the favoured few, is all but a thing of the past. In places where little bands of ten or fifteen head of this European mountain antelope were formerly to be found, it is impossible at the present time to come across one. Yet when we go to Switzerland we can still buy various fancy articles made of chamois horns as souvenirs of the Alpine village where we have been passing some happy weeks. A Swiss correspondent has explained this seeming anomaly by stating that in most cases the chamois horn of commerce never grew on the chamoi's head, but was manufactured on the turner's lathe to meet a continual demand. The chamois, or isard, as it is called in the Pyrenees, is the only native antelope of Western Europe; in addition to the above mountains, it is found also in the mountains of the Abruzzi, in Greece, in the Carpathians, and in the Caucasus. About the size of an ordinary goat, it is covered with long grey hair, the shade of which varies with the season of the year; its head and neck are of a much lighter colour, the face being white. It makes its home on the confines of perpetual snow—never deeming itself safe nearer the abodes of man—whence it descends during the day to the pine woods and more open grounds to browse on the young shoots of the firs, on Alpine roses, and other mountain plants. In winter-time it feeds on mosses and lichens. During the greater part of the year the males live solitary lives, and it is only in autumn that they join the herds of females and young ones. Once collected together they become very pugnacious, often joining in deadly combat with a rival on the very brink of a precipice, the vanquished frequently being hurled head-long to destruction. Then for a short period each couple separates from the others, but by Christmas the females once more collect together, leaving their

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partners to solitary bliss. The young are born in April or May. Chamounix was formerly one of the great centres for chamois hunting, and Saussure, the writer, tells us that so ardently were the men of the district attached to this kind of sport, notwithstanding its perilous nature, that it was no uncommon thing in families for all the men to lose their lives while in pursuit of this quarry. He relates that one hunter assured him that both his father and grandfather had met their doom in this manner, and such was the fascination of the difficulties and dangers involved by following the game to the most inaccessible mountain fastnesses, that he had but little doubt he would perish in like manner—a prophecy a year or two later fulfilled to the letter.

In connection with what we have written and quoted, the views of the *Kynoch Journal* on the recent prohibition of certain arms into India will be interesting to all who are affected thereby: we reproduce the remarks of our contemporary in our Shooting Columns.

The amount received at the entrance gates to the Calcutta race course on Saturday, 26th January, was Rs. 7,975-12-0; this comfortable sum the Calcutta Turf Club very generously handed over to Her Excellency Lady Minto as a donation towards the funds of the fête.

Englishmen pride themselves, and generally with some reason, on their humanity towards animals, remarks a London paper, but there is little sign of any such national trait in the traffic in worn-out and miserable horses, which are exported from London, Hull, and other ports to be sold as food in Belgium. The repulsive scenes when these wretched animals are landed on the quays at Antwerp in a half-dead state have again lately called forth protest and appeals from Englishmen in that city. There is no doubt that the traffic is one of which the English people ought to be by no means less ashamed because its worst features are seen beyond our own borders. It is impossible for foreigners to be much impressed with the sincerity of the English efforts to found societies for the prevention of cruelty to animals in their midst, when every week England inflicts on its worn-out horses the final misery of a North Sea passage and a death in a foreign knacker's yard!

Signs of the big meeting are making themselves very evident, writes our Bombay correspondent, and on Saturday, with those who have arrived from Calcutta, the Paddock looked quite busy. Watson was first to come with the Hon'ble Mr. Apcar's string and it is with great satisfaction we note the entry of the Viceroy's Cup winner. Ferguson, with Mr. Galstaun's string, has brought the promising jockey, his son, who had several mounts during the day. Taylor has come with Messrs. Dartmoor and De Soysa's, and Bleach has all his charges including his own Clear Artist who, however, is suffering from the injury to his hock he suffered in the Cup race.

Two new lads have arrived from Australia whose names should be well known, J. Trenoweth and W. H. Ross, the former from the Hon'ble Mr. Saunders' stable and the latter Mr. Scobie's. They were both riding on Saturday and others down from your parts were Melsom and Vining.

Lucky Shot, who gave way to Caroon in the Stable fancy last week, scored a very easy win in the first of the Beginners' Consolation Plates and was followed by Sirree who still fails to stay. Liberal continues to disappoint after being all the rage when the new ponies were first spoken of. The second saw Salanic win very comfortably at nice odds, Rackhan, who does not like the bend at all, was made a warm favourite, but at no part of the journey did he flatter. Mirdas at the bend dashed right out on to the tan where Vining got him going and, had he kept to the course, would have troubled the winner.

The Bandora Plate left punters in doubt about Mudlool, Ashroff, and Vedas, the first two eventually going out favourites at 5 to 2. Whether the stable were trying something new with Vedas or whether the others hung on to him I do not know but it was a furlong before he took the lead and then only by a length. At the bend Ashroff caught him, going very easy followed by Mudlool and the finish was a farce. Ames eased Vedas though I doubt if he could have beaten Osborne. It strikes me that those seven furlong trials have taken a bit of the brilliancy out of him.

The nine furlong Andheri Plate was a game run by Eed on whom Heeroo rode a very nice race. He came up to Bandit, who had led till then nicely within himself, at the distance and soon had him beat to the satisfaction of onlookers. There was a run on Ajax in the ring and had he come earlier he would certainly have secured a place, gamely as Mukhool stuck it out.

Though only just arrived from Calcutta, Presbyterian looked in fine trim and was steadily backed whenever anything over evens was offered. A great rush came on Vocalist but he could not shake the confidence on the chestnut. He made the running to the bend where the race was the favourite's. On rounding Vocalist went wide and Ames like a flash jumped in on the rails on Balayeuse and Presbyterian came across on to the rails. Vocalist bumped Balayeuse badly, the mare, however, soon got going again and staved off Harpist's late run. Many expected an objection and Vining came in for some examination but Ames declared the cross to have been at a distance of quite two lengths.

Running into a good fourth coming late last week Kalee Charan, with Melsom up, won the New Comers' Consolation in a common canter. Krushan and Maftakhar were backed on reported gallops, the latter ran nowhere but the former who was favourite was well up till the distance told on him. For the Vehar Plate, Plassey was well backed and had Gaucho and the rest beat at the bend though Heeroo used the whip from there onwards. Zurriff, after a sharp burst at the start, came again gamely and justified place support.

The last race, the third of the Beginners' Consolations, was an upset, the favourite, Toy, never showing up.

The Bombay Gymkhana cricketers had another very easy win on their ground against the R. I. M. Dockyard. Going in first the Dockyard found Coombs troublesome and were all dismissed for 170. Commander Wilson played a good innings of 31, Kapadia 25, Dandekar 22, Hallett 15, and Janardon 12. Coombs took 5 wickets for 40, Stileman 2 for 57.

On the Gymkhana going in Major Wigram gave a grand display of sound and free cricket, hitting all over the field and when stumps were drawn had completed his century, 105. Cecil Burns was first in and put up 38, the first wicket falling for 85. Monteath followed and after a pretty knock of 28 the opposing total was passed 189 for one wicket and left the Gymkhana handsome winners by nine wickets.

The Bombay Hounds on the 27th had a long run with a satisfactory ending. A good field met them at Parla. Hunting fast to Sahar and across the Andheri Road and after a check, to the Marole caves. Here they went through some thick jungle but hounds were not to be put off and after going over the hill pulled him down in the open in full view after an excellent run.

On the 31st Hounds met at Santa Cruz and after two very fast runs, effected two kills. First a jack was put up that made straight across the Andheri Road and towards the Pipe but after a run in the open was brought down. Another was put up by the Pipe and over some tricky ground doubled back to the original meeting place. Had the pack not been so close on him, he would probably have crossed the line but they rolled him over as he turned.

With the conclusion of the Handicap at Pyrke's Billiard Saloon which was won by Mr. Johnson (+30) from Mr. Asper (+30) by 50 in the game of 250 up, the Amateur Championship comes up for consultation. The winner will have to play Mr. Pyrke for the Cup and the drawings for the first round which has to be played off by the 14th instant are as follows:—

Mr. Sawle, Bye, Mr. Murray *vs.* Mr. Edmonds, Mr. Hargreaves *vs.* Mr. Gray, Mr. Meyer *vs.* Mr. Binning, Mr. Louth *vs.* Mr. Muir, Mr. P. Fisher, Bye, Mr. Carnall *vs.* Mr. Avery.

I learn with regret that, owing to a sad bereavement, Mr. Meyer will scratch.

The proposal to have a fourth day's racing at Lucknow has fallen through for lack of sufficient support.

Athletic Notes.

THE Poona Boxing Tournament will be held between the 22nd and 27th April and Captain H. K. Umfreville is Honorary Secretary. Last year's programme will be followed in most respects; but there is to be a special attraction in the shape of the competition for the heavy weight championship of India which has remained undecided since the departure for fresh fields of that persistent person "Tiger" Smith whose clamorous attempts to get on a match with Moir have lately been causing amusement in English boxing circles.

The late Mr. William Whiteley made many large bequests for all sorts of good purposes, among them £5,000 for the promotion of football, cricket, rowing, and swimming;—a generous and useful bequest indeed.

At the annual general meeting of the Calcutta Rowing Club the following officials were elected for the current year:—*President*—Mr. F. G. Dumayne; *Vice-President*—Mr. C. W. N. Graham; *Captain*—Mr. F. E. H. Power; *Honorary Secretary and Treasurer*—Mr. W. S. Burke; *Committee*—Messrs. J. A. Tassie, J. M. LeCocq, C. W. H. Taylor and A. P. Cameron.

The annual Athletic Sports of the United Club, Howrah, take place on Saturday, 16th instant, entries closing on the 9th. Our sympathy and admiration we respectfully tender to Mr. G. Ribbins—he continues to be Honorary Secretary.

One of the biggest treats for us personally at the Minto Fête was the tug-of-war final between the Wiltshires and the "gay Gordons." It was a real good pull, though as an old tug-of-warsman we were confident of the issue from the moment they took the strain: the Wiltshires pulled in better style and got much more *back* work on the rope and, maintaining their form to the end, won handsomely after a pull of nearly 5 minutes. As the holders of the Apcar Challenge Shield they will put in appearance at the forthcoming meeting of the Bengal Presidency Amateur Athletic Association and will, doubtless, render a good account of themselves: other teams so far entered are the gunners from Rawalpindi and the "Fighting Fifth" now in Fort William. Half a dozen entries are expected.

The following were the awards in the Minto Show Motor Exhibition:—

Judges:—His Grace the Duke of Manchester, Mr. C. J. Stevenson Moore, I.C.S., and Mr. Oldbury Burne, P.W.D.

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In the Minto Fête Football Tournament last week the Royal Scots beat the East Surreys by 4 goals to 2. There was a miserable attendance to look on at what was quite a good game. The Manchesters defeated the Glosters by 2 goals to *nil*.

The semi-final match in the Minto Fête Football Tournament between the Royal Scots and the Manchesters was played before the biggest crowed that has yet assembled on the Dalhousie ground during the fête. It was a tough struggle from end to end, the Royal Scots just winning by a goal to *nil*.

It will probably be of interest to cricketers who know how the game is ordinarily played in South Africa to learn that the South African Cricket Association has decided to raise the height of the stumps by a quarter of an inch. Hitherto the wickets have been 27 inches out of the ground, and the bails had not to project more than one inch above them. "Umpire," the cricket critic of the *Natal Mercury*, points out that bowlers had not had 27½ inches of wicket to bowl at, as the surface of the matting had been quite a quarter of an inch above the foot of the stumps.

Concerning Indian cricket, Lord Harris remarked in a recent interview to a home paper :—"It has improved, undoubtedly, since I was out there. It has been taken up far more in schools and colleges than it was ten or fifteen years ago, for it is now generally recognised that it is better for boys in their leisure to be in evidence, as in cricket, than idling or mis-spending their time. Indians have a good eye and rather long arms, but do not possess the patience and resolution of the Anglo-Saxon. They are very easily excited, and what always militates against sending their best team over here is caste custom, caste prejudice, and racial prejudice."

A general meeting of the representatives of Clubs affiliated to the Indian Football Association will be held to-day at 7 P.M., at the Y.M.C.A. Hall, 25, Chowringhee, to elect the office-bearers of the above Association.

The final tie for the Madras Rugby Cup, which had ended in a drawn game between the Calcutta F.C. and West Ridings Regiment last September, was replayed on the Minto Fete Football ground on Tuesday evening. It was a well contested match but the soldiers were superior on the day's play and scored a win by 12 points to 3. They attacked all through the first half. Morris dropped a splendid goal and McCormick got over with a try which Hylands converted. Calcutta improved when they changed ends and had as much of the play as their opponents. Harty crossed the line with Calcutta's only try, Arthur just failing to convert. But before the whistle for "no side" Lieutenant Liddle got over for the Dukes, the attempt to majorise failing. The West Ridings thus won by 2 goals (1 dropped) and 1 try to 1 try.

London Week by Week.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

Friday, 18th January 1907.

HIS MAJESTY has notified his intention of opening Parliament in person, the Queen also taking part in the function. The King has also promised to open the New Bailey Courts as soon as they are ready : the speech for the occasion would, I imagine, tax even the resourceful tact of the first Diplomatist. His Majesty presided on Saturday at the Duke of Abruzzi's lecture describing the ascent of Ruwenzori : the occasion was too great for the theatre of the Geographical Society and not great enough to require the Albert Hall : the result was that Queen's Hall was rather inconveniently crowded —either to hear a remarkably interesting and well delivered account of an hazardous enterprise or because this was the first occasion on which the King has been present at a meeting of the Geographical since his accession.

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Without doubt you know as much about the Jamaica earthquake as we do and probably have been spared the sensational and contradictory reports which have flooded the papers the last few days. Mr. Henniker Heaton's long message to the *Times* this morning gives the reliable account of one eyewitness ; but it cannot be possible yet to take stock of the situation generally and give even an approximate estimate of the loss of life and damage done. No two telegrams give the same account, which is only to be expected. The only thing that is clear is that help is needed, and by result a Mansion House Fund has been opened, the King, Queen and Prince of Wales leading the way with even more than their usual liberality.

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Mr. Haldane's new plan of Army Organisation was given to the world on Monday. Soldiers generally appear to think well of it, holding the method of grouping by Divisions more suitable and handier than the Army Corps arrangement. Those who know detect in the new arrangement the hands of General Douglas Haig. It is admitted that the new organisation is only a framework. The Secretary for War has yet to reveal to us the sources whence he proposes to obtain the men for his purpose, and his guarded utterances at volunteer functions have only served to stimulate curiosity concerning his intentions with reference to the auxiliary forces. We know the volunteers are to be asked "to accept higher training," but no more. The idea among soldiers is that the auxiliary forces will be utilised on lines of communication, the regulars doing the work in front : and though soldiers approve this as a general scheme, how, the mere looker-on enquires, will the volunteer regard the prospect ? The patriotic volunteer who seeks active service wants to see the fun. I mean wants to use his rifle in defence of King and country—and duty on lines of communication is apt to be dull. We cannot hope to have always an obliging foe like the Boer who made a point of giving the troops on lines of communication frequent fun for their money. I would volunteer with enthusiasm for the fighting line ; but if I were to see the fun only per telegram—I would as soon stay at home and do it.

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With the advent of Mr. Haldane's new grouping plan—the soldiers decline to call it an "Army Scheme," appears the new National Defence Association with a number of distinguished names on its committee. The N. D. A.'s programme is at once modest and ambitious : modest because it does not aim too high, ambitious because it aims at the exceedingly desirable but not probable. Here is its programme :—

The objects of the association are :—(*a*) To assist, by the action of its members, in the maintenance and co-ordination of the land forces adequate to the needs of the Empire. (*b*) To support such expenditure upon the land forces as the security of the Empire necessitates. (*c*) To promote continuity in our military policy, and to assist in removing military questions from the arena of party politics.

Object (*c*) is the one that impresses me as ambitious. If it could only be achieved ! But then how many, many are the great subjects which should be rescued from that same arena of wilful distortion, cant and folly.

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Dr. Haig Brown, of Charterhouse, was one of the great headmasters of his time, and deserves all the eulogia that have been poured out upon his grave. One never knew a Carthusian, young or old, who spoke otherwise than with respect of Dr. Haig Brown : small boys held him in wholesome awe ; big ones in respectful admiration ; old boys in the esteem and affection which comes of mental vision sharpened by contact with the world. He never appeared to greater advantage than when fighting the battle of removal from the purlieus of Smithfield to Godalming : with sincere veneration for old traditions he was far too wise to make them paramount in so momentous a matter : and he worked for the removal as earnestly as though he would turn his back on the old place without a pang. His death at the old Charterhouse was thus curiously—almost dramatically—appropriate.

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Inasmuch as the Sovereign sent to their relatives the Victoria Cross which would have been awarded men killed in performing acts of valour during the last South African War, it is only consistent that the Crosses won by men who did not survive to wear them in former wars, should be sent to their relatives. Tuesday's *Gazette* contained a list of six officers and men who were killed in the act of distinguishing themselves in the Mutiny and in the South African Wars of 1879 and 1897 and in the Swat Valley business of 1897. The representatives of Private E. Spence, 42nd, Mr. E. A. Lisle Phillipps, 11th B. N. I., Messrs. Melvill and Coghill, of the 24th, Trooper Baxter, of the Buluwayo F. F., and Mr. H. L. Stewart Maclean, I.S.C., receive the Crosses.

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The *Times*, never pausing in its gigantic Book labours, pats itself on the head this week for that Messrs. Chatto and Windus have announced their intention of publishing this spring novels at two and six instead of six shillings. It is not a very

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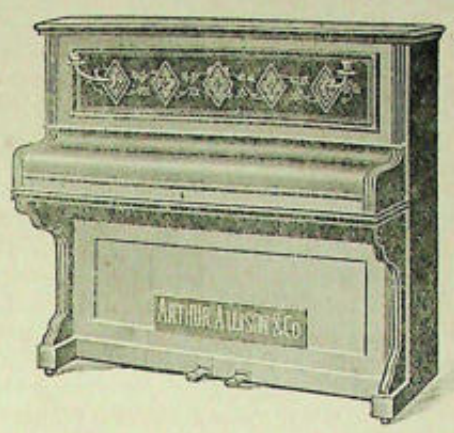

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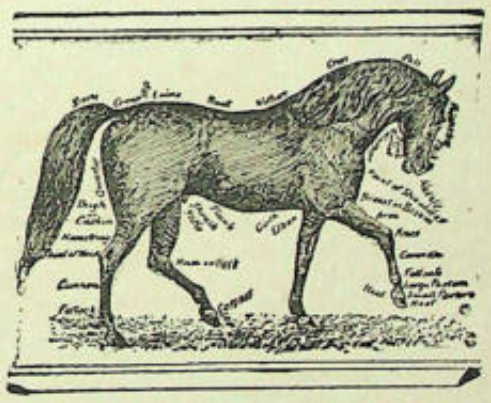

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big crop of first fruits, as the *Times* remarks in the opening lines of a column-long leader : indeed the old-fashioned *Times* reader asks himself if the occasion is one that requires a leader. If the movement spreads it should check the over-production of indifferent novels, but I do not know whether this would be a national benefit : compositors and binders would not think so, and they are really the people most interested. By the way, have you read "Signs of the Times or the Hustler's Almanac for 1907," by the authors of "Wisdom While You Wait"? If not, do so : it is every whit as clever and humorous as their first venture.

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The New Workmen's Compensation Act, providing as it does that employers are liable for the consequences of accidents to domestic servants, is giving masters and mistresses, especially mistresses, furiously to think. The Insurance Companies have risen to the occasion, and before the Act comes into force on 1st July next, every one will be able to insure servants against accident, fatal or insignificant, for a nominal sum. Servant insurance is a business which must be conducted with a good deal of elasticity when people are often obliged to change maids about once a quarter, if not oftener. An active and discerning Agent informs me that his company will get over the difficulty by issuing policies for so many servants, without regard to name, until an accident occurs when the name will be recorded : a very necessary precaution against blackmailers.

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"Lady Huntworth's Experiment" has been very successfully revived at the Haymarket. It is admirably played with Miss Compton in the name part, Mr. Charles Hawkey as Captain Dorvaston, Mr. Weedon Grossmith as Mr. Crayll and Miss Polly Emery as Keziah. Mr. Fred Lewis took the part of the vicar at short notice, Mr. Henry Kemble being ill, and gave a capital reading of the unctuous parson through whose clerical manner human nature now and then appears. I do not know that I like Mr. Grossmith's Crayll (otherwise Lord Huntworth) as well as I did Mr. Dion Boucicault's : Mr. Grossmith makes him at once repulsive and grotesque. Mr. Boucicault gave him—what I take it he would have—something of the air of a man decently well bred.

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"Her Grace the Reformer," a curtain-raiser by Mrs. De la Pasture is a bit thin, and has too much of the knock-about farce to suit the tastes of some of us. The Duchess of Berlescombe is surprised at night by a burglar who proposes to give practical application to her grace's platform principles by helping himself to her jewelry. He is collared by the Duchess's secretary, but escapes leaving the secretary to be arrested by a preposterous groom of the chambers, though these two half an hour (stage time) before had been members of the audience of five compelled to listen while the Duchess rehearsed her speech for to-morrow. A weak play and not very well acted, but the gallery was immensely pleased with it.

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Mr. Cyril Maude's New Theatre, "The Play House," by Charing Cross station, will be opened on Monday, 28th instant. Mr. and Mrs. Cyril Maude are to open proceedings by speaking a prologue written by Mr. Bernard Shaw ; Madame Clara Butt is to sing the national anthem, and Mr. and Mrs. Seymour Hicks will sing a duet. "The Drums of Oude" and "Toddles" (170th performance) from the dramatic bill of fare, with "Sixes and Sevens" in which Mr. and Mrs. Boicheer will take part.

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Miss Ellen Terry left for America on Saturday ; her absence will deprive the Shakespeare Festival to be held at Stratford-on-Avon next April of an attraction.

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There is a boom in Zancigery. Maskelyne and Devant have introduced a clever thought transference turn, and the Nassaus at the Oxford Music Hall have also one which they call "mental telegraphy." The *pièce de resistance* at the Maskelyne show is a player called the "Magician's Heart" which is certainly one of the most baffling illusory performances I have ever seen. The beautiful princess is turned into a very ugly young woman and the magician, in full glare of the lights, suddenly restores her beauty. Another mysterious bit of necromancy occurs when a girl comes bothering the magician : he waves her away and she vanishes : vanishes while in our full view, close to the footlights and with no possible place of hiding near. It is a very uncanny performance.

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Much more impressive than the Maskelyne or Nassau "thought transference" turns, is the performance of "Svengali and Trilby," at the Hippodrome. They do not resemble du Maurier's characters, but their performance is very stimulating to the enquiring mind. Trilby presides at the piano on the stage and Svengali moves about among the audience. Anyone who likes whispers to him or gives him in writing the name of some opera, operetta or song, and Svengali, speaking no word one can hear, Trilby instantly plays a few bars from a song in the opera, or the song named singing in the language of the original. Old operas or new, Italian, German or English, grand or comic, did not matter : Trilby was equal to every occasion. So impressed was a man in the audience on the first night that he got up and offered £100 to any hospital if the Zancigs round the corner at the Alhambra could achieve the same feats. Meantime the Zancigs pursue their way. Suspicion attaching to the white coat Mr. Zancig used to wear he now appears in an ordinary black one : a few evenings ago some sceptic raised a question concerning Mrs. Zancig's glasses and was promptly floored by the performer's ready acceptance of the pair of blue goggles that sceptic had brought with him. People who have yielded to the Zancig spell show much ingenuity in providing unexpected objects : on Tuesday a man created more sensation among his neighbours than difficulty for the Zancigs by producing a small living snake. The most remarkable feat was Mrs. Zancig's prompt and correct repetition of a paragraph chosen at random from the pages of a novel by a member of the audience. This puts the "time signal" explanation quite out of court.

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Profitting by the example of the Kopoenick cobbler, Private Morgan of the Welch Fusiliers has been trying how far an enterprising Tommy can carry the *rôle* of an officer. When he went on furlough about Christmas time Morgan, who was an officer's servant, took his master's uniform, or so much of it as he required, and went to Stafford where he enjoyed himself after his own fashion ; which was to parade the town in uniform and pitch into any private whose appearance did not come up to his high ideal of smartness. He seems to have made himself a terror to slovenly Tommies for a while, but carrying the game too far was found out : and now this ambitious soldier-servant has to answer for "conduct prejudicial, etc.," and with being in possession of his master's uniform.

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Messrs. Kynock, the Birmingham ammunition manufacturers, announce the adoption of the metric system in their offices, the accepted English notation of money, weights and measures being retained for inter-communication with other firms. It will be interesting to know. how the novelty works out in practice : considerable saving of clerical labour is anticipated.

The Darracq Motor Company has accepted an order for 4,000 motor-cabs to be placed on the London streets ; and the first batch will appear very soon. The hackney motor-cab-man should thus be brought to his bearings in the matter of fares : you can rarely induce a motor-cab to leave the stand without a promise of much more than the statutory shilling. It may be that it is this new invasion which has induced the ordinary cabby to revise his views of the taxameter.

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Review.

THE ROYAL TOUR.*

A VERY interesting and delightful souvenir of the Royal Tour in India will be found in the pages of the handsome volume, profusely illustrated, published by the proprietors of the *Times of India*. The preface is written in the kindliest spirit by Sir Walter Lawrence, Bart., G. C. I. E., Chief of the Staff, and that experienced and popular journalist Mr. Stanley Reed, special correspondent of the *Times of India*, is responsible for the letter press. Than these gentlemen none are more qualified to write, intimately associated as they were with the Royal progress, from the first moment that the *Renown* arrived in Bombay Harbour to the last when the same vessel cast off from her moorings at Karachi, and their Royal Highnesses said good-bye to India. Throughout the exhaustive record of over five hundred pages, which include appendices and the Prince's shooting record, the details of the tour are given in the simplest directest way. There is no striving after effect, no highly coloured pictures, and yet the touch is no unsympathetic one, for the Royal couple—judging by this record—possess to perfection that happy gift with which the English nation may flatter itself the present reigning family are all blessed, of bringing their Staff thoroughly *en rapport* with themselves and their interest. The book is delicated by permission to their Royal Highnesses, and no doubt the special beautiful edition de luxe they were graciously pleased to except will hold a precious place amongst many other valuable souvenirs of a happy time fraught with pleasure to themselves and blessing to others. It opens with two remarkably good likenesses of the Prince and Princess, beautifully toned, on art paper, and the get up, printing, binding, etc., are all that can be desired. The only defect that strikes us, is perhaps an unavoidable one in this country, where we are unable to compete with the promptitude and despatch that characterises the production of books of this kind at home. We refer to the fact that the volume lies before us for review nearly a year after the completion of the tour. It will, however, be none the less an exceptable gift to friends at home—more specially to those who know their India, and can appreciate the skilful effort Mr. Reed has made to get below the surface of things, and an interesting souvenir to residents out here, while as a record for the future, should other Royal Tours be planned hereafter, it must prove an invaluable guide.

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Shikar.

A BEAR CHARGE.

THE fact that some sportsmen have stated that a bear does not charge when wounded, has induced me to record the following account of the experience I for one have had of a charge which might have ended a good deal worse than it did.

It was in the month of August, and some four marches into the heart of the Himalayas from the nearest hill station, that the incident took place. I was in charge of some extensive timber felling work at the time, having quite a respectable colony of sawyers and carriers under me to keep in order, and look after. In me were combined the duties of judge, surgeon, physician, and superintendent ; and in addition to these duties it was incumbent on me to rid the forest of as many bears as possible to keep the men from running away. The Himalayan black bear is an artful dodger, with a keen sense of humour, and a large appetite. These qualities make him painfully annoying when work has to be done in the jungle, for he takes no heed of the presence of man if food is to be found near his habitation, knowing full well that he has nothing to fear from the unarmed Pahari, and that his mere presence will leave the coast clear for his repast. True, the villagers light fires near their fields and throw firebrands at him, and shout, but he merely laughs at their impotent rage, and choosing a time when they are fast asleep, tired of their vigil, he eats his fill and goes away chuckling. As for the sawyer, Bruin has only to show himself and he is monarch of all he surveys. This sort of thing had been going on for some time, and almost daily reports were brought to me of men bolting and refusing to return until the sahib had cleared the locality of vermin. Strange to say, up to this time I had not had the good fortune to come across a bear although there were many signs of his presence ; but then I suppose this only goes to prove the truth of the assertion that he is an artful dodger. A man with a gun, seeking whom he may devour, is a source of danger, and danger must be avoided, *ergo* keep out of his way. It therefore, behoved me to play him at his own game ; artifice was necessary. In the month of August the fruit of the Mora oak ripens and falls to the ground. There was a splendid grove of these trees on the top of a ridge close to my camp, and being fully aware of the fondness of the bear for this fruit it was only a question of time and opportunity to obtain a chance of a shot. The opportunity came one afternoon. There was a break in the rains after an incessant downpour of over a week, only too welcome after my enforced imprisonment in a forest inspection hut, so without losing any time Jogi was summoned, my faithful companion in many a ramble with rifle and shot. It did not take Jogi long to throw down his axe and change it for the rifle ; it was always a welcome change for him to go with the Sahib for a shoot and leave chopping wood for the camp to some other menial ; moreover, he was a keen sportsman. We made straight for the top of the hill disdaining to loose off at the pheasants we disturbed frequently. Somehow we felt we should bag nobler game this day. A little before arriving at the top of the ridge a smart shower came down from which we took shelter under an over hanging rock. It did not last long, however, and the sun came out again brighter than ever. The effect of the shower was to soften the leaves lying on the ground and nothing could have been more opportune. Knocking the ashes out of my pipe and putting it back in my pocket, we shouldered our guns, and once more set out for the Mora grove. The ridge was gained, along which there is a forest line running right through the grove we were making for. Giving instructions to Jogi to keep a sharp look out on one side of the line whilst I took the other, we proceeded noiselessly in this manner for a considerable distance, until a low whistle from behind brought me to a sudden halt. The forest here was composed of nothing but oaks, and the ridge being wide at this part and beautifully carpeted with turf, the effect was park-like. None of the branches grew lower than ten or twelve feet from the ground, so that any sudden movement meant instant detection by the quarry. From long experience I knew the valne of keeping still, and when I heard the whistle I waited for my man to come up to me. Another step and he whispered in my ear to look to the left. Turning my head slowly round I saw a black mass not fifty yards away, right out in the open under one of the trees, a bear utterly oblivious of our presence. Telling Jogi to sit down I took a tree between me and the bear, and gaining the stem peered cautiously round. There he was still feeding away, so close now that I feared to breathe. The bear has a keen sense of hearing, but his sight is comparatively poor. The shower had helped us, for the only sense that was of any use to the quarry now was a negligible quantity—the advance had been absolutely silent. Before firing I looked round to see whether Jogi was obeying his instructions, and it was well I did so ; his excitement had evidently carried him away since he had risen on his hands and knees, and had I not skaken

my fist at him there is no doubt he would in another second have shouted "*maro* Sahib, *maro*." To run no further risks I tapped the rifle significantly with my hand to show him what his fate would be if he moved again, and being satisfied that all was now right turned my attention to the object of our quest. The pantomime just described was a very short act, and, as the stem of the oak was broader than I, there was no fear of the bear seeing what I did. He was still there munching the luscious morsels, picking them up one by one in his right paw and filling his capacious maw; it seemed a pity to spoil his feast and I allowed him, like the condemned criminal, to have a good last feed.

After some time when it seemed as if the provender was getting scarce, I thought it high time to harden my heart and pull trigger, and the thought of this ruffian's pranks with my sawyers came to my aid Drawing a bead just over the region of his heart I pressed, at the same time stepping out from behind cover to fire the second barrel, if necessary, at his retreating form. The cloud of smoke obscured my vision and before it cleared away the bear had disappeared over the *khud* making a tremendous noise as he went Going up to the spot where he had been a few moments before we took up the trail, and after a few yards found blood. That was all right, so allowing him plenty of time to stiffen, I lit my pipe again before taking up the trail once more. Tracking was child's play. The rains had forced up the weeds on the *khud* side and his track showed up like a path far ahead of us. Following up as rapidly as possible we got to a point where the tracks grew fainter, and there being some cover ahead caution was now necessary. We peered into every bush, and hurled billets of wood at all likely places that would hold him, but receiving no response we proceeded. The going was by no means good here by reason of the steepness of the hill side, rendered slippery also by the shower. Getting through the cover, I was on one knee examining the ground for tracks leading out, and had just uncocked fearing to slip and let the rifle fall muzzle to stomach, besides there seemed no chance of the bear being anywhere near, as the next cover was some distance away. I had not reckoned with a small bush on the right, however, from behind which out came the beast in a manner which left no doubt of his intentions. This bush was only some ten yards away and on the same level as myself. Here was a predicament. I was on one knee rifle uncocked, and the bear charging straight on to me at top speed. It is curious how calm and collected one is on such occasions, a fact to which doubtless many who have had similar experiences will testify. The only thing that impressed me at the moment was the curious grunting noise the brute made and the manner of his charge, which was certainly nothing like the stories I had heard about the method usually employed, *viz.*: that bears get up on their hind legs. This bear came at me on all fours. Another thought which flashed through my mind was that it would be good now for all those who had dubbed the bear a coward to be present. Any how action was imperative. To cock the hammers, get off one knee and chuck the rifle up to the shoulder, draw a bead and fire, must have taken an incredibly short space of time when it is considered that the bear was only some ten yards off, and was probably doing his 100 yards in even time. The shot took effect, and I had the satisfaction of seeing him roll down the *khud* right into the nullah below, and after crashing through a bed of wild balsams in the nullah through which the momentum of his fall made a young tunnel, he was finally hitched up by a fallen log. This business only took a few seconds, but it will give some idea of the steepness of the hill when I saw it took us a good half hour to get down to him on account of the numerous crags which had to be circumvented, and the bad going. The life must have been crushed out of him, if life he had long before the log stopped——him poor brute! His pelt now adorns my room and makes a rare good rug to step on to getting out of bed these cold mornings.

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Fishing.

THE KING OF AMERICAN GAME FISHES.

BUILT like a torpedo, endowed with the greatest strength, pound for pound, of any creature that swims the sea, gifted with what seems at times to the tired angler an almost human brain, weighing anywhere from 90 to 700 pounds, the tuna of the Santa Barbara channel must be awarded the palm as the greatest game fish known to modern man.

No shark, tiger of the deep though he may be, is a match at fighting game, either in point of strength or of intelligent use of his powers, for the leaping tuna. As a separate species, the "leaping" tuna is, of course, a myth. It is the same fish which is known to the market fishermen of Naples and Solferino as the tunny, and to Atlantic sea goers as the horse mackerel. Out here on the west coast it has taken to itself the habit of leaping after the flying fish of which the greater part of its food is made up, and thence comes its local name.

The powers of endurance of this fish almost surpass belief, unless the angler has once gone against even a mediocre member of the tribe. Then he knows, and, knowing, has little respect left for all the fishes in the sea, no matter what their size.

After hours of the most terrific of fighting by skilled fishermen, the tuna, brought almost to gaff, will catch sight of the boat, mayhap notice the shadow of one of his enemies therein, and will dash away for two or three hundred yards at the top of his speed. Then the battle has to be fought all over again, and many are the anglers who have succumbed to the gruelling mill.

Nowhere but at Catalina and Coronado do the tuna take the hook. In the Mediterranean they are caught in huge nets of enormous strength; on the Atlantic I am told they are sometimes harpooned, more often taken in nets similar to those used by the Italian fishermen. Even trollers with hand lines, long the only method by which these huge fish could be taken on the west coast, have failed to get a single rise to their lure in the Atlantic and in the Mediterranean; fishing for these creatures for sport seems to be practictally unknown.

The tuna is a mackerel, typical of the tribe, but powerful out of all proportion to the small mackerel caught from wharves or from boats moored close inshore. The color is the same rainbow blend of blues and blacks and palest grays seen on the flanks of all the mackerel. The same vivid streaks of shimmering blue wander down the back, magnified many fold, while the fins and the white belly all add to the mackerel-like appearance. But it is the tail, powerful engine of propulsion and of grip on the water, in which the tuna differs from all other fish of this age.

Swinging in the arc of a crescent, such a tail as no other fish may boast, this mighty propeller turns out to end in two delicate tips slender and small, yet powerful to do the thing their master expects of them. And by nature the tuna is a living, breathing bundle of electric shocks. He travels like an exaggerated albicore, and all those who have ever fished inshore along the west coast know what that means.

The speed of the tuna under water has been variously estimated; in all probability any healthy tuna could leave the fastest motorboat at the post, certainly he can run away without trouble from any of the launches which carry fishermen to his haunts.

Tuna, as a rule, appear in the Santa Barbara Channel between the first and the fifteenth of May of each year. In some summers, however, they do not come to the channel at all, and all the lures offered them by anglers fail to draw one from the depths. Food supply is probably responsible for this condition of affairs, and not seismic disturbances under the sea as is commonly supposed.

June and July, however are the prime months for the tuna hunters. With the coming of August the big fish begin to decrease, and by the end of that month all have disappeared. Where they go the best ichthyologist in the world cannot tell you; it is supposed, however, that they seek warmer and deeper waters off more southern coasts. The flying fish do not go south; possibly there are hordes of them already in equatorial seas, in any event they are almost as plentiful around Avalon and the Magic Isle in winter as in summer.

Beginning with the coming of the tuna—the first of May to be a bit more exact—the Tuna Club of Avalon opens a free-for-all tournament, with prizes for catchers of other fish as well as the tuna. The first tuna of the season usually wins an elegant rod, of the type which long experience has proved the best for the purpose of landing the big fellows.

The result of this active competition for the prizes the club offers is that a fleet of launches is scouring the channel for a week before the tournament opens and for a week thereafter every day. By this time some one usually has landed the coveted prize for the season and there yet remains only the prize for the biggest tuna taken. The largest fish taken in the six years just prior to 1905 were as follows, together with the names of their captors:

1899—C. F. Holder, 183 pounds.
1900—C. P. Morehouse, 251 pounds (the world's record).
1901—F. S. Schenck, 158 pounds.
1902—J. F. Stearns, 197 pounds.
1903—Smith and Alden, fishing together, 94 pounds.
1904—A. W. Barrett, 131 pounds.

In 1905 no new record was set, as all the fish were so small as to be unworthy of niches in this piscatorial temple of fame. From the list given above, however, the wide range of this giant mackerel in point of size is plainly evident, and that Colonel Morehouse's record fish has stood so far unchallenged shows that the real monsters of the tribe do not come so close inshore as the smaller tuna.

In the articles of the aforesaid club a great deal of attention is paid to rods, lines, reels, hooks, and general tackle, so that no one of the contestants shall have any advantage over any other one of his fellow competitors. Among other things these articles declare:

"Rods must not be less than 6 feet 9 inches in length, the tip of which must not weigh more than 16 ounces. By tip is meant all that portion of the rod from the reel seat to the end of the rod. The line must not exceed twenty-four threads or strands and be capable of sustaining a dead weight of not more than 48 pounds. Every angler must bring his or her fish to gaff unaided, a broken rod, either before or after gaffing, disqualifies the angler. All fish must be brought to the club scales and weighed thereon. No allowance will be made for shrinkage. Tackle must be shown when the fish is weighed."

This rule, or rather these rules, are very rigidly enforced and the result is a contest which, even though one be no fisherman himself, is worth going miles to see.

Inasmuch as I am on the subject of tackle—and practically all the chances the angler has of landing a tuna, once he hooked him, rest with the tackle, I may be permitted to say a word regarding the hook and the leader. A 10-0 O'Shaugnessy hook is the one most commonly used, though any good hook of tarpon size and of standard make will serve the purpose equally well. The leader is either of brass chain of variable length or of piano wire. The writer prefers the latter as less liable to foul the line in some of the backward rushes for which this fish is famed, and as a trifle stronger and less liable to kink, which chains occasionally, though not often, do.

The line, of the size given above in the rules of the club, should be not less than 1,000 feet in length, sometimes much longer. The first rush of the tuna frequently will carry out as much as 600 feet of this line, sometimes his last rush, just as he comes in to the gaff, will be a third of this distance; in either event the angler must be ready with plenty of line.

The only bait—so the boatman will tell you—for the leaping tuna is the flying fish. But despite all this, tuna have been taken on smelt, though, because their food during the greater part of their stay in Catalina waters is flying fish, the best bait for them is this gauze-winged, misnamed creature of the deep.

To properly adjust the bait to the hook, no matter what lure is used, the barb should be run down the bait-fish's throat, turned inside, and the point brought to protrude a slight distance through the belly. Then the mouth of the fish is closed on the shank of the hook, and carefully wired so, the wire sometimes extending up to meet the chain or piano-wire leader, as a precaution against the bait coming off.

It is worthy of note that practically all the tuna caught this year (1906) were taken with smelt instead of flying fish. The big mackerel came into the little bay at Avalon in hordes—but alas for the anxious fishermen, all were comparatively small, few ranging above 75 pounds, and many below fifty. Most of these were albicore of one sort or another, and while there were dozens (possibly hundreds) of fish called "tuna" taken during the run, I very much doubt if a half dozen of the real tunnies were hooked.

Within the past five years seems there to have been an invasion of these big Japanese albicore, from across the Pacific, and while they satisfy the boatman and the man who knows nothing about the real, simon-pure tuna, their weak fighting is little sport to the trained tuna angler who has taken the real thing. They are not easily differentiated from the tuna, and most of them pass as tuna, though there are some very radical differences in fins, and, so I am told, in their internal structure.

The Japanese fish are much like the albicore except, of course, that they are larger, some of them rivaling the real tuna in point of weight. They are absolutely useless as food, and in small demand for bait Unlike the tuna, they do not appear in Channel waters when small, but presumably they are about the same fish then as is the ordinary in-shore albicore, bonita and skip jack.

In going after this fish as after no other, extra tackle is almost an absolute necessity if one expects to stay out long or to land more than one tuna. Usually not only two or three sets of lines and leaders are carried, but extra poles as well, for many times the dropping of a rod across the thwarts of the boat as the tuna breaks from the side for his last mad rush will result in a broken tip—and "tip" in the case of the regulation tuna rod, means all the rod above the reel seat, where the one joint in the rod is placed.

Probably the early morning is the best time to take tuna in Catalina waters, but when the regular runs are on, the fish may be seen jumping in all parts of the little bay and as far out in the open channel as the eye can reach. Guests at Avalon hotels can sit in their porch chairs, and with good marine glasses, watch many a battle royal which is taking place just outside the fringe of kelp tapestry that surrounds the Magic Isle.

Usually that is the first step in the making of the tourist angler; the second is a trip as the guest of some angler who does all the fishing while the man who is gradually acquiring the fever does nothing but watch. Then, when he gets back to the island, he goes down and fingers the catch of the day as it hangs on the rack for all to view. Next day he is getting a boatman of his own, and away he goes for the banks. Sometimes he gets the disease right. Then he buys all his own tackle, the best that money will provide—and pays about three prices for it to the island dealers—and goes out on his own hook.

Men whose business it is to sell you tackle, will tell you that to be perfectly sure of your fish you must put from $75 to $250 in tackle—and there are many sets of rods and reels and leaders which come to Avalon each year that are worth as much and cost more than the latter sum. But this is largely salesman's talk. A very good outfit can be had for $50; one which will do if the angler is careful for $30—but there are many reels alone which cost more than either of these figures.

Yet the fact remains that there is very little use going after this king of American game fishes with cheap and untrustworthy tackle. As long ago as 1895, Charles Frederick Holder, than whom no one has written more interestingly of Catalina and the Santa Barbara Channel, said:

"The tuna is the magnificent and mysterious fish of these waters (Catalina) attaining a length of five feet or more, and a weight of from 100 pounds upward. I have hooked but one in my experience, and the single rush took 300 feet of line and a part of the rod before I recovered. A tuna of the largest size—and I have seen one in the Atlantic that attained 1,000 pounds—has been known to stop a large sailboat in the Santa Catalina Channel, when hooked on a heavy hand line."

But this was eleven years ago and now-a-days hand-line fishing for tuna, or infact any other fish in the channel, has been given up unless it be by the few market fishermen that come over from the mainland. It is all rod and reel now and the game has developed a class of fishermen all

its own, wealthy men who do nothing but fish through all the tuna season and then return to their homes in the East and North to spend the remainder of the year in devising and making rods and tackle for their own use and the use of their friends.

I am not at liberty to give his name, but each tuna season there comes to Avaton a rich wagon-maker from the Middle East. With him he carries two or three trunks full of tackle. How many times he is a millionaire he won't tell, but he makes all his own rods, and leaders, just as he makes his own flies for his trouting trips into the North woods—not because he has to, but because he wants to.

He takes especial pride—this old-young fellow of fifty—in his rods, many of them made from one piece of hickory or ash that grow on his own farm back in the "States." All of his rods are made by hand, from wood seasoned in his factory, and cured by the best of known methods. Their resiliency is wonderful, and occasionally he remembers some friends with one that is practically priceless, for no such rods can be bought even at top prices from professional makers. He declares he was fifteen years learning to make a rod that would withstand the rushes even of the albicore and yellowtail, let alone the tuna, which he has since taken on his own make of rods. After all the fifteen years, having fished in Florida, along the gulf and in the salmon rivers of the North, he yields the palm to Catalina and the first prize for gameness to the tuna.

Among the tuna anglers of Catalina just now, however, there is a movement on looking to the abolition of the 16-ounce rods and the adoption of light—nine-ounce affairs, together with even lighter lines and leaders than those used heretofore. Several tuna of from 40 to 50 pounds weight have been taken under the new order of things on the nine-ounce rods but no one has as yet had the opportunity of trying them out against a record-size fish.

What the result will be is only conjecture, but it is probable that, up to a certain weight, the greater skill, coupled with the intelligence of the man will triumph over the undeveloped faculties of the fish, giant though it be.—STILL HUNTER. *In Western Field.*

Shooting.

THE IMPORTATION OF ARMS INTO INDIA.

ON the 15th July 1899, the Government of India issued an order prohibiting the importation into India of—

(1) Arms taking Government rifle or carbine ammunition whether of ·303, ·450 or ·577 calibre.

(2) Of ammunition which could be fired from Service rifles or carbines of these calibres.

It has been generally understood that the prohibition was framed to prevent the border tribes of India from obtaining large numbers of rifles and stocks of ammunition to enable them to carry on their tribal raids and campaigns against the Government of India.

If this were the case, the manufacturers of the prohibited arms and cartridges, and the workpeople employed in their manufacture, could have no cause to complain of this prohibition, whatever loss of employment it meant for them.

As a matter of fact, however, the manufacturers concerned have continually and emphatically denied that the arms of these calibres imported into India by private firms or supplied for the Persian Gulf market found their way into the hands of the border tribes. On the contrary, they have affirmed that the war materials obtained by these tribes have been acquired either by theft of the complete rifles and ammunition from the Government arsenals and regiments on service in India, or by obtaining the component parts of rifles ordered to be broken up by the Government, but which, in fact, were so improperly destroyed that native artisans were able to repair and sell them to the belligerents in question.

From the 15th July 1899, to now, the Government have brought forward no evidence to show that their view was correct; on the other hand, there has been a great deal of evidence, much of it given in the English Law Courts, to support the view of the manufacturers.

The authoritative statement made by the Central News Agency, dated Calcutta, 8th February 1898 and the special report which the authorities of the Government Arsenal at Rawalpindi were called upon to furnish upon arms captured or surrendered in the Mohmund and Malakand Expeditions, reveal an extraordinary state of things. It was proved that with the exception of only 13 weapons, all the rifles obtained from these tribes were either stolen from our regiments in India or were re-constructed locally from component parts of Indian Government rifles which were supposed to have been destroyed in accordance with the standing regulations.

The Government have not been able to bring forward any evidence to support their views, nor have they attempted to deny the statements of the English merchants, manufacturers and workpeople formerly engaged in the trade.

Intimately connected with the prohibition was the notorious seizure of arm sin the Persian Gulf in January, 1898.

This action was equally unjustifiable, and has been equally unjustified by the Government. This act was very serious in its consequences to British trade, as may be recognised when it is stated that in 1897 the value of British shipments of arms and ammunition to the Persian Gulf was rather more than £105,000. It has been conclusively shown that the importation of all these arms, although officially prohibited by the Sultan of Muscat, was openly carried out with the knowledge and consent of not only the Sultan and his advisers, but also of the British Custom House officials. It has also been shown that these arms do not get into the hands of the tribes with whom the Government of India have been brought into conflict.

All these facts have been put before the Government, and have not been controverted, and yet, not only does the old Order in Council of the 15th July 1899, still stand good, but the Government have refused any compensation to the firms who suffered heavy losses in the Persian Gulf trade owing to this unwarrantable seizure.

The result has been as predicted by the English manufacturers from the first. The trade has not been stopped, but has been offered to and taken by the Belgians and French, who before had no stake in this market, but who to-day command the trade.

It is by such methods, and not by the apathy of the British merchant and manufacturer, that trade is lost to Great Britain and acquired by her competitors.

Bad as this record is, it has been followed up by another Indian Government order, which appears to be still more perverse, unnecessary, and unwarrantable. On the 25th September 1906, the following letter was issued by the Home Department of the Government of India to all local governments and administrations:—

SIMLA, *25th September 1906.*

"SIR,—In continuation of the Home Department letter, dated 20th November 1902, I am directed to forward for information a copy of a notification dated the 11th September 1906, making certain amendments in the rules issued under the Indian Arms Act (II) of 1878, from which it will be seen that the Government of India have now decided, in suppression of all previous orders on the subject, to prohibit, subject to narrowly defined exceptions, the importation of all rifles, of ·450 and ·303 bores, irrespective of the size of their chamber and action, and consequently of all ammunition which can be fired from such weapons. These exceptions are (*a*) in the case of ·303 rifles single barrelled weapons sighted to over 1,000 yards imported *bonâ fide* for match shooting purposes, and brought on to the equipment list of the regiment or corps to which the importer belongs by the persons mentioned, and subject to the conditions laid down in Home Department notification No. 3992, dated the 14th May 1903; and (*b*) in the case of ammunition such reasonable amount as is required for use with weapons of the prohibited bores which are already in the lawful possession of persons in this country. I am to request that this change in the rules may be made widely known to the public and to dealers in arms and ammunition. The change now made in the rules will be embodied in the revised rules under the Arms Act which will shortly be issued.

"The notification runs:—In the exercise of the powers conferred by Sections 17 and 28 of the Indian Arms Act (II of 1878) the Governor-General in Council is pleased to direct that the following further amendments shall be made in the Home Department, dated the 6th March 1879, as amended by subsequent notifications:—Paragraph 1: For the words 'Rifles of ·303 bore or rifles of ·450 bore of the Martini-Henry pattern, if such rifles have been imported into British India subsequently to the 20th February 1901, without the special sanction of the Government of India, balled ammunition which can be fired from rifles of the bores and patterns aforesaid,' substitute the words 'rifles of ·303 or ·450 bore and balled ammunition which can be fired from such rifles.' At the end of the first clause of Paragraph 1, after the words 'carry or possess' add the following proviso 'provided also that no prohibition or direction contained in Sections 13, 14, 15 or 16 of the Indian Arms Act, 1878, shall apply to persons in possession of rifles of ·303 bore or ·450 bore which have been lawfully imported into British India before the date of this notification.'

"Paragraph 6, Note to Rule 5.—For the words any rifles of ·303 bore or rifles of ·450 bore of the Martini-Henry pattern substitute the words '*rifles of* ·303 *or* ·450 *bore.*'"

From this it will be seen that in future no rifles of the prohibitive bores, *whatever the size of their chambers*, may be imported. Apparently it is considered that the "*mistri*" is now so skilled that he can alter the chamber size of rifles to take the Government cartridges. Granted that it is possible, though very tedious and costly, to bore out a chamber that may be smaller than the Government cartridge, surely it is not likely that any artisan will attempt to reduce the size of a chamber that is already larger than the Government cartridges. Yet the Government have prohibited the importation of any rifle of the prohibited bore whatever the chamber size.

They might as well prohibit the importation of every rifle. It has always been understood that when it is to the advantage of the nation as a whole a minority should suffer some hardship, the hardship must be undergone, although in many instances compensation is paid to the sufferers.

In this instance, however, not only have the people interested in the trade not been compensated, but the Government have utterly failed to show that it is to the interest of the nation as a whole that the trade should be prohibited.

Rather, it appears, that the action on their part is taken to attempt to put on the English manufacturers' and merchants' shoulders the blame that should be borne by themselves for negligence in the care of arms and ammunition in the arsenals under their care in India.

We, therefore, on behalf of all the English workpeople employed in this trade, and on behalf of the merchants and manufacturers, who openly and with the knowledge of the Government have invested capital in this business, protest as strongly as possible against these prohibitions and particularly against this latest and uncalled for restriction of legitimate British trade.—*The Kynoch Journal.*

Correspondence.

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THE UNITED PROVINCES SHOOTING RULES.

TO THE EDITOR OF "THE INDIAN FIELD."

SIR,—I note S. J. S.'s letter of the 13th instant in your issue of the 24th, and should like to say a few words in reply. My criticisms, as everyone can judge for himself, were directed against *Rules* and *Department*, NOT against *individuals* and I purposely avoided all personal criticism except in so far as it was *necessary* to quote instances that had come to my notice, of rulings or orders or acts of officers of the Forest Department *to give point to my arguments.*

But what does S. J. S. do?

Instead of pointing out the fallacy of my arguments, if such exist, except in two instances which I shall deal with hereafter, he descends to personalities and instead of attacking my *arguments* accuses *me* of want of *bonâ fides* and attacks me personally in an acrimonious manner, which seems to me to be altogether foreign to the points at issue. The very heading of his letter would seem to indicate that he had taken his pen and sat down for motives best known to himself, not to criticise my arguments but to criticise me and to make innuendoes and insinuations against me. Had I descended to such depths I could have told a great deal, but that is quite another story. I can well afford to ignore S. J. S.' personal insinuations against myself and leave it to the public to decide whether the uncalled for introduction of such personal matters is playing the game, and shall only say a few more words on this subject.

S. J S. says that I am attempting to make a stalking horse of the "general public" for the purpose of getting within range of the only forest game now left me, "The Forest Department itself." If that is his opinion after "careful perusal and perusal" he is welcome to it, but I doubt very much if the general public will confirm it. Again he says "The Forest Department are well able to defend themselves and will probably do so at the proper time and in the proper manner." Such being the case, was it not eminently desirable that S. J. S. should have awaited that event instead of busying himself in defending a Department (which on his own showing does not require *his* assistance) by making personal insinuations against me?

Now to look at the only part of S. J. S.' letter which even verges on criticism. He begins by admitting that the rules picked to pieces by me "are certainly defective in many respects." Such being the case does not S. J. S. out of his own mouth afford ample justification for my criticism of the Rules?

Lastly he points out two instances of the "*unfairness* and *misleading nature*" of my criticisms.

The first is as regards Rule 2.

S. J. S. seems to think that the words "spearing and running with the dogs is absolutely prohibited" do not include *spearing from off* horseback because he says the *horse* is not referred to at all. But one does not *usually* spear a chital or anything *with* a *horse* nor yet *with* a dog but *with* a spear, and S. J. S. has entirely misunderstood the meaning of the rule. I have very good reasons for believing it *was* introduced to put a stop to legitimate "sticking" from off horseback!

Again he takes me to task for my criticism of Rule 5 and argues that my views are all wrong and that there *is* a limit fixed for *all*, including exempted officers. He has entirely missed the point of my arguments. Exempted officers *do not, except when desiring to shoot with friends in permit periods*, require to take out a permit at all, and it is obvious, therefore, that no such limit can be prescribed *in* writing for them in a permit (except as referred to above). No *general* limit is, so far as I am aware, fixed by the Conservator for any specific shooting area or group of areas. If it is, at least it has not been communicated to those concerned, and it follows therefore that Gazetted Forest Officers, under which category (though apparently S. J. S. is not aware of it) I also for the purposes of these Rules fall, *might*, as alleged by me, shoot up to the full limit which the Conservator had fixed on in his own mind or otherwise, *but had not communicated to the public* and that thus the public when applying for permits would be met with the answer that the full limit had been reached. Again I am aware that in some permits in Form A *for the same area, one* number of animals has been entered for *one* sportsman and *another* for *another* sportsman, and I contend that such distinctions should not be *possible.*

In brief my argument is that a fairly liberal and general limit should be fixed and *publicly notified* to all concerned for a group of shooting areas, or for each particular area according to the circumstances of each Let the number of animals so fixed be divided equally amongst the number of sportsmen exempted, or otherwise who COULD shoot in those areas during the year and which number can easily be ascertained. *Then*, and not till *then*, will *all*, whether exempted or not, be on the same footing. It is true that the Conservator *can* impose a general limit, but so far as I am aware he has not done so and still less has any been notified to the public. The result is that exempted officers are not really under any special limit. They are merely under an *unknown* limit, which if it exists at all is hidden away in the recesses of a Forest Office, and in consequence of which it is possible for an exempted officer to shoot *during periods of rest*, a practically unlimited number of heads and for a permit in Form A to be issued to *one* person allowing, *e.g.*, *two* sambur and *two* chital stags from one area, and either before or after the issue of such permit another permit in Form A to be issued for the *same* area to a different person for only *one* chital and *one* sambur or more or less *as the Forest Officer concerned chooses.*

It is to be regretted that people like S. J. S. either cannot or will not *understand* the rules and the criticisms on them, before endeavouring to set others right by making charges against them of "unfair and misleading criticism."

U. P.

27th January 1907.

SPECIAL 12 BORES.

TO THE EDITOR OF "THE INDIAN FIELD."

SIR,—In a vast country like India, where small game shooting is so varied, the ordinary 6¾lb. 12 bore game gun is by no means equally well suited for all purposes. By losing sight of this fact many sportsmen are heavily handicapped in their favourite pursuit. A more thorough appreciation of the immense increase in power, which can be attained in a gun of slightly greater weight than usual, would no doubt lead many men to provide themselves with an extra weapon. Another quality, probably not widely known, of the powerful full choke 12 bore, is its extraordinary effectiveness with slugs. If buck shot are selected of such a size that they will fit in the muzzle of the gun in perfect layers, and the gun is a well bored, full choke, one can rely on obtaining fine close patterns, with these heavy pellets. Sizes from eight to sixteen to the ounce are suitable; always provided that when tested on a wad pushed a little down the muzzle of the gun, they settle down into exact layers of three, four or five. Heavy 12 bores vary in weight from 7¼ to 8½lbs., according to the cases they are bored for, and the charges for which they are regulated. If extreme power is desired the gun should be 8¼lbs. or a little more, and should be chambered and bored for 3 inch "Perfects." A gun bored for perfects is of larger calibre than one adapted for paper cases. The reason for this is that paper cases are much thicker than the perfect brass ones, so their OUTSIDE

diamaters being the same, it follows that the INSIDE of the perfect is wider than the inside of the paper. The bore of the gun is made to correspond with the interior of its cartridge case. Thus the 12 bore brass case gun is nearly as large in the bore as a 10 bore paper case one. Paper cases can be used in brass case guns, but there is a little loss of power owing to the wads being rather too small to thoroughly develop the energy of the powder charge. However brass case 12 bores perform very creditably with paper cases, and will be found quite satisfactory at ordinary ranges. A 12 bore regulated for the three inch perfects will shoot 3½ to 4 drachms of powder and 1¼oz. shot. I used a gun of this description for several seasons' duck shooting, and was often quite astonished at its powers. I used constantly to kill golden plover at 100 yards, firing into flocks. The two most useful sizes of shot for a heavy full choked 12 bore are Nos. 1 and 4 chilled——104 and 172 to the ounce respectively.

From personal experience I consider that an 8¼lb. gun can be handled by a man of ordinarily good physique quite quickly enough for snipe shooting. There are, however, no doubt many people who will object to the weight as being too great; and I will therefore set forth what can be done with a lighter gun chambered for the 2¾ inch paper cases. A weapon of this sort, weighing 7¼lbs., will shoot 48 grains of a bulk smokeless powder and 1¼oz. shot, quite comfortably.

If full choked it will give excellent shooting up to 60 yards; in fact, will be very much better at this distance than an unchoked gun at 40 yards.

A gun of ordinary open pattern (*i.e.*, 120 to 140 pellets on the 30 inch circle at 40 yards, with 1⅛oz. No. 6 shot) is a severe handicap to a man when duck shooting. Many of the birds,——pintail, duck, and grey geese, for example——come over very high, and apart from this require very hard hitting to bring down on account of their vitality and closeness of plumage. On the Sind jheels the average of birds gathered to cartridges expended, has always been small, and this I consider to be far more due to the unsuitability of the guns used than to poor shooting. A cylinder bored gun of the type so generally seen in in the hands of Indian sportsmen, is a weapon quite incompetent to tackle a high duck with.

In these days the purchase of an extra gun is not a very serious matter, for sound reliable weapons can be brought at very reasonable rates. Every shooter should know what his gun, or guns, are capable of, with the usual charges of smokeless powder, and 1⅛oz. of No. 6 chilled spot, 270 pellets to the ounce, a full choke 12 bore should make a pattern of 210 to 215 on the 30 inch circle at 40 yards. With 1⅛oz. No. 6 the pattern should be 230 to 240. Occasionally guns will do better than this, but the above is an average performance. In the same way with guns regulated for heavier charges, 70 per cent. or more, of the shot should be placed in the 30 inch circle at 40 yards. A choke bore gun which makes close and regular patterns at 40 yards is certain to have good penetration and to perform well at long ranges. There is no necessity therefore for the ordinary shooter to do more than satisfy himself regarding pattern at 40 yards: if that is good and STEADY, the other desirable attributes follow as a matter of course.

I am rather against 10 bores for use in India, for if bored for brass cases and regulated for heavy charges, they weigh from 9½ to 10lbs. and the cartridges are rather big to expend on single birds. The chasm of the heavy 12 bore is the ability to use it comfortably on single fast flying birds, and also when desired to shoot from it the ordinary paper cases. Directly one goes to a larger, heavier gun, these great advantages are lost. I trust that this letter may induce some of the numerous Anglo-Indian devotees to the shot-gun to pattern their weapons carefully, and then consider seriously whether their favourites are quite up to the work they are called upon to perform.

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TO BOMBAY.

	H.	M.
Leave Calcutta (Howrah)	21	46
Moghal Sarai	10	23
Jubbulpore	19	10
Itarsi	23	46
Arrive Bombay	13	0

FROM BOMBAY.

	H.	M.
Leave Bombay	22	0
Itarsi	11	57
Jubbulpore	16	50
Moghal Sarai	1	41
Arrive Calcutta (Howrah)	14	50

The time taken in the through journey will be 39½ **Hours**, as compared with 45 **Hours** at present.

There will be a daily service in each direction on the above timing, and the special service to Bombay on Thursdays now taking 41 **Hours**, will be discontinued.

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UP, *i. e.*, FROM HOWRAH.

	Express.		Passenger.		Mixed.	
	H.	M.	H.	M.	H.	M.
Leave Howrah ...	10	0	12	33	22	6
Bandel ...	10	59	14	9	0	5
Burdwan...	12	19	15	56	2	25
Raneegungee ...	14	5	18	18	4	45
					change.	
Asansol	14	40	19	4	5	40
Dhanbaid ...	16	9	20	59	7	52
Hazaribagh Road for Pareshnath.)	17	54	23	8	10	49
					arr.	
Gya ...	21	16	2	59	15	20
Moghal Sarai ...	1	52	8	47	.....	
			For			
Mirzapur... ...	3	16	Benares		.....	
Allahabad ...	5	55	.....		.....	
Cawnpore ...	10	45	.....		.....	
Etawah	13	55	.....		.....	
Tundla (for Agra) ...	16	18	.....		.....	
Hathras (for Muttra)	17	24	.....		.....	
Aligarh	18	9	.....		.....	
Ghaziabad ...	20	33	....		.....	
Delhi	21	30	.....		.....	
Karnal	0	24	.....		.....	
Umballa ...	2	19	.....		.....	
Arrive Kalka	4	16	.....		.....	

DOWN, *i.e.*, TO HOWRAH.

	Express.		Passenger.		Mixed.	
	H.	M.	H.	M.	H.	M.
Leave Umballa	13	45	...		.....	
Karnal	15	40	.....		.....	
Delhi	20	0	.....		.....	
Ghaziabad ...	20	45	.....		.....	
Aligarh	23	38	.....		.....	
Hathras (from Muttra)	0	14	.....		.....	
Tundla (from Agra) ...	1	17	.....		.....	
Etawah	3	11	.....		.....	
Cawnpore ...	6	9	.....		.....	
Allahabad ...	10	45	.....		.....	
Mirzapur... ...	13	5	.....		.....	
			For			
			Benares.			
Moghal Sarai ...	15	15	17	20	.....	
Gya	19	51	23	18	10	15
Hazaribad Road (from Pareshnath) ...	23	4	3	4	15	9
Dhanbaid ...	0	45	5	19	18	52
					change.	
Asansol	2	12	7	28	21	57
Raneegunge ...	2	33	7	56	22	26
Burdwan... ...	4	14	10	35	1	9
Bandel	5	52	12	31	3	9
Arrive Howrah ...	6	27	13	55	5	0

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UP, *i. e.*, FROM HOWRAH.

STATIONS.	Punjab Mail.	Express.	Passenger.	Passenger.	Passenger.
	H. M.	H. M.	H. M.	H. M.	H. M.
Leave Howrah ...	21 6	19 39	7 6	15 15	22 6
Bandel ...	...	20 35	8 18	16 57	0 5
Burdwan ...	22 45	21 45	10 26	19 21	2 25
Raneegunge ...	...	23 10	12 47	21 42	4 45
Asansol ...	0 30	23 44	13 23	22 19	5 55
Madhupur ...	2 0	1 29	15 47	0 34	8 35
Kiul ...	...	4 0	19 8	4 32	12 12
Mokameh ...	4 39	5 5	20 23	5 52	14 20
Patna ...	5 54	6 47	22 42	8 7	17 10
Bankipore ...	6 10	7 14	23 22	8 46	18 0
Dinapore ...	6 31	7 34	23 46	9 10	18 24
Arrah ...	7 11	8 17	0 55	10 25	19 38
Buxar ...	8 19	9 53	2 38	12 18	21 34
					arr.
Moghal Sarai ...	9 54	11 51	5 13	15 8	23 57
Mirzapur ...	10 59	13 17	7 9	16 58	...
Allahabad ...	13 0	15 52	10 19	20 17	...
			arr.		
Cawnpore ...	16 53	19 58	15 40	1 56	...
Etawah ...	19 23	22 42	..	6 0	...
Tundla (for Agra)	21 25	1 8	...	8 47	...
Hathras (for Muttra).	22 16	1 57	..	10 8	...
Aligarh ...	22 59	2 53	..	11 14	...
Ghaziabad ...	0 55	5 2	...	14 35	...
Delhi ...	1 39	6 0	..	15 38	...
Karnal ...	4 15	9 2	...	18 47	...
		arr.			
Umballa ...	5 58	10 45	..	20 53	
Arrive Kalka ...	7 45		..	22 52	...

DOWN, *i. e.*, TO HOWRAH.

STATIONS,	Punjab Mail.	Express.	Passenger.	Passenger.	Passenger.
	H. M.	H. M.	H. M.	H. M.	H. M.
Leave Kalka ...	18 0	0 30	...	...	...
Umballa ...	19 46	2 30	7 25	...	...
Karnal ...	21 12	4 12	9 44	...	...
Delhi ...	23 46	7 21	21 29	11 20	...
Ghaziabad ...	0 20	7 58	22 25	12 8	...
Aligarh ...	2 23	10 45	1 51	15 11	...
Hathras (from Muttra)	2 57	11 24	3 11	16 9	...
Tundla (from Agra).	3 58	12 36	5 25	17 55	...
Etawah ...	5 41	14 42	8 13	21 0	...
Cawnpore ...	8 16	18 2	12 7	1 9	...
Allahabad ...	12 25	23 0	18 11	7 23	...
Mirzapur ...	14 2	1 11	20 59	10 12	...
Moghal Sarai ...	15 17	2 46	24 2	12 27	5 0
Buxar ...	16 45	4 40	1 28	14 57	7 19
Arrah ...	17 50	6 6	3 12	16 46	9 3
Dinapore ...	18 37	7 1	4 30	18 2	10 19
Bankipore ...	18 54	7 38	5 8	19 9	10 52
Patna ...	19 9	7 51	5 27	19 30	11 18
Mokameh ...	20 58	9 37	7 44	21 57	13 45
Kiul ...	21 31	10 33	9 25	23 19	15 10
Madhupur ...	0 21	13 36	12 53	2 47	19 49
Asansol ...	1 56	15 24	15 32	5 10	21 57
Raneegunge ...	2 17	15 47	16 0	5 38	22 26
Burdwan ...	3 50	17 37	18 31	8 16	1 9
Bandel Junc. ...	4 56	18 52	20 35	10 34	3 9
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NAME OF RACES.	MONTH.	DATE.
Bombay Ninth Extra	Feb.	9
Calcutta Fifth Extra	"	9
" Sixth "	"	16
" Seventh "	"	23
Gorakhpore Spring	"	13 & 15
Bombay	"	19, 16, 18, 20 & 23
N. B. M. R. Regimental	"	20
Bulandshahr Challenge Cup	"	21
Bareilly Spring	"	25 & 27
Secunderabad	"	26 & March 2
Meerut Spring	Mar.	2, 5 & 7
Kathiawar	"	4 & 6
Jorhat	"	6 & 8
Jorhat Gymkhana	"	7
Rangoon Spring	"	9, 12 & 14
Bombay Tenth Extra	"	2
" Eleventh "	"	9
" Twelfth "	"	16
" Thirteenth "	"	23
" Fourteenth "	"	30
Umballa Spring	"	12, 14 & 16
Lahore Spring	"	28 & 30
Rawalpindi Spring	"	19, 21, & 23
Punjab Army Chase	"	21 & 23
Jubbulpore	"	26, 28 & 30
Muzafarnugger Challenge Cup	"	6
Madras Winter	"	12, 14 & 16
Punjab Army Chases	"	28 & 30

CLOSING DATES OF ENTRIES.

Gorakhpore Spring	Third	10th February.
Jubbulpore	First	12th February.
	Second	26th February.
	Third	12th March.
N. B. M. R. Regimental		19th February.
Madras Winter	First	15th February.
	Final	5th March.
Lahore Spring	First	15th February.
	Second	1st March.
	Third	10th March.
Rawalpindi Spring	First	15th February.
	Second	6th March.
	Third	15th March.
Punjab Army Chases	First	15th February.
	Second	6th March.
	Third	15th March.

INDIAN SPORTING FIXTURES

POLO.

Native Cavalry Tournament (Umballa)	Begins 9th February.
Infantry Tournament (Meerut	Begins 18th February.
Cawnpore Polo Challenge Cup	4th March.
Jorhat Tournament	Beging 6th March.

SHOWS.

Lucknow Polo Pony Fair	18th & 25th February.
Rawalpindi Dog Show	20th March.

HOCKEY

All India Tournament (Allahabad)	Begins 24th February.

ROWING.

Poona Royal Connaught B. C. Regatta	14th & 16th February.

LAWN TENNIS.

Jorhat Tournament	Begins 6th March.
S. India Tournament	Begins 4th March.

BOXING.

Poona Tournament	22nd to 27th April.

ATHLETICS

Howrah United Club Meeting	16th February.
Bengal Presidency A. A. A. Meeting	2nd March.

FOOTBALL.

Madras Gymkhana Association Tournament	4th to 9th March.

COURSING.

N. I. Coursing Club Meeting	23th February.

GOLF.

Jorhat Tournament	Begins 4th March.

ENGLISH RACING FIXTURES.

(Principal Races in 1907.)

Lincolnshire Handicap (1 mile)	Tuesday, 19th March.
Brocklesby Stakes (4 furlongs 5 yards)	Wednesday, 20th March.
Liverpool Grand National (4 miles 856 yards)	Friday, 22nd March.
Queen's Prize (1 mile)	Monday, 1st April.
Craven Stakes (1 mile 22 yards)	Thursday, 4th April.
Great Metropolitan Stakes (2¼ miles)	Tuesday, 23rd April.
City and Suburban (1¼ mile)	Wednesday, 24th April.
Two Thousand Guineas (1 mile)	Wednesday, 1st May.
One Thousand Guineas (1 mile)	Friday, 3rd May.
Chester Cup (2¼ miles)	Wednesday, 8th May.
Kempton Park Great Jubilee Handicap (1¼ mile)	Saturday, 11th May.
Newmarket Stakes (1 mile 2 furlongs)	Wednesday, 15th May.
Manchester Cup (1¼ mile)	Friday, 24th May.
Prix du Jockey Club (1½ mile)	Saturday, 2nd June.
The Derby (1½ mile)	Wednesday, 5th June.
The Coronation Cup (1½ mile)	Thursday, 6th June.
The Oaks (1½ mile)	Friday, 7th June.
Grand Prix de Paris (1 mile 7 furlongs)	Sunday, 16th June.
Ascot Stakes (2 miles)	Tuesday, 18th June.
Ascot Gold Vase (2 miles)	Tuesday, 18th June.
Royal Hunt Cup (7 furlongs 166 yards)	Wednesday, 19th June.
Gold Cup (1½ mile)	Thursday, 20th June.
New Stakes (5 furlongs 144 yards)	Thursday, 20th June.
Hardwicke Stakes (1½ miles)	Friday 21st June.
Northumberland Plate (2 miles)	Wednesday, 26th June.
July Stakes (Newmarket) (5 furlongs 144 yards)	Tuesday, 2nd July.
Princess of Wales' Stakes (1 mile 4 furlongs)	Thursday, 4th July.
Eclipse Stakes (1½ mile)	Friday, 19th July.
Liverpool Cup (1 mile 3 furlongs)	Friday, 26th July.
Stewards' Cup (Goodwood) (6 furlongs)	Tuesday, 30th July.
Goodwood Plate (2 miles)	Wednesday, 31st July.
Goodwood Cup (2½ miles)	Thursday, 1st August.
Brighton Cup (1¼ mile)	Wednesday, 7th August.
Great Northern Leger (1 mile 5 furlongs)	Wednesday, 21st August.
Prince of Wales Plate (5 furlongs)	Tuesday, 27th August.
Great Ebor Handicap (1½ mile.)	Wednesday, 28th August.
Gimcrack Stakes (6 furlongs)	Thursday, 29th August.
Great Yorkshire Handicap (1 mile 6furs. 132yrds.)	Tuesday, 10th September.
Champagne Stakes (Doncaster) (5 furs. 132 yrds)	Tuesday, 10th September.
St. Leger (1 mile 6 furlongs 132 yards)	Wednesday, 11th Septr.
Doncaster Cup (2 miles)	Friday, 13th September.
Prince Edward Handicap (1½ mile)	Saturday, 21st Septr.
Jockey Club Stakes (1½ mile)	Thursday, 3rd October.
Prix du Conseil Municipal (Paris) 1½ mile)	Sunday, 6th October.
Duke of York Stakes (1¼ mile)	Saturday, 12th October.
Cesarewitch Stakes (2¼ miles)	Wednesday, 16th October.
Middle Park Plate (6 furlongs)	Friday, 18th October.
Cambridgeshire Stakes	Wednesday, 30th Octr.
Dewhurst Plate (7 furlongs)	Thursday, 31st Octr.
Liverpool Autumn Cup (1 mile 3 furlongs)	Friday, 8th November.
Manchester November Handicap (1½ mile)	Saturday, 23rd Novr.

ENGLISH SPORTING FIXTURES.

England vs. Ireland (Rugby)	9th February.
England vs. Ireland (Association)	16th February.
Oxford vs. Cambridge (Association)	20th February.
Ireland vs. Wales (Association)	23rd February
Scotland vs. Ireland (Rugby)	23rd February.
Wales vs. Scotland (Association)	4th March.
Ireland vs. Wales (Rugby)	9th March.
Oxford and Cambridge Sports	15th March.
Scotland vs. Ireland (Association)	16th March.
England vs. Scotland (Rugby)	16th March.
'Varsity Boat Race	16th March.
England vs. Wales (Association)	18th March.
Amateur Boxing Championship	27th March.
English Amateur Cup Final (Association)	30th March.
England vs. Scotland (Association)	6th April.
Tennis Championship, Fairs vs. Latham	6th May.
England vs. Scotland (Amateur Golf)	25th May.
Amateur Golf Championship	28th May.
Golf Open Championship	20th June.
England vs. South Africa (Cricket)	1st July.
Oxford vs. Cambridge (Cricket)	4th July.
Amateur Athletic Championships	6th July.
Eton vs. Harrow (Cricket)	12th July.
Gentlemen vs. Players (Cricket)	17th July.
England vs. South Africa (Cricket)	29th July.
Rugby vs. Marlborough (Cricket)	31st July.
Dublin Horse Show	27th August.

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First Day, Saturday, the 2nd February, 1907.

THE opening day's racing was witnessed by a large and fashionable gathering, and the success which attended it augurs well for the remainder of the meeting. Sir John Hewett, Lieutenant-Governor of the United Provinces, who has consented to become the Patron of the Lucknow Races, arrived before the first event, accompanied by Major Gordon, Private Secretary, and evinced a close interest in the racing. The fields were larger than anticipated owing to the almost entire absence of scratchings, and the sport was of a high order. Several favourites succumbed, among them Coin II., who was not even placed in the Maiden Plate. The most sensational result was in the Martinière Plate, in which Chance, a complete outsider, came up near home and won with comparative ease by two lengths. Among the visitors from Calcutta for the Civil Service week is his Highness the Maharaja of Cooch Behar, whom everyone was glad to see. The afternoon was cool and cloudy, and was an altogether ideal one for racing. The only fear now is that rain will come and spoil the rest of the Carnival, though a shower would do a deal of good, and lay the dust, which is excessive. The course was in fine condition, and speaks well for the labour bestowed on it by Major J. H. Ensor, the Race Secretary, who is earning golden opinions. The Civil Service, the Oxford Light Infantry and the Somerset Light Infantry were "At Home" to their friends. The band of the latter played. Details:—

THE PONY HURDLES.—Rs. 1,000 to the winner, Rs. 300 to the second, and Rs. 200 to the third. A handicap hurdle race for ponies 14-2 and under. About 2 miles over 8 flights.

Mr. H. E. Norton's ch aus m Daphne, 10st. 5lbs.	P. Morrison	1
Major Williamson and Mr. S. Brandreth's b aus m Irish, 10st. 5lbs.	L. C. Hoyt	2
Thakur Sripal Singh's ch aus m Elsie, 8st. 3lbs. (car. 8st. 9lbs.)	Northmore	3
Mr. C. E. Reynard's br aus m Small Scotch, 9st. 7lbs. (car. 9st. 10lbs.) ...	Macmillan	0
H. H. The Koer Sahib of Patiala's b e m Nurse Kitty, 11st. 10lbs.	Sheldrake	0
Messrs. Goculdas and Nanjee's b aus g Bull's Eye, 9st. 10lbs.	A. Hoyt	0
Capt. F. Bennett's br aus m Pinfire, 9st. 7lbs. (car. 9st. 8lbs.)	Owner	0

BETTING: Evens Bull's Eye, 3 to 1 agst. Nurse Kitty, 5 to 1 Daphne, 12 to 1 the others.

This was a splendid race. Daphne and Pinfire led at a great pace. The latter ran out at the second hurdle from home. Irish then drew level with the leader, and the two took the last hurdle together, Daphne winning easily by two lengths; half a length divided second and third; three lengths between third and fourth. Time—4mins. 5secs.

THE MARTINIERE PLATE.—Rs. 700 to the winner, Rs. 200 to the second, and Rs. 100 to the third. A high-weight handicap for Arab ponies 14-1 and under. 1¼ miles.

Mr. F. Fail's ch g Chance, 6st. 8lbs. ...	Baichan	1
Major Popham Young's b a h Surkhab, 7st. 8 lbs.	Frazer	2
Capt. H. Hill's gr a h Cinque Ports, 7st. 7lbs. (car. 7st. 8lbs.)	Kaesen	3
Lieut.-Col. Stisted's ch a h Modesty, 6st. 8lbs. (car. 7st. 2lbs.)	Manly	4
Messrs. Chapman and Charrington's b a h Sweet William, 8st. 8lbs. ...	Robinson	0
Thakur Sripal Singh's gr a h Soheil, 10st. 12lbs.	Hoyt	0
Mr. Henry's b a h The Ranger, 7st. 4lbs.	Kader	0
Mr. Sydney Smith's b a h Palmy Days, 7st. 2lbs.	Bennett	0

BETTING: 2 to 1 agst. Sweet William, 3 to 1 Cinque Ports, 4 to 1 each Soheil, Surkhab, The Ranger and Palmy Days, 6 to 1 the others.

The Ranger led to the distance, attended by Surkhab. Coming round the bend, Cinque Ports drew out on the right of the field and looked like winning, when Chance shot to the front and going splendidly, won by two lengths; the same distance divided second and third; three lengths between third and fourth. Time—2mins. 24secs.

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Mr. G. H. Beaumont's ch aus g Wales, 11st. 11lb.	Mr. Charrington	1
Mr. D. J. Pritchard's b aus g Spectacles, 10st. 4lbs. (car. 10st. 5lbs.) ...	Owner	2
Mr. H. H. Sandbach's br aus g Wallace, 10st. 4lbs. (car. 10st. 8lbs.) ...	Owner	3
Capt. Percy Smith's rn aus m Goodwin, 10st. 4lbs.	Capt. Steel	0

BETTING: 3 to 1 on Wales, 4 to 1 agst. Goodwin, 12 to 1 the others.

Wallace at once drew out with a useful lead of half a dozen lengths, followed at an interval by Spectacles and Wales, Goodwin being far in the rear. Wallace increased his lead, but half way round Spectacles began to come up, and at the six furlongs drew level with the leader, Wales in the meantime had improved his position, and the three took the last hurdle in company. A pretty race home ensued, Wales winning by five lengths; eight lengths separated second and third. Time—5mins. 8secs.

THE JAHANGIRABAD PLATE.—Rs. 1,000 (presented by the Maharaja of Jahangirabad and Rs. 500 from the Fund.) Rs. 1,000 to the winner, Rs. 300 to the second, and Rs. 200 to the third. ½ mile.

Lieut.-Col. Stisted's ch a h Sublime, 9st. 11lb.	Robinson	1
Capt F. Bennett's ch a h Pardon, 9st. 10lbs.	Bray	2
H. H. The Koer Sahib of Patiala's b a h Mooslat, 8st. 13lbs.	Southall	3
H. H. The Koer Sahib of Patiala's ch a h Machine Gun, 8st. 7lbs. (car. 8st. 8lbs.)	Capt. Winter	4
Thakur Sripal Singh's b a h Nusrat, 8st. 8lbs.	A. Hoyt	0
Capt. Percy Smith's gr a g Wareed, 8st. (car. 8st. 4lbs.)	L. C. Hoyt	0

BETTING: Evens Sublime, 2 to 1agst. Mooslat, 4 to 1 Nusrat, 5 to 1 Pardon, 6 to 1 the others.

After several false starts, the field was at length despatched well together. They ran in a bunch with Nusrat holding a good lead on the right. Sublime presently drew out in the rails, attended by Machine Gun and Pardon. Sublime assumed the lead, and though hotly challenged by Pardon and Mooslat, won by three-quarters of a length; a neck separated second and third; four lengths between third and fourth. Time—54⅘secs.

THE MAIDEN PLATE.—Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second, and Rs. 50 to the third. A handicap for maiden C.-B. ponies 14-2 and under and other maiden ponies 14-1 and under. 1,000 yards.

Lieut.-Col. Stisted's b aus m Forget-Me-Not, 10st. 11lbs.	Robinson	1
Mr. P. K. Butler's b cb h The Butler, 8st 5lbs.	L. C. Hoyt	2
H. H. The Koer Sahib of Patiala's br e m Sago, 7st. 3lbs.	Frazer	3
H. H. The Maharaja of Cooch Behar's ch aus m Coin II., 11st.	Firth	4
Col. P. K. L. Beaver's ch aus m Little Dolly, 9st. 4lbs.	Baichan	0
Mr. MacLeod's b aus f Dainty Lady, 8st. 5lbs.	Abdul Wahid	0

BETTING: 5 to 4 on Coin II., 2 to 1 agst. Forget-Me-Not, 6 to 1 each Little Dolly and The Butler, 15 to 1 the others.

There was considerable delay in sending the field away. After they had settled down, Dainty Lady assumed the lead, but soon fell in the rear. Forget-Me-Not then drew out and, despite the challenge of The Butler and Sago, snatched the verdict by half a length; a neck divided second and third; four lengths between third and fourth. Time—58⅘secs.

THE GREAT OUDH HANDICAP.—Rs. 1,500 to the winner, Rs. 300 to the second, and Rs. 200 to the third. A high-weight handicap for Arab ponies 14-1 and under. 6 furlongs.

Capt. Winter's b a g Whirlwind, 6st. 8lbs. (car. 7st.)	Baichan	1
Messrs. Wood and Badger's ch a h William Rufus, 9st. 2lbs.	Bray	2
Mr. Sydney Smith's b a h Palmy Days, 6st. 7lbs.	Kadir	3
Mr. E. W. William's gr a g Avatar, 9st. 3lbs.	L. C. Hoyt	4
Thakur Sripal Singh's ch a h Omar, 10st. 10lbs.	Southall	0
Thakur Sripal Singh's gr a h Soheil, 10st. 3lbs.	A. Hoyt	0
Thakur Buldeo Sahai's b a h Hazard, 7st. 12lbs. (car. 7st. 10lbs.)	Robinson	0
Lieut.-Col. Stisted's ch a h Sublime, 7st. 2lbs.	F. Manly	0

BETTING: 2 to 1 each agst. Whirlwind and Hazard, 3 to 1 William Rufus, 4 to 1 Avatar, 5 to 1 Sublime, 6 to 1 Soheil, 10 to 1 Omar, 20 to 1 Palmy Days.

Avatar secured a long lead from the rest of the field, but was overhauled in the rails by William Rufus and Palmy Days, with Sublime well up. Whirlwind came with a rush near home, and won comfortably by two lengths; one length divided second and third; three lengths between third and fourth.—Time 1min. 23⅘secs.

(By Special Telegram.)

Second Day, Monday, 4th February 1907.

The attendance on Cup day was in every sense a record one, a number of people having availed themselves of the special trains run by the Oudh and Rohilkhand Railway during race week. His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor and Staff and General Sir E. and Lady Locke Elliot were among those present. All the clubs were "At Home" and dispensed hospitality on a generous scale. The day was a most disastrous one for backers; it would be necessary to go back many years in the history of Lucknow sport to find a parallel to the series of misfortunes which overtook unwary punters. "Mr. Locke's" victory with Lookout in the opening event was deservedly popular; it was, however, the only case in which a favourite came in. One after another outsiders secured the spoils and the climax was reached in the race for the Civil Service Cup, in which the favourite was beaten by a head by a rank outsider. There was little or no enthusiasm when the issue became known. It was pre-emenently a jockey's race, Frazer, one of the cleverest light-weight riders in India, had been specially brought up from Calcutta to ride Lorette, and well indeed did he steer the pony to victory. Frazer held his field safe two and a half furlongs from home and the race from this stage was a foregone conclusion. The winner is by Predominant out of Quantity Fair and was bred and imported by Powell Brothers, of Australia. Lorette has won several races in Rangoon, including the Merchants' Cup, 1½ miles last March. He ran in Calcutta in December, but finished nowhere. Lorette was purchased a year ago by Mr. B. N. Barjorjee and has since run under his colours. It must be the first time this Cup has been annexed by a Parsee turfite. The day was a triumph for Frazer, who rode three winners. Details:—

THE COLVIN HORSE HURDLES.—Rs. 1,000 to the winner, Rs. 300 to the second, and Rs. 200 to the third. A handicap hurdle race for horses. R. C. about 2 miles over 8 flights.

Mr. Locke's Lookout, 11st. 10lbs. ..	L. C. Hoyt	1
Capt. Percy Smith's Goodwin, 9st. (car. 9st. 10lbs.)	Sheldrake	2
Thakur Sripal Singh's Toreador, 9st. 7lbs.	Northmore	0

BETTING: 5 to 2 on Lookout, 3 to 1 agst. Toreador, 5 to 1 Goodwin.

Lookout assumed the lead, followed by Goodwin and Treador; the latter refused at the fourth flight and did not participate further in the race. Lookout, who was never headed, won in a canter by two lengths. Time—4mins. 29secs.

THE FEBRUARY PLATE.—Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second, and Rs. 50 to the third. For Arab and C.-B. ponies 14-2 and under, and other ponies 14-1 and under, that have never won a flat race value Rs. 900 or over. C.-B. ponies 14-2 to carry 9st., Arab ponies 14-2 to carry 8st., other ponies 14-1 to carry 9st. 7lbs. W. I. Penalties—Winners after 31st March 1903 of a flat race value Rs. 200 or over, once 4lbs., twice 7lbs., oftener 10lbs. Winners, after the above date of flat races, value Rs. 50 or over, amounting in the aggregate to Rs. 1,000 or over, 4lbs. extra in addition to other penalties. Allowances—Ponies that have never won a flat race value Rs. 50 or over allowed 7lbs. ¼ mile.

Mr. Sydney Smith's May Queen, 6st. 7lbs.	Kadir	1
Lieut.-Col. Stisted's Forget-Me-Not, 9st. 7lbs.	Robinson	2
Capt. R. Milvain's Cosey Corner, 8st. 5lbs.	Bray	3
Radha Mohan's Black Prince, 6st. ...	Baichan	0
Thakur Sripal Singh's Silver II., 7st. 10lbs.	Manly	0

BETTING: 3 to 1 on Forget-Me-Not, 4 to 1 agst. Cosey Corner, 5 to 1 each May Queen and Black Prince, 10 to 1 Silver II.

The field kept together well till in the rails when May Queen drew out and although hotly challenged by Forget-Me-Not, won by one length; three lengths between second and third. Time—50⅘secs.

THE CHUTTER MUNZIL PLATE.—Rs. 1,000 to the winner, Rs. 300 to the second, and Rs. 200 to the third. A high-weight handicap for ponies 14-2 and under. 6 furlongs.

Thakur Sripal Singh's Nigam, 7st. 5lbs. ...	Frazer	1
Major Williamson and Mr. S. Brandreth's Irish, 9st.	L. C. Hoyt	2
Capt. Percy Smith's Welcome Jane, 7st. 8lbs. (car. 7st. 12lbs.)	Robinson	3

BETTING: 7 to 4 on Irish, 3 to 1 agst. Nigam, 5 to 1 Welcome Lane.

Irish got off with a good lead, but was caught by Nigam who was never headed and won easily by six lengths; one and a half lengths between second and third. Time—1min. 17secs.

THE CIVIL SERVICE CUP.—Rs. 8,000 (of which Rs. 2,000 is presented by the members of the Civil Service in the United Provinces of Agra and Oudh and Rs. 6,000 from the Fund). The second pony will receive Rs. 2,000, and the third Rs. 1,000 out of the entire stakes. A high-weight handicap for Arab ponies 14-2 and under, C.-B. ponies 14-1 and under, and English and Australasian ponies 14 hands and under. Top-weight of handicap not to exceed 10st. 7lbs. 6 furlongs.

Mr. Barjorjee's Lorette, 7st. 2lbs. ..	Frazer	1
Mr. Galstaun's Circus Girl, 7st. 11lbs. ..	Robinson	2
H. H. the Maharaja of Cooch Behar's Matin Bell, 7st. 9lbs.	Bennett	3
Mr. G. K.'s Veera, 10st.	A. Hoyt	0
H. H. the Maharaja of Cooch Behar's Coin II., 9st. 11lbs.	Firth	0
Thakur Sripal Singh's S. S., 9st. 5lbs. ...	L. C. Hoyt	0
Lieut.-Col. Stisted's First Bell, 9st. 11lb. ...	Bradshaw	0
Thakur Sripal Singh's Plover, 8st. 7lbs. ...	Bray	0
Mr. J. D. Scott's Wal, 8st. 7lbs. ...	Kaeson	0
H. H. the Koer Sahib of Patiala's Parlour-maid, 7st. 9lbs. (car. 7st. 10lbs.) ...	Southall	0
Mr. W. B. Green's Flo, 7st. 3lbs. ...	Manly	0
Mr. P. R. Butler's The Butler, 7st. 2lbs. ...	Baichan	0

BETTING: 2 to 1 agst. Circus Girl, 3 to 1 Wal, 4 to 1 Matin Bell, 6 to 1 Coin II., 15 to 1 each Lorette, First Bell, Parlourmaid, and The Butler, 20 to 1 the others.

There was some delay in getting the field off and when the gate went up they went away to a straggling start; Wal was badly left and was out of it a furlong and a half from home. Coming round the bend the field were in a bunch with Circus

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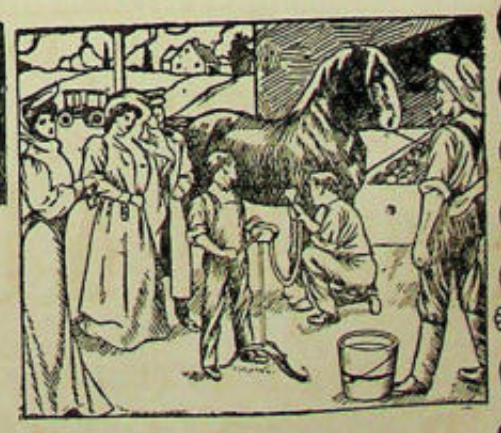

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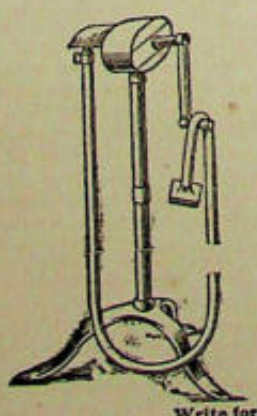

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THE ALUM BAGH PLATE.—Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second, and Rs. 50 to the third. A high-weight handicap for maiden Arab ponies 14-1 and under. 6 furlongs.

Mr. E. W. Willan's Pasha, 10st. 4lbs. ...	Owner	1
Mr. Henry's The Ranger, 8st. 8lbs. ...	L. C. Hoyt	2
Major Popham Young's Surkhab, 8st. 3lbs.	A. Hoyt	3
Capt. F. Bennett's Pardon, 8st. 11lbs. ...	Bray	0
H. H. The Koer Sahib of Paliala's Mooslat, 7st. 13lbs.	Southall	0
Mr. Sydney Smith's Palmy Days, 7st. 12lbs. (car. 7st. 13lbs.)	Robinson	0
Col. J. S. Brown's Saglawi, 7st. 4lbs. ...	Frazer	0
Capt. H. D. McNeil's Colonel, 7st. 11lb. (car. 7st. 2lbs.)	Bennett	0
Col. P. K. L. Beaver's Rufus, 8st. 3lbs. ...	Baichan	0

BETTING: 2 to 1 each agst. Palmy Days and Surkhab, 4 to 1 each Pasha and The Ranger, 6 to 1 the others.

The Ranger led for the first half of the journey; but was overtaken by Pasha who won by a short head; two lengths between second and third. Time—1min. 21⅘secs.

THE CALCUTTA PLATE.—Rs. 2,000 (Rs. 1,000 presented by the Calcutta Turf Club and Rs. 1,000 from the Fund. The winner will receive Rs. 1,200, the second Rs. 500, and the third Rs. 300. A handicap for horses that have not won a flat race value Rs. 2,000 or over since 31st March 1904. 1 mile.

H. H. the Koer Sahib of Patiala's Trenayr, 7st. 8lbs.	Frazer	1
Thakur Sripal Singh's Flotsam, 9st. ...	A. Hoyt	2
Capt. Winter's M. P., 8st. 11b. ...	Kaeson	3
Mr. T. S. Heywood's Pylara, 7st. 4lbs. ...	Baichan	0
H. H. the Koer Sahib of Patiala's Lamrock, 8st. 12lbs.	Southall	0

BETTING: 2 to 1 on Lamrock, 5 to 1 each agst. Flotsam and Trenayr, 6 to 1 M. P., and 10 to 1 Pylara.

Trenayr at once assumed the lead and despite the challenge of Flotsam won easily by one and a half length; a neck between second and third; two lengths between third and fourth. Time—1min. 45secs.

DIBRUGARH JANUARY MEETING.

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Secretary:—L. HERBERT, ESQ.

First Day, Tuesday, 22nd January 1907.

SADIYA PURSE.—Rs. 300 for winner, Rs. 75 for second, and Rs. 50 for third. For ponies 13-3 and under, maidens on the 1st November 1906. W. A. and I. Penalties—Winners of a flat race value Rs. 200 or over since 1st November 1906, to carry 12lbs. extra. ¼ mile.

Mr. Hepworth's Skipping Girl, 10st. 4lbs. ...	Taylor	1
Mr. Middleton's Vanity Fair II., 9st. 6lbs.	Owner	2
Mr. Taylor's Tangerine, 9st. 5lbs. ...	Owner	3

Also ran: Success, 10-1; Revenue, 9-12; Ivy, 10-10

Won by one and a half length; four lengths between second and third. Time—1min. 30secs.

SUBSTITUTION SCURRY.—A piece of plate valued Rs. 50 presented by Messrs. Lyon and Lyon with Rs. 100 from the fund to winner, Rs. 50 to the second. A handicap for *bonâ-fide* polo ponies 13-3 and under. 3 furlongs.

Mr. Richard's Glen Avon, 10st. 13lbs. ...	Elliot	1
Mr. Woodward's Polly, 10st. 5lbs. ...	Mr. Green	2

Also ran: Melba, 10-5; Tarter, 7-11.

Won by a short head; same distance between second and third. Time—40⅘secs.

LILLIPUTIAN PLATE.—Rs. 215 for winner and Rs. 75 for second. For ponies 13-1 and under. W. A. and I. Penalties—Allowance and Entrances as in Club Plate. ¼ mile.

Mr. Hepworth's May, 9st. 3lbs. ...	Taylor	1
Mr. C. Holder's Topsy III., 10st. 13lbs. ...	Mr. McCall	2
Mr. Richard's Vision, 9st. 2lbs. ...	Elliot	3

Won by a length; a length between second and third. Time—55secs.

The rider of Topsy III., who won, weighed out 3lbs. short, so was disqualified and race given to May.

CLUB PLATE.—Rs. 215 for winner and Rs. 75 for second. For ponies 13-3 and under. W. A. and I. Penalties—Winners of a flat race value Rs. 200 or over 4lbs., Rs. 300 or over 7lbs., Rs. 500 or over 11lbs. extra not cumulative. Allowance—Maidens allowed 7lbs. 7 furlongs.

Mr. Francis' Fortune, 9st. 4lbs. ...	Mr. McCall	1
Mr. Richard's Gay Lassie, 9st. 8lbs. ...	Elliot	2
Mr. Hepworth's Amiable, 9st. 2lbs. ...	Taylor	3
Mr. Taylor's Playfull, 10st. 2½lbs. ...	Owner	0

Won by a length and a half; two lengths between second and third. Time—1min. 38secs.

On weighing in the Owner of Playfull laid an objection against the first three for carrying too little weight, *vide* the second para. of Rule 2 of the general conditions.

DIBRUGARH PLATE.—A cup value Rs. 50 presented by Messrs. S. Fitze & Co., with Rs. 150 added by the fund to winner, and Rs. 50 to second. For ponies 13-3 and under which have never won a flat race, value Rs. 250 or over, and which belong to residence of the Dibrugarh District. W. A. and I. Penalties—Winners once 4lbs., oftener 7lbs. 5 furlongs.

Dr. Flory's Revenue, 10st. 7lbs. ...	Owner	1
Mr. Gori's Nardu, 9st. 3lbs.	Mr. McCall	2
Mr. Gordon's Melba, 10st. 7lbs. ...	Owner	3

Also ran: Hope Terry, 8-3.

Won by two lengths; a neck between second and third. Time—1min. 10secs.

NEW PLATE.—Rs. 200 for winner and Rs. 50 for second. For ponies 13-3 and under that have never won a flat race, value Rs. 250 or over. W. A. and I. raised 19lbs. Penalty—Winners of a flat race, value Rs. 200 or over, to carry 5lbs. extra. 5 furlongs.

Mr. Richard's Dugree, 10st. 7lbs.	Elliot	1
Mr. Forbes' Venetia, 11st. 7lbs. ...	Mr. McCall	2
Mr. Tylar's Country Boy, 11st. 11b. ...	Owner	3

Won by five lengths; ten lengths between second and third. Time—1min. 10secs.

EXTRA RACE.—Rs. 200 for winner, Rs. 75 for second, Rs. 25 for third. For ponies 13-3 and under which have not cost their present Owners over Rs. 2,500. 13-3 to carry 10st. 7lbs. W. I. ¼ mile.

Mr. Taylor's Tangerine, 9st. 3lbs. ...	Owner	1
Mr. Middleton's Keepsake, 9st. 9lbs. ...	Owner	2
Dr. Francis' Fortune, 10st. 7lbs. ...	Mr. McCall	3

Also ran: Topsy III., 9-2.

Won by two lengths; a length between second and third. Time—52⅘secs.

Second Day, Thursday, 24th January 1907.

REHABARI PURSE.—Rs. 300 for winner and Rs. 75 for second. For ponies 13-3 and under. W. A. and I. Penalties—Winners of a flat race, value Rs. 200 or over 4lbs., Rs. 300 or over 7lbs., Rs. 500 or over 11lbs. extra not cumulative. 5 furlongs.

Mr. Hepworth's Skipping Girl, 10st. 12lbs.	Taylor	1
Mr. Taylor's Tangerine, 9st. 11b. (car. 9st. 5½lbs.)	Owner	2
Mr. Mullick's Fortune, 9st. 5lbs. ...	Mr. McCall	3

Also ran; Venetia, 10-3; Revenue, 9-11; Success, 9-11; Dugree, 9-3.

Won by four lengths; half a length between second and third. Time—1min. 7⅘secs.

DOOM DOOMA PURSE STEEPLECHASE.—Rs. 350 for winner, Rs. 100 for second, and Rs 50 for third. For ponies 13-3 and under. W. A and I. raised 12lbs. Allowance—Maidens allowed 7lbs. About 2 miles

Mr. Allen's Moss Rose, 11st.	Mr. Brown	1
Mr. Gordon's Melba, 10st. 13lbs. ...	Owner	2

Won by lengths. Time—5mins. 51secs.

THE ASSAM CUP.—Rs. 215 for winner and Rs. 75 for second. For ponies 13-3 and under. W. A. and I. raised 3lbs. Penalties and Entrances as in Rehabari Purse. 9 furlongs.

Mr. Taylor's Playfull, 10st. 7lbs. ...	Owner	1
Mr. Hepworth's Amiable, 10st. 6lbs. ..	Taylor	2

Won by a length. Time—2mins. 15⅘secs.

THE PLANTER'S PLATE.—Rs. 50 presented by the Fund and Cup value Rs. 450 presented by the Planter's Stores and Agency Company, Limited, for winner, Rs. 200 for second, and Rs. 100 for third. Handicap for ponies 13-3 and under. 1 mile.

Mr. C. Holder's Topsy III., 10st. 5lbs. ...	Taylor	1
Mr. Mullick's Fortune, 10st. 4lbs. ...	Mr. McCall	2
Mr. Middleton's Vanity Fair II., 9st. 8lbs.	Owner	3

Also ran: Ivy, 10-7; Tangerine, 10-2; Gay Lassie, 9-12.

Won by a length; a short head between second and third. Time—1min. 53secs.

TRIAL HANDICAP CUP.—Rs. 100 Presented by Messrs. Cutler Palmer and Company, and Rs 100 from the fund to the winner, and Rs. 50 for the second. A handicap for ponies 13-3 and under that have not won a race value Rs. 300. 3 furlongs.

Mr. Richard's Glen Avon, 10st. 7lbs. ...	Elliot	1
Mr. Richard's Dugree, 10st.	Mr. McCall	2
Mr. Hepworth's Mac, 9st. 2lbs. ...	Taylor	3

Also ran: Narsiu, 9-2.

Won by a length; two lengths between second and third. Time—41⅘secs.

TRIAL PLATE.—A Cup value Rs. 250 presented by Messrs. Morrison, Cottle and Company, with Rs. 100 added by the fund for winner, and Rs. 75 for second. For ponies 13-3 and under, the property of owners resident in the Assam Valley Districts. W. A. and I. raised 7lbs. G. R.'s only. ½ mile.

Mr. Hepworth's Skipping Girl, 10st. 9lbs.	Mr. McCall	1
Mr. Middleton's Keepsake, 9st. 11lbs. ...	Mr. Green	2
Dr. Flory's Revenue, 10st. 3lbs. ...	Owner	3

Also ran: Ivy 10-0.

Won by half a length; two lengths between second and third. Time—54secs.

DWARF PLATE.—Rs. 215 for winner and Rs. 75 for second. For ponies 13-1 and under. W. A. and I. 1 mile.

Mr. C. Holder's Topsy III., 10st. 13lbs. ...	Mr. McCall	1
Mr. Gore's Nardu, 10st. 2lbs.	Mr. Taylor	2

Won by half a length. Time—2mins. 2⅘secs.

Third Day, Saturday, 26th January 1907.

BRAHMAPUTRA CUP.—A Cup value Rs. 250 presented by Messrs. R. S. N. Company, and I. G. N. and Railway Company Limited, with Rs. 100 added by the fund for winner and Rs. 75 for second. Handicap for ponies 13-3 and under. 1 mile.

Dr. Flory's Revenue, 9st. 8lbs. ...	Owner	1
Mr. Hepworth's Amiable, 10st. 12lbs. ...	Taylor	2

Won easily by ten lengths. Time—1min. 58⅘secs.

DIBRUGARH STEEPLECHASE.—Rs. 350 presented by the fund for winner, and Rs. 100 for second. Handicap for ponies 13-3 and under. About 2 miles.

Mr. Gordon's Melba, 10st.	Bogie Sing	1
Mr. Allen's Moss Rose, 11st. 7lbs. ...	Mr. McCall	2

Won by 10 lengths. Time—5mins. 12secs.

THE GREAT EASTERN HOTEL PLATE.—A piece of plate value Rs. 100 presented by the Great Eastern Hotel Co., Ltd., with Rs. 200 added by the fund for winner, and Rs. 75 for second. Handicap for ponies 13-3 and under. 6 furlongs.

Mr. Taylor's Tangerine, 9st. 7lbs. ...	Owner	1
Mr. Richard's Gay Lassie, 9st.... ...	Elliot	2
Mr. Hepworth's Skipping Girl, 11st. 12lbs.	Taylor	3

Also ran: Ivy, 9-3; Venetia, 8-5; Revenue, 8-9; Fortune, 9-7.

Won by half a length; a length between second and third. Time—1min. 20⅘secs.

TOURNAMENT CUP.—Rs. 600 presented by the Assam Bank and Commercial Co., Ltd., for winner, and Rs. 50 from the fund for second. For polo ponies that are played right through the tournament of this meeting, being the *bonâ-fide* property of a Club or a member or members of a Club competing. W. A. and I. raised 5lbs. Winners of a flat race or steeplechase, 1st and 2nd day barred. Penalties—Winners of the tournament cup in previous years, once 7lbs., twice 14lbs., oftener 21lbs. 3 furlongs.

Mr. Green's Jane Cakebread, 9st. 7lbs. ...	Mr. Taylor	1
Mr. Woodward's Polly, 9st. 2lbs. ...	Mr. Baltit	2
Mr. Gore's Petrol, 10st. 12lbs.	Taylor	3

Also ran: Clifton, 9-9.

Won by half a length; three lengths between second and third. Time—40⅘secs.

THE DEWAR'S PLATE.—Rs. 100 presented by Messrs. J. Dewar and Sons, with Rs. 100 added by the fund for winner, and Rs. 50 for second. Handicap for ponies that have run in the Dibrugarh Plate Scurry, Lahoal Plate, Assistants' Race and in the Tournament Cup. ¼ mile.

Mr. Falkiner's Hope Terry, 7st 11lbs. ..	White	1
Mr. Richard's Glen Avon, 11st. 13lbs. ...	Elliot	2
Mr. Gordon's Melba, 9st. 8lbs. ...	Mr. Taylor	3

Also ran: Nardu, 9-12.

Won by a length; two lengths between second and third. Time—55⅘secs.

KELLNER'S CUP.—Cup value Rs. 250 presented by Messrs. G. F. Kellner and Co., and Rs. 100 from the fund for winner, and Rs. 75 for second. Handicap for ponies 13-3 and under. 3 furlongs.

Mr. Hepworth's Skipping Girl, 11st. 12lbs.	Taylor	1
Mr. Richard's Dugree, 10st 5lbs. ..	Elliot	2
Mr. Taylor's Tangerine, 9st. 7lbs. ...	Owner	3

Also ran: May, 9-0; and Meta 7-12.

Won by a short length; a length and a quarter between second and third. Time—39⅘secs.

CACHAR PLATE.—Rs. 300 for winner, and Rs. 75 for second. Handicap for ponies 13-3 and under. 1¼ miles.

Mr. C. Holder's Topsy III.. 11st ...	Mr. McCall	1
Mr. Taylor's Playfull, 9st. 12lbs. ...	Owner	2
Mr. Gore's Nardu, 8st. 4lbs. ...	Taylor	3

Won by three lengths; twenty lengths between second and third. Time—2mins. 54secs.

RAWALPINDI FOURTH OPEN GYMKHANA.

Saturday, 26th January 1907.

NOVICE STAKES.—Rs. 49 to the winner, and Rs. 10 to the second. For ponies that have never won a race of any description at time of entry, Gymkhana or otherwise. Arabs 14-1 to carry 10st., C.-B.'s 14-1 to carry 11st., others 14-0 to carry 12st. W. I. Allowances—Ponies that have never started in a flat race of any description, Gymkhana or otherwise, allowed 7lbs. 3 furlongs.

Col. F. G. Delamain's Daffodil, 10st.	Major Carruthers	1
Mr. H. L. Fraser's Rueeus, 10st. 6lbs. ...	Mr. Williams	2
Capt. Cadogan's Berly, 10st.	Mr. Annesley	3

Won by half a length; a head between second and third. Time—41⅘secs.

C.-B. STAKES.—Rs. 49 to the winner, and Rs. 10 to the second. A handicap for C.-B. ponies 14-2 and under. 5 furlongs.

Lieut.-Col. R. Pringle's Maggie Lauder, 10st. 7lbs.	Capt. Campion	1
Mr. P. R. Butler's Lolestar, 9st. ...	Capt. Winter	2

Won in a canter by three lengths. Time 1min. 12secs.

ARAB RACE.—Rs. 49 to the winner and Rs. 10 to the second. Handicap for Arab ponies 14-1 and under. 7 furlongs.

Mr. E. W. Williams's Freckles, 12st. ...	Mr. Williams	1
Mr. H. L. Fraser's Discount, 9st. 7lbs ...	Mr. Annesley	2
Mr. Sydney-Smith's Nadim 9st. ...	Capt. Winter	3

Won by a head; a length between second and third. Time—1min. 46⅘secs.

CHARGER RACE.—Rs. 49 to the winner and Rs. 10 to the second. A handicap for chargers, owned or hired by officers, which have been regularly ridden on parade. 6 furlongs.

Mr. H. P. Chaplin's Myrtle, 12st. 7lbs. ...	Mr. Annesley	1
Major Sir J. Milbanke's Shangram, 11st. ...	Mr. Gibbs	2
Mr. E. A. Fielden's Carraghmore, 12st. ...	Owner	3

Also ran: Monte and Little Titch.

Won by three-fourths of a length; and three lengths between second and third. Time—1min. 22secs.

GARRISON DERBY.—Rs. 30 to the winner and Rs. 10 to the second. 3 furlongs.

S. S.-M. Cox's Countess, 11st. 7lbs. ...	Owner	1
Q.-M. S. Connolly's Bell, 11st. 7lbs. ...	Wilkins	2
Sergt. Millett's Shansha 11st. 7lbs. ...	Bangham	3

Also ran: Pompey II., Red Rat, Tom and Mac.

Won in a canter by three lengths; four lengths between second and third. Time—46secs.

C.-B. RACE.—Rs. 49 to the winner and Rs. 10 to the second. For C.-B. ponies 14-1 and under that have never won flat races in the aggregate of Rs. 200 or over, Gymkhana Races included. 4 furlongs.

Mr. H. P. Chaplin's Lady Virginia, 11st. 7lbs.	Mr. Annesley	1
Lieut.-Col. R. Pringle's Pearl O'Dee, 10st. 7lbs.	Capt. Campion	2
Mr. P. R. Butler's Lolestar, 10st. 7lbs. ...	Mr. Williams	3

Won by one length easily; a length and a half between second and third. Time—57⅘secs.

ARAB TRIALS.—Rs. 49 to the winner and Rs. 10 to the second. Handicap for Arab ponies 14-1 and under that have never won flat races Rs. 200 in the aggregate Gymkhanas included. 5 furlongs.

Mr. H. L. Fraser's Discount, 10st. ...	Mr. Annesley	1
Mr. Sydney-Smith's Khalifa, 12st. ...	Capt. Campion	2
Mr. E. W. William's Lohengrin, 10st. 13lbs.	Mr. Williams	3

Also ran: Rueeus and Cockatrix.

Won by half a length; a head between second and third. Time—1min. 13⅘secs.

BOMBAY EIGHTH EXTRA MEETING.

Saturday, 2nd February 1907.

THE BEGINNERS' CONSOLATION PLATE.—Winner, Rs. 200; second, Rs. 100; third, Rs. 50. For Arabs 14 hands and under landed since 1st July 1905, which have not won flat race value Rs. 150 or over. 14 hands to carry 9st. 3lbs. W. I. ½ mile.

Messrs. Goculdas and Nanjee's Lucky Shot, 7st. 7lbs. (car. 7st. 12lbs.)	Ames	1
Mr. B. Binalwa's Sirree, 7st. 4lbs. ...	Kamad	2
Mr. S. Mahalla's Dumra, 7st. 13lbs. (car. 8st. 11bs.)	Oomerkhan	3
Mr. Abdulla Mana's Jalmood, 7st. 7lbs. ...	Heeroo	0

Also ran: Horan, 8-11; Liberal, 7-13; Dalgetty, 7-10; Mufeed, 7-10; Matlib, 7-7; Kagal, 7-1 (car. 7-5); Ragab, 7-1 (car. 7-2); Gafal, 6 6.

BETTING: 3 to 1 each agst. Liberal and Lucky Shot, 4 to 1 Sirree, 6 to 1 each Matlik and Ragab, 12 to 1 Dumra, and 20 to 1 the others.

Won by two and half a lengths; half a length between second and third. Time—54⅘secs.

THE SECOND BEGINNERS' CONSOLATION PLATE.—Winner, Rs. 200; second, Rs. 100; third, Rs. 50. For Arabs 14 hands and under landed since 1st July 1905, which have not won a flat race value Rs. 150 or over. 14 hands to carry 9st. 3lbs. W. I. ¼ mile.

Mr. Hussain bin Zaher's Salame, 8st. 8lbs.	Foster	1
Mr. E. Hamoodi's Mirdas, 8st. 5lbs. ...	Vining	2
Mr. H. A. Khadiri's Little John, 6st. 6lbs. (car. 6st. 7lbs.)	Kamad	3
Mr. S. A. Wahed's Yatem, 7st. 4lbs. ...	Abbas	0

Also ran: Rackhan, 8-5; Farce, 8-5; Robert Macaire, 8-5; Shahline, 7-13; Fattenkhan, 7-13; Baroda, 7-13; Engine, 7-13 (car. 8-0); and Harcourt, 7-7.

BETTING: 6 to 4 agst. Rackhan, 4 to 1 Little John, 7 to 1 each Salame and Shahline, 8 to 1 each Baroda and Yatem, and longer odds the others.

Won by one and three-quarter length; half a length between second and third. Time—55secs.

THE BANDORA PLATE.—Winner, Rs. 500; second, Rs. 200; third, Rs. 100. For Arabs 14 hands and under which have never won a flat race value Rs. 500 or over. 14 hands to carry 8st. 12lbs. W. I. 6 furlongs.

Mr. Runchordas's Ashroff, 9st. 2lbs. ...	Kamad	1
Mr. Readymoney's Mudlool, 8st. 6lbs. ...	F. Williams	2
Mr. A. Razak's Osborne, 8st. 13lbs. ...	Oomerkhan	3
Mr. A. M. Ameer's Royal Red, 8st. 4lbs. ...	Yussuff	0

Also ran: Vedas, 9-4; Shanwar, 9-0; Antica, 8-13; Angler, 8-1; Settler, 7-13; and Shabib, 7-3.

BETTING: 5 to 1 each agst. Ashroff and Mudlool, 3 to 1 Vedas, 6 to 1 each Antica and Settler, 8 to 1 Shanwar, and 10 to 1 and 12 to 1 the others.

Won easily by three lengths; one length between second and third. Time—1min. 32⅘secs.

THE ANDHERI PLATE.—Winner, Rs. 500; second, Rs. 200; third, Rs. 100. A high-weight handicap for Arabs. 9 furlongs.

Mr. Ali bin Talib's Red, 7st. 13lbs. ...	Heeroo	1
Messrs. Meyer and Green's Bandit II., 8st. 4lbs.	Vining	2
Mr. Khalialdores's, Makhool, 7st. 4lbs. (car. 7st. 5lbs.)	Mujeed	3
H. H. Aga Shah's Ajax, 8st. 10lbs. ...	Kamad	0

Also ran: Precious, 10-3; Skylark, 9-1; Vasco, 8-4; Panala II., 8-1; Nooman, 8-1; Shella, 8-0; Bendigo, 7-11; Witness II., 7-10; Sahib, 7-8, and Wait-a-While, 6-10 (car. 7-4).

BETTING: 2 to 1 agst. Red, 4 to 1 Ajax, 5 to 1 Bendigo, 2 to 1 Vasco, 8 to 1 each Precious and Makhool, and 10 to 1 and 15 to 1 the others.

Won by one-and-a-half length; same between the second and third. Time—2mins. 7secs.

THE FEBRUARY PLATE.—Winner, Rs. 500; second, Rs. 200; third, Rs. 100. A high weight handicap for horses. 6 furlongs.

Mr. Avasia's Presbyterian, 8st. ...	Vining	1
The Hon'ble Hill Trevor and Messrs. Goculdas and Nanjee's Balayeuse, 7st. 10lbs.	Ames	2
Mr. Kelso's Harpist, 7st. 8lbs.	M. H. Ross	3

Also ran: Vocalist, 7-12.

BETTING: 5 to 4 agst. Presbyterian, 5 to 2 Vocalist, 9 to 2 Balayeuse, 6 to 1 Harpist.

Won by one and-a-quarter length; a head between second and third. Time—1min. 15secs.

THE NEW COMERS' CONSOLATION PLATE.—Winner, Rs. 200; second, Rs. 100; third, Rs. 50. For Arabs landed since 1st July 1906, which have not won a flat race value Rs. 150 or over. W. A. reduced 3lbs. 6 furlongs.

Mr. G. K.'s Kalee Charan, 8st. ...	Melsom	1
Mr. A. M. Mana's Madras, 8st. 3lbs. (car. 8st. 6lbs.)	Foster	2
Mr. A. M. Ameer's Possidon, 8st. ...	Yussuff	3
Mr. Syed Daya's Idbas, 7st. 4lbs. ...	Native	0

Also ran: Mustwin, 8-8; Muftakar, 8-8; Thuyyar, 8-3; Krushan, 8-0; Come Soon, 8-0; Kawakib, 8-0; Tardeo, 8-0; Rishan, 8-0; and Chumchuman, 7-9.

BETTING: 2 to 1 agst. Krushan, 4 to 1 Kalee Charan, 6 to 1 each Mustwin, Muftakar and Idbas, 8 to 1 Come Soon, 10 to 1 each Thuyyar Madras and Chumchuman, any price the others.

Won by one and three-quarters of a length; one and a quarter length between second and third. Time—1min. 23secs.

THE VEHAR PLATE.—Winner, Rs. 500; second, Rs. 200; third, Rs. 100. A high-weight handicap for Arabs 13-3 and under. 5 furlongs

Mr. N. B. Tirvedkar's Plassey, 7st. 4lbs. (car. 7st. 6lbs.)	Heeroo	1
Mr. H. Sulieman's Gaucho, 7st. 3lbs. (car. 7st. 4lbs.)	Mujeed	2
Mr. Vaid's Zurriff, 7st. 7lbs.	Melsom	3
Mr. S. N. Mahomed's Darby, 9st. ...	Vining	0

Also ran: Scimitar, 9-7; Creditor, 8-11; Young Gazelle, 8-5; Sabig, 8-3; Sahoon, 7-8; Dhaman, 7-0; Musket, 6-12; Bourbon, 6-10.

BETTING: 2 to 1 agst. Plassey, 4 to 1 Zurriff, 6 to 1 each Darby, Sabig and Sahoon, 7 to 1 Creditor, 14 to 1 and 20 to 1 the others.

Won by a length; half a length between second and third; Darby was a good fourth. Time—1min. 8secs.

THE THIRD BEGINNERS' CONSOLATION PLATE.—Winner, Rs. 200; second, Rs. 100; third Rs. 50. For Arabs 14 hands and under landed since 1st July 1906, which have not won flat race value Rs. 150 or over. 14 hands to carry 9st. 3lbs. W. I. ¼ mile.

Mr. A. R. A. Rahman's Fadil, 7st. 4lbs. ...	Abdoola	1
Mr. G. K.'s Madrid, 8st. 11lbs.	Melsom	2
Mr. Yussuff Dayayel's Maluan, 7st. 10lbs. (car. 8st.)	Oomerkhan	3
Mr. F. Essack's Advancement, 8st. 11lbs. ...	F. Williams	0

Also ran: Company, 8-11; Lisbon, 8-11; Phiroz, 8-11; Elector, 8-8; Seracab, 7-2; Sheehab, 7-4; Toy, 7-1 (car. 7-6).

BETTING: 6 to 4 agst. Toy, 3 to 1 Lisbon, 4 to 1 Maluan, 6 to 1 Madrid, 8 to 1 each Fadil and Sheehab, 10 to 1 and 15 to 1 the others.

Won by three-quarters of a length; half a length between second and third. Time—55secs.

NASIRABAD RACES.

First Day, 24th January 1907.

A VERY successful little meeting was held on the 24th and 25th ultimo. The races were well attended and though entries were small the sport was good. The officers of the 112th Infantry were "At Home" on the course on each day. Details:—

THE AJMER STAKES.—Rs. 40 to the winner and Rs. 20 to the second. For maiden Arab ponies 14-1 and under. 5 furlongs.

Major Baldock's Resolve, 9st. 4lbs.	...H. H. Maharaja of Kishengarh	1
Mr. Deane's Mhow, 8st. 12lbs.	... Mr. Lucas	2
Capt. Grove's Crocus, 10st. 5lbs.	... Owner	3

Also ran: Goliath, 10-11.

Won by a length.

THE BIKANIR PURSE.—Presented by H. H. the Maharaja of Bikanir. Rs. 40 to the winner, Rs. 20 to the second, and Rs. 10 to the third. For ponies that have never won a race of any description. 3 furlongs.

Mr. Deane's Black Boy, 12st. ...	Owner	1
Mr. Field's Sonnie, 9st. 12lbs. ...	Owner	2
Mr. Otway's Tulsi, 9st. 6lbs.	Owner	3

Also ran: Boy Blue, 11-11; Kismet, 10-13; Gunputti, 9-9.

Won by two lengths; a neck between second and third.

THE JODHPUR PURSE.—Presented by H. H. the Maharaja of Jodhpur. Rs. 40 to the winner and Rs. 20 to the second For Arab ponies 14-2 and under which have never won a race value Rs. 50 or over. ½ mile.

Capt. Hutchison's Dick Turpin, 10st. 11lb. ...	Capt. Grove	1
Mr. Lucas' The Lamb, 11st. 2lbs. ...	Owner	2
Major Glynn's Tickles, 10st. 11lb.	...Major Baldock	3

Also ran: Mhow, 9-0.

Won easily; a good third.

THE KISHENGARH PURSE.—Presented by H. H. the Maharaja of Kishengarh. Rs. 40 to the winner, Rs. 20 to the second, and Rs. 10 to the third. For ponies 14-1 and under that have never won a race value Rs. 50 or over. 6 furlongs.

Capt. Grove's Orchid, 10st. 11lbs. ...	Owner	1
Capt. Strong's Hari, 11st.	Mr. Field	2
Mr. Martin's Joan, 11st. 8lbs.	Mr. Ross	3

Also ran: Lottie, 10-10; Dover, 10-2.

Won easily.

Second Day, 28th January 1907.

THE ARAB HANDICAP.—Rs. 40 to the winner. For Arab ponies 14-2 and under which have never won a race value Rs. 50 or over. 5 furlongs.

Major Glynn's Tickles, 11st. 5lbs.	...Major Baldock	1
Capt. Strong's Hari, 11st. 10lbs.	... Mr. Field	2
Capt. Birdwood's Goliath, 9st. 9lbs.	... Mr. Vincent	3

Won by a length.

THE BEGINNERS' HANDICAP.—Presented by Messrs. Framji and Son. Messrs. Bhimraj and Son and Mahomed Amir. Rs. 40 to the winner, Rs. 20 to the second, and Rs. 10 to the third. For ponies that have never won a race of any description prior to first day of the meeting. 3 furlongs.

Mr. Otway's Tulsi, 9st. 2lbs.	Owner	1
Mr. Field's Sonnie, 9st. 10lbs. ...	Owner	2
Major Baldock's Kismet, 9st. 10lbs. ...	Owner	3

Also ran: Black Boy, 12-7; Lottie, 10-7; Gunputti, 9-9.

Won by a head; a neck between second and third.

THE AJMER HANDICAP.—Rs. 40 to the winner. For maiden Arab ponies 14-1 and under. 6 furlongs.

Capt Grove's Crocus, 10st. ...	Owner	1
Major Baldock's Resolve, 10st. 2lbs. ...	Owner	2

Also ran: The Lamb, 11-0 (fell).

Won by a length

THE RAJPUTAN HANDICAP.—Presented by the Hon'ble Mr. E. G. Colvin, C. S. I. Rs. 40 to the winner, Rs. 20 to the second, and Rs. 10 to the third. For Arab and C.-B. ponies 14-2 and under, and others 14-1 and under, which have never won a race value Rs. 50 or over. 1 mile.

Capt. Hutchison's Dick Turpin, 10st. 7lbs.	Major Baldock	1
Mr. Deane's Mhow, 9st. 5lbs. ...	Mr. Lucas	2
Mr. Vincent's Dover, 9st. 5lbs. ...	Owner	3

Also ran: Orchid, 11-4; Joan, 10-12; Tulsi, 9-12; Gunputti, 9-12.

Won by a length.

TRAINERS' LOTS.

CALCUTTA RACES 1906-1907.

HORSE.	DESCRIPTION.	OWNER.	TRAINER.

A.

Annamalloch	bk e m	Mr. Holmes	Wishart.
Amplify	ch e m	Mr. J. D. Scott	Owner.
Applause	b e a	Mr. J. C. Galstaun	Tingey.
Au Fait	br e m	Capt. Farquharson	Saunders.
Ailsiock	bk aus m	Hon. Mr. A. A. Apcar	Watson.
Amyas	ch aus g	Mr. Dartmoor	Taylor.
Adviser	b aus g	Mr. S. F. Reynolds	Wishart.
Aberfoyle	b or br aus g	Mr. R. S. Hart	Ferguson.

B.

Black Duke	bk or br e c	Mr. D. B. Myers	Dignum.
Bon Bon	b aus g	Mr. D. B. Myers	Dignum.
Baron II	ch aus g	Mr. Locke	C. Hoyt.
Blitzen	bk or br e m	Messrs. Hudson and Butler	Wishart.
Ballark	bk aus g	Hon. Mr. A. A. Apcar	Watson.
Beaunero	ch e g	Mr. G. B. Deakin	Owner.
Bundook	b e g	Mr. Dartmoor	Taylor.
Branga	ch aus g	Mr. T. G. Evers	Owner.
Botha	br aus g	Mr. C. M. D. Bell	Firth.
Bouquet	b e m	Mr. B. B.	Walker.
Belle Cole	b aus m	Mr. Stead	Torpey.
Bubble	br aus g	Messrs. Rodocanachi and Mackenzie	Norton.
Bucentaur	b aus g	Mr. J. A. Manning	Marriott.
Bonita	ch aus m	Mr. A. L. Butler	Wishart.
Bull's Eye	br aus g	Mr. M. Turner	Private.

C.

Child Adopted	b e m	Mr. A. N. Dass	Taylor.
Carnival	ch e m	Mr. A. N. Dass	Taylor.
Curfew	ch aus g	Mr. J. B.	Ramshaw.
Craigendarrie	b e g	Mr. J. C. Galstaun	Tingey.
Cyril	b aus g	Mrs. A. Grosser	Smallman.
Colina	br e m	Mr. G. H. L. Mackenzie	Norton.
Cherson	b aus h	H. H. Kour Sahib of Patiala	T. Scott.
Contest	ch aus h	Mr. R. S. Hart	Ferguson.
Clear Artist	b or br e g	Mr. North	Bleach
Coin II	ch aus m	H. H. Mah. of Cooch Behar	Ramshaw.
Curlew	b aus m	Mr. B. N. Burjotjee	Owner.
Clynder	b e m	Mr. A. N. Dass	Taylor.
Curfew Bell	ch aus m	Messrs. Wood and Badger	Penton.
Coronet	b aus g	Mr. S. F. Reynolds	Wishart.
Circus Girl	b aus m	Mr. J. C. Galstaun	Tingey.
Claribell	ch aus m	Mr. J. C. Galstaun	Tingey.
Cingalee	ch e m	Mr. Cecil	Ramshaw.
Clodian	b aus g	Mr. J. G. Ballantyne	Mr. Evers.
Camira	b aus g	Mr. E. J. Marshall	J. D. Scott.
Chippy Norton	bk aus g	Mr. P. B. Avasia	Bleach.
Craig	br aus g	Capt. H. V. Holden	Owner.

D.

Downland	br or bk e m	Mr. J. M. Rodocanachi	Norton.
Dea	br aus m	Hon. Mr. A. A. Apcar	Watson.
Decoration	b aus g	Mr. R. S. Hart	Ferguson.
Duplex II	b us g	Mr. J. D. Scott.	Owner.
Dirty Boy	bk e g	Mr. J. C. Galstaun	Tingey.
Dulcimer	bk aus g	Mr. J. C. Galstaun	Tingey.
Dramatic	br aus g	Mr. O. M. D. Bell	Firth.
Dormant	b aus g	Mr. P. B. Avasia	Bleach.
Diakkaway	ch e m	Mr. J. C. Galstaun	Tingey.
Dunsinane	ch e f	Messrs. Wood and Badger	Penton.

E.

Esmeralda	ch e m	Mr. J. D. Scott	Owner.
Envions	b aus c	Mr. Cowper	Owner.
Esperanto	b aus m	Mr. R. D. Coggan	T. White.

F.

Footprint	b e h	Mr. E. L. F. de Soysa	Harper
Fitzgrafton	b aus h	Hon. Mr. A. A. Apcar	Watson.
Flo	bk or br aus m	Mr. F. Potter	Owner.
Footlight	br aus m	Mr. W. H. Walmesley	Ramshaw.
Ferndown	br e b	Messrs. Wood and Badger	Penton.
Flotsam	b aus g	Thakur Sripal Singh	Thomas.
Foy	bk aus g	Mr. Charles	Pringle.
First Bell	ch aus g	Col. Stisted	Firth.

G.

Galley Slave	ch e g	Mr. E. J. Marshall	J. D. Scott.
Greenstone	b aus g	Mr. North	Bleach.
Gum	b aus g	Mr. J. C. Galstaun	Tingey.
Gladstone	b aus g	Mr. Locke	C. Hoyt.
Ground Glass	b e m	Mr. Cowper	Pringle.
Good Chap	br aus g	Mr. R. M. Hamilton	Mr. Cowper.
Gowan	ch aus m	Mr. J. C. Galstaun	Tingey.
Goldstamp	b e m	Messrs. Paris and Marshall	Wishart.
Golden	ch e f	Mr. A. Gamble	Norton.

H.

Hoop Iron	b aus g	Mr. J. C. Galstaun	Tingey.
Handelian	br e g	Mr. J. C. Galstaun	Tingey.
Honest Lady	b e m	Mr. J. D. Scott	Owner.
Henrique	br aus m	Hon. Mr. A. A. Apcar	Watson.
Hooded Monk	b e g	Aga S. Shah	Owner.
Half Price	br aus m	Mr. Price	Owner.
Hazlenut	bk aus m	Mr. Dartmoor	Taylor.
Hint	br aus m	Mr. J. M. Rodocanachi	Norton.

I.

Insurrection	b e g	Mr. A. N. Dass	Taylor.
Ivanhoe II	br aus g	Mr. R. D. Coggan	T. White.

J.

Jacquelin	b aus m	Mr. R. S. Hart	Ferguson.
Jolly Abbot	gr e c	Mr. D. B. Myers	Dignum.
Jackeroo	br aus g	Mr. O. M. D. Bell	Firth.
Jack Sheppard	b e g	Mr. W. H. Walmesley	Pringle.
Jubilant	b aus m	Mr. G. K.	Munroe.
Jacinth	br aus g	Mr. Cowper	Owner.
Jolly Roger	ch e g	Col. P. K. L. Beaver	Heywood.

K.

Kipling	b aus g	Mr. E. J. Marshall	J. D. Scott.
Killeevan	br e m	Mr. J. C. Galstaun	Tingey.
Kendal King	ch e g	Mr. Charles	Pringle.
Kingpin	ch aus g	Mr. Austin	Heywood.

L.

Loch Lochie	b aus g	Mr. R. S. Hart	Ferguson.
Look Out	b aus g	Mr. Locke	C. Hoyt.
Long Tom	br aus g	Mr. J. C. Galstaun	Ferguson.
Lady Avon	bk or br aus m	Mr. J. D. Scott	Owner.
Lady Anna	b e m	Messrs. Paris and Marshall	Wishart.
Lady Veera	b e m	Mr. Bunting	J. D. Scott.
Lady Grey	gr e m	Mr. Bunting	J. D. Scott.
Lord D.	b aus g	Mr. Alec	Heywood.
Lucretia	ch aus m	Lieut.-Col. J. Desaraj Urs	Vinall.
Lord Harry	b aus g	Capt. H. V. Holden	Private.
Little Dolly	ch aus m	Col. P. K. L. Beaver	Heywood.
Lady Metal	b aus m	Mr. Dartmoor	Taylor.
Lamlock	br aus g	H. H. Kour Sahib of Patiala	T. Scott.
Lorette	br aus m	Mr. B. N. Burjorjee	Owner.
Lord Boyne	bk aus g	H. H. Kour Sahib of Patiala	T. Scott.
Loyal	ch aus g	Mr. J. A. Manning	Marriott.
Leda	ch aus m	Mr. B. B.	Walker.
Lady Viola	b aus m	Mr. J. D. Scott	Owner.
Leading Lady	b aus m	Mr. W. B. Green	Mr. H. E. Smith.

M.

Merry Elsie	b e m	Mrs. A. Grosser	Smallman.
Meadow Saffron	ch e m	Mr. G. B. Deakin	J. D. Scott.
Mother Goose	br e g	Messrs. Wood and Badger	Penton.
Mount Dane	br aus h	Mr. O. M. D. Bell	Firth.
Munderah	br aus h	H. H. Maharajah of Mysore	Ferguson.
Matin Bell	bk aus m	H. H. Maharajah of Cooch Behar	Ramshaw.
Mayroid	br aus m	Mr. W. Griffiths	T. White.
Minimus	b aus g	Lieut.-Col. J. Desaraj Urs	Vinall.
Matalgia	b aus h	Mr. J. C. Galstaun	Tingey.
Meg	ch aus m	Mr. D. B. Myers	Dignum.
Massachusselts	b aus m	Mr. J. D. Scott	Owner.
Mary Jane	ch aus m	Mr. J. D. Scott	Owner.
Master, The	br aus h	Mr. Maxwell	Wishart.
Martinique	br aus m	Hon. Mr. A. A. Apcar	Watson.
Master Charlie	br e g	Mr E. J. Marshall	J. D. Scott.
Mercedes	bk or br e m	Messrs. Hudson and Butler	Wishart.
Mistlebird	b aus m	Mr. R. A. C. Pugh	Owner.
Mulison	b aus g	Mr. A. N. Dass	Taylor.
Musette	br aus m	Mr. Maxwell	Wishart.
Malinyook	bk aus g	H. H. Kour Sahib of Patiala	T. Scott.
Mallard	b aus h	Hon. Mr. A. A. Apcar	Watson.
Manlock	b aus g	Col. P. K. L. Beaver	T. Scott.
Miss Hopson	ch e m	Mr. Charles	Pringle.
Metalwing	br aus g	Mr. Charles	Pringle.
Miss Stone	ch aus m	Mr. Holmes	Wishart.
Moreel	ch e f	Mr. G. H. L. Mackenzie	Norton.

N.

Nightingale	br e m	Capt. Farquharson	Saunders.
Nak Our	ch aus m	Hon. Mr. A. A. Apcar	Watson.
Nirvana	b e g	Mr. Field	Heywood.
Nurse Kitty	b e m	H. H. Kour Sahib of Patiala	T. Scott.
Nigam	b aus g	Thakur Sripal Singh	Thomas.
Narwanah	ch aus g	Mr. C. Pearson	T. White.

O.

Olive Lee	br aus m	Mr. H. V. Low	Norton.
Olynthus	b aus g	Messrs. Jones and Pugh	Mr. R. Pugh.
Our State	b aus g	Mr. J. C. Galstaun	Tingey.
Orphan Boy	b aus g	Mr. Glen	Mr. Cowper.

P.

Pennant	b aus g	Mr. Borneo	Norton.
Pat. C.	b sth afr. h	Mr. J. D. Scott	Owner.
Pineal	ch aus g	Mr. A. N. Dass	Taylor.
Plover	br aus m	Thakur Sripal Singh	Marriott.
Palas	ch aus m	Mr R. D. Coggan	T. White.
Pendred	b e g	Mr. Charles	Pringle.
Palindrome	br or ch aus m	Mr. Stead	Torpey.
Paddy's Darling	b e m	Mr. J. C. Galstaun	Tingey.
Prince Lyon	br aus g	Mr. J C. Galstaun	Tingey.
Presbyterian	ch e g	Mr. P. B. Avasia	Bleach.
Psalm	br e m	Mr. O. M. D. Bell	Firth.
Projecture	b aus m	Mr. F. Potter	Owner.
Pure Gold	b e g	Mr. J. C. Galstaun	Tingey.
Prince Moorefield	b aus g	Mr. R. B. Lamotte	Owner.
Pretender	b aus g	Mr. K. M. Hamilton	Mr. Cowper.
Picture	b aus m	Mrs. J. N. Gregory	Taylor.

R.

Red Coral	b aus g	Lieut.-Col. J. Desaraj Urs	Vinall.
Rosanule	b e h	Mr. Charles	Pringle.
Refuge Bay	b aus g	Mr. Charles	Pringle.
Riverside II	b nth aus g	Mr J. C. Galstaun	Tingey.
Rustile	ch aus m	Mr J. C. Galstaun	Tingey.
Rezia	b aus m	Mr. A. N. Dass	Taylor.
Rustler	b aus g	Mr. J. C. Galstaun	Tingey.
Rather Rakish	ch aus g	Mr. Holmes	Wishart.
Roseland	b ch g	Mr. J. D Scott	Owner.

S.

Seclusion	ch aus m	Hon. Mr A. A. Apcar	Watson.
Strathspey	bk aus g	Hon. Mr. A. A. Apcar	Watson.
Spark	b aus g	Mr. K. R. Tomkinson	C. Hoyt.
Senator	ch aus g	Mr. W. T. Miles	Owner.
Spero	b aus g	Mr. S Margrett	Smallman.
Signorina	b aus m	Mr. J. B.	Ramshaw.
Son of a Gun	b e h	Mr. Bunting	J. D. Scott.
S. S.	b aus g	Thakur Sripal Singh	Thomas.
Sainte Marquise	br e m	Mr. J. C. Galstaun	Tingey.
Santa Maria	b e m	Mr. Holmes	Wishart.
Squire Alfred	b e g	Messrs. Wood & Badger	Penton.
Scamander	ch e m	Mr. W. H. Walmsley	Pringle.
Sacristan II	ch e g	Mr. Dartmoor	Taylor.
Solace	b aus m	Mr. Field	Heywood.
Silphoe	b e g	Mr. J. C. Galstaun	Tingey.
Sea Spray	b e f	Mr. G. B. Deakin	Owner.
Sermon	ch e g	Messrs. Wood & Badger	Penton.
Saloon	br ch g	Mr. J. B. Scott	Owner.
Steinhager	b e c	Mr. Charles	Pringle.
Stepaway	b e m	Mr A. L. Butler	Wishart.
Swindle	br aus g	Mrs. A. Grosser	Smallman.
St. Michael	b aus g	Mr. S. Margrett	Smallman.
Spain	ch e g	Capt. Milvain	Penton.
Sir Walter	b aus g	Mr. D. Norton	Owner.

T.

Thomond	br e g	Messrs. Wood & Badger	Penton.
Trencherman	b aus h	Mr. A. N. Dass	Taylor.
Trenayr	b aus g	H. H. Kour Sahib of Patiala	T. Scott.
Tartan	ch aus g	Mr. M. B. K. Hodgson	Owner.
Terence	ch aus g	Hon. Mr. A. A. Apcar	Watson.
Tycannah	b aus g	Mr. J. S. Love	Marriott.
Trenton	b aus g	Lt.-Col. J. Desaraj Urs	Vinall.
Trentside Lad	b aus g	Mr. J. M. Rodocanachi	Norton.
Turk	gr aus g	Mr. W. O. Bees	Owner.

V.

Veera	ch aus m	Mr. G. K.	Munroe.
Vespasia	b e m	Mr. D. B. Myers	Dignum.
Vanity Fair	b aus m	Mr. Dartmoor	Taylor.
Vinolia	bor br aus m	Mr. H. V. Low	Norton.

W.

Wal	b aus g	Mr J. W. Scott	Owner.
Wakeful	br aus m	Mr. E. C. Ramshaw	Owner.
White Heather	ch e g	Capt. H. D. McNeil	Owner.
Windy	br aus g	Mr. J. C. Galstaun	Tingey.
Wake up	b aus m	Mr. H. E. Smith	Owner.
Watch Fire	gr aus g	Mr. R. A. C. Pugh	Owner.
Wales	gr aus g	Mr. Beaumont	Owner.
Woodbine	ch aus m	Mr. Charles	Pringle.
Watchfire	gr aus g	Mr. Gutschke	Mr. Pugh.

Y.

Yardley	ch aus m	Mr. J. D. Scott	Owner.
Yankee Boy	ch aus h	Mr. J. D. Scott	Owner.

Z.

Zig Zag	b aus m	Mr. Glen	Mr. Cowper.

Entries for Races.

CALCUTTA FIFTH EXTRA MEETING.

Saturday, 9th February, 1907.

HUNTER'S HURDLE RACE.—R. C. and a distance over 7 flights.
Mr. Topper's b aus m Milady.
Mr. Cowper's br aus g Jacinth.
Mr. Cowper's b aus g Dangar.
Capt. Holden's b aus g Lord Harry.
Mr. M. Turner's b aus g Fusilier.
Mr. Evers' b aus g Orphan Boy.
Mr. Glen's b e g Tiritiri.
Mr. Bell-Irving's br aus g Fred.
Mr. R. A. C. Pugh's b aus m Posey.
Dr. Hossack's ch aus m Lady Gold.
Mr. G. B. Deakin's b aus m Trilby.
Mr. G. B. Deakin's gr aus m Blue Bell II.
Mr. H. K. Pierson's ch aus m Queen of Hearts.

PONY HUNTER'S FLAT RACE.—R. C.
Mr. C. W. Ritson's ch aus g Gebung, 14-0½.
Mr. Cowper's b aus g Envious, 14-1½.
Mr. K. M. Hamilton's br aus g Goodchap, 13-3½.
Mr. Hillard's cr aus m Sunflower, 14-0½.
Mr. J. Hutchison's ch a g Samak, 14-0½.
Capt. Holden's br aus g Pathfinder II., 14-1½.
Mr. Glen's b aus g Zigzag, 14-2.
Mr. Ever's ch aus g Branga, 14-2.
Mr. R. G. D. Thomas' ch aus g Waratah.
Mr. L. Walker's rn aus m The Pink 'Un, 14-1.
Mr. R. A. C. Pugh's a aus m Mistlebird, 14-0½.
Mr. G. B. Deakin's br aus m The Result.
Mr. A. Levetus' bk or br aus m Lady George, 14-1.

THE LANSDOWNE PLATE.—7 furlongs.
Mr. O. M. D. Bell's br aus g Bell Dhu.
Mr. O. M. D. Bell's b aus g Botha.
Mrs. A. Grosser's b e m Merry Elsie.
Mr. M. Gutschke's br aus m Lilly.
Mr. Walmsley's b e m Scamander.
Mr. A. N. Dass' b e m Clynder.
Mr. A. M. Dass' b aus h Trencherman.
Mr. A. N. Dass' b aus g Mulison.
Mr. Borneo's br e m Colina.
Mr. Coggan's b or br aus m Elgin.
Mr. Galstaun's br e m Sainte Marquise.
Mr. Galstaun's b e g Pure Gold.
Mr. Galstaun's b aus g Gum.
Mr. Field's b e g Nirvana.
Mr. Manning's ch aus g Loyal.
Mr. Alec's b aus g Lord D.
Mr. D. B. Myers' b aus g Bon-Bon.
Mr. D. B. Myers' b e m Vespasia.
Messrs. Hudson and Butler's br e m Blitzen.
Mr. Holmes' bk e m Annamulloch.
Mr. Green's b aus m Projecture.
Mr. Charles' bk aus g Foy.
Mr. Charles' b e g Pendred.
Mr. McGeorge's br e m Devil's Limit.
Mr. Stead's ch or br aus m Palindrome.

THE SPRING PLATE.—1 mile.
Mr. M. Gutschke's br aus m Lilly.
Mr. A. N. Dass' b e m Child Adopted.
Mr. Low's b aus m Violia.
Mr. Coggan's ch aus m Pallas.
Mr. Galstaun's b e g Peveril.
Mr. Ballantyne's b aus g Clodian.
Mr. A. L. Butler's ch aus m Bonita.
Mr. H. E. Smith's b aus g Tynnwood.
Mr. S. Margrett's b aus g St. Michael.
Mr. R. B. Lamotte's b aus g Prince Moorfield.
Mr. Bell-Irving's b aus m Wake Up.
Mr. Rothschild's b or br aus g Fame.
Mr. R. G. Farquharson's b aus g Recoil.

THE OUTRAM PLATE.—6 furlongs.
Mr. O. M. D. Bell's b aus g Botha.
Mr. A. N. Dass' b aus h Trencherman.
Mr. A. N. Dass' br rn aus g Lollipop.
Mr. J. S. Love's b aus g Tycannah.
Mr. Rodocanachi's h e m Downland.
Mr. Borneo's br e m Colina.
Mr. D. Norton's b aus m Thetis.
Mr. Galstaun's b e g Peveril.
Capt. Holden's br aus g Craig.
Mr. J. D. Marshall's ch aus g Kingpin.
Mr. Maxwell's br aus m Mussette.
Mr. Greer's b aus m Leading Lady.
Mr. Schwerdtfyer's b aus m Sal.
Mr. W. Atkinson's b aus g Dib.
Mr. Bell-Irving's b aus m Wake Up.
Mr. H. P. Banker's b aus m Queen of Gems.
Mr. Dartmoor's b aus g Defendant.
Mr. Rothschild's b or br aus g Fame.

THE CURZON PLATE.—1¼ mile.
Mr. Walmsley's b e m Scamander.
Mr. Galstaun's br e m Sainte Marquise.
Mr. Galstaun's br e g Hande'illian.
Mr. Field's b e g Nirvana.
Mr. Manning's b aus g Bucentaur.
Mr. D. B. Myers' b aus g Bon-Bon.
Mr. Margrett's br aus g Spero.
Mr. Charles' br aus g Foy.
Mr. Charles' b e g Pendred.
Mr. Dudley's b aus g Coronet.
Mr. Dartmoor's b e g Bundook.

The Cone Plate not having been filled has been declared null and void.

Races to Come.

LAHORE SPRING MEETING, 1907.

(Under C. T. C. Rules of Racing.)

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First Day, Wednesday, 20th March.

THE KENNEL PLATE.—Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 50 to the second, and Rs. 25 to the third. For maiden Arab and C.-B. ponies 14-2 and under, and other maiden ponies 14-0 and under, that have been regularly hunted with the Lahore hounds. Above heights to carry 12st. W. I. Penalties—Winners of a flat race, hurdle race or steeplechase, value Rs. 50 or over, once 6lbs.; twice 10lbs.; oftener 14lbs. Gentlemen riders only. Certificates from the Master must accompany entries or they will not be accepted. 1½ mile over 8 flights of hurdles.

NOVICE PLATE.—Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 50 to the second, and Rs. 25 to the third. For C.-B. ponies 14-2 and under, and other ponies 14 hands and under, that have never won a flat race, value Rs. 50 or over. C.-B. ponies 14-2 and other ponies 14 hands to carry 11st. 7lbs. W. I. ¼ mile.

THE ARAB TRIALS.—Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 50 to the second, and Rs. 25 to the third. For Arab ponies 14-1 and under that have never won a flat race, value Rs. 50 or over. Ponies 14-1 to carry 11st. 7lbs. W. I. 1,000 yards.

DESERT PLATE.—Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 50 to the second, and Rs. 25 to the third. For Arab ponies 14-1 and under. Ponies 14-1 to carry 11st. 7lbs. W. I. Penalties—Winners, once 6lbs.; twice 10lbs.; oftener 14lbs. Allowances—Maidens allowed 7lbs. 5 furlongs.

MERCHANTS' PLATE.—Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs 50 to the second, and Rs. 25 to the third. For maiden C.-B. ponies 14-2 and under. Ponies 14-2 to carry 11st. 7lbs. W. I. Penalties—Winners, once 6lbs.; twice 10lbs.; oftener 14lbs. 5 furlongs.

THE WESTERN PLATE.—Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 50 to the second, and Rs. 25 to the third. For maiden English, Australasian and C.-B. ponies 14-2 and under. Ponies 14-2 to carry 12st. W. I. Penalties—Winners, once 6lbs.; twice 10lbs.; oftener 14lbs. Allowances—C.-B.'s allowed 21lbs., and ponies that have never won a flat race, value Rs. 50 or over, allowed 7lbs. 1 mile.

THE MEEAN MEER PLATE.—Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 50 to the second, and Rs. 25 to the third. For maiden Arab ponies 14-1 and under unconditionally the property of officers of His Majesty's Services on full pay. Ponies 14-1 to carry 11st. 7lbs. W. I. Penalties—Winners, once 6lbs.; twice 10lbs.; and oftener 14lbs. Allowances—Ponies that have never won a flat race, value Rs. 50 or over, allowed 7lbs. 5 furlongs.

Second Day, Friday, 22nd March.

PONY HURDLES.—Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 50 to the second, and Rs. 25 to the third. For Arab and C.-B. ponies 14-1 and under, and other ponies 14 hands and under. Arabs 14-1 to carry 12st., C.-B.'s 14-1 to carry 12st., others 14-0 to carry 12st. 7lbs. W. I. Penalties—Winners, once 6lbs.; twice 10lbs.; oftener 14lbs. Allowances—Ponies that have never won a hurdle race, value Rs. 50 or over, allowed 7lbs. 1½ mile over 8 flights of hurdles.

NOVICE HANDICAP.—Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 50 to the second, and Rs. 25 to the third. A high-weight handicap for ponies qualified to enter for the Novice Plate on first day. 5 furlongs.

THE ARAB HANDICAP.—Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 50 to the second, and Rs. 25 to the third. A high-weight handicap for maiden Arab ponies 14-1 and under. 1 mile.

SELLING RACE.—Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 50 to the second, and Rs. 25 to the third. For ponies 14-1 and under, if entered to be sold for Rs. 800, to carry 12st. 7lbs. W. I. Allowances—3lbs. for every reduction of Rs. 100 in selling price under Rs. 800, Maximum selling price, Rs. 800; minimum, Rs. 300. Arabs, if running with other classes, allowed 21lbs.; C.-B.'s, if running with other classes, allowed 10lbs. ¼ mile.

OPEN HANDICAP.—Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 50 to the second, and Rs. 25 to the third. A high-weight handicap for ponies 14-2 and under. ¼ mile.

THE ANARKALI HANDICAP.—Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 50 to the second, and Rs. 25 to the third. A high-weight handicap for maiden ponies 14-2 and under that have not won flat races of the value of Rs. 50 or over amounting in the aggregate to Rs. 800 or over since 31st March 1904. 1 mile.

MOZANG HANDICAP.—Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 50 to the second, and Rs. 25 to the third. A high-weight handicap for Arab ponies 14-1 and under. R. C.

GENERAL CONDITIONS.

1. The Stewards may, under Rule 140, declare any race void in which there are less than five entries in *bond-fide* separate interests.
2. In all races the full advertised amount to the winner will be given, except for a walk-over, when only half will be paid, under Rule 140.
3. Ponies not having C. T. C. or W. I. T. C. certificates will be measured in accordance with Rule 89.
4. All entries and forfeits go to the Fund, subject to Rule 139.
5. The following will be the scale of entries for all races:—
First Entries to close 15th February, Rs. 10.
Second Entries to close 1st March, Rs. 15.
Third Entries to close 10th March, Rs. 20.
6. All entries must be accompanied by remittance for the full amount, or they will be declined.
7. In making entries, height must be included in entry, and if owners at the time of entry will notify their colours, these will be registered at the Honorary Secretary's office, otherwise colours must be registered not later than 10 A.M. on the day preceding the race. Any owner failing to have this done, or running a horse in colours other than those registered with the Honorary Secretary, will be fined at the discretion of the Stewards.
8. Licensed jockeys other than natives of India or Burma to carry 7lbs. extra, and licensed native jockeys 4lbs. extra in all races, handicaps included.
9. Starting declarations for each race must be made to the Secretary or the Clerk of the Scales not less than half an hour before the time fixed for each race. The declaration shall be in writing, and shall state the name of the race, the name of each horse declared to start and the name of the jockey, and shall be accompanied by the amount due for extra money for horses not struck out, and for the jockey's fee for a losing mount, if not already paid. Printed declaration forms can be obtained from the Honorary Secretary.
10. Rule 83 will be strictly enforced.
11. In all races of the advertised value of Rs. 200, should the entries exceed Rs. 200, the surplus will be divided between the second and third in the proportion of 2 to 1. In no case will the winner receive more than Rs. 199.
12. All communications to be addressed to—

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NOTICE.

1. Admission to the Stand and Enclosure, by ticket only, Rs. 6 per diem, or Rs. 10 for the meeting. Ladies and owners free. Owners entering horses but not running them will be charged the ordinary admission fee.
2. Tickets for the meeting can be obtained by previous application to the Honorary Secretary, or on payment at the gate.
3. Second Enclosure—One Rupee per diem. Soldiers in uniform, half price.
4. Starting Machine will be used at the meeting.

Sport in England.

(FROM THE HOME PAPERS.)

LONDON, *Friday, 18th January 1907.*

THE TURF.

MANCHESTER.

WE heard fairy stories of sunny skies in the Peak country, but in Manchester a gentle rain was falling, while the temperature was mild enough for April. The said mild weather was all against the day's sport, as while a waft or two of air just shifted the mist at Castle Irwell to and fro it had not the strength to send it over the bank, and for want of a brisker breeze we had to witness racing through a fog that once looked like clearing, but came again. Considering that two big Association Cup matches were in full swing hardby, the Executive are to be congratulated on a capital attendance, while good fields were the rule, but the going was a bit soft, and as at Wolverhampton several *contretemps* in running thinned the fields, but on the whole backers did well, and we are pleased to notice the harmlessness of the tumbles, all the falling jockeys getting off lightly.

PALATINE HANDICAP STEEPLECHASE—Of 200sovs.; second receives 20sovs. 3 miles.

Mr. H. Hardy's b g Tom West, by Old Buck—Mother Shipton, aged, 10st. 4lbs.	H. Murphy	1
Mr. A. Knowles' b g The Grasper, aged, 11st. 8lbs.	Mr. Fergusson	2
Mr. F. Bibby's b g Leamington, aged, 11st. 6lbs.	F. Mason	3
Mr. R. J. Hannam's Ravenscliffe, aged, 12st. 3lbs.	F. Lyall	0
Capt. N. Money, Cissy's Revel, aged, 12st.	T. Moran	0
Mr. J. W. Philipp's Bushey Path, aged, 11st. 10lbs.	I. Anthony	0
Sir Peter Walker's Albuera, aged, 11st. 7lbs.	E. Sullivan	0
Mr. R. J. Hannam's Countess Feo, 6yrs., 10st. 8lbs.	G. Lyall	0

(Winner trained by Bletsoe.)

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Won easily by twenty lengths; a bad third. Ravenscliffe was fourth, and the rest came in with the crowd.

ELLESMERE HANDICAP HURDLE RACE—Of 100sovs.; second receives 10sovs. 2 miles.

Mr. H. M. Hartigan's ch c Battle Ground, by Count Schomberg—Go On, 4yrs., 11st.	H. Smyth	1
Mr. Bell's ch c Silver Brent, 5yrs., 10st. 13lbs.	Mr. Bulteel	2
Mr. A. Hodgson's ch h Sir William, 6yrs., 10st. 12lbs.	F. Lyall	3

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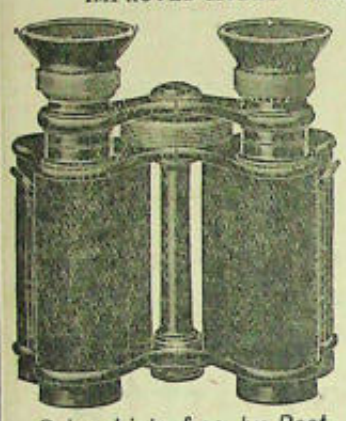

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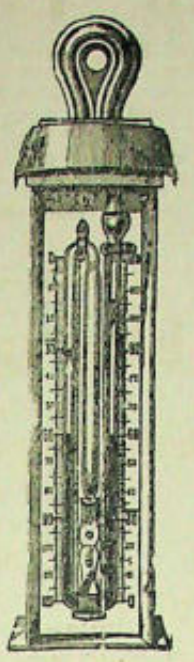

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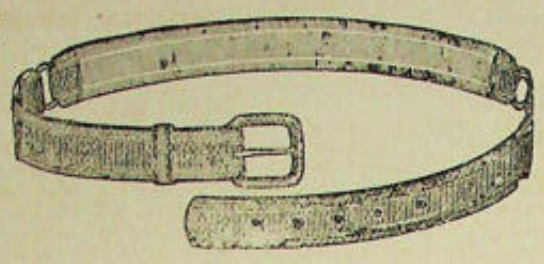

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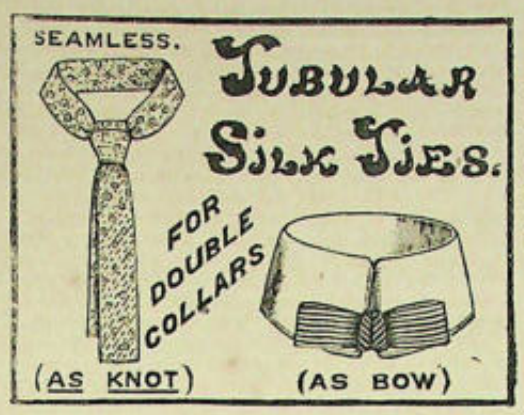

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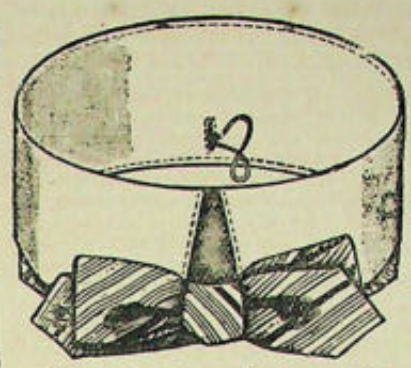

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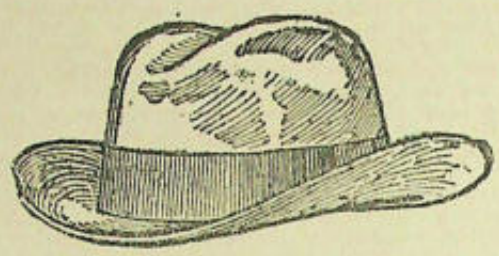

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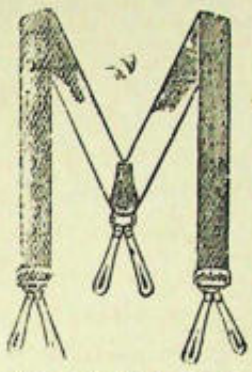

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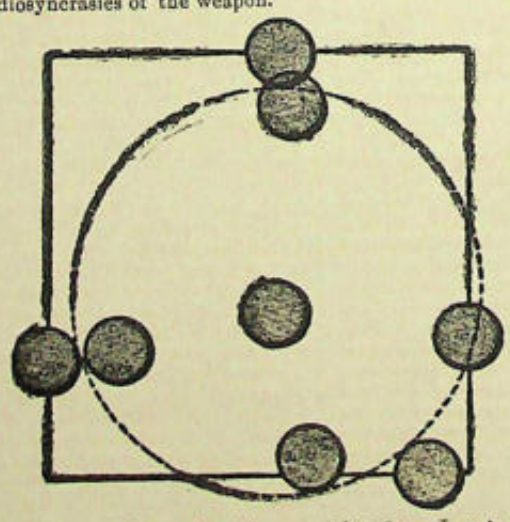

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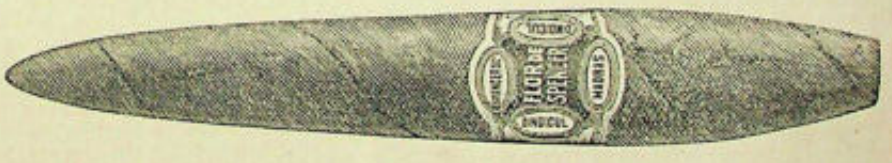

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BETTING: 2 to 1 agst. Battle Ground, 7 to 2 Ladle, 4 to 1 Sir William, 6 to 1 Silver Brent, and 10 to 1 each others (offered).

Won by half a length; three-quarters of a length separated second and third.

After a rainy night, a colder spell freshened up the morning, but the sky was again sombre and lowering, and the absence of wind permitted the mist to brood over the lower end of the course. The view, however, was extended further afield, a circumstance to be grateful for as runners could just be discerned coming into the entrance of the straight, and instead of suddenly flashing at you, the features of the race at its most interesting stage could be followed. The going was still a bit soft, a fact that recommended the old adage of horses for courses. The football furore having subsided did not leave so wide a margin for an increased attendance of the first day's big muster as would have been expected, for it must not be forgotten that Wednesday is a half holiday. Still, the muster was again an excellent one, including many influential supporters of cross-country sport.

It is not often that the public lets itself go on a racecourse by a pronounced expression of opinion, but the Castle Handicap furnished an opportunity of which, with no fear of libel before their eyes, they availed themselves. Since an Irish jockey was pelted with clods, brickbats, and *débris* on the old New Barns course years ago, there has not been such an outcry against one of the Emerald Islanders. At Dunstall Park Jenkinstown started an equal favourite with Marmaduke in the Staffordshire Handicap, and his owner was running him more with a view to getting the course and acquiring confidence after several previous mishaps, and there he did badly. Hence yesterday he was allowed to start a 6 to 1, the least fancied of the five, but having acquired confidence he beat The Sheikh (the favourite) in such easy fashion that J. Walsh, junior., was lucky in that the hostile crowd restricted itself to a vocal demonstration, or he might have fared badly.

CHESHIRE HURDLE RACE Handicap)—Of 200sovs.; second receives 20sovs. 2 miles.

Col. R. S. Birkin's b c Mr. Delamere, by Love Wisely—Lady Delamere, 5yrs., 11st. 11b	G. Williamson	1
Mr. F. Straker's b g Herbert Vincent, 6yrs., 11st. 11lb.	F. Mason	2
Capt. N. Money's b g Chapeau, 6yrs., 10st. 13lbs.	R. Morgan	3
Mr. G. Menzies' Donatello, aged, 11st. 7lbs.	A. Newey	0
Mr. R. B. Cobell's Jenkins, 5yrs., 10st. 11lbs.	J. Tierney	0
Mr. D. Wells' Syncopate, 6yrs., 11st. 9lbs.	G. Lyall	0
Mr. Bell's Cheriton Belle, aged, 12st. 11b.	Owner	0
Sir P. Walker's St. Evremonde, aged, 11st. 9lbs.	E. Sullivan	0
Mr. R. J. Hannam's Viper, aged, 10st. 7lbs.	H. Taylor	0
Mr. J. S. Jackson's Hand in Hand, aged, 10st. 7lbs.	G. Goswell	0

(*Winner trained by W. Woodland.*)

BETTING: 6 to 4 agst. Mr. Delamere, 9 to 2 St. Evremonde, 7 to 1 Chapeau, 8 to 1 each Jenkins and Herbert Vincent, and 10 to 1 each others (offered).

Won cleverly by a length and a half; a bad third. Donatello was fourth, Jenkins fifth, Syncopate sixth, Cheriton Belle seventh and Hand in Hand last. An objection to the winner on the ground of not drawing the weight, and having a weight-cloth handed to his jockey on the scales, was overruled by the Stewards and an appeal refused, but the "fiver" was returned.

CASTLE HANDICAP STEEPLECHASE—Of 150sovs.; second receives 15sovs. 2 miles.

Mr. J. Daly's b g Jenkinstown, by Hackler—Playmate, 6yrs., 10st. 11lbs.	J. Walsh, jun.	1
Mr. H. I. Higham's b g The Sheikh, 5yrs., 10st. 9lbs.	T. Savage	2
Mr. W. L. Longworth's b g Logan Rock, aged, 11st. 5lbs.	G. Briscoe	3
Mr. J. M. Walpole's Royal Star, aged, 10st. (car 10st. 2lbs.)	S. Child	0
Mr. G. Menzies' Fairy Scene, 6yrs., 11st. 4lbs.	F. Morgan	0

(*Winner trained by J. J. Maher.*)

BETTING: 5 to 4 agst. The Sheikh, 100 to 30 Fairy Scene, 4 to 1 Logan Rock, 9 to 2 Royal Star, and 6 to 1 Jenkinstown (offered).

Won by three-quarters of a length; a bad third. Fairy Scene was last.

EGERTON HANDICAP HURDLE RACE—Of 100sovs.; second receives 10sovs. 2½ miles.

Mr. G. Walmsley's b g Call Duck, by Victor Wild—Sweet Bird, 5yrs., 11st. 9lbs.	G. Goswell	1
Mr. H. S. C. Smithson's ch m Waveline, aged, 11st. 12lbs.	Mr. Bulteel	2
Mr. A. E. McKinlay's b or br c Hoar Abbey, 5yrs., 11st. 6lbs.	F. Mason	3
Mr. R. C. Thompson's Whipsnade, 6yrs., 12st.	G. Wilson	0
Mr. G. W. Smith's Pieehy Boy, 5yrs., 11st. 11b.	A. Reader	0
Mr. B. W. Colling's Beresoff, 5yrs., 11st. 13lbs.	Mr. S. J. Bell	0
Mr. H. S. Gill's Glengour, 5yrs., 10st. 5lbs.	A. Taylor	0

(*Winner trained by W. Woodland.*)

BETTING: 6 to 5 on Call Duck, 100 to 30 agst. Hoar Abbey, 4 to 1 Glengour, and 10 to 1 each others (offered).

Won by three lengths; a neck divided second and third. Whipsnade was fourth. Pieehy Boy fifth, and Glengour last.

FOOTBALL ASSOCIATION RULES.

AMAZING in the extreme is the verdict that must be passed upon the happenings in the Cup tie struggles on Saturday, judged as a whole. Of the 32 games played, there was a definite result in only 19 instances, leaving 26 clubs to battle this week for the right to participate in the second round. After four months of league contests, the Cup contest provides a most welcome change, and how keenly the football public are interested in the competition was shown by the great crowds which assembled in all parts of the country. So far news of two records has reached me in the matter of receipts, the 24,339 who paid for admission at Portsmouth exceeding by over 1,000 the crowd that assembled when Derby County visited the dockyard town, while the £1,100 1s. 10d. gate money of Saturday easily takes precedence. At Oxford, the City Club, the only amateur side taking part in the ties, have only limited accommodation, and the admission fee was advanced to one shilling, but nearly 5,000 paid, and the receipts amounted to over £270, which is far in excess of any previous takings at the ground. The aggregate attendance at the 32 matches approached 500,000, with an average of 15,000 per game, an extraordinary fact, and a convincing proof of the remarkable hold which Association football has upon the affection of both the classes and masses.

All the critics will be in agreement as to the sensation of the afternoon. Here it is:—

Crystal Palace	1
Newcastle United	0

When the result was flashed over the wires I was incredulous. The information was astounding. Was it possible that the United, unquestionably the finest team in the country, with the advantage of playing on their own ground, before thousands of their loyal followers—and no club has a more sporting crowd at its back—had gone under to a lowly placed Southern League club? Confirmatory messages came through, and it is established beyond the possibility of doubt that the club that for two successive years had appeared in the Final Tie, that this season has not dropped a point in the League on its own ground, and is the favourite for the League championship, had been knocked out by a side that was not supposed to have a thousand to one chance of making even a draw. It beggars description, confounds the prophets, and dramatically emphasises the oft-quoted sporting maxim that nothing in games is so certain as their uncertainty. In their mushroom-like progress towards the highest circles of football, the Palace have done many smart things, but nothing comparable to their latest achievement, and their further doings in the competition will be watched with keen curiosity.

The visiting teams did well on Saturday. Only three won outright, but thirteen others prevented their opponents from registering a victory, and that means it will be possible for 16 clubs playing away from home in the first instance to enter the second round. That which is possible is not, however, likely, and in this connection it must be borne in mind that Fulham will, for the second time, meet Stockport County at Craven Cottage, as the fact that the latter sold their right to choice of ground does not rob Fulham of the re-play at home.

In the Cup ties a rough and ready line is always drawn between North and South, and an examination of the results shows that the South has every reason to be satisfied with the way in which events have shaped themselves. The clubs that have been dismissed are Brighton and Hove, Oxford City, Watford Northampton, Plymouth Argyle, Reading, and Hastings and St. Leonard's, but of these seven, three have been given the conge by other Southern clubs, three by First League teams, and one by a Second League club. On the other hand, seven Southern clubs have passed into the second round, including the Crystal Palace, who have the proud distinction of numbering as their victims the only First League club which went under to a Southern organisation. West Ham., Bristol City, and Brentford each triumphed over a Second League club. Of the drawn games to be re played, Southern teams figure in eight of the 13, and in one instance Southern League clubs are in opposition. Tottenham Hotspur and Portsmouth have to travel respectively to Hull and Manchester, but as against this Luton, Chelsea, Fulham, New. Brompton and Woolwich will be on their own grounds, and the chances are in favour of the South having a dozen or more teams in the Second round.

Of the 19 clubs who have already made good their title to appear in the second round on 2nd February, nine survived the first stage last year, and they include Everton (cup holders), Aston Villa, Bradford City, Brentford, Liverpool, Millwall, Norwich City, Southampton and Sunderland. West Ham. have made history by surviving the first round in the competition proper, and the other clubs who took no part last season in the second round, but who have successfully taken the first step in the current campaign, are Bolton Wanderers, Bristol City, Burslem Port Vale, Bury, Crystal Palace, Middlesbrough, Notts County, Oldham, and Sheffield Wednesday. The meed of praise due to the Crystal Palace has been paid, and both Brentford and West Ham. deserve hearty congratulation on their success. Blackpool were fortunate to be let off so lightly at Upton Park, for the home team played sparkling football, and with a fair measure of luck they should make considerable progress in the competition. They play just the kind of game that commands success in Cup ties, and they have only to maintain their present form to hold their own with any club in the country. Brentford have given much better exhibitions of football at home this season than that they served up on Saturday, the defence not being altogether satisfactory, and the forwards missed chances, but they were the better team, and had no more than they were entitled to on the run of the play. Bristol City were brilliant, Bury were too clever for Oxford City. Southampton had to fight hard for victory against Watford, Millwall gave a great display against Plymouth Argyle, especially in view of their serious handicap through Stevenson's enforced retirement, and Norwich City won in comfortable style against Hastings, who worked hard, but were not class enough for their formidable opponents.

The persistent failures of Aston Villa on Lancashire grounds in the Cup—they had not won a tie in the County Palatine prior to Saturday,—caused some uneasiness in the minds of their followers as to the result of the game at Turf Moor, for Burnley had shown capital form in many of their home games. The Villa, past records notwithstanding, were confident of success, and class told its tale. Brighton and Hove worthily upheld the reputation of the Southern League at Bolton, and although the latter won 3—1, they were a goal to the bad during a considerable portion of the game. Reading fought pluckily at Bradford, but had to succumb at the finish, and a similar tale has to be told of Northamoton's visit to Middlesbrough, only a couple of goals separating the clubs at the close. Sunderland were much too good for Leicester Fosse, and Irthlingboro and Kidderminster were always fighting hopeless battles at Burslem and Oldham respectively, the Port Vale players putting up the biggest score of the afternoon. Everton won somewhat luckily, the only goal of the match coming from Johnson, a Sheffield United player, who put through his own goal, in endeavouring to pass back to his goalkeeper. Sheffield Wednesday did not have anything to spare against Wolverhampton Wanderers, and Liverpool scraped home after a stern tussle with Birmingham, while a game in which no quarter was asked or given between Notts County and Preston North End, at Trent Bridge, saw the home side successful.

Twenty-six clubs, at the first time of asking, were unable to settle the question of supremacy, but all these matches have been replayed during the week with the following result:—Bristol Rovers beat Q. P. Rangers by a goal to *nil*; Woolwich Arsenal beat Grimsby Town by 3 to *nil*; Luton beat Gainsborough Trinity by 2 to 1; New Brompton and Burton United played another draw—pointless; Portsmouth beat Manchester United by 2 to 1; Fulham beat Stockport by the same margin; Lincoln City beat Chelsea by a goal to *nil*; Derby County beat Chesterfield by a goal to *nil*; Blackburn Rovers beat Manchester City by a goal to *nil*; Accrington Sunday beat Crewe Alexandra by a goal to *nil*. The match between Hull City and Tottenham Hotspur ended in another pointless draw; Barnsley beat Notts Forest by 2 to 1; and Stoke and West Bromwich Albion played a draw—2 goals each.

RUGBY RULES.

ENGLAND *vs.* WALES.

One has to go back many years to recollect such small interest being taken in an International match at Swansea as in the twenty-fifth encounter between Rose and Leek at the famous St. Helens Ground. At the kick-off there were not more than 12,000 spectators present. No doubt the lack of "home" interest was caused by the Welsh collapse on the same ground some weeks ago against South Africa, by the want of faith in the chosen Welsh fifteen, and the dislike of the average Taffy to the new formation of eight backs and seven forwards.

During the morning a drizzling rain fell, and a heavy mist promised a poor light for the encounter. The turf, however, was not greatly affected, for its sandy nature invariably allows rain to immediately drain off. Depressing as matters were during the morning, the scene prior to the start on the ground was rather worse. For once the Welsh enthusiasts failed to raise a single Welsh hymn or music-hall ditty. The only bright part was the music discoursed by the band of the 3rd Battalion Glamorgan Rifles. The usual optimism of Taffy was absent, whilst the prophets who predicted a win for the invaders were in the majority.

Just before lunch it was announced officially that Stoop would play with Jago at half, and this dispelled the rumour current that there was a change in the English side. There were no further alterations in the Welsh team beyond those announced previously. The railway officials report that only 4,000 persons visited Swansea by train in comparison with the 17,000 who were carried by rail to witness the African match. After undergoing the usual ordeal of being photographed, the teams fielded. The rain had a few minutes before ceased.

Owen won the toss, and elected to play with the wind. Basil Hill kicked off for England, and the ball went into touch. From the line out, Neill tarew back to Trew, and some passing by the Welsh backs resulted in Gabe kicking to touch near the half way. Wales was penalised for legs up, but the penalty did not gain much ground. Owen kicked down the field, but Jackett fielded splendidly, and kicked back to Trew. The latter made his mark, but failed to find the wished for touch. Hill and Slocock heading a loose rush, got under way, but Gibbs prevented any great headway being made by turning the ball smartly into touch. Another fine dribble, in which Hill, Shaw, and Kelly participated, looked dangerous, until Bailey Davies dashed up, fielded, and ran into touch just in time. Coopper picked up in a loose scramble and punted well into the Welsh half, but the kick was replied to with interest by Davies, who also found touch. Several short, determined rushes were made by Hopley, Hill, Mills, and Shaw, but each was nullified as far as scoring was concerned by the extraordinary smart footwork of the Welsh "rover," Gibbs, and the clever fielding at close quarters of Owen and Trew.

A passing movement by Gibbs, Trew, and Owen looked promising for Gwalia when the last named infringed slightly the touch-line. Immediately afterwards the Welsh halves got off again. Owen quickly gave to Trew, who beat Jago and then passed to Gabe. The Welsh left centre cut out a capital opening, and was about to pass to his wing when Shewring, with a tackle that reminded one of one of Gamlin's best, had ball and man. A free kick to Wales was taken by Gibbs, but his attempt to obtain a goal failed, although the kick was a good one. Wales continued the attack, but for some time the handling of the new centre, Evans, was faulty; added to this, Birkett was at this stage perfect in defence, and never failed to earth the opposing centre. Owen was well served by his forwards, and from a clean heel he set Trew in motion. The outside half passed to Maddocks *viz* Evans, and the London Welshman was going all out for the line when he slipped two yards out, and Coopper hauled him into touch.

Fast and furious the game was contested in the Saxon quarter, and in repelling one of the many attacks made by the Welsh forwards, Jackett had a severe kick on the arm, and play was stopped whilst he was being attended to. He retired for some time, and was evidently in pain. A badly given pass by Gibbs allowed Jago to start a dribble which was taken up by Gibbs allowed Jago to start a dribble which was taken up by Gibbs allowed Jago to start a dribble which was taken up by Stoop and Hill. Down the field the Rose wearers dashed, Bailey Davies was passed simply, and it looked when there were no opponents in front a certainty of England scoring. However, Maddocks, with unexpected speed, dashed back, and taking a flying kick, saved the situation as far as Wales was concerned by turning the ball into touch. England failed to make use of the territorial advantage, for, despite poor passing by Evans, the home men got once more across the half-way line. Birkett, Stoop, and Jago were very prominent at this point. The fortunes of play quickly changed, and a passing movement initiated by Owen saw Trew handle, and then a chance being given to Gabe, the last named reaching Shewring drew also Scott's attentions, and then passed to Williams, who scored. The kick at taken goal by Gibbs from a difficult angle went wide.

The drawing of first blood evidently whetted the appetites of the Welshmen, for they were on the attack at once. Greeted by loud cheers, Jackett at this stage returned. Once Owen was held five yards out, and then Gabe's failure to hold the ball when he had a walk-in prevented a score. Passing among the English backs had been little and of poor quality, but at last Stoop, Birkett, and Coopper gave a display which equalled any of the game. It removed play well down the field, and looked dangerous until a punt gave Trew a chance to mark. Gibbs took the kick and found touch. Rarely has better footwork been witnessed than that which followed by the Welsh rover. Gibbs broke through with one of his renowned dribbles, and cross-kicking with fine judgment, he was on the ball just as it crossed the line. The English backs were absolutely nonplussed by the manœuvre, and were hopelessly beaten. It was as fine an individual try as ever was scored. Gibbs also converted.

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In stopping a rush by the English forwards Trew was injured, and play was delayed for the regulation three minutes. Headed by Hill and Shaw the Saxon eight got to the Welsh twenty-five line, and here they at last succeeded in heeling from several scrummages. Jago up to this had had few chances in attack, but now he was able to set Birkett and Coopper thrice in motion. The defence prevailed, thanks to a great tackle by Trew who was again injured and retired. Stoop kicked over, but nothing resulted. Seldom has an International eight packed worse than did the Rose wearers at this stage—in fact, the most elementary principles of scrummage work were ignored. Just before half-time another score came to Wales. Owen passed to Gibbs and he to Gabe. The ex-London Welshman, finding the defence was being attracted to Evans, passed wide to Maddocks, who took the ball finely and gave the defence no chance. From a difficult angle Gibbs converted. Half-time score :—

	Pts.
Wales (2 goals 1 try)	13
England	0

On play being restarted by George Travers, it was observed that Trew had returned to his position in the Welsh team. The English forwards, led by Slocock and R. A. Hill, rushed ahead, and Bailey Davies was reached. The Dark Blue saved in dasing fashion by falling on the ball and allowing his forwards to get round. The Saxons attacked strongly, when Trew burst through and kicked to Jackett, who fielded finely and kicked back in the same movement. For off-side play by Owen, Birkett took a free kick, and punted to Baily Davies, who held the ball grandly near its own line, and punted back to centre touch. Grandly led by Hill, Slocock, and Hopley, the English eight were trying hard to break through the scrum, instead of heeling to the backs. Once they came away grandly, and looked like scoring, only a foolish kick sent the ball into Trew's hands, and he made a mark, and kicked to touch, and saved the danger to his side. The English eight were having by far the best of matters with the Welsh seven, but it was apparent that the wearers of the Rose lacked finish to allow of scoring. At last the English forwards gave their halves a chance, but Stoop had not gone far when he was tackled by R. A. Gibbs. Then the crowd got excited with a fine breakaway on the part of the Welsh forwards. They took the ball at their toes up to the English "25," after Shewring, Scott, and Jago had failed to stop them. Owen, running round on the "blind side," punted into touch ten yards from the Saxons' line. This attack was short-lived, as fine intercepting work by Birkett and Shewring helped the English forwards to take the ball right up to the Welsh full back. Davies again was safe and finding himself unable to get in his kick, showed excellent judgment in passing back to Trew, who found touch with his kick at the centre. The play of the Swansea captain, especially in defence, was an eye-opener to his friends and critics. England then made a series of short attacks on the Leeks' line. From one of these Jago received from the fringe of the scrum, and some nicely-combined play between Shewring and Scott ended in the Bristol player making a fine dash for the line. His progress was stopped ten yards from the Welsh line by an equally fine tackle on the part of Gabe.

Try as they would the Welshmen could not get out of their own quarter for some time, but the English team never looked like scoring, as the forwards were not sending the ball out. The Welsh defence was also good. Eventually the English "ups" did heel, and Jago again started his three-quarters by passing out to Shewring, who put in a commendable straight run, but again Gabe was prominent with grand tackling, as he stopped the English centre about three yards from the line. Wales at length gained relief by a free kick for off-side play on the part of the English forwards. Gibbs, the rover, found touch at the centre. Then Wales put in a great rush, forwards and backs participating. Jackett was at fault, and for once a scrummage was found near the English line. The Welsh seven heeled out in splendid fashion to Owen, who beat Jago and sent the ball to Trew, and after Gibbs, Evans, and Gabe had handled, the ball was sent to Williams, who beat Scott, and scored a corner try. It was got in thorough Welsh fashion, as all the backs handled except Bailey Davies. Gibbs failed to add the extra points.

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With everything indicating a fine night's sport, the members of the "National" assembled in great force on Monday evening when the curtain was rung up on the New Year. Of the various contests down for decision, that which created most interest was the meeting of Joe Fletcher (Camberwell) and Jack Turner (Glasgow), who were matched to box fifteen rounds at 9st. 8lbs. for stakes and a purse aggregating £150. Although both lads have only been boxing three seasons, their respective records are of a very lengthy character.

The Londoner, who is twenty-three years of age, and stands 5ft. 8in., has participated in fifty-seven battles, including victories over George Moore (Barking) (twice), Seaman Hayes (Hoxton) (twice), Bill Chester (Mile End), Alf. Reed (Canning Town), and Joe Goodwin (Spitalfields). He has also won the 9st. and middle-weight championships of France, while his most important contest was with Young Joseph at headquarters on 1st May 1904, when he contested a fifteen rounds draw. Recently he has met Dick Lee (Kentish Town) three times in contests limited to six rounds. The first encounter resulted in a draw, while the decision in the others went against him on points. For his present contest he was trained at the New Inn, Farnborough, in Kent, under the care of Bill Gibson, the well-known feather-weight boxer and runner. Not being overburdened with superfluous flesh, the Londoner was soon down to weight, and yesterday scaled 9st. 7lbs.

The Glasgow representative was born in 1883, and stands 5ft. 6½in., and generally boxes at 9st. 6lbs. In his most important engagements he has defeated Tom Marner (Greenock) in three rounds for £50 aside and the light-weight championship of Scotland, Private Baker (light-weight champion of India) in two rounds, Jim Waldie (Glasgow) in one round for stakes and purse amounting to £230, and Joe Riley (Aberdeen) in five rounds for the heavy-weight championship of Scotland, which title he recently lost at the Queen's Music Hall, Glasgow, when he was defeated by Pat McDonald in four rounds for £50. He has only boxed once at headquarters, when he easily defeated George Cook (Deptford) in two rounds. Upon articles being signed he repaired to Blantyre, having for his mentor Andrew Jephtha, while during the last week he concluded his preparation at Jolly Jumbo's establishment at Willesden, and had the assistance of Joe Palmer (four miles ex-champion). Yesterday he looked in the pink of condition, and was a couple of pounds within the prescribed weight.

It was past eleven o'clock before preparations were made for the chief event, for which Fletcher was installed a very warm favourite. During the early stages it appeared as if the Londoner would bring the bout to a premature conclusion, but the visitor put up a very game resistance, and after half a dozen rounds had been contested the exchanges became somewhat more even. In the tenth round the Scotsman raised the hopes of his partisans by scoring heavily on the head, which for a moment somewhat staggered Fletcher. He, however, quickly shook off the effects of this and gradually wore his opponent down, the referee stopping the bout midway through the thirteenth round, and declaring Fletcher the winner.

A series of six rounds contests was also included in the programme, which was supplemented by several "trials."

Alfred Shaw, the celebrated old Notts County cricketer, who has been lying seriously ill for some weeks past at his home at Gelding, near Nottingham, passed away quietly shortly after nine o'clock on Wednesday evening.

Shaw was in his sixty-fifth year, and for the past two or three years had been in enfeebled health, as the result of an apoplectic seizure. He was the surviving partner of the well-known firm of sports outfitters, Shaw and Shrewsbury, his famous cricketing colleague, Arthur Shrewsbury, coming to a sad and tragic end. Shaw had lain in a comatose condition for many days past.

"Halloa, George! What's everybody crowding out of the drawing-room for? Have refreshments been announced?" George : "No ; but Aunt Matilda is getting ready to sing."

"You understand," said the captain, that we want a secretary who is thoroughly accustomed to managing men." "In that case," answered the applicant, sadly, "I am afraid its not me you want, but my wife."

Hunting.

THE KARACHI HUNT.

THE hounds met on 17th January at Rai Singh's Well. We had barely got to the meet, when the hounds were away, running with lots of music towards the Guavas. After crossing the Rai Singh Bunds they swung sharp left and crossed the Maggir Pir Road about quarter mile above Rai Singh's Well, and on in the direction of the Windmill. A long line of camels checked them temporarily, but they were soon on again, and making the most of a catchy scent finally worked the line out to the big nullah near the Police Rifle Range. Here our jack had evidently been turned, and had retraced his steps. After some slow hunting, he was found lying up in Graham's spinney. He made a fine dash to save his brush and gave us a sharp gallop over the Long Bund, where the hounds finally ran into him, after a run lasting 1 hour and 10 minutes. The hounds ran fast to start with, but the scent gave out badly on the bare country to the left of the Maggir Pir Road, which made hunting slow and difficult.

A field of nineteen including Mrs. Travers and Mrs. Northen turned out at the Bunnia's Crossing at 7-15 A.M. on the 20th. Crossing the river and proceeding parallel to the Maggir Pir Road, the Master made one or two wide casts, and was fortunate in soon finding. The hounds got away nicely together, and ran fast towards the Chokidar's Khet. They checked on the banks of the river, but a cast on the far side soon put them right. The hounds got away very sharp out of some thick cover and took us unawares, so we had a fast gallop to get with them again. They were at fault again in the Pinjarapol fields, and owing to the field having pressed on too close to the hounds, the Master had some difficulty in regaining the line. He hit it off again at the spinney near the Jail end, and after that the hounds never checked till they ran their quarry to ground in the hills above the Malir Railway Crossing, after a grand run lasting about 57 minutes. Mrs. Travers, Mrs. Northen, Col. Travers, Capt. Northen and Messrs. Demetriadi, Wren and Stewart were up. As the earth was only a shallow one, Col. Travers and Mr. Demetriadi got to work with their crops, while the hounds were whipped off. The fox was soon unearthed, and it was a very pretty sight to see him coming down the hill. He was given a fair start, and then the hounds were laid on. But as soon as he found them getting on even terms with him on the flat, he turned back up the hill, and gave us a fast run of 20 minutes to the Rifle Butts where he got to earth again, and there we left him.

The field, who met the hounds at the New Jail at 7-15 on the 24th were rewarded by a capital morning's sport, and the longest run in the annals of the Hunt. Mrs. Graham, Mrs. Travers and Mrs. Northen represented the fair sex. The Master commenced by drawing the orchards near the Jail, and it was soon evident that there was a jack about. But the hounds were too quick for him, and we chopped in covert. Drawing along the river bank, we found again and got away after the straightest necked jack we have ever struck. The hounds hunted with a fine "spread" and were never at fault from start to finish, and went a tremendous pace. After leaving the river bed, the hounds carried the line past the Ruined Cottage and on towards the One Tree Bund. Leaving the One Tree Bund on our right, we had a long gallop over good going until we recrossed the river again, and then on, into country unknown even to our Master. With hounds and horses dead beat we finally ran into our jack on the Godat plain after a run lasting about one hour and a quarter, in which we covered about 15 miles. It was a magnificent run, hard to beat anywhere. It took the hounds, walking and trotting, four hours to come back to kennels, and the fact that they covered about 34 miles in the morning and were none the worse for it, speaks a great deal for their stamina, and for the excellence of their kennel management.

On the 27th we met at the Hunt Camp at Landhi. The thick mist prevented hunting until the sun was up too high. We left Camp about 7-45 and after drawing the Camp covert blank, had to stop for two hours owing to the denseness of the mist. We went on as soon as it was possible, but as soon as the mist lifted, it became very hot, and the hounds could make nothing of the scent.

SINDHI.

THE MADRAS HOUNDS.

THE weather was delightful last week the mornings being cold and crisp, with plenty of dew and a heavy mist until the sun was well above the horizon. Wednesday was not a good day. A small field, of perhaps a dozen riders, met the Master at Saidapet, fully half of them being ladies, and a new line was tried. Instead of crossing the river as usual, the Master drew up through the scrub and topes on the left bank. Hounds spoke doubtfully to a line about a mile up the river, but the scent gradually improved until we were going at a good, steady pace. The jack kept to the river bank, where the cover is thick and the field, being too eager, galloped up the side of the, coverts in the open and so headed the jack where he had to cross a patch of open ground. He turned sharp back, but hounds flashed on, and it was some minutes before the Master could get them back to the line. When this was accomplished it was found that the line was fouled and, though the jack had been viewed back, hounds could only speak to his line occasionally and he finally ran them out of scent. Then we crossed the Poonamallee Road and drew through the covert beyond it, afterwards crossing the river and drawing Scavenger Covert without finding anything but a stale line, which was followed slowly across the river and soon afterwards lost.

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BOXING.

NATIONAL SPORTING CLUB.

With everything indicating a fine night's sport, the members of the "National" assembled in great force on Monday evening when the curtain was rung up on the New Year. Of the various contests down for decision, that which created most interest was the meeting of Joe Fletcher (Camberwell) and Jack Turner (Glasgow), who were matched to box fifteen rounds at 9st. 8lbs. for stakes and a purse aggregating £150. Although both lads have only been boxing three seasons, their respective records are of a very lengthy character

The Londoner, who is twenty-three years of age, and stands 5ft. 8in., has participated in fifty-seven battles, including victories over George Moore (Barking) (twice), Seaman Hayes (Hoxton) (twice), Bill Chester (Mile End), Alf. Reed (Canning Town), and Joe Goodwin (Spitalfields). He has also won the 9st. and middle-weight championships of France, while his most important contest was with Young Joseph at headquarters on 1st May 1904, when he contested a fifteen rounds draw. Recently he has met Dick Lee (Kentish Town) three times in contests limited to six rounds. The first encounter resulted in a draw, while the decision in the others went against him on points. For his present contest he was trained at the New Inn, Farnborough, in Kent, under the care of Bill Gibson, the well-known feather-weight boxer and runner. Not being overburdened with superfluous flesh, the Londoner was soon down to weight, and yesterday scaled 9st. 7lbs.

The Glasgow representative was born in 1883, and stands 5ft. 6½in., and generally boxes at 9st. 6lbs. In his most important engagements he has defeated Tom Marner (Greenock) in three rounds for £50 aside and the light-weight championship of Scotland, Private Baker (light-weight champion of India) in two rounds, Jim Waldie (Glasgow) in one round for stakes and purse amounting to £230, and Joe Riley (Aberdeen) in five rounds for the heavy-weight championship of Scotland, which title he recently lost at the Queen's Music Hall, Glasgow, when he was defeated by Pat McDonald in four rounds for £50. He has only boxed once at headquarters, when he easily defeated George Cook (Deptford) in two rounds. Upon articles being signed he repaired to Blantyre, having for his mentor Andrew Jephtha, while during the last week he concluded his preparation at Jolly Jumbo's establishment at Willesden, and had the assistance of Joe Palmer (four miles ex-champion). Yesterday he looked in the pink of condition, and was a couple of pounds within the prescribed weight.

It was past eleven o'clock before preparations were made for the chief event, for which Fletcher was installed a very warm favourite. During the early stages it appeared as if the Londoner would bring the bout to a premature conclusion, but the visitor put up a very game resistance, and after half a dozen rounds had been contested the exchanges became somewhat more even. In the tenth round the Scotsman raised the hopes of his partisans by scoring heavily on the head, which for a moment somewhat staggered Fletcher. He, however, quickly shook off the effects of this and gradually wore his opponent down, the referee stopping the bout midway through the thirteenth round, and declaring Fletcher the winner.

A series of six rounds contests was also included in the programme, which was supplemented by several "trials."

Alfred Shaw, the celebrated old Notts County cricketer, who has been lying seriously ill for some weeks past at his home at Gelding, near Nottingham, passed away quietly shortly after nine o'clock on Wednesday evening.

Shaw was in his sixty-fifth year, and for the past two or three years had been in enfeebled health, as the result of an apoplectic seizure. He was the surviving partner of the well-known firm of sports outfitters, Shaw and Shrewsbury, his famous cricketting colleague, Arthur Shrewsbury, coming to a sad and tragic end. Shaw had lain in a comatose condition for many days past.

"Halloa, George! What's everybody crowding out of the drawing-room for? Have refreshments been announced?" George : "No ; but Aunt Matilda is getting ready to sing."

"You understand," said the captain, that we want a secretary who is thoroughly accustomed to managing men." "In that case," answered the applicant, sadly, "I am afraid its not me you want, but my wife."

Hunting.

THE KARACHI HUNT.

THE hounds met on 17th January at Rai Singh's Well. We had barely got to the meet, when the hounds were away, running with lots of music towards the Guavas. After crossing the Rai Singh Bunds they swung sharp left and crossed the Maggir Pir Road about quarter mile above Rai Singh's Well, and on in the direction of the Windmill. A long line of camels checked them temporarily, but they were soon on again, and making the most of a catchy scent finally worked the line out to the big nullah near the Police Rifle Range. Here our jack had evidently been turned, and had retraced his steps. After some slow hunting, he was found lying up in Graham's spinney. He made a fine dash to save his brush and gave us a sharp gallop over the Long Bund, where the hounds finally ran into him, after a run lasting 1 hour and 10 minutes. The hounds ran fast to start with, but the scent gave out badly on the bare country to the left of the Maggir Pir Road, which made hunting slow and difficult.

A field of nineteen including Mrs. Travers and Mrs. Northen turned out at the Bunnia's Crossing at 7-15 A.M. on the 20th. Crossing the river and proceeding parallel to the Maggir Pir Road, the Master made one or two wide casts, and was fortunate in soon finding. The hounds got away nicely together, and ran fast towards the Chokidar's Khet. They checked on the banks of the river, but a cast on the far side soon put them right. The hounds got away very sharp out of some thick cover and took us unawares, so we had a fast gallop to get with them again. They were at fault again in the Pinjarapol fields, and owing to the field having pressed on too close to the hounds, the Master had some difficulty in regaining the line. He hit it off again at the spinney near the Jail end, and after that the hounds never checked till they ran their quarry to ground in the hills above the Malir Railway Crossing, after a grand run lasting about 57 minutes. Mrs. Travers, Mrs. Northen, Col. Travers, Capt. Northen and Messrs. Demetriadi, Wren and Stewart were up. As the earth was only a shallow one Col. Travers and Mr. Demetriadi got to work with their crops, while the hounds were whipped off. The fox was soon unearthed, and it was a very pretty sight to see him coming down the hill. He was given a fair start, and then the hounds were laid on. But as soon as he found them getting on even terms with him on the flat, he turned back up the hill, and gave us a fast run of 20 minutes to the Rifle Butts where he got to earth again, and there we left him.

The field, who met the hounds at the New Jail at 7-15 on the 24th were rewarded by a capital morning's sport, and the longest run in the annals of the Hunt. Mrs. Graham, Mrs. Travers and Mrs. Northen represented the fair sex. The Master commenced by drawing the orchards near the Jail, and it was soon evident that there was a jack about. But the hounds were too quick for him, and we chopped in covert. Drawing along the river bank, we found again and got away after the straightest necked jack we have ever struck. The hounds hunted with a fine "spread" and were never at fault from start to finish, and went a tremendous pace. After leaving the river bed, the hounds carried the line past the Ruined Cottage and on towards the One Tree Bund. Leaving the One Tree Bund on our right, we had a long gallop over good going until we recrossed the river again, and then on, into country unknown even to our Master. With hounds and horses dead beat we finally ran into our jack on the Godat plain after a run lasting about one hour and a quarter, in which we covered about 15 miles. It was a magnificent run, hard to beat anywhere. It took the hounds, walking and trotting, four hours to come back to kennels, and the fact that they covered about 36 miles in the morning and were none the worse for it, speaks a great deal for their stamina, and for the exellence of their kennel management.

On the 27th we met at the Hunt Camp at Landhi. The thick mist prevented hunting until the sun was up too high. We left Camp about 7-15 and after drawing the Camp covert blank, had to stop for two hours owing to the denseness of the mist. We went on as soon as it was possible, but as soon as the mist lifted, it became very hot, and the hounds could make nothing of the scent.

SINDHI.

THE MADRAS HOUNDS.

THE weather was delightful last week the mornings being cold and crisp, with plenty of dew and a heavy mist until the sun was well above the horizon. Wednesday was not a good day A small field, of perhaps a dozen riders, met the Master at Saidapet, fully half of them being ladies, and a new line was tried. Instead of crossing the river as usual, the Master drew up through the scrub and topes on the left bank. Hounds spoke doubtfully to a line about a mile up the river, but the scent gradually improved until we were going at a good, steady pace. The jack kept to the river bank, where the cover is thick and the field, being too eager, galloped up the side of the coverts in the open and so headed the jack where he had to cross a patch of open ground. He turned sharp back, but hounds flashed on, and it was some minutes before the Master could get them back to the line. When this was accomplished it was found that the line was fouled and, though the jack had been viewed back, hounds could only speak to his line occasionally and he finally ran them out of scent. Then we crossed the Poonamallee Road and drew through the covert beyond it, afterwards crossing the river and drawing Scavenger Covert without finding anything but a stale line, which was followed slowly across the river and soon afterwards lost.

There was a field of nearly forty people out on Sunday, the 27th, among those present being Mrs. Horne, Mrs. Henderson, Miss Cornwall, Mrs. Branson, Mr. Yorke, Colonel Brownrigg, Major Elliott, Major Giffard, and many others. The meet was at the Mount, a venue which has so far this season always yielded sport. The Master took us, as usual, to Sheepshead Covert, but there was so much mist about that there was at first some difficulty in finding it. Here there was no jack, but hounds picked up a stale line, which they hunted cleverly round the covert, out on the Pallavaram side, back and then across the maidan to the back of the Cantonment. They never succeeded in getting near enough to the jack to make things interesting, and were at last stopped on a rocky hill on the Saidapet side of the Mount. They were then taken back and found a line by the edge of Sheepshead, running fast for a quarter of a mile through some crops, when they checked. The Master, however, viewed their quarry, which turned out to be a fox, and as it is useless trying to hunt these little beasts, which leave practically no scent, hounds were taken on towards the river. They were drawing the scrub on the bank when some of the field saw what turned out to be another—or perhaps the same—fox. The Master not knowing this, had hounds laid on and they again ran at a good pace for a time, but were soon brought to their noses. They were eventually taken across the river and put into the big Porakapillay Covert, where they found a jack and bustled him around merrily. He broke towards Poonamallee, in view of hounds, but unfortunately,

turned a moment later back into the covert. Here hounds had more hard work, but at last he broke again, this time to the east and ran a perfectly straight line to an earth where he was marked to ground. This is the same earth in which a jack from the same covert took refuge earlier in the season. Efforts were made to get the jack out but a couple of hounds got into the earth and killed her there.

Hounds were now taken across the river to the mango tope by the railway line, and here it was not long before the field had a very welcome gallop. Hounds soon found a jack, who broke on the side opposite to the railway and swung round until he was facing for the Pallavaram Hills. He made for these in an absolutely straight line and over the best of going. The jack gained the first ridge of the hills, crossing only about a hundred yards in front of the leading hounds, who got a view on the top of the saddle and went after him at a great pace. He swung to the left along the foot of the next ridge, and then made an attempt to get up them but was too late, and hounds killed him in a gravel pit. It was now very late and the field having had the gallop they wanted, hounds were sent home.

Last Wednesday morning we had another excellent day's sport, for the hot weather and dewless mornings of the first three weeks of February seem to have left us, and we again had perfect weather and a heavy dew. The meet was at the 6th milestone on the Poonamallee Road, and though the field was not large we had quite as many riders out as is usual on Wednesdays. These included Mrs. Clementson, Mrs. Horne, Mrs. Miller, Mrs. Marjoribanks, and several gentlemen. The Master lost no time after the field had assembled, throwing hounds at once into the Casuarina tope by the side of the road This was empty and we then crossed the river, drawing some scrub on the left bank without result. Then another Casuarina covert was tried, further up the river, and here hounds opened on a line almost as soon as they were put in. The covert was too small to give the jack a chance of eluding hounds and he broke without delay, swinging to the left, and crossing a long stretch of rather wet paddy, evidently pointing for the thick coverts that fringe the river bank. Hounds were running very fast, gaining rapidly, and before the jack reached his point they got a view and nearly caught him. He reached the coverts, however, and here hounds were brought to their noses, but they continued to run him prettily up the river bank for some distance, having eventually to give him up. The Master was informed by a man who was certain he had seen the jack, that he was still forward and so hounds were held on, but no trace of his line was found and a cast back was tried. This was successful, and the line took us back the way we had come, then, turning again, continued up the river, parallel with the bank. Here the pace was very fast and the going all that could be desired. The heavy mist, which has been a feature of every morning this week, was so thick in places that it was difficult at times to see the hounds, but they gave tongue freely or we might have missed them. At last hounds ran into their jack in a mango tope near the 8th milestone and killed him after more than half an hour's fast run—quite the best hunt of the season. The brush was presented to Mrs. Branson.

We then crossed the river, drawing some of the coverts to the south of the road without success; then back again to the left bank and began to draw towards home. We had not yet finished the day's sport, however, for a hound spoke to a line in some prickly-pear and the rest of the pack coming up they hustled the jack through some very thick cover and forced him into the open. Then followed a very fast burst across the fields to another dense prickly-pear clump on the river bank, where the jack went to ground. He bolted, however, as hounds were being called off and tried to get across the river. He was headed by the natives who had turned out to watch the sport and made for the covert where he was at first found. Here he was again headed by the villagers who, however, soiled the scent and he had to be left. This ended what was certainly one of the best days of the season.

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Paperchasing.

CALCUTTA PAPERCHASES

No. 7.

IT was a pleasure to return after so many days to the Red Road country. Last year, owing to the heavy cold weather rain, only one chase could be laid west of the Gurriah Hat Road and we were perforce treated to a full course of the monotonous Salt Lake country. Last Saturday the meet was on the Red Road itself. Starting on the near side of the Railway the paper led over the crossing and away south by an old route to the Molia Hat Road, only one mud wall intervening. Crossing the Tollygunge Lane and two more walls, the course curled through the Durzis' Village and at last turned north again past the big burial ground to the Sandy Lane and the Old Man's Crossing; thence through the jungle to the open ground, where a four mile course finished over its first fence.

Mr. Turner on Bluebell and Mr. Deakin on Trilby laid the paper and on their return found a very large field awaiting despatch. Some fifty horses were sent away and there was much crowding at the first hurdle; this in spite of a false start due to the anxiety of the Average Cup and other thrusters to get a clear run through the Railway Gates. Mr Birkmyre on his English mare turned over at the first hurdle and brought down a bay, and unfortunately himself counted a broken collarbone, a sprained wrist and a lot of bad bruises At the first wall the refusal of Great Hart caused dire confusion in the front division, six or seven horses stopping behind him. Mr. Evers on Orphan Boy turned over at a nasty drop just before reaching this fence. Mr. Rees on Turk with Detective, Myrene, and Lord Harry then took a tremendous lead, but the long jungle that followed enabled Fairy, Great Hart, and Ruddigore to get on terms with the place hunters. The rest of the chase was more or less of a procession, but anyone who wanted a place had to shove along pretty fast, as Turk went at a good pace throughout. The order was:—

1. Mr. Rees on Turk.
2. Mr. Ballantyne on Fairy.
3. Mrs. Lamond Walker on Detective.
4. Mr. Pugh on Great Hart.
5. Mr. Halliday on Ruddigore.
6. Mr. Pauntley on Ledbury.

The ponies were in great force and Mr. Bell-Irving on Samah took them along almost as fast as the horse chase. Mr. Muir and Mr. Antram with Puck and Pathfinder lay next, with Mrs. Paris and Mrs. Stokes also well up. At the last hurdle Branga came with a rush and Samah being flurried took off too soon and turned clean over. The order was:—

1. Mr. Evers on Branga.
2. Mr. Wm. Muir on Clarice.
3. Mr. Antram on Blazes.
4. Capt Holden on Pathfinder.
5. Mr. Macdonnell on Ziz Zag.
6. Mr. Barrow on Puck.

BLARNEY.

Jones: "Well, come along in to lunch."— Robinson: I'll be in directly, I just want to wash my hands." "Wash your hands! What on earth for?"— "Cleanliness, I suppose. Don't you" —"Rather not." "Why?" —"Absolutely ruins your grip for the afternoon round!" (Left maculate.)

Polo.

THE BURMA BATTALIONS INTER-REGIMENTAL TOURNAMENT.

FIVE teams in all entered for this popular fixture, which was played off at Mandalay on 5th January and subsequent days. Before the commencement of the tournament opinions differed very markedly as to what team had the greatest chance of carrying off the handsome trophy that is annually put up to the challenge. The following Regiments were represented, *viz.*:—72nd, 90th, and 92nd Punjabis, the 93rd Burma Infantry and the 1st-10th Gurkha Rifles. Victory eventually fell to the 90th Punjabis after a hard-fought game, and the 92nd in whose possession the cup has remained for the last three years in succession and five times since the vase was first introduced, had, perforce, to relinquish their claim to it this year. One special, feature noticeable throughout the tournament, was the great improvement, taken as a whole, in the quality of the actual play, as compared to what was witnessed during the contest that took place precisely a year ago. On occasions strokes, rigidly condemned in first class polo, were exhibited, but these errors of judgment were not conspicuous for their extent. Many of those competing have made considerable strides on the high-road to proficiency.

FIRST ROUND.

The first round commenced at 4-30 P.M., on 5th January, and consisted of one match between 1st-10th Gurkha Rifles and 93rd Burma Infantry, victory falling to the Gurkhas.

1ST-10TH GURKHA RIFLES *vs.* 93RD BURMA INFANTRY.

GURKHAS.			93RD BURMA INFANTRY.	
Mr. Simpson	...	1	Mr. Summers	... 1
Mr. Atkinson	...	2	Capt. Simpson	.. 2
Mr. Higgin	...	3	Major Whitehead	... 3
Mr. Ainsworth		(*back.*)	Major Strickland	(*back.*)

Umpires:—Major Townsend and Mr. Lakin.

First Chukker.—The match starts with even play in midfield, neither team claiming an advantage. Ainsworth, however, seizes a chance, and getting through the 93rd defence, scores a goal for the Gurkhas. The latter still maintain the upper-hand and a shot at goal goes wide. The 93rd now take the ball up the field, but Ainsworth saves in good style, and play is once more brought back to the 93rd quarter, where the whistle blows for a dangerous foul against the Gurkhas. Strickland takes the hit, but no score results. The 93rd now attack, but Whitehead misses a good opportunity. Ainsworth sends a hard drive up the ground and Strickland in attempting to meet it misses, thereby letting Simpson of the Gurkhas in, who gets clean off and places the ball between the posts. The rest of the chukker is all in favour of the Gurkhas, and Higgin adds a minor point to their score. *Score:* Gurkhas, 2 goals 1 subsidiary; 93rd, *nil.*

Second Chukker.—The second period was conspicuous for the very heavy scoring put up by the Gurkhas, who literally smothered their opponents. Strickland starts the game from the 93rd back line, but the hit out is cleverly met by Simpson, who notches up a neat goal for the Gurkhas. The latter continue to harry the 93rd, and a good centre gives Ainsworth his opportunity, who contributes another well placed goal. Play is still restricted to the 93rd quarter, and Strickland in clearing the goal drives the ball behind. Ainsworth takes the 60 yards hit, but no score results. A scrimmage, however, ensues in front of the 93rd goal, and another major point is recorded for the Gurkhas. The ball, on being restarted, passes into possession of the Gurkhas, who hustling it down the field in excellent style score a subsidiary. Some sticky play ensues, Ainsworth enlivens matters by a long attempt at goal, but the shot crosses beyond the subsidiary marks. The 93rd now remain penned in their own 50 yards, and once more in self-defence Strickland drives the ball over the 93rd back line. Ainsworth takes the penalty, but again fails to profit by the free hit. From the hit out Simpson intercepts neatly and puts on a good goal for the Gurkhas. The 93rd now rally their somewhat scattered combination, and forcing their antagonists on the defensive, Simpson scores the first point (subsidiary) for the 93rd from a long shot near the side line. The Gurkhas, however, promptly retaliate by Ainsworth notching up yet another goal. *Score:* Gurkhas, 7 goals 2 subsidiaries; 93rd, 1 subsidiary.

Third Chukker.—In the third period the 93rd played with far greater dash and neither team could claim the advantage, play being of a far more even character. At the commencement of the chukker some fast up and down runs are seen, but Ainsworth slipping in puts up another goal for the Gurkhas. The 93rd reply with a subsidiary from Simpson, after which the ball remains in the vicinity of the centre flags. The 93rd now get the upper hand, and Whitehead shoots, but the ball striking the goal post remains in play, and is cleared by the Gurkhas. Some loose galloping is indulged in, but the Gurkhas press and another goal is waved up in their favour. A long shot by Strickland which fails to score ends the period. *Score:* Gurkhas. 8 goals 3 subsidiaries; 93rd, 1 goal 2 subsidiaries.

Fourth Chukker.—The fourth period is productive of even play for both teams, a slight advantage accruing to the 93rd. Play opens with an attack by the 93rd and a minor point is recorded by that team. The ball is kept travelling up and down the field, but the defence on either side proves too strong to break down until Atkinson puts in a fine run and scores a goal for the Gurkhas. Just on the close of time the 93rd retaliate and score a goal. *Final Score:* Gurkhas, 9 goals 3 subsidiaries; 93rd, 2 goals 3 subsidiaries.

The Gurkhas played an excellent game all through, and Simpson as No. 1 showed up conspicuously in the manner in which he met the ball from the hit out. Ainsworth, as back, played with excellent judgment. Had the opposing team been stronger his thrusting tactics might have led to disaster at times, but it is half the battle for a captain to size up the calibre of his opponents, and suit his play accordingly. Though he played what many would have called a No. 3 game, yet when the necessity for defence arose, the pace of his ponies always enabled him to be in the right place at the right moment. One feature of his play was most marked, that of hitting out across his own goal. This practice is dangerous, unless the back never bungles his stroke, and the opponents are not over-quick on the ball. It also tends to upset the combination of the team. There are, however, times when such the procedure is justifiable, and if bought off as a surprise frequently leads to great success. The final score will show that the Gurkha back could not be accused of misjudgment in practising this manœuvre. Its success alone justified its occasional adoption.

SEMI-FINALS.

Two matches were on the programme for the second round, which was played off on Monday, 7th January. The outcome of the two contests was that the 90th Punjabis beat the 92nd by 4 goals and 3 subsidiaries to 1 goal, and the 1st-10th Gurkhas knocked up 2 goals and 5 subsidiaries to the 72nd Punjabis 1 goal and 1 subsidiary. Both games were very evenly contested, and play was interesting throughout.

90TH *vs.* 92ND PUNJABIS.

90TH PUNJABIS.			92ND PUNJABIS.	
Mr. Apthorpe	...	1	Mr. Lakin ...	... 1
Mr. Thyne	...	2	Mr. Burne ...	... 2
Mr. Butterfield	...	3	Major Harrington	... 3
Major Baldwin		(*back.*)	Mr. Bigg	(*back.*)

Umpires:—Major Whitehead and Captain Headlam.

First Chukker.—Play opens by the 90th commencing to press their opponents, but the ball goes out behind the back line. Butterfield puts in a good run but no score results; shortly afterwards the 90th have another shot at 92nd goal, but again fail to send either flag waving; this attempt is immediately followed by yet a third essay to draw first blood but without success. From the hit out, however, Butterfield meets in good style and opens the score by a subsidiary for the 90th. The 92nd now play up hard, but though the ball is constantly being driven towards the 90th goal. Butterfield returns it with equal interest, and the 92nd fail to probe the defence. The period ends with no further addition to the score. *Score:* 90th, 1 subsidiary; 92nd, *nil.*

Second Chukker.—On the resumption of play the 90th immediately attack. Butterfield shoots, but the ball goes wide The 92nd then press, but Butterfield's defence is still unbreakable, and the 90th turning the tables on their adversaries notch up another subsidiary. The ball is kept in midfield for some time till Lakin enlivens matters with a smart run which, however, is cut short, but the ball bumping whilst Butterfield takes a near side back-hander lets Burne in who scores an easy goal, thereby putting his team ahead of the 90th. This success seems to have put new dash into the 92nd, for they press their opponents in a most determined fashion, and come within an ace of snicking another goal, but whilst the ball is within a few feet of the posts. Butterfield dashes in brilliant style, clears the goal by a powerful drive to the side-line, and following up makes a very fine run along the west side, and passing to Apthorpe, the latter shoots a good goal. This splendid save and run by Butterfield and his subsequent well-timed pass to Apthorpe was undoubtedly the feature of this particular match. *Score:* 90th, 1 goal 2 subsidiaries; 92nd, 1 goal.

Third Chukker.—From the throw in the ball passes into the possession of the 90th; Butterfield centres to Thyne, and the latter puts up a subsidiary. The remainder of the period is characterized by fast up and down play. Each team in turn attacks, a shot by Apthorpe is saved excellently by Lakin, and Rigg intercepts a useful run by Butterfield. A long try at goal by the latter, which fails to score terminates the chukker. *Score:* 90th 1 goal 3 subsidiaries; 92nd, 1 goal.

Fourth Chukker.—Excitement runs high as the players emerge for the final chukker. A goal to the 92nd will land them victors, Suspense however, is not endured long. From the hit out. Thyne blocks the ball, and very cleverly manœuvres it between the posts thus putting the 90th ahead by a goal The 92nd now do their utmost to equalize goals, and matters look dangerous, but the situation is saved by Baldwin at back. The 90th strive to put victory beyond question. Apthorpe getting on to the ball in good style in 92nd quarter, dribbles the ball up most successfully, and scores another goal for 90th. Shortly after the game is restarted the whistle blows and a dangerous foul is given against 90th. Rigg takes the shot, but the ball is blocked by Baldwin, and the goal cleared by Butterfield. Some fast galloping takes place till Butterfield meeting a smart back hander, drives it in first class style towards the 92nd goal, where Thyne picking it up carries it on through the posts. Even play ensues till the bell rings proclaiming "time." *Final score:* 90th Punjabis, 4 goals; 3 subsidiaries, 92nd Punjabis, 1 goal.

The result of this match came to some as a great surprise, but not to those who had been previously playing in Mandalay. Out of the 92nd team three were recruited from the most Northern, Eastern and Southern boundaries of Burma, one member came from Mogaung in the Myitkyina District, one from Lashio in the Shan States, and one from Port Blair in the Andaman Islands. A team concentrated in this fahsion at the last moment, however high a reputation each individual player may enjoy, must be weak in combination. Under such circumstances it would be preferable, if possible, to select a team with lesser reputation, and perhaps smaller experience, but which could practise together beforehand. Such a quartette would probably have an equal chance of winning. Butterfield was the mainstay of the 90th team. He played throughout with excellent judgment, feeding his No. 2 from a distance with his clean forward drives and his hard back-handers, and at the same time always ready to help, or to take the place of his back when the necessity arose. Thyne, as No. 2, played a pushing game, and the manner in which he interchanged with his No. 1 was conspicuous and emphasized the excellence of the 90th combination. Apthorpe, at No. 1, played a sound game, and worked with his brains, and contributed greatly to the success of his side.

72ND PUNJABIS *vs.* 1ST-10TH GURKHAS.

72ND PUNJABIS.			1ST-10TH GURKHAS.	
Mr. Adam	...	1	Mr. Simpson ...	... 1
Mr. Burnett	...	2	Mr. Atkinson	... 2
Mr. McCormick	...	3	Mr. Higgin ...	... 3
Capt. Bredin		(*back.*)	Mr. Ainsworth	(*back.*)

Umpires:—Major Townsend and Major Whitehead.

First Chukker.—The Gurkhas claim an advantage at the start, and rushing the ball down the field send it over the 72nd back line. The latter retaliate, but fail to score. The Gurkhas once more take the offensive, and a shot at goal just dribbles over the subsidiary line, McCormick being too late to save. Fast up and down play characterizes the rest of the period. At one time the 72nd look like scoring. Bredin meets the ball well, and drives it smartly down the field, but Ainsworth saves, and the ball goes out of play. *Score:* 72nd—*nil.* Gurkhas—1 subsidiary.

Second Chukker.—From the throw in the Gurkhas gain possession, and shoot, but the ball goes wide; after some even play, enlivened by a sharp run by Adam, the Gurkhas have another long attempt, but this also fails. The hit out, which is topped, is blocked by Atkinson. who takes the ball towards the goal, but at the critical moment drops a very easy chance. The game is now restricted to the neighbourhood of the centre flags, but Ainsworth getting smartly on to it notches a good goal for the Gurkhas. The latter still maintain the offensive, but Bredin saves in brilliant style. Adam puts up a fine run, the ball subsequently passing to McCormick, who, however, fails to take due advantage of a favourable opportunity to score. A rush by the Gurkhas terminates the period. *Score:* 72nd, *nil*; Gurkhas, 1 goal; 1 subsidiary.

Third Chukker. The Gurkhas immediately assume the offensive, and Ainsworth, from a well-placed centre, slips through and scores a fine goal for the Gurkhas. For the next two minutes play is all in favour of the Gurkhas, who continue to harass their opponents and keep them actively employed in the defence of their own goal till Ainsworth, picking up a good pass, spurts up the field, and adds a minor point. Shortly aferwards Simpson follows suit, but without success. Two more subsidiaries for the Gurkhas are, however, flagged up in rapid succession, and a third follows within a few seconds from a scrimmage in front of the 72nd goal. This ends the chukker. *Score:* 72nd, *nil*; Gurkhas, 2 goals; 5 subsidiaries.

Fourth Chukker.—The last period is all in favour of the 72nd, who seem to have settled down to their game better. The 72nd begin to press, and Burnett has a good shot at goal, but Ainsworth saves well. Fast play continues until McCormick, getting clear, puts up an excellent run, which results in a subsidiary being recorded. On the game being restarted play is confined to midfield. Burnett centres well to McCormick, but the attempt at goal is frustrated. His chance, however, comes quickly, for slipping Ainsworth, he takes the ball on and a goal is waved up for the 72nd. Few seconds of time only remain, and when the bell rings no further points have been added to the credit of either team. *Final score:* 72nd, 1 goal; 1 subsidiary; Gurkhas, 2 goals; 5 subsidiaries.

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The 72nd were labouring under an undoubted disadvantage. Owing to the rigours of up-to-date military energy, and the worries of General's inspection, practice before the tournament had been rendered impossible. Burnett seemed off-colour, and was not playing with his customary dash. Adam, at No. 1, worked hard throughout, Bredin's defence was excellent, but the ponies on which he was mounted, considerably handicapped him, and consequently he was unable to do himself full justice. The Gurkhas were, on the whole, better mounted than their rivals. Ainsworth desisted from hitting out across his own goal. The risk, with the game hanging in the balance till the very end, of carrying out this manœuvre would not have been justifiable. The shooting of the Gurkha team might have been more accurate.

FINAL.

The final between the 90th Punjabis and the 1st-10th Gurkhas were played off on 9th January and resulted in a win for the 90th by 4 goals to 1 goal.

90TH PUNJABIS.		1ST-10TH GURKHAS.	
Mr. Apthorpe ...	... 1	Mr. Simpson ...	... 1
Mr. Thyne ...	.. 2	Mr. Atkinson ...	... 2
Mr. Butterfield	... 3	Mr. Higgin ...	... 3
Major Baldwin	(*back*)	Mr. Ainsworth ...	(*back.*)

Umpires :—Major Townsend and Major Whitehead.

Everyone contemplated a keenly contested match and the spectators were by no means disappointed.

First Chukker.—From the throw in the ball goes to Ainsworth who takes it smartly down the field, but his run is stopped. The Gurkhas, however, continue to press, and Ainsworth has a shot which goes wide. The game is transferred to midfield, but after some attacks and counterattacks by both sides, Baldwin passes the ball to Butterfield, who scores the first goal for the 90th. The Gurkhas make every effort to equalize matters but the ball crosses the 90th back-line. The latter again come to the fore with a smart run by Butterfield, who passes to Thyne, enabling him to put up another goal to the credit of his side. From the throw in the ball passes on to Butterfield, who has a long attempt at goal without success. A sharp run by Apthorpe, without scoring, closes the chukker.

Second Chukker.—The second period opens with some hard galloping, till play stops on the whistle. A dangerous foul is given against the Gurkhas. Butterfield takes the penalty, but tops the ball, and no score results. From the hit out Butterfield meets the ball well and again drives it over the Gurkhas' back-line. Play now becomes fast and furious, and Apthorpe opens out with a good run, but Ainsworth saves with dash, and the Gurkhas take the offensive. The attack is soon driven back, and the 90th look like scoring. Ainsworth saves splendidly picking the ball up in front of goal in capital style, clears, and following up, contributes a fine run up the side-line, but the ball bouncing, he misses the pass. Even play now ensues, but the 90th eventually press, and drive the ball over the Gurkhas back-line. The hit out is cleverly blocked by Butterfield, who shoots at goal; Ainsworth again saves in excellent fashion, but forces the ball beyond his own back-line. Butterfield takes the 60 yard shot, but it is successfully stopped and play is confined to the centre flags. Here the Gurkhas get an opportunity. A good centre gives Atkinson the ball, and he manages to score the first goal for the Gurkhas. *Score :* 90th Punjabis, 2 goals; Gurkhas, 1 goal.

Third Chukker.—This period appeared to be of very short duration. Nothing noticeable occurred, and neither team claimed an advantage; play was of an even character throughout. No additions to the respective scores were recorded. *Score :* 90th Punjabis, 2 goals; Gurkhas, 1 goal.

Fourth Chukker.—At the commencement of the final period the 90th have the advantage of 1 goal, but victory is still undecided. From the start the Gurkhas attack vigorously and steadily, but they cannot send either flag waving. The 90th gain the upper hand, and carrying all before them notch up another goal. From the throw in the 90th get the ball, and Thyne looks like scoring, but Ainsworth again comes to the rescue of his side. The 90th, however, are not to be denied, and close on the call of time. Apthorpe puts up a good run, and adds another major point to the 90th total. *Final score :* 90th Punjabis, 4 goals; 1st-10th Gurkhas, 1 goal.

For the winning team Butterfield's defence was impenetrable, and his back-handers on both sides as often as not went right through the play. His judgment was sound all along, and he never missed or gave to the opposing side an opportunity. He was ably backed up by Baldwin. The forwards were busy the whole time, and marked their men well. For the losers Ainsworth did yeoman service. The clever manner in which he saved goal after goal was specially commendable. Had he obtained a little more support from his No. 3 victory might have fallen to the subalterns. The Gurkha team had been carefully coached, and moreover on sound principles. It is frequently noticeable that a back on the defensive, on principle, and without troubling to look where his own side are situated, invariably back-hands towards the side-line. If it were remembered that the game is from goal to goal, and that the object (except, of course, in the immediate vicinity of goal), should be to bring the ball into the centre again as soon as possible, better all round play would result. The touch-line policy is against all the fundamental principles of any contest, *i. e.*, to obtain, retain, and work on the "inner-lines." The Gurkha team should congratulate themselves on their excellent play throughout the tournament.

LUCKNOW POLO TOURNAMENT.
XV. HUSSARS CUP.

FIRST TIE.

THE Agra Polo Tournament and the Minto Fancy Fête have both conspired to interfere with the success of this Tournament, the opening tie in which was played on the Mahomed Bagh ground on Friday afternoon the 1st instant, in the presence of a fair gathering. Only five teams have entered. The opening game was a most disappointing one, owing to the disparity between the sides. The Gymkhana were outplayed at every point, and were eventually defeated by the Crusaders by the big margin of 11 goals, and 7 subsidiaries to one goal.

First Chukker.—The Crusaders from the outset showed their superiority over their opponents, at once carrying the ball to the Gymkhana's end, where they scored two subsidiaries in rapid succession. Play continued in the Gymkhana territory, where Morland got on the ball, and hit a goal from a fine long shot. From the re-start the Crusaders again got possession and working the ball down, made a minor point. A foul was then given against the Gymkhana, out of which the Crusaders were successful in adding another goal to their total. *Score :* Crusaders—2 goals and 3 subsidiaries Gymkhana—*nil.*

Second Chukker.—The Crusaders continued on the attack, the want of organisation on the part of the Gymkhana being very noticeable. Some splendid play was witnessed on the part of the Crusaders, who broke through the defence and obtained a goal from a neat shot in front of the flags, and followed it up with two more major points. *Score :* Crusaders—5 goals and 4 subsidiaries. Gymkhana—*nil.*

Third Chukker.—The success which attended the Crusaders' efforts began to grow a little monotonous for the on-lookers. The Crusaders were, however, not so sure on the ball, and many of their shots were misdirected. Play was confined to the Gymkhana almost throughout and just before the conclusion of the chukker, Watson hit a fine goal. *Score :* Crusaders—6 goals and 4 subsidiaries. Gymkhana—*nil.*

Fourth Chukker.—From a *mêlee* in front of the Gymkhanas flags, Farran hit the ball over the heads of the players, and obtained a goal. From the re-start the same player, who was in great form, secured the ball, and hit a goal from a magnificent shot, amidst applause. *Score :* Crusaders—8 goals and 4 subsidiaries. Gymkhana—*nil.*

Fifth Chukker.—The Gymkhana played up and Scott made a goal for them soon after the commencement of the chukker. The Crusaders retaliated with a major point. *Score :* Crusaders—9 goals and 4 subsidiaries. Gymkhana—1 goal.

Sixth Chukker.—The Crusaders were evidently giving their ponies a rest, and did not press. No score.

Seventh Chukker.—The Crusaders made a goal.

Eighth Chukker.—There was no scoring although the Crusaders were on the defensive almost throughout. The Crusaders won by 10 goals and 4 subsidiaries to 1 goal by the Gymkhana. Teams :

GYMKHANA.		THE CRUSADERS.	
Mr. Scott, I. C. S.	... 1	Hon. C. A. J. Annesley, Oxford L. I. ...	. 1
Major Climo, 24th Punjabis	2	Mr. W. Watson, 15 Somerset L. I. ...	... 2
Mr. Sullivan, P. W. D.	... 3	Mr. G. L. Farran, 4th Bengal Cavalry ...	... 3
Mr. Jopling, I. C. S.	(*back*)	Mr. W. Morland, Oxford L. I. ...	(*back*)

The Birmingham papers tell us of a citizen who, being taken suddenly ill, was attended to by the local fire brigade in the absence of a doctor. This certainly seems a little premature but Birmingham was ever a goahead city.

"It is jolly cold just now," remarked Lushington. This morning as I was getting up I could see my breath." "How horrible!" shuddered his patient little wife.—

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"In Germany and many parts of England the mistletoe is hung over the doorway to keep away the witches.' This was the sentence the dear old schoolmaster wrote on the blackboard; but while his back was turned a nice little boy altered the first letter of "witches," and so caused a good deal of trouble.

Rowing.

THE MADRAS B. C. REGATTA.

THE annual regatta of the Madras Boat Club took place on the Adyar River on Saturday and proved a great success. The day was only pleasantly warm and there was a large and fashionable attendance. The river was at a very low ebb, but this did not interfere much with the rowing, which was good all round. The first event was the final heat in the Intermediate Sculls, in which E. S. Lloyd met G. K. Gillon, the former leading all the way and winning easily by three lengths, in 3mins. 55secs. In the Service Fours there were three entries, the Mercantile boat beating the Service Four in the first race, much to the surprise of everybody as the winners had had very little practice. The result of the final between the Mercantile and Volunteer crews was a foregone conclusion, as the Volunteers were only a scratch lot. The Mercantile set the pace from the start, Faith, their stroke, rowing a long, clean stroke and the Volunteers went all to pieces, pulling in very bad time before the race was half over. They spurted splendidly at the end, but the Mercantile won without difficulty, covering the course in the good time 2mins. 52⅘secs.

There were six entries for the Junior Sculls and the final was won by Coles, who beat Chessal without much trouble. The Senior Sculls drew four entries, Wilson beating Mullins and Sandeman defeating Sell in the first round. The race between Wilson and Sandeman was a good one, but Sandeman was outclassed, Wilson winning a fast race by about a length in 3mins. 10secs. This is the seventh year in succession in which Wilson has won this race, which surely constitutes a record. Lloyd and Wilson had no difficulty in beating Steele and Irwin in the Pair oar. The prizes were afterwards handed to the winners by Lady Benson.

Cricket.

CRICKET IN CALCUTTA.

CALCUTTA C.C. *vs.* NATTORE'S XI.—The return match was played on the 2nd and 3rd instant and resulted in a win for the home team by two wickets. The visitors went in first and made 163 for five wickets when stumps were drawn on the first day, Razak being top scorer with 55. The next day K. Roy and Mehta who were not out overnight batted brilliantly. Roy made 70 and Mehta was not out 85. The innings closing for 313. The C.C.C. then went in. Guise (63), Salier (83), Eddis (67) and Turnbull (80) all scored freely and with 52 not out from von Ernsthausen Calcutta soon knocked off the runs. Appended are scores and analysis:—

NATTORE'S XI.

A. Razak, b Ernsthausen	55
B. Mookerjee, c Sub., b Ballantyne	22
Pursottom, c and b Salier	13
Pundit Dwarkanath, b Salier	2
A. Hossain, b Ernsthausen	17
K. Roy, b Eddis	70
H. R. Mehta, not out	85
A. Rashid, l-b-w, b Eddis	7
M. Roy, b Ernsthausen	3
J. Bagchi, b Manders	19
Maharajah J. N. Roy, b Manders	0
Extras	20
Total	313

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Ballantyne	11	3	24	1
Curtis-Hayward	8	1	27	0
Ernsthausen	26	4	76	3
Salier	18	6	74	2
Eddis	11	3	33	2
Turnbull	6	1	23	0
Guise	3	0	16	0
Manders	43	0	20	2

C.C.C.

J. D. Guise, b Mehta	63
E. L. Salier, b Dwarkanath	83
B. E. G. Eddis, b Dwarkanath	67
G. Turnbull, c and b Dwarkanath	30
J. G. Ballantyne, b Dwarkanath	0
C. P. Bartholomew, b Dwarkanath	7
A. C. von Ernsthausen, not out	52
T. Curtis-Hayward, c Bagchi, b Dwarkanath	0
T. C. Manders, b Dwarkanath	0
E. H. Thirkell White, not out	4
E. Horncastle, did not bat.	
Extras	11
Total (for 8 wkts.*)	317

* Innings declared closed.

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Hossain	8	0	40	0
Dwarkanath	21	1	90	7
Razak	4	0	35	0
Rashid	2	0	17	0
Mookerjee	2	0	5	0
Pursottom	1	0	6	0
Mehta	17	0	105	1

BALLYGUNGE *vs.* MAJOR WOLFE-MURRAY'S XI.—A high scoring and pleasant match played on the B.C.C. ground. Its best feature was Sherman's brilliantly knocked up 88. Low, too, batted well and missed his century by three runs only. There was some rather good batting by the military. Score:—

BALLYGUNGE.

D. S. Shallow, c Umfreville, b Grant	27
H. V. Low, st. Hill, b Wolfe-Murray	97
H. M. Sherman, st. Hill, b Umfreville	88
F. Gould, b Grant	4
H. E. Skinner, b Temperley	29
E. W. Antram, not out	40
A. D. Gartle, H. F. Mytton, G. F. Martin, J. B. Coulthard, } did not bat.	
Extras	22
Total (for 5 wkts.*)	307

* Innings declared closed.

MAJOR WOLFE-MURRAY'S XI.

Pte. Sinclair, l-b-w, b Gould	19
Major Wolfe-Murray, b Low	53
Capt. Hill, R. E., c Mytton, b Martin	45
Major Burlton, c Mytton, b Low	0
A. C. Temperley, b Low	46
Capt. Hill, H. L. I., not out	19
Mr. Selby, not out	2
Capt. Umfreville, Capt. Hume, Pte. Grant, did not bat.	
Extras	3
Total (for 5 wkts.*)	187

* Innings declared closed.

Y.M.C.A. *vs.* CUSTOMS.—This half day, match on the Y.M.C.A. ground resulted in a draw. Score:—

CUSTOMS.

F. Jewell, c Dyer, b Maclean	66
A. McReady, b Dyer	87
C. Barlow, not out	29
J. Anderson, not out	5
E. Adams, W. G. Brown, R. Jewell, V. Alexander, J. Wood, A. Nadal, did not bat.	
Total (for 2 wkts.*)	187

* Innings declared closed.

Y.M.C.A.

F. H. Reynolds, b Marsden	3
W. Dyer, b Marsden	5
A. M. Price, b Brown	17
H. G. Pooler, c Wood, b Marsden	22
A. Minet, not out	19
J. A. Maclean, b Marsden	4
P. Vanspall, c McCready, b Brown	4
J. Winter, S. Saldanha, T. Shuldham, F. Knolles, did not bat.	
Extras	14
Total (for 6 wkts.*)	88

* Innings declared closed.

CRICKET AT SECUNDERABAD.

ROYAL FUSILIERS *vs.* COMBINED TEAM 76TH PUNJABIS AND 96TH BERAR INFANTRY.—The final game in the Tournament for the Prime Minister's Cup was played on the 26th ultimo and resulted in a win for the Fusiliers by 10 wickets. Score:—

ROYAL FUSILIERS' TEAM.

1st Innings.		2nd Innings.	
Lieut. Hewitt, c Dewing, b Rollo	30	not out	2
Lce.-Corpl. Casey, not out	52	not out	3
Pte. Baker, b Minneken	9	did not bat.	
Capt. Frederick, b Minneken	3		
Capt. Lee, c Minneken, b Rollo	39		
Lieut. Cope, b Spence	22		
Lieut. Bomford, c Dawson, b Rollo	54		
Sergt.-Dmr. Franklin, c Adye, b Dewing	81		
Corpl. Bates, c Minneken, b Dewing	19		
Pte. Eade, c Conningham, b Dewing	0		
Sergt. Tidman, c Rollo, b Spence	11		
Extras	22		
Total	342	Total	5

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

	O.	R.	M.	W.
Rollo	33	111	4	2
Minneken	20	66	1	2
Spence	7·3	27	0	2
Dewing	15	82	1	4
Macdonald	5	17	1	0
Adye	2	17	0	0

COMBINED TEAM.

1st Innings.		2nd Innings.	
Col. Macdonald, c Eade, b Frederick	4	b Tidman	32
Major Dewing, c Casey, b Frederick	10	c Lee, b Hewitt	14
Lieut. Rollo, not out	99	b Hewitt	19
Lieut. Spence, b Hewitt	7	b Bates	31
Major Adye, c Hewitt, b Frederick	3	c Lee, b Hewitt	1
Capt. Foster, b Bates	9	b Tidman	4
Lieut. Minneken, b Casey	3	c Cope, b Bates	50
Major Lane, b Casey	3	not out	5
Lieut. Dawson, b Bates	3	c Bomford, b Hewitt	0
Major Sillery, c Eade, b Hewitt	2	did not bat.	
Lieut. Reynolds, b Frederick	29	b Hewitt	0
Extras	11	Extras	7
Total	183	Total	163

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

	O.	R.	M.	W.	O.	M.	R.	W.
Frederick	19·3	43	4	4	15	27	6	0
Hewitt	21	79	2	2	17·4	43	3	5
Casey	7	24	1	2	3	14	1	0
Bates	9	26	2	2	15	47	2	2
Tidman	—	—	—	—	6	25	0	2

CRICKET AT LAHORE.

NORTH-WESTERN RAILWAY *vs.* O. AND R. RAILWAY.—Played on the 25th ultimo and ended in a draw. Dilare and Pruce bowled well for their respective sides while Pruce scored a century. Scores:—

N.-W. R.

1st Innings.		2nd Innings.	
Hodgkins, b Dilare	4	Retired	8
Jose, c McDonough, b Dilare	13	c Prager, b Dilare	11
Pruce, c and b Dilare	101	st. Anthony, b Dilare	41
Plummer, c Shadwell, b Dilare	5	did not bat.	
Boileau, b Dilare	5	c Clapp, b Dilare	2
Middleton, b Shadwell	6	b Dilare	2
Hollis, c Tunnicliffe, b Dilare	6	did not bat.	
Moti Ram, not out	58	Retired	28
Shurbourne, c Roach, b Dilare	19	b Clapp	4
Goff, b Shadwell	2	Maula Bux, c Gantzer, b Dilare, did not bat.	
Ricketts, c Gantzer b Shadwell	0	c Tunnicliffe, b Dilare	12
Extras	7	Extras	4
Total	238	Total (for 6 wkts.)	107

O. AND R. R.

1st Innings.		2nd Innings.	
Williamson, st. Maula Bux, b Pruce	4	b Moti Ram	4
Tunnicliffe, c Moti Ram, b Pruce	1	c Hodgkins, b Pruce	14
Roach, c Plummer, b Pruce	30	b Pruce	20
Clapp, st. Maula Bux, b Pruce	4	b Pruce	4
Dilare, b Pruce	2	b Moti Ram	5
Pruce, c Goff, b Pruce	17	b Pruce	8
Anthony, not out	27	not out	5
Prager, b Moti Ram	0	b Pruce	2
Fox, c Plummer, b Pruce	15	c Maula Bux, b Moti Ram	2
McDonough, b Plummer	3	b Pruce	3
Gantzer, b Pruce	6	did not bat.	
Shadwell, c Goff, b Pruce	0		
Extras	11	Extras	6
Total	120	Total (for 9 wkts.)	73

Golf.

GOLF IN RANGOON.

RANGOON GOLF CLUB.—The qualifying round for the Captain's Prize was played on the 26th and 27th January. Forty-two members took out cards and the following scores were returned:—

Capt. McKinlay	41+41=85−15=70
J. W. Anderson	41+41=82− 8=74
Capt. G. H. Davis	41+41=82− 8=74
E. G. Howlett	41+43=84− 8=76
Major Alexander	49+39=88−12=76
Dr. Douglas	45+49=94−18=76
G. C. Wingham	38+38=76+ 2=78
S. Macdonald	44+42=86− 8=78
J. B. Orr	40+45=85− 7=78
J. M. Sime	40+39=79− 1=78
J. C. Anderson	41+38=79 Scr.=79
A. J. Watt	40+42=82− 3=79
G. Blackstock	45+43=88− 8=80
T. O. B. Ditmas	43+44=87− 6=81
J. J. A. Shaw	56+44=100−18=82
A. G. Paton	50+45=95−12=83
S. Gordon Brown	45+50=95−12=83

Messrs. Paton and Gordon Brown tie for the sixteenth place.

GOLF IN THE BRITISH ISLES.

LONDON, *18th January 1907.*

THINGS are certainly looking up, the awakening has begun, the scarcely perceptible lengthening day is perhaps not quite so largely responsible for this as the absence of frost and snow, but whatever be the reason for the *reveillée*, there it is. Try a course within a 30-mile radius of the Metropolis on a fine Sunday such as the last two have been, and it is one constant congestion from start to finish. Last Sabbath at Walton Heath over 50 men couples started forth, and this does not include the crowd of artisans and working men who are tolerated on the green at certain hours; nor the half dozen or so of women who are permitted to play after 11-30 and after 3-30 o'clock ! ! By an oversight on the part of the man in the starting box, contrary to the rule which boldly stares every applicant for a starting time full in the face, a very slow 3-ball match got away in the middle of the throng; they must have enjoyed themselves hugely, for while at the fifth tee (a short hole) there were no less than 10 couples awaiting their turn to drive, the 3-ball match could be discerned going leisurely to number 7 with a perfectly clear green in front of them, and yet none of the impatient men on the fifth tee had the courage to suggest going through the happy trio.

Prophets with or without honour in their own country are already foretelling results of heats in the Championships. St. Andrew's is to be the venue of the "Amateur" this year, and among all the possible winners Mr. Blackwell has been selected as Champion. He is particularly at home on this historic green, but the United States are sending over their Amateur Champion (so it is whispered), Mr. E. M. Byers, and one is never sure, after Mr. Travis' exhibition, what the Yankees may not do, besides who knows there may be some young blood who has developed and matured to an extraordinary degree during the past few months, who may accomplish wonders.

Very sad was the death of the Scottish Professional Golfer, Robert Dunlop, whose body was found in the Lake in Van Courtland Park, New York, about a fortnight ago. Although he had taken part in open events Dunlop had never succeeded in doing very much.

There is a great deal being written and talked about Royalty's play just now; they seem keen about the game, both men and women, and Prince Albert of Schleswig-Holstein has whole paragraphs to himself in several of the weeklies, as well as a full page frontispiece portrait of himself putting, which is certainly his weakest spot, but whatever space the weeklies and dailies can afford to consecrate to Royalties *we* must pass on to the unanointed who toy and trifle with the Royal and Ancient Sport. There is among scores of others a society called the Cricketers' Golfing Society, and every spring they hold a tournament: hitherto this has been decided by Singles *under handicap*; this year there is to be an alteration in the tactics and the contest is to be by foursome, each county being represented by 2 players, not under handicap, and each match to consist of 18 holes. No less than twenty-three counties have entered and some close and interesting matches are bound to arise. Lancashire, for instance, play Yorkshire (the holders), Gloucestershire *vs.* Kent, Middlesex *vs.* Somersetshire, and Notts *vs.* Liecestershire being among those already drawn to play.

It seems a bit late in the day to chronicle events which were advertised to take place at Xmas. But the unlooked-for, unwished-for snow and frost necessitated the postponement of many pot hunts, which were all put off until more propitious climatic conditions should arise. In Ireland most of these took place on Saturday, 12th instant, but this choice was equally unfortunate in a way for the wind blew and the rain rained, and it was poor fun playing even Golf. At the Royal Dublin Club, Mr. Stafford Paffney won the handicap prize, and Mr. D. M. Wilson took the Scratch trophy with a fairly good 84. But the most interesting golfing event in Ireland lately was the match between the Portmarnock Club and the newly formed Bar Golfing Society of Ireland. The fine Links of Portmarnock were stretched to their full extent, both teams consisted of unusually strong players, and the fun waxed fast and furious, most matches being decided at the end of the round, and the majority of the holes themselves were fought for on the green. As the "component parts of the teams were men of mark and note they are here appended."

BAR GOLFING SOCIETY OF IRELAND *vs.* PORTMARNOCK CLUB.

A. C. Newett	0	H. M. Cairnes	1
D. M. Wilson	0	W. C. Pickeman	1
W. H. Boyd	0	J. S. Matterson	1
E. K. Figgis	0	F. E. Davies	1
D. Christie	0	W. M. Gordon	1
H. Dodd	0	D. D. Stewart	0
A. P. Ross	1	J. S. Morgan	0
J. H. Pigott	1	B. Plunkett	1
H. W. Jackson	0	E. Webb Smith	1
J. Chambers	0	G. Thompson	1
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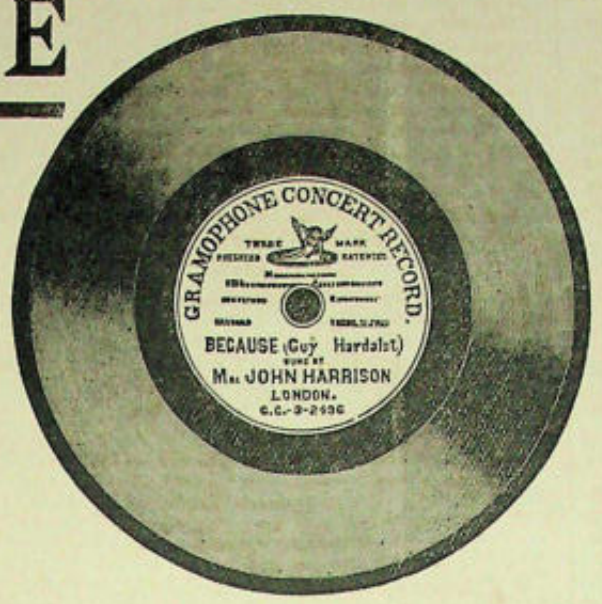

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The foursomes arranged in numerical order resulted in a win for Portmarnock by 3 to 1, the top match being halved. It may be interesting to give the reasons for the formation of the Society, pre-supposing that any existed. It is a sort of combination (the society) of legal luminaries on the lines of that already existing in England and brings a new feature into Irish golf. There can be no doubt that the formation of these professional and business societies does much, more perhaps than one realizes, towards strengthening the grip (not of the club) of the game, and making it even more popular than it is at present, and tends greatly to the further advancement of golf. Just a line or two in conclusion to give an irrefuitable indicationo f the extent of Golf over here and of the determination displayed in connection with it, a well-known player wished for some games with James Braid, and was informed by him that he had no more free days from then (the first week in January) till the *end of June*. Not only Braid, but most of the leading professionals, have their time equally satisfactorily filled up. What a money making game it must be, and how nice to be a Braid or a Vardon or a Taylor!

M. E. S.

Boxing.

MINTO FETE TOURNAMENT.

The following are results :—

BOYS.—"A" Class.

Boy Parsons (Royal Dragoons) 10-9 beat Boy Guynan (H. E. the Viceroy's Band).
Boy Parsons beat Boy Smith (Northamptons) 10-3.

BOYS.—"B" Class.

Boy Poole (Royal Sussex) beat Boy Evans (Middlesex Regt.)
Vol. Norris (E. I. R. Vols.) beat Boy O'Brien (Middlesex Regt.)
Boy Poole beat Vol. Norris.

(*Winner of A vs. winner of B.*)

Boy Parsons (Royal Dragoons) beat Boy Poole (Royal Sussex).

FEATHER-WEIGHTS.

Pte. Roberts (1st Glosters) beat Vol. Norris (E. I. R. Vols.).
Lce.-Corpl. Lang (Royal Sussex) beat Pte. Palmer.
Pte. Francis (Royal Irish Regt.) beat Pte. Jeffries.
Pte. Evans (Royal Scots) beat Bradbury (H. M. S. *Perseus*.)
Pte. Carter (Northamptons) beat Pte. Jones (Glosters.)
Lce.-Corpl. Manning (Northamptons) beat Dr. Betts (R. F. A.)

Second Round.

Pte. Roberts beat Pte. Francis.
Pte. Evans beat Lce.-Corpl. Lang.
Pte. Blake (Middlesex) beat Lce.-Corpl Manning.
Lce.-Corpl. McLaverty (Lincolns) beat Pte. Carter.

Semi Final.

Pte. Blake beat Pte. Roberts.
Lce.-Corpl. McLaverty beat Pte. Evans.

Final.

Pte. Blake beat Lce.-Corpl. McLaverty,

LIGHT-WEIGHTS.

Pte. Dean (Northamptons) beat Lce.-Corpl. Fox (C. V. R.).
Gr. Vickers (75th R. G. A.) *vs.* Gr. McArthur (R. H. A.) (scratched).
Pte. Church (Royal Sussex) beat Lce.-Corpl. Strath (Royal Dragoons).
Pte. Christie (Royal Fusiliers) beat Pte. Rayman (Dragoon Guards).
Pte. Sabin (Middlesex) beat Pte. Philpot (Middlesex).
Lce.-Corpl. Oates (Queen's) beat Pte. McCartney.
Pte. Gibbons (Northamptons) beat Pte. Isabell (Lincolns).
Pte. Hookings (Lincolns) beat Pte. Watkins (Northamptons).

Second Round.

Gr. Vickers beat Pte. Dean.
Pte. Sabin beat Pte. Weekly (Northamptons).
Lce.-Corpl. Oates beat Pte. Christie.

Third Round.

Pte. Church beat Pte. Hookings.
Gr. Vickers beat Pte. Gibbons.

Semi-Final.

Lce.-Corpl. Oates beat Pte. Sabin.
Pte. Church beat Gr. Vickers.

Final.

Lce.-Corpl. Oates beat Pte. Church.

MIDDLE WEIGHTS.

Pte. Dixon (Durhams) *vs.* Pte. Fyfe (Middlesex) (scratched).
Lce.-Corpl. Weir (R. I. Rifles) beat Lce.-Corpl. Martin (6th Dragoon Guards).
Pte. Tew (Northamptons) beat Gr. Howse (R. F. A.).
Pte. Mathson (Seaforths) beat Corpl. Healy (R. F. A.).
Corpl. Holloway (Royal Fusiliers) beat Vol. W. Fisher.
Pte. Hickmott (Northamptons) beat Lce.-Corpl. Houston (Black Watch).

Second Round.

Lce.-Corpl. Atkinson (Glosters) beat Lce.-Corpl. Weir.
Pte. Tew *vs.* Pte. Dixon (scratched).
Pte. Mathson *vs.* Corpl. Holloway (scratched).

Semi-Final.

Pte. Tew beat Pte. Hickmott.
Lce.-Corpl. Atkinson beat Pte. Mathson.

Final.

Lce.-Corpl. Atkinson beat Pte Tew.

OTHER CONTESTS.

Six Rounds. Dr. Betts (R. F. A.) beat A. B. Melville (H.M.S. *Perseus*).
Pte. Seath (Royal Dragoons) beat Pte. Dean (Northamptons).
Pte. McCartney (R. I. Rifles) beat Pte. Watkins (Northamptons).

The Horse.

WHEN BUYING A HORSE.

THERE are said to be tricks in the horse dealing business, but whether that be true or not, it is certainly important for the would-be purchaser to understand that he wants, what the work to be done requires, and what constitutes a sound, serviceable horse for the place to be filled. It is also absolutely necessary to consider every horse unsound until proved the contrary, no matter from whom he is to be purchased. Friends and relatives, when it comes to a horse deal, are to be considered the same as strangers until the business has been completed. Even the deacon is not to be given any credit unless the horse he has to sell corroborates in appearance and performance the qualities he claims for him. There is to be no sentiment in the matter—simply business sense.

For the above reasons, when the neighbour has a horse for sale, and our reader goes to inspect the animal, he should go unawares, if possible, and see the horse, first in the stall, and afterwards in action. This is necessary for the reason that when a horse is at rest in his stall some things will show up that could disappear when he is trotted, or be overlooked were he first seen out of doors. For instance, when looking at a horse in his stall his flanks should be watched for abnormal breathing, indicating "heaves"—a trouble often temporarily alleviated by drugs when the visit of the intending purchaser has been anticipated, and at the same time a glance will show whether strap is buckled tightly around the neck back of the ears, indicating that the horse is a "wind sucker."

We next step up beside the horse and exmine the manger, which is always chewed a great deal if the animal is a "cribber" and, finding such evidences, it is but a moment's work to upen the mouth and find if the incisor teeth corroborate the suspicion. Next the horse is made to "stand over" in his stall. If he has a spavin and is lame from it he will jerk the affected leg as he steps, and this may also be done as an evidence of "chorea" (shivers or crampiness). The latter disease, which is incuratle is still better seen as the animal is made to back out of the stall. For the first few steps the hind legs will be jerked higher than normal, but when he is trotted or even walked, there may not be a trace of this unsoundness to be seen, except, possibly, when he is suddenly turned.

After the "at rest" examination he should be placed on a level floor. Watch him for a few minutes and if he is sore-footed, the foot that causes pain will be stuck out in front of him, or the hind feet will be eased, turn about, persistently. Walk around him and form a general idea of his shape and quality and suitability in size, weight and bone.

If all these things are satisfactory, next have him walked and trotted, and note his gait, with any departure is from normal, free, open or sound action.

If he stands these tests, the serious examination commences, and this must be a most critical one if the price asked indicates a valuable animal and absolutely sound. If a cheap horse, and only sold "serviceably sound," the examination need only be for wind and lameness, and then a search for anything that will be likely to make him useless, either temporarily, during busy seasons, or permanently, at once, or in the near future.

Commence at the head and examine the teeth for age; parrot mouth, which makes a horse unable to graze; diseased molars, which are indicated by foul odor; discharge from the nostrils or a wad of food in the cheek; injured bars where the bit presses on the floor of the mouth; lacerated tongue or ulcerated tongue and gums. Glance at the nostrils for discharge, red spots, ulcers or tumors in the false nostrils. Now test the sight by slightly lifting the hand, as if to strike the eye, wich will make him wink if he can see. Look at the eye and the lids. Where a horse has had several attacks of periodic ophthalmai (moon blinders) the lids will be wrinkled and a bluish tinge appear over the eye, or irregularity of the cantour of the cornea; while white spots may tell of cataract or merely of injuries that have not affected the eyesight. Examine the bones of the lower jaw for departures from normal, also those of the face under the eyes for enlargements, possibly showing disease of molar teeth or chronic catarrh.

Abcesses under the jaw will be easily found, if present, and indicate "strangelers" in quite young horses, but are suspicious in old ones, indicating diseased molar teeth and possibly something worse. The hand is runover the poll, where "poll evil" is locatad, under the name for skin disease along the jugular groove and at the throat latch, for abnormalities. Then the withers are examined for "fistala" or sores, and the shoulder for sweeny, collar boils of fibroid tumors, and the elbow for shoe boil. The fore limb is next examined carefully for broken knees, splints, bowed tendons, grease or scratches, and any other things that depart from sound condition. The foot has to be exmined very carefully for departures from good shape, founder, thrush, corns, quarter cracks, quittor, sand crack, ringbones, sidebones and nail prick or stone bruise.

Never accept a horse with leather sole on foot. Have him unshod before deciding that there is nothing wrong. This applies to fore and hind feet, and as a general rule it is safest to have the shoes removed where the horse is valuable. The body is next looked at carefully for ruptures, sore back, weak back, sagged back, and washy coupling. The state of the scrotum is to be looked to in geldings and the udder in mares. Lift the tail to see if it is strong

not false, and not newly docked or affected with melanosis tumors in white animals. At the same time the anus is inspected and the vulva in mares. Paralysis of the anus is not uncommon, and lacerations of the perineum in mares constitute "gil flirt." The hind limb is next to be gone over for unsoundness similar to those in the fore limb, including spavin, ringbone, thoroughpin, etc., while the stifle will come in for a careful look and the cantour of the hips be noted for injury to the points of the illum caused by running in at a narrow door.

Next test the animal thoroughly for wind, and the work will be fairly complete. In conclusion, it may be added that each limb must be examined in succession, as above advised.

The Story Teller.

A LOVELY LEPPER.

"COME here to me, now" said Terry Mulligan, the steeplechase jockey; "and bedad it's no fairy tale I'll be after telling ye. You know me for a jewel of the truth."

He looked at me then with such a comical twinkle in his blue eyes that it would have been a sin not to laugh. My mirth was not expressed boisterously, but with sincerity and discretion. There are men who, with a smile on their face, look as if they had just escaped from somewhere.

One of the best in his way, Terry Mulligan is a friend whom I delight to honour, and many are the good stories he has told me. He has plenty of humour and persiflage. He is a fine rider on the flat or over a country. He is thoroughly game, and very honest—for a jockey, that is to say.

When, therefore, he promised, as intimated in the opening lines of this romance, to relate what he termed (probably with inaccuray) "no fairy tale," I was eager to listen. What is verisimilitude, bedad compared with piquant revelations?

So I said, "Drive on Terry, my boy, and don't spare my feelings. The doctor says that I have a weak heart, but that with care it will last as long as I do. Don't shock me too violently all at once."

"Shure and be aisy now; it's only about ould Game Fox I'm going to tell ye," said Terry, with his delightful brouge, to which my pen can do no sort of justice. He added quickly, "You remember the ould 'oss of course?"

"Well," I replied; "and backed him many a time. He was, in my opinion, an ideal chaser. He could go fast and stay; he was a safe jumper with the heart of a lion; he could carry weight, and was as good through the mud as on the top of the ground. You couldn't put him out of his place."

The jockey was delighted by those words. His cheeks flushed and his eyes brightened in the true Irish manner.

"Game Fox was all that, and more," he said—"a real champion in his class, which was not parliamentary. He could gallop with the others, and had always a bit to pull out at the finish to whack 'em with. That's what you want in a chaser—the power of running on while the others collapse one by one, or two by two, in the straight run in."

"Exactly. It is wise, when possible, to keep a bit up one's sleeve when the other Johnnies have shot their linen."

Then Mr. Mulligan, with his tongue so brisk, told me about a certain performance of the great Game Fox which was rather curious.

"As you may recollect," pursued the jockey, "the ould 'oss was just a lovely lepper—a fairy over fences. Yet he had an eye knocked out at Leopardstown. Another 'oss was down in front of him; he tried to jump the other one *and* the fence, couldn't quite do it, got a severe blow on the head, and lost an optic. I was riding him at the time, and begorra we were in the air so long that I began to wonder where he would land—in England, Scotland, or Ireland. Neatish, eh?"

He glanced at me sideways with considerable play of feature, as if to see how I was bearing the results. It appeared that the statement made to him concerning my weak heart had wrought no appreciable influence on his mind. It is possible that he regarded the assertion (with reason) as being of appocryphal character. What the medical gentlemen say, when they cease to indulge in platitude, is often unfit for, and unworthy of publication.

I took up the running again with some degree of spirit. "And so it was at Leopardstown that the old horse lost his eye?" I said. "And what very bad luck, to be sure, for such a lovely lepper! How did he jump afterwards, Terry? I mean with the light on one side gone?"

"Better than ever," answered Terry, emphatically; "he was taking no more chances. He had always jumped big, and after his glim was doused he jumped bigger than ever. It was like coming down a fire-escape to ride him over some of the owdacious ditches. He couldn't see very well, and left a margin for all sorts of contingencies."

Here the jockey took a long breath and rattled on briskly. "The ould 'oss at last got a bit slow and bad to be run in selling and farmers' races. It was *anno domini* that was beating him; he had still the heart of a lion, the manners of a lady, and an idea that the fences were twice as large as they were. He could only see half of them, perhaps, and imagined the other half to be up there."

Terry pointed to the azure firmament, and made a pretence to fly thitherward having no compunction, apparently, in leaving me on earth alone. But I could not have gone with him in any case, by reason of an arrangement to meet my mother-in-law by the 3-40 train, as the lady was coming to stay three weeks without an invitation, and bringing her own gin.

Then Terry resumed his narrative as thus: "After a time Game Fox got into the hands of old Mickey Garron, the farmer, who, it was said, could live on potheen longer than any of his neighbours; and they were all grand stayers with a pot of something in their fist. Garron had been running the horse at small local meetings; there was one race of unusual value in his own district, which he was particularly anxious to win, not so much for money as for the honour and glory. You know how these sporting farmers love to whack each other near home. So Mickey wrote to me asking if I would go and ride the Fox for him at Ballyfooney, and he promised me a nice little 'touch' if I could get him home all right. 'It's a cop for him with you up,' he wrote, 'for the old horse is as fresh as a two-year-old, and sees as much with his one eye as many people do with double the number."

"Well, that seemed good enough, you know; things were not very lively just then in our racing world; so off I popped to Ballyfooney, pleased to think that I was to ride the lovely lepper once again. He was a treat of a horse, as I have told you, and if all horses were like him we should nearly all be jockeys.

"When I arrived at Ballyfooney, Mickey had a car to meet me at the station; we drove to the course together. He could talk of nothing else but the old 'oss. He talked loudly, his face was very red, and he kept thumping me in the ribs. I was obliged to give him one back on the chest to put him straight. It was plain to see what was the matter with him. He had evidently been living on potheen for a longer period than usual, and the diet had got into his head. He was not absolutely paralytic, but nearly so.

"When it was time to get ready for our race I was careful to saddle Game Fox myself, although his owner quarrelled with me for not allowing him to do so. I told him he was not fit to saddle a pig, whereupon he wept bitterly with his arms round a whisky jar in the refreshment booth, and he partly emptied it before he would consent to dry his tears. Very warm he was, with the bung out.

"As I was just about to have the leg-up, he staggered towards me and gave the riding orders. 'If there's not much of a pace,' he said, holding himself straight by the Fox's tail, 'come along, and give the bleaters no rest. The ould 'oss aint so speedy a he was some years ago, and it's no use for you to wait him. You might wait too long, and he wouldn't be able to come at all. And, Terry, me lad'—he tried to put his arms round my neck but I countered on the bosom as before—you'll hear me shouting long before yo've won.'

"'All right, guv'nor,' I said, 'shout away as much as you like after I've gone out of the paddock. I'll bring the ould biler along for all he's worth never fear. But what's this patent arrangement you've got on his eye?' I pointed to a sort of black patch he had placed there.

"'That's for the animal's comfort,' he hiccoughed; 'it keeps all the dust and mud out of his poor old eyeball, and makes him look fiercer, don't you think, when he comes storming up the course?'

"I said nothing more, but mounted and cantered to the post. The flag fell at once, and we raced merrily to the first fence, over which I came one of the most tremendous croppers ever recorded in history. Game Fox never rose an inch, and turned topsy-turvy on me without an apparent effort?"

"Why?" I asked, breathlessly. "He was such a lovely lepper!"

"You may easily guess why," replied the jockey, "poor Mickey in his drunkenness, had *covered up the wrong eye!*"

The Theatre.

WESTMINSTER GLEE SINGERS.

THE Westminster Glee and Concert party who toured India years ago under Mr. Edward Branscombe's direction with such success, are again visiting this country and are booked to appear at the Opera House, Calcutta, on Wednesday, the 20th February. Upon the completion of their last Australian and New Zealand tour, this popular body of singers returned to England giving concerts *en route* through the United States and on reaching London Mr. Edward Branscombe reformed his company. Amongst the boy choristers accompanying this party are no less than three lads who are ranked amongst the most celebrated boy soloists in England and special mention must be made of Master Albert Hole, the smallest boy soloist in the world. The soloists include several names who have already established their popularity throughout India, amongst whom may be mentioned Madame Marie Hooten, Mr. Edward Branscombe, and Mr. Sterndale Bennett. The party only remained in London about three months, almost immediately again setting off on their travels, and they have just completed most successful tours through Canada and the Far East. The English, American, and Colonial press are unanimous in their opinion that the perfection attained in this class of singing by these highly trained vocalists, and their skill in the rendering of a lengthy repertoire of madrigals, glees, part-songs, etc., far exceeds anything previously heard. Mr. Edward Branscombe, under whose direction these singers are touring, is to be congratulated on having got together a party so well able to maintain the highest traditions of English part-singing. For those who take an intelligent interest in that most beautiful of all forms of vocal music, the unaccompanied performance of part-singing, a musical treat is in store. Mr. Harry Ivimey, who holds the highest position as a society entertainer in England will contribute two humorous musical sketches in each programme. The plan is at Messrs. T. E. Bevan & Co.

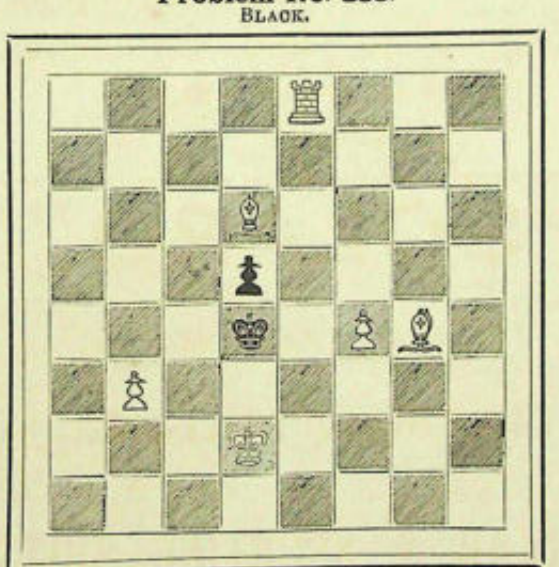
Chess.

Solution to Problem No. 388.

WHITE.	BLACK.
1. Q. to Kt 3	1. R. to Q 4
2. Q. to B 2	2. P. to B 4 best
3. Q. to Kt 3	3. Anything
4. Q. mates	

Problem No. 389.

BLACK.



WHITE.

White to play and mate in three moves.

Game.

ALLGAIER GAMBIT.

WHITE.	BLACK.
1. P. to K 4	1. P. to K 4
2. P. to K B 4	2. P. takes P
3. K. Kt to B 3	3. P. to K Kt 4
4. P. to K R 4	4. P. to K Kt 5
5. Kt. to Kt 5	5. P. to K R 3
6. Kt. takes K B P	6. K. takes Kt
7. B. to B 4 ch	7. P. to Q 4
8. B. takes P ch	8. K. to K sq
9. P. to Q 4	9. P. to B 6 (*a*)
10. P. takes P	10. B. to K 2
11. B. to K 3	11. B. takes R P ch
12. K. to Q 2	12. K. Kt. to B 3
13. Kt. to Q B 3	13. P. to Q B 3
14. B. to Kt 3	14. Kt. to R 2
15. P. takes P	15. B. to K Kt 4
16. P. to Q 5	16. B. takes B ch
17. K. takes B	17. Q. to Kt 4 ch
18. K. to Q 3	18. B. takes P
19. Q. to Q 2	19. P. to K R 4
20. Q. R. to K Kt sq	20. Kt. to Q 2
21. Q. takes Q	21. Kt. takes Q
22. K. to K 3	22. K. R to K B sq (*b*)
23. R. to Kt 3	23. Kt. to Q B 4
24. P. to K 5	24. Kt. takes B
25. R. P. takes Kt	25. B. to K B 6 ch (*c*)
26. R. takes R	26. B. takes R
27. R. to K Kt sq	27. B. to K Kt 5
28. R. to K B sq	28. K. to K 2 (*d*)
29. P. to Q 6 ch	29. K. to K 3
30. Kt. to K 4	30. K. takes Kt
31. K. takes Kt	31. R. to K R sq
32. R. to B 6 ch	32. K. to Q 2
33. R. to B 7 ch	33. K. to Q B sq
34. R. to B 7 ch	34. K. to Q Kt sq
35. R. to K 7	35. P. to R 5

Drawn.

(*a*) It is not unusual to defend the dangerous attack in this form of the Allgaier Gambit by Kt to K 2 and B to Kt 2; but the course selected by Mr. Morton is quite sound. The opening indeed is well played by him.

(*b*) Black retains his piece, and the blindfold player has no compensating advantage.

(*c*) This manœuvre loses time, and ends only in transferring the command of the important K B file to the first player. Black should have sought to break up the adverse centre Pawns.

(*d*) Again an effort ought to have been made for the disruption of the centre Pawns.

Cards.

BRIDGE.

Solution to Problem No. 22.

TO win the game Z must only lose two more tricks, *viz.*, the ace and king of trumps. He must get rid of his diamonds before leading trumps, or his opponents may exhaust Y's trumps, and so make certain of at least one trick in that suit. Accordingly, he puts the ace or king of spades on B's 7, and leads a diamond for Y to ruff. Y then leads the ace, followed by the king of clubs, and Z discards his third diamond. Z now proceeds to get out trumps as fast as he can, and unless ruffed in spades will win the game. B's 7 of spades, though obviously a weak lead, is not necessarily a singleton.

Problem No. 23.

Score: A B, 0; Y Z, 0. Z deals and declares no-trumps. A's and Y's hands are as follow:—

Y's HAND (Dummy).

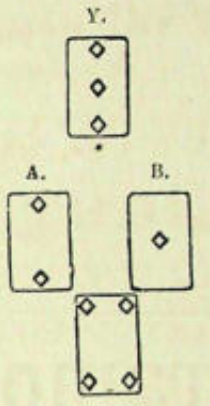
Hearts, king, 5, 4; diamonds, king, 3; clubs, 10, 9, 5, 2; spades, 8, 5, 4, 3.

A's HAND (Original Leader).

Hearts, 10, 7, 6; diamonds, queen, 10, 8, 2; clubs, king, queens 4, 3; spades, 10, 2.

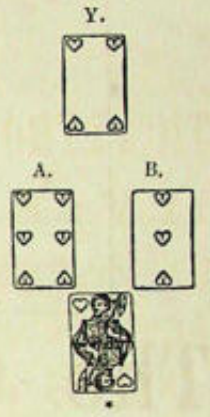
The first seven tricks are as follows:—

Trick 1.



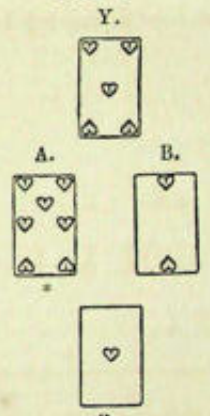
Tricks: A B, 1; Y Z, 0.

Trick 2.



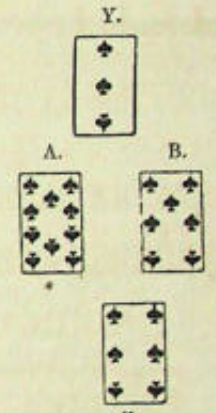
Tricks: A B, 1; Y Z, 1.

Trick 3.



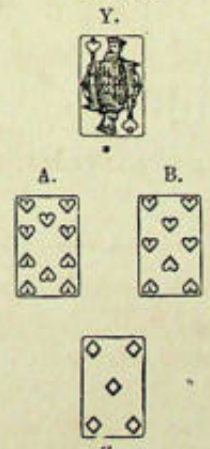
Tricks: A B, 1; Y Z, 2.

Trick 4.



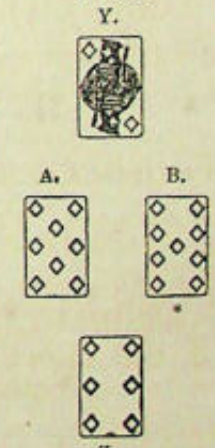
Tricks: A B, 1; Y Z, 2.

Trick 5.



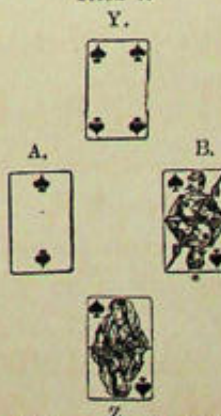
Tricks: A B, 2; Y Z, 3.

Trick 6.



Tricks: A B, 2; Y Z, 4.

Trick 7.



Tricks: A B, 2; Y Z, 5.

Z now leads the ace, followed by the 9 of spades, B's king falling to the ace. What should A's discard to these tricks be? Place the unplayed cards, and forecast the play of the last four tricks.

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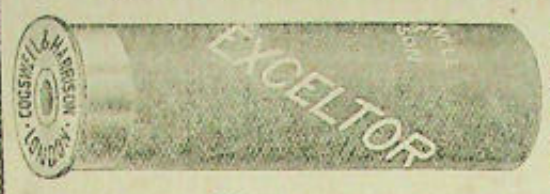

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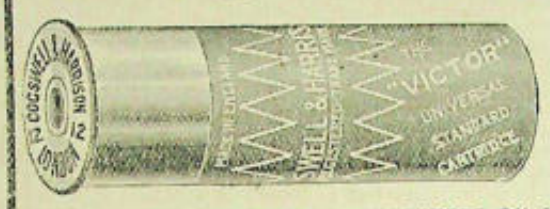

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OLD TIME ATHLETICS.

IT is curious, when we glance over the pages of old sporting journals and magazines, particularly those of George III's time, to note the extraordinary number of matches in which our forefathers indulged, more especially in the shape of trotting matches for horses, cobs and ponies on the road against rivals or against time, and running and walking matches between men over varying distances. Such private events no doubt take place now, but the outside world seldom hears of them and they excite no interest beyond the circle of intimates of the parties engaged. It is impossible to take up any sporting publication of a century back without finding such reports as the following: "On Tuesday, September 23, a pony was engaged to trot fourteen miles within the hour for 30 guineas staked by Mr. Harding, the owner, with some amateurs of the sport: also thirteen miles within the second hour, for the same sum;" with particulars of the performance which in the case mentioned was accomplished by the 13-hand pony with four minutes to spare in the first hour and two in the second. In the adjoining column we have particulars of "a running match which has been spoken of a length of time between Messrs. Salter and Beaumont—the competitors were to run three measured miles on turf—the match was for 100 guineas." Again "a wager has been laid in Dublin by Mr. Battersby with Mr. Gore for the sum of 150 guineas that Collier, the pedestrian who accomplished some time since a remarkable journey from Athlone to Dublin, shall run on the Curragh next April 100 English miles in nineteen successive hours." Elsewhere in the same periodical we find particulars of a foot race against time, 20 miles to be covered in two hours and a quarter, done with 5 minutes to spare by "the celebrated pedestrian Wood" who, by the way, is mentioned as having, a few days later, for a wager of 40 guineas "run a quarter of a mile in a minute and performed it with apparent ease about a second within the time," a feat that compares very favourably with modern performances when we consider that carefully fitted running shoes and other aids to good timing were probably wanting. Such matches as these frequently attracted large numbers of spectators and furnished opportunity for much wagering; they served the same function as athletic meetings serve nowadays, and indeed may be considered as the original parents of the organised athletic meeting. The horse matches on the road owe their extinction partly to the adoption of macadam and partly to the intervention of the police, whose duty it was made to see that the public highways were used only for their legitimate purpose of traffic; but the foot race, whether running or walking, seems to have survived the trotting race for equines as a road spectacle by a good many years, and they lost their vogue with the gradual development of athletic clubs and associations when these began to come into existence about fifty years ago. When the athletic club with its well organised meeting came into being, it was inevitable that the isolated race should disappear: generous supporters prepared to put down a stake of from twenty to a hundred guineas were not always forthcoming even in those days of bold speculation: and the pedestrian discovered that more fame and more profit could be earned at the old time athletic meeting than by

adhering to the time-honoured practice of making a match through some sporting publican who brought patron and performer together and arranged the business. No doubt the modern system is very much better than the old want of system under which amateurs and professionals alike ran for money: we say "amateurs and professionals" though there was really no defined line between them, beyond the known fact that one did not run for a livelihood and the other did: and between the two came such pedestrians as the famous Brighton Shepherd who, a century ago, it was the fashion among the Regency sportsmen to back against all comers for heavy wagers.

While declaring approval for the modern system it may perhaps be conceded that we have lost something in the shape of variety in athletics. Our races nowadays are pretty well stereotyped as regards distances. The executive of a sports gathering does not venture to offer prizes for unorthodox events and it would probably receive small encouragement if it did do so. In the old days as much was left to the ingenuity and taste of the patrons or competitors as is left now to the ingenuity of the deviser of a gymkhana programme in this country. We should be rather surprised and, orthodoxy would certainly be shocked if a serious athletic meeting were made the scene of such a contest as that recorded at Leeds just a hundred years back. "A wager was offered by one gentleman that he would run one hundred yards while another of the party ['in a respectable company'] ran fifty carrying a person on his shoulders weighing fourteen stone six pounds." Or if such "an astonishing effort of human exertion" as the following were included in the programme: "A man of about 50 years of age, for a wager of a guinea, drew a town cart with five sacks of flour from Beech Street, Barbican, to St. Martins-le-Grand. The flour without the cart weighed 12 cwt." These old athletic performances were almost invariably tests of speed, endurance or physical strength: now and again we find a wager concerning a man's ability to pick up so many potatoes laid at such distances or similar feat; but we never find evidence that jumping, either high or long, was practised; pole jumping was equally ignored, though in the eastern counties the pole was in everyday use among the people who had to cross the fen ditches and drains in the ordinary course of their vocations. The only thing involving a jump seems to have been the feat known as "hop-skip-and-jump," which, by the way, more than a century ago is referred to with ponderous irony as the "most ancient and honourable science." Throwing the hammer and other exercises were equally unknown: a fact which suggests the reflection that any one who should trace the history of athletic exercises to their origin would find the enquiry both instructive and entertaining.

Sporting Notes.

THE recent big pigstick given by Mr. M. M. Crawford, the well-known Nuddea sportsman, was an unqualified success, though the boars gathered did not equal last year's huge total. Still eightynine in two days with eight spears out is good enough, and the average worked out better, for every one out was an old hand at the game. In spite of this eleven horses out of forty were cut and one of the party managed to break a thumb. Never were more savage pig seen we hear.

Entries for the Bareilly Junior Polo Tournament close to-morrow.

The Calcutta Kennel Club achieved an instant and pronounced success in their first Championship Show last week: a full report appears among our Kennel news to-day.

Some fresh evidence of our canine friends' intelligence is always coming to light. In a recent issue of *The Rural World* the story of a shepherd's dog is told. One night a North of England shepherd brought in his flocks and hurried to his cottage to have his supper. But he missed the dog which usually followed him of an evening for her own food. The man thought it rather strange, but made no search for the dog that night. When the shepherd went down to the corrals next morning he found the gate open, and his dog standing guard over the sheep. In his haste the night before he had forgotten to close the gate, but the dog had noticed how remiss her master had been and remained at her post throughout the night, though she suffered from hunger and thirst.

Says a writer in *Nature Notes*: "At the risk of being severely hauled over the coals, let me say that the intelligence of the horse seems to be of a low order, and that in a civilised country like England it has little or no chance of improving. The one thing above all others required in a horse is obedience. A horse that has a will of his own, and is determined to show it, is seriously handicapped. Those horses that give up thinking, that submit to their masters' orders, and carry out his requirements as to beauty, strength and speed, are the most useful and most highly prized, and therefore the most likely to be allowed to live and carry on the race. Under such conditions the brain of any animal must deteriorate. When, however, the horse runs wild, as in Australia, he has to think for himself, and to work out the problems of self-preservation. The change soon shows itself. He becomes as intelligent as the wild creatures among which his lot is cast, but generally at the expense of beauty, and many other qualities valuable to man. Most wild horses are large in the head, and bodily speaking, inferior to the English animal. The brains of cattle, sheep and the domestic duck have also suffered from subjection to man."

The writer of "Indian Gup" in *The World* says,—"It is a well-known fact that during the cold weather season the population of Calcutta, floating and permanent, includes all that is brightest and best in the Indian Empire, but this year she has attracted two personages who are so remarkable that they demand special mention. They have both achieved pre-eminence in their own particular lines. The first, who in the intervals of making centuries at cricket is rapidly climbing to the dizzy eminence of a seat among the gods in Olympus, is notable as being the most silent man in Asia; and the second, who is a guest at Government House and has an hereditary handle to his name, has acquired much merit and fame as the 'Beau Brummell' of India and as the recognised sumptuary authority of our gilded youth. As a faithful *chela* always assimilates the likeness as well as the utterances of his *guru*, he follows in the footsteps of that talented expert in the hair industry, Mr. Frank Richardson; and consequently his latest and most momentous aphorism calls for publicity, especially as it is bound to revolutionise the future aspect of our promising young men. 'A strong and violent moustache is the invariable concomitant of a weak character.'"

The Bhopal Cup Polo Tournament is postponed until the week beginning 10th March, entries closing on the 7th idem.

It is said that nearly 2,000 partridges were shot by the King and his party, driving at Flitcham, Norfolk, last month. His Majesty was accompanied by the Prince of Wales, Prince Arthur of Connaught, Lord Stanley, Lord Savile, Lord Suffield, Mr. Montague Guest, and Sir Allen Young.

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Among a gruesome collection of little human heads recently offered for sale at Stevens's auction-rooms was one of surprising interest. It was a man's head no larger than a hen's egg, and is unique in every way. No one has seen anything like this relic before. It was obtained from Mexico, where from time immemorial there has been a tradition of a race of miniature pigmies who inhabited the northern part of the country hundreds of years before the Aztecs were conquered by Cortes. They were said to have buried their dead in the rocks. This particular example had long been in possession of an old Mexican ranchman in a remote part of the mountains, and had, he explained, been in possession of his family for years and years, descending from father to son. It was acquired by a mining engineer engaged with a prospecting party, and has been examined by a number of eminent ethnologists, who have seen nothing like it.

The Rifle Brigade won the Lucknow Polo Tournament, beating the Crusaders in the final by 4 goals and 5 subsidiaries to 1 goal and 1 subsidiary. Details will be found in the usual place.

The party accompanying H.E. the Viceroy on his Assam shoot will consist of Her Excellency Lady Minto, Lady Eileen Elliot, Colonels Dunlop Smith, Adam, and Crooke-Lawless, Major Feilding, and Captain Bulkeley. The party leaves Calcutta on the 16th instant.

From the severe weather reported from the Western Himalayas—Dalhousie registering a snowfall of four feet—it would seem that the arctic wave which swept over Central and Southern Europe at the end of January came within twelve degrees of the tropics. Should the Eastern ranges have experienced a like visitation, big game will be forced down into the terais in more than usual numbers, so success may be anticipated for the Viceregal shoot next week. Such of our visitors of a sporting turn who contemplate jungle jaunts in search of trophies ought to take the opportunity of attempting to gratify their ambition. Stags' heads, however, will not be in their prime for another month, but March—bar nor'westers is a pleasant and healthy enough month for an outing.

Speaking of the pigeon-shooting of Lord Bury at Boulogne, "Nimrod" says that "he never saw it excelled, even at the Red-house." The terms of the match in question were these—20 birds at 21 yards; 20 at 25; 20 at 27; total, 60 birds. Lord Bury killed 16 out of the first lot: 18 out of

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the second; 14 out of the third; total killed, 48 out of 60. Here "Nimrod" was mistaken (I read further) in supposing that the said performance was "never excelled at the Red-house," as it sinks into insignificance compared with performances of the celebrated Captain Ross, and others of the once-celebrated Red-house Club. In 1829, Captain Ross killed 79 birds out of 80, at the distance of 30 yards from the trap; while Mr. Shoubridge and others several times killed 11 out of 12 at the same distance, and Mr. Osbaldeston killed nine out of 12 at 40 yards. The number of traps is not stated. But probably only one. But as a set-off, we must bear in mind that the guns employed by these crack marksmen were not only muzzle-loaders, but also flint-locks!

Racing at the Calcutta Fifth Extra Meeting was not particularly exciting and the Paddock looked very empty in the absence of the Christmas crowds. It is difficult to imagine the effect of a third large stand and increased paddock room at the Extra Meetings, but perhaps we shall grow into them as the years roll on. Favourites went down on Saturday with unfortunate regularity, but Botha brought off a very good thing for any one who happened to have studied the form of his best opponents.

The Hunters' Hurdle Race started the card and Lady Gold took most of the money for the books, only to come to grief at a regular *mêlee* that took place at the third flight, where Jacinth also fell. This left Queen of Hearts at the head of affairs and she led Bluebell and Orphan Boy into the straight. Here condition told and Bluebell, quietly ridden by Mr. Kenneth Robertson, came to the front and won easily. Orphan Boy was first and Posey last. Bluebell's win was well deserved since Mr. Deakin's mare has borne the burden of much good work throughout the paperchase season. She has carried the paper before nearly every chase and in the Ladies' Cup made a great effort to beat the speedy Detective. Mr. Deakin is in luck all round just now, and they say that his other little mare, Trilby, is a big slice the better of the pair.

Botha won the Outram Plate, with Craig struggling home behind him and another outsider in Trencherman filling the third place. Blitzen had sufficiently recovered form to be well backed for the seven furlong Lansdowne Plate, but she only added to her debit balance in spite of a very determined run at the Hospital Corner. Foy, a great stayer, hunted her along and gradually wore her down until opposite the stands where the mare collapsed and he rolled home the winner of a very resolute race.

Mr. Margrett recovered some stable expenses in the next race by winning with Sir Michael; now here is a Monsoon horse that will surely pay his corn bills. Two other outsiders filled the places and the favourites, Vinolia and Child Adopted, ran nowhere worth mentioning.

In the Pony Hunters' Race there was no difficulty in picking out the first three and the totalisator odds worked out at ten to one on for each and all of them. Mistlebird and Lady George wound up equal favourites but were outstayed by Pathfinder on whom Captain Holden rode a nice waiting race. Mr. Pugh was no doubt waiting in front from the mile post but his mare probably felt the effects of her scurry over the first portion of the journey.

By this time punters were desperate and both Mr. Galstaun and Mr. Walmesley were dogged by a long trail of seedy looking speculators who wanted to know "which it was" in the last race. This is a form of nuisance that is the special privilege of the wealthy and is one of those drawbacks, which give the ungilded ones food for philosophy, however. Those who wanted to see the race left the crowd still hovering, but it seems that the others who persevered eventually got an indication, because Pendred finished up a favourite at two to one. He also finished first in the race and gave Bullock a second winning ride. This ended the proceedings and another page in the last chapter of this season's racing in Calcutta.

The Calcutta paperchasing season is drawing to a close and only three more regular chases remain in the programme. Mr. Ballantyne seems to have the Average Cup well won and though he has been fortunate in the mishaps to his two nearest competitors, his victory will be thoroughly well earned since he and his stout old mare have been presenting an enormous allowance of weight to Detective as well as to Cain.

Good Chap has, it seems, broken down again and will not be seen out again this season. His absence removes Mistlebird's most dangerous opponent since neither Branga nor Pathfinder are particularly reliable on a paperchase course and the only other runners of note are Clarice and perhaps Samah.

Good Chap's misfortune is the more regrettable since his stable companion Pretender has likewise been out of action since Xmas and Mr. Kenneth Hamilton has in consequence been altogether an absentee from the paperchase field.

Our Bombay correspondent writes:—There was a very large attendance on the racecourse for the last Extra before the big meeting and not many up-country stables now remain to come down. One cannot say the racing was very good though a number of classy ones were seen out; the terms races usually find one horse made a very hot favourite and with some upsets the honours were fairly evenly divided. Byramji, with his powerful string, had quite a day out with four successive wins, Williams, his jockey, performing the hat trick from the third race, Ross winning the second race, his first bracket in the country and a nicely ridden race too.

Proceedings opened with a Selling Plate for new Arabs and the time, 56⅘secs., for the half mile shows the class of ponies running. An excitable chestnut, Flicker, was made a warm favourite, but his light went out at the distance: he should look well in a tum-tum in future. A pig fat grey, Glass, made all his own running and won easily to be bought by Mr. Vaid for Rs. 1,150, a rather tall price, though he may train on. A bit of Russley Rose's true form was seen in the All-Pony Trials though her poor form earlier and in Poona found her very little money to win. Gun Metal is known to be so thoroughly fit that she was made a very warm favourite, but the bay held her very safe on entering the straight. Poor Florrie, the broken-winded, showed a bit of her marvellous sprinting powers for half a mile but there was little left in her to fight with in the run home and her only two rivals left her easily.

That grand sprinter Killua went out a four to one on favourite for the Short Trials and justified the amount of money put on him though I think he was lucky in finding Metal Maid had to come from the ruck right round her field at the bend. The mare was the only other one under fifteens and, though Williams took it rather easy on the favourite, had Ross come a bit earlier she would have given punters a more anxious time even than she did. From three lengths behind on entering the straight she crept up to within a half on the post. Precious has more than a few times been quoted as a "cert" and the last occasion was disastrous, but so palpably did he stand out that the best was fours on at the rise of the barrier. His stable companion was fancied next at sevens and made the pace warm to be comfortably passed by the grey at the distance with nothing less nearer than four lengths.

The Arab Pony Trials was a check for the public who naturally sent the champion, Bay Middleton, out at odds on in a field of twelve. Byramji's pair, Rose and Hermit, were well supported for place, but anything else at twenties. The start was a straggly one with Rose getting away nicely but the favourite whipped round and must have lost a dozen lengths. At the bend Shanwar came up to the leader and kept hard at him but Williams had something in hand and won comparatively easily. Bay Middleton ran like the game pony he is and joined the leaders, coming between them, in the straight, but the effort had been too much and he did remarkably well to get placeed.

The last race was the Long Trial Plate and the betting was the most open of the day as also was the finish the best. Primerole, whose first outing it was since her accident, and Presbyterian commanded most attention. The pace was made a cracker by a very racy-looking English bay, Lord Barrymore, who instead of shutting up came into the straight going finely. Apology and Presbyterian drew up and going grandly, nicely handled again by Vining, the latter came into the lead. He bored towards the inside and undoubtedly hampered his stable companion who failed to displace Lord Barrymore who should turn out a top notcher before long.

The Bombay Gymkhana put up a very inglorious performance on their own ground on Saturday when they went under to the B. B. and C. I. Railway though on paper the team was a strong one. They dismissed the opposition for a poor total of 131 of which Date made 34, Polishwalla 30 and Baloo 26. To Coombs once more go bowling honours, he took 4 for 33. Major Wigram 3 for 37, Stileman 2 for 28 and R. E. A. Elliott 1 for 15. It was in batting the home side broke down and despite a very steady innings by Cheetham, 32, followed by Major Rich 21, and Gillett 17, they were all out for 99, thus losing by 32 runs. Baloo is as good as ever with the leather and took 5 for 25, Date 3 for 38 and Shete 2 for 25.

The European Amateur Billiard Championship I mentioned last week was started on Tuesday and three games of a rather poor description have now been played. Nervousness and exaggerated

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caution have marked all the games so that the biggest break to record so far as a 38 by Mr. J. Beatty. Two who "have a chance" played off on Tuesday, Messrs. Avery and Carnall, two in whom there is very little to choose. Avery started out promisingly with a 31, but after that it was a plodding sort of game with any amount of double baulks with Carnall about 50 behind till the last hundred when his opponent went away. Though playing some very nice shots Carnall's play was by no means as well engineered as Avery's who twice missed good breaks by miscueing on passing 20. Throughout the game the latter put the red down with remarkable accuracy and only really missed one "pot" of any ease. He ultimately ran out by 500—401.

Messrs. J. Beatty and A. Bird met on Wednesday and the latter was found clean off form. Beatty is not of the brilliant order but a great plodder and with a 38 his best effort he led throughout comfortably by nearly 140 points.

On Friday Messrs. Hargreaves and Gray played and the game was little short of a "frost." The former always the better, with a nice touch and knowledge of the game, put on breaks of 24 and 22 and the loser 23. Hargreaves won anyhow by 500 to 358.

Athletic Notes.

THE Eden Gardens these evenings are the rendezvous of many local athletes training for the approaching sports of the B.P.A.A. In a few days the big military contingent will appear on the ground and then the preparation will be both lively and interesting. Besides a good entry for the tug-of-war we hear that some real good performers are coming from long distances to take part in the amateur events.

The Calcutta Football Club are early in the field with hockey; the first practice game is fixed for next Saturday, as per details in the advertisement elsewhere.

The only public address the Amir has so far condescended to receive is that tendered by the Bombay Mahomedans. It will, of course, be enshrined in a casket, in this instance the work of Messrs. Barton, Son and Company, of Bangalore, a superb specimen of the finest description of silverware turned out by the firm. It is of solid silver ornamented with gold, and its measurements are extreme length and breadth at base $19\frac{1}{8} \times 10\frac{1}{4}$ with extreme height 11 inches. The entire design is Sarasenic in order to make it appropriate as coming from the Mahomedan community of Bombay. The lid is ornamented with an embossed design of fluted and net work, and is surmounted by a gold dome, with similar ones on either side also of gold. The front of the receptacle shows a dome-shaped panel bearing on it an embossed view of the Anjuman-i-Islam Buildings in Bombay, on either side of which are pierced Arabesque screens of gold. The design on the opposite side is exactly similar except that the view given is that of the Taj Mahal at Agra. The two sides show panels with views on them, one of the Amir's Palace at Jellalabad, and the other a typical bit of mountain scenery in Afghanistan. The base which is capped at the four corners with gold is of pierced Arabesque design, above which is a running design of leaf and bud-like forms so often seen in fine Turkish or Bokharan embroidery.

The casket is fitted on to an ebony base ornamented at each of the corners with silver clamps. The inscription which is in Urdu is on a burnished silver plate, the letters being inlaid with blue enamel. On the opposite side of the plinth is an exact miniature of the Star of the G. C. B. in gold, silver and enamel.

The Calcutta Referees' Association held a general meeting at the Y.M.C.A. hall last Thursday night.

The following committees were elected :—

Hockey Committee.—Messrs. D. McCaw (C.F.C.), J. R. Coulthard, (Ballygunge), P. S. Dixon (Dalhousie), M. Remfry (Y.M.C.A.), G. V. Wade (Caledonia), F. Lees (Rangers), D. Sen (Sporting Union), and E. Cranenburgh (Wanderers).

Association Football Committee.—Messrs. J. Reid (C.F.C.), J. F. Greig (Dalhousie), F. Lees (Rangers), G. V. Wade (Caledonia), A. F. Collingwood (Y.M.C.A.), Sergeant Watson (N. Fusiliers), S. Bose (Mohan Bagan) and P. C. Margrett (Rangers).

After a few fruitless attempts at coming to a decision the Royal Scots and the Gordon Highlanders met for the last time in the final tie of the Minto Football Tournament last Saturday. There was a well-filled gallery who watched a good game with interest and saw the Royal Scots win by a goal to nothing. The teams were :—

ROYAL SCOTS.—Byrce, *goal;* West and Foster, *backs;* Lakin, Finnigan and Deathridge, *half-backs;* Wrights, Ross, Newbigging, Kennaway and Parkes, *forwards.*

GORDONS.—Reilly, *goal;* Aitken and Reid, *backs;* Spence, Graham and Smith, *half-backs;* Ross, Hegan, Galletly, Hepburn and Gilchrist, *forwards.*

REFEREE.—Mr. P. Willder.

Appended are complete results of the tournament.—

	First Round.	Second Round.	Semi-Finals.	Final.
Gordon Highlanders	bye	Gordons 2—1	Gordons 1—0	Royal Scots 1—0
Durham L. I. ...	"			
Warwicks ...	"	Warwicks 2—1		
Northumberlands ...	"			
Gloucesters ...	"	Manchesters 2—0		
Royal Irish Rifles ...	Manchesters 3—2			
Manchesters ...				
Royal Scots ...	Scots 3—0	Scots 4—2	Scots 1—0	
West Surrey ...				
East Surrey ...	E. Surrey 2—1			
C. Customs ...				

Mr. Henry Leach gives in *Fry's Magazine* some surprising statistics relating to a year's golf in the United Kingdom. It has been reckoned that at the height of the summer golfing season, when the players are busy everywhere, not less than 500,000 balls are used up every week. It was semi-officially stated in June that one firm of makers, and that not by any means the biggest, was working night and day, turning out 100,000 balls a week. Decidedly the half million is well within the mark. Taking the whole year round, if you say one ball per golfer per week, that is surely a very modest reckoning. At that rate we have a grand total of 15,000,000 balls used up every year by the British golfers on British links.

Now, what can be done with these 15,000,000 balls? Bring out the 80,000 caddies that there are in the country, and set them to work teeing the balls up right against and touching each other in a line, beginning with the first at Charing Cross, or to be more appropriate, on the Mid-Surrey course at Richmond. Then proceed northwards. There will still be a few balls left in the pockets of the caddies when they have continued that long line of one year's balls right away through Rugby, Stafford, Carlisle, and over the border range to Edinburgh, and on to the Braid Hills course. We can join the premier courses of two capitals with the balls of one year, for the line we make is 405 miles long, and at 11s. or 12s. a foot it would be considerably more expensive than the ordinary permanent way.

Walter Lovejoy, the ex-amateur billiard champion of England, brought off a double event and made another of his "sensations" on the 20th ultimo in his match against Haverson. He got the balls in the position favourable for what is sometimes called the "equilateral triangle cannon" and *made six hundred and three in a shade under seventeen minutes.* Prodigious! The most remarkable sequence of cannons ever recorded in the game as we know it. Details in our London Sporting Letter.

"Tiger Smith," the Indian Army hurricane fighter, has reaped the reward of his persistence and is now matched to meet Gunner Moir for the Heavy-Weight Championship of England. Details are given in our English Sporting Letter. We should say Smith has at last met his match—something better than the odd and end boxers on whom he has built his reputation.

The Bengal Lawn Tennis Championship will be held between the 6th and 16th proximo, as usual on the Calcutta C.C. ground in the Eden Gardens. Mr. Danger, we are glad to see, is again engineering the competition, and in his announcement, appearing among our sporting notices to-day, intending entrants will find all particulars.

London Week by Week.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

Friday, 25th January 1907.

WE have got winter with a vengeance this week. I do not know when I have felt an east wind so penetrating as that which cleared the streets on Wednesday. Towards dusk in that afternoon you might have supposed the hour to be nine o'clock on Sunday morning, so empty were the streets in the West End. There is a rush for the south of France, but it looks as though those who go south should find themselves in worse case. When trains between Rome and Naples are snowed up, and frost and east wind are searching out every corner on the Riviera, it seems safer to stay at home—unless indeed you go to East Iceland (Segdisfjord), where on Wednesday the thermometer stood at 59 degrees F. which was 31 degrees warmer than Nice and 25 degrees better than Biarritz. I do not understand anticyclones or their method of operation, but obviously the latter are utterly subversive of discipline and good order in the matter of climate.

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Sir Alexander Swettenham's letter to Admiral Davis has quite overshadowed the calamity out of which the missive had birth. Of course the letter was a mistake; hastily written, framed in singularly ill chosen language and unworthy of a man holding such an office as Governor of a Colony: but was the American Admiral's line of action so delicately tactful that he should go unblamed? He was particularly requested not to fire a salute, for the very sound reason that the scared inhabitants should mistake it for another earthquake: a salute was fired nevertheless owing to some unpardonable blunder. His next proceeding was to land an armed force to protect the archives of the American Consulate from a perfectly quiet and well behaved populace: then he landed men to practically take charge of the town! and started a field hospital under the American flag!! then he proceeded to justify the landing of an armed force by informing Sir A. Swettenham that he judged the police surveillance of the city to be inadequate for the protection of private property!!! It is doubtful whether a more amazing display of officiousness—to use a mild term—was ever forthcoming at the wrong time even from an American source. And when we remember that the United States have for long cast the eye of cupidity on Jamaica while the colonists have no affection at all for America and things American, the dangerously overcharged atmosphere in which Admiral Davis operated becomes clear to us.

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The letter was a monument of indiscretion: the ironical references to the American Vice-Consul, to private storekeeper's use for free assistance and that American millionaire parallel dragged in by the ears show human irritation divested of all official restraint. I am told that it does not require an earthquake to evoke a letter of this kind from Sir Alexander's pen; but under normal circumstances his robust good sense and natural courtesy prevail and the letter is not sent. In my microscopic judgment the error committed in sending this outburst was as nothing compared with the error committed in publishing it. The missive was despatched in haste: it was given to the public at leisure and by whom? Certainly not by the writer. Our man has put himself in the wrong and I suppose will be called upon to commit official *Hara Kiri.* How many good men have come to grief over fences so insignificant!

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Evidently the Home Office was only waiting for the cabmen's approval to introduce the taximeter system. Tuesday's *Gazette* contained the draft of the new order the Home Secretary proposes to make. The changes are many but the more important are :—introduction of a six penny fare for a one mile or 12 minutes' drive (within the 4 mile radius) in a horse cab; and an eight penny fare for a mile or ten minutes' journey in a motor: introduction of the taximeter, compulsorily as to motor cabs after 1st July and optionally for horse cabs. The proposed new regulations recognise quarter miles (at 3d.) for taximetered cabs. It will be interesting to see whether the instrument prove an advantage to cabby or the reverse.

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The "Association for the Promotion of Flight" has been formed with Mr. E. Cæsar Hawkins as temporary Honorary Secretary. As a certain latitude of interpretation as possible it had been said at once that Mr. Hawkins' association does not propose to aid absconding debtors or to aid politicians in little England schemes. It is simply an endeavour to organise experiment with aëroplanes and dirigible balloons. Sir Wm. Crookes, Sir Herans Maxim, Mr. S. F. Edge, Major Baden Powell and Mr. C. A. Parsons are on the provisional committee and the aim of the Association is to systematise experiment in the interests of progress that the privilege of flying may the sooner be man's. The Honorary Secretary claims that aviation is a matter of national importance, but I think he is perhaps a little previous in giving it place in the same range of importance as motoring: but the whole scheme is aglow with hope.

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A curious slander case has been occupying Mr. Justice Kennedy and a special jury in the King's Bench Division. In January 1906 Mrs. Isabel Wilson exhibited a chinchilla kitten at the Bath Show: Mr. T. B. Mason, connected with the journal *Fur and Feather*, was judging long haired cats and he disqualified Mrs. Wilson's kitten assigning "cut tail" as his reason; a card to this effect was put up over the kitten and subsequently Mr. Mason referred to the disqualification and its cause in *Fur and Feather*. Mrs. Wilson read into this an association of "faking" which is held in abhorrence as a crime among cat fanciers and brought action against Mr. Mason to clear her character. She admitted damage to the kitten's tail but stated that the blemish resulted from an accidental burn and called veterinary evidence to support the plea. The jury found for Mrs. Wilson with £50 damages, but a stay was granted in view of appeal. If the decision is upheld, the judge of livestock will find his occupation a dangerous one.

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Nothing more has transpired to explain the murder of Mr. Whiteley in his shop at Westbourne Grove yesterday. The murderer, a very well dressed young man, had no connection whatever with Messrs. Lewis and Lewis whose name he used to procure access to the Universal Provider's private room: Mr. Whiteley's sons know nothing about him and he could not be recognised as a dismissed employé. He claimed, as you no doubt know, to be a son of his victim, but as he has lain unconscious in the hospital whether he was carried no more information has been forthcoming.

It is a melancholy end to a remarkable career. William Whiteley was a Yorkshire farmer's son and was apprenticed to a draper in Wakefield, he served afterwards in various shops in London and when 32 years of age having saved about £700, opened a small shop in Westbourne Grove, then called "Bankruptcy Avenue" by reason of the many failures in the region. The story goes that on the morning he opened his shop 11th March 1863, a lady came in and, the comparative unreadiness of the place being explained to her, said "I suppose I am your first customer?" receiving an affirmative answer she requested permission to offer a prayer, which was granted. Whiteley used to tell this story with great unction—to the right people; and it did him no harm! The annual turnover of his concern is said to be over a million sterling.

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"The Gondoliers" was chosen to follow the "Yeomen of the Guard" on Tuesday night: or rather to be given on alternate nights with the latter opera. The Gilbertian atmosphere seems to have established itself at the Savoy: the points were taken by the audience from the very start and there was no trace of the disconcerting stiffness which distinguished the attitude of the house towards the Yeomen on the first night. The piece is admirably acted: Mr. C. H. Workman is really excellent as the Duke, he scores every point and gets the utmost out of his part: the two Gondoliers Marco and Guiseppe were played in the true Gilbertian spirit by Messrs. Pacie Ripple and Richard Green: I liked them quite as well as my recollection of Mr. Courtice Pounds and Mr. Rutland Barrington. I am not sure that the distaff side of the cast was as strong as the other; but this may be because one's recollections of Misses Rosena Brandram, Geraldine Ulmar and Jessie Bond exacted a very high standard. Miss Marie Wilson as Casilda was very excellent, and Miss Lilian Coomber who played Gianetta has a charming voice. Miss Jessie Bond's Tessa was such a lasting joy one sympathises with Miss Jessie Rose for that she has to follow her.

It is to be hoped, by the way, that there is no friction behind the scenes at the Savoy. Mr. W. S. Gilbert wrote to the papers on Tuesday to say that "in the present series of revivals my responsibility is confined exclusively to the ordinary duties of stage manager;" in correction of the announcement that the plays are produced "under the personal direction of the author."

"The Stronger Sex," a play in three Acts by Mr. John Valentine was produced at the Apollo this week. The plan of the play is neither agreeable nor elevating and the audience applauded the actors who made so good a job of the thing rather than the thing itself. The Hon'ble Warren Barrington is in love with Ivan Forsythe who won't marry him, he being a poor man: he tells Joan that he marries Mary, the rich American, for her money and Mary overhears it. Mary marries him with the sole object, apparently, of showing the man that he is not going to get her money. She gives him an allowance, docks it when he breaks anything, and humiliates him even to the extent of telling the servants to obey her orders and not his, before his face: she does not even spare him before the two (18th century) Jew money-lenders who hold the "paper" she takes up on strictly business principles. Mary in short, is what I suppose Americans would call real smart—a little underbred cat, while the Don Warren is one-third bounder, one-third bully, and the rest fool. Can you imagine a man in such a position threatening his wife with violence? and can you imagine his being completely cowed for ever by the exhibition of a revolver—when you have imagined the wife resorting to a "six-shooter"? Having been cowed the Don Warren falls in love with his wife. The pit applauds that: it would, you know: so true to life! Mr. Leonard Boyne made the best of the improbable husband and Miss Nina Boucicault contrived to give the improbable wife semblance of vitality.

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I liked much better E. M. Bryant's bright and clever little comedy, "The Peacemaker," which served as curtain-raiser to the "Stronger Sex," and by its sincerity made the staginess of the main dish the more glaring. It is a mere trifle: Elizabeth Lavendar (Miss Brathwaite) gets up a little dinner to which she invites Dr. Burton, and Mr. and Mrs. Harford who have separated and living apart: the desired reconciliation is effected naturally and neatly between the two wrong-headed young people. Not the least notable feature of this little piece was Miss Ella Tarrants delightfully clever rendering of the part of a stupid maid. The "Peacemaker" is worth a dozen "Stronger Sexes."

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The Music Hall strike will do more to shape public opinion on the subject of Trade Union methods than strikes of a much graver character. Three bodies, the Variety Artists, Federation, the Amalgamated Union of Musicians and the National Association of Theatrical Employees combined to "go for" Mr. W. Gibbons who controls six suburban music halls: they made certain demands concerning the conditions of employment, the chief being that he should dismiss all non-Union employees which he refused to do. The bodies above mentioned thereupon "called out" performers and employees at the six halls. Mr. G. A. Payne who controls the Tivoli, Oxford and Canterbury, also the Euston, Paragon and other suburban halls came to the aid of his brother-manager and helped him to sufficient "turns" to keep some of his halls open on Monday night. Thereupon the three bodies attacked Mr. Payne and gave him half an hour to accept their conditions or take the consequences. He of course refused; and by result the Tivoli, Canterbury and Paragon, were among the houses closed on Tuesday night. The attack was planned to bring about this result and the result was that the usual audience was assembled in the evening when Mr. Howell, the acting manager, appeared on the Tivoli stage to say there could be no performance and money would be returned at the doors. Mr. Arthur Roberts, Mr. A. Hurley and Miss Marie Lloyd are named as three of the leading spirits of the "Artists" strike as they draw salaries of £85, £80 and £80 per week respectively from Mr. Gibbons and have other engagements besides they cannot be considered underpaid.

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It is a great opportunity for undiscovered talent: the advantages of Trade Unionism are not universally recognised in the profession and there is little doubt but that the proprietors must win. Mrs. Brown Potter was promptly engaged to appear at the Holborn Empire and plenty of offers were forthcoming from other artists. At those halls where a scratch programme was given as the alternative to closing the Holborn Empire for instance—the audience was distinctly sympathetic. On Wednesday night all the Halls were open and if the performances were below par the public in each case was distinctly friendly. To avoid the attentions of the pickets at the stage doors, the artists came in at the audience entrances.

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Trixie, the performing mare, is still at the Palace. To investigate and ascertain whether the animal is "capable of independent thought" a large committee has been formed: among the gentlemen upon

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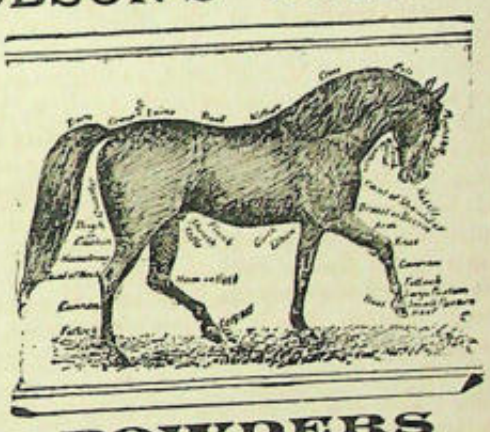

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I have not been following the trial of the West Ham Guardians and Officials for conspiracy to defraud in connection with workhouse coal contracts: the enquiry has been going on now for about a month, and on Wednesday evidence was given which induced the Magistrates to heavily increase the bail in which the principal defendant, John Anderson, is held.

ONLOOKER.

Review.

MOUNTAIN SPORT IN BRITISH COLUMBIA.*

MR. W. T. HORNADAY is a naturalist first and a sportsman afterwards; and his trip to the Canadian Rockies in British Columbia was made rather with the view of studying the "White goat" at home than with the object of procuring trophies. The greater portion of his very readable book is therefore devoted to this animal; and with reason, for it must be admitted that he and his wives and daughters repay study with the binoculars as well as attention with the rifle. He is a curious beast, this North American mountain goat: wary like all mountain game, extraordinarily agile and clever as a rock climber; and, unlike any Himalayan species, so far as our knowledge goes, willing to fight when brought to bay by man. It is this last trait which lends the White Goat peculiar claims to notice. Heavier than the markhor, specimens killed by Mr. Hornaday or members of his party were weighed and scaled 258lbs. and 276lbs., respectively, and armed with short but smooth and very sharp horns, the white goat is well equipped for battle under the conditions where and where only he elects to give battle; and when a big male makes up his mind to fight on some narrow cliff ledge with death waiting the loser in the abyss below he is as likely as not to come off the victor. It is this trait which enabled Mr. Hornaday's plucky companion Mr. Phillips to secure the remarkable photographs which enhance so greatly the attractions of this book. From a purely rock-climbing point of view Mr. Phillips' achievements are sufficiently notable; but when we consider the nature of the animal he thus stalked with the camera and mark the nature of the in[illegible]rviews, we recognise that the man who took these pictures p[illegible] have nerves as steady and heart as stout as any who f[illegible] the wounded tiger on foot or receives the charge of the c[illegible]ged gaur.

[illegible]e region whereof Mr. Hornaday's book tells, is that which lie[illegible] between the Elk and Bull Rivers: a vast tract of mountain and forest country where the hill game would seem to be rarely disturbed and where the grizzly is still to be found more frequently than in any other part of the North American continent. The white goat has been described as a stupid animal by some writers, but we think on very insufficient grounds. Dwelling as it does at lofty altitudes where stone falls and the like are of hourly occurrence it surely argues no stupidity in the animal which fails to discriminate between the echoing crack of stone falling on rock and the by no means dissimilar crack of the rifle. It is well recognised by men who have experience with markhor, ibex and the wild sheep of the Himalayas that the report of the rifle is the disturbance least to be dreaded; but the American sportsmen who have noted the indifference of the white goat to the report cannot have considered the not very obscure reason for it. In a region where the game is seldom disturbed the goats show little fear of man by comparison with more sophisticated species; but the rapidity with which they learn the lesson proves them to be very far from unintelligent. Mr. Hornaday tells us that during the first three days he was encamped in "Goat land" his party saw and were seen by 115 goats. "On the fourth day it was remarked with surprise that all the goats had left the country. This was literally true. Word had been passed round among the ten or twelve flocks orginally living there that there was danger afoot; and, as if by magic, one hundred and ten of the one hundred and fifteen goats we had seen simply vanished. The only bunch that remained was a flock of five nannies and kids which were isolated on a rugged mountain that ran off due westward from the main chain of peaks on which we were. Evidently they did not get the word which alarmed all the rest. We had fired our rifles in one spot only, which was at the extreme northern end of that goat-infested area." This does not bear out the allegation of stupidity: and indeed when we regard the conditions of the white goat's life, we must agree that, like other mountain denizens, continued existence is compatible only with a degree of intelligence not far removed, if removed at all, from reason. There is one point in which he is heavily handicapped, namely, in his colour: the snowy whiteness of the animal's coat makes him clearly visible at a distance of three miles or more; a circumstance which gives the eagle an advantage over the kid even as it gives man an advantage over the full-grown beast.

White goat hunting has much in common with Himalayan shikar; but if Mr. Hornaday's experiences are representative, the climbing and walking are very much harder work than we usually encounter in this country. In this, however, we will emulate his sound course, and attempt no comparison between those matters of which we have knowledge and those of which we have none.

Mr. Hornaday deserves infinite credit for his action in obeying his own idea of a fair bag instead of taking full advantage of the terms of his fifty dollar license. This sanctioned the killing of five goats, sex not specified: he thinks that three males should be the limit and accordingly he stayed his hand when he had killed three males, though fortune put in his way chances which might well have tempted him from the line of inaction he laid down for himself. He holds the killing license of the British Columbian authorities too liberal throughout. For example, it sets no limit to the number of grizzlies that may be killed, in accordance with the British principle of regarding any dangerous animal as wholly noxious and to be killed whenever possible. Mr. Hornaday sees good in grizzly bears: and we entirely concur with his opinion that they are a valuable asset to the country: men will come from afar to spend money on the pursuit of the grizzly which they would not spend to obtain mountain game, caribou or deer; and inasmuch as the sportsman is wanted in the country as an employer of labour and source of revenue, he holds it a mistake to place the greatest temptation to sportsmen on a list of outlaws. The grizzly finds a more capable advocate in Mr. Hornaday than does the tiger in Mr. Rees!

Mr. Hornaday's "notes" on the grizzly bear, one of which he included in his bag, are extremely interesting. Tradition has done something to amplify the true proportions of the animal no doubt; but the author's opinion that few of them are permitted to survive the seven years necessary to reach full development deserves weight. He says he has never seen and never expects to see a 1000lb. grizzly; and holds one which weighs 750lbs. a very large bear. Necessarily opportunities of fairly weighing grizzlies killed in their *habitat* are few and far between as the fur hunters who kill most of them are not sufficiently concerned with such a matter as to spend hard-earned money on large spring balances: but the thickness of the fluffy coat, standing out as it does, naturally enhances the apparent bulk, and an illuminating instance of its deceptive power is given in the case of a bear that died at Chicago. The weight of the carcase was guessed by old hunters at 1,800lbs: it actually scalled 1,150lbs. This is the largest grizzly known to Mr. Hornaday. The character of the beast has undergone a change since it became acquainted with fire-arms: according to the writers of an earlier day the grizzly disturbed would charge a man on sight: now "nine grizzlies out of ten will run the moment a man is discovered, no matter what the distance may be from bear to man. The tenth will charge you fearlessly, especially if you make your attack from below." He attributes this to the better information acquired by grizzlies concerning the connection between man and rifle. We have left ourselves no space to consider the author's remarks on big-horn sheep, and the "small neighbours of big game," but perhaps we have said enough to show that his book is one particularly well worth reading, as the book can hardly fail to be when the writer is a keen, discerning and experienced naturalist. Mr. Hornaday's opportunities of study in the great Zoological Park of New York, of which he is Director, have served him in excellent stead. To Mr. Phillips' photographs we have already made passing reference: those taken of white goat at close quarters would lend distinction to any work.

**Camp Fires in the Canadian Rockies.* By W. T. Hornaday. T. Werner Laurie, London

Shikar.

YARNS OF AN OLD FOGEY.

SHOOTING IN BURMA.

COMPARED to India shooting in Burma is distinctly poor, except in parts. The game is there but the forests are generally too thick and trackers are bad. The Burman, too, as a rule, is extraordinarily disinclined to give "khubber," partly on account of religious scruples and partly because, if a tiger kill for instance, the "thakin" (sahib) will probably not let the carcase be touched until he has sat up over it for a night or two, whereas he wants to eat it now. I have known at least two cases of tigers killed within a mile or so of my camp and nothing was told me of it until the remainder of the beef had been consumed. The subsequent beats were unsuccessful as in each case the tiger had only eaten a few pounds and been disturbed. Yet each of these tigers used to come down yearly from the hills, and for about two months levy a regular toll on the village cattle and are doing so now as far as I know, as I have never heard of their being killed.

In Upper Burma especially I have come across some excellent trackers, but not one, so far, with the instinctive knowledge of animal habits which several Kurumbars, Gonds, Mulcars and other Indian jungle tribes possess. This knowledge is an absolute gift and is only possessed in full by a man here and there, even among Indian hill tribes. In Burma, too, there are practically no real jungle dwellers except Karens. Some of these are good trackers, but are, my experience has been, generally very chicken hearted and inclined to chuck up the sponge too soon. The one man whom I have found *facile princeps* in Burma was Mg. Hmo in the Chindwin. His great ground was the Mahamyaing forests on the left bank of that river. He also knew all the forests of the country it seemed to me, including those round India and on the Myittha and Kale rivers.

These forests have been much shot out I fear now. To my knowledge there have been several good sportsmen and true, who have taken regular heavy toll out of them notably Harry Thompson, now in Nigeria, Bruce, who has alas crossed the Great Divide and Moggridge of the B.B.C. In all my experience I have never seen a forest so full of game as the Bôn Reserve, on both banks of the Bonchaung. I am talking of 10 to 11 years ago. In a short trip, during which I was full of work too, crossing over from Tasagyo to the head waters of the Bôn, and so down it to its mouth, where there was a village and a P.W.D. Rest House. I bagged, I see by my diary, two hill bison, a bear, a sambhur stag and three gyi, besides quite a lot of pheasants and jungle fowl. Now, I hear, there is little or no game in this Reserve, all having been driven away by the B.B.C. timber firm and their numerous gangs of men and elephants all busy extracting teak. The country through which the Indian-Falam road now runs had not then been opened up at all, and was full of tsine and other smaller game. In fact the Chindwin country generally was full of game which, however, has now been very much shot out.

I suppose however quite the best shooting grounds in Burma are in the Tavoy and Mergui Districts. The Forests, here, however, are so thick, and many of them so inaccessible that very few ever go to shoot there. In the best of all the grounds, for instance, *viz.*, up at the head waters of the little Tenasserim river a regular "bunderbust" would have to be made for transport of all necessaries, as there are absolutely no inhabitants and, of course, no paths of any kind except those made by elephants and other big game. Siamese hunters go up and poach there yearly, and do a certain amount of execution, but not much. The whole forest reeks of game of all kinds and description, but is also very unhealthy and has a worse reputation than the Mysore Forests round Kakenkotha and Bandipur had 30 years ago. The Pegu Tomas and the Hazada Hills, and so on along the Tomas through Thayetmyo and Minbu Districts, are all good grounds and fairly easy to get to, but many of them are much worked for timber and consequently game is scarce or very shy in parts. Still excellent sport is to be had provided the sportsman has a fair knowledge of the country and keeps his temper. A Burman or Karen has very little use for any one who cannot understand him and to "lose your wool" over a blank day or two and at any of their numerous stupidities or foibles is fatal.

In the plain country excellent para (hog deer) shooting is to be had in parts also thamin pig, gyi, and sambhur especially in foot hills, but this I fear will soon be a thing of the past. Yearly regular holocausts of game take place when the rains are on, and nearly all the country is flooded. The games are then all driven on to isolated hills and knolls, surrounded with nets and butchered wholesale by the villagers, who turn out in hundreds for the occasion, and live royally, on more or less high meat for two or three months afterwards.

Little or nothing appears to be even done to stop these massacres. I remember three or four years ago seeing accounts in at least three newspapers of one of these slaughterings at which the figures varied from 150 to 250 head of game destroyed sambhur para gyi, pig, chiefly, but never heard that any of the perpetrators were brought to book.

A game law was proposed some three years ago, and a draft was sent round to all District officers for remarks and suggestions, but nothing more has been heard of it so far. This is only what might be expected in Burma where the Legislative machinery, like the wheels of God, and grind slowly.

All we have at present as game laws are the inadequate rules and regulations of the Forest Act, which afford a modicum of protection, but as the establishment is absolutely inadequate even to carry out necessary Forest works and general protection I fear the rules as to protection of game and fish receive very little attention. It would be interesting to know for instance how many cases have been prosecuted throughout Burma for breaches of rules relating to game and fish. I am prepared to lay a little of the best that not more (if so many) than 20 such cases per annum have been detected and punished throughout all the Forest Divisions in Burma. In the meantime we all live in hope and Micawber like, await something to turn up soon in the direction of game and fish protection.

BURMAH.

Fishing.

BIG FISH IN ENGLAND IN 1906.

THOUGH the past year has not been generally a good one, from an angling point of view (says the *Westminster Gazette*), it has been associated with the capture of some remarkably fine fish in fresh and salt water. The heat wave and summer autumn drought greatly interfered with river fishing, and swollen rivers and Arctic conditions marked the closing days of the piscatorial year. Trout fishers have also had to lament a bitterly cold spring, which resulted in the failure of the May fly rise. In the Thames numbers of good trout and other fish have been taken. Landed by Mr. A. E. Hobbs, in the Henley waters, the largest trout scaled 9lbs. 1oz. Pike up to 22lbs. have been captured; also chub of 5½lbs and 5lbs. 5oz., and 8lb. carp (Egham), and some fine barbel, the season for these fish showing an improvement on 1905. Thames roach fishing has not been up to the average. The largest authenticated roach of the season—one of 2lbs. 7oz.—has been captured in the Lea at Ponder's End by Mr. Strickland. The best pike hail from Ireland and Wales—two 30-pounders. One was taken in the Wye, near Hereford. The past year will be memorable among club anglers as yielding the largest specimen of this fish ever known to have been taken with rod and line. Scaling the remarkable weight of 7lbs. 6½oz., it fell to the rod of Mr. F. W. Smith, fishing in the Avon (Hampshire). Needless to say, it now ornaments a glass case. Wargrave-on-Thames and the Witham, near Boston, Lincolnshire, have each yielded specimen bream of 6lbs. 2oz.—fine fish—and some large perch and dace have been met with in various waters. Grand roach up to 2lbs. 4oz. have been caught by London anglers in the tidal Arun, at Amberley, Sussex. With reference to captures with the sea-rod, the Californian waters are an easy first for big fish. One angler at Santa Catalina Island has landed a black sea-bass of 327lbs. on a light rod. Mr. Holcombe, of the British Sea Anglers' Society, has probably taken the largest fish in English waters—a huge skate of 183lbs., landed at Bally-Cotton, Co. Cork coast. Here a splendid cod of 30lbs. has fallen to the rod of Mr. J. N. Hearn, another member. Fine pollock, bream, and bass have been taken in Sussex and Kentish waters, and one of the catches of the season here was a 34lb. angler-fish (Lophius piscatorius), which fell to the rod of Dr. FitzGerald, at Folkestone. The autumn and winter silver whiting season has been a disappointing one in a general way. One of the finest salmon landed in Scotland was a specimen of 43lbs., which was secured by Mrs. Arthur Sasson in the Earn. The Wye and Usk have furnished some good salmon this season, and near Ringwood (Hampshire), Mr. A. G. Campbell established an Avon record for one day's fishing by landing six salmon, scaling 143lbs.

FLY FISHING FOR DACE ON THE ADUR.

SUSSEX is noted for its pretty villages. Many of the cottages and inns are ancient, dating from the fifteenth and sixteenth centuries. Brighton is within easy cycling distance of a great deal of charming country.

The roads are for the most part good, though of course, in this land of downs, there are many hills, some of them far too steep to be ridden up.

The nearest stream is the Adur, which runs into the sea at Shoreham. This little river is ugly and uninteresting in its lower portion, which is tidal. One has to go above Upper Beeding, a village some five miles from its mouth; and even there the stream is only beginning to get pretty. Still further up at Henfield, five miles above Upper Beeding, the Adur has become really charming; and moreover is interesting to the angler as it contains plenty of coarse fish.

The pleasantest way of cycling to Henfield, from Brighton, is to take the Upper Shoreham road. Six miles off one turns north on reaching old Shoreham; and three miles beyond, a second turn is made just outside Upper Beeding. Thence there are six and a half miles of pretty country road, where motors are rare!

The first part of the road beyond Upper Beeding is amid rolling downs: great stretches of stubble and clover lie on either hand. After that the scenery changes; the country is wooded, and the hedges are one tangle of blackberry bushes. One passes many a merry party of blackberrying children: their cheeks red with the country air, their mouths and hands purple with juice.

Henfield itself is rather a large village, but the part first reached from the Upper Beeding direction, is old-fashioned and quaint. Some of the cottages have overhanging upper stories, while all are covered with roses and creepers while their little gardens are wildernesses of sweet old time flowers.

A mile and a half beyond the village one turns through a gate into a sandy rutty lane, which a quarter mile down ends in meadows through which the Adur runs. The stream is delightful here, reminding one of the Ouse at Huntington on a small scale.

The meadows are of the greenest, fat sleepy cows chew the cud contemplatively, and down this sweet English valley winds the brook. Here its waters run quickly, there they slow into a pool. Rushes and flags clothe the banks. The only sounds that break the stillness of the summer evening are the scutter of a moorhen or the splash of a feeding pike.

I had a fly rod and spent a charming hour casting for the dace and bleak whose rises dimpled the water here and there.

A group of big cart horses, their day's work done, had been turned loose in the meadows opposite. One of them had walked into the brook, where the bank shelved, and was standing knee-deep in the cool water. This horse did not however seem to frighten the dace and bleak for I saw several rising quite near him. I had a single fly on my fine cast: a hare's ear dun tied on tiny double hooks. Wherever I saw the surface dimple to a rise I cast my little midge just above the circle.

I kept my fly dry by making a number of false casts, before allowing it to alight on the water. I got in this way plenty of rises, but as most of the fish were tiny bleak I did not hook many.

Every now and then, however, I would rise and sometimes hook a dace. Unluckily the steep banks and high flags made it necessary to lift the fish out, for I had no landing net, and so several of the better ones fell off. Nevertheless during the short evening hour, I managed to bring out a few silvery little beauties.

These have rather whetted my appetite and I am making plans for one or two whole days to be spent by the Adur, when, with the help of gentles and paste, I hope to be able to catch some of the better sized fish.

FLEUR-DE-LYS.

Shooting.

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THE RECORD CHITAL HEAD.

TO THE EDITOR OF "THE INDIAN FIELD."

SIR,—In the early part of January last Captain Pope, of this regiment, shot a chital near Jubbulpore, which carried a record head, I believe. There were 8 points, the horns measured 39¼ inches. Have you heard of a bigger one?

C. E. ROBERTS, Lieut.,
Northamptonshire Regt.

JULLUNDUR *5th February 1907.*

[Yes: this is the record, the next best being a thirty-nine inch head, with 9 points, credited to Major W. Radcliffe and shot in Northern India.—ED.]

BRIDGE QUERIES.

TO THE EDITOR OF "THE INDIAN FIELD."

SIR,—To decide an argument will you kindly say who is right in the following case in Bridge and oblige very much. A and B *vs.* X and Y. Score immaterial. Trumps spades, doubled and redoubled until it is 64 a trick. A and B get 4 by tricks, but B revokes, X claims 3 by tricks and game. A says "no you have only got 3 tricks and if you add three to those it only makes you six and not game, and if you take 3 from ours it still leaves us the odd and game." Which, if either, is correct. What could X and Y have done, and can A B win after a revoke? X says they cannot. No book on "Bridge" available so we refer the matter to you for favour of a decision.

BURMA.

THANAWAD, DY *4th February 1907.*

[X can take 3 tricks from A's pack but this only makes him six, so he cannot score anything. A is left with one odd trick, but as B has revoked they cannot score more than will put their score to 28. A and B cannot score game in any circumstances after a revoke.

X should have added the *value* of 3 tricks to his score, *viz.*, 142 and scored game. A and B would have scored 28.—ED.]

TO THE EDITOR OF "THE INDIAN FIELD."

SIR,—If at the end of a game dummy's partner finds one card short in dummy's hand, can the opponents claim a revoke and look through the pack to find it without knowing the suit.

II. Should dummy or dummy's partner play twice to the same trick from the same hand and it has not been noticed till the end of the deal when a card is found short in either hand does this constitute a revoke?

III. If a player being neither dummy or his partner expose a card and the same card being neither called nor played before he gets a lead, can his opponents make him lead that card; we know that in a lead out of turn a suit can be called, but this is not supposing a lead out of turn, but simply an exposed card, the penalty for which is that it may be called at any time.

BRIDGE.

[I. Dummy cannot revoke, his opponents have just as much opportunity of seeing his cards and if they use the right number as his partner.

II. The same applies: Dummy's opponents should see that Dummy plays one card and one card only to each trick, just as much as his partner.

III. The exposed card can, of course, be called when it is the player's turn to lead, just as much as at any other time.—ED.]

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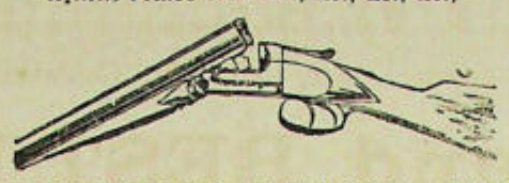

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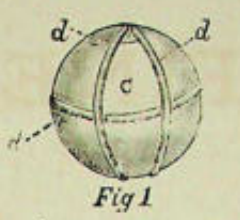

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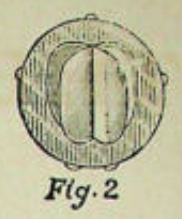

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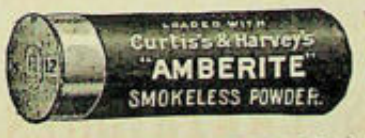



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SITARAMPUR ...	Arr.	1-32.
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DHANBAID ...	Arr.	2-24.
	Dep.	2-27.
GOMOH ...	Arr.	3-0.
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DHANBAID ...	Arr.	9-42.
	Dep.	9-45.
SITARAMPUR...	Arr.	10-41.
	Dep.	10-44.

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INDIAN RACING FIXTURES.

NAME OF RACES.	MONTH.	DATE.
Calcutta Sixth Extra	Feb.	16
,, Seventh ,,	,,	23
Bombay	,,	18, 16, 18, 20 & 23
N. B. M. R. Regimental	,,	20
Bulandshahr Challenge Cup	,,	21
Bareilly Spring	,,	25 & 27
Secunderabad	,,	25 & March 2
Bareilly Spring	,,	24 & 27
Meerut Spring	Mar.	2, 5 & 7
Katiawar	,,	4 & 6
Jorhat	,,	6 & 8
Jorhat Gymkhana	,,	7
Rangoon Spring	,,	9, 12 & 14
Bombay Tenth Extra	,,	2
,, Eleventh ,,	,,	9
,, Twelfth ,,	,,	16
,, Thirteenth ,,	,,	23
,, Fourteenth ,,	,,	30
Umballa Spring	,,	12, 14 & 16
Lahore Spring	,,	28 & 30
Rawalpindi Spring	,,	19, 21, & 23
Punjab Army Chase	,,	21 & 23
Jubbulpore	,,	26, 28 & 30
Muzafarnugger Challenge Cup	,,	6
Madras Winter	,,	12, 14 & 16
Punjab Army Chases	,,	28 & 30
XI. K. E. O. Lancers' Jubilee Meeting	,,	23

CLOSING DATES OF ENTRIES.

Jubbulpore	Second	26th February.
	Third	12th March.
N. B. M. R. Regimental		19th February.
Madras Winter	First	15th February.
	Final	5th March.
Lahore Spring	First	15th February.
	Second	1st March.
	Third	10th March.
Rawalpindi Spring	First	15th February.
	Second	6th March.
	Third	15th March.
Punjab Army Chases	First	15th February.
	Second	6th March.
	Third	15th March.

INDIAN SPORTING FIXTURES

POLO	
Infantry Tournament (Meerut	Begins 18th February.
Cawnpore Polo Challenge Cup	4th March.
Jorhat Tournament	Begining 6th March.
Bhopal Cup Tournament	10th March.
SHOWS.	
Lucknow Polo Pony Fair	18th & 25th February.
Rawalpindi Dog Show	20th March.
HOCKEY	
All India Tournament (Allahabad)	Begins 24th February.
ROWING.	
Poona Royal Connaught B. C. Regatta	14th & 16th February.
LAWN TENNIS.	
Jorhat Tournament	Begins 6th March.
S. India Tournament	Begins 4th March.
BOXING.	
Poona Tournament	23rd to 27th April.
ATHLETICS	
Howrah United Club Meeting	16th February.
Bengal Presidency A. A. A. Meeting	2nd March.
FOOTBALL.	
Madras Gymkhana Association Tournament	4th to 9th March.
COURSING.	
N. I. Coursing Club Meeting	25th February.
GOLF.	
Jorhat Tournament	Begins 6th March.
LAWN TENNIS.	
Bengal Championship	Begins 6th March.

ENGLISH RACING FIXTURES.

(Principal Races in 1907.)

Lincolnshire Handicap (1 mile)	Tuesday, 19th March.
Brocklesby Stakes (4 furlongs 5 yards)	Wednesday, 20th March.
Liverpool Grand National (4 miles 856 yards)	Friday, 22nd March.
Queen's Prize (1 mile)	Monday, 1st April.
Craven Stakes (1 mile 22½ yards)	Thursday, 18th April.
Great Metropolitan Stakes (2¼ miles)	Tuesday, 23rd April.
City and Suburban (1¼ mile)	Wednesday, 24th April.
Two Thousand Guineas (1 mile)	Wednesday, 1st May.
One Thousand Guineas (1 mile)	Friday, 3rd May.
Chester Cup (2¼ miles)	Wednesday, 8th May.
Kempton Park Great Jubilee Handicap (1½ mile)	Saturday, 11th May.
Newmarket Stakes (1 mile 2 furlongs)	Wednesday, 15th May.
Manchester Cup (1½ mile)	Friday, 24th May.
Prix du Jockey Club (1½ mile)	Saturday, 2nd June.
The Derby (1½ mile)	Wednesday, 5th June.
The Coronation Cup (1½ mile)	Thursday, 6th June.
The Oaks (1½ mile)	Friday, 7th June.
Grand Prix de Paris (1 mile 7 furlongs)	Sunday, 16th June.
Ascot Stakes (2 miles)	Tuesday, 18th June.
Ascot Gold Vase (2 miles)	Tuesday, 18th June.
Royal Hunt Cup (7 furlongs 166 yards)	Wednesday, 19th June.
Gold Cup (1½ mile)	Thursday, 20th June.
New Stakes (5 furlongs 144 yards)	Thursday, 20th June.
Hardwicke Stakes (1½ miles)	Friday 21st June.
Northumberland Plate (2 miles)	Wednesday, 26th June.
July Stakes (Newmarket) (5 furlongs 144 yards)	Tuesday, 2nd July.
Princess of Wales' Stakes (1 mile 4 furlongs)	Thursday, 4th July.
Eclipse Stakes (1¼ mile)	Friday, 19th July.
Liverpool Cup (1 mile 3 furlongs)	Friday, 26th July.
Steward's Cup (Goodwood) (6 furlongs)	Tuesday, 30th July.
Goodwood Plate (2 miles)	Wednesday, 31st July.
Goodwood Cup (2½ miles)	Thursday, 1st August.
Brighton Cup (1½ mile)	Wednesday, 7th August.
Great Northern Leger (1 mile 5 furlongs)	Wednesday, 7th August.
Prince of Wales Plate (6 furlongs)	Tuesday, 27th August.
Great Ebor Handicap (1½ mile.)	Wednesday, 28th August.
Gimrack Stakes (6 furlongs)	Thursday, 29th August.
Great Yorkshire Handicap (1 mile 6furs. 132yrds.)	Tuesday, 10th September.
Champagne Stakes (Doncaster) (5 furs. 132 yrds.)	Tuesday, 10th September.
St. Leger (1 mile 6 furlongs 132 yards)	Wednesday, 11th Septr.
Doncaster Cup (2 miles)	Friday, 13th September.
Prince Edward Handicap (1½ mile)	Saturday, 21st Septr.
Jockey Club Stakes (1½ mile)	Thursday, 3rd October.
Prix du Conseil Municipal (Paris) 1½ mile)	Sunday, 6th October.
Duke of York Stakes (1½ mile)	Saturday, 12th October.
Cesarewitch Stakes (2½ miles)	Wednesday, 16th October
Middle Park Plate (6 furlongs)	Friday, 18th October.
Cambridgeshire Stakes	Wednesday, 30th Octr.
Dewhurst Plate (7 furlongs)	Thursday, 31st Octr.
Liverpool Autumn Cup (1 mile 3 furlongs)	Friday, 8th November.
Manchester November Handicap (1½ mile)	Saturday, 23rd Novr.

ENGLISH SPORTING FIXTURES.

England vs. Ireland (Association)	16th February.
Oxford vs. Cambridge (Association)	20th February.
Ireland vs. Wales (Association)	23rd February.
Scotland vs. Ireland (Rugby)	23rd February.
Wales vs. Scotland (Association)	4th March.
Ireland vs. Wales (Rugby)	9th March.
Oxford and Cambridge Sports	15th March.
Scotland vs. Ireland (Association)	16th March.
England vs. Scotland (Rugby)	16th March.
'Varsity Boat Race	16th March.
England vs. Wales (Association)	18th March.
Amateur Boxing Championship	27th March.
English Amateur Cup Final (Association)	30th March.
England vs. Scotland (Association)	6th April.
Tennis Championship, Fairs vs. Latham	6th May.
England vs. Scotland (Amateur Golf)	25th May.
Amateur Golf Championship	28th May.
Golf Open Championship	20th June.
England vs. South Africa (Cricket)	1st July.
Oxford vs. Cambridge (Cricket)	4th July.
Amateur Athletic Championships	6th July
Eton vs. Harrow (Cricket)	12th July.
Gentlemen vs. Players (Cricket)	17th July.
England vs. South Africa (Cricket)	29th July.
Rugby vs. Marlborough (Cricket)	31st July.
Dublin Horse Show	27th August.

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Third Day, Wednesday, the 6th February 1907.

DESPITE the heavy rain which fell during the morning and the lowering skies in the early afternoon, the assemblage on the course to-day was by no means small, many doubtless hoping to retrieve their fortunes after the disasters of Cup Day. It, however, proved to be another bookmakers' day, and these gentlemen again scored heavily. Punters, nevertheless, had a look in in two of the events, namely, the Open Pony Chase, which Daphne won, and the Handicap Horse Chase, where Wales flattered his supporters. The place betting was also profitable to several lucky individuals. The biggest upset of the afternoon occurred in the sixth handicap, when Avatar romped in, seconded by William Rufus, with Sheikh third. Undoubtedly Hazard should have had a chance in this race, had he not been carrying a declared 6lbs. overweight. The Ranger won the Arab Handicap easily; Circus Girl ran well in the Goomtee Plate, but the race went to First Bell, who secured fourth place in the Cup, and was generally considered a "dark" horse for that event. In the last race of the day, Coin II., closed a strong favourite, but was beaten by Red Shot, ridden by Frazer, the latter's excellent riding snatching the victory near the winning post. In this short race of five furlongs the winner had two stone from Colonel Stisted's Forget-me-Not.

His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor was present during the afternoon, and was possibly in sympathy with the losers in the seventh race. The band of the 8th Rajputs was in attendance, and hospitality was dispensed by the members of the United Service and Royal Army Medical Service Clubs.

The going was heavy, and was responsible for three spills, but fortunately none of the jockeys were hurt.

The acknowledgments of the racing public are due to all who contributed to make the meeting the great success it undoubtedly was. The presence of His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor is an indication that Sir John Hewett intends to take more than a passing interest in the turf here, and augurs well for the future of Lucknow racing. To the Stewards and to the various officials, including Major J. H. Ensor, the Race Secretary, the thanks of the public are also due, for the smoothness with which the whole meeting went. Details:—

THE DILKUSHA PLATE.—Rs. 1,000 to the winner, Rs. 300 to the second, and Rs. 230 to the third. A high-weight handicap for horses. 1¼ mile.

H. H. The Koer Sahib of Patiala's br aus g Lamrock, 9st. ... ... Walk over.

THE HANDICAP HORSE CHASE.— Rs. 1,500 to the winner, Rs. 500 to the second, and Rs. 250 to the third. A handicap steeplechase for horses. About 2½ miles.

Mr. G. H. Beaumont's ch aus g Wales, 11st. 3lbs. ... ... Mr. Charrington 1
Capt. Percy Smith's rn aus m Goodwin, 9st. Northmore 2
Mr. Locke's b aus g Lookout, 11st. 10lbs. L. C. Hoyt 3

The totalisator paid Rs. 2 on the winner and Rs. 6 for a place.

BETTING: 6 to 4 on Wales, 3 to 2 agst. Lookout, 4 to 1 Goodwin.

Lookout led at a great pace, but came to grief at the mud wall. Wales then took up the running, and won by ten lengths. Hoyt got up again and Lookout ran the course. Time—5mins. 10⅗secs.

THE OPEN PONY CHASE.—Rs. 1,000 to the winner, Rs. 300 to the second, and Rs. 200 to the third. A handicap steeplechase for ponies 14-2 and under. *a.* C. About 2 miles.

Mr. H. E. Norton's ch aus m Daphne, 10st 7lbs. ... ... R. R. Morrison 1
H. H. The Koer Sahib of Patiala's b e m Nurse Kitty, 11st. 4lbs. ... ... Sheldrake 2
Capt. F. Bennett's br aus m Pinfire, 9st. 10lbs. ... ... Owner 3
Mr. C. E. Reynard's br aus m Small Scotch, 9st. ... ... A. Hoyt 0
Major Williamson's and Mr. Brandreth's b aus m Irish, 10st. 11lb. ... — L. C. Hoyt 0
Mr. H. H. Sandbach's ch aus m Double Keys, 9st. 9lbs. ... ... Northmore 0

The totalisator paid Rs. 4 on the winner and Rs. 8 and Rs. 11 for places.

BETTING: 5 to 4 agst. Daphne, 4 to 1 each Nurse Kitty, Irish and Pinfire, 6 to 1 the others.

Double Keys came to grief at the water jump, while Irish came down at the mud wall. Pinfire and Small Scotch led alternately to the six furlongs, when the field drew level. Daphne then assumed the lead, attended by Nurse Kitty, the former winning in a canter by five lengths; ten lengths separated second and third. Time—4mins. 9⅘secs.

THE GOOMTEE PLATE.—Rs. 1,000 to the winner, Rs. 300 to the second, and Rs. 200 to the third. A handicap for English and Australasian ponies 14-0 and under and Arab and C.-B. ponies 14-1 and under. 6 furlongs.

Lieut.-Col. Stisted's ch aus g First Bell, 8st. 13lbs. ... ... Firth 1
Mr. J. C. Galstaun's b aus m Circus Girl, 8st. ... ... Robinson 2
H. H. The Koer Sahib of Patiala's ch aus m Parlour Maid, 7st. 2lbs. ... ... Frazer 3
Mr. G. K.'s ch aus m Veera, 9st. ... A. Hoyt 0

The totalisator paid Rs. 6 on the winner and Rs. 8 and Rs. 8 for places.

BETTING: 5 to 4 on Circus Girl, 3 to 1 each agst. First Bell and Parlour Maid, 5 to 1 Veera.

They went away to a good start. First Bell assumed the lead almost at once and kept it to the end, winning by five lengths; four lengths divided second and third. Time—1min. 16secs.

THE DESERT HANDICAP.—Rs. 1,000 to the winner, Rs. 300 to the second, and Rs. 200 to the third. A high-weight handicap for Arab ponies 14-1 and under. 1,000 yards.

Mr. E. W. William's gr a g Avatar, 9st. 11lb. L. C. Hoyt 1
Messrs. Wood and Badger's ch a h William Rufus, 9st. 3lbs. ... ... Bray 2
Messrs. Wood and Badger's b a h Sheik, 9st. 11lb. ... ... Southall 3
Thakur Baldeo Sahai's b a h Hazard, 7st. 10lbs. (car. 8st. 4lbs.) ... ... Robinson 4
Capt. Winter's b a g Whirlwind, 7st. 10lbs. Baichan 0
Capt. F. Bennett's ch a h Pardon, 7st. 10lbs. ... ... Kaeson 0
Lieut.-Col. Stisted's ch a h Sublime, 7st. 4lbs. (car. 7st. 13lbs.) ... ... Manly 0
Major Popham Young's b a h Surkhab, 7st. 4lbs. ... ... Kadir 0
H. H. The Koer Sahib of Patiala's b a h Mooslat, 6st. 11lbs. (car. 7st. 11lb.) ... Frazer 0

The totalisator paid Rs. 18 on the winner and Rs. 16, Rs. 10 and Rs. 27 for places.

BETTING: 3 to 1 each agst. William Rufus and Whirlwind, 4 to 1 each Sublime, Avatar and Hazard, 6 to 1 each Pardon, Surkhab and Mooslat, 8 to 1 Sheikh.

After a long delay at the post, the field was despatched to a level start and ran in a bunch to the four furlongs, where Avatar showed ahead. William Rufus gained on the leader in the rails but was unable to overhaul him, Avatar winning by three-quarters of a length; half a length divided second and third; one and a half lengths between third and fourth. Time—61⅕ secs.

THE MAIDEN ARAB HANDICAP.—Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second, and Rs. 50 to the third. A high-weight handicap for Maiden Arabs 14-2 and under. 1,000 yards.

Mr. Henry's ch a h The Ranger, 8st. 12lbs. L. C. Hoyt 1
H. H. The Koer Sahib of Patiala's ch a h Machine Gun, 6st. 12lbs. (car. 7st. 11lb.) Frazer 2
Mr. E. W. William's b a g Pasha, 10st. 7lbs. Owner 3
Capt. H. D. McNeile's b a h Colonel, 6st. 9lbs. (car. 7st.) ... ... Baichan 0
Mr. Sydney Smith's b a h Palmy Days, 7st. 8lbs. ... ... Kadir 0

The totalisator paid Rs. 5 on the winner and Rs. 7 and Rs. 10 for places.

BETTING: 5 to 4 agst. Pasha, 3 to 2 The Ranger, 6 to 1 the others.

They ran abreast for half the distance, with Palmy Days in the rear. Then The Ranger showed out, followed by Machine Gun. The Ranger increased his lead as they passed the second stand, and won easily by one and a half lengths; half a length divided second and third; two lengths between third and fourth. Time—61⅕secs.

THE CHARBAGH PLATE.—Rs. 700 to the winner, Rs. 200 to the second, and Rs. 100 to the third. A high-weight handicap for Arab and C.-B. ponies 14-2 and under and other ponies 14-1 and under. 5 furlongs.

H. H. The Koer Sahib of Patiala's ch aus h Red Shot, 7st. 10lbs. (car. 7st. 11lbs.) Southall 1
H. H. The Maharaja of Cooch Behar's ch aus m Coin II., 9st. 6lbs. ... ... Firth 2
Lieut.-Col. Stisted's b aus m Forget-me-Not, 9st. 10lbs. ... ... Robinson 3
Thakur Sripal Singh's b aus m Plover, 8st. 9lbs. ... ... Bray 0

The totalisator paid Rs. 4 on the winner and Rs. 6 and Rs. 7 for places.

BETTING: Evens Coin II., 3 to 1 each agst. Red Shot and Plover, 4 to 1 Forget-me-Not.

When they had gone half the distance, Red Shot drew to the front, and, splendidly ridden by Southall, won comfortably by one and a half lengths; two lengths divided second and third. Time—1min. 4⅘secs.

CALCUTTA FIFTH EXTRA MEETING.

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Saturday, 9th February 1907.

THERE was a good attendance this afternoon, among those present being the Amir who on this occasion was not permitted, or didn't find an opportunity to behave rudely to the Calcutta public. His boorish refusal of the Corporation's proffered casket and address, the unpardonable dilatoriness which kept thousands of the Calcutta public waiting one night at the Minto Fête, his churlish attitude towards his own co-religionists, his eccentricities at the fête and elsewhere and the crowning act of discourtesy associated with his departure from Calcutta (when he kept the special train, the guard-of-honor, many officials and others waiting several hours and threw the E. I. R. arrangements entirely out of gear) will long be remembered and resented. How the bear leader of this barbarian permitted such conduct we cannot imagine, and how it was tolerated we cannot conceive, save that more than ordinary toleration was extended to the proverbial capriciousness of a semi-savage by those who sit in high places. However this is a race report not a review of the recent Afghan visitation which we are all thankful is over: we will only repeat that at the races the Amir did not add to the vagaries that have amused and annoyed Calcutta of late, and sportsmen were not disturbed in the discussion of the business which brought them together. We had perfect weather and big fields, good racing, in spite of the absence of many horses from Calcutta, and on the whole the public were fairly successful in spotting winners. We deal with the racing in our Sporting Notes, and here append details.

HUNTERS' HURDLE RACE.—Rs. 500 to the winner, Rs. 200 to the second, and Rs. 100 to the third. A welter handicap hurdle race for *bonâ fide* Paperchase horses. G. t.'s. R. C. and a distance over seven flights of hurdles.

Mr. G. B. Deakin's gr aus m Blue Bell II., 10st. 9lbs. ... ... Mr. Robertson 1
Mr. H. K. Pierson's ch aus m Queen of Hearts, 9st. 3lbs. ... ... Owner 2
Mr. T. G. Evers' b aus g Orphan Boy, 9st. 10lbs. ... ... Owner 3
Mr. Glen's b e g Tiritiri, 11st. 6lbs. ... Owner 4
Mr. Sopper's b aus m Milady, 10st. 3lbs. ... Mr. Sopper 0
Mr. R. A. C. Pugh's b aus m Posey, 9st. ... Mr. Barrow 0
Mr. Cowper's br aus g Jacinth, 9st. 7lbs. — Owner (fell)
Dr. W. C. Hossack's ch aus m Lady Gold, 11st. 9lbs. ... ... Mr. Turner (fell)

(*Winner trained privately.*)

BETTING: 2 to 1 agst. Lady Gold, 4 to 1 Orphan Boy, 5 to 1 Blue Bell, 8 to 1 each Jacinth and Queen of Hearts, 12 to 1 each Posey, Tiritiri and Milady.

Totalisator paid Rs. 62 on the winner; Rs. 16, Rs. 31 and Rs. 14 for places.

Won by a length and a half; two lengths between second and third. Time—3mins. 36secs.

THE OUTRAM PLATE.—Rs. 1,000 to the winner, Rs. 300 to the second, and Rs. 200 to the third. A high-weight handicap for horses which have not won a flat race value Rs. 750 or over since 31st March 1905. 6 furlongs.

Mr. O. M. D. Bell's b aus g Botha, 9st. 7lbs. ... ... Firth 1
Capt. H. N. Holden's br aus g Craig, 7st. 10lbs. ... ... Bullock 2
Mr. A. N. Dass' b aus h Trencherman, 8st. 2lbs. ... ... Murdison 3
Mr. J. C. Galstaun's b e g Peveril, 9st. 12lbs. Mr. Dudley 4
Mr. Borneo's br e m Colina, 8st. 8lbs. ... Frazer 0
Mr. A. Schwerdtfeger's b aus m Sal, 7st. 12lbs. ... ... Bradshaw 0
Mr. Dartmoor's b aus g Defendant, 7st. 12lbs. ... ... W. White 0
Mr. J. D. Marshall's ch aus g Kingpin, 7st. 9lbs. ... ... Baichan 0
Mr. A. N. Dass' br rn aus g Lollipop, 6st. 12lbs. ... ... Eli Bux 0

(*Winner trained by Firth.*)

BETTING: Evens Botha, 5 to 2 agst. Colina, 6 to 1 Trencherman, 8 to 1 Craig, 20 to 1 the others.

Totalisator paid Rs. 19 on the winner; Rs. 14, Rs. 15 and Rs. 18 for places.

Won by two and a half lengths; a length between second and third. Time—1min. 16⅕secs.

THE LANSDOWNE PLATE.—Rs. 1,000 to the winner, Rs. 300 to the second, and Rs. 200 to the third. A high-weight handicap for horses. 7 furlongs.

Mr. Charles' bk aus g Foy, 8st. 2lbs. ... Bullock 1
Messrs. Hudson and Butler's br e m Blitzen, 8st. 2lbs. ... ... Murdison 2

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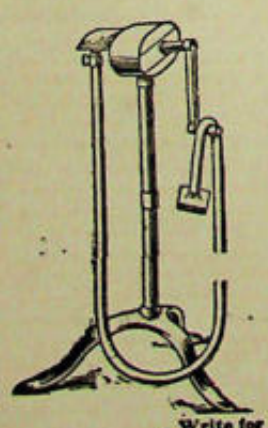

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Mrs. A. W. Grosser's b e m Merry Elsie, 10st. 11lb.	Howie	4
Mr. Stead's ch or br aus m Palindrome, 9st. 10lbs.	Bradshaw	0
Mr. J. C. Galstaun's b e g Pure Gold, 9st. 8lbs.	Mr. Dudley	0
Mr. R. D. Coggan's b or br aus m Eljin, 8st. 12lbs.	T. White	0
Mr. J. A. Manning's ch aus g Loyal, 8st. 9lbs.	Lansdown	0
Mr. W. B. Green's b aus m Projector, 8st.	R. Morrison	0
Mr. Alec's b aus g Lord D., 7st. 10lbs.	Baichan	0
Mr. McGeorge's br e m Devil's Limit, 7st. 10lbs.	Prosad	0

(*Winner trained by Pringle.*)

BETTING: 3 to 1 each agst. Blitzen and Vespasia, 4 to 1 Foy, 8 to 1 Devil's Limit, 10 to 1 each Palindrome and Projecture, 12 to 1 Loyal, 20 to 1 the rest.

Totalisator paid Rs. 59 on the winner; Rs. 14, Rs. 13 and Rs. 13 for places.

Won by two lengths; four lengths between second and third. Time—1min. 30secs.

THE SPRING PLATE.—Rs. 1,000 to the winner, Rs. 300 to the second, and Rs. 200 to the third. A high-weight handicap for maiden horses. 1 mile.

Mr. S. Margrett's b aus g St. Michael, 8st.	Murdison	1
Mr. R. J. Farquharson's b aus g Recoil, 6st.	O'Neil	2
Mr. J. G. Ballantyne's b aus g Clodian, 7st. 10lbs.	Mr. Evers	3
Mr. H. E. Smith's b aus g Lynnwood	Bradshaw	4
Mr. Rothschild's b or br aus g Fame, 10st. 2lbs.	Mr. Dudley	0
Mr. A. N. Dass' b e m Child Adopted, 9st. 2lbs.	Drew	0
Mr. R. B. Lamotte's b aus g Prince Moorefield, 7st. 12lbs.	Rahman	0
Mr. R. D. Coggan's ch aus m Pallas, 7st. 10lbs.	T. White	0
Mr. M. Gutschke's br aus m Lily, 7st. 11lb.	W. White	0

(*Winner trained privately.*)

BETTING: 5 to 2 agst. Vinolia, 3 to 1 Child Adopted, 5 to 1 each Lynnwood and St. Michael, 10 to 1 Recoil, longer odds the rest.

Totalisator paid Rs. 42 on the winner; Rs. 17, Rs. 23 and Rs. 21 for places.

Won by a length and a half; same distance between second and third. Time—1min. 44secs.

PONY HUNTERS' FLAT RACE.—Rs. 500 to the winner, Rs. 200 to the second, and Rs. 100 to the third. A welter handicap for *bonâ fide* paperchase ponies 14-2 and under. G. R.'s. R. C. (1 mile 5 furlongs 48 yards).

Capt. H. N. Holden's br aus g Pathfinder II., 10st. 10lbs.	Owner	1
Mr. A. Levetus' bk or br aus m Lady George, 8st. 10lbs.	Mr. Evers	2
Mr. R. A. C. Pugh's b aus m Mistlebird, 11st. 9lbs.	Owner	3
Mr. Cowper's b aus g Envious, 10st. 4lbs.	Mr. Glen	4
Mr. R. G. D. Thomas' ch aus g Waratah, 10st.	.....	0
Mr. Glen's b aus g Zig Zag, 9st. 12lbs.	Mr. Cowper	0
Mr. C. W. Ritson's ch aus g Geebung, 9st. 3lbs.	Mr. Sopper	0
Mr. G. H. Hilliard's cr aus m Sunflower, 9st. 3lbs.	Mr. Bell-Irving	0
Mr. L. Walker's rn aus m The Pink 'Un, 8st. 7lbs.	Mr. Antram	0

(*Winner trained privately.*)

BETTING: 5 to 2 each agst. Mistlebird and Lady George, 3 to 1 Pathfinder, 10 to 1 Sunflower, 20 to 1 the rest.

Totalisator paid Rs. 31 on the winner; Rs. 11, Rs. 11 and Rs. 12 for places.

Won by three-quarters of a length; eight lengths between second and third. Time—3mins. 16secs.

THE CURZON PLATE.—Rs. 1,000 to the winner, Rs. 300 to the second, and Rs. 200 to the third. A high-weight handicap for horses which have never won a flat race value Rs. 1,500 or over. 1½ mile.

Mr. Charles' b e g Pendred, 9st. 10lbs.	Bullock	1
Mr. D. B. Myers' b aus g Bon Bon, 9st. 7lbs.	Bradshaw	2
Mr. Field's b e g Nirvana, 7st. 2lbs.	Baichan	3
Mr. Dartmoor's b e g Bundook, 9st. 3lbs.	R. Morrison	4
Mr. W. H. Walmsley's b e m Scamander, 9st.	Frazer	0
Mr. J. C. Galstaun's br e m Sainte Marquis, 8st. 12lbs.	Firth	0
Mr. J. C. Galstaun's br e g Hande'ilian, 7st. 11lbs.	W. White	0
Mr. Dudley's b aus g Coronet, 7st. 10lbs.	.....	0
Mr. S. Margrett's br aus g Spero, 7st. 9lbs.	O'Neil	0

(*Winner trained by Pringle*).

BETTING: 2 to 1 agst. Pendred, 4 to 1 Bon Bon, 5 to 1 each Spero, Hande'ilian and Scamander, 8 to 1 each Coronet, 8st. Marquise and Bundook, 10 to 1 Nirvana.

Totalisator paid Rs. 27 on the winner; Rs. 16, Rs. 23 and Rs. 19 for places.

Won by three lengths; a length and a half between second and third. Time—2mins. 11⅘secs.

BOMBAY NINTH EXTRA MEETING.

Saturday, 9th February 1907.

SELLING PLATE.—Winner Rs. 200, second Rs. 100, and third Rs. 50. For Arabs 14 hands and under landed since 1st July 1906. 14 hands entered for Rs. 1,200, to carry 10st. W. I. 3lbs. for each Rs. 100 down to Rs. 400. ¼ mile.

Mr. Suleman Mahalla's Glass, 8st. 11lb.	Oomerkhan	1
Mr. Shahab Ahmed's Chumchuman, 8st. 7lbs.	Kannai	2
Mr. M. Abdul Karim's Shummer, 8st. 10lbs.	Heeroo	3
Mr. S. A. Waheed's The Shah, 7st.	Abdoola	0

Also ran: Namoos, 8-1; and Flicker, 7-9.

BETTING: 4 to 1 agst. Namoos, 5 to 4 Shummer, 8 to 1 each Chumchuman and The Shah, 10 to 1 Glass.

Won easily by one and a quarter length; three-quarters of a length between the second and third. Time—56⅘secs.

The winner was bought by Mr. Vaid for Rs. 1,150.

THE ALL-PONY TRIAL PLATE.—Winner Rs. 700, second Rs. 200, and third Rs. 100. For ponies 14-2 and under. 14-2 to carry 10st. W. I. 5 furlongs.

Mr. Kelso's Russley Rose, 7st. 13lbs.	W. H. Ross	1
Messrs. Goculdas and Nanjee's Gun Metal, 8st. 9lbs.	Ames	2
Mr. J. B.'s Florrie, 8st. 11lb.	Barrett	3

BETTING: 5 to 2 on Gun Metal, 4 to 1 agst. Russley Rose, and 5 to 1 Florrie.

Won by one and a half length; half a length between the second and third. Time—1min. 3⅕secs.

THE SHORT TRIAL PLATE.—Winner Rs. 700, second Rs. 200, and third Rs. 100. For horses. W. A. and C. raised 7lbs. (not accumulative). Ponies 14-2 and under 5lbs. 5 furlongs.

Mr. R. R. S.'s Killua, 9st.	Williams	1
Mr. J. Morris' Metalmaid, 7st. 11lbs.	W. H. Ross	2
Mr. S. Waheed's Sir Galahad, 6st. 8lbs.	A. Ferguson	3
Mr. T. Tejpal's Adelaide, 8st. 7lbs.	Foster	0

Also ran: Epitome, 8-0 (car. 8-4).

BETTING: 3 to 1 on Killua, 5 to 1 agst. Metalmaid, 15 to 1 Adelaide, and 20 to 1 the others.

Won by half a length; two and a quarter lengths between the second and third. Time—1min. 2⅘secs.

THE ARAB TRIAL PLATE.—Winner Rs. 700, second Rs. 200, and third Rs. 100. For Arabs. W. A. raised 7lbs. Ponies 14 hands and under, 5lbs. 1 mile.

Mr. R. R. S.'s Precious, 9st. 3lbs.	Williams	1
Mr. M. A. Khan's Nooman, 7st. 12lbs.	Heeroo	2
Mr. T. Tejpal's Scarlet, 6st. 12lbs.	Kamad	3
Mr. R. M. Bushari's Panala II., 8st. 12lbs.	Vining	0

BETTING: 7 to 2 on Precious, 5 to 1 agst. Nooman, 15 to 1 each Panala II. and Scarlet.

Won by two and a half lengths; four lengths between the second and third. Time—1min. 52secs.

THE ARAB PONY TRIAL PLATE.—Winner Rs. 700, second Rs. 200, and third Rs. 100. For Arabs 14 hands and under. 14 hands to carry 10st. W. I. 6 furlongs.

Mr. R. R. S.'s Rose, 8st. 2lbs.	Williams	1
Mr. H. A. Shahbag's Shanwar, 7st. 6lbs.	Mujeed	2
Messrs. Goculdas and Nanjee's Bay Middleton, 9st. 2lbs.	Robinson	3
Mr. Kelso's Hermit, 8st. 9lbs.	W. H. Ross	0

Also ran: Dilerjung, 9-2; Kour Saheb, 8-8; Cardiff, 8-7; Osborne, 8-1; Caravan, 7-9; Little Joker, 7-5 (car. 7-6); Sahoon, 7-3; Gaucho, 6-13 (car. 7-0).

BETTING: 2 to 1 on Bay Middleton, 5 to 1 agst. Rose, 7 to 1 Hermit, 15 to 1 each Shanwar and Little Joker, 30 to 1 and 40 to 1 the others.

Won by one length; half a length between second and third. Time—1min. 32⅘secs.

THE LONG TRIAL PLATE.—Winner Rs. 700, second Rs. 200, and third Rs. 100. For horses. W. A. and C. raised 7lbs. (not accumulative). Ponies 14-2 and under, 5lbs. 7 furlongs.

Mr. Avasia's Presbyterian, 8st. 3lbs.	Vining	1
Mr. Ramshaw's Lord Barrymore, 7st. 12lbs. (car. 7st. 13lbs.)	Barrett	2
Mr. North's Apology, 8st. 7lbs.	A. Hoyt	3
Messrs. Goculdas and Nanjee's Primerole, 8st. 7lbs.	Robinson	0

Also ran: Shotover, 8-7; and Balayeuse, 8-7.

BETTING: 5 to 4 agst. Primerole, 2 to 1 Presbyterian, 3 to 1 Shotover, 8 to 1 Apology, and 20 to 1 the others.

Won by half a length; three-quarters of a length between the second and third. Time—1min. 29⅘secs.

RANGOON FIFTH EXTRA MEETING.

Saturday, 2nd February 1907.

THIS Meeting was brought off to-day in fine bright weather with the course rather on the hard side. Details:—

THE TOM THUMB PLATE.—Rs. 199 to the winner, Rs. 50 to the second, and Rs. 25 to the third pony. A flat race for maiden B.-B. ponies, 12-2½ and under. W. I. About 5 furlongs.

Mr. Maung Thin's ch bb m Hla Nyun, 8st. 4lbs.	Po Khai	1
Mr. Cheong Taik's g bb m Aye Hla, 8st. 8lbs	Ba Thwin	2
Mr. George's ch bb m Lassie, 8st. 8lbs.	Chit Swe	3
Mg. Po Byaw's ch bb m Aung Lan, 8st. 4lbs.	Ba Shin	0
Mr. George's b bb m Pauk Myaing, 8st. 12lbs.	Mg. Nyun	0
Messrs. Hashim and Hillier's b bb p Lord Clyde, 8st 2lbs.	Po Shoay	0
Maung Po Myah's g bb m Blue Bell, 7st. 8lbs. (car. 8st. 2lbs.)	Mg. Glay	0
Mr. Torrens's d bb m Sein Pu, 7st. 4lbs.	Po Chin	0
Mg. Thain's d bb m Sein Nyoom, 7st. 6lbs.	Ba Nyun	0

BETTING: 6 to 4 on Hla Nyun, 4 to 1 agst. Lassie, 6 to 1 Blue Bell, 10 to 1 each Lord Clyde and Sein Pu, 20 to 1 the rest.

Won by two lengths; half a length between second and third. Time—1min. 20secs

Totalisator paid Rs. 8 to win; Rs. 7, Rs. 53, and Rs. 8 for places.

THE PEGU PLATE.—Rs. 199 to the winner, Rs. 50 to second, and Rs. 25 to the third pony. A flat race for English and Australasian ponies 14-0 and under, country-breds 14-1 and under, and Arabs 14-2 and under. W. I. About ½ mile.

Mr. Beville's b aus m Wattle Blossom, 9st. 4lbs.	Oomer	1
Mr. George's b aus m Celia, 7st. 11lbs.	Chit Pwe	2
Mr. Foster's b aus m Jiffy, 9st. 11lb.	Po Mut	3
Mr. Mill's br e g Golconda, 8st. 11lbs. (car. 8st. 12lbs.)	Mr. Cullen	0

BETTING: Evens Celia, 5 to 4 agst. Golconda, 3 to 1 Jiffy 5 to 1 Wattle Blossom.

Won by a length; half a length between second and third, Time—58secs.

Totalisator paid Rs. 60 win; Rs. 11 and Rs. 9 for places.

THE SOUTHERN CROSS PLATE.—Rs. 199 to the winner, Rs. 50 to the second, and Rs. 25 to the third pony. A flat race for maiden ponies 14-0 and under, imported by the Stewards under the Griffin Scheme, 14-0 to carry 9st. 7lbs. W. I. 5 furlongs.

Miss Adamson's b aus m Planet, 10st.	Mr. Hope	1
Maung Po Byaw's bk aus m Bonnie (*late* Doung Tsain), 7st. 11b. (car. 7st. 3lbs.)	Po Khai	2
Maung Ba Thaik's ch aus m Aye Myah, 8st. 12lbs. (car. 8st. 13lbs.)	Mg. Glay	3
Mr. I. Tilly's ch aus m La Mascotte, 8st.	Sadar	0
Mahd. Ailauddeen's b aus g Estamboul, 9st. 7lbs.	Mahd. Ebrahim	(fell)
Mr. George's br aus m Necklace, 9st. 7lbs.	Mr. Cullen	(fell)

BETTING: Evens Planet, 2 to 1 agst. Doung Tsain, 4 to 1 Necklace, 10 to 1 Estamboul, 20 to 1 Aye Myah, 50 to 1 Mascotte.

Won by three lengths; two lengths between second and third. Time—1min. 12⅘secs.

Totalisator paid Rs. 8 to win; Rs. 8 and Rs. 6 for places.

THE MOFUSSIL PLATE.—Rs. 199 to the winner, Rs. 50 to the second, and Rs. 25 to the third pony. A flat race for Burma-bred ponies 13-0½ and under, 13-0½ hands to carry 9st. 7lbs. W. I. ¼ mile.

Mr. Md. Hashim's b bb g Dul Dul II., 9st. 4lbs.	Po Shoay	1
Mr. I. Tilly's b bb m Sein Kyaw Mai, 9st. 11lbs.	Owner	2
Maung Ba Kyine's g bb m Kan Hline, 9st. 4lbs.	Po Youk	3
Maung Ba Yin's g bb g Min Yin, 9st. 11lbs.	Mg. Glay	0
Mr. George's b bb m Tsain Chai, 10st. 5lbs.	Thaw Paw	0
Mr. Foy's b bb m Velvet, 9st. 11lbs.	Hyder	0
Hir Raman's ch bb g Sein Ban, 9st. 9lbs.	Oomer	0
Mr. Foster's b bb g Mandalay, 8st. 12lbs.	Po Mut	0
Mr. Mg. Thin's b bb m Money Get (*late* Ruby), 8st. 8lbs.	Po Khai	0
U. Hmin's bk bb g Sein Pe	Mg. Gyi	0
Mr. I. Tilly's g bb g Myadaung, 7st. 11lbs. (car. 8st. 8lbs.)	Bah Thwin	0

BETTING: 6 to 4 agst. Dul Dul II., 2 to 1 Money Get, 3 to 1 Kan Hline, 4 to 1 Min Yin, 6 to 1 Velvet, 10 to 1 Sein Ban, 20 to 1 each Tsain Chai and Sein Kyaw Mai, 80 to 1 the rest.

Won by a neck; a neck between second and third. Time—60⅘secs.

Totalisator paid Rs. 27 to win; Rs. 8, Rs. 5 and Rs. 6 for places.

THE NEWLYN PLATE.—Rs. 199 to the winner, Rs. 50 to the second, and Rs. 25 to the third pony. A flat race for English and Australasian ponies 13-2 and under, Country-breds 13-3 and under, and Arabs 14-0 and under. W. I. About ¼ mile.

Mahomed Maju's ch aus m Red Rose, 8st. 13lbs.	Mg. Glay	1
Mr. Bell's ch e m Money Box, 9st. 7lbs.	Po. Mut	2
Mr. George's b aus m Mascotte, 10st. 3lbs.	Thaw Paw	3
Mr. M. O'Brien's ch aus h Gladiator, 9st. 7lbs.	Clarke	0
Mr. Mill's ch e m Vibrona, 8st. 12lbs. (car. 9st. 5lbs.)	Boota Khan	0

BETTING: 6 to 4 on Red Rose, 4 to 1 Money Box, 6 to 1 each Gladiator and Mascotte, 10 to 1 Vibrona.

Won by a neck; a head between second and third. Time—55 secs.

Totalisator paid Rs. 10 to win; Rs. 5 and Rs. 14 for places.

THE ANTIPODES PLATE.—Rs. 199 to the winner, Rs. 50 to the second, and Rs. 25 to the third pony. A flat race for ponies imported by the Stewards under the Griffin Scheme, 14 hands and under 14st. to carry 9st. 7lbs. W. I. 6 furlongs.

Mr. Beville's ch aus g Tip Top, 9st. 11lbs.	Oomer	1
Maung Pyo's b aus g Aung Kyu, 7st. 2lbs. (car. 7st. 3lbs.)	Po Kai	2
Mr. I. Tilly's ch aus m Rownuck II., 8st. 9lbs.	Mg. Glay	3
Mr. George's br aus m Josephine, 9st. 11lbs.	Thaw Paw	0
Major Penny's br aus g Rex, 10st. 13lbs.	Mr. Hope	0

BETTING: 6 to 4 on Rex, evens Tip Top, 6 to 1 Aung Kyu, 20 to 1 the rest.

Won by a length; six lengths between second and third. Rex was last. Time—1min. 24⅕secs.

Totalisator paid Rs. 12 to win; Rs. 4 and Rs. 8 for places.

Entries for Races.

CALCUTTA SIXTH EXTRA MEETING.

Saturday, 16th February 1907.

THE AUCTION PLATE.—5 furlongs.

Mr. Bell-Irving's b aus m Wake Up.
Mr. Charles' ch aus m Woodbine.
Mr. B. A. C. Pugh's b e m Manon.
Mr. Rothschild's b or br aus g Fame.
Mr. D. Norton's br aus m Musette.
Mr. S. Margrett's b aus g St. Michael.
Mr. J. A. Manning's ch aus g Loyal.
Mr. J. A. Manning's ch aus g Bucentaur.
Mr. Field's b e g Nirvana.
Mr. H. Wishart's br aus g Warstripe.
Mr. J. D. Scott's b ch g Roseland.
Mr. J. D. Scott's b e g Young Slave.
Mr. E. J. Marshall's ch e g Galley Slave.
Mr. W. H. Walmsley's b e g Jack Sheppard.
Mr. R. B. Lamotte's b aus g Prince Moorefield.
Mr. H. P. Banker's b aus m Queen of Gems.
Mr. A. N. Dass' b aus g Springlock.
Mr. A. N. Dass' b e m Miss Trenton.
Mr. A. N. Dass' b e m Child Adopted.
Mr. W. B. Green's b aus m Projecture.
Mr. W. B. Green's b aus m Leading Lady.
Mr. H. E. Smith's b aus g Lynnewood.
Mr. H. Scherdtfeger's b aus m Sal.
Messrs. Paris and Marshall's br e m Lady Anna.

KALIGHAT PLATE.—5 furlongs.

Messrs. McCall and Crichton's b aus m Madamoiselle, 14-0.
Mr. O. M. D. Bell's br e m Psalm, 14-2.
Mrs. J. M. Gregory's b aus m Picture, 14-2.
Mr. Dartmoor's bk aus m Hazelnut, 14-2.
Mr. Field's b aus m Solace, 14-2.
Mr. J. D. Scott's ch aus g Yankee Boy, 14-1.
Mr. J. D. Scott's ch aus m Kathleen II., 14-0½.
Mr. J. D. Scott's ch aus m Yardley, 14-0½.
Mr. J. D. Scott's b e m Despotido, 14-0.
H. H. Maharajah of Cooch Behar's ch aus g Belligerent, 14-0.
Mr. Stead's b aus m Belle Cole, 14-1½.
Mr. A. N. Dass' ch aus g Pigeon, 14 0½.

PONY HUNTERS' HURDLE RACE.—R. C. Distance, 7 flights.

Mr. A. Levetus' ch or br aus m Lady George, 14-1.
Mr. C. W. Ritson's ch aus g Geebung, 14-0½.
Mr. Glen's b aus g Zig Zag, 14-2.
Mr. Cowper's b aus g Envious, 14-1½.
Mr. K. M. Hamilton's br aus g Good Chap, 13-3½.
Mr. R. A. C. Pugh's b aus m Mistlebird, 14-0½.
Capt. Holden's br aus g Pathfinder II., 14-1½.
Mr. R. G. D. Thomas' ch aus g Waratah, 14-2.
Mr. G. H. Hilliard's cr aus m Sunflower, 14-0½.

HUNTERS' FLAT RACE.—1½ mile.

Mr. Bell-Irving's br aus g Fred.
Mr. H. K. Pierson's ch aus m Queen of Hearts.
Mr. J. G. Evers' b aus g Orphan Boy.
Mr. Glen's b e g Tiritiri.
Mr. K. M. Hamilton's b aus f g Pretendet.
Mr. Cowper's b aus g Danger.
Mr. Cowper's br aus g Jacinth.
Mr. R. A. C. Pugh's b aus g Posey.
Mr. N. R. Tanners' b aus m Ruby.
Mr. G. B. Deakin's gr aus m Blue Bell II.
Mr. G. B. Deakin's b aus g Trilby.
Mr. J. Mitchell's br aus g Sauce.
Mr. F. Curtes Hayward's b aus m Sylvia.
Capt. Holden's b aus g Lord Harry.
Mr. M. Turner's b aus g Fusilier.
Dr. W. Hossack's ch aus m Lady Gold.
Mr. L. Walker's b aus g Detective.

MAYO PLATE.—5 furlongs.

Messrs. McCall and Crichton's b aus m Madamoiselle, 14-0.
Col. C. H. Stisted's ch aus g First Bell, 14-0.
Mr. N. H. Khan's br aus m Mayroid, 13-3½.
Mr. J. D. Scott's b ch m Gentle Lady, 14-2.
Mr. J. D. Scott's ch cb r m Esmiralda, 14-0½.
H. H. Maharajah of Cooch Behar's ch aus m Coin II., 13-3½.
Mr. A. N. Dass' b aus m Bessie, 14-0.
Mr. H. E. Smith's b aus g Native, 12-1½.

ESPLANADE PLATE.—6 furlongs.

Mr. Field's b aus m Solace.
Mr. D. B. Myers' b aus g Bon Bon.
Mrs. A. Grosser's b aus g Cyril.
Capt. Holden's br aus g Craig.
Mr. D. B. Myers' b e m Vespasia.
Mr. S. Margrett's b aus g St. Michael.
Mr. D. Norton's br aus m Musette.
Mr. O. M. D. Bell's b aus g Botha.
Mr. J. M. Rodocanachi's b e m Downland.

Mr. J. G. Ballantyne's b aus g Clodian.
Mr. J. A. Manning's ch aus g Loyal.
Mr. Alec's b aus g Lord D.
Mr. Field's b e g Nirvana.
Messrs. Hudson and Butler's bk e m Mercedes.
Mr. Holmes' ch e m Rather Rakish.
Mr. E. J. Marshall's ch e g Galley Slave.
Mr. Charles' ch aus m Woodbine.
Mr. Dudley's b aus g Coronet.
Mr. R. J. Farquharson's b aus g Recoil.
Mr. A. N. Dass' b aus h Trencherman.
Mr. A. N. Dass' b aus g Mulison.
Mr. W. B. Green's b aus m Prolecture.
Mr. W. B. Green's b aus m Leading Lady.
Mr. H. E. Smith's b aus g All Pink.

VALENTINE PLATE.—R. C.

Mr. Charles' b e h Steinhager.
Mr. Charles' b e g Pendrel.
Mr. D. B. Myers' b aus g Bon Bon.
Mrs. A. Grosser's b e m Merry Elsie.
Mr. O. M. D. Bell's br aus h Mount Dane.
Mr. H. V. Low's b aus m Vinolia.
Mr. Dartmoor's b e g Bundook.
Mr. Dartmoor's b aus g Defendant.
Mr. Field's b e g Nirvana.
Messrs. Hudson and Butler's br e m Blitzen.
Mr. J. D. Scott's b e m Despedido.
Mr. R. D. Coggan's ch aus m Pallas.
Mr. W. H. Walmsley's ch em Scamander.
Mr. B. B.'s b e m Bouquet.
Mr. B. B.'s ch aus m Leda.
Mr. Stead's br or ch aus m Palindrome.
Mr. A. N. Dass' b aus h Trencherman.
Mr. A. N. Dass' b e g Insurrection.
Mr. H. E. Smith's b aus g All Pink.

Ponies.

C. T. C. Measurements.

CALCUTTA.

The following ponies were classed, aged and measured, at Calcutta, on 30th January 1907, by the Official Measurer :—

Name.	*Description.*	*Owner's Name.*	*Age.*	*Height.*	*Period.*
Dynamite	br aus g	Mr. E. H. Corbett	Aged	14-1¼	For life.
Haphazard	gr aus g	Babu S. N. Bagchi	6	14-1	For life.

W. I. T. C. Measurements.

BOMBAY.

The following ponies were classed, aged and measured, by the Official Measurer, W. I. T. Club, at Bombay, on the 23rd January 1907.

Name.	*Description.*	*Owner's Name.*	*Age.*	*Height.*	*Period*
Ahoo	ch a h	Mr. Abdool Gany	6	14-0¾	For life.
Amood	ch a h	Mr. Khalil Dooree	4	13-2¾	31st March 1907.
Deenar	ch a h	Mr. Abdool Mohsen Sabeah	6	14-0¼	For life.
Express	g a h	Mr. Sheeth bin Saif	4	13-3	31st March 1907.
Fawoos	g a h	Mr. Yacoob Yussuff	4	13-2	31st March 1907.
Khanyab	b a h	Mr. Hajee Saleh	Aged	13-3¾	For life.
Mainstay	ch a h	Mr. W. G. Barton-Coulson	5	13-3	31st March 1907.
Turner	b a h	Mr. Tahar Yunis	6	14-0	For life.

The following horses were classed and aged, by the Official Measurer, W. I. T. Club, at Bombay, on the 23rd January 1907.

Azwar	g a h	Mr. Suleman Mahalla	3	...	31st December 1907.
Bay Arabia	b a h	Mr. S. N. Mahomed	3	...	31st December 1907.
Ejector	g a h	Mr. Athman Soomad	4	...	31st December 1907.
Flag	g a h	Mr. Saleh Tookmachi	6	...	.....
Hatim	ch a h	Mr. Essa Mulla Sooleman	5	...	31st December 1907.
Jazean	b a h	Mr. Abdul Kareem bin Mahomed	5	...	31st December 1907.
Krushan	ch a h	Aga Mirza Ahmed and S. A. Wahed	4	...	31st December 1907.
Noofal	b a h	Mr. Zaid bin Mahomed	3	...	31st December 1907.
Sherlock	b a h	Mr. A. Razak	5	...	31st December 1907.
Sir Roy	b a h	Mr. Tahar Yunis	4	...	31st December 1907.
Terdoe	b a h	Mr. Tahar Yunis	4	...	31st December 1907.

The following ponies were classed, aged and measured, by the Official Measurer, W. I. T. Club, at Bombay, on the 30th January 1907.

Dojan	b a h	Mr. Wahab bin Baker	6	13-3½	For life.
Meerjan	g a h	Mr. Haji Ali Khaderi	4	13-3¾	31st March 1907.
Misreef	g a h	Mr. Zaid bin Mahomed	4	13-2¼	31st March 1907.
Narcissus	b a h	Mr. W. J. Barton-Coulson	Aged	13-2¼	For life.
Sladin	b a h	Mr. Almas bin Abdoola	Aged	13-3	For life.

The following horses were classed and aged, by the Official Measurer, W. I. T. Club, at Bombay, on the 30th January 1907.

Bakhtayari	ch a h	Mr. Jaffer bin Hassan	4	...	31st December 1907.
Come Soon	b a h	Mr. Pestonjee Framjee	4	...	31st December 1907.
Petroleum	b a h	Mr. Toolsidas Tejpal	4	...	31st December 1907.

Sport in England.

(FROM THE HOME PAPERS.)

LONDON, *Friday, 25th January 1907.*

THE TURF.

HURST PARK.

AN anxious crowd of sportsmen thronged Waterloo Station on Saturday, the 19th instant, in two minds on the great question—to be or not to be. The information to pin one's faith upon lay in the announcement: "If it's no worse than at present, we shall race," but how bad it might be to be qualified by a "worse," we had only the London data to go upon, and the aspect was by no means rosy. However, the departure of the officials by the 11-35 train gave a lead generally followed, and the further we got afield the lighter grew the air, until at Hampton Court Station we reached the brightest stage, and all doubts were at once banished. Having to feel their way across the Waterloo points, the specials lost a bit of time, which a subsequent clearer run failed to make up, and with everybody late, and the doubt as to racing prevailing, the refreshment staff had to scurry round, as everyone at once went for Messrs. Bertram's hot lunch. We ought to be thankful for getting a day's sport, but, at the same time, the fog had marred the meeting, as the attendence proved comparatively meagre to what we are accustomed to at Hurst Park, with a general air of sport on sufferance about the proceedings. The going was capital, but the fog seemed to have an affinity for the course, particularly along the riverside, and therefore it is impossible to give anything more than a mere outline of the running. Details :—

TEDDINGTON SELLING HURDLE RACE—Of 100sovs.; second receives 5sovs. 2 miles.

Mr. J. B. Joel's b m Quassia, by Blue Green—Mara, aged, 11st. 7lbs.	Mr. Whitaker	1
Mr. F. W. Polehampton's b f Maria, 5yrs., 11st. 3lbs.	F Freemantle	2
Mr. H. Bonas' b h Morning Glass, aged, 11st. 7lbs.	P. Cowley	3
Mr. H. Escott's Apple, 4yrs., 10st. 2lbs	G. F. Butchers	0
Mr. H. M. Hartigan's Alannah, 6yrs., 11st. 2lbs.	H. Smythe	0
Mr. W. Bass' Wet Paint, aged, 11st. 7lbs.	Mr. Hastings	0
Mr. J. Lovey's Surbiton, aged, 11st. 7lbs.	E. Ward	0
Mr. A. Yates' The Hawk, aged 11st. 7lbs.	Mr. Bulteel	0
Capt. L. S. Denny's St. Cyprian, 5yrs., 10st. 12lbs.	L. Harland	0
Mr. F. Bishop's Adamas, 4yrs., 10st. 7lbs.	J. Hare	0
Mr. T. E. Gilbert's St. Colon, aged, 11st. 7lbs.	Mr. Gilbert	0

(*Winner trained by Whitaker.*)

BETTING: 2 to 1 agst. The Hawk, 4 to 1 each West Paint and Quassia, 8 to 1 each St. Colon and St. Cyprian, and 10 to 1 each others (offered).

Won easily by two lengths; a length and a half divided second and third.

WALTON SELLING STEEPLECHASE—Of 100sovs.; second receives 5sovs. 2 miles.

Miss E. M. Woodland's b g Bansha, by Thurles—Carol, aged, 12st.	R. Morgan	1
Mr. G. Edwardes' ch c Knight of the Garter, 5yrs., 11st. 7lbs.	J. O'Brien	2
Mr. R. Gore's ch g Orpington, aged, 12st.	P. Cowley	3
Mr. J. C. Allen Jeffery's Clandon Lad, aged, 11st. 7lbs.	J. Connor	0

(*Winner trained by McAllister.*)

BETTING: 2 to 1 on Bansha, 5 to 1 each agst. Clandon Lad and Orpington, and 8 to 1 Knight of the Garter.

Won all out by three-parts of a length; a bad third.

NEW YEAR HANDICAP HURDLE RACE—Of 150sovs.; second receives 20sovs., and the third 10sovs. 2 miles.

Mr. H. M. Hartigan's b c Dafila, by Laveno or Wildfowler—Raja, 4yrs., 11st. 10lbs.	T. Moran	1
Mr. C. Hibbert's b g Henley, 6yrs., 10st. 13lbs.	J. Nightingall	2
Col. R. L. Birkin's b h Baron Crafton, 6yrs., 11st. 12lbs.	F. Lawton	3
Mr. J. Tait's Adelia, 6yrs., 10st. 6lbs.	E. Driscoll	0
Mr. E. Lamb's Ancaster, aged, 11st. 12lbs.	H. Aylin	0
Mr. A. Stedall's Lord Toddington, 6yrs., 11st. 8lbs.	J. Dillon	0
Mr. H. Bonas' Gilbert Handley, aged, 10st. 13lbs.	P. Cowley	0
Mr. T. Nolan's Consequence, aged, 10st. 10lbs.	F. Mason	0

(*Winner trained by F. Hartigan.*)

BETTING: 9 to 4 agst. Baron Crafton, 4 to 1 each Dafila and Gilbert Handley, 7 to 1 Consequence, 8 to 1 each Ancaster and Henley, and 10 to 1 each others (offered).

Won in a canter by six lengths; three lengths divided second and third. Gilbert Handley was fourth, Adelia close up, and Lord Toddington beaten off.

SURBITON HANDICAP STEEPLECHASE—Of 120sovs.; 90sovs. for the winner, 20 for the second, and 10 for the third. 3 miles.

Mr. R. C. Hodgson's b c Lord Cork, by Donovan—Bonnie Lassie, 5yrs., 10st. 13lbs.	B. Morgan	1
Mr. R. Gore's b f Jackanapes, aged, 10st. 5lbs.	P. Cowley	2
Mr. C. B. Grant's b g Glenely, aged, 11st.	T. Dunn	3
Mr. J. Widger's Northern Light IV., aged, 11st. 10lbs.	Mr. J. Widger	0
Mr. F. White's Shaun Dhuv, aged, 10st. 12lbs.	E. Driscoll	0
Mr. P. E. Speakman's Buckaway II., aged, 10st. 7lbs.	W. Watkins	0
Mr. E. Christie Miller's Witney, aged, 10st. 10lbs.	W. Dollery	0
Mr. J. Wilkinson's Bridle Road, 6yrs., 10st. 8lbs.	F. Morgan	0

(*Winner trained by McAllister.*)

BETTING: 7 to 4 agst. Lord Cork, 100 to 30 Northern Light IV., 11 to 2 Witney, 7 to 1 Glenely, 8 to 1 Buckaway II., and 10 to 1 each others (offered).

Won in a canter by four lengths; a neck divided second and third. Northern Light IV. was fourth.

MAIDEN HURDLE RACE—Of 100sovs.; second receives 10sovs. 2 miles.

Mr. A. Stedall's b f Olitzka, by Ocean Wave—L'Excepcion, 4yrs., 10st. 7lbs.	J. Dillon	1
Mr. A. P. Cunliffe's ch h Lord Rossmore, aged, 11st. 7lbs.	F. Mason	2
Mr. H. Owen's ch c Frustrum, 4yrs., 11st.	E. Driscoll	3
Mr. T. C. Mundey's Eastern Glory, 4yrs., 10st. 9lbs.	G. F. Butchers	0
Mr. H. J. King's Carabane, 4yrs., 10st. 7lbs.	F. Freemantle	0
Mr. J. F. Appleyard's Given Up, 6yrs., 11st. 7lbs.	T. Dunn	0
Mr. C. Bewicke's McYardley, aged, 11st. 7lbs.	J. O'Brien	0
Col. R. L. Birkin's Goring Heath, 6yrs., 11st. 7lbs.	F. Lawton	0
Mr. G. M. Inglis' Keithock, 5yrs., 11st. 3lbs.	H. Aylin	0
Mr. W. F. Roy's Romany Rye, 4yrs., 11st.	D. Morris	0
Mr. R. W. Burrow's Lord Orville, 4yrs., 10st. 7lbs.	P. Cowley	0
Prince Hatzfeldt's Venetian, 4yrs., 10st. 7lbs.	E. R. Morgan	0
Mr. W. H. Pawson's Postscript, 4yrs., 10st. 7lbs.	R. Morgan	0

(*Winner trained by W. Nightingall.*)

BETTING: 11 to 10 agst. Frustrum, 8 to 1 each Lord Rossmore and Given Up, and 10 to 1 each others (offered).

Won by two lengths; a similar margin divided second and third. Eastern Glory was fourth, Given Up and Lord Orville close up, and Venetian beaten off.

WINDSOR.

Few sportsmen depressed by the fog in town—particularly that pea-soupy portion thereof that lies south-east—could have imagined that Windsor Castle, on the 21st instant, was figuratively "a palace lifting to eternal summer." Yet behind that cough-compelling curtain were bright skies flooding the big pastures with spring sunshine. Here one could breathe freely, and a few such days would do more to loosen the strings of the light catarrh than all the cough mixtures ever invented. In the absence of wind it was as mild as April, and, despite the deterrent effects of the early morning, a goodly company thoroughly enjoyed a day's outing on the Rays Meadows. Several prominent supporters of cross-country sport were present in the members' enclosure, in which the fair sex was numerously represented. Details :—

RAYS HANDICAP HURDLE RACE—Of 150sovs.; second to receive 15sovs. 2 miles.

Mr. G. Tait's br m Adelia, by Balsamo—Adelaide, 6yrs., 10st. 3lbs.	E. Driscoll	1
Mr. A. Fitzgerald's br g Myles-na-coppaleen, 6yrs., 10st. 11lbs.	D. Armstrong	2
Mr. J. North's b c Elston, 5yrs., 10st. 10lbs.	W. Hathaway	3
Mr. C. T. Pulley's Lennoxlove, 4yrs., 10st. 3lbs.	G. Butchers	0
Mr. A. Stedall's Scotch Mine, 4yrs., 10st.	J. Dillon	0
Mr. F. R. Hunt's Evasive, 4yrs., 10st. 11lbs.	W. Taylor	0
Mr. T. Clyde's Sachem, 6yrs., 12st. 2lbs.	J. O'Brien	0
Mr. T. Carr's Iddo, aged, 11st. 8lbs.	Mr. S. Bell	0
Sir H. Randall's Magic Lad, 5yrs., 10st. 8lbs.	T. Dunn	0

(*Winner trained by C. Waller.*)

BETTING: 5 to 2 each agst. Iddo and Evasive, 4 to 1 Magic Lad, 6 to 1 Adelia, 8 to 1 Lennoxlove, and 10 to 1 each others (offered).

Won by three-parts of a length; three lengths divided second and third. Lennoxlove (a head away) was fourth, Scotch Mine fifth, Evasive sixth, and Magic Lad (who jumped badly) last. Time—3mins. 58⅘secs.

TOWER SELLING HANDICAP STEEPLECHASE—Of 70sovs. 2 miles and 100 yards.

Mr. H. M. Dyas' ch g Lord Scattercash, by Fortunio—Scattercash, aged, 11st. 11lbs.	W. Taylor	1
Mr. W. E. Rendle's b m Little Snip, aged, 11st. 7lbs. (car. 11st. 12lbs.)	T. Dunn	2
Mr. H. J. Cove's br f Hermopolis, 5yrs., 10st. 10lbs.	Owner	3
Capt. L. S. Denny's Perdicus, aged, 11st. 10lbs.	Owner	0
Mr. C. E. Hawkins' Fair Future, aged, 11st. 8lbs.	Owner	0
Mr. W. F. Roy's Piet, aged, 11st. 11lb.	D. Morris	0

(*Winner trained by F. Hunt.*)

BETTING: 5 to 4 on Lord Scattercash, 4 to 1 agst. Little Snip, 6 to 1 Piet, 10 to 1 Perdicus, and 100 to 8 each others (offered).

Won comfortably by three lengths; six lengths was the margin between second and third. Perdicus was fourth, and Piet (who broke down) last. Time—4mins. 22⅕secs.

PADDOCK STEEPLECHASE—Of 70sovs.; second receives 5sovs. 2 miles and 100 yards.

Mr. A. Anderson's ch g Healthy Boy, by Sir Hugo—Mother Siegel, 5yrs., 11st. 13lbs.	E. Dodson	1
Mr. C. Bewicke's ch g Euceladus, 5yrs., 11st. 3lbs.	J. Terretta	2
Mr. R. W. Parr's b g Faithless Lad, 5yrs., 11st. 8lbs.	F. Freemantle	3
Mr. B. Hanbury's Dalmuir, 5yrs., 11st. 8lbs.	W. Rollason	0
Mr. G. P. Huntley's Kendal Gate, 4yrs., 10st. 5lbs.	T. Dunn	0
Mr. W. Silver's Lord Schomberg, 4yrs., 11st. 5lbs. (car. 10st. 7lbs.)	Owner	0

(*Winner trained by Macnee.*)

BETTING: 6 to 4 on Healthy Boy, 4 to 1 agst. Lord Schomberg and 10 to 1 each others (offered).

Won easily by three lengths; a bad third. Only those placed finished. Time—4mins. 27⅗secs.

That the times be out of joint is suggested by the American prediction of a long snap of cold weather. On the 23rd, however, gave colour to the prophecy, as the wind that's good for neither man nor beast whistled cold up the reaches of the Thames, with the only redeeming feature of its blowing with instead of against the visitor to the course, while before the second race it whirled the snowflakes down into Tattersall's whose occupants blessed the abutting members' pavilion for the partial shelter it afforded. Another good attendance is to be chronicled in the further enclosures, one, perhaps, of the compensations of the Street Betting Act, but the weather kept many holiday makers at home. To everyone's surprise the wintry morning changed to almost as bright an afternoon as on Monday, but brought signs of frost with it, as the course, from softness worked to stodge, the hoofs cutting clods out, and a frosty outlook greeted sportsmen, who gladly gained the shelter of the stations. Details :—

BOROUGH HANDICAP STEEPLECHASE PLATE—Of 150sovs.; second receives 15sovs. 2 miles and 100 yards.

Mr. A. P. Cunliffe's b c Jack Spratt, by Hackler—Mona, 5yrs., 10st. (car. 10st. 11lb.)	F. Mason	1
Mr. C. Kirkwood's b g Armature, aged, 11st. 13lbs.	Owner	2
Mr. J. M. Walpole's b g Royal Star, aged, 10st.	S. Childs	3
Mr. C. B. Grant's Glenely, aged, 11st.	T. Dunn	0
Mr. T. W. Blenkiron's Queen's Scholar, 6yrs., 11st. 4lbs.	J. Dillon	0
Mr. J. Baylis' Cracky, aged, 10st. 4lbs.	F. Paxton	0
Mr. J. Widger's Laveline, aged, 11st. 11lb. (car. 11st. 3lbs.)	Mr. J. Widger	0
Mr. W. Silver's Thurifer, aged, 11st. 7lbs.	Owner	0
Mr. H. M. Hartigan's Springmount, aged, 12st. 7lbs.	J. O'Brien	0
Mr. L. de Rothschild's Key West, aged, 11st. 7lbs.	E. Driscoll	0
Mr. J. C. Allen Jeffery's Amethyst, aged, 11st. 11lb.	Mr. Bulteel	0

(*Winner trained by H. Escott.*)

BETTING : 6 to 4 agst. Key Wet, 5 to 1 Armature, 7 to 1 each Laveline and Queen's Scholar, 8 to 1 Glenely, 10 to 1 Jack Spratt, 100 to 8 each others (offered).

Won a good race by a length and a half; a neck divided second and third. Glanely was fourth, Queen's Scholar fifth, Cracky sixth, Laveline seventh, Thurifer eighth, and Key West last. Time—4mins. 22⅘secs.

WEDNESDAY SELLING HANDICAP HURDLE RACE—Of 70sovs.; winner to be sold for 50sovs. 2 miles.

Mr. C. V. Tabor's b h Zampa, by St. Angelo—Hostage, aged, 11st. (car. 11st. 11lb.)	Owner	1
Mr. T. Sherwood's bl h Black and Star, aged, 11st. 11lb.	L. Sherwood	2
Mr. C. F. Young's ch f Vieille, 4yrs., 10st. 5lbs.	E. Driscoll	3
Mr. W. Derry's Wicker Work, 5yrs., 10st. 3lbs.	R. Burford	0
Mr. W. Downes' Gollanfield, aged, 11st. 6lbs.	A. Kenny	0
Sir. H. Randall's Cricket, 5yrs., 10st. 12lbs.	T. Dunn	0

(*Winner trained by Owner.*)

BETTING : Evens Vieille, 7 to 2 agst. Zampa, 6 to 1 Cricket, and 10 to 1 each others (offered). The *Sportsman* returns Zampa as 100 to 30 agst.

Won easily by five lengths; a length and a half separated second and third. Wicker Work was fourth, and Gollanfield beaten off. There was no bid for the winner.

SLOUGH HANDICAP HURDLE RACE—Of 70sovs.; second receives 5sovs. 2 miles.

Mr. N. M. Rhodes' ch h Orbel, by Orvieto—Idahbel, aged, 11st. 11lb.	W. Hathaway	1
Mr. W. Silver's b c Penshaw, 5yrs., 10st. 7lbs.	E. Driscoll	2
Mr. C. Bewicke's b f Heroine, 5yrs., 11st. 10lbs.	J. O'Brien	3
Mr. S. Evershed's Miss Foston, 5yrs., 10st. 7lbs.	Mr. Bulteel	0
Mr. F. R. Hunt's Sunburnt, aged, 11st. 11lb.	E. Spooner	0
Mr. C. T. Pulley's Ware, 4yrs., 10st. 8lbs.	G. Butchers	0
Mr. T. E. Gilbert's St. Colon, aged, 11st. 13lbs.	Mr. W. Gilbert	0
Mr. C. R. Hodgson's M.S., 4yrs., 11st. 4lbs.	R. Morgan	0

(*Winner trained by T. Filton.*)

BETTING : 2 to 1 agst. Sunburnt, 7 to 2 Orbel, 4 to 1 each M.S. and Ware, and 10 to 1 each others (offered).

Won cleverly by a length and a half; two lengths divided second and third. Miss Foston was fourth, Sunburnt fifth, Ware sixth and M.S. last. Time—1mins. 5⅗secs.

FOOTBALL. ASSOCIATION RULES.

Although the fog was general throughout the country on Saturday, and particularly thick in some parts, only two matches in the leading Leagues were abandoned, Bradford and Chelsea being unable to try conclusions at Bradford, and the West Bromwich Albion *vs.* Barnsley game at the Hawthorns was brought to a summary close in the second half while the score sheet was still a blank. In the ten S. L games the home teams had a glorious time, eight of them winning both points, and the remaining two sharing them with their opponents, Thirty goals were obtained, and of these the large proportion of 24 were credited to home elevens, a paltry half-dozen being the aggregate of visiting sides. Six clubs failed to open their account, but Queen's Park Rangers *vs.* Brentford, at Park Royal, was the only game in which there was no scoring. In the First Division of the League the tally of goals was 31, of which ten were contributed by one game. The scoring was more fairly distributed between home and visiting clubs than in the S. L., the numbers in favour of the former being 18 as against 13. Five home clubs won, three visiting sides captured all the points, and there were two drawn games. The teams who unsuccessfully endeavoured to find the net numbered six, two more than in the Second Division of the League. Here home clubs were put through their paces, as only three won, while four lost, and one game was drawn. Thee ight games produced 29 goals, 16 being scored by home elevens and 13 by visitors.

CHAMPIONS WIN; LEADERS LOSE.

The tit-bit of the afternoon in the Southern League was the game at Craven Cottage between Fulham, the holders of the shield, and the Crystal Palace, the proud conquerors of Newcastle United. Under ordinary circumstances the game would have been most attractive, but a fortnight hence the same clubs have to meet at Craven Cottage in the second round of the F.A. Cup. Fulham had had a hard game on Wednesday against Stockport County, whereas the Palace had been able to take things quietly, but their win at Newcastle did not leave them unscathed, and both Woodger and Ryan were absentees. This was a serious handicap for the Palace, but they entered upon their work in earnest style, and it was a thousand pities that the fog fiend shut out from view so much of the game. It was a struggle worthy of the teams—at least, that is the verdict of those who were able to follow the play from the field. The balance of the exchanges was certainly easily in favour of Fulham, but the Palace defence was of that worrying, terrier-like kind, which nipped the well-meant efforts of their opponents in the bud. Thus at half-time there was no score, and in the second section of the game fortune so far smiled upon the visitors that they took the lead, Astley coolly placing the ball past Fryer. This was sufficient to rouse the Cottagers, and to the finish they were the better team. A couple of goals quickly scored gave them the lead, and they never looked like losing it. The points went to the side which deserved them, but the Palace were not on top of their form, although they struggled splendidly to the close. As Portsmouth went under at Reading by a couple of goals, Fulham return to the head of affairs, but they are only a point to the good, and have played two more matches than Portsmouth. The latter found Reading in better form than when they were at Portsmouth in September. There is no doubt, however, that the severe games with Manchester United had robbed the visitors of some of their sting, and Reading, playing with much determination, won their fourth successive home game. This was Portsmouth's first defeat since 1st December, when they were beaten 1—0 at the Crystal Palace.

INTERESTING LONDON GAMES.

Tottenham Hotspur put a somewhat unfamiliar team in the field against Swindon at the White Hart ground, but it was more than equal to the occasion, and it emphasised what a rich reserve of strength the club possesses in players usually unable to find a place in the first eleven. At least a half-dozen of the side which took the field against Hull were missing, but there was no perceptible weakening of either the attack or the defence as the game went. Swindon had shared the points with Tottenham in September, but on Saturday, although at full strength they could not keep the insistent, thrusting North Londoners at bay, and the 3—0 defeat inflicted upon them is the heaviest of the season, the only other club to score three goals against them being Crystal Palace, who won at home on 13th October by the odd goal in five. When Norwich City last visited West Ham. in search of S. L. points they were defeated 6—1, but in the opening month of this season the Citizens won at home 3—2. Only twice had they been beaten on opponents' grounds prior to Saturday, the last time they lost two points being nearly three months ago at Brentford. West Ham. are now playing in irresistible style, and the powerful defence of Norwich could not hold out against the skilful display of the home forwards, backed up by excellent work in the other departments. Norwich lost on their merits. Last season Brentford captured three points from the Rangers, and they have repeated their performances in 1906-7, the only difference being that in the present campaign they won at home and played a drawn game away, while in 1905-6 they were all square at Brentford and won at Park Royal. On Saturday the defence was superior to the attack on both sides, but the Rangers should have converted some of the chances which came their way.

IN THE COUNTRY.

Luton and Southampton have each won on their own ground this season, and each have scored a couple of goals. True to their traditions when at the Dell, the Beds team, who were without Hawkes, their brilliant, amateur half and skipper, made strenuous attempts to at least share the spoils, but the Sotonians were bent on victory and they had no more than their deserts when they scored just before the interval. Both sets of forwards subsequently made many ineffectual efforts to break down the opposing defence, but without avail, and Luton were worsted. Watford were in a rampant mood at Cassio-road. This was their first League game since their humiliation at Millwall, and Leyton were the unfortunate victims of their evident determination to show they could score goals as well as give them away. The defeat of 6—2 is not the worst defeat of the East Londoners, but is the first time that a half-dozen goals have been scored against them this season. The Bristol Rovers had their revenge at home on Plymouth Argyle for last season's sensational result in the corresponding game, and in a lesser degree for the 3—0 defeat at Plymouth four months ago. The Rovers, who have had only one goal scored against them on their own ground in their last five League games, showed capital all-round form, and have only to reproduce it on foreign soil to improve their position in the table. Brighton and Hove gave further evidence of their ability by the comfortable way in which they disposed of New Brompton, whose Cup tie replay had greatly discounted their chances of success, never of a rosy character. Millwall earned their first point away from home since 14th November, and the result at Northampton is similar to that of last season. This partial success will give much-needed encouragement to the Dockers in their forthcoming away engagements.

S. L. TABLE.

Saturday's games have caused a considerable shuffling of places in the table, particularly among the first four Clubs. Reading have made a welcome advance, and West Ham. are in a strong position. Northampton and New Brompton will have to do something heroic if they escape from their present unenviable positions.

	P.	W.	L.	D.	Goals For	Goals Agst.	Pts.
Fulham ...	23	11	3	9	34	23	31
Portsmouth ...	21	13	4	4	38	18	30
Tottenham Hotspur	23	11	6	6	49	28	28
Norwich City ..	23	9	5	9	39	30	27
West Ham. United ...	22	9	5	8	40	28	26
Brighton and Hove .	23	10	7	6	31	28	26
Bristol Rovers ...	23	10	8	5	35	28	25
Brentford	21	10	7	4	31	28	24
Southampton ...	22	9	8	5	31	28	23
Watford	22	7	6	9	26	31	23
Plymouth Argyle ...	24	7	7	8	31	33	22
Swindon Town ...	22	6	8	8	23	23	20
Luton Town ...	21	8	10	3	24	38	19
Millwall	23	7	12	4	39	43	18
Reading	21	8	12	1	34	29	17
Crystal Palace ...	21	7	11	3	31	31	17
Leyton ...	21	6	10	5	26	44	17
Queen's Park Rangers ...	20	5	9	6	23	29	16
New Brompton ...	21	6	13	2	21	39	14
Northampton ...	21	3	11	7	18	45	13

THE ARSENAL SUCCEED AT HOME.

Preston North End have not shown superlatively good form away from home this season, but they were particularly anxious to make the prophets look stupid with regard to their predictions of the result of the game at Woolwich. On 15th September the Arsenal had the temerity to go to Preston, and defeat the team of the Proud Town by three clear goals. Preston naturally did not like it. No other club has scored three goals at Deepdale this season against the home side, and it is understandable why the Lancastrians were so anxious to follow Sunderland's example, in returning from Plumstead with two points safely in their possession. The public were evidently doubtful whether the game would be played, as they did not roll up in the usual numbers, but there were some few thousands, and they waxed enthusiastic over the pretty footwork of the home forwards, and the effectual spoiling tactics of the halves and backs. The forwards in the early stages were most conspicuous, and the Gunners always looked like a winning side when eight minutes from the start Coleman slipped between the backs and found the corner of the net with the ball. Against a less resolute defence the home forwards would have scored heavily, but Rodway and Lavery tackled and kicked as if their lives depended upon their efforts. Their policy was to clear at any price, and it would have been better for their forwards had they at times been more deliberate in their methods. Judged as a whole, the Reds were masters of the situation throughout, and the goal to love victory does not adequately represent their superiority.

BRISTOL CITY BRILLIANT.

One of the features of the League tournament of late is the remarkable consistency of the Bristol City team. On 1st December they lost by the odd goal in five at Aston to the Villa, but since then they have played eight games, and not once have they been on the losing side. The value of their performances is enhanced when it is borne in mind that four have been away matches, and of these two were won and two drawn, their latest achievement being the defeat of Blackburn Rovers, who have been recently playing, especially at home, in a manner reminiscent of their palmy days. Taking five successive home League fixtures prior to Saturday, I find that they won four and one was drawn, two of the defeated teams being Newcastle United and Aston Villa. The representatives of the Western City are the surprise of the season. Those responsible for the management of the team have had the courage of their convictions. They took the view that the men who had so brilliantly piloted the club through the troubled waters of the Second Division would be able to steer it through the shoals and quicksands of the premier division, and the results to date have abundantly justified their confidence.

OTHER LEAGUE GAMES.

The great game in Saturday's list was that at Everton between the leaders and Newcastle United. Much depended upon the result. A win for the visitors would have meant the deposition of Everton from the head of the table, and as the F. A. Cup-holders had no intention of vacating this giddy eminence they had wound themselves up to concert pitch, and Newcastle had to submit to a three clear goals defeat. Everton are not likely to retain the lead, as the United have much the easier programme, and a big balance of home games to play. Derby County were expected not to unduly exert themselves, in view of their second replay in the Cup on Monday, and the Wanderers from Bolton beat them by the only goal scored. Manchester United found their form against Sheffield United, who have evidently struck a bad patch, and Bury followed up their last week's success with a fine win over Manchester City. The game at Sunderland was remarkable in the extreme. At half-time the Liverpool had the apparently winning lead of 4—1, but at the finish honours were even at 5—5. It was the heaviest score of the season both for and against Sunderland, but thrice previously Liverpool have scored five goals, and on another occasion six. Sunderland are to be congratulated on their pluck in pulling an apparently hopelessly lost game out of the fire. The two Birmingham teams renewed acquaintance at St. Andrew's, and Aston Villa had to submit to the inevitable the ex-Heathens obtaining three of the five goals scored. Middlesbrough paid Sheffield Wednesday back in their own coin, the 2—0 win of the Tees-siders being a Roland for the Oliver of September last at Ayresome Park. I have frequently urged that Middlesbrough would be well clear of the eighteenth place when the table was finally made up, and they may yet find themselves in an eminently respectable position. Stoke and Notts County, in halving the points, did not do much damage to each other.

LEAGUE I. TABLE.

It will be noticed that the two Southern teams are now third and fourth in the table, and that Everton with a three points lead over Newcastle, have played two more games.

	P.	W.	L.	D	Goals For	Goals Agst.	Pts.
Everton ...	25	16	6	4	[illegible]	[illegible]	36
Newcastle United ...	23	14	5	4	45	27	32
Woolwich Arsenal ...	23	13	6	4	45	34	30
Bristol City ...	23	11	6	6	42	29	28
Aston Villa	25	12	9	4	48	38	28
Sheffield Wednesday	23	9	5	9	34	30	27
Bolton Wanderers ...	24	10	7	7	35	31	27
Sheffield United ...	24	10	7	6	36	37	26
Birmingham	24	11	10	3	36	34	25
Preston North End ...	24	10	10	4	30	37	24
Manchester United ...	24	8	10	6	24	30	22
Blackburn Rovers ...	24	8	11	5	36	35	21
Sunderland	20	7	6	7	32	32	21
Liverpool	23	8	11	4	41	40	20
Bury	25	8	13	4	40	47	20
Middlesbrough ...	24	7	12	5	33	45	19
Manchester City ...	24	6	11	7	33	50	19
Derby County ...	24	6	12	6	23	30	18
Notts County ...	23	2	10	11	19	33	15
Stoke	24	4	13	7	23	40	15

THE SECOND DIVISION.

To Southerners the most interesting fixture on the list in the Second Division on Saturday was the Bradford *vs.* Chelsea game, but a pall of fog compelled its abandonment, and it will now be played on 19th March. Barnsley appear to have held their own against West Bromwich until play was perforce stopped, and in the other eight games there were some unexpected results. Gainsborough, after seven successive defeats away from home, won at Hull by 4—2, and the merit of their performance is emphasised by the fact that only one team has previously scored so many as two goals on the City ground in one afternoon. Stockport, too, by beating Chesterfield by a couple of goals, did something that was unexpected, and the successes of Grimsby at Burton, and the Wolverhampton Wanderers at Blackpool were mild surprises. Another curiosity of the afternoon was the draw at Leicester between the Fosse and Leeds City, as this was the first point the Midland team have given away at home this season, their 13 previous games having provided them with 26 points. The only club to obtain every possible point from home matches is Chelsea, who also hold the record for away successes to date. Clapton Orient were most disappointing at Glossop, Burslem were outplayed at Lincoln, and Nottingham Forest helped themselves to a couple of points at the expense of Burnley, who have now lost seven matches off the reel away from home.

LEAGUE II. TABLE.

Although they did not play on Saturday, Chelsea and West Bromwich retain first and second places respectively. Clapton Orient are much too near the foot to be pleasant, but they should escape the last three places.

	P.	W.	L.	D.	Goals For	Goals Agst.	Pts.
Chelsea	21	15	3	3	40	16	33
West Bromwich Albion ...	22	15	6	1	60	25	31
Leicester Fosse ...	23	14	6	3	44	23	31
Notts Forest ...	22	14	6	2	42	28	30
Bradford City ...	22	11	7	4	38	30	26
Wolverhampton Wands....	24	11	10	3	43	37	25
Gainsborough Trinity ...	25	11	11	3	32	44	25
Hull City	23	11	10	2	41	32	24
Stockport County ...	23	9	8	6	28	31	24
Burnley	23	11	11	1	38	27	23
Barnsley	22	10	10	2	45	30	22
Grimsby Town ...	22	9	11	2	32	35	20
Burslem Port Vale ...	22	9	12	1	41	53	19
Lincoln City ...	22	8	11	3	27	35	19
Chesterfield	24	7	13	4	31	37	18
Leeds City	23	6	11	6	31	40	18
Clapton Orient ...	23	7	12	4	31	45	18
Blackpool	23	6	12	5	20	35	17
Glossop	21	8	12	1	28	53	17
Burton United ...	22	5	15	2	19	48	12

SCOTTISH FOOTBALL NOTES.

Scottish clubs are busy getting ready for the Cup ties on Saturday, and several clubs are on the look-out for new recruits. Going by Saturday's League matches, we may expect a few surprises for the clubs which did best in this competition have recently slowly but surely gone off. The most notable cases are Celtic, Falkirk, and Airdrieonians. True, the Celtic have won their last two matches, but the games have been about the worst exhibitions they have given this season, and they only got the better of Morton by the odd goal. Falkirk are disappointing their supporters now, and the easy manner in which Hamilton Academicals beat them gives little hope of their getting further than the first round of the Scottish Cup. They meet Rangers, and the Ibrox Club are getting back to something like their old form. Between accidents and influenza they have had a hard time of it, and it is expected that on Saturday they will have the assistance of George Livingstone, late of Manchester City.

At Airdrie, Rangers gave a very bright display, and have to thank their veteran Alec Smith for the victory.

One of the best games of the day was between Queen's Park and 3rd Lanark, and the division of the points was fair to all concerned. The opening dash of the amateurs took the 3rd Lanark men by surprise and T. T. Fitchie's beautiful pass in was good to watch. It was one of the best displays the ex-Woolwich Arsenal player has given in Glasgow, and it was especially welcome in view of the Cup tie at Attbroath.

Hamilton Academicals have made a good capture in Garret, late Glenbuck Juniors, an outside right with a rare turn of speed. He gave the Falkirk defence a busy time of it.

Hearts travelled to Port Glasgow without Thomson and Walker. They managed to get one point, but had great luck, the only redeeming feature being the saving of Allan, their goalkeeper.

At home both Aberdeen and Dundee were too strong for Kilmarnock and Motherwell respectively, and both games were remarkable for the goals that were missed.

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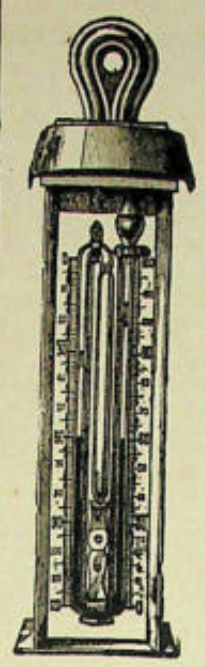

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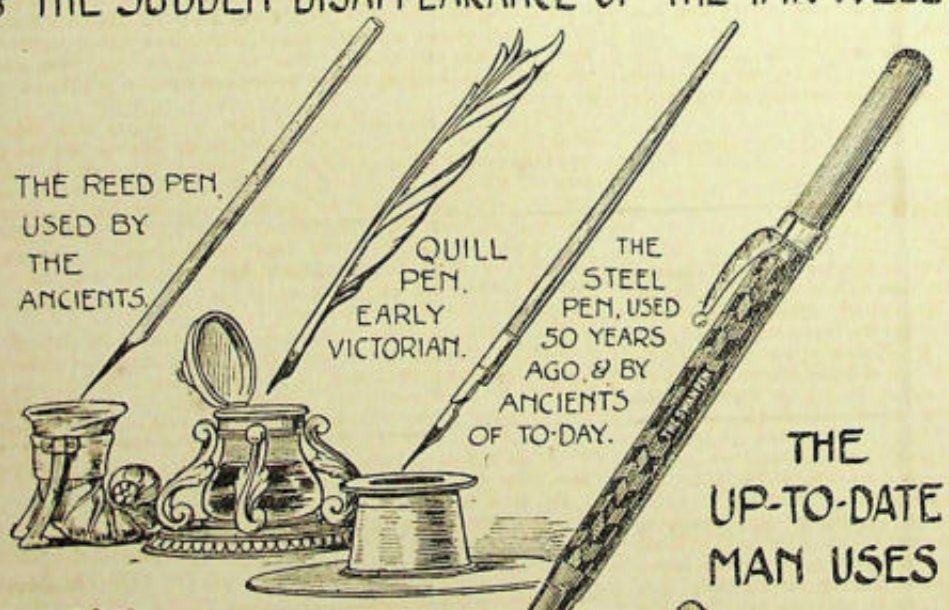

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BILLIARDS.

LOVEJOY'S DOUBLE RECORD.

Saturday was a day long to be remembered by those who were fortunate enough to witness the conclusion of play at Messrs. Cox and Yeman's Billiard Hall, Brompton Road, S. W.

Long before the start the hall was packed to its utmost capacity, and there was not even standing room in any part. A big crowd had come to witness the continuation of Lovejoy's remarkable break, and a great number went away disappointed at not being able to gain admission. A few minutes after three o'clock the players made their appearance, and Lovejoy received quite an ovation.

Excitement ran high as he was seen to drop into position at the top left-hand cushion section of the table, having previously satisfied himself that the balls had been replaced by the referee in the exact position that they were when he left off play overnight. The merest fraction of an inch would have made all the difference in his not being able to continue with the stroke that has created such immense interest in the billiard world.

With his "bridge" firmly made, and the cue evenly balanced, he proceeded to make the first stroke that was to continue the break. He carefully struck his ball, and the cannon was safely made.

Then it was apparent that his previous record would be safely passed, as he only wanted two more cannons. Passing his previous record break of 463 (which included 146 cannons), made against H. W. Stevenson at Oldham on 5th October 1906, he kept in position with this identical cannon stroke till at 15,081 he momentarily hesitated. The break at this time had reached 572 (272 cannons). A little later the striker was observed to be very apprehensive, a twitching of the fingers denoting that he was in a state of great nervous excitement.

The strain eventually proved too much for him. Playing ten cannons more, and reaching 15,101, he lost touch, leaving his ball midway between the red and Harverson's ball. Playing two more close cannons, he then potted the red into the top left corner pocket, played another ball-to-ball cannon, and broke down at the next stroke—an attempt to run through the white into the top right corner pocket. The full break amounted to 603, including a run of 284 consecutive cannons.

This, of course, is Lovejoy's record break under the Billiard Association rules with ivory balls upon a Standard table, and, in addition, creates a new cannon record, the previous highest being a run of 159 consecutive cannons by W. Cook, on 23rd October 1905, at the Grand Hall, Leicester Square, W. C. The time occupied by Lovejoy in making the full break was a shade under seventeen minutes, the last 145 points, the number added on Saturday afternoon, occupying four minutes.

A storm of applause burst from the spectators in recognition of Lovejoy's extraordinary performance, and so ended what is unquestionably one of the most remarkable breaks known in the history of the game.

Singular to remark, Lovejoy did nothing of note afterwards; his best breaks during the session, which was a very lengthy one, being 25, 54, 41, 76, and 44 respectively. In justice it must be said that he was blessed with none the best of the leaves, but at times he had opportunities for scoring, of which he certainly did not avail himself.

Harverson, on the other hand, came along at a terrific rate and in compiling breaks of 113, 122, 219, 90, 50, 194, 152, 83 and 71, showed of what stubborn fighting material he is made, and what he is capable of doing when he is behind. As evidence of the remarkable pluck Harverson possesses when he apparently is hopelessly in the rear, and the odds look like a hundred to one against him, he aggregated 1,794 points to Lovejoy's 515.

The evening play of Lovejoy was quite a reversal of the afternoon's display. His first effort was 143, and then he faced four safety misses, going out at his eleventh and last visit with a magnificient break of 312 (unfinished) principally compiled at the top of the table.

Lovejoy thus won the match—which was 16,000 up Harverson conceding 3,600 start for £25 a side under B.A. rules, with ivory balls—by 732 points.

ROWING.

THE UNIVERSITY BOAT RACE.

OXFORD.

There were twelve degrees of frost on Tuesday night at Oxford, and throughout yesterday the thermometer was never above the freezing point, while the bitter east wind did not improve matters. Mr. Gold coached, and had the company of the Leander oarsman, Captain Willis, who was also on horseback.

The work was not of a very arduous character, tubbing being entirely dispensed with, and they only had a couple of spins over the short course in the eight at a stroke varying from 26 to 27 per minute.

On both occasions they came through in one piece, and if the rowing did not greatly impress the few onlookers who braved the weather, there was some excuse, for the wind gave the crew a lot of bother, especially at the crossings. The order on the way back was the same as on Tuesday, but the second time down Heard resumed his place at bow, *vice* Somers-Smith. This, however, was the only alteration. Names and weights:—

		st.	lbs.
	W. T. Heard (Balliol) (bow)	11	3½
2.	H. C. Bucknall (Merton)	11	3½
3.	G. E. Hope (Christ Church)	12	8
4.	R. M. Peat (Trinity)	11	10
5.	J. A. Gillam (Magdalen)	12	1
6.	A. G. Kirby (Magdalen)	13	7
7.	E. H. L. Southwell (Magdalen)	11	12
	A. C. Gladstone (Christ Church) (stroke) ...	10	11½
	A. W. Donkin (Magdalen) (cox)	8	5

CAMBRIDGE.

Again yesterday bitterly cold weather prevailed at the Light Blue 'Varsity, and the work was confined to the eight. The crew got afloat at the usual time, there being no changes from Tuesday's order.

The work undertaken was of a heavy character, and what few easies were taken were very brief. The water was not quite so rough as on the previous day, but the crew did better, and were several seconds faster over the same stretch of water. When they were fully exposed to the wind they rolled very badly and were noticed to be down on the bow side a good deal.

Getting away from the Goldie Boathouse at a stroke of 24, they pulled to the Chesterton Horse Grind, and then on to the Pike and Eel. From here to the Locks, a distance of about a mile and a half, they paddled without a stop. The average rate of striking was 25, while in the various reaches they rowed for a few strokes, but never attempted more than 28. As the crew got tired they lost their life and rhythm.

Having turned, they paddled and rowed to Grassy Corner, where without stopping they rowed for half a minute at 32. They pulled to Ditton Corner, and then rowed right through to the Horse Grind at an average stroke of 29. After a brief rest they paddled home at a lively stroke. Mr. Escombe coached, and was accompanied by Sir W. B. Savory. Order and latest weights:—

		st.	lbs.
	E. W. Powell (Third Trinity) (bow) ...	11	8½
2.	F. G. Hudson (Jesus)	12	0
3.	H. M. Goldsmith (Jesus)	12	4½
4.	J. S. Burn (First Trinity)	12	10½
5.	H. G. Baynes (First Trinity)	14	2½
6.	O. Shimwell (Trinity Hall)	13	4
7.	B. C. Johnstone (Third Trinity)	12	8
	D. C. R. Stuart (Trinity Hall) (stroke) ...	11	0½
	T. More (Caius) (cox)	8	6

BOXING.

HEAVY-WEIGHT CHAMPIONSHIP.

The much-discussed match between Gunner Moir (champion of England) and "Tiger" Smith (champion of India) is at length made, and should create a tremendous amount of interest. It will be remembered that after "Tiger" Smith's lucky victory over Seaman Kelly, the winner's partisans at once signified their intention of supporting their man to meet the holder of the championship for the title. Owing, however, to the proposed meeting with Jack O'Brien, the match for a while hung fire.

Now that negotiations have been broken off with O'Brien, Moir has consented to meet Smith, and yesterday the pair attended headquarters for the signing of articles. Smith, the ex-miner, who, since his return home from India, has been residing at Merthyr Tydvil, journeyed up to the metropolis. It was soon apparent that each was anxious to clinch matters, and with very little controversy articles were signed.

The outcome, therefore, is that Gunner Moir (London) and "Tiger" Smith (Merthyr Tydvil) agree to box twenty rounds for £500 a side, and the £3,550 purse given by the National Sporting Club, where the contest is fixed to take place on 25th February £100 a side was deposited upon signing articles, and the second and final deposit of £100 is due on 11th February. In addition, 25 per cent. of the profits derived from the cinematographic pictures of the contest will be divided between the contestants.

Hunting.

THE KARACHI HUNT.

31st January.—The hounds met at the Chaukidar's Khet at 7-15 A.M. It was a nice cold morning, and the Master had 10 couple of hounds out, all the picture of keenness and health. Drawing the scrub, at the end of the khet, the hounds found and went away smarly, in the direction of Oomer Dosal's Khete, but the jack was turned by some labourers, and doubled sharp back towards the river bed which he crossed. We had a short check owing to the hounds over-running the scent, but a cast back put them right, and they worked out the line, hunting beautifully together, past the Ruined Cottage, and along the Long Bund. Hunting with a fine spread they crossed the bare path, and on across the nullah, finally killing near the foot of the hills after a good 30 minutes.

3rd February.—The hounds met at the Bunnia's Crossing at 7-15 sharp, when a good field turned out, notwithstanding the wet. Mrs. Travers and Mrs. Graham were the only ladies out to face the elements. The Master commenced by drawing the orchards on the far bank, and then drew the Guavas, and the Rai Singh Khetes, all without finding. However, better luck was in store for us in the scrub near the Ruined Cottage, where a jack broke away towards the Chaukidar's Khet, but was turned near the village, and then set his mask for the Maggar Pir Hills, giving us an almost straight point of 3 to 4 miles. The hounds hunted fast and well, and pulled their quarry down at the very foot of the hills, when he had all but won his sanctuary. It came on pretty wet, but several of the keenest sportsmen, including Mr. Lucas, stayed, and were rewarded by a nice hunting run of 20 minutes, but the jack got away into the hills, and the hounds were whipped off homewards. The rain continued all the morning and we were all pretty wet by the time we got home.

SINDHI.

THE MADRAS HUNT.

THERE was a very large field out on Sunday, the 3rd instant, when there was a breakfast meet at the Kennels. Among those present were Mrs. Horne, Mrs. Miller, Mrs. Marjoribanks, Mrs. Branson, Mrs. Gifford, the Hon'ble Mr. Weir, Mr. A. G. Yorke, Colonel Brownrigg, Major Elliot, Mr. H. Irwin, and many others. With the meet at the Kennels we did not expect very much in the way of sport, for though there are plenty of jacks in the neighbourhood, especially in the sugarcane fields near the Adyar River, they have nowhere to go to when hounds are after them and are not accustomed to travel. All the same we had a very pleasant morning and hounds were busy all the time, the big field out having plenty to amuse them.

Hounds were first thrown into a sugarcane field near the Cenotaph Road and this and several others were tried without success. In the Government Farm, however, a jack was found in a field of grain and hounds soon opened on his line. For over an hour they hunted him industriously, up and down the Farm, which he seldom left and never for far, dodging round the grain and sugarcane and then round the clumps of guava on the banks of the Adyar. He proved a good and fast jack, though unenterprising, and whenever hounds got a view, which they did fairly often across the open fields, he was always too fast for them and invariably got to covert again. In the end, however, they wore him down, and racing him in view over the open country behind the Collector's office, rolled him over on the bank of a small tank into which he and the hounds fell together. The water was fairly deep and hounds either killed him in it or drowned him, for he sank and could not be got at. Hounds had moved off before his body was got out of the tank by some coolies and the brush was presented to Mrs. Marjoribanks.

It was now growing late, but it was too soon to stop, although hounds had had already a good deal to do, so they were taken across the road above the Long Tank and then into the thick and trying jungle behind the Collector's house. It was not long before they opened on a line, as these coverts are always full of jacks, but they are the worst of all possible places to hunt in. Hounds gave their jack no rest, bustling him round and round until he at last broke across the Railway. This was no improvement, unfortunately, for a stretch of country worse, if possible than that we had come from lies between the Railway and the Adyar. This he never left and shortly before nine o'clock hounds were stopped, as the sun was getting far too hot for them.

The field then adjourned to the Adyar Club, where the Hunt staff were "At Home," for breakfast.

On Wednesday last the meet was at Vellacheri, and as there had been a dance the night before and other functions, the field was a very small one, only about half a dozen men and two ladies being present. There were also a few horses out whose owners failed to turn up and one belated sportsman found hounds on their way home. The jack, too, was a small one, hounds having had a hard day on Sunday and the Master deciding to give many of them a much needed rest. Hounds were sent first into the Vellacheri covert, then across the swamp, to Fox Hill and then to the outlying covert where, last time we met in this direction a brace of jacks had been at home. All efforts to find a jack were unsuccessful and the Master then moved across to the long coverts where also it was sometimes before anything was discovered. Hounds at last opened on a line in some long grass down on the far side near the canal and held it. Slowly, with frequent checks in a northerly direction across very dry and sandy fields. The line pointed for a thick plantation of young casuarinas, so hounds were held forward to this and pricked up the line in it almost immediately. The jack broke after running a couple of rings round the plantation, the leading hounds being in view, pointing in the direction of Vellacheri. There were many small plantations and much scrub about and in these hounds soon lost their view but they ran a very good pace right to the Lattice Bridge end of the coverts. Then bending right handed, the jack made for canal across the open and nearing the canal, hounds got another view and, his heart failing him, the jack turned from the water and made straight for the cocoanut tope near Lattice Bridge. This gave us a mile of hard galloping over flat, open ground, with the jack in view and hounds straining to come up with him. He was just fast enough to hold them, however, and gained the covert, but here his strength ran out and they rolled him over. This was a good and fast gallop of fifteen miles' duration and had been preceded by some pretty slow hunting. It was quite early when they killed, but there was nowhere handy where they could draw again, so it was decided to take them home.

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Paperchasing.

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No VIII.

FOR the eighth chase the Honorary Secretaries had found a capital course through the heart of the Jodhpur country, although some of the best bits are still impassable. Starting behind the Thannah the course circled round on the near side of the railway, crossing the site of the new cemetery and afterwards following the main road for a short distance before turning into the jungle right handed. The journey through the enclosed country to the Tollygunge Lane was most enjoyable and after just crossing the line to make use of an old mud wall the paper turned for home, running back *viâ* the Ladies' Wall to the old finishing ground beside the Garia Hat Road.

H. E. The Viceroy with Lady Eileen and the Hon'ble Edmond Elliot went round with the paper which was again carried by Messrs. Deakin and Turner. The course must have been a trifle over four miles long and there were some eight or ten fences only *en route*.

Cain having returned to the fray Mr. Evers was able to pilot the large field through all the difficult places, but the pace was necessarily so steady that the leading dozen were close on each other's heels all the way. With the exception of a heavy weight, who succumbed to the first wall and was thoroughly well galloped over like Blucher at Ligny, nearly every one got the course in safety. I did meet one sportsman tramping it home to the finish but he seemed very cheerful and his horse was duly captured and restored to him later in the morning. The order in the Horse Chase was:—

1. Mr. Evers on Cain [tive
2. Mrs. L. Walker on Detec-
3. Mr. Ballantyne on Fairy
4. Mr. Robinson on Ryong
5. Mr. Halliday on Ruddigore
6. Mr. Levetus on Jorrocks

followed by Dr. Forsyth on Corydon, Lady Fox, Lord Harry, and others of the nobility and gentry too numerous for mention.

In the Pony Chase Mr. Kenneth Roberts on took a heavy toss at the first wall and after that Clarice led them all the way and came home cantering. The final order was:—

1. Mr. Muir on Clarice
2. Capt. Fitzmaurice on Brownie
3. Mr. Antram on Blazex
4. Mr. Barrow on Puck
5. Capt. Elgee and Mr. Bitson.

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Polo.

LUCKNOW TOURNAMENT.

THE SEMI-FINALS.

THE two games in the semi-finals of the Lucknow Polo Tournament which were played off on the Mahomed Bagh ground on Tuesday, the 5th instant, were both splendid exhibitions of polo, in which the sensational element was not lacking. There was a well filled gallery, nearly the whole of Lucknow society being represented. A high wind blew almost throughout the afternoon, and the ground was often enveloped in clouds of dust.

The game between the Durham Light Infantry and the Rifle Brigade was full of excitement from start to finish. The Durhams gave their opponents a hard task, but the splendid combination and accurate hitting of the Rifle Brigade gained them a somewhat easy victory by three goals and two subsidiaries to one goal by the Durham Light Infantry.

First Chukker.—The Rifle Brigade scored their first goal within a minute from the start.

Second Chukker.—Very fast play, the Rifle Brigade, who had the advantage almost throughout, scoring a subsidiary. *Score:* Rifle Brigade, 1 goal and 1 subsidiary; Durhams, *nil.*

Third Chukker.—The Rifle Brigade again had the best of this chukker, and made a goal from a well-directed shot. *Score:* Rifle Brigade, 2 goals and 2 subsidiaries; Durhams, *nil.*

Fourth Chukker.—The Durhams were unfortunate in not scoring at the opening of the chukker. The Rifles attacked, but the ball went out wide. No score.

Fifth Chukker.—The Rifle Brigade scored a goal. *Score:* Rifle Brigade, 3 goals, and 2 subsidiaries; Durhams, *nil.*

Sixth Chukker.—No score.

Seventh Chukker.—The Durhams scored their first goal amidst great applause.

Eighth Chukker.—No score. The Rifle Brigade won by 3 goals and 2 subsidiaries to 1 goal by the Durham Light Infantry. Teams:—

68TH DURHAM LIGHT INFANTRY.		RIFLE BRIGADE.	
Capt. Matthews ...	... 1	Capt. Harrison	... 1
Capt. Unthank ...	... 2	Capt. Bassett	... 2
Capt. Jeffreys ...	... 3	Mr. Tod ...	... 3
Capt. Wallace ...	(*back*)	Mr. Trafford	(*back*)

Umpires:—Captain Milvain and Mr. Tomkinson.

In the second game, between the Crusaders and the Royal Dragoons Subalterns, the Crusaders were superior in combination though the final score hardly represents the respective strength of the two teams. A high wind blew during the latter half of the game.

First Chukker.—No score. Though the Crusaders had two shots at goal, which missed the mark.

Second Chukker.—The Crusaders scored a goal, followed by two subsidiaries.

Third Chukker.—The Royals retaliated with a goal.

Fourth Chukker.—No score.

Fifth Chukker.—The Crusaders hit a subsidiary. *Score:* Crusaders, 1 goal and 3 subsidiaries; Royals, 1 goal.

Sixth Chukker.—The Crusaders scored a goal from a magnificent shot by Farran.

Seventh Chukker.—No score.

Eighth Chukker.—No score. The Crusaders won by 2 goals and 3 subsidiaries to 1 goal by the Royal Dragoons Subalterns. Teams:—

THE CRUSADERS.		ROYAL DRAGOONS SUBALTERNS.	
Hon. C. A. J. Annesley	... 1	Lieut. Chapman	... 1
Mr. W. Watson	... 2	Lieut. Miles ...	... 2
Mr. G. L. Farran	... 3	Lieut. Tomkinson	... 3
Mr. W. Morland	(*back*)	Lieut. Pike ..	(*back*)

Umpires:—Major Climo and Captain Jeffreys.

THE FINAL

The final took place on the 7th instant in delightful weather. The rain that had fallen overnight had effectually laid the dust, and the turf was in fine condition. The Crusaders were placed almost entirely on the defensive throughout the game, which was a fast and interesting one, and in the end the Rifle Brigade won the Tournament by 4 goals and 5 subsidiaries to the Crusaders' 1 goal and 1 subsidiary. Lady Locke-Elliot presented the handsome Challenge trophy to Captain Bassett, on behalf of the Rifle Brigade, and congratulated the team on their fine play.

The public are indebted to Captain Jeffreys and Mr. Charrington, the organisers of the tournament for the success which attended their efforts.

First Chukker.—The Rifle Brigade quickly galloped away and scored 2 subsidiaries, the second from a free hit.

Second Chukker.—The Rifle Brigade were pressing nearly the whole time. The Crusaders then got away, and Farran hit a fine goal. *Score:* Rifle Brigade, 2 subsidiaries; Crusaders, 1 goal.

Third Chukker.—The Crusaders secured the ball and running down hit a subsidiary. The Rifles retaliated with a minor point, and towards the close of play, succeeded in obtaining a goal after a continuous attack on their opponents' flags. *Score:* Rifle Brigade, 1 goal and 3 subsidiaries; Crusaders, 1 goal and 1 subsidiary.

Fourth Chukker.—The Rifle Brigade scored two subsidiaries. Fast up and down play followed, in which the Crusaders were always on the defensive. *Score:* Rifle Brigade, 1 goal and 5 subsidiaries; Crusaders, 1 goal and 1 subsidiary.

Fifth Chukker.—The Rifle Brigade made a goal.

Sixth Chukker.—Play was in the Crusaders' ground, the Rifles returning again and again to the attack, but no score resulted.

Seventh Chukker.—The Rifles confined the play throughout to the Crusaders' territory, Watson once getting the ball away and carrying it up the ground. The Rifles returned again to the attack, and from a *mêlee* in front of the flags, scored a subsidiary. *Score:* Rifle Brigade, 3 goals and 5 subsidiaries; Crusaders, 1 goal and 1 subsidiary.

Eighth Chukker.—A little over three minutes remained for play. The Rifles made a goal, and were attacking when the final call of time sounded. *Final score:* Rifle Brigade, 4 goals and 5 subsidiaries; Crusaders, 1 goal and 1 subsidiary. Teams:—

THE RIFLE BRIGADE.		THE CRUSADERS.	
Capt. Harrison	... 1	Hon. C. A. J. Annesley	... 1
Capt. Bassett ...	... 2	Mr. W. Watson	... 2
Mr. Tod ...	... 3	Mr. G. L. Farran	... 3
Mr. Trafford ...	(*back*)	Mr. W. Morland	(*back*)

Umpire:—Captain Jeffreys and Mr. Tomkinson.

UMBALLA STATION TOURNAMENT.

THE two new polo grounds at Umballa were opened on Wednesday, the 30th January, when the semi-final ties of the local tournament were played. Lieutenant-Colonel Eastwood, Commanding the 12th Royal Lancers, presented four cups to be played for by teams made up of regular players in the station. The 12th put in four teams, the 8th Cavalry and R. H. A. one each, and the Rovers (a scratch team from the station) made up the seven entries. The new grounds proved a great success, and by next year should be among the best in India, as by the untiring efforts of Captain Panet, R. E., and the support of that well-known sportsman Major-General Clements, D. S. O., Commanding the Sirhind Brigade, a permanent supply of water has been obtained—a thing which is so important for all polo grounds in India. The 12th Royal Lancers were "At Home" on Monday, the 8th Cavalry on Wednesday, and the Hon. Mrs. Eastwood on Friday, when Lieutenant-Colonel Eastwood in an appropriate speech wished success to the new polo grounds, and, having congratulated Major Hobson and his team on their success, presented the Cup. The results of the matches were as follows:—

First Match:—First round.—"D" Team, 12th Royal Lancers (Mr. Counop, Captain Fane, Mr. Ollivant, Major Hobson) beat the 8th Cavalry (Mr. Kay, Mr. Lane, Captain Beecher, Captain Fetherston Haugh) by 1 goal and 2 subsidiaries to 2 subsidiaries.

Second Match.—"B" Team, 12th Royal Lancers (Mr. Leathan Mr. Badger, Captain Pricewood, Major Clifton-Brown) beat "The Rovers" (Mr. Gay, Mr. Curtis, Mr. Reynolds, Major-General Clements) by 3 goals and 5 subsidiaries to 1 goal and 1 subsidiary.

Third Match.—"A" Team, 12th Royal Lancers (Mr. Manning, Mr. Maydon, Mr. Truman, Mr. Wood beat the R. H. A. (Mr. Scarlett, Mr. Usher, Mr. Roberts, Mr. Lascelles) by 3 goals and 1 subsidiary to 2 subsidiaries.

Semi-final round.—"D" Team, 12th Royal Lancers, beat "B" Team, 12th Royal Lancers, by 3 goals and 1 subsidiary to 1 goal, "A" Team, 12th Royal Lancers, beat "C" Team, 12th Royal Lancers (Mr. Bryant, Captain Michell, Captain Milvain, Lieutenant-Colonel Eastwood) by 1 goal and 6 subsidiaries to 1 goal and 2 subsidiaries.

Final Tie.—"D" Team, 12th Royal Lancers, beat "A" Team, 12th Royal Lancers, after a most exciting and equal game by 1 goal and 1 subsidiary to 2 subsidiaries.

The umpires were Major Chesney, 18th Cavalry, and Major Campbell, 9th Lancers.—*Pioneer.*

Cricket.

CRICKET IN CALCUTTA.

CALCUTTA C. C. *vs.* CUSTOMS C. C.—This match in the Eden Gardens resulted in an easy win for the home team by 109 runs on the first innings, in spite of the fact that the Customs men who had first use of a plumb wicket, put up the very respectable total of 257. Quiterio was the principal contributor with an excellent innings of 71, and he thoroughly appreciated the numerous full pitches to 69 which he was favoured: most of the others also scored fairly, but were more or less lucky. F. H. Stewart who made his reappearance for the C. C. C. after his trip home took five wickets for 54 runs. When Calcutta went in Guise and Turnbull soon rattled up 71 when Quiterio threw the latter's wicket down very smartly from cover point. C. M. Pope hit very freely, but seemed to bear a charmed life, and next to Guise's fine and practically faultless innings of 119 which included 15 fours and 6 threes and which occupied him nearly two hours and a half, H. V. Low's 39 not out was the best display, his cutting being very clean. Stewart also did well, and was out to a brilliant left-handed catch by Marsden in the deep field. With this exception the catching of the visitors was faulty, but the ground fielding was keen and good. McCready was the most successful bowler, but Brown was much the steadiest. At their second attempt the customs failed signally with the bat after McCready and Harcourt had made a good start, and lost eight wickets for 103 runs, five of them falling to C. M. Pope's slow right hand bowling, which might well be utilised more frequently, at a cost of less than three runs apiece. Full score:

CALCUTTA C. C.

J. D. Guise, b H. Barlow	... 119
G. Turnbull, run out...	... 34
S. Lee, l.-b.-w., b McCready	... 2
R. R. Pope, b Marsden	... 69
E. H. T. White, c C. Barlow, b McCready ...	... 6
C. M. Pope, b Quiterio	... 0
H. V. Low, not out	... 39
F. H. Stewart, c Marsden, b McCready ...	... 26
F. H. Gould, run out...	... 2
A. Simson, l.-b.-w., b Brown	... 0
I. G. Tredaway, b McCready	... 11
Extras	... 58
Total	... 366

CUSTOMS C. C.

C. Barlow, c Lee, b Stewart	... 10
F. Harcourt, c and b Guise	... 11
M. Quiterio, c Sub., b Turnbull	... 74
A. McCready, l.-b.-w., b Stewart ...	... 0
F. Jewell, b Guise	... 26
H. Barlow, b Simson	... 41
J. Anderson, b Stewart	... 11
E. Adams, b Stewart	... 28
C. Marsden, b Guise	... 14
W. G. Brown, b Stewart	... 2
H. Vears, not out	... 8
Extras	... 32
Total	... 257

BALLYGUNGE *vs.* CALCUTTA LIGHT HORSE.—These elevens played an interesting game last week and made a fairly level draw of it. There was some good batting by Ballygunge, notably 82 by Ballantyne and 40 by Pearson. Hill for the C. L. H. batted and bowled and his wicket-keeping was a treat to watch. Score:—

CALCUTTA LIGHT HORSE.

T. Curtis-Hayward, b Maude	... 19
E. W. Antram, c Garth, b Maude ...	... 0
C. H. Douglas, b Eddis	... 0
P. H. Brown, c and b Eddis	... 5
J. G. Ballantyne, c Whiteley, b Sherman ...	... 82
H. S. Pearson, st. Hill, b Eddis	... 41
R. Sherman, c Nicholls, b Sherman ...	... 30
W. S. J. Willson, b Sherman	5
H. E. Edmondson, b Sherman	... 0
J. H. Stephen, c Hill, b Nicholls ...	... 0
Warwick Smith, not out	... 5
W. B. Bletsoe, b Nicholls	... 0
Extras	... 16
Total	... 203

BALLYGUNGE C. C.

B. E. G. Eddis, c Pearson, b Ballantyne ...	... 19
R. C. R. Hill, c Sherman, b Curtis-Hayward ...	28
A. D. Garth, l.-b.-w., b Ballantyne ...	... 3
H. M. Sherman, st Willson, b Ballantyne ...	... 5
J. F. Martin, not out	... 11
W. E. Bayley, not out	... 21
C. B. Nicholls, E. Horncastle, C. G. Maude, C. C. Eastgate, F. N. Whiteley, J. B. Coulthard, } did not bat.	
Extras	... 13
Total (for 4 wkts.)*	... 100

*Innings declared closed.

CRICKET IN BURMA.

THAZI CRICKET CLUB *vs.* DETACHMENT, ESSEX REGIMENT.—A good game played at Thazi resulted in a handsome win for the Military by 101 runs. Score:—

DETACHMENT, 1ST ESSEX.

1st Innings.		2nd Innings.	
Lce.-Corpl. Redman, b Munro	4	b Blake ...	19
Lce.-Corpl. Hatton, c Pussey ...	12	c Rogers ...	1
Lce.-Corpl. Harper, c Johns ...	3	c George ...	8
Sergt Purchase, c Munro ...	8	c Pussey ...	5
Lce.-Corpl. Palmer, c Johns ...	5	b Blake ...	8
Dr. Bruce, b Johns ...	0	b Blake ...	22
Pte. Oxley, b Johns ...	0	c Pussey ...	89
Pte. Bailey, c Munro ...	0	c Ringrow ...	1
Pte. Pratt, c Munro ...	15	b Johns ...	0
Pte. Dawes, c Johns ...	12	not out ...	1
Pte. Brown, not out ...	3	b Johns ...	0
Byes	3	Byes ...	2
Total ...	65	Total ...	151

THAZI CRICKET CLUB.

1st Innings.		2nd Innings.	
Mr. Cooper, b Palmer ...	3	b Harper ...	3
Mr. Ringrow, b Harper ...	11	c Brown ...	4
Mr. Pussey, c Bruce ...	0	b Harper ...	0
Mr. E. George, b Harper ...	13	b Harper ...	4
Mr. Johns, b Harper ...	2	c Harper ...	9
Mr. Blake, c Bruce ...	5	b Harper ...	4
Mr. Munro, b Palmer ...	3	b Harper ...	2
Mr. Mattherson, b Harper ...	3	b Harper ...	7
Mr. A. George, c Bruce ...	0	b Harper ...	4
Mr. Rogers, c Bruce ...	0	not out ...	3
Mr. Howe, not out ...	10	b Harper ...	10
Byes	1	Byes ...	1
Total ...	51	Total ...	64

Golf.

CALCUTTA GOLF CLUB.

THE LADIES' BOWL.—Saturday last was Ladies' Day at the Club Pavilion on the maidan on the occasion of the annual competition for the Silver Bowl presented to the Calcutta Golf Club by the Ladies' Golf Club some fifteen years ago; and there was a large gathering of members and their guests, playing golf and looking on and listening to the fine band of the Northumberland Fusiliers which was in attendance throughout the afternoon. Mr T. Drimmie, the captain of the Club, won the Bowl and is to be heartily congratulated on this fresh success on the eve of his departure for home; his scratch score of 80, too, excellent as it was, might easily have been a stroke or two better. Colonel MacRae and Messrs. Sandes and Dewar, all handicap players tied for second place with 82 nett. The prize was presented to the winners with a few well chosen words by Mrs. Lamond Walker, who has just won the prize presented to the ladies of the Calcutta Golf Club, who invited those present to the Ladies' Golf Club "At Home" Day on the 22nd instant. The proceedings then terminated with three hearty cheers for the ladies, and a list of the best scores returned in the competition will be found below. During the afternoon there was a Ladies' Approaching and Putting Competition which resulted in a win for Mrs. Lamond Walker, after a tie with Mrs. H. C. Begg.

	Total	Hcp.	Result.
T. Drimmie	80	scr.	80
Col. R. MacRae ...	90	8	82
C. L. Sandes ...	96	14	82
C. E. Dewar	96	14	82
R. W. Williamson ...	90	6	84
J. H. Gordon ...	98	14	84
G. B. Merry	90	5	85
B. Severs	93	8	85
Lieut. W. L. Kidner ...	95	10	85
Geo. K. Stein ...	96	11	85
R. Graham	99	14	85
Alex. Mann	86	scr.	86
W. E. D Fyfe ...	9	4	86
Major. W. C. Hedley ...	87	scr.	87
D. Pym	87	scr.	87
Lieut.-Col. J. M. Fleming	92	5	87
O. J. Barnes	93	6	87
D. S. K. Greig ...	95	8	87
J. A. Tassie	96	9	87
J. Davenport ...	97	10	87
C. D. H. Dunlop ...	93	5	88
J. O'B. Saunders ...	98	10	88
A. Driff	97	8	89
Capt. D. McCoy ...	95	5	90
Col. F. J. Drury ...	96	5	91
C. R. Rice	101	10	91
F. W. Howse ...	104	13	91

And in the Ladies' Putting and Approaching Competition.

1. Mrs. Lamond Walker.
2. Mrs. H. C. Begg.

CALCUTTA LADIES' GOLF CLUB.

THE Competition for the challenge bowl presented by the C. G. C. came to an end on Saturday, the 9th instant, Mrs. Lamond Walker winning with a really good scratch score of 74. Details:—

Mrs. Lamond Walker ...	... 74 – scr. = 74
Miss E. J. Smith	... 80 – 4 = 76
Miss G. Binning	... 94 – 18 = 76
Mrs. London	... 83 – 6 = 77
Mrs. H. C. Begg	... 78 – scr. = 78
Mrs. Bruce	... 82 – 4 = 78
Mrs. Holdsworth Hunt ...	... 82 – 4 = 78
Mrs. Mould	... 87 – 8 = 79
Miss Halliday	... 89 – 10 = 79
Mrs. Wolfe Murray	... 80 – scr. = 80
Mrs. Elton	... 82 – scr. = 82
Mrs. Brodie Thomas	... 86 – 4 = 82
Miss E. Brown	... 92 – 6 = 86
Miss E. M. Brodie	... 102 – 14 = 88
Miss Meakin	... 113 – 22 = 91

ROYAL BOMBAY GOLF CLUB.

ST. GEORGE'S GOLD AND SILVER MEDALS.—These prizes were played for on the 30th and 31st ultimo over the Bombay links. The gold medal was won by Mr. Dawson and the silver medal by Mr. Bishop as per appended scores :—

	Gross.	H'cap.	Net.
Mr. G. W. Dawson	45+41= 86	- 4	=82
Mr A. S. Bishop	46+44= 90	- 8	=82
Mr. G. Miller	44+46= 90	- 6	=84
Mr. L. Thacker	50+51=101	-16	=85
Mr. E. E. Coombs	48+42= 90	- 4	=86
Mr. G. de Rhe Phillipe ...	47+53=100	-14	=86
Mr. R. Aitken	45+42= 87	scr.	=87
Mr. P. Comber	47+48= 95	- 8	=87
Mr. M. A. Murray	47+46= 93	- 4	=89

WIMBLEDON SILVER CHALLENGE CUP.—On the 6th and 7th instant this eighteen hole competition was decided the winner turning up in Mr. M. A. Murray. Scores :—

Mr. M. A. Murray	44+42= 86	- 4=82
Mr. C. H. Roberts	45+43= 88	- 4=84
Mr. G. Miller	43+48= 91	- 6=85
Mr. E. E. Coombs	43+48= 91	- 4=87
Mr. A. L. S. Roberts ...	42+45= 87	scr. =87
Mr. C. A. Russ	44+46= 90	- 2=88
Mr. G. W. Dawson	49+42= 91	- 2=89
Mr. A. S. Bishop	54+44= 98	- 6=92
Mr. P. M. D. Sanderson ...	50+58=108	-16=92

PLACE AUX DAMES.

DO our sisters in far-away India care one jot or tittle what we are doing over here, where the thermometer keeps persistently zero-wards, and a cutting Nor-Easter, reminds us that we do not live in the tropics! A glance forwards at the many delights in store for the lady golfer may bring us in touch with those, many thousands of miles away, and in glancing forwards we shall forget that our fingers are stiff and dead, our noses a brilliant red, our feet two frozen lumps. We shall not remember that the ground of the Links is hard as iron, but that ere long the golfing woman will have embarked on the busy season of 1907 which holds we know not what in store for golfersand others alike.

The first intimation we receive that the closing season is over is the meeting of the Council of Associated County Clubs. This takes place in January when rules are revised, the officials are elected and the fixtures arranged. County golf is now, by the Divisional system, made quite a plain, sailing affair. We hope we have settled, once and for all, the number which constitutes a team, the various greens authorized for play in the different counties, the rules which deal with every contingency that may or may not occur, but the Central Committee never seems quite certain what is the best time of year for the finals to take place. This knotty point will be settled in time, and meanwhile County Golf is a very satisfactory and popular section of the L.-G. U. administration.

Beyond a few divisional matches no great event disturbs the golfing horizon until the Ranelagh Meeting, a function exclusively monopolised by the Union and for which the price of admission is fixed at a hard and fast rate—a handicap of 12 or less certified by the Managers of the Ladies' Golf Union! The great "Annual" is to take place at clear, delightful, picturesque Barn Elms on 16th and 17th, April and the following days, the eagerly snapped up by hospitably inclined clubs in the Metropolitan area for open meetings on their greens, at which the many golfing celebrities who come from Ireland, Scotland and Wales to compete in the International Competition at Ranelagh are the paramount attraction, second only to the bait of sundry valuable prizes. Following closely on Ranelagh, comes the Irish Ladies' Championship and on the 6th May and following days, the crème de la crème of lady players will assemble at Newcastle, County Down to do battle for the Blue ribbon, viz., the Ladies' Championship. To add to the many great attractions this year a strong and representative team from America are to try conclusions and measure their strength with England's, Ireland's, Scotland's and Wales' best, and though by the rules the Americans may not compete in the International (Inter-British they should be called) matches, there is nothing to prevent the Ladies' Amateur Championship being carried over the Atlantic, as it was when Mr. Walter Travis won the Men's at Sandwich, not many years ago. With the holder (Mrs. R. Kennion) in Persia and unlikely to defend her title, much to the disappointment of those who witnessed her victory last year at Burnham, the result of the championship heat is very open. A great many pin their faith on Miss May Heylet, whilst others "plump" for Miss Dorothy Campbell or of Miss Bertha Thompson. Its an open question and would be a sporting bet. In a month's time there should be interesting incidents to chronicle, but for the present there is nothing, but prophecies, and so farewell.

M. E. S.

Hockey.

PUNJAB NATIVE ARMY TOURNAMENT.

23RD PIONEERS *vs.* 25TH PUNJABIS.—This game which was played in the morning of 6th instant was in every way superior to any matches that had previously taken place. Both teams were well trained and were capable of opening up the game when they got chances to do so. The result was very even play up to within 15 minutes of time, after which the 23rd got the best of the opening play and Nicolas missed a very difficult shot, a thing which he did very shortly afterwards, but he was fouled when striking by an opponent coming in on the left. The 25th then took a turn and the 23rd goalkeeper showed great judgment in running right up to the edge of the circle to stop an absolutely clear shot. The 23rd transferred but the 25th came back again, and thus the game went on up and down, each goal being in danger in turn. From an excellent run by the 25th outside right Hunt put in a very hot shot which was just saved, the play round the goal being most exciting. Hunt shortly after missed an easy chance. Score at half-time *nil*, with the play in favor of the 25th.

Immediately on restarting the 23rd forced a corner and from play near the circle the ball was hit from outside slowly to the 25th goalkeeper who should have left it, instead of which he gave a feeble kick in the direction of Nicolas who banged the ball into the net. From the bully the 25th pressed and Hunt again missed an easy shot at goal out of a scrimmage. The 23rd transferred and the 25th goalkeeper had to stop a hard shot from Nicolas and immediately afterwards a still harder one from Ricketts. The 25th made one more effort without avail and the game settled down in the 25th half. Two penalty corners were cleared but Rickets getting the ball gave a short pass to Nicolas who scored with a very quick shot. Time was called almost immediately leaving the 23rd winners 2—0.

For the winners Nicolas and Ricketts played well and were given great aid by all their team; while for the losers Penton at full-back played a game that was an example to anyone.

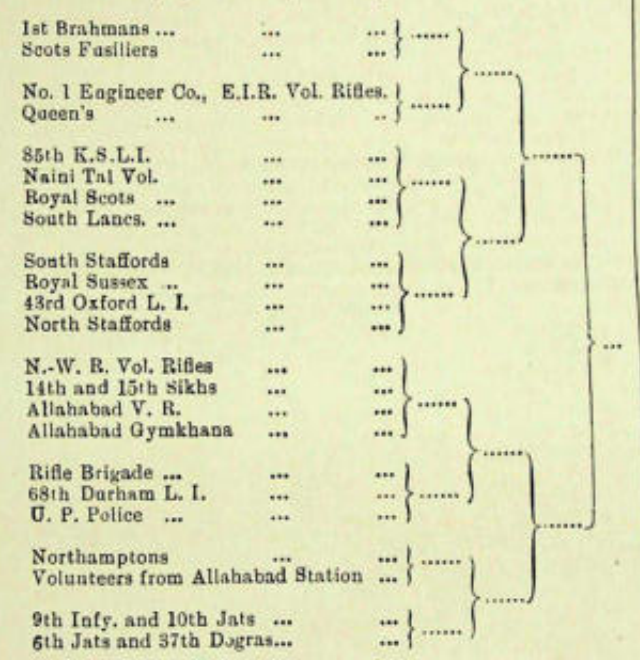
14TH SIKHS *vs.* 26TH PUNJABIS.—Played 4 P.M. on 6th instant. Play at first was very even and then the 26th, by a good run by Turnbull and the outside right, nearly scored and from a bully in the 14th circle the centre forward shot over the goal. The 14th then got away and were dangerous, the 26th goalkeeper saving brilliantly. Turnbull transferred and was unlucky in not scoring. Half-time came with no score.

On resuming Cargill got well away but his inside right shot wide. The 14th then got off and from a scrimmage in front of goal Wilmer put the ball into the net, the point, however, was disallowed owing to his fouling an opponent. The 26th then went away to the other end but Cargill's shot was well saved at the expense of a corner which was not improved upon. The 14th then attacked with a good combined run, in which Pennington and Channer were conspicous, the former scoring with a good shot. From the bully at half-way the 14th were off again and this time Channer improved the lead. Cargill for the 26th made one more effort but failed to score, the 14th leaving the ground winers by 2—0. The 26th, the lisher team, were handicapped owing to the heavy state of the ground after rain.

36TH SIKHS *vs.* 84TH PUNJABIS.—This game which had resulted in a draw yesterday was replayed at 4 P.M. to-day. The ground was heavy owing to rain, and this helped the 26th Sikhs considerably as they are not nearly so light and active as the 84th. However, this fact would hardly have saved the 84th from the defeat they suffered, *i.e.*, 3 goals to 1. Play at the start was even, and at the same time sticky, the only man on the ground capable of opening it up being Wilson-Johnson. This player did yeoman service for his side and was most energetic. The 36th were the first to score from a scrimmage, the result of a corner. Shortly afterwards the 84th equalised the result of the best piece of combined play, during the match. Half-time one goal all. The 36th had the best of the game on resuming and the 84th were scarcely ever dangerous again. Wilson-Johnson had a shot at goal which was stopped but the ball was netted by the inside left. Shortly afterwards these two players made a good combined run and the inside left shot a third goal. The play was more even after this till "no side" was called. The 84th lost their opportunities by inaccurate passes and losing control of the ball otherwise they might have made a much closer fight of it.

THE ALL-INDIA TOURNAMENT.

THE draws for the All-India Hockey Tournament took place at the Allahabad Club on Monday evening (4th instant). The tournament will be played at Allahabad, commencing on the 25th instant. Twenty-three teams have entered—a record number. The draw was as follows, the first four and the last five teams having byes in the preliminary round :—



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Wednesday, 6th February 1907.

The Dog Show held at Calcutta on the 6th February last is memorable in more ways than one. It was a new departure from that series of Shows held at Tollygunge in connection with the annual Horse Show; it was the first *Calcutta Kennel Club* Show; it was the first Show held in Calcutta under the Rules of the 'Northern India Kennel Association" affiliated to the English Kennel Club; it was the first Championship Show held in Calcutta; it was the first Show at Calcutta at which up-country kennels have been represented in any real strength; it was the first Show in India at which a judge of home reputation has undertaken a long journey to officiate; and it was held as a feature of the highly successful Lady Minto's Fête.

This combination of circumstances, coupled with the pronounced success of the Show in itself, will certainly cause the first of the new series of Dog Shows in Calcutta to be remembered as an important movement in advance of all previous exhibitions in the Metropolis. To Mr. E. A. Lyon, the founder of the new movement, and Mr. F. S. Kerr, the Honorary Secretary, and the management generally, are due the strongest congratulations on their successful undertaking. The criticisms that follow are not passed in any captious or cavilling spirit, nor are they intended to detract in any way from the success of the venture; on the contrary they are penned in the hope that they will be accepted as friendly suggestions for consideration when the subject of the next show of the series is approached.

The benching of the exhibits was very satisfactory; but if the Calcutta Kennel Club has, as is hoped, come to stay, the management might consider, when they are in sufficient funds, whether they might not import the usual benching plant from home. The initial cost would be appreciable, but in the end there would be a saving, as the material could be stored and utilised for each succeeding show for at least fifteen or twenty years. Until that time comes, it would be as well that the mat partitions should be discarded in favour of some stouter material, otherwise a dog might easily force its way into an adjacent compartment, and two pugnacious and valuable exhibits might injure each other past redemption. Wider gangways between the benches are also desirable. Nothing tends so much towards the success of a show as promptitude in judging, and friends who meet in amicable rivalry at these gatherings like, at the conclusion of the judging, to wander around inspecting and discussing after the contest is over. Narrow gangways mean delay in bringing up exhibits for their classes, and the more space that can be afforded the better for all concerned.

It is fully realised that, held in connection with the fête, the management did not possess a free hand in arranging their ground, but in future the judging rings should be much closer to the benches to avoid delays. The rings should be enclosed to prevent encroachment on the space provided. On this occasion the rings were not ready when judging ought to have been in full swing; and with no enclosures, the bystanders closed in so that the judges, when the Specials were being judged, had scarcely room to move, and one nasty fight between two exhibits occurred, as well as a complaint from one exhibitor that he was prevented by the crowd from being up to time. Judges have a difficult enough task without being impeded by such considerations, they should have ample elbow room on which it is impossible for the public to encroach, and exhibitors should be able to approach the rings unhampered by the crowd.

The catalogue was quite the best we have seen at any Indian Show, indeed it surpassed most *home* catalogues, it was an admirable production; but the working staff was insufficient for the prompt posting of the cards and awards, and it was lamentable that the prizes should have had to be unpacked after dark instead of being grouped in appropriate order on tables early in the day ready for the prize-giving at the close of the proceedings. The prizes were good, but we have seen better at far less important exhibitions. To follow the home principle of high entry fees and comparatively small prizes is out of place in India. In England, prizes are a small consideration because the value of a winner rises with its wins by leaps and bounds. A dog, which in the absence of shows might be only worth a fiver, may sell for £500 by virtue of its show reputation. In India, there is no such fancy value, wins increase a dog's marketable value to a very inappreciable extent, and if exhibitors are to be tempted from a distance they must be tempted by prizes in return for the trouble or expense they have incurred. If there is one other consideration that will tempt them, it is the chance of winning Championship certificates. The present show was a Championship one, and it is hoped that this may continue. Brace and Team prizes encourage exhibitors to turn up in force and not merely bring their best specimens for competition. And to further encourage entries, some alteration of the *Limit* and *Novice* definitions seems desirable, the present definitions are too stringent and only lead to exhibitors leaving many dogs at home which they would otherwise be glad to exhibit.

A wise selection of judges is, of course, of the highest importance; nothing will induce some owners to show at all unless they have confidence in the judges. In this respect, the management, in securing the promises of the services of Mr. R. Hood Wright and the Rev. Mr. H. W. Bush, were very sound in their selection; but unfortunately Mr. Bush was prevented from attending, and the subsequent distribution of the classes between Mr. Hood Wright and Dr. Martin left a good deal to be desired. With Mr. Wright for the large dog classes and Mr. Bush for terriers and Eastern breeds, the judging would probably have been beyond all cavil; but as it happened the awards in some instances gave ground for discontent. Dr. Martin took the large breeds and in some classes went astray. In Smooth Fox-Terrier dogs, the placing of Indigo over Induna by Mr. Hood Wright was scarcely justifiable. In Wire Bitches, the selection of Dusky Gleaner for the first place over Jind Glory and Norfolk Venus was still more extraordinary. In Puppies Dil Pasand should have beaten Rex Crumpet. Rampant Royalist should have won in open Irish Terriers. Charnock Lassie should most undobtedly have won in Scottish Bitches. The placing of the Lhassa Terriers was lamentable; and how Indigo, first in the hottest class of open Fox-Terriers Smooth, was passed over in the N.I.K.A. Novice Special is unintelligible. If Indigo won rightly, placed in his own class, he should have had a brisk look in for the best in Show, and failing thatthe Novice Special should have been certainty for him.

Both judges were for too hard-worked and were often called upon to take breeds with which they were insufficiently familiar. In his own line, Mr. Hood Wright is one of the best judges in the world, but few men can undertake to pronounce on any or every breed, and the management would be wise to consider whether a relaxation of Rule 23 would not be desirable. The Rule is, after all, only a playing to the gallery. Shows in India are so few and far between that exhibitors very naturally do not care to stand out at the few they can attend. It is rarely that owners can manage to be present at more than one or two shows in a year, it is different in England when there are almost as many shows as there are days in a year, and the distances are short. There seems to be no reason why a man who is exhibiting in Fox-Terriers should not judge Lhassa Terriers if he is the best Lhassa judge present and has no sort of interest in the class, such action must surely be preferable to giving the class to a judge who has absolutely no knowledge of the breed. It is admitted that the Rule is one that it is desirable, and more than desirable to observe; but it is still more important to obtain the services of specialist judges whether exhibitors for not.

And that is the point of these remarks, for it must not be gathered from what has been said that the judging as a whole was extraordinarily erratic, it was quite the other way, and if we have criticised it is only because the show was such a good one that it can bear criticism. The public recognised that in Mr. Hood Wright they possessed a judge far superior to the ordinary Indian amateur, and if they did not always agree with him they took his awards like sportsmen and would always be ready to show under him again. Judging is a difficult and thankless task, and the thanks of all who are interested in dog shows are due to Mr. Hood Wright who undertook the long

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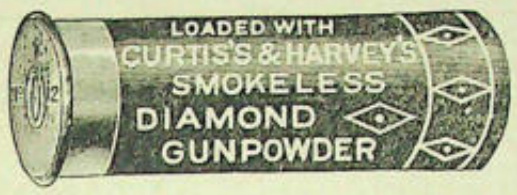

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journey from Ceylon, solely for this purpose, and to Dr. Martin who was kind enough to accept office at the eleventh hour when Mr. Bush was unable to obtain leave to attend.

One more "wheeze" and we have then done with criticisms. The Show Specials were insufficiently advertised, in fact they do not appear to have been advertised at all. Some up-country owners said that if they had known there were Specials confined to members of the C. K. C., they would have joined the Club in order to be eligible to compete; and similarly with regard to the N. I. K. A. Specials. It is the very object of such Specials to encourage members and so add to the strength of the Association and the Club, and it is important at future shows that all Special Competitions should be freely advertised for the information of the public.

Both in the matter of numbers and of quality of exhibits the show compared more than favourably with any Show previously held in India, and Lahore will have to look to her laurels if she is to retain her place as the premier show of India. There were 247 actual exhibits with 384 entries in 82 classes, and the management may be said to have inspired the confidence of the public from the fact that so many kennels from a distance were represented. Sergeant Miles, now Superintendent of the Sangrur Kennels, brought down the pick of H. H. the Maharajah of Jind's Kennels, Colonel William Dawson came with his Cocker Spaniels from Parkhi, Mr. Priestley sent a strong team of Pekinese from Cawnpore, Mr. Fleming from the same station exhibited some splendid specimens of great Danes, Captain Martin came all the way from Rawalpindi with his Scottish and Irish terriers, Mr. Law sent two excellent wire Fox-Terriers from Jubbulpore, and Major Impey who owns perhaps the strongest kennel of smooth Fox-Terriers in India turned up with some good ones from Bharatpur in Rajputana. Besides these there were exhibitors from Sylhet, Assam, the Chittagong Hill Tracts, Lucknow, Bhagalpore, Raneegunge, Umballa and Mainpuri

The strongest classes in the Show were those for smooth and Wire Fox-Terriers, Great Danes, Greyhounds, Cocker Spaniels, Scottish Terriers, and Pekinese. There were 33 smooth Fox-Terriers in the Show with scarcely a bad one among them, and such fine exhibits as Major Impey's Induna, Indigo and Infanta, and the Maharajah of Jind's Champion Raby Huntsman, Delberta, and Donna Phillipa. The Wire classes contained 40 entries and included Mr. Lionel Jacob's Corney Grain, the Champion of the Show, and Dil Pasand, the Maharajah of Jind's Champion Dusky Gleanor, Jind Glory, and Don't Hit Hard, and Mr. Law's Sherbrook Vanguard and Norfolk Venus. The Scotties were a particularly interesting group in which Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Burke's and Captain Martin's exhibits were conspicuous. But the average quality was so high that it is almost invidious to make distinctions. The Bull dogs were much above average, Colonel and Mrs. Wardroper's exhibits being first class: the Greyhounds were far above the average seen at Indian shows, and in this connection we must congratulate Mrs. Cuthbert Edwards who bred and took too Specials with The Only Way, a magnificent pup and a worthy exhibit from the kennel of a sportswoman who has devoted attention to this class for nearly twenty years. She was successful in other greyhound exhibits and showed a really fine Cocker Spaniel as well.

The judging commenced at 10 o'clock and was not concluded till nearly dark when Her Excellency Lady Minto distributed the principal prizes and closed the proceedings of a most successful exhibition. We append the list of awards :—

CLASS I.—St. Bernards—Open. *Judge:* Dr. J. H. B. Martin.
1. Mr. D. Gow's Rover, by Wolf II—Nelly.
H. C. Madame Rejane's Barry, by Roland II—Sarah.

CLASS II.—Great Danes—Open. *Judge:* Dr. J. H. B. Martin.
1. { Mr. Geo. Fleming's Reckless Warrior, by Orus of Lockerbie—Viola of Redgrave. / Mr. Mark Leslie's Boss, by Willhead Baron—Santa Hawthorne. / Miss Amesbury's Duchess, by Captain Thor—Montoc Queen.
2. Mr. Geo. Fleming's Lord Reckless, by Ch. Lord Dreadless—Meg Dods.
V. H. C. Mr. Geo. Fleming's Reckless Venture.
C. Mr. Geo. Fleming's Reckless Amazon.

CLASS III.—Great Danes—Puppy. *Judge:* Dr. J. H. B. Martin.
1. Mr. Geo. Fleming's Reckless Venture, by Lord Reckless—Victory of Eskdale.
2. Mr. Geo. Fleming's Reckless Amazon, by Lord Reckless—Victory of Eskdale.

CLASS IV.—Foxhounds. *Judge:* Dr. J. H. B. Martin.
1. Chandpara Hunt's Lecturer, by Discount—Lettuce.
2. Chandpara Hunt's Speedwell.
V. H. C. Chandpara Hunt's Hopeless.

CLASS V.—Borzois, Deerhounds and Wolfhounds. *Judge:* Dr. J. H. B. Martin.
1. Mr. P. Kinnear Wise's Wolfhound Wolf, by Wickham Macardle—Nola.
V. H. C. Mr H. L. Ovan's Borzoi Nelly.
C. Mr. W. Bryce's Deerhound Sir Redvers Buller.

CLASS VI.—Kangaroo Hounds. *Judge:* Dr. J. H. B. Martin.
1. Mrs. G. B. Paris' Pat.
V. H. C. Mrs. G. B. Paris' Bob.
C. Mr. E. Marçon's Loyal.

CLASS VII.—Greyhounds—Open—*Judge:* Dr. J. H. B. Martin.
1. Mrs. W. H. Pilgrim's Black Prince.
2. Mah. of Jind's Somerset Lady (?) by Featherwood—Perfect Day.
3. Mr. F. S. Kerr's Sandford Brenda.
V. H. C. Mr. F. S. Kerr's Sandford Sheila.
C. { Mr. D. Gow's Jack, by Law Court—Little Wonder. / Mrs. Cuthbert Edwards' Skeltonian Beat All, by Sam Weller—Bounding Willow.

CLASS VIII.—Greyhounds—Limit. *Judge:* Dr. J. H. B. Martin.
1. Mrs. W. H. Pilgrim's Black Prince.
2. Mah. of Jind's Fine Globe, by Under the Globe—Don't Forget.
R. Mr. F. S. Kerr's Sandford Brenda.
V. H. C. Mr. F. S. Kerr's Sandford Sheila.
C. Mrs. Cuthert Edwards' Skeltonian Beat All, by Sam. Weller—Bounding Willow.

CLASS IX.—Greyhounds—Novice. *Judge:* Dr. J. H. B. Martin.
1. Rajah of Naldangah's Prince.
2. Mr. F. S. Kerr's Sandford Brenda.
3. Mr. A. Milton's Saxon.
V. H. C. Lieut.-Col. Willan Dawson's Rockmaid, by Skeltonian Highflown—Skeltonian Beat All.
C. Mah. of Jind's Jind Rattler.

CLASS X.—Greyhounds—Puppy. *Judge:* Dr. J. H. B. Martin.
1. Mrs. Cuthert Edwards' Skeltonian Begum, by Sultan of Avalon—Lonely D.
2. Mr. E. A. Lyon's Sher Tholl, by Loyal—Sandford Brenda.
3. Lieut.-Col. Willan Dawson's Rockmaid, by Skeltonian Highflown—Skeltonian Beat All.
V. H. C. Mr. C. G. Arthur's Meega, by Loyal—Sandford Brenda.
C. Mah. of Jind's Jind Rattler.

CLASS XI.—Collies—Open. *Judge:* Dr. J. H. B. Martin.
1. Mr. F. B. Bradley Birt's Merry Eyes, by Scarisbrook Star—Wellesboro Gem.
R. Mrs. James Pymm's Rover.

CLASS XII.—Collies—Limit. *Judge:* Dr. J. H. B. Martin.
1. Mr. F. Bradley Birt's Merry Eyes, by Scarisbrook Star—Wellesboro Gem.
R. Mrs. Fred Harley's Bob.
C. Mrs. James Pymm's Rover.

CLASS XIII.—Irish Setters—Open. *Judge:* Dr. J. H. B. Martin.
1. Mr. C. P. H. Bartholomew's Punch.

CLASS IV.—Irish Setters—Puppy. *Judge:* Dr. J. H. B. Martin.
1. Mrs. M. H. Swainson's Don, by Reddy—Bell.

CLASS XV.—Retrievers—Open. *Judge* Dr. J. H. B. Martin.
1. Mah. of Jind's Glanbrane Rock, by Folkington Sweep—Black Hen.
2. Mah. of Jind's Glanbrane Punch, by Glanbrane Rock—Sheila.
V. H. C. Mah. of Jind's Nip, by Glanbrane Rock—Glanbrane Judy.

CLASS XVII.—Retrievers—Puppy. *Judge*, Dr. J. H. B. Martin.
1. Mah. of Jind's Jind Fairy, by Glanbrane Punch—Glanbrane Judy.

CLASS XVIII.—Cocker Spaniels—Open. *Judge*, Dr. J. H. B. Martin.
1. Mr. P. Kinnear Wise's Smut, by Master Clarence—Dagma.
2. Mah. of Jind's Mistress Elizabeth, by Weir Heir Apparent—Hertfordshire Violet.
V. H. C. Mah. of Jind's Jind Sporting Fred, by Rock Boy—Ch. Rock Girl.
C. Mr. W. E. Botting's Fancy, by John Bull—Biddy Bunting.

CLASS XIX.—Cocker Spaniels—Limit. *Judge*, Dr. J. H. B. Martin.
1. Mr. P. Kinnear Wise's Smut, by Master Clarence—Dagma.
2. Mah. of Jind's Mistress Elizabeth, by Weir Heir Apparent—Hertfordshire Violet.
V. H. C. Mr. N. V. Reid's Jock, by Rydeville Marlo—Hilo Lulu.
C. Mr. W. E. Botting's Fancy, by John Bull—Biddy Bunting.

CLASS XX.—Springer Spaniels—Open. *Judge*, Mr. R. Hood Wright.
1. Mah. of Jind's Beechgrove Wallie, by Beechgrove Owen—Beechgrove Jill.

CLASS XXI.—Spaniels—Puppy. *Judge*, Dr. J. H. B. Martin.
1. Lieut.-Col. W. Dawson's Rock Renie, by Brunton Paddy—Lady of the Lake.
2. Mrs. Cuthbert Edwards' Skeltonian Jet, by Brunton Paddy—Lady of the Lake.
V. H. C. Mr. W. E. Botting's Fancy, by John Bull—Biddy Bunting.

CLASS XXII.—Basset Hounds—Open. *Judge*, Dr. J. H. B. Martin.
1. Mrs. Chalmers Hills' Marquis, by Walhampton Fiddler—Amelia.

CLASS XXIII.—Basset Hounds—Puppy. *Judge*, Dr. J. H. B. Martin. 1. Mr. A. Chalmers Hill's Gambler, by Marquis—Dainty.

CLASS XXIV.—Bulldogs—Open. *Judge*, Dr. J. H. B. Martin.
1. Mr. R. Sheepshanks' Big Jim, by Lord Burleigh—Valentia.
2. Mrs. Wardroper's Jeffstone Monarch, by Ch. Rodney Stone—Viscountess.
3. Mr. M. Hay Chapman's Marquis, by Don Boaz—Miss Persimmon.
V. H. C. Mr. D. C. Mangos' Toby, by Wyle Monarch—Darkie.
C. Mrs. Muggridge's Kruger, by Ch. Chinosol—Kitten.

CLASS XXV.—Bulldogs—Limit. *Judge*, Dr. J. H. B. Martin.
1. Mr. R. Sheepshanks' Big Jim, by Lord Burley—Valentia.
2. Mrs. Wardroper's Jeffstone Monarch, by Ch. Rodney Stone—Viscountess.
V. H. C. Mr. D. C. Mangos' Toby, by Wyle Monarch—Darkie.
C. Mrs. Muggeridge's Kruger, by Ch. Chinosol—Kitten.

CLASS XXVI.—Bull Bitches—Open. *Judge*, Dr. J. H. B. Martin.
1. Mrs. Wardroper's Bedelia, by Richmond Duke—Richmond Duchess.
V. H. C. Mrs. Botham's Alford Queen, by Moston Rattle—Moston Smut.
C. Mr. A. G. Macpherson's Drury Lane Seal, by Jeffstone Monarch—Eva.

CLASS XXVII.—Bull Bitches—Limit. *Judge*, Dr. J. H. B. Martin.
1. Mrs. Wardroper's Bedelia, by Richmond Duke—Richmond Duchess.
V. H. C. Mrs. Botham's Alford Queen, by Moston Rattle—Moston Smut.
C. Mr. A. G. Macpherson's Drury Lane Seal, by Jeffstone Monarch—Eva.

CLASS XXVIII.—Bulldogs—Puppy. *Judge*, Dr. J. H. B. Martin.
1. Mrs. Wardroper's Lord Brown Stone, by Jeffstone Monarch—Eva.
2. Mrs. Botham's Queen of Spades, by Bonnie—Alford Queen.

CLASS XXIX.—Smooth Fox-Terrier Dogs—Open. *Judge*, Mr. R. Hood Wright.
1. Major Impey's Indigo, by Bugler—Indian Maid.
2. Major Impey's Induna, by Ducal—Duamia.
3. Mah. of Jind's Ch. Raby Huntsman, by Alkincoat's Ranger—Nell.
V. H. C. { Mrs. I. G. Tredaway's Hardwick Shacabac, by Tyrant—Bloom. / Mrs. Gordon's Togo.
C. { Mrs. James Smyth's Jack by Strangways Scorpion—Strangways Sprinkle. / Mrs. I. G. Tredaway's Clumber Dark Blue, by Dark Blue—Cavacalla of Notts.

CLASS XXX.—Smooth Fox-Terrier Dogs—Limit. *Judge*, Mr. R. Hood Wright.
1. Major Impey's Indigo, by Bugler—Indian Maid.
2. Mrs. I. G. Tredaway's Hardwick Shacabac, by Tyrant—Bloom.
3. Mrs. I. G. Tredaway's Clumber Dark Blue, by Dark Blue—Cavacalla of Notts.
R. Mrs. J. Smyth's Jack, by Strangways Scorpion—Strangways Sprinkle.
V. H. C. Mr. C. R. Rice's Kim, by Black Currant—Topsy Sinden.

CLASS XXXI.—Smooth Foxterrier Dogs—Novice. *Judge*, Mr. R. Hood Wright.
1. Major Impey's Indigo, by Bugler—Indian Maid.
2. Mrs. I. G. Tredaway's Hardwick Shacabac, by Tyrant—Bloom.
3. Mrs. I. G. Tredaway's Clumber Dark Blue, by Dark Blue—Cavacalla Notts.
R. Mrs. Kilburn's Toby, by Tyrant—Bloom.
V. H. C. Mr. C. R. Rice's Kim, by Black Currant—Topsy Sinden.

CLASS XXXII.—Smooth Fox-Terrier Dogs—Puppy. *Judge*, Mr. R. Hood Wright.
1. Mrs. I. G. Tredaway's Hardwick Shacabac, by Tyrant—Bloom.
2. Mr. C. R. Rice's Kim, by Black Currant—Topsy Sinden.
3. Lieut.-Col. W. R. Crook-Lawless' Dictator, by Dargai—Dermona.

CLASS XXXIII.—Smooth Fox-Terrier Bitches—Open. *Judge*, Mr. R. Hood Wright.
1. Mr. W. E. Botting's Philipa, by Cœur de Lion—Lady Llanthony.
2. Mah. of Jind's Donna Phillipa, by San Francisco—Lady Llanthony.
3. Mah. of Jind's Delberta, by Ducal—Ch. Duchess of Durham.
R. Major Impey's Infanta, by Ducal—Duamia.
C. Mrs. C. F. Baker's School Girl, by Varsity—Oxford Cloyd.

CLASS XXXIV.—Smooth Fox-Terrier Bitches—Limit. *Judge*, Mr. R. Hood Wright.
1. Mah. of Jind's Donna Phillipa, by San Francisco—Lady Llanthony.
2. Mrs. C. F. Baker's School Girl, by Varsity—Oxford Cloyd.

CLASS XXXV.—Smooth Fox-Terrier Bitches—Novice. *Judge*, Mr. R. Hood Wright.
1. Mah. of Jind's Blue Dress, by Don—Cap-a-pied.
2. Mrs. Cuthbert Edwards' Skeltonian Lass, by Legerdemain—Nancy.

CLASS XXXVI.—Smooth Fox-Terrier Bitches—Puppy. *Judge*, Mr. R. Hood Wright.
1. Mah. of Jind's Feo, by Don—Cap-a-pied.
R. Mah. of Jind's Blue Dress, by Don—Cap-a-pied.

CLASS XXXVII.—Wire Fox-Terrier Dogs—Open. *Judge*, Mr. R. Hood Wright.
1. Mr. Lionel Jacob's Corney Grain, by Raddy Owen—Diva.
2. Mr. J. Law's Sherbrook Vanguard, by Donnington Vanguard—Sherbrook Mischief.
3. Mr. S. S. Hayne's Rex Crumpet, by Staff Captain—Sally Lunn.
R. Mah. of Jind's, Jind Don't Hit Hard, by Don't Go Bang—Ch. Dusky Gleaner.
V. H. C. Mr. J. G. Dickson's Wellingboro Ben.
C. Mrs. Richardson's Belfort Toff, by Hallinor—Deramoor Flora.

CLASS XXXVIII.—Wire Fox-Terrier Dog—Limit. *Judge*, Mr. R. Hood Wright.
1. Mr. Lionel Jacob's Corney Grain, by Roddy Owen—Diva.
2. Mrs. Richardson's Belfort Toff, by Hallinor—Deramoor Flora.
R. Mr. S. S. Hayne's Rex Crumpet, by Staff Captain—Sally Lunn.

V. H. C. Mr. S. S. Hayne's Prince Crumpet, by Staff Captain—Sally Lunn.
C. Mrs. Beckett's Kamptee Cordite, by Raby MacArthur—Duchess of Notts.

CLASS XXXIX.—Wire Fox-Terrier Dogs—Novice. *Judge:* Mr. R. Hood Wright.
1. Mr. J. Law's Sherbrook Vanguard, by Domington Vanguard—Sherbrook Mischief.
2. Mr. S. S. Hayne's Rex Crumpet, by Staff Captain—Sally Lunn.
3. Mr. S. S. Hayne's Prince Crumpet, by Staff Captain—Sally Lunn.
R. Mrs. Beckett's Kamptee Cordite, by Raby MacArthur—Duchess of Notts.
V. H. C. Mrs. Richardson's Belfort Toff, by Hallinor—Deramoor Flora.
C. Mr. Lewis Watson's Dublin Harbour, by Harbour Boy—Teasy Tatters.

CLASS XL.—Wire Fox-Terriers—Puppies. *Judge:* Mr. R. Hood Wright.
1. Mr. S. S. Hayne's Rex Crumpet, by Staff Captain—Sally Lunn.
2. Mr. Lionel Jacob's Dil Pasand, by Curio of Notts—Diva.
R. Mr. S. S. Hayne's Prince Crumpet, by Staff Captain—Sally Lunn.

CLASS XLI.—Wire Fox-Terrier Bitches—Open. *Judge:* Mr. R. Hood Wright.
1. Mah. of Jind's Ch. Dusky Gleaner, by Ch. Cackler of Notts—Dusky Ruth.
2. Mah. of Jind's Jind Glory, by Dampiere—Ch. Dusky Gleaner.
R. Mr. Lionel Jacob's Dil Pasand, by Curio of Notts,—Diva.
V. H. C. Mr. J. Law's Norfolk Venus, by Jackdaw Swell Lady.

CLASS XLII.—Wire Fox-Terrier Bitches—Limit. *Judge:* Mr. R. Hood Wright.
1. Mr. Lionel Jacob's Dil Pasand, by Curio of Notts—Diva.
2. R. Mr. J. W. Murray's Bristles.

CLASS XLIII.—Wire Fox-Terrier Bitches—Novice. *Judge:* Mr. R. Hood Wright.
1. Mr. Lionel Jacob's Dil Pasand, by Curio of Notts—Diva.
R. Mr. J. W. Murray's Bristles.

CLASS XLIV.—Dachshunds—Open. *Judge:* Dr. J. H. B. Martin.
1. Mah. of Jind's Pilgrim, by Brandesburton Mandarin—Pinka.
2. Mr. C. G. Smith's William the Conqueror, by Conquest—Fraulein.
3. Mr. N. V. Reid's Satan, by Optimus—Teufelina.
C. Mr. C. S. Down's Sausage.

CLASS XLV.—Dachshunds—Limit. *Judge:* Dr. J. H. B. Martin.
1. Mr. C. G. Smith's William the Conqueror, by Conquest—Fraulein.
2. Miss Macpherson's Darkie Bill.

CLASS XLVI.—Dachshunds—Puppy. *Judge:* Dr. J. H. B. Martin.
1. Mr. C. G. Smith's William the Conqueror, by Conquest—Fraulein.
R. Mr. Dudley Parson's Kaiser, by Waldmann—Grete.

CLASS XLVII.—Irish Terrier Dogs—Open. *Judge:* Mr. R. Hood Wright.
1. Mrs. W. Lord's Minstrel Boy, by Our Tip—Biddy Rorke.
2. Capt. F. Martin's Rampant Royalist, by Chinados—Rampant Ruler.
3. Mr. S. C. Demetriadi's Denis.
R. Mr. L. L. London's Paddy.

CLASS XLVIII.—Irish Terrier Dogs—Limit. *Judge:* Mr. R. Hood Wright.
1. Mr. W. Lord's Minstrel Boy, by Our Tip—Biddy Rorke.
2. Mr. L. L. London's Paddy.
R. Mr. Jas. L. Reids' Paddy D.
V. H. C. Mr. W. Douglas' Dhileach and Mr. S. C. Demetriadi's Denis.

CLASS XLIX.—Irish Terrier Dogs—Novices. *Judge:* Mr. R. Hood Wright.
1. Mr. L. L. London's Paddy.
2. Mr. Jas L. Reid's Paddy D.
3. Mr. S. C. Demetriadi's Denis.
R. Mr. W. Douglas' Dhileach.

CLASS L.—Irish Terrier Bitches—Open. *Judge:* Mr. R. Hood Wright.
1. Capt. F. Martin's Martian Moonah, by Rampant Royalist—Martian Dolores.
2. Mr. W. Bryce's No. 1, by Rhodesia Mixer—Blackbrook Blend.
R. Mr. A. A. Price's Bridget Muddler, by Ch. Mile End Muddler—Red Circuit.

CLASS LI.—Irish Terrier Bitches—Limit. *Judge:* Mr. R. Hood Wright.
1. Capt. F. Martin's Martian Moonah, by Rampant Royalist—Martian Dolores.
R. Mr. W. Bryce's No. 1.

CLASS LII.—Irish Terriers—Puppy. *Judge:* Mr. R. Hood Wright.
1. Capt. F. Martin's Martian Moonah, by Rampant Royalist—Martian Dolores.

CLASS LIII.—Scottish Terrier Dogs—Open. *Judge:* Mr. R. Hood Wright.
1. Mr. W. S. Burke's Charnock Wee Macgregor, by Fighting Mac—Airdree Lass.
2. Capt. F. Martin's Ch. Martian Thistle, by Waverley Rob Roy—Waverley Crocus.
3. Mrs. W. Ross Craik's Jock, by Kim—Becky Sharp.
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CLASS LIV.—Scottish Terrier Dogs—Limit. *Judge:* Mr. R. Hood Wright.
1. Mr. W. S. Burke's Charnock Wee Macgregor, by Fighting Mac—Airdree Lass.
2. Capt. F. Martin's Martian Model, by Ch. Martian Thistle—Khaiber Bonnie.
3. Mrs. W. Ross Craik's Jock, by Kim—Becky Sharp.
R. Mr. W. E. Bayley's Sammy, by Ch. Tosker—Littlebury Granta.
V. H. C., Mr. H. Harris' Jock, by Bob—Burri.

CLASS LV.—Scottish Terrier Dogs. Novice—*Judge:* Mr. R. Hood Wright.
1. Capt. H. H. Holden's Longford Laddie, by Ch. Carter Laddie—Calstone Trixie.
2 Mr. W. E. Bayley's Sammy, by Ch. Tosker—Littlebury Granta.
R. Mr. H. Harris' Jock, by Bob—Burri.

CLASS LVI.—Scottish Terrier Bitches—Open. *Judge:* Mr. R. Hood Wright.
1. Capt. F. Martin's Martian Maid, by Ch. Martian Thistle—Martian Heather.
2. Mrs. W. S. Burke's Charnock Lassie, by Havisham King—Cairntable Fanny.
R. Mr. Marcus Koch's Tatters, by Ch. Hyndman Nailer—Burri.

CLASS LVII.—Scottish Terrier Bitches—Open. *Judge:* Mr. R. Hood Wright.
1. Capt. F. Martin's Martian Maid, by Ch. Martian Thistle—Martian Heather.
2. Mr. W. E. Bayley's Selina, by Ch. Hyndman Nailer—Burri.
R. Mrs. W. S. Burke's Charnock Lassie, by Havisham King—Cairntable Fanny.

CLASS LVIII.—Scottish Terrier Bitches—Novice. *Judge:* Mr. R. Hood Wright.
1. Mr. T. D. Wood's Duchess, by Prince—Rose.
2. Capt. F. Martin's Martian Maid, by Ch. Martian Thistle—Martian Heather.
R. Mr. W. E. Bayley's Selina, by Ch. Hyndman Nailer—Burri.
V. H. C.—Mrs. W. S. Burke's Charnock Lassie, by Havisham King—Cairntable Fanny.
C. Capt. H. N. Holden's Langford Busy; by Ch. Carter Laddie—Calstone Trixie.

CLASS LIX.—Scottish Terriers—Puppy. *Judge:* Mr. R. Hood Wright.
1. Mr. H. Harris' Jock, by Bob—Burri.
2. Capt. H. N. Holden's Langford Laddie, by Ch. Carter Laddie—Calstone Trixie.
R. Capt. F. Martin's Martian Model, by Ch. Martian Thistle—Khaiber Bonnie.
V. H. C. Mrs. Brett's Tinker, by Peter—Stookie.

CLASS LX.—Airedale Terriers—Open. *Judge:* Dr. J. H. B. Martin.
1. Mah. of Jind's Jind Marquis, by Dandy Jack—Gipsy Consort.
2. Miss D. Hull's Nero by Chum—Greetland Nelly.
3. Mr W. E. Kidner's Lady Betty, by Tramp—Greetland Nelly.
C. Mr. G. H. L. Mackenzie's Jock, by Rock Descendant—Willowbrae Venus.

CLASS LXI.—Airedale Terriers—Puppy. *Judge,* Dr. J. H. B. Martin.
1. Mr. W. E. Kidner's Lady Betty, by Tramp—Greetland Nelly.

CLASS LXII.—Bull Terriers—Open. *Judge:* Dr. J. H. B. Martin.
1. Mr. E. A. Lyon's Sher Bohemia, by Illixem Wild—Kitty.
2. Mah. of Jind's Borleagh Young Kaffir, by Rawdon Kaffir—Ch. Houghton—Lady Love.

CLASS LXIII.—Bull Terriers—Limit. *Judge:* Dr. J. H. B. Martin.
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2. Mr. C. F. Keys' Buck.

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CLASS LXVI.—Chow Chows—Puppy. *Judge:* Dr. J. H. B. Martin.
1. Mrs. W. Ferguson Ducat's Akhee.

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2. Mr. C. D. Petersen's Chumbi Delai.
R. Capt. C. G. Rowling's Lass.

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2. Miss Partridge's Lion.
V. H. C.—Mrs. Currie's Rosie, by Snow—Fluffy.
H. C.— Mrs. Currie's Brown, by Snow—Rosie.

CLASS LXX.—Pugs—Open. *Judge:* Dr. J. H. B. Martin.
1. Mrs. G. A. Smyth's Kalaheera, by John.
2. Mrs. G. A. Smyth's Sutcha, by Kalaheera—Koh-i-noor.
V. H. C.— Mr. W. Grant Rose's Churchdown Boofer, by Laws Derek—Hillesden Lady Chota. Mrs. W. Henderson Smith's Judy, by Turk—Mona.

CLASS LXXI.—Mexican Hairless Sand Dogs—Open. *Judge:* Dr. J. H. B. Martin.
1. Mr. T. P. Oxenham Menzies' Eve, by Jack—Nelli.
2. Mr. T P. Oxenham Menzies' Lall Zunki, ex Tippi.
R.—Mrs. A. M. Robertsons' Vixen.
V. H. C.— Mr. T. P. Oxenham Menzies', Zilla, by Adam—Eve.
C.—Mrs. A. M. Robertson's Foxy.

CLASS LXXII.—Schipperke.—Open. *Judge:* Dr. J. H. B. Martin.
1. Lt.-Col. W. R. Crook-Lawless' Spike, by Ch. Joy of Greta Richmond—Nivette.

CLASS LXXIII.—Japanese Spaniels—Open. *Judge:* Mr. R. Hood Wright.
1. Mrs. A. M. Mollands' Togo.
2. Mr. Marcus Koch's Cherry Blossom.
R. Mr. Marcus Koch's Admiral Togo.

CLASS LXXIV.—Japanese Spaniels—Limit. *Judge:* Mr. R. Hood Wright.
1. Mr. Marcus Koch's Cherry Blossom.
R Mr. Marcus Koch's Admiral Togo.
H. C. Mr. Marcus Koch's Princess Juju.

CLASS LXXV.—Japanese Spaniels—Novice. *Judge:* Mr. R. Hood Wright.
1. Mr. Marcus Koch's Cherry Blossom.
R. Mr. Marcus Koch's Princess Juju.

CLASS LXXVI.—Pekingese Pugs.—Open. *Judge:* Mr. R. Hood Wright.
1. Mr. A. Priestley's Mung, by Jabberwock—Howdie.
2. Mr. A. Priestley's Wei Ho, by Peking—Satan.
V. H. C. Mr. W. Baker's Blackie.
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1. Mr. A. Priestley's Mung, by Jabberwock—Howdie.
2. Mr. A. Priestley's Wei Ho, by Peking—Satan.
R. Mr. A. Priestley's Sih Gerga, by Jabberwock—Satan.
C. Mr. Marcus Koch's Tommy. Miss Priestley's Owl, by Smut—Pekin.

CLASS LXXVIII.—Pekingese Pugs—Novice. *Judge:* Mr. R. Hood Wright.
1. Mr. A. Priestley's Mung.
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CLASS LXXIX.—Pekingese Pugs—Puppy.
1. Mr. A. Priestley's Sih Gerga.

CLASS LXXX.—Pomeranians—Open. *Judge:* Mr. R. Hood Wright.
1. Mrs. Wilson's Marland Mimosa, by Nubian Sonny—Elsie.
2. Mrs. Harding's Pallino.
3. Mrs. Harding's Doreen.

CLASS LXXXI.—Pomeranians—Puppy. *Judge:* Mr. R. Hood Wright.
1. Mrs. Harding's Tiny Tot, by Pallino—Doreen.
R. Mah. of Jinds' Bayswater Prince, by Ulverstone Prince—Paddington Princess.

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The Naturalist.

BIRDS IN THEIR NESTS.

JUST as every Englishman is of opinion that his house is his castle, so does every little bird resent all attempts at prying into its private affairs in the nest. For this reason we really know very little of the home life of birds. It is not that there are no seekers after such knowledge. Practical ornithology is a science that can boast of a very large number of devotees.

Many men spend the greater part of their life in endeavouring to wrest from birds some of their secrets, and such must admit that the results they obtain are as a rule totally disproportionate to the magnitude of the efforts. At present we know only the vague generalities of bird life.

We know that the hen lays eggs, that she, with or without the help of the cock as the case may be, incubates these eggs, that the young which are at first naked are fed and brooded until they are ready to leave the nest, when they are coaxed forth by the parents who hold out tempting morsels of food to them. But these are mere generalities. Our ignorance of details is very great. The nests of most birds are scrupulously clean. Young birds have enormous appetities and much of the food which they eat is indigestible and must pass out as droppings, yet in the case of many species one never sees any sign of these droppings either in the nest, or on the leaves, branches or the ground near the nest. What becomes of these droppings? Ornithological treatises are silent upon this subject. Again, young birds are born naked and in India are frequently exposed to very high temperatures, so that much liquid must pass from their bodies by evaporation. How is this liquid made good. Do the parents water the birds, if so how? I have never seen any mention of this in an ornithological treatise.

Let us to-day consider these two subjects: the sanitation of the nest and the method of assuaging the thirst of young nestlings.

As regards the first we have some knowledge, thanks to the patient labours of Mr. F. H Herrick, an American naturalist, whose book *The Home Life of Birds*, I commend to every lover of the feathered folk. Although Mr. Herrick's book is to some extent spoiled for Englishmen because it deals with birds with which they are unfamiliar, its general results apply to all passerine birds.

Mr. Herrick is a very keen bird photographer. As every one knows, he who wishes to obtain good photographs of birds has two great difficulties to overcome. The first is to get near to his subjects and the third is to find them and their nests in situations suitable for photography.

The former is usually overcome by the photographer concealing himself and his camera in a tent or other structure. At first the birds are afraid of the concealing object, but soon maternal affection overcomes their fear.

Mr. Herrick's method of overcoming the second of these two difficulties is to remove the nest to be photographed from the concealed situation in which it is usually built and place it in a more open place. If the nest be thus moved when the young are some seven or eight days old, the parents will almost invariably continue to feed their young in the new situation, for at that particular period the parental instinct is at its zenith. In addition to obtaining a splendid series of photographs, Mr. Herrick has observed, from a distance of a few inches, the nesting habits of several American birds. As the result of these observations he is able to declare that nest-cleaning follows each feeding with clock-like regularity. "The excreta of the young" he writes, "leave the cloaca in the form of white opaque or transparent mucous sacs. The sac is probably secreted at the lower end of the alimentary canal, and is sufficiently consistent to admit of being picked up without soiling bill or fingers. The parent birds often leave the nest hurriedly bearing one of these small white packages in bill, an action full of significance to every member of the family . . . . . Removing the excreta piecemeal and dropping it at a safe distance, is the common instinctive method not only of insuring the sanitary condition of the nest itself, but what is even more important, of keeping the grass and leaves below free from any sign which might betray them to an enemy." These packets of excrement are quite odourless and they are often devoured by the parent bird instead of being carried away. The digestion of very young birds must be feeble and doubtless much of the food given them passes undigested through the alimentary canal, so that it is capable of affording nourishment to the parents. Birds are nothing if not economical. Of course all birds are not so careful of the sanitation of the nest. Everyone knows what a filthy spectacle a herony is. According to Mr. Herrick the instinct of inspecting and cleaning the nest is mainly confined to the great passerine and picarian orders. It is of course not necessary in the case of those birds such as fowls, of which the young are able to run about when born; nor is it needful in the case of birds of prey who take no pains to conceal the whereabouts of the nest. Young raptores eject their semi-fluid excreta over the edge of the nursery thus the nest is kept clean, but the droppings on the ground betray its presence to all the world.

Coming now to our other question: How do young birds obtain the water which they require, we have no help from Mr. Herrick. He makes no mention of this in his most interesting book. It is possible that nestlings are not given anything to drink, that the juicy, succulent insects or fruits with which they are supplied contain sufficient moisture for their requirements. We

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must remember that the skin of birds is very different from that of man. It contains no sweat glands, so that a bird, like a dog, can only perspire through its mouth. But even allowing, for this, a considerable amount of moisture must be given out in expiration, so that it seems probable that young birds require more moisture than they obtain in their food. Drops of water have to be administered to hand-reared birds. Many birds fill up the crop and then discharge the contents into the gaping mouths of their young. In this condition the food must be mixed with a considerable quantity of saliva and possibly with water. The crop of a bird is a receptacle into which the food of a bird passes and remains until actually utilised. There seems no reason why water should not be stored for a short time in this receptacle much as food is. Perhaps birds bring up water as they do solid food and thus assuage the thirst of their young. Such a process would be very difficult to detect; it would be indistinguishable from ordinary feeding to to the causal observer.

D. D.

The Story Teller.

A MEMORABLE CHRISTMAS EVE.

LUCY GRAY was suddenly awakened out of the light sleep into which she had fallen by the sound of a distant gun-shot, followed by faint, spasmodic cries for help. She recognised the voice at once. It was her father's—Lord Ellisfield's oldest and most trusted gamekeeper. But although an old man, Gray was strong, hale, and hearty. A widower, he lived alone with Lucy, his only child, in a small thatched cottage on the outskirts of a large and desolate pine wood, a mile or so above the little village of Ellisfield.

It was Christmas Eve, and some hours before the old man had gone down into the village to renew acquaintanceship and exchange seasonable greetings with certain old cronies over a glass of ale in the little inn. It was only on occasions like Christmas Eve that Gray went beyond the wood.

Lucy guessed what had happened when she heard the gun-shot and cries. On his way back from the village through the wood her father had undoubtedly come across some poachers, poaching some of his lordship's pheasants for their Christmas dinner, and was having a tussle with them. Indeed, it was not unlikely that he was being murdered, if he had not been shot down already. The girl sprang from her warm bed, merely slipped on a petticoat, and ran downstairs. She felt relieved when she noticed that her father had taken one of his guns with him. She also took one from the rack, slipped a couple of cartridges into the barrels, and then went out into the night.

There was a full moon creeping up into the murky heavens; snow was falling fast and thick. She set off in the direction from which the voice and the gun-shot seemed to have come; that is, she went along a wide "ride," the way by which her father generally went to and fro from the village.

When she had covered some two hundred yards she saw the figures of two men lying motionless in the snow a few paces ahead. One of the figures was half a dozen yards or so beyond the other. The snow around the bodies was stained with large purple blots. Coming up to the first, she knelt down, raised the head, and looked closely into the very white face. It was the face of a man whom she knew to be a notorious poacher. She put her lips close to his. He was still breathing, and freely; but he had a severe shot wound on the right side just below the armpit.

As she knelt by him he opened his eyes. They were bleared, dull, and watery. Death was dragging his wicked soul from his body slowly and painfully. It made Lucy sick to look into his distorted face. She let his head fall back with a flop. The man groaned, and his eyelids fell over his eyes.

Lucy moved on to the second figure. She had recognised it some moments before. It was lying face downwards. She rolled it over and placed her hand over the region of the heart. The heart was still. She felt the pulse; that was still, too. She touched the lips with her lips; they were cold and bloody. She raised one eyelid, but the blue eye she looked into saw her not. Life had gone out of the man. He had not been shot; his skull had been battered in. "My poor, poor old dad!" Lucy exclaimed, but showed no emotion. It was not in her nature to do so. Sorrow with her pent itself up in the heart, and but rarely showed itself on the delicate features of her face.

The mastiff, alternately whining and growling, crouched down by his master's side. The wounded and dying poacher sat up, though not without an effort that caused him severe pain. "I hit him accross the head with the stock of my gun, he said. As I did so the gun went off and shot me—damn him!"

At the same moment there was a sudden noise in a thicket close by as of a person breaking though the brushwood. Barely a couple of seconds later a young man sprang out and ran madly along the "ride." Lucy raised her gun and fired. The man run on as fast as ever for a few more yards, then reeled, threw up his arms, and fell on his face. The poacher, cursing dreadfully, struggled to get on his fest that he might fly at the girl, fell back exhausted.

"My son!" he gasped. "He had no hands in it--I swear it!"

Lucy went to look at the man whom she had shot down. The poacher was right. The man was his son, and Lucy's lover. He had been wounded badly.

"False lover and murderer!" the girl shrieked, and raised the gun for the second time.

"Oh, mercy, mercy!" cried her lover. "I didn't—"

"I believe you, Bill," she said at last. "Yes, it was your wicked father who did it."

And she glanced towards the spot where she had left the poacher grovelling in a portion of his life's blood.

"Goodness gracious!" Lucy exclaimed. The man had disappeared as though by magic, and Lucy started carrying her lover to her home. As she passed the spot where the poacher had been lying, she saw the man crawling away on all fours into the brushwood, leaving a trail of blood behind him on the snow.

Lucy bound up her lover's wounds, which, as stated, were severe, but, as it subsequently proved, not dangerous. Then she tucked him up in her own bed, put on some more clothes, and started for the doctor.

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"Loo, Loo, girl, where are you?" shouted his lordship from the back of his dappled grey mare. It was barely eight o'clock, but Lord Elisfield was an early riser. He had ridden up from his home in the village to the cottage in the wood to wish John Gray and his daughter a Merry Christmas and give them a present each. He was a good-natured, jovial old gentleman, with a red smiling face.

It was an ideal Christmas morning. The ground was covered with snow a foot and more deep. It was snowing no longer, and the sun was shining. The great wood looked like some fairy land in its white, glittering mantle.

"Here I am my lord" faltered Lucy at last coming from the wood with what at first sight looked to be a huge bundle in her arms.

"What the blazes—" began Lord Ellisfield riding towards her. "Well, well!"

"'Twas Bill Adams, my lord, who did it," Lucy went on. "He smashed his skull in with a gun-stock. Oh, dear, her face with her hands and sobbed softly. The old lord helped her to carry her dead father inside the cottage, and cover up the body. Then by degrees Lucy told him the story of the dreadful tragedy.

Afterwards she led the way upstairs to her lover's bedside. The young man looked little the worse for the shots Lucy had fired into his back, and was apparently in no dangerous condition.

"I know your father was a dead wrong 'un," said his lordship to the poacher's son, "but I did not think he would stoop to murder; and I am surprised you were weak enough, young man, to allow him to make a confederate of you. One who has been a bad poacher, however, makes a good keeper and, for Loo's sake, you may take her father's place—that is to say, when the police have finished with you. I don't know if they can imprison you; one thing you can rest assured of—you will not be summoned for poaching."

"You feel quite certain, my dear, he did not have a hand in the murder?" Lord Ellisfield continued, when he and Lucy had left the bedroom.

"Quite certain, my lord," the girl answered.

"And the murderer, you say, crept away into the brushwood?"

"Yes, on his hands and knees. He must be dead by this time. He was wounded severely and bleeding freely."

Lucy held his lordship's horse whilst he got into the saddle. He was about to ride away when a noise just inside the wood, as of the snapping of brittle twigs, arrested his attention.

"Look! There, there, girl!" he cried, pointing with his whip to the figure of a man hurrying deeper into the wood on his hands and knees.

The poacher turned his white, blood-smeared face, with its big bleared eyes towards the couple.

"Ugh," his lordship muttered, and rode slowly away with his head on his breast.

The police searched the wood from top to bottom, as the saying is, but the murderer could not be found alive or dead. Rabbit and fox-holes and hollow trees were looked into, but to no purpose. The snow that fell after the man's departure from the scene of the crime had obliterated all tracks that he left behind him in the snow that then lay on the ground.

But a portion of a sheet of note-paper was picked up, on which the poacher had smeared the following words in blood: "He didn't do it—my son. I swear it."

After the wood the district was scoured, but with the same result, and, after the lapse of a few weeks, the search was practically given up.

Lucy married young Bill Adams about two months later and a few days afterwards Lucy happened to be lighting a fire in the parlour of the cottage in the wood, where she was still living. She was expecting a few friends in to tea. She could not remember when a fire had been lit in the room last, and was not at all surprised to find the chimney blocked. She conjectured that a jackdaw's nest formed the obstruction. She ran a pole up the chimney, and felt a mass of something. She prodded away with a right good will, and then the unexpected happened.

A man's leg came tumbling down into the grate, followed by another, and then the rest of a body. She called her husband and told him of the gruesome discovery.

"There!" he said, "I told you, Loo, I thought I heard him downstairs on the night of the murder, when you had gone for the doctor, calling to me, asking if I was upstairs!"

The Theatre.

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THE first appearance of this party who come from the Alexandra Palace, London, was not hailed with that enthusiasm which so energetic and conscientious an entertaining party deserve—at least so one might judge from the rather spare audience which greeted them in the Concert Hall on their opening night. The party contains a splendid baritone in the person of Mr. Walter Rayner, and Mr. Arthur L. Cowen, who is a tenor performer of great ability, delighted his hearers with a very sympathetic rendering of *Good Night Beloved*. The concerted pieces went well, especially the *Torpedo and the Whale;* (Olivette) while the Swanie River with its simulated banjo effect which, though in itself not so artistic a *morceau*, seemed to "take on" immensely. The *artistes* may be congratulated on the possession of an accompanist of the first order—Mr. W. F. Pits—who also displayed his talents as a piano soloist in his beautiful interpretation of Mattei's *Grande Valse*. This being the eleventh year of uninterrupted success, for Pierrot Party have distinguished themselves in the principal pavilions, concert halls, and theatres of the United Kingdom, it is to be hoped that the Metropolis of India will accord them a hearty reception, and this no doubt we shall not be slow in doing, particularly if the seats be let at more popular prices.

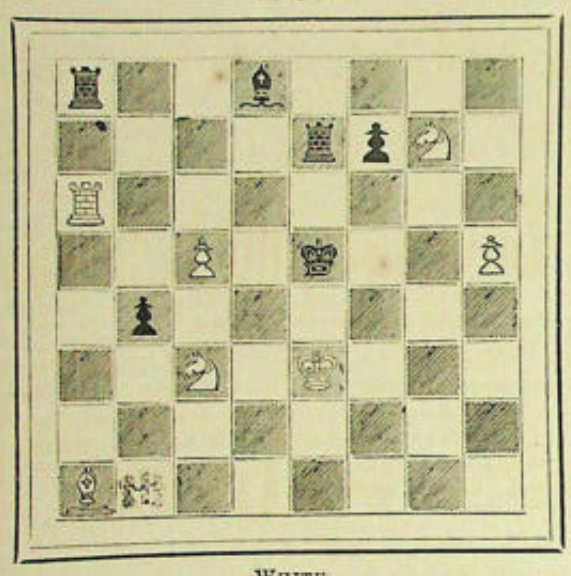
Chess.

Solution to Problem No. 389.

WHITE.	BLACK.
1. R. to Q 8	1. K moves.
2. B. to K 5 and R mates	

Problem No. 390.

BLACK.



WHITE.

White to play and mate in two moves.

Game.

HAMPE OPENING.

WHITE.	BLACK.
1. P. to K 4	1. P. to K 4
2. Q. Kt to B 3	2. P. to Q R 3
3. P. to K B 4	3. B. to B 4
4. Kt. to K B 3	4. P. to Q 3
5. B. to Q B 4	5. B. to K Kt 5
6. P. takes P	6. P. takes P
7. B. takes K B P, ch	7. K. to B sq
8. Q. to K 2	8. Kt. to K B 3
9. B. to Q 5	9. P. to Q B 3
10. B. to Q Kt 3	10. P. to Q Kt 4
11. P. to Q 3	11. Kt. to Q 2
12. B. to K 3	12. Q. to Q Kt 3
13. Kt. to Q sq	13. P. to Q R 4
14. P. to Q B 3	14. P. to Q R 5
15. B. to Q B 2	15. B. takes B
16. Kt. takes B	16. P. to K R 3
17. Castles	17. B. to K 3
18. P. to Q 4	18. K. to Kt sq
19. K. to R sq	19. Kt. to K Kt 5
20. Kt. to K B 5	20. B. to Q B 4
21. Kt. to K 7, ch	21. K. to R 2
22. K. to K Kt 5, ch	22. P. takes Kt
23. Q. takes Kt	23. P. to Q B 4
24. R. to K B 3	24. P. to K Kt 3
25. R. to R 3, ch	25. K. to Kt 2
26. Q. takes Kt	26. Q. R. to R 2
27. Kt. to K B 5 dble, ch	27. K. to B sq

Mates in six moves.

Fare (just alighted): "As you are impudent, I must ask you for your name and your number." Cabby: "'Ere's my number, Miss; but I can't offer you my name, as that is promised to another young lady."

"Papa," she said, as the old man came in late, "young Mr. Sampson offered himself to me to-night and I refused him. And, oh, papa, I am afraid his heart is broken." "He told me about it," said her father. "Then you met him?" "Yes; he is down at the Eagle playing billiards."

At a certain fair, in one of the side shows, the principal performer was a knife-thrower, who made a speciality of throwing knives all round a lady into a board at the back of the stage. The partner of this artist was middle-aged, stout and well, very plain, and when she came on the audience gasped. They had not thought it possible for anyone to be—Well, so plain and live through it. The man arranged her to the board, and at the critical moment threw the knife. It flew through the air and stuck quivering in the board. Voice from the back "Great Scot? you've missed her."

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Foy	bk aus g	Mr. Charles	Pringle.
First Bell	ch aus g	Col. Stisted	Firth.
G.			
Galley Slave	ch e	Mr. E. J. Marshall	J. D. Scott.
Greenstone	b aus g	Mr. North	Bleach.
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Gladstone	b aus g	Mr. Locke	C. Hoyt.
Ground Glass	b e m	Mr. Cowper	Pringle.
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P.			
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T.			
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Turk	gr aus g	Mr. W. O. Rees	Owner.
V.			
Veera	ch aus m	Mr. G. K.	Munroe.
Vespasia	b e m	Mr. D. B. Myers	Dignum.
Vanity Fair	b aus m	Mr. Dartmoor	Taylor.
Vinolia	b or br aus m	Mr. H. V. Low	Norton.
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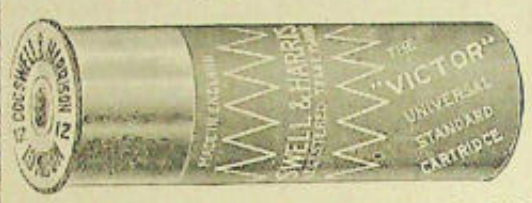

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FLAT RACING IN ENGLAND IN 1906.

II.—GOODWOOD TO MANCHESTER.

AS a fashionable rendezvous and one of the chief social functions of the year, "Goodwood" is as much in evidence as ever it was; but from a racing point of view, it is to be feared that it is deteriorating. The meeting in the Ducal park on the Sussex coast used to be regarded as the proper place for the higher class of two-year-olds to make their *début*, and for the contests of such giants of the turf as Isonomy, St. Simon and Merman; but it all seems very different of recent years, for Goodwood hardly ever brings out any unknown juvenile of high rank, and the Cup and other races so often resolve themselves into little more than consolation prizes for very indifferent performers. This is not the occasion to enquire into the cause of this sad change, or to discuss possible remedies, and one must perforce get on with the matter in hand.

The popular scramble, the Stewards' Cup, for some reason or other secured but very scant patronage, the total number of entries being 31, or 14 less than the number of starters in 1861, when Croagh Patrick gained such a surprising victory. Even this poor lot was reduced considerably by scratching, so that on the day of the race, although all those left in were found at the post, there was a field of only a "baker's dozen," the smallest number by far that has ever started. Nor was the paucity in number made up by any particular quality of class, as may be judged from the fact that the top-weight was Bend Or's son, Golden Gleam, a most moderate animal, while 8 out of the 13 were three-year-olds. Undoubtedly the best animal in the field was Captain Greer's three-year-old Rocketter, by Gallinule out of Volant, and his weight, including a small penalty, was 7st. 6lbs., which certainly he was entitled to be honoured with, considering that he but shortly before won the valuable Salford Borough Handicap at Manchester, with the same impost. Admirable Crichton, another three-year-old, by Isinglass out of Pretty Polly's dam, was also of the field, as were Foresight, a Carbine colt who had won the last race at Ascot, Golden Gleam, the grey Bass Rock who carried the popular dark blue and yellow of Mr. L. de Rothschild, and Athleague, one of the leaders of last season, but a disappointment of this. There has rarely been such an easy victory over this fast sprint course, for Rocketter, the favourite, ridden by the champion, W. Higgs, starting at 5 to 1, came right away from the tapes, and won "all the way" by three lengths, the only excitement being the struggle which resulted in the well-backed Twelvebore beating Admirable Crichton a short head for second place. On the same day, Gallinule had another winner in Weathercock, the property of Major Eustace Loder, the colt winning the Richmond Stakes; Weathercock had run poorly before Goodwood, and later only appeared in colours once, when he was an indifferent fourth in the Champagne Stakes at Doncaster. Of the other juvenile performers at Goodwood not a great deal is to be said; on the first day, Sir Edgar Vincent's Auber (Islington—Umbrosa) beat Lord Wolverton's colt by Florizel II out of Marsh Marigold (subsequently named Prince of Orange), and on the Thursday the latter won the Prince of Wales' Stakes from Lord Rosebery's hitherto unbeaten Traquair (Ayrshire—Chelandry), upsetting the odds of 6 to 1 laid on the

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bearer of the "primrose, rose-hoops." Of these three would-be cracks, only Auber was capable of winning a race after Goodwood. Bellavista, however, and My Pet II were also two-year-old winners, the former taking the Rous Memorial Stakes, and the latter (to whom reference will be made later on) the Molecamb Stakes.

The only other important Handicap at Goodwood is, of course, the Goodwood Plate (2 miles), for which quite a reputable field turned out, considering the hardness of the ground and the natural reluctance of owners to risk their best animals being ruined, if not altogether, at least for the remainder of the season. Mr. Buchanan's Golden Measure, of whom more will have to be written, was installed favourite, and Hammerkop, last year's heroine of the Cesarewitch, who carried 9st. 3lbs., was also heavily supported, while Mr. Singer's aged mare, Pradella, the Northumberland Plate winner, Outbreak, St. Wulfram, who had won race after race last year, but this year did nothing till Doncaster, and some others, made up a field of 12 runners. The winner was provided from the ranks of the "25 to 1 others," Lord Ellesmere's four-year-old, Winwick, carrying 6st. 13lbs. and ridden by Plant (the "pocket Hercules," as one of the sporting writers always dubs him), though hitherto unknown to fame, proved too good for his opponents and won somewhat cleverly, with Sandboy second and St. Wulfram third. Later in the season, poor Winwick met with an untimely end; a great fancy for the Cesarewitch, as on his Goodwood running he was entitled to be, he was going as well as anything in the race when suddenly he slipped and fell, so injuring himself that he had to be shot, for mercy's sake.

From Goodwood to York is a jump of a month, but during the interval nothing takes place of any account worth recording, though it may be noted that the meetings at Stockton seem to be coming more and more into favour, not only with the fashionable world, but even with the most conservative members of the Turf world. Well, here we are at York, where sights and sounds, and the very names of the races, remind one of the days of the Wizard of the North, when such marvellous results were achieved by horses bred and trained on the Yorkshire moors; times which, there are not indications wanting, are likely to be once again. The York Meeting of course is chiefly celebrated for three races, The Great Ebor Handicap, The Great Yorkshire Stakes, and The Gimcrack Stakes, all of which have histories second only to the classic races. The Great Ebor Handicap is generally regarded as a kind of preliminary Cesarewitch, and this year, indeed, it furnished the clue to the long-distance event at Newmarket. There was a fair field of 12 runners, comprising a previous winner in Mr. Sullivan's The Page, and such well-known stayers as Sandboy and Whinbloom, with Golden Measure as favourite at 7 to 4. The latter, the property of Mr. Buchanan of "Black and White" fame, had also been made favourite for the Goodwood Plate a few weeks before, but met with some mishap in running and fell, though on the Knavesmire he retrieved his reputation by a very clever win from Mintagon, to whom he was giving 18lbs. The Great Yorkshire Stakes fell to the lot of Lord Derby's Bridge of Canny, the aptly named son of Love Wisely and Santa Brigida, who has been more than a faithful slave to his noble owner, having won over £10,000 in stakes during the season. One must leave the Gimcrack Stakes with the mere observation that Colonel Hall Walker, for the second year in succession, was the owner as well as the breeder of the winner, Polar Star by name, as we shall have to refer to the latter's performances when summing up generally the two-year-old form of the season.

Doncaster to wit! The St. Leger fortunately did not crack up altogether as was the case last year. The Derby winner, Spearmint, had not been nominated, which was rather peculiar, considering that as a Carbine he might have been expected to prove a stayer; but the winner of the Oaks, Lord Derby's Keystone II (Persimmon—Lock and Key), was very much in evidence, and indeed was made a very warm favourite, partly, no doubt, as she was to be ridden by the almost invincible D. Maher. The small but most genuine Beppo, who was so unfortunate in the Two Thousand, the Frenchman, Storm, who was the only horse to really tackle Spearmint in the Grand Prix, Mr. James' Gorgos, the winner of the first classic, Gingal to represent Carbine, Malua, a half-brother of Beppo, and a few others, made up a fairly good class field of 12 runners, and yet the winner's name has not been mentioned. Of all the competitors of the season, none has been more consistent than the Duke of Westminster's Ladas colt, Troutbeck; previous to the St. Leger, he had won all the 9 races in which he had taken part as a three-year-old, with the exception of the Derby, in which of course he was third to Spearmint and Picton, and his last race on the historic Yorkshire moor was his best, for he struggled and fought as gamely as possible, and succeeded in gaining a head victory from the little-thought-of Prince William, with Beppo a head away third, and Lord Derby's mare only just beaten out of a place. Troutbeck was a very general fancy for the race, and started a sound second favourite, at 5 to 1, notwithstanding that his jockey was G. Stern, brought over specially from France for the occasion. Beppo was a little later rewarded for his many misfortunes, for in the Jockey Club Stakes, favoured by a pull in the weights with Keystone II of 12lbs., he was able to place the valuable stake of over £7,000 to the credit of his owner, Mr. J. A. de Rothschild. To win the Champagne Stakes has often been the prelude to success in the Derby, as witness Rock Sand, Ladas and Ayrshire, though more often the high promise has not been fulfilled, as in the case of Democrat, Velasquez and La Fleche, and we must wait another six months before we can know what the fate will be of Slieve Gallion, who beat his six opponents in the Champagne Stakes of 1906. His chance was so highly thought of that 4 to 1 was laid on him, and he won easily by 2 lengths, though the owner of My Pet II, who was the runner-up, had good cause to complain of terrible ill-luck at the start. Slieve Gallion, a son of the wonderful Irish stallion, Gallinule, is a whole black, and no one needs reminding how rarely an animal of that colour wins the Derby.

It is often observed that when a horse who has been unlucky or a disappointment to his owner is sold, the buyer obtains a really totally different animal to what he was in his former owner's hands; it may be, of course, that one only notices the rare cases in which this happens by chance, and passes over the multitude of sales where no such wonderful regeneration occurs; or it may be that change of training-grounds or an alteration in the mode of treatment may be the natural and direct cause of the improvement. However, whatever may be the explanation, Polymelus affords an excellent illustration of the often-noticed fact. This colt, a son of Cyllene and Maid Marian, foaled 1902, was originally owned by Lord Crewe, and then was turned over to Mr. David Faber; for the latter, the colt never won a race, and Mr. Faber accordingly decided to get rid of him, and Mr. S. B. Joel became the purchaser at 4,000 guineas, and in a few days' time the son of Cyllene carried his new owner's "green and pink stripes" jacket first past the post for the Duke of York Stakes at Kempton, thereby placing a sum of £1,700 to the credit side of his balances-heet. Three days later, Polymelus was out again, and won the Champion Stakes of £900 at Newmarket, and later was destined to achieve another and more important victory.

To most of us, the Cesarewitch is the race of the year, and stands out by itself much in the same way as the Grand National Steeplechase; every sportsman loves the courage and strength, which are as necessary as speed for victory in the Cesarewitch, and no horse ever yet won over this punishing 2½ miles that was not on the day a "good 'un" in every sense. There are always a number of mysterious horses associated with the Cesarewitch; "rods-in-pickle," shuttle-cocks in the betting, and horses that are supposed to have been "readied" always abound, but in nine cases out of ten the winner's victory is not only justified, but actually forecast by his previous public performances. A good entry, followed by a quite exceptional acceptance, resulted in a field of 24 runners, including last year's winner, Major Loder's sterling good Gallinule mare, Hammerkop, who was top-weight with 9st. 2lbs., Whinbloom, a Great Metropolitan winner, Feather Bed, who had won both the Chester Cup and the Great Yorkshire Handicap, Winwick, who had come to the rescue of the Ring at Goodwood, as already narrated, and the three-year-olds, Beppo and Spate, the latter a son of The Rush. Then there was the Yorkshire-trained Mintagon (Martagon—Mimi) who had been beaten but a short head by Golden Measure in the Great Ebor, and Noctuiform, an importation by Mr. Buchanan from New Zealand; the latter of course was trained by Major Edwardes at Ogbourne, and for a long time he was practically favourite for the race, notwithstanding that he had had nothing like the time for acclimatisation which Merman had when he won in 1897. Noctuiform was "walking over" for a mile-and-a-half race at Windsor a couple of weeks before the Newmarket meeting, and odds were eagerly laid on him against the field, but he showed neither speed nor stamina, and was beaten out of a place. Still, he had champions among the ante-post speculators, who agreed that his owner and trainer could not have made such a terrible mistake; but notwithstanding, he gradually drifted out in the market until those who had snapped up all the sixes and fives found, to their chagrin, on the day of the race that they could get 33 to 1 for the asking. The Yorkshire Mintagon, however, always went well in the market, and observant students noticed that he was galloping two miles and over three or four times a week, a fact which was also to be noted with regard to another north-country candidate, the four-year-old daughter of Childwick and Gold Mine, named Bibiani. Well, they are off at last, and the raucous voices of the Ring die away; not half the journey is done before it becomes obvious that public form is to be vindicated, for Mintagon is leading, going easily, and yet gaining ground every furlong, until he romps in, a winner by six lengths, with Bibiani second, and the three-year-old Royal Dream third. Mintagon at the start was second favourite at 6 to 1, the post of honour being occupied by Feather Bed at a point shorter odds. In a way, the honours of the race rested with Mr. J. de Rothchild's Beppo, who, small horse as he is, carried 8st. 6lbs. on his three-year-old back into fourth place.

The Frenchmen, having made no attempt to win the long-distance handicap, contented themselves with but a half-hearted attack for the Cambridgeshire, for although they sent over two representatives, Camisard and Ganelon II, neither of them was backed at all to speak of, indeed, the latter was included in the 50 to 1 others. The field fell far short of that for the last great handicap, and interest was not a little abated, owing to the outstanding chance of Polymelus who, including a 10lb. penalty for Kempton, was only set to carry 8st. 10lbs.; here and there, however, there was an idea or a suspicion that the fortunes of the Joel family might be entrusted to the City and Suburban winner, Dean Swift. In fact, however, both horses started, but the pronounced run on Polymelus showed clearly that he was the real representative, and at flag-fall it was hard to get even the smallest rate of odds against him; even 11 to 10, however, was worth having, for this, the hottest favourite on record for the Cambridgeshire, in the hands of D. Maher, won as he liked, Kaffir Chief, a 10 to 1 chance, being second, and the three-year-old Malua third, at 12½ to 1 for a place. There have thus been five consecutive years in which the favourite has won the Cambridgeshire, so that if there is anything in the law of averages, 1907 should witness, without doubt, the victory of a Georgie or an Indian Queen.

To most of us, the close of the Houghton Meeting is really the end of the Session, so that it must suffice to note that Gourd, a Goodwood disappointment, unexpectedly revelling in soft, muddy going, took the Derby Cup at the S.P. of 25 to 1, and that the three-year-old Spate, who was fifth in the Cesarewitch, made amends by winning the Manchester November Handicap. It must, however, be added, as an item of particular interest to all who follow racing in India, that the Viceroy Cup winner, Great Scot, ran second to Gourd and third to Spate; it is said that this sterling representative of the Prince Charlie line is to be kept in training for another season, and one can only "faintly trust the larger hope" that ere he is retired to the duties and pleasures of the stud, he may achieve a great and meritorious victory as the seal to his fame as a race-horse.

And now to deal with the rising generation—it is a far from easy task, for during the year many a reputation has been nobly earned, only to be ignominiously forfeited. One alone of all the two-year-olds has proved equal to all calls and tests, and that is Colonel Hall Walker's colt, Polar Star, who has won all his twelve races during the season,

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among them being the Criterion and the Gimcrack Stakes, without having been hustled. The colt is a son of Pioneer and Go On, and so, like his owner's champion of the previous season, Black Arrow, represents something quite out of the ordinary run in breeding, but, alas, he has not been entered for any of the classic races in 1907, though fortunately he is one of those who may perhaps meet the winner of the Derby in the Ascot Cup. After Polar Star, there comes the black Slieve Gallion who has already been referred to, though he had to play second fiddle to Galvani in the Middle Park Plate, Galvani next time out not being able to get within two lengths of Polar Star in the Criterion. Then there is My Pet II, the property of Mr. Raphael, and this stupidly named son of Perth and My Mary, after some very inconsistent performances, managed to finish up the season with two very good wins, the latter of which was achieved in the Dewhurst Plate, where the opposition, however, was by no means strong. On the whole, it really looks as if 1907 was to be a year for dark horses or outsiders in the classic events, and among such one may refer to Bezonian by Velasquez out of Cicero's dam, Candahar, an Ayr-shire colt, and Baltinglass by Isinglass out of Sibola; but, truth to tell, it is impossible to "reach a hand through time" and pick the winners of the Guineas or the Derby or the St. Leger with the slightest degree of confidence, and perhaps it is as well it should be so, for the uncertainty cannot but add a deal of interest to those who can and will follow the training and performances of the three-year-olds of 1907.

Sporting Notes.

THE proposal of the C. T. C. to introduce a new class of members to be called "Stand Members" who will not exercise the full privileges of the club and will pay a reduced subscription, has been carried.

The prospectus of the Quetta Spring Meeting is published to-day.

The Viceregal party has begun well. The first shoot, splendidly organised by H. H. the Maharajah of Cooch Behar, produced no less than seven tigers in about five hours' beating. His Excellency got two, Lady Minto one, Lady Eileen Elliot one, Colonel Adam one, Mr. Hammond one, and Mr. Gupta one. Besides this a good deal of other game was bagged. H. H. of Cooch Behar directed the beat (which included about seventy elephants) throughout the day.

With the main body of the racing army away at Bombay the Calcutta paddocks looked very empty last Saturday afternoon. The racing was anything but exciting, there being not a single close finish throughout the afternoon. The Pony Hunters' Hurdle Race was somewhat of a fiasco, Geebung and Pathfinder having the race much to themselves in a field of four. The prices laid by the bookmakers in this race were not unnaturally cramped and gave rise to another howl from punters and their literary representatives. The answer to these perennial complaints seems to be a simple one. The sellers of bets, like salesmen of every class, are bound down by the rigid rules of supply and demand. If there are no buyers at their prices they must offer more attractive rates or cease to do business. So long as they can find buyers they will naturally offer prices as favourable as possible to themselves. The natural remedy of the punter, like other buyers of good or bad things, is to refrain from purchasing at prices which he regards as prohibitive or unfair. That seems to be about the last word that can be said on the matter.

First Bell and Mademoiselle were installed favourites in the rather inferior pony race that followed, but the latter ran very disappointingly and Colonel Stisted's smart pony had no difficulty in winning from Esmeralda. The unlucky Galley Slave came home in the Selling Race and his connections seized the opportunity to get rid of him no doubt in hope of forgetting the many monies he has dropped for them into the whirlpool of the ring since his advent to India.

In the next pony race none could discover which of the Dehra Dun pair was really fancied by the stable authorities, Mr. Scott's ponies being both well in at the weights. The bookmakers mastered this difficult situation with great address, chalking them both up at 6 to 4. At the last moment Kathleen II. went out to threes and people rushed across to the rails to see Yankee Boy rolling home from Belle Cole with Kathleen third. This pony did not seem to get a very good start and also appeared to encounter some difficulty in rounding the hospital corner, but these accidents often happen in well regulated families.

Botha scored yet again from a second rate lot of horses in the Esplanade Plate and fairly laughed at the handicapper's attempt to stop him even though his parcel amounted to 10st. 7lbs. Mr. Bell has a real good horse here and he should soon find a buyer. In the R. C. race Baichan rode with good judgment on Nirvana and scored decisively from Bon Bon. Blitzen in blinkers cut out all the work, but stopped as soon as she was collared at the hospital corner and was beaten out of a place.

In the Hunters' Race Trilby started a hot favourite and gave her owner a very pleasant ride as nothing could live alongside her as soon as she started to gallop. Lady Gold finished it out rather better than usual but carried Mr. Bell-Irving across the course as she is very apt to do when running between rails. The Monsoon Hurdle Race course is evidently her happiest hunting ground. The despised Posey ran on very gamely and displaced Sylvia for third place. The latter was well backed to win, but seemed to be stopping all up the straight in a manner new to her, as she has always been a trier among triers.

These Hunter races at the end of the season are still very popular; there are closed Club races for horses and ponies next Saturday and there is also to be yet another Paperchaser's race on the following Thursday as well as the annual scurry for Light Horse Chargers.

The Paperchase season is fast drawing to a close and already complaints are rife as to the hot and muggy weather. The Pony Cup is advertised for Friday, the 29th, and the Paperchase Cup Chase for Saturday, 9th March. Among the ponies there is nothing to compete with Mistlebird and barring accidents Mr. Pugh should easily annex this little Cup. Pathfinder, with all his failings across country, is next best, and of the rest Samah, Zig Zag, Clarice, Blazes and Geebung are perhaps the most likely ones. For the big race Lord Harry stands out very much alone but Mr. Evers and Cain will assuredly make him bustle properly before it is won. Cain is quite a different horse out in the country and runs game right up to the flags. Queen of Hearts will also run well if her owner hardens his heart and sticks close to the leaders throughout; the little mare is a great stayer. Turk is ineligible, Lady Gold unreliable and Fairy, Jorrocks, Ruddigore, Sir Walter, Cobbler, Myrene, and Warrior, are not fast enough to trouble the cracks at the finish. There is still old Corydon to reckon with, but the Doctor will have to keep well with his field this year so long at least as Ruddigore and Mr. Halliday are swinging along in the front division, if he means to take away the Heavy-weight Cup.

First entries for the Jubbulpore Races are published to-day.

The Native Cavalry Polo Tournament was concluded at Umballa on Saturday when the 26th Cavalry met and defeated the 10th Lancers by the narrow margin of a subsidiary: details among our Polo news.

With regret we learn that the Rawalpindi Dog Show has been cancelled: the reason is that the N. I. K. A. refused to allow it to be a "Championship" one.

The Indian Polo Association holds its annual general meeting at Meerut on Thursday, 7th March. We have already published the agenda of business to be put before the members. To these items must be added one in the name of Captain Heseltine of the Carabineers who will propose that in future the Hurlingham Rules for polo be adopted *in toto* in this country, with two exceptions, *viz.*, the height of ponies and the duration of play. Colonel Macan will propose that at stations where polo is much played, the Polo Secretary should keep a list of those competent and willing to umpire in matches and tournaments; their names to be sent to the Honorary Secretary, I.P.A., for registration, and that in all important tournaments umpires to be selected from this list; umpires to be nominated, and umpire throughout; umpires not to belong to any of the competing teams.

An observant fisherman writes to an American sporting contemporary:—"I read somewhere not long ago a most spirited account of the salmon coming back from its salt water travels to its fresh water birthplace, and jumping the falls to reach the goal. Now I have observed the salmon where

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ft does most abound, and its way of making upward over falls, appeared to me not jumping but plain, hard, furious swimming.

I remember in Alaska on one occasion to have had a most excellent opportunity to observe this magnificent fish make progress through prodigously swift water and up a fall of about six feet. The stream was an extremely rapid one, having, when I saw it, a width at most points of some thirty to fifty feet. Where the fall came down this was narrowed to ten. At the foot of the fall a little pool of more quiet mien spread out, where the salmon swam so thick as to seem almost a solid mass.

I lay down by the side of the little cascade over which the water poured as clear as plate glass. A bright sun made everything in the downpour of perfect plainness. This is what I saw the salmon do: each one after coming to the impediment retired as far as possible down stream and then rushed forward at full speed. Entering the fall itself the impetus of the first rush seemed to carry the fish about half way up. From here it was a case of slowly winning the balance of the distance by frantic swimming, or a failure to gain upward, which, when it occurred, ended by the poor struggler being hurried tail first back to the foot again. Not over one in twenty succeeded in cresting the torrent. While swimming in the fall itself the fish was apparently moving every muscle in its body, not only fins and tail but the whole body was a-quiver. Many were dashed to death against the rocks below the fall when defeated, seeming then so tired out as to be scarcely able to move.

Fish jumped below the falls and rose clear of the water, but those which won up, scaled the obstruction, and did not leap over it."

Many polo players in India will read with regret of the death at Lucknow of Major S. H. B. Hobbs, of Murray's Jat Lancers. He was specially well known in the U. P. as a smart soldier and clever polo player.

An Australian paper makes the astounding statement that "in India tigers are protected by Government!"

After the outspoken letter from Mr. Harry Storey, Honorary Secretary of the Ceylon Game Protection Society, and after his absolute declaration, with a full sense of the responsibility entailed by the same, that if the present system is continued the extinction of game in Ceylon in the near future is certain, —we must say that we cannot see how His Excellency the Governor can delay taking immediate action writes the *Ceylon Observer*. That action might well be, in our opinion, a special Commission of a couple of officials, with Mr. Storey or some other qualified unofficial to take evidence, travel, inspect and report by the earliest possible date. For instance, the evidence not only of all Agents and Assistant Agents and Headmen in the provinces concerned should be taken, but also of members of the Forest, Survey, P. W. D. and Minor Roads, and even the Medical Departments. Then again, that of selected members of the cocoanut, tea and rubber planting community and of any intelligent unofficial natives acquainted with our forests. Such a body of evidence could not fail to command respect. We trust February will not be lost without the enquiry being started; for certainly, when the Legislative Council meets early in March, questions will have to be asked and motives formulated and pressed, if nothing is done.

The question of the status, breeding, and origin of the fish liar has often been discussed. As to his status, I place the liar on a very high pedestal remarks a writer in a London sporting contemporary, as he is at least a much more interesting person than the man who sticks to the plain, unvarnished truth. A gentleman who descends to poetry without a blush writes thus:—

Some poet asks the question,
And an answer seems to wish,
If fishing makes men liars,
Or if liars only fish.

I have it. They're not liars—
No doubt they'll be relieved—
For a story's not a falsehood,
If nobody's deceived.

With regard to the origin of the fish-legend provider, I fancy that the habit will go back to the first great fish story of Jonah and the whale. People seem to have been trying to beat that ever since. Some have succeeded, but not many.

For a pleasant little yarn, this would go a long way when garnished with parsley. It emanates from Australia:—

A black-and-tan smooth-haired terrier, belonging to a young man of Hotspur, distinguished itself the other day. In company with other lads, its owner was angling for perch in the Crawford river, when his bamboo rod was pulled into the water by a fish that had been hooked. The river at the spot is 30 or 40 yards wide, and about 12 feet deep. The fish darted across to the other side, taking the rod with it, and the terrier was sent to recover it. When the dog reached the rod it attempted to bring it back, but the struggle of the large fish prevented this. The dog, however, touched ground on the opposite side, and hauled out rod, line, and fish to land. The dog was then told to bring the rod across, but the fish became unhooked on the bank. The terrier immediately caught it by the head, jumped into the stream, and swam across, bringing the fish with him to his master. Then he went back for the rod and caught another fish by trolling on the way across.

It would be distinctly hard lines to be potted by a stray bullet while travelling in a railway carriage. This fate nearly befel Surgeon-General Gubbins the other day. The *Pioneer* gives the following details:— "On Saturday last just as the 15-39 train from Jullundur to Umballa have passed the Sirhind station a bullet whistled through a first class compartment of the train. It entered through an open window from the western direction, breaking the glass of a closed window on the opposite side. It is supposed to have come from the rifle of some sportsman out buck shooting. The occupants of the carriage were Surgeon-General Gubbins, and Colonel Woodhouse, R. A. M. C., who were travelling on inspection duty. The former, as shown by the marks of bullet, escaped being struck in the head by about four inches."

The Great Punjab Horse Show will be held at Rawalpindi on the 1st, 2nd and 3rd April, first entries closing on the 13th March.

The daily press has told us that at Kingston, Jamaica, vultures have rendered gruesome assistance in recovering the dead bodies of those who have been killed by falling buildings, by perching in flocks on the ruins beneath which the prey they seek is buried. This species of vulture is usually called the "Jim Crow" vulture on the island. According to Gosse, though found commonly also in Cuba and Trinidad, they are unknown in Hayti and in all the intermediate islands of the Caribbean chain. Not only do they act as scavengers—their principal food being carrion—but they will even kill any small animal, such as young pigs, &c. They will also attack larger animals if wounded or in ill-health, rendering their prey helpless by first tearing out the eyes; then they will begin to gorge themselves even before their victims are dead. It has been frequently a matter of dispute whether they find prey by sight or smell or by both. Most modern naturalists are of the opinion that it is by sight alone. Yet the fact that these birds are seen hovering over the ruins under which the dead are buried would lead one to suppose that at close quarters, at any rate, smell gives them no inconsiderable assistance.

The following story quoted by Gosse, corroborates this in no small degree:—A poor German immigrant who lived alone in a cottage, rose from his bed after a two days' confinement by fever, to purchase in the market some fresh meat for a little soup. Before he could do more than prepare the ingredients and put his meat in the water, the paroxysm of fever had returned, and he laid himself on his bed exhausted. Two days elapsed in this state of helplessness, by which time the mass of meat and pot-herbs had putrefied. The stench becoming very perceptible in the neighbourhood, vulture after vulture as it sailed past was observed always to descend to the cottage of the German, and to sweep round as if it had tracked some putrid carcase but failed to find exactly where it was. This led the neighbours to apprehend that the poor man lay dead in the cottage, as no one had seen him for the last two days. His door was broken open; he was found in a state of helpless feebleness, but the room was almost insufferably offensive from something putrefying, which could not immediately be found, for the fever having deprived the German of his wits, he had no recollection of his uncooked mess of meat. No one imagining that the kitchen pot could contain anything offensive, search was made everywhere but the right place. At last the pot-lid was lifted, and the cause of the unsupportable stench discovered.

At the beginning of the year 1906 I wrote an account to the *Field* of a fox terrier's escape from the jaws of a crocodile which I personally witnessed in Ceylon, but more extraordinary still is a boy's escape from an animal of the same species, but in a different part of the world remarks a writer in our London namesake. A friend, who has been abroad and only recently returned home, related the tale to me only the other evening, so I will tell it in his own words:—

"It was at the latter end of the year 1904 that I was coming down the Upper Niger in one of the Government stern-wheelers (capillie) from Bruna to Lokoja, where I was to change steamers and proceed up the Benue River, when the following occurred. We were in hopes of reaching Lokoja at about 8 P.M., but on passing a place called Barrow were signalled by some white men on the bank to stop. This we accordingly did. The white men turned out to be a party who had just completed the survey of the proposed railway from Barrow to Zungerie, the headquarters of the Protectorate of Northern Nigeria. This caused a little diversion, and, as I was the only white man on board the capillie, I decided to put off my dinner hour and have it a little later with the surveyor and his two assistants. After dinner we all turned in, and arrived at Lokoja a little after midnight. The next morning, my early tea not appearing, I called for my boy (an Ejau, Southern Nigerian), and was told by the cook that he had not been seen since the previous night. I naturally concluded that the young beggar had gone down to the native town on the spree, and was somewhat surprised, as he was a very good and quiet boy.

At 1-30 P.M. a native canoe came alongside, and I was told my boy was in it, and on going to see I found him, or what was left of him. He was an awful sight, being covered from head to foot in clotted blood and sand. He told me that while passing Jamitar he had fallen overboard, but could make no one hear; the current being very strong, he had some difficulty in reaching the shore, splendid swimmer though he was. He was just getting into shallow water, when a crocodile caught him by the legs. He fought the brute, and managed somehow to free his legs; but the brute went for him again, and caught him by the head, but he again freed himself, and managed to crawl on shore.

Considering he had no weapon, I could not quite see how it was possible for him to protect himself in any way. He, however, explained the mystery to me. It was done by pushing his thumbs into the brute's eyes; but in doing this he had both arms bitten to rags, but no bones broken. The wound in the head was the most curious. One large tooth had gone in just behind the left eye ball, and several others on the top of the head. Six broken teeth were taken out of the top of his head, and the eye was not injured.

I sent him to the native hospital at Lokoja, with instructions to the Niger Company to advance him money up to a certain sum if necessary. This, however, they failed to do, and, after waiting for me for about a month, he went down to his own country in a Niger Company's boat, which took all his savings. After another month he worked his way up river again, and found me. Although I had then an excellent boy in his place, I took him on again out of pity, and, after a lot of trouble, got the truth out of him.

It appears that after he had cleared away our dinner he went to the galley to get his rice; but my cook Sambo would not give it him, as he had none of his own, and wanted to steel the boy's. When the boy insisted Sambo pushed him overboard. About twenty niggers on the lower deck saw this happen, but would not say a word, as they were Northern Nigerians and the boy a Southerner."

A lady's dress caught fire on an Australian race-course recently, when an important race was being run. A carelessly abandoned cigar-butt was responsible for the flare up, and great was the rush of gallant sports not to mention whisperers and gents who lay a little double, to put the lady

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out. This was accomplished without difficulty, and the arduous exertions of willing helpers (as the daily papers say) succeeded in doing likewise for the fire, leaving the lady a picturesque study in charred chiffon and tears.

Lady Lawley, writes the *Madras Mail*, is anxious to emulate the exploits of Lady Minto as a hunter of big game. She went out more than once during the Governor's shooting trip, and before returning to Madras she sat up over a "kill" for tiger at Thekady. Two tigers visited the kill, but too late in the evening for accurate shooting. Lady Lawley fired at one of the brutes, but did not get it. The champion Lady Nimrod in India is Lady Jenkins, wife of the Chief Justice of Bombay, who has shot several tigers in her shooting excursions in the Hyderabad jungles and elsewhere.

A hungry tiger last week caused a mild flutter among the worthy people of Bassein in Burma. He got into Captain Guy's garden and was dislodged with difficulty and brought to bag by Sergeant-Major Hughes who ultimately potted him while he was crouching under a Burman's house close by.

The way in which British red deer and British trout flourish and grow to an unusual size in the New Zealand climate is one of the most notable features in the history of the naturalisation of game. Now the attempt is to be made to acclimatise a new species in the islands in the shape of the chamois. Several of these handsome animals have been received from the Imperial Austrian menagerie, in return for certain zoological specimens presented by the New Zealand Government. The chamois should arrive in New Zealand in two or three months' time, if they survive the critical experiences of the voyage. There is plenty of mountainous country in New Zealand of the kind which the chamois require, and the great success in the acclimatisation of the red deer gives good ground for hoping that once landed and turned loose in their new haunts they will prosper and breed freely.

The Guzerat Cup Meeting, pigstickers should note, begins at Dholka on Friday, the 29th March, first entries closing on the 7th idem. The programme embraces the Guzerat Cup for horses, the Salmon Cup for ponies, and the Point to Point Races for the Tully and Pony Cups. Mr. T. J. B. Thatcher, District Superintendent of Police, Ahmedabad, is the Honorary Secretary.

The following letter has been addressed to the Secretary, Indian Polo Association, by Major G. A. Leslie, R. E., Kirkee, in explanation of his proposal for measuring polo ponies, owing to the fact that a great many polo players have been misled by the announcements in Indian papers of the proposals :—"Para. 4 of your printed circular of business to be brought before the annual meeting of the I. P. A. in March formulates two separate proposals made by me. My intention was to make the second proposal dependent on the success of the first. My proposal 4 (*a*) is to introduce a rule for holding up a pony's off four foot while he is being measured. Such a rule I hope may lead to a uniform method of measuring polo ponies and offer no opportunity for transgression. Rule 14 (*b*). I. P. A. Calendar, rules for height and measurement of polo ponies makes the position of a pony's legs dependent on his conformation. This position is so variously interpreted by measures that uniform measuring is almost impossible. I do not wish to bring forward my proposal 4 (*b*), to raise the height of polo ponies to 14-2½, unless my proposal 4 (*a*) is approved of, in which case the raising of the height from 14-1 to 14-2½ will not, I maintain, introduce into the game ponies any bigger than a very large number now playing as 14-1."

Our Bangalore correspondent writes :—There are now beginning to be a few horses in Bangalore, but scarcely any work is being done at present. Mr. Apcar's string, with the exception of the Viceroy's Cup winner, Airlock and another are here, but J. Watson has not yet arrived and the horses are under the charge of Evans. Colonel Desaraj Urs' stable is weak at present, Trenton being apparently something of a "has been" and Red Coral was lately blistered for that unfortunate leg. Lucretia, Little Admiral and Minimus, all of these, of course, in the pony class, make up nearly all the animals of any pretensions which the sporting colonel now has, but he has, I hear, sent a commission to Australia for the purchase of two or three more, and they may be expected about the end of March or beginning of April. Thompson has charge of some horses belonging to Mr. P. Hannygton, a local owner, who is very keen, and a colt called King's Mirror is a particularly good looking one. This colt was, I fancy, bought out of Ferguson's string. So far as can be seen prospects for our racing season here are not too bright, but it is early days to talk.

A skittle polo tournament, for which six teams have entered, is being played on the American system, and is providing lots of fun. As I write only one day's play remains to complete the tournament, and it is just a question whether "A" team, Captain the Hon'ble H. E. Joicey, Major Tickell, D.S.O., and Mr. Bruce (King's Hussars), J. and Mr. Naper, R. A. or "F" team, Mr. A. G. S. Astley, and Mr. H. Maddick (King's Hussars) and Captain Muspratt and Mr. Walker (Gordon's Horse) will prove finally successful. The latter side have scored four wins against their opponents' three wins and one loss, but if "A" beats "F" on Monday next, they will make a draw of it on tournament points and a deciding game will have to be played. However personally I fancy "F" team will remain unbeaten, for they are well together and quite above average "skittle" form.

Major Hayes and the officers of the Mounted Infantry School were "At Home" on Tuesday last, on the occasion of their sports, and H. H. the Maharaja of Mysore was amongst the guests. The competitions were more military than sporting, but were good to watch, and very keenly contested. Seven sections competed in the sectional events, and there were representatives from the Royal Fusiliers, the Cheshire, the Manchester and the Devonshire Regiments. Of these the Fusiliers were the most successful, scoring 26 points in all, against 11 points (Cheshires), 8 points (Devons) and 3 points (Manchesters). A ball and bucket competition for members of the Gymkhana went to Miss Mouat-Biggs and Major Tickell (14th Hussars), and Mr. Hill of the Royal Fusiliers won the officers' race. The non-commissioned officers' race produced a great finish, the conditions requiring the competitors to dismount at a point and lead in, being the cause. One champion threw himself off when going at about twenty miles an hour and was dragged for some way. He hung on to the bridle like a brick, and, finding his legs, sprinted for home, only to be beaten on the post. There were heaps of ladies present, and everyone was delighted with the fun and the generous hospitality of the M. I. officers.

Our Bombay correspondent writes :—With one exception, the Exeter Plate, our big meeting opened on Wednesday with a card of terms races and punters did not have the good time one expects when the handicapper has no finger in it.

The new ponies let us in again in the opening event. It was a large field of fifteen and common talk that the equal favourite Lucky Shot had gone lame, bandages further proclaiming the fact, but he was well backed as was also Saeed. The race, however, was a walk away for Sirree, whom Ames took in front and waiting there came away as he liked at the finish, Maluan just beating Yatim for second place. The Fort Plate followed with a warm favourite in Ashroff, who seemed in such good form, but now he got away in the ruck and after coming up promisingly at the bend fell away again. Wadi made the running, but Osborne drawing ahead on coming into the straight had them all beat and landed odds of fifteens, with another outsider in Caravan beating the favourite.

So much has been said of the capabilities of Posco since she ran a promising third at the Second Extra that nothing else was wanted for the Importers' Plate. Meadow Saffron got away in front, but Posco simply left her standing and, with Trenoweth having a good hold of her, won very comfortably from a game effort by Primerole in good time, 1min. 14⅗secs. Precious in the Dealers' Plate was another good thing and he went out at twos on with Eed and Bandit II. next at sevens against. Egypt made the running, apparently for Eed, who drew up with Precious by him at the bend, but had no chance with the favourite in the run home, in fact also gave way to Young Kohinoor, who came late very full of running.

Then came the handicap, the Exeter Plate, and betting was brisk with Sermon steadily shortening to evens, fully justified after a glance at this beautifully built chestnut in the paddock, with Sacristan and Presbyterian for places. It was a good start in which Sacristan got away in front, but was shortly joined by Sermon and these two were about a length and a half in front of Saloon on the rails and Killua about level with him. Till the half mile the positions were about the same, but then Sermon went ahead and Saloon drew up to Sacristan, Killua giving way to Royalist and later to Ferndown. Sermon entered the straight nearly two lengths ahead with plenty up his sleeve and easily stayed Saloon out and Presbyterian, who came with a late run on the outside, beat Ferndown for a place.

We finished up with a bad upset when Bay Middleton went out a warm favourite for the

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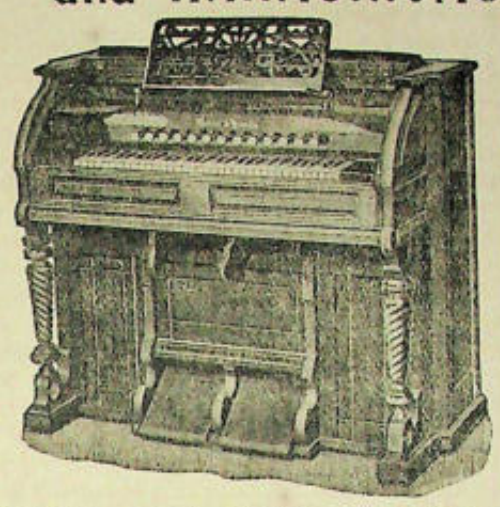

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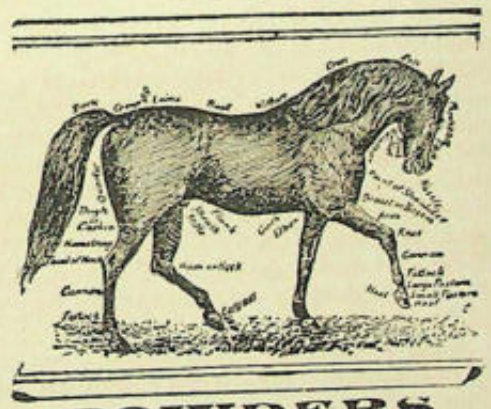

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Paddock Plate of five furlongs which looked a moral for him. He gave another display of temper at the gate and though he got away with a slight lead fell away again and never tried a yard. Creditor made the pace a cracker, followed by Derby, who, coming away at the bend, won his race comfortably. Gaucho followed him into the straight and Rose coming very late dead heated with him for second place.

For the second day on Saturday what must have been very near a record crowd turned out. It was a good day's racing with a dead heat thrown in, but punters had rather a bad time of it.

The Tom Le Mesurier Plate came first and Oriental and Tachreet fought for favouritism, eventually going out level. Zurriff made all the running and seemed to be going well in the straight when Tachreet came up to him at the distance and simply waltzed past him to win very easily, Eed beating Little Joker for a place behind Zurriff. A field of a score went out for the Melton Plate and of these Nazzar and Commander went out most fancied at twos, tens and over the rest. Sirree led the latter of these by a good two lengths to the bend when he fell away and Commander looked good till Yatim cut in and coming through the middle on entering the straight had the favourite settled and won at the long odds of twenties.

The Importers' Handicap looked another good thing for Posco till a rush came for Ferndown, who was said to have the race to himself. Vocalist made the pace very fast with Posco waiting behind till the bend when she came away in the same grand style as before and had her race won before Bray came up on Ferndown with a rattle. Ferndown, though not left, got away none too well and had to come round her field at the bend when she came at a great pace. It is, however, doubtful if she could have beaten Posco who, as it was, won comfortably in 1min. 1⅗secs.

A field of eight went out for the Bombay Derby with Precious at evens and a run on Young Kohinoor bringing him to 3 to 1. Hampstead as usual gave a deal of trouble at the post and considerably delayed the start from which Eed took the lead followed by Ajax and then Soheil, Egypt, and Young Kohinoor. The last-named came up into second place followed by Precious at the mile and caught Mooreed at the half mile, where he apparently had the race won. Precious and Hampstead had a great fight down the straight and eventually dead-heated for second place, Young Kohinoor winning comfortably.

There was naturally tremendous speculation on the Grand Western and on the boards the race was very open. Sermon stood favourite at 5 to 2, Paddy's Darling 3 to 1, Saloon 4 to 1 and Ballark 5 to 1. Saloon made all the running, but though he was still going well at the distance, Ballark had him very safe and won easily. Ames rode a nice race on Sacristan and coming up at the bend had the legs of Kipling in the run in.

Once more the last event on the card was an upset as Russley Rose did not move from her position in the ruck throughout. Virballa, Gun Metal, and Koko were in front almost level and then Koko went slightly in front, but Gun Metal in the final effort just came up and dead heated with Lady Avon passing Virballa on the post. In the run off Koko led throughout and won in a canter. Both of these went out at 12 to 1 and the race was quite an extraordinary reversal of form.

The European Amateur Billiard Championship at Pyrke's Saloon has reached the end of the first round. On Monday a most peculiar and very exciting game was played between Messrs. Murray and Edmonds. The latter went clean away and led by no less than 120 points, but being perhaps over confident saw Murray come up and snatch the game after a most sensational finish by 500 to 484. The winner's best breaks were 46, 24, and 20 and the loser's 24.

Messrs. Muir and Louth met on Wednesday and after playing with barely a difference of 30 to the last hundred Louth went clean away and won easily by 500 to 408. The winner made 39, 28, 25, 22, and 21 and the loser 23, 22, and 20 twice.

"You've no idea how careful a girl has to be nowadays. I thought he must be an awful swell, with a motor-car of his own because he smelt so strongly of petrol. But he was stony, and the scent was the benzine perfume on his hired dress-suit."

Cholly Nowitt: "D'ye know, Miss Smart, though I've only just met you, there seems to be a sort of intellectual sympathy between us? You know just how to appeal to my tastes, you see. Are you a literary woman."
Dolly Smart: "No; I'm a kindergarten teacher."

Kitchen-maid (at china shop): "What; only a half-crown tip? During the last year I have broken three soup tureens, twenty-six cups, thirty-five saucers, five meat dishes, and fifty-six plates."

Athletic Notes.

LOVEJOY'S recent record cannon break has apparently incited the big guns of the billiard world to activity: Fred. Weiss, we see, has just issued the following novel challenge:—"Weiss will play any man in the world—Dawson or Stevenson preferred—a match of 1,000 cannons for not less than £100 a side, winner to take all the gate receipts after expenses of hire of hall, &c., are paid. The cannon to be made from ball to cushion first, *i. e.*, after striking the first ball the cue ball must then come in contact with a cushion before making the cannon."

Smithson had been having in many ways an exasperating round. His ball had selected all the worse possible spots in which to come to rest: he had scarcely dared to take his mashie owing to a sudden fit of "shanking," and his caddie, a small youth of inhuman aspect, had not only committed every known crime during the round, but, in response to anathemas, had only hiccupped. However, on the last green, Smithson, despite his misfortunes, still had a two-foot putt to halve the match. He missed it: and, turning upon his caddie, he wrathfully exclaimed: "I believe you *willed* that, you little devil!" and stalked off to the club-house, followed by his consolatory opponent and the caddies, the loser's being heard to remark to his mate, "bloomin' Zancig, ain't 'e?"

In the second round of the Murray Football Tournament the Durham Light Infantry, after a close and exciting game, defeated the Royal Dragoons by one goal to love. The Somerset Light Infantry from Cawnpore scored a somewhat easier victory over "O" Battery, R. H. A., by two goals to *nil*. The games, which took place simultaneously, were watched by large crowds of spectators composed of soldiers of the garrison. Several officers and ladies were present.

Some of our readers may perhaps remember some enterprising American motorists—Mr. and Mrs. Glidden—who not long ago ran over many of our Indian roads in the course of a round-the-world tour. We see by a Mexican paper they had very bad luck in smashing up after a journey of 6,675 miles and within fifty miles of the Mexican capital. The report says:—"A small rock wedged between the main rail and the guard rail at a road crossing on the National road brought the Glidden automobile trip from Boston to Mexico City to a sudden end yesterday morning when the point of destination was just fifty miles away, the machine running smoothly and on time almost to a second according to the arranged schedule, and the members of the party in high spirits at nearing the completion of the most remarkable trip undertaken in an automoblile.

The accident occurred at kilometre 80 at 11-30 o'clock. The machine was gliding smoothly along at a speed of 28 miles an hour when it struck the small rock wedged in between the rails. The front wheels jumped into the air, and the rear wheels followed. When the dust cleared away the machine was turned on its side against an embankment of rock and dirt, both front wheels demolished and the occupants occupying space on the track and right of way, while a path through the rock ballast for a distance of 90 feet showed the trail of the machine after it left the track.

The car was occupied by Charles J. Glidden, Mrs. W. S. Hills of El Passo, Miss Martha Waldron-Barron, Charles Thomas, the engineer, W. S. Page, trainmaster of the Mexico division of the National, and a *Herald* reporter. Almost miraculously the entire party escaped injury with the exception of bruises and scratches and hardly had the machine stopped before the party had recovered and were making the best of the accident."

There was some very interesting rowing at the recent regatta of the Royal Connaught B. C. at Poona: a full report appears further on.

Sam Newman and Powell have fixed up a match for the Heavy-weight Championship of Calcutta—a Rs. 1,500 purse and a side bet of Rs. 1,000 at catch-weights. It is down for the 28th instant at the Columbia Rink.

Considerable interest is being taken in the forthcoming cricket match this week in the Eden Gardens between the English and the Indian Schools, and it is expected that two very fairly representative teams will be got together for it, while should the weather remain unbroken there should be plenty of good scoring on both sides. Major Hedley, who has not yet found time to play cricket in Calcutta, and Major Stockley are likely to be the principal absentees from the English side and A. Razzak, who is up-country, from the Indian side. The elevens are not yet definitely decided upon, but are likely to be selected from the following:—

English Schools.—F. H. Stewart, J. D. Gnise, B. E. G. Eddis, A. C. Von Ernsthausen, R. R. Pope, G. H. Walker, C. B. Nicholls, R. C. R. Hill, A. C. Tatam, C. P. Bartholomew, G. Turnbull, H. V. Low, D. S. Shallow, E. L. Salier and E. O. Elliott.

Indian Schools.—A. B. Rosser, S. Boo, M. Quiterio, H. A. Bayley, A. McCready, B. Mukerji, H. R. Mehta, H. Cooper, E. Templeton, H. Vaughan, G. Hodges, and A. M. Price.

Entries for the B. P. A. A. A. Sports closed last night: they are very good indeed save in respect of the jump and shot events. There should be some fine sprinting in the amateur races and an excellent display by the military runners in the long distance races for the Army Championship.

London Week by Week.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

Friday, 1st February 1907.

THE sharp frost lasted long enough to give the London public a few hours' skating. On Sunday the Round Pond was crowded as was the upper part of the Serpentine; and the fact that a west wind brought thaw and the ice was water logged by three in the afternoon did not deter the crowd. Passing the Round Pond on the previous day I could not fail to remark the evidence of self-denial presented by the ice: you might have swept half the surface without getting more than a bushel of stones for your trouble. Perhaps it was that the severity of the frost did not permit the usual tests to be applied for a time sufficiently prolonged to ruin the ice.

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Sir Alexander Swettenham has "withdrawn" his letter to the American Admiral after telegraphic correspondence with Whitehall which was no doubt of an aminated description. It is generally acknowledged that the unfortunate missive was intended to be private: and it is generally acknowledged that Colonial Governors should not write private letters on public affairs, at all events to men who may be regarded as representatives of another state. Sir Alexander seems to have "got himself disliked;" the body mercantile in Kingston has fallen foul of him as heavily as if he had been the primary cause of the earthquake: in public meeting assembled it complains of unchecked pillage among the ruins and that the Governor is "out of touch" with the community. It looks as though the nervous strain inevitable after such a disaster had affected everyone.

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It is difficult to avoid the feeling that Mr. Walter Long and Mr. John Burns owe to their exalted position their immunity from the consequences attaching to contempt of court. Mr. Long, speaking in Dublin in December last, made strong remarks upon a case in which the jury had refused to convict, the case being one which is to be tried again. The Lord Chief Baron was strongly of opinion that it was contempt, but the three learned brethren who sat with him, while regretting the speakers' indiscretion, held otherwise. Mr. Burns made a speech in which he denounced the *Standard* for that it had made damaging reflections on a dozen members of the L. C. C. and maintained that the untried charges were untrue: it may have been no more Mr. Burns' intention to bias the London jury that will hear the actions than it was Mr. Long's to bias the Leitrim jury; but my dear editor, I rather think that if you or I had spoken in a similar sense an expression of judicial regret at our indiscretion would not have closed the incident.

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Mr. Whiteley was buried at Kensal Green on Wednesday, the funeral bringing together a crowd that could hardly be exceeded by any but royal obsequies. The murderer remains in hospital; since his right eye was removed and fragments of the bullet were extracted from his skull, there is every prospect of his recovery for legal uses. His claim to be an illegitimate son of his victim is denied by the members of the latter's family, though their authority to speak on such a matter may fairly be questioned. The Mr. Rayher who acknowledges intimacy with the man's mother has stated publicly that he has grave reason to doubt his responsibility for the existence of the murderer though he has had him educated. The mother was employed at Whiteley's. If the murderer recovers to stand his trial revelations are expected.

is notified on authority this morning that the deceased has left one million sterling on trust to provide and maintain homes for the aged poor: this after paying £19,000 to certain specified charities, and providing annuities of £1,000 each for his two daughters after their mother's death and £50,000 each, in trust, for his two sons and "residue (if any)" in trust for his two sons.

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The interior of The Playhouse does credit to the designer; it appeared to me that the scheme of decoration, orange and gold (not over-much gold) is the most tasteful in London; what is more important the stalls and dress circle seats are particularly roomy, well upholstered and comfortable with ample space between rows to let the inevitable late comer reach his or her seat without colliding with the knees or punishing the toes of the punctual.

The opening performance on Monday night was a great success. Mdme. Clara Butt led off with the National Anthem, then came "The Drums of Oude" with Mr. Kenneth Douglas. Mr. Charles Maude and Miss Nancy Price in the leading parts. Thereafter Mr. Cyril Maude, supported by Mrs. Maude otherwise Miss Winifred Emery, addressed—or tried to address the audience in terms thought out by Mr. Bernard Shaw. The "address" proved to be quarter of an hour's most witty fooling: the manager proposed to review the history of the play house site since the date of Doomsday book: he was stopped by the orchestra which obeyed Miss Emery's signal: he turned away in a huff turning the address into a speech of welcome. Then Mr. Maude growing nervous knocked over a desk with a crash that made him "think it was the station again," a point at which the house laughed consumedly and after further discussion about Hamlet and Toddles and Mr. Maude's fitness to play the name parts in each, the curtain rose on Toddles: which was followed by Mr. Whitmore's smart little "misunderstanding" called Sixes and Sevens played by Mr. Bourchier and Miss Violet Vanburgh. Then a little speech from Mr. Tree and one of thanks from Mr. Cyril Maude and so home in the small hours.

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When "Knights were Bold" is a farcical comedy at Wyndham's by Charles Marlowe (Miss H. Jay) who seems to have borrowed the main spring for her very amusing play from Mark Twain's *Yankee at the Court of King Arthur*. Sir Guy de Vere (Mr. James Welch) dreams himself back 700 years and in Act II. finds his friends and servants in the dresses of the 12th century with ideas and manners to match. His Jewish friend Isaacson, of the Scotch Exchange, is the prey of every one: Rev. Peter Rottlebury is become Father John; Sir Guy's aunt and cousins are a prioress and novices and they and all the servants loudly demand the burning of Isaacson as a heretic at the stake. The humour at some stages is rather of the knock-about order, as when Sir Guy "goes for" his mailed adversary Sir Brian Ballymote with his fists and bangs him into astounded submission; but on the whole the piece is cleverly written and was very cleverly played, particularly by Mr. Welch; and it was most cordially received.

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Because, I presume, the mainstay of things dramatic could not come nearer the pronunciation than "Mervellooses," the name of the piece at Daly's has been changed to "The Lady Dandies." Not that it much matters; the play by any name would draw as well, more especially when the change coincides with the addition to the cast of Mr. Huntley Wright. He takes the part of St. Amour! Prefect of Police which was written for Mr. George Graves but has been played and well played heretofore by Mr. W. H. Berry. New songs have been added to suit him; needlessly to say they would fit as well into "San Toy," "The Orchid" or "Amasis" as they do into "The Lady Dandies;" but what of that? Mr. Huntley Wright, above all actors enjoys the Freedom of the Stage and may sing anything he pleases sure of applause.

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Saturday night is the night at music hall, as the patrons assemble in greater force than on any other of the week. In most of the fourteen music halls which have been boycotted by the artists, the attendance last Saturday night was much below the average, proving the magnetic qualities of the popular "Stars." The performers have ventilated their grievances with much freedom, and it cannot be denied that they have cause of complaint. As things now are, a manager who has several halls can require a man to do one turn at a Chelsea house and another within an hour or less in the north or East of London: whether managers often do this or not does not appear. Also the performers complain that when they are engaged direct, the manager deducts the 10 per cent. the performer would pay an agent if engaged through the latter. They also object to being called upon to give two free matinées instead of the customary one, and to performing twice a night at "two show" houses for the salary they were paid for six performances and matinée.

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The managers did not lose time in meeting the attack and in carrying the war into the strikers' country. They have banded themselves together to help one another by lending artists and musicians and have undertaken to come to no arrangement with the strike leaders without reference to their fellows. This active policy of retaliation rather staggered the Alliance which promptly indicated its intention to oppose the granting of licenses by the L. C. C. Theatres Committee next November. That Committee sat yesterday and the Alliance sent a deputation to point out certain facts for its guidance. For instance that the managers contract out of the Employers Liability Act, a proceeding with which one would suppose the L. C. C. has as little to do, as it has with the agreements which restrict performers from playing within a specified distance of the house at which they may be engaged. Which form of agreement the deputation suggested the L. C. C. ought to forbid as a condition of granting licenses! The L. C. C. Committee said it would take legal opinion on the point.

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The union of performers, musicians and employés called the National Alliance announced early in the week that it had taken the Scala Theatre and would give a performance last night for the benefit of their strike funds. They had, they said, the option of a 20 years' lease or purchase of freehold and the owner of the Scala was with them heart and soul—ingrate he if otherwise, since they were to pay him £300 a week rent! I see no notice of the performance in this morning's papers and it is probable that the strikers have discovered that their agreements, including as they do clauses stipulating that they shall not perform within a given distance of halls where they are engaged, forbid their enterprise. Whatever view the L. C. C. may take of such clauses there can be no doubt that the courts would hold them binding.

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After a long absence in America Miss Vesta Tilley appeared at the Palace on Monday night to be received with rapture by a large audience. Every music hall singer has her own train of admirers and Miss Tilley's train is a big one. She sang her old songs in the old style with the old success; the Palace is a larger house than the Tivoli where she sang aforetime, but she found no difficulty in filling it. She gave "The Gay Bachelor," "The Girls who love the Soldier" and that rather questionable "Following in Father's Footsteps" with a clever new song about the despotism of a baby by way of encore. Trixie, the performing mare, has been "resting" for a few days: she is suffering from cold or the result of over education.

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The popularity of the "living statue" turn has induced the Empire to revive the Living Pictures which were so popular, and made work for the lawyers learned in the copyright law, some ten years ago. The new pictures are admirably done. Among the best was Millais' "The Huguenot Lover," Leighton's "Athlete struggling with a Python," and Watt's allegorical "Hope." The Empire has selected some remarkably fine looking men and handsome women for the purpose: artists models I conceive for the names are unknown to the music hall patron.

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Miss Gertie Millar has lost her case against Dunn and Company. She sued them for libel in that they sold picture postcards which showed her in dresses she did not approve, notably one in a "nighty" which it was admitted consisted of Miss Millar's head and some other sitter's body. The plaintiff was rather closely cross examined in the witness box and had to admit that if a manager required her to appear in her "nighty" she supposed she should have to do it: but she would not suffer herself to be photographed in that garment. Mr. Powell for the defence made a point of Well's famous picture of our late Queen receiving the Lord Chancellor and Archbishop of Canterbury when they brought her news of her accession: but as Mr. Justice Darling remarked "if you are going to inherit the British Empire you might strain a point." In the defence also it was urged that it might well be libellous to publish photographs of a middle aged vicar's wife in her nightgown but it could not be considered a libel to thus photograph an actress. The jury to its credit as I think—for juries are not reliable where a popular and attractive actress is on one side and a mere tradesman is on the other—took this view and found for the defendants. The "nighty" postcard had gained considerable acceptance, over 30,000 having been sold.

A case of very serious importance to officers commanding volunteer corps was decided by Mr. Justice Walton on Tuesday. Samuel Brothers' tailors sued the executors of the late Colonel Whetherly for £2,300 odd due them for uniforms supplied to the East London Engineer Volunteers under his command. The judge admitted that it was a very hard case for the deceased man's heirs, but he had no alternative but to find that Colonel Whetherly's estate was legally liable for the sum claimed and he gave judgment accordingly. Execution was stayed in view of an appeal.

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The Edalji case threatens to blossom into another Beck case. George Edalji, son of a Parsee clergyman of the Church of England, you would remember, was awarded seven years for brutal mutilations committed at night on horses and cattle. He was released some months back after spending three years in prison, and Sir A. Conan Doyle and Mr. Yelverton took up the matter, convinced that there had been a grave miscarriage of justice. They maintain that there is a vast deal of evidence, ignored at the trial, of conspiracy against the Edalji family; that George Edalji's sight is so defective he could not possibly have perpetrated such mutilations especially at night; that an absolute *alibi* was established on the night on which the prosecutions relied, and that the police evidence, which comprised the whole case against Edalji was extremely suspicious. The papers bearing on the matter are now under consideration at the Home Office, but Sir A. Conan Doyle threatens to enlist the public sympathy unless an answer is forthcoming by the end of next week.

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The British Constitutional Association has resolved to attach the Battersea County Council for having exceeded its powers in establishing a recreation hall where billiards, bagatelle, and other games are played at the rate-payers' expense. They have everyone's best wishes for their success. It seems to be within the power of the auditor to surcharge the councillors and I devoutly hope he well do it.

Morgan, the private of the Royal Welch Fusiliers, who enjoyed himself so much on Christmas furlough at Stafford by playing at officer, gets six months and is discharged with ignominy.

ONLOOKER.

Review.

THE CANARY IN INDIA.

THE Rev. Isa Tweed (*not* a lady as many good people and some of our contemporaries think) whose books on the keeping of domestic animals and poultry are well known, comes again before the public with an exhaustive treatise on canaries of which there are no less than fifteen varieties obtained by crossing through a long series of years. The well drawn frontispiece explains the process of evolution from the pretty little wild bird of genuine linnet shape to the somewhat uncouth Belgian and Scotch hybrids with their hump backs and elongated necks. Every detail that prolonged experience in the breeding line furnishes is touched upon and valuable hints upon the treatment of diseases to which these pretty little song-sters are liable are given. Few people are aware of the high prices readily paid for canaries, chiefly by Yenani ladies who allow these pets full liberty instead of confining them in small cages, for though they will warble incessantly in such for some months, the want of exercise soon begins to tell. A bird that exhibits failing lung powers invariably recovers itself when permitted to fly loose about a room and although not every fancier has such accommodation at command every opportunity should be given to ensure a flight at least once a day. With care and kindness the canary can be trusted to flit about the verandah or drawing room, (when *Cornus Spendens* is rigorously excluded) and is easily trained to come at word of command, for he or she is no romer. Isa Tweed is a great stickler for variety of food and the remarks on this head should be studied with care, for many fill the boxes with the orthodox seed day after day, generally putting in more than the birds can comfortably consume, with the result that staleness is set up, the birds moping and dying. Interbreeding is a prolific cause of deterioration; it is far better to introduce fresh stock each season. The numerous illustrations will be sufficient guide for mating, and they are so admirably drawn and true to life that the novice could hardly make a mistake. Green food is a necessity, as also attention to clean liners and strict elimination of the many kinds of vermin that find their way into the nests and cages. Dried moss is the best material for the former, but the author enters so fully into the subject that any further notice is unnecessary on our part. An excellent treatise and exhaustive book by an educated and enthusiastic expert.

Canary Keeping in India. By Isa Tweed with numerous illustrations. Thacker, Spink and Co., Calcutta, 1907.

"I think I have said enough," bellowed the grimy orator at the Hyde Park idlers, to convince the most sceptical that the reason why England is going to the wall is because the privileged and the socially high-placed persist in poaching what the working man produces. Would anyone around me like to ask any questions?"

For a few seconds there was silence; then came from the fringe of the crowd:—

"How long is it since you had a barf?"

One of the articles in the N.R.A. Museun is a rifle used by Mr. C. F. Lowe in 1869 at a rifle meeting at Spa, in Belgium. Mr. Lowe was in the prize-list until the last day with a single hit!

"Hugless Dancing" is being taught in the Chicago public school. The pupils are being taught all the popular dances, but they have to do all the steps with a chair, dressmaker dummy, or something equally inanimate as a partner. It is proposed to introduce "hugless dancing" in the British Army.

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SPORT IN NEW ZEALAND.

ONE of the first questions that the British sportsman asks, when he goes to New Zealand, is, "What is there in the shape of game?" The answer, according to "N. C. P." in *the County Gentleman*, is a simple and a satisfactory one. There is practically everything that a reasonable man can wish for. If he is an angler he can cast his fly on almost every river throughout the length and breadth of the country, and catch trout such as he has never seen in the old country; if a lover of the gun, he has wide choice of imported and native game; and if a deer stalker, some of the finest sport in the world with the red fallow deer, which now number thousands in both islands. The hunting, of course, does not come up to that in England, but there are packs of hounds, with clever hunters and straight riders in many of the counties and the traditions of a noble sport are loyally upheld.

I will start with the deer. The red and the fallow, like everything else imported, have enormously improved on their original form; the stags are of splendid size and weight, and the superiority of their antlers in spread and points to deer in England is remarkable.

In 1862 a batch of red deer was sent out from Windsor Forest, but only three—a stag and two hinds—arrived living. They were liberated in the Maungaraki Range in the North Island, where they found a perfect shelter in the dense forests which clothe the mountain sides, and abundance of food and water in the English and native grasses and the many ever-running streams. They throve and increased enormously, and now can be counted by the thousand. The red deer of the South Island were started by a small herd sent out from Scotland in 1871, being a present from Lord Dalhousie and they have done equally well.

The shooting season starts on the 1st of March, and lasts until about the 10th of May. The licenses run to something over £1, but the stalker is restricted to four heads in one season. The reason for this is that pot-hunters abound, and the deer must be protected against their ravages.

Fallow deer are more plentiful. In fact, in parts of the North Island one may shoot them as often as one likes and at any time, with no restrictions whatsoever. It is said that one sportsman in the last three years has shot 750 fallow deer, which will give one some idea of their numbers.

Parts of New Zealand seem positively made for deer; the dense forests are indeed often not fit for anything else, and it is probable that some day, with the importation of fresh sorts, New Zealand will become, *par excellence*, the deer stalker's paradise.

As to birds, a good shot can always have capital sport, and plenty of pleasant companions; for strangers (especially from home) are always made welcome, and a shooting party will be certain to be made up for him if he is keen. Imported hares, pheasants, plover, and quail may be had, and any quantity of native duck, teal and pigeon.

Now for the fishing. Forty years ago there was not a single trout in all the length and breadth of New Zealand. To-day New Zealand trout are famous all over the world for their size and numbers, and thousands of fishermen come every year simply and solely to fish—to fish all the time and do nothing but fish. There is no doubt at all about New Zealand being the angler's paradise. Everything possible is done to help him and encourage him and make him comfortable. Hotels in some parts exist solely for him, hotel managers are always ready to give advice, and in every town and village fishing tackle shops abound, where polite proprietors are ready with rods, flies, baits, and information of all kinds about the state of the rivers, the fish in them, the sort of fly to be used, and everything else that the would-be fisherman may want to know.

The fish vary. In the big snow rivers and in some of the lakes they grow to an enormous size, and one needs a very strong tackle and a spinning bait to take them. These are usually the brown trout, Scotch burn, and salmon trout. In the smaller rivers the rainbow trout have been acclimatised, and they do exceedingly well, ranging often from two pounds to as much as ten pounds. Perhaps the finest and most exhilarating fishing is to be had at the mouths of the big rivers, where the trout are big (6 to 12lbs.), lusty, and fresh run from the sea, and afford the grandest sport, leaping and rushing in the swift currents; but the fishing on some of the lakes is very good fun, and one is sure of a good basket—perhaps 50lbs.! and plenty of sport. I remember we had one capital day on the Lake Rotorua, in the Hot Lake district. We started early and were provided with a luncheon basket from the hotel—New Zealanders certainly understood the art of picnicing to perfection, and their luncheon-baskets are models of completeness—knives, forks, plates, salt—nothing is forgotten, and, of course, the "billy" for tea is the invariable accompaniment, for no one would dream of picnicing in New Zealand without the means of providing quantities of tea. We got tackle from a shop on the edge of the lake—very stout rods, and spinning minnow baits, and set off in a small motor boat, in charge of a weather-beaten, taciturn boatman, who was saturated with oil and seemed depressed by the overpowering smell of petrol which came from the engine. However he unbent in time, and turned out to be really a very good fellow, with plenty of experience, and well up in the habits and vagaries of the fish. Our first run was an exciting experience—such a jerk as nearly tore the rod from our hands, and then a slackness as the fish dashed forward, and we reeled in for all we were worth. Soon we could catch a gleam of silver, and the boatman got out his hook in readiness to gaff the struggling fish. Leaning far over the boat's side he waited till it was close alongside; then he plunged in his gaff, and the great glistening thing fell into the bottom of the boat. It was a good-sized fish, eight pounds, but it looked far larger than it really was; we thought it must be at least a twelve or fourteen pounder! We landed and lunched at a charming spot at the edge of the lake—a clearing in the bush, which lay tangled and pathless behind us, while a big tree left standing cast a grateful shade, and thick soft grass made an inviting seat. A huge army of mosquitoes sallied our to meet us, so we lost no time in making a big fire to boil out "billy," and lighting pipes, and so managed to keep them at bay, or at least to cripple their attack a little!

The afternoon's fishing was more successful than the morning's, and about four o'clock we were getting as many runs as we wanted. We got back to the hotel with a heavy basket—one ten-pounder, a nine-pounder, eight-pounder, and several smaller ones—after a thoroughly enjoyable day. Of course, we had some of our fish for dinner, and very delicious it was, pink in colour, and tasting more like salmon than trout.

The smaller rivers yield beautiful trout, rainbow and brown averaging often from two to six pounds, and affording excellent sport. The scenery is lovely and romantic in the extreme, the only drawback being the multitudes of mosquitoes and sand flies, which do their best to devour the unfortunate fisherman. The heat, too, in summer is almost tropical, and a shady sun hat must be worn, or "a touch of the sun" may be the result of a day on the river. The fishing season starts in October and ends in April, and the license costs £1. Although the English fisherman will come out with all his experience at his back, and probably thinking that he knows all there is to know about the art, he will find that he has a good many things to learn about New Zealand fish. For example, it is said that New Zealand trout do not feed so much on the surface and therefore rise less quickly to the fly than English fish. However, he will find plenty of people to tell him all about it when he gets there, for in the angling community all are brothers.

An account of New Zealand sport would not be complete without some mention of wild boar killing, which is one of the most exciting, and often dangerous, parts of station life. Captain Cook introduced pigs on the island, and they took most kindly to bush life, and multiplied enormously. To-day they are the greatest possible nuisance to the settler, for they not only eat or destroy as much as would support two or three sheep, but they even attack and eat lambs [illegible] doing a good work in helping to diminish their number. The boar gives grand sport, and the sportsman is certain of an exciting time, but he needs skill and nerve, and great endurance, for the bush is [illegible] thick and difficult to get through, and the boars are as wild as can be, and at close quarters as fierce as buffaloes.

I have said nothing about the wild bush-cattle and goats, which are well worth the hunting, but the subject of sport in New Zealand is almost inexhaustible, and instead of writing any more, I think I cannot do better than recommend people to go and try it for themselves.

Fishing.

LAKE FISHING IN NORTH WALES.

HEAVY baskets are not to be expected from any of the Welsh lakes, except on peculiarly favourable days: in fact from a fish getting point of view none of them can be compared with the best Scotch and Shetland lochs. Wales, however, besides being very lovely is eminently accessible. Then, too, fishermen in these days are not gross materialists whose happiness is dependent on the number and weight of their captures. There is the charm of exploring fresh waters, the delight of long tramps across heathery moorland, with the expectation of sufficient sport to give a zest to these expeditions. Such refined pleasures as these, beautiful Wales can afford in plenty.

Some of the lakes alas! are trout-less. Near Bettws-y-Coed among the pine woods which clothe the hill tops, above the old Llanrwst road, is Llyn-y-Parc, a winding picturesque sheet of water, about a mile long. One shore is fringed with firs which grow to the water's edge, along the other bank which is loftier, are oak clad glens, alternating with heathery bluffs. Years ago a mine at the head of the lake killed all the fish with its poisonous washings: but like all Welsh mines it soon failed to pay, and has now been long in disuse. A local fisherman told me that he had seen trout rising in Llyn-y-Parc. This spring I went up there and walked right round the lake, to try and discover whether there was any truth in his story of the water having restocked itself: I did not, however, see a single fish rise. As my visit was in April, which is very early for mountain lakes, I daresay the fish might not show in any case; and I hope soon to visit the Llyn again armed with a rod so as to investigate the matter more thoroughly. I have no doubt the water is now thoroughly fitted for trout, and only requires restocking.

On the moor on the opposite side of the Llugwy Valley there is another lake, Llyn Elsi. This, in its desolate wildness, is an extraordinary contrast to the Sylvan beauty of Llyn-y-Parc. Elsi has been deepened of late years by a dam at its lower end, and now instead of the one island which originally existed, there are three or four, for two promonteries have been cut off from the shore by the rising water. This lake contains plenty of large trout, but they are bad and uncertain risers. The water is full of leeches, and on these the fish feed freely, and so are seldom at the surface. When one does get trout in Elsi they are pretty certain to be over the pound, and there are some extremely large ones. One Angler told me how he had been broken by a monster through not having enough line on his reel. I have fished three or four times in Elsi, and one day rose and hooked two fish, one I got out was rather over a pound and a half, the other which I lost looked a trifle smaller.

There are numerous other Welsh tarns which hold lots of trout. The twin lakes at Capel Curig used to afford good fishing, but of late years, though the trout are more numerous than ever, they have given up rising and the fishing has fallen off very much.

Ogwen, of is course, celebrated for its fishing. There bags of two or three dozen are quite common. I have an Uncle who used to devote a good deal of time to Ogwen: he frequently got excellent baskets there. The lake is shallow and clear, and the great secret of success is to use fine tackle and small flies.

Above Ogwen is that strange and wild mountain Tarn Llyn Idwal: its savage grandeur has been made famous in more than one well known painting. The hills round Idwal form an almost complete amphitheatre, and this cauldron is occasionally the scene of terrific storms. One painter whose heavy wooden hut had been carefully pinned down at every corner with rope guys, had all his fastenings torn up, while the hut was rolled over and over for several yards, like a football. Waterspouts, too, have once or twice been seen overhanging this lake, and sucking up its waters. No doubt the circle of mountains was the cause of this phenomenon. The fishing in Idwal is occasionally very good, and the trout have been improved there by restocking, and so introducing fresh blood.

Crafnant and Cwlyd are two other fine lakes where good sport may be had at times. I have heard specially good reports of Cwlyd lately, but do not know either of the lakes well enough to be able to describe their ways. On the hills above the Lledr Valley, close to Pont y Pant, there is an artificial reservoir which holds a fair number of trout. I have paid several visits to this dam. I used to walk over to it from Bettws-y-Coed across the moor; taking the old Roman road which goes from Pentre Dhu (a little hamlet near the Miners' Bridge) over the mountains to Pont-y-Pant. I invariably got *some* fish in this reservoir and there was usually a half pounder or two among them. The walk to it is a particularly pretty one, first one goes up through the birches which are everywhere so plentiful along the Pentre Dhu stream, and then after a stiff pull emerges on the open moorland, getting a fine view of the Lledr Valley *en route*. The Pentre Dhu brook holds trout, and I have more than once taken a dozen out of it with the worm. It is too small for fishing in any other way.

On the slopes of Siabod are several lakes and reservoirs which are well worth trying. One must be prepared, however, for a long tramp to reach them.

No doubt the fish would rise far better in these Welsh lakes, were it not for the diabolic skill with which the Welsh miners use that poaching artifice the otter. It is not so much the number of fish the otter *catches*, but the quantity it *pricks*, which does the mischief. Trout which are periodically ottered become very shy risers.

The Welshman, too, is an extraordinary expert with the worm, and though he cannot do much harm in lakes in this way, he very effectively thins out the rivers whenever there is a spate. Still however, in spite of all, the fisherman who uses his head, and is not afraid of long tramps across the heather, can still get a good deal of sport in gallant little Wales.

FELUR-DE-LYS.

Correspondence.

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Letters and enquiries from anonymous correspondents will not receive attention.
Under no circumstances are questions answered by post.
Correspondents whose questions remain unanswered will please understand that we are unable to give them the information asked for.

PROOF.

TO THE EDITOR OF "THE INDIAN FIELD."

SIR,—To decide an argument will you very kindly state exactly what is meant by "proof" in connection with testing of guns and rifles!

O. S. N.

CALCUTTA, *17th February 1907.*

[By "proof" is meant the testing of a firearm undertaken by a properly constituted authority to determine the ability of the weapon to withstand the stresses to which it will be subjected in use. Proof Marks.—The marks applied to proved guns. Definite Proof.—The proof applied as the second proof to barrels which require two proofs, also that applied to barrels which require one proof only. Nitro Proof.—A supplementary proof carried out with black powder, in respect to guns in which nitro-powders are intended to be used. Nitro-Proved.—Term used to indicate proofs undertaken with a specific nitro-powder, as distinguished from the nitro-proof with black powder, which covers all nitros. Provisional Proof.—The preliminary proof to which barrels requiring two proofs are subjected in an early stage of manufacture. Supplementary Proof.—A proof carried out in addition to, and after, the ordinary definitive proof.—ED.]

A FINE CHINKARA HEAD.

TO THE EDITOR OF "THE INDIAN FIELD."

SIR,—I send for your information the following measurements of a chinkara head, shot by me in the Agra district a short time ago:—

Length.	Girth.	Tip to Tip.
$12\frac{3}{4}$	$4\frac{1}{2}$	$7\frac{1}{4}$ inches.

It is one of the best heads obtained in the district and is a beautifully shaped one too.

L. N.

AGRA, *12th February 1907.*

[A very fine head and fifth on the list of records.—ED.]

SOME CANNON RECORDS.

TO THE EDITOR OF "THE INDIAN FIELD."

SIR,—I was much interested in reading the remarks in your London Sporting Letter this week regarding the wonderful performance of Mr. W. Lovejoy in his match against Harverson. He made 603 by nursery cannons and inside seventeen minutes! Is this a record?

J. K. F.

CALCUTTA, *16th February 1907.*

[The *nursery* cannon record, till broken by Lovejoy, was 159 in a break of 847 made by W. Cook on 23rd October 1905, at the Grand Hall, Leicester Square, when playing against Lovejoy.

The authenticated record for consecutive cannons is held by H. W. Stevenson who made 195 cannons in a break of 458 on 29th January 1896 when playing against C. Memmott at the Billiard Hall, Argyll Street, London.

T. Taylor, on 24th April 1891, also made a break of 1,467 under somewhat similar conditions to those under which Lovejoy compiled his huge score, except that the balls were worked into the jaws of the pocket and secured there, 729 consecutive cannons being scored.

Frank Ives, the American player (since dead), in a memorable match against John Roberts 1st and 2nd June 1893, also scored a run of 1,267 cannons in a break of 2,539.—ED.]

A RARE BIRD VISITANT TO SOUTH INDIA.

TO THE EDITOR OF "THE INDIAN FIELD."

SIR,—On the 24th November last, my two sons were out shooting at a place called Giribet, nine miles east of Mysore (City) on the Mysore-Kollegal Road. They were lucky in getting a fairly large bag of duck, snipe, partridge and grouse: amongst the latter I noticed three birds that were strangers to me and being interested in ornithology, I worked out the birds and found they were the "Large or Black-bellied Sand Grouse" (*Pterocles arenarius*). This bird is only a cold weather migrant to North-Western India, and as far as I can make out has never before this been recorded in South India. During the whole time I collected birds for the late Mr. Allan Hume and for myself, I never came across a single specimen of it. It would be interesting to know if any other sportsman has shot this bird in South India.

BIG BORE.

MYSORE, *12th February 1907.*

BIG GAME IN BURMA.

TO THE EDITOR OF "THE INDIAN FIELD."

SIR,—I am pleased to be able to allay "Burma's" fears with regard to the forests he mentions (in your issue of 14th February) having been shot out.

I have, as he says, taken a heavy toll out of them, but the following will show that big game is still to be found in those parts. I went out for my first tour for last rains at the end of June and was in Rangoon by the first week in November, and in these four months I shot five bison, three bears, one tiger and a few bucking deer and pig. These were all shot on marches between my timber camps. I did not go on a "shoot."

The Burman is undoubtedly poor as a hunter, but I have never met Mg. Hpo as far as I can remember. Except on one occasion these rains I did all my own tracking, etc., and had no hunter, and I think I know quite as much about the game as an ordinary Burman hunter, which is not saying much for them as they have probably been jungle wallahs more or less all their lives.

The Upper Chindwin does not, I think, require any more stringent game laws than at present exist, unless something could be done towards laying out a few of the wild dogs which seem to have increased so much lately.

All our Forest Officers up there are keen sportsmen, and keep their eyes well skinned for defaulters, and I think that if there are less than 20 cases of prosecution for breaches of game laws occur per annum, it is due rather to the keen supervision of the Forest Department than to their slackness in detecting such cases.

C. B. M.

"THE SELFISH DISTRICT OFFICIAL."

TO THE EDITOR OF "THE INDIAN FIELD."

SIR,—With reference to the abovenamed correspondence in *the Indian Field* of 31st January, those interested will find the other side of the question already quite clearly stated in your article of 6th December, with the exception of certain points which, although inferred, have not as yet been published in detail. These are corroborated by the letters in original which I sent you last November, and are as follows:—

All arrangements for my trip were made, not by me, but by a friend, a former official of those parts, who corresponded with the Collectors concerned, and with another senior (Police) official, and then informed me that everything regarding my shoot had been settled. The rout, be it noted, had been clearly indicated. In fact it was suggested, as suitable, by the policeman mentioned.

I then wrote to the latter and to the Collectors, in order to let them have clear data regarding the time, duration, etc., of my visit, in the usual way.

I had no replies from the Collectors; but on arrival at R.—, whence I entered the shooting grounds, found, as was to be expected, that the Deputy Collector there had received due intimation about my introduction to those jungles. To the best of my recollection, by the way, he was, I think, officiating as Collector at the time.

He and the Deputy Collector of another and contiguous division of that district now kindly gave me every aid. In addition to this, I, a stranger to the country, was very kindly recommended to visit B— Hill, and was sent up there under their own personal arrangements. No license was issued; and I was given to understand that none was required.

After leaving B— Hill, and, later on the country administered by that Collector, I continued to follow the route which had been arranged for me, naturally feeling assured by what had gone before, by a letter received from the Police official already quoted, and by the absence of all information to the contrary, that the arrangements made for me at R—, my starting point, had likewise been made in the other country, through which it had been arranged that I should shoot my way back to the railway.

At the very end of my trip I arrived at a place C—, where I met an Assistant Superintendent of Police. He informed me that the surrounding jungle was Forest Reserve; and that he believed a good deal of the rest of that country was Reserve—which was news to me. However, considering that this particular place had been specifically named and included in my route; that I had now been in the country for two months; that the responsible officials knew all this, and had, had ample opportunity of either sending me a license originally, or else requesting me not to shoot, it is clear that there was every justification for my assumption that I was at liberty to shoot in the Reserve.

If any sort of misunderstanding existed or exists—which I much doubt—it is plain that the onus of setting it right rested and still rests solely on the district or Forest Officials concerned; and if there was, or now is, the shadow of anything to clear up, their duty is obvious. But to this day I have not had a line from them.

With the Collector of the district embracing B— Hill I have had a strange correspondence—of which you have had a copy.

He, one of the Collectors addressed by my friend, and who himself had passed on the arrangements to be made for me to his Deputy at R—, wrote and made what I can only describe as *very* peculiar attempt to brand me as a trespasser on B— Hill.

On being shown—and it seems strange that he did not know it—that his own officers had, as it were, taken me by the hand and led me there, this official had not even the manners to let me know that he regretted his error!

I am at a loss to account for the confusion which is indicated by the various facts which I have quoted, and I can only imagine that such muddles are attributable to an absolutely chaotic state of affairs—that is to say if your correspondent is correct in his statement or inference that the officials interested consider me a trespasser.

A Police official in those parts, by the way, to whom I wrote seven months ago, has not even troubled to acknowledge the receipt of my letter.

Taking up your correspondent's letter, I note that his instances of the "numberless complaints" of non-payment and under-payment have shrunk to two. Those two have been quite incorrectly reported; as I shall be glad to show to the interested officials from whom I still await communications regarding those and any other instances about which they may have anything to say.

Before leaving R—a list of rates for coolies and supplies was received from the Deputy Collector, and payments were made strictly in accordance with it. In some cases extra payments were made, over and above the rates.

I am justified if I confine the question to myself and omit mention of my companion, especially as he left me about half way through the trip.

Had your correspondent confined his remarks to the shooting, I might have met him half way; for nobody could regret more than I do the killing of cow buffalo, under whatever circumstances. And, had he approached the subject in a different spirit, perhaps I might even have allowed that a bag of eight bison to one gun may seem rather on the side of excess, notwithstanding their enormous and extraordinary numbers—for the country was positively swarming with them, not only in a few favoured spots, but almost everywhere.

As it is, however, in his anxiety to "break a lance," or for some reason best known to himself, he has elected to add statements and insinuations the character of which can only bring him into the gravest discredit; and I shall be surprised if on investigation they do not earn him an epithet compared with which my way of putting it will be found studiously polite.

If he is, actually, the accredited mouthpiece of the District Official concerned—which, in the absence of a definite assurance, I find it difficult to believe——I hope he will bring my remarks to their notice.

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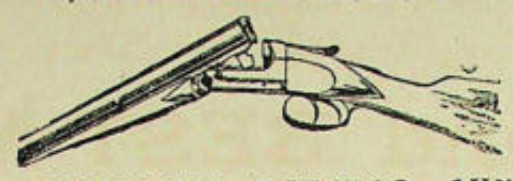

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NAME OF RACES.	MONTH.	DATE.
Calcutta Seventh Extra	Feb.	23
Bombay	„	23
Bareilly Spring	„	25 & 27
Secunderabad	„	26 & March 2
Bareilly Spring	„	24 & 27
Meerut Spring	Mar.	2, 5 & 7
Katiawar	„	4 & 6
Jorhat	„	6 & 8
Jorhat Gymkhana	„	7
Rangoon Spring	„	9, 12 & 14
Bombay Tenth Extra	„	2
„ Eleventh „	„	9
„ Twelfth „	„	16
„ Thirteenth „	„	23
„ Fourteenth „	„	30
Umballa Spring	„	12, 14 & 16
Lahore Spring	„	28 & 30
Rawalpindi Spring	„	19, 21, & 23
Punjab Army Chase	„	21 & 23
Jubbulpore	„	26, 28 & 30
Muzafarnuggar Challenge Cup ..	„	6
Madras Winter	„	12, 14 & 16
Punjab Army Chases	„	28 & 30
N. W. R. C. Lancers' Jubilee Meeting ..	„	22

CLOSING DATES OF ENTRIES.

Jubbulpore	Second ..	9th February.
	Third ..	12th March.
	Final ..	5th March.
Madras Winter ..	Second ..	1st March.
	Third ..	16th March.
Lahore Spring ..	Second ..	6th March.
	Third ..	15th March.
Rawalpindi Spring ..	Second ..	6th March.
	Third ..	15th March.
Punjab Army Chases ..	Second ..	9th February.
	Third ..	12th March.

INDIAN SPORTING FIXTURES

POLO.		
Cawnpore Polo Challenge Cup ..	..	4th March.
Jorhat Tournament	..	Beginning 6th March.
Bhopal Cup Tournament ..	..	16th March.
SHOWS.		
Lucknow Polo Pony Fair ..	..	18th & 25th February.
Great Punjab Horse Show ..	..	1st, 2nd & 3rd April.
HOCKEY		
All India Tournament (Allahabad) ..	..	Begins 24th February.
LAWN TENNIS.		
Jorhat Tournament	..	Begins 6th March.
S. India Tournament	..	Begins 4th March.
BOXING.		
Poona Tournament	..	22nd to 27th April.
ATHLETICS		
Bengal Presidency A. A. A. Meeting ..	..	2nd March.
FOOTBALL.		
Madras Gymkhana Association Tournament ..	..	4th to 9th March.
COURSING.		
N. I. Coursing Club Meeting	..	25th February.
GOLF.		
Jorhat Tournament	..	Begins 6th March.
LAWN TENNIS.		
Bengal Championship	..	Begins 6th March.
PIGSTICKING.		
Guzerat Cup Meeting	..	Begins 25th March.

ENGLISH RACING FIXTURES.

(Principal Races in 1907.)

Lincolnshire Handicap (1 mile)	Tuesday, 19th March.
Brocklesby Stakes (4 furlongs 5 yards) ..	Wednesday, 20th March.
Liverpool Grand National (4 miles 856 yards.) ..	Friday, 22nd March.
Queen's Prize (1 mile)	Monday, 1st April.
Craven Stakes (1 mile 22 yards.)	Thursday, 18th April.
Great Metropolitan Stakes (2¼ miles)	Tuesday, 23rd April.
City and Suburban (1¼ mile)	Wednesday, 24th April.
Two Thousand Guineas (1 mile)	Wednesday, 1st May.
One Thousand Guineas (1 mile)	Friday, 3rd May.
Chester Cup (2½ miles)	Wednesday, 8th May.
Kempton Park Great Jubilee Handicap (1¼ mile) ..	Saturday, 11th May.
Newmarket Stakes (1 mile 2 furlongs)	Wednesday, 15th May.
Manchester Cup (1½ mile)	Friday, 24th May.
Prix du Jockey Club (1½ mile)	Saturday, 2nd June.
The Derby (1½ mile)	Wednesday, 5th June.
The Coronation Cup (1½ mile)	Thursday, 6th June.
The Oaks (1½ mile)	Friday, 7th June.
Grand Prix de Paris (1 mile 7 furlongs) ..	Sunday, 16th June.
Ascot Stakes (2 miles)	Tuesday, 18th June.
Ascot Gold Vase (2 miles)	Tuesday, 18th June.
Royal Hunt Cup (7 furlongs 166 yards)	Wednesday, 19th June.
Gold Cup (1½ mile)	Thursday, 20th June.
New Stakes (5 furlongs 144 yards)	Thursday, 20th June.
Hardwicke Stakes (1½ miles)	Friday 21st June.
Northumberland Plate (2 miles)	Wednesday, 26th June.
July Stakes (Newmarket) (5 furlongs 144 yards) ..	Tuesday, 2nd July.
Princess of Wales' Stakes (1 mile 4 furlongs) ..	Thursday, 4th July.
Eclipse Stakes (1¼ mile)	Friday, 19th July.
Liverpool Cup (1 mile 3 furlongs)	Friday, 26th July.
Stewards' Cup (Goodwood) (6 furlongs)	Tuesday, 30th July.
Goodwood Plate (2 miles)	Wednesday, 31st July.
Goodwood Cup (2½ miles)	Thursday, 1st August.
Brighton Cup (1¼ mile)	Wednesday, 7th August.
Great Northern Leger (1 mile 5 furlongs) ..	Wednesday, 21st August.
Prince of Wales Plate (8 furlongs)	Tuesday, 27th August.
Great Eber Handicap (1½ mile.)	Wednesday, 28th August.
Gimrack Stakes (6 furlongs)	Thursday, 29th August.
Great Yorkshire Handicap (1 mile 6furs. 132yrds.) ..	Tuesday, 14th September.
Champagne Stakes (Doncaster) (5 furs. 132 yrds.) ..	Tuesday, 10th September.
St. Leger (1 mile 6 furlongs 132 yards)	Wednesday, 11th Septr.
Doncaster Cup (2 miles)	Friday, 13th September.
Prince Edward Handicap (1¼ mile)	Saturday, 21st Septr.
Jockey Club Stakes (1½ mile)	Thursday, 3rd October.
Prix du Conseil Municipal (Paris) 1½ mile) ..	Sunday, 6th October.
Duke of York Stakes (1¼ mile)	Saturday, 12th October.
Cesarewitch Stakes (2¼ miles)	Wednesday, 16th October
Middle Park Plate (6 furlongs)	Friday, 18th October.
Cambridgeshire Stakes	Wednesday, 30th Octr.
Dewhurst Plate (7 furlongs)	Thursday, 31st Octr.
Liverpool Autumn Cup (1 mile 3 furlongs) ..	Friday, 8th November.
Manchester November Handicap (1½ mile) ..	Saturday, 23rd Novr.

ENGLISH SPORTING FIXTURES.

England vs. Ireland (Association) ..	16th February.
Oxford vs. Cambridge (Association) ..	20th February.
Ireland vs. Wales (Association) ..	23rd February
Scotland vs. Ireland (Rugby)	23rd February.
Wales vs. Scotland (Association) ..	4th March.
Ireland vs. Wales (Rugby)	9th March.
Oxford and Cambridge Sports ..	15th March.
Versity Sports	15th March.
Scotland vs. Ireland (Association) ..	16th March.
England vs. Scotland (Rugby) ..	16th March.
'Varsity Boat Race	16th March.
England vs. Wales (Association) ..	18th March.
Amateur Boxing Championship	27th March.
English Amateur Cup Final (Association) ..	30th March.
England vs. Scotland (Association) ..	6th April.
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Saturday, 16th February 1907.

PONY HUNTERS' HURDLE RACE.—Rs. 500 to the winner, to the Rs. 200 second, and Rs. 100 to the third. R. C. and a distance over seven flights of hurdles.

Mr. C. W. Ritson's Geebung, 9st. 7lbs. ...	Mr. Evers 1
Capt. H. N. Holden's Pathfinder II., 12st. 5lbs.	Owner 2
Mr. Glen's Zig Zag, 10st.	Owner 3
Mr. R. G. D. Thomas' Waratah, 9st. ...	Mr. Antram 4

(Winner trained privately.)

Totalisator paid Rs. 20 to win; Rs. 12 and Rs. 13 for places.

BETTING: 5 to 4 each agst. Pathfinder and Geebung, 5 to 1 Zig Zag, and 10 to 1 Waratah.

Won easily by three lengths; a neck between second and third; fourth distanced. Time—3mins. 48secs.

MAYO PLATE.—Rs. 1,000 to the winner, Rs. 300 to the second, and Rs. 200 to the third. 5 furlongs.

Col. C. H. Stisted's First Bell, 10st. 11lb. ...	Firth 1
Mr. J. D. Scott's Esmeralda, 7st. 4lbs. ...	Baichan 2
Messrs. McCall and Crichton's Mademoiselle, 8st. 7lbs.	Bradshaw 3
Mr. N. H. Khan's Mayroid, 7st. 12lbs. ...	Frazer 4
Mr. A. N. Dass' Rezia, 8st.	Murdison 0

(Winner trained by Firth.)

Totalisator paid Rs. 23 to win; Rs. 17 and Rs. 26 for places.

BETTING: 5 to 4 each agst. First Bell and Mademoiselle, 5 to 1 Esmeralda, 12 to 1 Rezia, and 20 to 1 Mayroid.

Won easily by three and a quarter lengths; six lengths between second and third, same between third and fourth. Time—1min. 4secs.

THE AUCTION PLATE.—Rs. 1,000 to the winner, Rs. 300 to the second, and Rs. 200 to the third. 5 furlongs.

Mr. E. J. Marshall's Galley Slave, 9st. 10lbs.	R. Morrison 1
Mr. D. Norton's Musette 8st. 9lbs. ...	Frazer 2
Mr. A. Schwendtfeger's Sal, 8st ...	Bradshaw 3
Mr. S. Margrett's St. Michael, 8st. 2lbs.	Muddison 4
Mr. A. N. Dass' Springlock, 8st. 11lbs. ...	Lansdown 0
Mr. A. N. Dass' Child Adopted, 8st. 6lbs.	Balgobin 0
Mr. J. A. Manning's Bucentaur, 8st. 11lb.	Baichan 0
Mr. Rothschild's Fame, 8st. 2lbs. ...	Mr. Evers 0
Mr. R. B. Lamotte's Prince Moorefield, 7st. 3lbs.	Roboman 0
Mr. W. Bell-Irving's Wake Up, 7st. 5lbs.	Toomy 0
Mr. A. N. Dass' Miss Trenton, 7st. 4lbs. ...	Eli Bux 0
Mr. H. E. Smith's Lynnwood, 7st. 6lbs.	W. White 0

(Winner trained by J. D. Scott.)

Totalisator paid Rs. 68 to win ; Rs. 25, Rs. 17 and Rs. 43 for places.

BETTING : 2 to 1 agst. St. Michael, 5 to 2 Musette, 4 to 1 Galley Slave, 6 to 1 Lynnwood, and from 8 to 20 the others.

Won by one and a half lengths ; a length between second and third ; a short head between third and fourth. Time—1min. 3secs.

HUNTERS' FLAT RACE.—Rs. 500 to the winner, Rs. 200 to the second, and Rs. 100 to the third. 1¼ mile.

Mr. G. B. Deakin's Trilby, 11st. 2lbs. ...	Owner 1
Dr. W. C. Hossack's Lady Gold, 11st. 7lbs.	Mr. Bell-Irving 2
Mr. R. A. C. Pugh's Posey, 8st. 3lbs. ...	Mr. Sopper 3
Mr. T. Curtis-Hayward's Sylvia, 9st. 12lbs.	Mr. Dudley 4
Mr. G. B. Deakin's Blue Bell II, 11st. 10lb.	Capt. Holden 0
Mr. M. Turner's Fusilier, 10st. 13lbs. ...	Mr. Gordon 0
Mr. Glen's Tiritiri, 10st. 11lbs. ...	Owner 0
Mr. W. Bell-Irving's Fred, 10st. 7lbs. ...	Mr. Cowper 0
Mr. H. K. Pierson's Queen of Hearts, 10st. 3lbs.	Owner 0
Mr. W. B. Turner's Ruby, 10st. ...	Owner 0
Mr. T. G. Evers' Orphan Boy 9st. 10lbs. ...	Mr. Antram 0
Mr. Cowper's Jacinth, 9st. 7lbs. ...	Mr. Evers 0

(Winner trained privately).

Totalisator paid Rs. 17 to win ; Rs. 14, Rs. 28 and Rs. 82 for places.

BETTING : 6 to 4 agst. Trilby, 4 to 1 Sylvia, 8 to 1 each Blue Bell, Lady Gold, and Jacinth, and from 12 to 20 the others.

Won easily by three lengths ; five lengths between second and third ; two lengths between third and fourth. Time—3min 18⅘secs.

KALIGHAT PLATE.—Rs. 1,000 to the winner, Rs. 300 to the second, and Rs. 200 to the third. 5 furlongs.

Mr. J. D. Scott's Yankee Boy, 9st. 5lbs. ...	P. Morrison 1
Mr. Stead's Belle Cole, 9st. 4lbs. ...	Bradshaw 2
Mr. J. D. Scott's Kathleen II, 8st. 2lbs. ...	B. Morrison 3
Mr. Field's Solace, 8st. 8lbs. ...	Baichan 4
H. H. The Maharajah of Cooch Behar's Belligerent, 7st. 13lbs.	Fraser 0
Mr. A. N. Dass' Pineal, 7st.	Eli Bux 0

(Winner trained by Owner.)

Totalisator paid Rs. 20 to win, Rs. 15 and Rs. 27 for places.

BETTING : 6 to 4 agst, Yankee Boy, 5 to 2 Kathleen II, 3 to 1 Solace, 4 to 1 Belle Cole, and 20 to 1 others.

Won by half a length ; one the length between second and third ; two lengths between third and fourth. Time—1min. 3⅘secs.

ESPLANADE PLATE.—Rs. 1,000 to the winner, Rs. 300 to the second, and Rs. 200 to the third. 6 furlongs.

Mr. O. M. D. Bell's Botha, 10st. 7lbs. ...	Firth 1
Mr. W. B. Green's Projecture, 8st. 10lbs. ...	R. Morrison 2
Capt. H. N. Holden's Craig, 8st. 3lbs. ...	Mr. Evers 3
Messrs. Hudson and Butler's Mercedes, 10st. 6lbs.	Sheldrake 4
Mrs. A. W. Grosser's Cyril, 9st. 12lbs. ...	Howie 0
Mr. J. A. Manning's Loyal, 9st. 7lbs. ...	Morrison 0
Mr. Holme's Rather Rakish, 8st. 9lbs. ...	Murdison 0
Mr. A. N. Dass' Mulison, 8st. 6lbs. ...	Lansdown 0
Mr. D. B. Myers' Vespasia, 8st. 4lbs. ...	Bradshaw 0
Mr. Dudley's Coronet, 7st. 6lbs. ...	W. White 0
Mr. Alec's Lord D., 7st. 4lbs.	Baichan 0
Mr. R. J. Farquharson's Recoil, 6st. 12lbs.	Frazer 0

(Winner trained by Firth.)

Totalisator paid Rs. 21 to win ; Rs. 16, Rs. 25 and Rs. 26 for places.

BETTING : 6 to 4 Botha, 9 to 2 Vespasia, 6 to 1 each Projecture and Mulison, 10 to 1R ecoil, and 12 to 1 to 20 to 1 the others.

Won easily by two and a quarter of a length ; two and a half lengths between second and third ; eleven lengths between third and fourth. Time—1min. 16secs.

VALENTINE PLATE.—Rs. 1,000 to the winner, Rs. 300 to the second, and Rs. 200 to the third. R. C.

Mr. Field's Nirvana, 7st. 5lbs. ...	Baichan 1
Mr. D. B. Myers' Bon Bon	Bradshaw 2
Mr. A. N. Dass' Insurrection, 8st. 6lbs. ...	Lansdown 3
Mr. O. M. D. Bell's Mount Dane, 9st. 7lbs.	Firth 4
Mrs. A. W. Grosser's Merry Elsie, 10st. 2lbs.	Howie 0
Mr. Dartmoore's Bundook, 10st. 11b. ...	P. Morrison 0
Mr. W. H. Walmsley's Scamander, 9st. ...	Mr. Bell-Irving 0
Messrs. Hudson and Butler's Blitzen, 8st. 13lbs.	Murdison 0
Mr. A. N. Dass' Trencherman, 8st. 11b. ...	Balgobin 0
Mr. H. V. Low's Vinolia, 7st. 10lbs, ...	Frazer 0

(Winner trained by Heywood.)

Totalisator paid Rs. 103 to ; win Rs. 19, Rs. 13 and Rs. 28 for places.

BETTING : 2 to 1 agst. Scamander, 5 to 2 Bon Bon, 3 to 1 Blitzen, 6 to 1 Insurrection, 8 to 1 Vinolia, and from 10 to 1 to 12 to 1 the others.

Won by two and a quarter lengths : two lengths between second and third ; one and a half length between third and fourth. Time—2mins. 58⅘secs.

GORAKHPORE SPRING MEETING 1907.

STEWARDS :

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Judge :—J. A. BROUN, ESQ., I.C.S.
Clerk of the Scales :—MAJOR CRAWFORD, I.M.S.
Honorary Secretaries :—W. J. TURNBULL ESQ., E. W. A. JUDSON, ESQ.

First Day, Wednesday, 13th February 1907.

THE Gorakhpur Spring Meeting of 1907 opened to-day under very favourable circumstances. The efforts of the Joint Honorary Secretaries, to secure entries and to make the meeting a success, have been well rewarded and they are to be congratulated on the result of their exertions. Never did racing in Gorakhpur want such a fillip and it must have been extremely gratifying to all concerned that the meeting went as it did. Not a hitch or a mistake from start to finish.

Slight rain fell during the night of the 12th and on the morning of the 13th. This, however, was no hindrance, the course was in most perfect order and the going good. Sunshine was the order of the day when the races began and the totalisator did a thriving business. The course, paddock and enclosures were thronged with spectators and the pretty toilettes of the ladies added considerable charm to the scene. Details :—

BALRAMPUR PLATE.—Rs. 300, out of which the second pony will receive Rs. 100. For ponies owned by residents in the Gorakhpur Division or by members of the Gorakhpur Light Horse that have never won a flat race value Rs. 50 or over. English and Australasians 14-2 to carry 12st.. C.-B.'s 14-2 to carry 11st.. Arabs 14-2 to carry 10st. W. I. 5 furlongs.

Mr. F. Mackinnon's b e g Hooded Monk, 10st. 4lbs.	Mr. McCall 1
Miss Lightfoot's ch a g King of Thule, 8st. 4lbs.	Native 2
Mr. C. W. Grant's b aus m Rhoda, 12st ...	Mr. Thorp 3

Also ran : Joker, 10-3½ ; Kitboy, 10.2 ; Kitty, 8-6.

In the lotteries :—Hooded Monk, sold for Rs. 120, Rhoda Rs. 5 Mr. Lang' stable Rs. 85. King of Thule Rs. 10, and Joker Rs. 5

They were sent away to a very good start and came round the bend all fairly level. From the two furlong post King of Thule came to the front but was passed shortly after by Hooded Monk. who won with plenty in hand. Time—1min. 12secs.

PADRAUNA PLATE.—Rs. 300, out of which the second pony will receive Rs. 100. For Arabs and C.-B.'s 14-1 and under and English and Australasians 13-3½ and under. C.-B.'s 14-1 to carry 11st., Arabs 14-1 to carry 10st. 4lbs., English and Australasian, 14-1 to carry 10st. 1 lbs. W. I. Penalties—Winners once 4lbs., twice 7lbs., thrice or oftener 1st. W. I. 4 furlongs.

Mr. Hepworth's br aus m Skipping Girl, 11st. 6lbs.	Mr. McCall 1
Thakur Sripal Singh's b e m Silver II, 11st. 8lbs.	Northmore 2
Lalla Rada Mohan's bk cb p Black Prince, 10st.	Native 3
Lt.-Col. Berrymann's sk aus g Quilt, 9st. 13lbs.	Native 0
Mr. Dobbie's ch c b g Jim (car. 10st. 8lbs.)	Mr. Andoe 0

In the lotteries Skipping Girl sold for Rs. 115, Silver II. Rs. 15, Black Prince Rs. 50, Quilt Rs. 15, Jim Rs. 15.

They were despatched to a good start. Coming down the straight Skipping Girl came to the front and notwithstanding gallant effort on Silver II's part to overhaul her, safely held her own and won comfortably. Time—55secs.

THE TUMKOHI PLATE.—Rs. 300, out of which the second pony will receive Rs. 100. For ponies 14-2 and under. Penalties as in the Padrauna Plate. 5 furlongs.

Thakur Sripal Singh's b aus g Nigam, 11st. 11lbs.	Northmore 1
Mr. McCall's b aus m Energy, 10st. 11lbs.	Owner 2
Mr. Manner's b cb m Cherie, 8st. 4lbs.	Native 3
Mr. Murray's b aus m Sunrise, 11st. 2lbs....	Native 0
Capt. Ross' b aus g Bounder, 9st. 12lbs. ...	Mr. Howie 0
Lt.-Col. Berryman's b aus m Circus Maid, 8st. 11b. ...	Native 0

In the lotteries Nizam sold for Rs. 120, Energy Rs. 45, Cherie Rs. 5, Circus Maid Rs. 40, Bounder Rs. 5, Sunrise Rs. 15.

A well contested and well ridden race. Entering the rails Nigam drew away and though very hard pressed won by three lengths. Time 1min. 8secs.

THE MAJHAULI PLATE.—For horses. C. W. A. and C. raised 21lbs. 6 furlongs.

Mr. Tute's b aus m Sheila, 10st. 10lbs., Mr. Warren ... w.o.

THE BANSI PLATE.—Rs. 300, out of which the second pony will receive Rs. 100. For Arabs and C.-B.'s 14-2 and under and English and Australasians 14-0 and under. Penalties as in Padrauna Plate. 4 furlongs.

Mr. F. Mackinnon's b e g Hooded Monk, 11st. 7lbs.	Mr. Warren 1
Mr. Hepworth's br aus m Skipping Girl, 11st. 9lbs.	Mr. McCall 2
Lalla Rada Mohan's bk cb p Black Prince, 9st. 4lbs. (car. 9st. 9lbs.)	Northmore 3
Capt. Ross's b aus g Bounder, 11st. 4lbs. ...	Mr. Lang 0
Lieut.-Col. Berryman's ch aus m Little Eurobin, 11st. 7lbs.	Native 0

In the lotteries Hooded Monk sold for Rs. 70, Bounder Rs. 10, Black Prince Rs. 45, Little Eurobin Rs. 10 and Skipping Girl Rs. 125.

All got away level at the start, at the bend Bounder and Little Eurobin were done with but the remainder raced up the straight neck and neck, it was anybody's race ; and the excitement was intense when Hooded Monk (splendidly ridden by Mr. Warren) was with a superb effort—landed a winner by a length ; a neck divided second and third. Time—54⅘secs.

Second Day, Friday, 15th February 1907.

The meeting was continued (and concluded) to-day under the same excellent circumstances that attended the first day's racing. It has been unanimously voted a great success and our best thanks are due to the Honorary Secretaries who have striven hard and successfully to attain good results.

VISITORS' HANDICAP.—Rs. 300, (out of which the second pony will receive 100) Handicap for Arabs and Country-breds 14-2 and under, and English and Australasions 14-0 and under. 4 furlongs.

Lieut.-Col. Berryman's ch aus m Little Eurobin, 8st. 12lbs. (car). 9st. 3lbs. ...	Native 1
Lalla Radha Mohan's bk cb p Black Prince, 8st. 5lbs.	Native 2
Mr. Hepworth's br aus m Skipping Girl, 11st.	Mr. McCall 3
Capt. Ross' b aus g Bounder, 8st. ...	Mr. Harvey 0
Thakur Sripal Singh's b e m Silver II. (car.) 10st. 2lbs.	Northmore 0
Mr. Manner's b cb m Cherie 7st. 8lbs. ...	Native 0

A good race, won comfortably in 55 secs.

THE DISTRICT HANDICAP—Rs. 300 out of which the second pony will receive 100. Handicap for ponies 14-2 and under. 4 furlongs.

Messrs. Mackinnon's and Broun's b e g Hooded Monk, 10st 8lbs.	Mr. McCall 1
Lieut.-Col. Berryman's ch e m Mignon, 7st. 13lbs. (car. 8st. 4lbs). ...	Native 2
Thakur Sripal Sinh's b aus g Nigam, 11st. 9lbs. car. 12st.)	Northmore 3
Mr. Murry's b aus m Sunrise, 9st. ...	Mr. Howie 0

Won by three lengths. half a length between second and a third. Time 54 secs.

THE CIVIL SERVICE HANDICAP.—Rs. 300, out of which the second pony will receive 100. A handicap for horses. 6 furlongs.

Capt. Winter's b e h M P 10st. 10lbs. ...	Mr. McCall 1
Mr. Tute's b aus m Sheila, 10st. 10lbs. ...	Mr. Howie 2

They raced level to the bend when M. P. drew away and won in a canter. Time—1min. 34secs.

RAILWAY HANDICAP.—Rs. 300, out of which second pony receives Rs. 100. Handicap for Arabs and Country-breds 14-1 and under, and Enlish and Australasians 13-3½ and under. 5 furlongs.

Lieut.-Col. Berryman's sk aus g Quilt, 7st. 11lbs. (car 8st. 2lbs.) ...	Native 1
Mr. Hepworth's br aus m Skipping Girl, 11st	Mr. McCall 2
Lalla Radha Mohan's bk cb p Black Prince, 7st. 11lbs. (car. 8st. 2lbs.)	Native 3

Black Prince got left some lengths at the start, but making ground rapidly caught the leaders before entering the straight, a great race ensued : Quilt staving off a determinet challenge by Skipping Girl won by a length ; same distance divided second and third. Time—1min. 10secs.

NOVICES' HANDICAP.—Rs. 300, out of which second pony will receive Rs. 100. Handicap for ponies that ran in the Balrampur Plate the first day. 5 furlongs.

Messrs Mackinnon and Broun's Hooded Monk 12-st.	Mr. Warren 1
Miss Lightfoot's King of Thule, 8st. 15lbs.	Mr. McCall 2
Mr. Grant's Rhoda, 11st.	Mr. Stares 3
Mr. Lang's Kitty, 7st. 11lbs.	Native 0
Mr. Williamson's Joker, 8st.	Native 0

A gift for Hooded Monk. Time—1min. 19secs.

THE CONSOLATION HANDICAP.—A handicap for ponies that have not won a race during the meeting. 4 furlongs.

Lt.-Col Berryman's Mignon, 8st. 12lbs. ...	Native 1
Mr. McCall's Energy, 11st.	Owner 2
Thakur Sripal Singh's Elsie, 10st. 5lbs. ...	Northmore 3
Mr. Grant's Rhoda, 9st.	Native 0
Mr. Williamson's Joker, 8st.	Native 0
Mr. Manner's Cherie, 7st. 13lbs. ...	Native 0
Lt.-Col. Berryman's Circus Maid, 7st. 13lbs.	Native 0
Thakur Sripal Singh's Silver II, 10st. 5lbs.	Northmore 0
Capt. Ross' Bounder, 9st. 11b ...	Mr. Howie 0

Quite the best race of the day, if not of the meeting. Being sent away to a good start they raced in a clump to the bend, here Mignon, Energy, Elsie and Silver II drew slightly away from the rest, a great race, Mignon winning on the post by a head a length between second and third. Time—53⅘secs.

THE BOMBAY RACES.

First Day, Wednesday, 13th February 1907.

THE NEW PLATE.—Rs. 2,000, out of which second receives Rs. 400, and the third Rs. 200. For Arab ponies 13-3 and under landed direct from the country of foaling since 1st July 1906. 13-3 to carry 8st. 10lbs W. I. 20 mile.

Mr. Buder bin Alwas' Sirree, 8st. 11b. ...	Ames 1
Mr. Yussuff Dakayel's Maluan, 8st. 7lbs.	Williams 2
Mr. S. A. Wahed's Yatim, 8st. 11b. ...	Kamad 3

Also ran : Shah Line, 8-10 ; Dumra, 8-10 ; Engine, 8-10; Grey Boy, 8-10 ; Little Sanaya, 8-4 ; Matlik, 8-4 ; Lucky Shot, 8-4 ;

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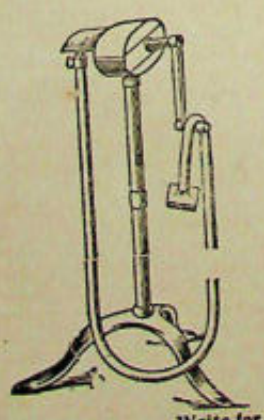

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Fadil, 8-1; Saeed, 8-1; Happy Land, 8-1; Scipio, 7-12; and Little John, 7-8.

(*Winner trained by Saleh Dakeel.*)

Totalisator paid Rs. 52 to win; Rs. 130 on tickets of Rs. 2 and Rs. 5 respectively.

BETTING: 3 to 1 agst. Lucky Shot, 7 to 2 Saeed, 6 to 1 each Maluan, Fadil, and Little Sanaya and 10 to 1 and longer odds the others.

Won by one and a quarter length; half a length between second and third. Time—54⅘secs.

THE FORT PLATE.—Rs. 2,000, out of which second receives Rs. 400, and the third Rs. 200. For Arab ponies 14 hands and under which have not won flat race value Rs. 900 or over since 31st March, 1904. 14 hands to carry 9st. W. I. Penalties—Winners since 31st March 1904, race value Rs. 500 or over: once, 4lbs.; twice, 7lbs.; oftener, 10lbs. Allowance—Ponies which have not won race value Rs. 150 or over 4lbs. 6 furlongs.

Mr. A. Razak's Osborne, 8st. 8lbs	..	Oomerkhan 1
Mr. A. M. Ameer's Caravan, 8st. 2lbs.	...	Yussuff 2
Mr. D. Runchordass' Ashroff, 9st.	...	Kamad 3

Also Ran: Wadi, 9-0; Kour Sahib, 8-12; Nooman, 8-11; Antica, 8-8; Rufus, 7-7; Calcutta, 4-7; Rufus and carried over weight.

(*Winner trained by Ahmed Eli Bux.*)

Totalisator paid Rs. 24 and Rs. 60.

BETTING: 6 to 4 on Ashroff, 4 to 1 agst. Nooman, 6 to 1 and Antica and Calcutta, and 10 to 1 the remainder.

Won easily in the end by a length; a head between second and third. Time—1min. 22⅕secs.

THE IMPORTERS' PLATE.—Rs. 2,000, out of which second receives Rs. 400, and the third Rs. 200. For horses which have not won flat race value Rs. 1,500 or over since 31st March 1904. W. A. reduced 7lbs. Penalties—Winners since 31st March 1904, of a race value Rs. 900 or over: once, 5lbs.; twice, 10lbs.; oftener, or of race value Rs. 1,400, 14lbs. Allowances—Horses which after landing have not won race value Rs. 150 or over if landed after 1st September 1906, 3lbs.; after 1st October, 5lbs.; after 1st November, 7lbs. (not cumulative), in addition to landing allowance in General Conditions. 6 furlongs.—

Mr. R. R. S.'s Posco, 8st. 11lb	...	Trenoweth 1
Messrs. M. Goculdas and Nanjee's Primerole, 8st. 12lbs.	.. ...	Ames 2
Thakur Sripal Singh's Flotsam, 9st. 7lbs....		Vining 3

Also ran: Mallinyook, 9-7; Lipscombe, 9-7; Honest Lady, 9-7; Meadow Saffron, 9-7; Admiral Crichton, 8-7; Blue Blood, 8-7; Windy, 8-1; and Sir Galahad, 7-8.

(*Winner trained by Byramjee Rustomjee.*)

Totalisator paid Rs. 6 and Rs. 15.

BETTING: 6 to 4 on Posco, 6 to 1 each agst. Primerole, Windy and Meadow Saffron, 8 to 1 each Honest Lady and Admiral Crichton, and 10 to 1 the others.

Won by two and a half lengths; one and a half lengths between second and third. Honest Lady came with a strong run at the finish but just failed to place. Time—1min. 14⅘secs.

THE DEALERS' PLATE.—Rs. 2,000, out of which second receives Rs. 400, and the third Rs. 200. For Arabs W. A. reduced 10lbs. Penalties—Winners since 31st March 1904 of a race value Rs. 900 or over: once, 4lbs twice or of race value Rs. 1,300, 7lbs. oftener or of race value Rs. 1,900, 12lbs. Winners since the above date races value as above of aggregate value of Rs. 7,000 or over 7lbs. in addition to above penalties. Allowance—Horses which have not won race value Rs. 150 or over, 4lbs. Ponies 14 hands and under 5lbs. 1 mile.

Mr. R. R. S.'s Precious, 9st. 5lbs.	...	Williams 1
Mr. A. M. Ameer's Young Kohinoor, 8st. 2lbs.	... ...	Yussuff 2
Mr. Ali bin Talib's Eed, 8st. 9lbs.	...	Heroo 3

Also ran: Egypt, 9-5; Soheil, 9-0; Ajax, 9-0; Bendigo, 9-0; Young Cardigan, 8-9; Young Kohinoor, 8-2; and Scarlet, 7-2.

(*Winner trained by Byramjee Rustomjee.*)

Totalisator paid Rs. 2½ and Rs. 6¼.

BETTING: 2 to 1 on Precious, 5 to 1 agst. Eed, 6 to 1 Bandit II., and 10 to 1 and longer odds the remainder.

Won by one and a quarter length; one and three-quarter lengths between second and third. Time—1min. 50secs.

THE EXETER PLATE.—Rs. 4,000, out of which second receives Rs. 700, and the third Rs. 300. A handicap for horses. 7 furlongs.

Messrs. Wood and Badger's Sermon, 9st. 10lbs.	.. ..	Bray 1
Messrs. Scott and Marshall's Saloon, 7st. 8lbs.	... ...	Kaesen 2
Mr. ·. B. Avasia's Presbyterian, 7st. 8lbs.		Vining 3

Also ran: Killua, 9-12; Paddy's Darling, 9-4; Sacristan II., 8-13; Chassepot, 7-13; Ferndown, 7-12; Royalist, 7-11; Apology, 7-10; Gambara, 7-3; and Contest, 6 13.

(*Winner trained by Penton.*)

Totalisator paid Rs. 4 and Rs. 10

BETTING: Evens Sermon, 4 to 1 Sacristan, 6 to 1 each Presbyterian and Apology, and 10 to 1 and longer odds the others.

Won by two and a half lengths; three-quarter length between second and third Time—1min. 26⅖secs.

THE PADDOCK PLATE.—Rs. 2,000, out of which second receives Rs. 400, and the third Rs. 200. For Arab ponies 13-3 and under. 13-3 to carry 8st. 7lbs. W. I. Penalties—Winners since 31st March 1904 of a race value Rs. 900 or over: once, 4lbs.; twice, 7lbs.; oftener, 10lbs. Winner since the above date of races value as above of the aggregate value of Rs. 7,000 or over 10lbs. in addition to above penalties. Allowance—Ponies which have not won race value Rs. 150 or over 4lbs. 5 furlongs.

Mr. S. N. Mahomed's Darby, 8st. 11b.	...	Southall 1
Mr. R. R. S.'s Rose, 8st. 11lbs....	...Williams	Dead
Mr. Hajee Sulleman's Gaucho, 8st.	... Vining	heat

Also ran: Bay Middleton, 9-13; Dilerjung, 8-11; Creditor 8-8; Shanwar, 8-4; and Muzeade, 7-6.

(*Winner trained by Cowasjee Burjorjee.*)

BETTING: 6 to 4 on Bay Middleton, 3 to 1 agst. Rose, 8 to 1 each Shanwar and Darby, and 10 to 1 the others.

Won by three-quarter of a length; Rose and Gaucho finished strongly and dead-heated for second place. Time—1min. 7⅘secs.

(*By Special Telegram.*)

Second Day, Saturday, 16th February 1907.

TOM LE MESURIER PLATE.—7 furlongs.

Mr. R. R. S.'s Tachreet, 9st. 2lbs.	...	Williams 1
Mr. Vaid's Zurriff, 8st. 11b.	... ...	Melsom 2
Mr. Ali bin Talib's Eed	... ...	 3

Also ran: Bay Middleton, Young Cardigan, Oriental, Panala II., Little Joker, and Sir Jamal.

BETTING: 2 to 1 each agst. Tachreet and Oriental, 6 to 1 each Eed, Bay Middleton, and Sir Jamal, 10 to 1 Zurriff, and longer odds the others.

Won by a quarter of a length three-quarter; of a length between second and third. Time—1min. 35secs.

(*Winner trained by Byramjee Rustomjee.*)

MELTON PLATE.—For Arabs. 6 furlongs.

Mr. S. A. Wahed's Yatim, 7st. 5lbs	...	Heeroo 1
H. H. Kour Sahib of Patiala's Commander, 8st. 3lbs.	.. ...	Southall 2
S. Rashid's Spearmint, 8st. 12lbs.	...	Oomerkhan 3

Also ran: Company, Tabriz, Partsir, Lisbon, Idbas, Albert Victor, Nazzar, Thuyyur, Booman, Puttehkhan Shah, Line, Siree, Matlik, Little Sanaya, Syed, and Happy Land.

BETTING: 2 to 1 agst. Commander, 5 to 2 Nazzar, and longer odds the remainder.

Won easily by a length; a neck between second and third. Time—1min. 22⅕secs.

(*Winner trained by Ahmed Eli Bux.*)

IMPORTERS' HANDICAP FOR HORSES.—5 furlongs.

Mr. R. R. S.'s Posco, 9st. 3lbs.	...	Williams 1
Messrs. Wood and Badger's Ferndown, 9st. 11b.	... ...	Bray 2
Mr. John Morris' Vocalist, 8st. 4lbs.	...	Trenoweth 3

Also ran: Killeevan, Meadow Saffron, Dormant, Rustle, Camira, Adelaide, Baleyeuse, Florrie, Epitome, and Sir Galahad.

BETTING: 6 to 4 agst. Ferndown, 7 to 4 Posco, 10 to 1 Rustle, longer odds the rest.

Won by three-quarter of a length; one length between second and third. Time—1min. 1⅕secs.

(*Winner trained by Byramjee Rustomjee.*)

BOMBAY DERBY.—1 mile and 4 furlongs.

Mr. A. M. Ameer's Young Kohinoor, 8st. 2lbs.		Southall 1
Mr. R. R. S.'s Precious, 9st. 8lbs.	...	Williams } d. h.
Mr. Ali Bin Talib's Hampstead, 9st. 5lbs....		Mahomed }

Also ran: Egypt, Skylark, Mooreed, Soheil, and Ajax.

BETTING: Evens Precious, 3 to 1 agst. Young Kohinoor, 5 to 1 Mooreed, 7 to 1 Hampstead, 10 to 1 Skylark, and longer odds the rest.

Won by three lengths from Precious and Hampstead who dead heated for second place. Time—2mins. 55secs.

(*Winner trained by Abdool Rehman Nassar.*)

GRAND WESTERN HANDICAP.—1 mile and 1 furlong.

Hon. Mr. A. A. Apcar's Ballark, 8st. 11lbs.		Vining 1
Messrs. Scott and Marshall's Saloon, 6st. 8lbs.	... ...	Melsom 2
Mr. Dartmoor's Sacristan II., 7st. 10lbs.	...	Ames 3

Also ran: Fitzgrafton, 9-12; Sermon, 1-7; Paddy's Darling, 8-0; Chassepot 7-3; Footprint, 7-2; Kipling, 7-8; Lord Barrymore, 6-5; Primerole, 6-4; Contest, 6 0.

BETTING: 2 to 1 agst. Sermon, 3 to 1 Paddy's Darling, 4 to 1 Saloon, 5 to 1 Ballark, 8 to 1 Sacristan, 10 to 1 Lord Barrymore, longer odds the remainder.

PLACE BETTING: 6 to 4 each on Ballark and Saloon, 2 to 1 agst. Sacristan.

Won by a length and a half in front of Saloon, who in turn finished one and a quarter length in front of Sacristan II., Kipling was fourth. Time—1min. 56⅕secs.

(*Winner trained by J. Watson.*)

GAYE CUP.—6 furlongs.

Mr. Artin A. Essayie's Koko, 7st. 4lbs.	...	Heeroo 1
Messrs. Goculdas and A. Nanjee's Gun Metal, 9st.	... ...	Ames 2
Messrs. Scott and Marshall's Lady Avon, 8st. 13lbs.	... ...	Southall 3

Also ran: Wakeful, Russley Rose, Matalgia, Lady Grey II., Mandeville, Virballa, and Recovery.

BETTING: 2 to 1 agst. Russley Rose, 3 to 1 Lady Avon, 6 to 1 Mandeville, 10 to 1 Koko, and longer odds the others

An exciting race home resulted in a dead heat between Koko and Gun Metal; Lady Avon three-quarters of a length away third. Time—1min. 16secs

In the run off, odds of 6 to 4 were laid on Koko and 5 to 4 agst Gun Metal. Koko led throughout and won easily by three and a half lengths. Time—1min. 18secs.

UMBALLA NATIVE CAVALRY RACES.

Friday, 15th February 1907.

Judge:—COL. EASTWOOD.
Starter:—CAPT. MILVAIN.
Clerk of the Scales:—CAPT. POPHAM.

FINE weather, a big attendance and good sport were the features that distinguished the discussion of this short programme of three events. Details:—

INDIAN CAVALRY GRAND ANNUAL CHASE.—For a Challenge Cup value fifty guineas, presented by Colonel Arthur Broome, with Rs. 1,000 presented by the Calcutta Turf Club of which Rs. 700 to the winner, Rs. 200 to the second, and Rs. 100 to the third on usual terms. About 3 miles.

Capt. Jackson's Ace of Hearts, 11st. 1 lbs.	Owner 1
Mr. Durham's Ruapehu, 12st. 3lbs. ...	Owner 2
Capt. Price's Monte, 12st. 3lbs. ...	Owner 3
Mr. Gatacre's Karim, 10st. 6lbs. (car. 10st. 9lbs.)	Owner 0

Also ran: Surry, 11-10 (car. 11-11); Battleaxe, 11-7; Bar Sinister, 11-7; Spectacles, 11-10.

BETTING: 2 to 1 each agst. Monk and Spectacles, 4 to 1 each Karim, Ruapehu, Ace of Hearts, and Bar Sinister, 5 to 1 Battleaxe, and 8 to 1 Surry.

Won by four lengths; indifferent third.

NATIVE CAVALRY LILLIPUTIAN GRAND NATIONAL CHASE.—Value Rs. 199. About 2 miles.

Mr. Power's Rosamond, 10st. 6lbs. (car. 10st. 7lbs.)	Owner 1
Mr. Settle's Friendly, 10st. 10lbs. (car. 10st. 12lbs.)	Owner 2
Mr. Fraser's Blighter, 8st. 13lbs. (car. 10st. 2lbs.)	Owner 3

BETTING: 6 to 4 on Rosamond, evens Blighter, and 3 to 1 agst. Friendly.

Won by six lengths; a bad third.

THE BENGAL CAVALRY POLO SCURRY.—Value Rs. 100 for ponies that played in the Bengal Cavalry Polo Tournament of 1904. Catch-weights over 11st. 7lbs. ¼ mile.

Mr. Oswald-Smith's The Nun ..	Owner 1
11th Lancers' Soni	Gatacre 2
Capt. Keran's Kharghosh	Mr. Wilson 3

Also ran: Mermaid, Pom Pom, Hyati, Praps, and Firefly.

BETTING: 2 to 1 on Kharghosh, 5 to 1 agst. Mermaid, 4 to 1 The Nun, 5 to 2 any others.

Won by a length; a neck between second and third.

BANGALORE FEBRUARY HANDICAP MEETING.

(*By Special Telegram.*)

STEWARDS:

COL. J. P. GRANT | COL. W. T. BRERETON
LT.-COL. J. DESARAJ URS. | COL. W. H. CONNOLLY.

Secretary:—H. DONNE, ESQ.

First Day, Tuesday, 19th February 1907.

THE proceedings were very flat, four races out of five being reduced to matches. However, there was a good attendance and socially people enjoyed themselves. Details:—

THE HORSE CHASE.—Rs. 100, of which the second horse will received Rs. 20. A steeple chase for horses. Weights-Handicap. About 1¼ miles.

Mr. Spink's The Gander, 10st. 3lbs.	...	Owner 1
Mr. Hannyngton's Advance, 10st. 3lbs.	...	Ferguson 2

BETTING: 2 to 1 on Advance, evens The Gander.

Won easily by three lengths

THE CAMBRIDGESHIRE.—Rs. 100, of which the second pony will receive. Rs. 20. For ponies. Weights-Handicap. ¼ mile

Mr. Walker's Wakeful, 11st. ...	...	Owner 1
Major Hayes' K. C. S. I., 9st. 12lbs.	..	Thompson 2

BETTING: 4 to 1 on K. C. S. I., 6 to 4 agst. Wakeful.

Won comfortably by two lengths. Time—59⅘secs.

ALL HORSE HANDICAP.—Rs. 100, of which the second horse will receive Rs. 20. For horses. Weights—Handicap. ¼ mile.

Mr. Hannyngton's Black Knight, 9st. 7lbs.		Thompson 1
Col. Desaraj Urs'. Rustler, 10st. 7lbs.		...Mr. Burmester 2

BETTING: 2 to 1 on Black Knight, evens Rustler.

An even start, but the favorite soon took command and won in a canter by a length and a half. Time—55⅕secs.

THE ARAB SCURRY.—Rs. 100, of which the second pony will receive Rs. 20. For Arab ponies. Weights—Handicap. 3 furlongs.

Mr. Phillip's Once More, 10st.	...	Owner 1
Col. Connolly's Mauser, 10st. 10lbs.	...	Mr. Spinks 2
Capt. White's Charley II., 11st. 3lbs.		Col. Armstrong 3
Mrs. Grant's Ohio, 9st. 7lbs.	...	Major Brandreth 0

BETTING: 2 to 1 on Mauser, 6 to 4 agst. Ohio, 2 to 1 Charley II., 3 to 1 Once More.

Won easily by three lengths; one and half lengths between second and third. Time—45⅕secs.

THE BEDOUIN PLATE.—Rs. 100, of which the second pony will receive Rs. 20. For Arabs. Weights—Handicap. 5 furlongs.

Mr. Patrickson's St. Martin, 9st. 3lbs.		...Capt. Heyland 1
Capt. White's Little Prince, 10st. 2lbs.		Col. Aamstrong 2

BETTING: 4 to 1 on Little Prince.

Won after a good finish by a length. No time taken.

TRAINERS' LOTS.

CALCUTTA RACES, 1906-1907.

HORSE.	DESCRIPTION.	OWNER.	TRAINER.
A.			
Annamulloch...	bk e m ...	Mr. Holmes ...	Wishart.
Amplify ...	ch e m ...	Mr. J. D. Scott ...	Owner.
Applause ...	b e h ...	Mr. J. C. Galstaun ...	Tingey.
Au Fait ...	br e m ...	Capt. Farquharson ...	Saunders.
Airlock ...	bk aus m ..	Hon. Mr. A. A. Apcar	Watson.
Amyas ...	ch aus g ...	Mr. Dartmoor ...	Taylor.
Adviser ...	b aus g ...	Mr. S. F. Reynolds ...	Wishart.
Aberfoyle ...	b or br aus g	Mr. R. S. Hart ...	Ferguson.
B.			
Black Duke ...	bk or br e c	Mr. D. B. Myers ...	Dignum.
Bon Bon ...	b aus g ...	Mr. D. B. Myers ...	Dignum.
Baron II ...	ch aus g ...	Mr. Locke ...	C. Hoyt.
Blitzen ...	bk or br e m	Messrs. Hudson and Butler ...	Wishart.
Ballark ...	bk aus g ...	Hon. Mr. A. A. Apcar	Watson.
Beaunero ...	ch e g ...	Mr. G. B. Deakin ...	Owner.
Bundook ...	b e g ...	Mr. Dartmoor ...	Taylor.
Branga ...	ch aus g ...	Mr. T. G. Evers ...	Owner.
Botha ...	br aus g ...	Mr. O. M. D. Bell ...	Firth.
Bouquet ...	b e m ...	Mr. B. B. ...	Walker.
Belle Cole ...	b aus m ...	Mr. Stead ...	Torpey.
Bubble ...	br aus g ...	Messrs. Rodocanachi and Mackenzie ...	Norton.
Bucentaur ...	b aus g ...	Mr. J. A. Manning ...	Marriott.
Bonita ...	ch aus m ...	Mr. A. L. Butler ...	Wishart.
Bull's Eye ...	br aus g ...	Mr. M. Turner ...	Private.
C.			
Child Adopted	b e m ...	Mr. A. N. Dass ...	Taylor.
Carnival ...	ch e m ...	Mr. A. N. Dass ...	Taylor.
Curfew ...	ch aus g ...	Mr. J. B. ..	Ramshaw.
Craigendarrie...	b e g ...	Mr. J. C. Galstaun ...	Tingey.
Cyril ..	b aus g ...	Mrs. A. Grosser ...	Smallman.
Colina ...	br e m ...	Mr. G. H. L. Mackenzie ...	Norton.
Cherson ...	b aus h ...	H H. Kour Sahib of Patiala ...	T. Scott.
Contest ...	ch aus h ..	Mr. R. S. Hart ...	Ferguson.
Clear Artist ...	b or br e g	Mr. North ...	Bleach
Coin II ...	ch aus m ...	H. H. Mah. of Cooch Behar ...	... Ramshaw.
Curlew ...	b aus m ...	Mr. B. N. Burjotjee ...	Owner.
Clynder ...	b e m ...	Mr. A. N. Dass ...	Taylor.
Curfew Bell ...	ch aus m ...	Messrs. Wood and Badger ...	... Penton.
Coronet ...	b aus g ...	Mr. S. F. Reynolds ...	Wishart.
Circus Girl ...	b aus m ...	Mr. J. C. Galstaun ...	Tingey.
Claribell ...	ch aus m ...	Mr. J. C. Galstaun ...	Tingey.
Cingalee ...	ch e m ...	Mr. Cecil ...	Ramshaw.
Clodian ...	b aus g ...	Mr. J. G. Ballantyne	Mr. Evers.
Camira ...	b aus g ...	Mr. E. J. Marshall ...	J. D. Scott.
Chippy Norton	bk aus g ...	Mr. P. B. Avasia ...	Bleach.
Craig ...	br aus g ...	Capt. H. V. Holden ...	Owner.
D			
Downland ...	br or bk e m	Mr. J. M. Rodocanachi	Norton.
Dea ...	br aus m ...	Hon. Mr. A. A. Apcar	Watson.
Decoration ...	b aus g ...	Mr. R. S. Hart ...	Ferguson.
Duplex II ...	b aus g ...	Mr. J. D. Scott. ...	Owner.
Dirty Boy ...	bk e g ...	Mr. J. C. Galstaun ...	Tingey.
Dulcimer ...	bk aus g ...	Mr. J. C. Galstaun ...	Tingey.
Dramatic ...	br aus g ...	Mr. O. M. D. Bell ...	Firth.
Dormant ...	b aus g ...	Mr. P. B. Avasia ...	Bleach.
Diakkaway ...	ch e m ...	Mr. J. C. Galstaun ...	Tingey.
Dunsinane ...	ch e f ...	Messrs. Wood and Badger ...	... Penton.
E.			
Esmeralda ...	ch e m ...	Mr. J. D. Scott ...	Owner.
Envions ...	b aus c ...	Mr. Cowper ...	Owner.
Esperanto ...	b aus m ...	Mr. R. D. Coggan ...	T. White.
F.			
Footprint ...	b e h ...	Mr. E. L. F. de Soysa	Harper
Fitzgrafton ...	b aus h ...	Hon. Mr. A. A. Apcar	Watson.
Flo ...	bk or br aus m	Mr. F. Potter ..	Owner.
Footlight ...	br aus m ...	Mr. W. H. Walmesley	Ramshaw.
Ferndown ...	br e b ..	Messrs Wood and Badger ..	... Penton.
Flotsam ...	b aus g ...	Thakur Sripal Singh	Thomas.
Foy ...	bk aus g ...	Mr. Charles ...	Pringle.
First Bell ...	ch aus g ...	Col. Stisted ...	Firth.
G.			
Galley Slave ...	ch e ...	Mr. E. J. Marshall ...	J. D. Scott.
Greenstone ...	b aus g ...	Mr. North ...	Bleach.
Gum ...	b aus g ...	Mr. J. C. Galstaun ...	Tingey.
Gladstone ...	b aus g ...	Mr. Locke ...	C. Hoyt.
Ground Glass...	b e m ...	Mr. Cowper ...	Pringle.
Good Chap ...	br aus g ...	Mr. R. M. Hamilton	Mr. Cowper.
Gowan ...	ch aus m ...	Mr. J. C. Galstaun ...	Tingey.
Goldstamp ...	b e m ...	Messrs. Paris and Marshall ...	Wishart.
Golden ...	ch e f ...	Mr. A. Gamble ...	Norton.
H.			
Hoop Iron ...	b aus g ...	Mr. J. C. Galstaun ...	Tingey.
Handelian ...	br e g ...	Mr. J. C. Galstaun ...	Tingey.
Honest Lady...	b e m ...	Mr. J. D. Scott ...	Owner.
Henrique ...	br aus m ...	Hon. Mr. A. A. Apcar	Watson.
Hooded Monk...	b e g ...	Aga S. Shah ...	Owner.
Half Price ...	br aus m ...	Mr. Price ...	Owner.
Hazlenut ...	bk aus m ...	Mr. Dartmoor ...	Taylor.
Hint ...	br aus m ...	Mr. J. M. Rodocanachi	Norton.
I.			
Insurrection ...	b e g ...	Mr. A. N. Dass ...	Taylor.
Ivanhoe II ...	br aus g ...	Mr. R. D. Coggan ...	T. White.

J.

Jacquelin	b aus m	Mr. R. S. Hart	Ferguson.
Jolly Abbot	gr e c	Mr. D. B. Myers	Dignum.
Jackeroo	br aus g	Mr. O. M. D. Bell	Firth.
Jack Sheppard	b e g	Mr. W. H. Walmesley	Pringle.
Jubilant	b aus m	Mr. G. K.	Munroe.
Jacinth	br aus g	Mr. Cowper	Owner.
Jolly Roger	ch e g	Col. P. K. L. Beaver	Heywood.

K.

Kipling	b aus g	Mr. E. J. Marshall	J. D. Scott.
Killeevan	br e m	Mr. J. C. Galstaun	Tingey.
Kendal King	ch e g	Mr. Charles	Pringle.
Kingpin	ch aus g	Mr. Austin	Heywood.

L.

Loch Lochie	b aus g	Mr. R. S. Hart	Ferguson.
Look Out	b aus g	Mr. Locke	C. Hoyt.
Long Tom	br aus g	Mr. J. C. Galstaun	Ferguson.
Lady Avon	bk or br aus m	Mr. J. D. Scott	Owner.
Lady Anna	b e m	Messrs. Paris and Marshall	Wishart.
Lady Veera	b e m	Mr. Bunting	J. D. Scott.
Lady Grey	gr e m	Mr. Bunting	J. D. Scott.
Lord D.	b aus g	Mr. Alec	Heywood.
Lucretia	ch aus m	Lieut.-Col. J. Desaraj Urs	Vinall.
Lord Harry	b aus g	Capt. H. V. Holden	Private.
Little Dolly	ch aus m	Col. P. K. L. Beaver	Heywood.
Lady Metal	b aus m	Mr. Dartmoor	Taylor.
Lamrock	br aus g	H. H. Kour Sahib of Patiala	T. Scott.
Lorette	br aus m	Mr. B. N. Burjorjee	Owner.
Lord Boyne	bk aus g	H. H. Kour Sahib of Patiala	T. Scott.
Loyal	ch aus g	Mr. J. A. Manning	Marriott.
Leda	ch aus m	Mr. B. B.	Walker.
Lady Viola	b aus m	Mr. J. D. Scott	Owner.
Leading Lady	b aus m	Mr. W. B. Green	Mr. H. E. Smith.

M.

Merry Elsie	b e m	Mrs. A. Grosser	Smallman.
Meadow Saffron	ch e m	Mr. G. B. Deakin	J. D. Scott.
Mother Goose	br e g	Messrs. Wood and Badger	Penton.
Mount Dane	br aus h	Mr. O. M. D. Bell	Firth.
Munderah	br aus h	H. H. Maharajah of Mysore	Ferguson.
Matin Bell	bk aus m	H. H. Maharajah of Cooch Behar	Ramshaw.
Mayroid	br aus m	Mr. W. Griffiths	T. White.
Minimus	b aus g	Lieut.-Col. J. Desaraj Urs	Vinall.
Matalgia	b aus h	Mr. J. C. Galstaun	Tingey.
Meg	ch aus m	Mr. D. B. Myers	Dignum.
Massachusselts	b aus m	Mr. J. D. Scott	Owner.
Mary Jane	ch aus m	Mr. J. D. Scott	Owner.
Master, The	br aus h	Mr. Maxwell	Wishart.
Martinique	br aus m	Hon. Mr. A. A. Apcar	Watson.
Master Charlie	br e g	Mr E. J. Marshall	J. D. Scott.
Mercedes	bk or br e m	Messrs. Hudson and Butler	Wishart.
Mistlebird	b aus m	Mr. R. A. C. Pugh	Owner.
Mulison	b aus g	Mr. A. N. Dass	Taylor.
Musette	br aus m	Mr. Maxwell	Wishart.
Malinyook	bk aus g	H. H. Kour Sahib of Patiala	T. Scott.
Mallard	b aus h	Hon. Mr. A. A. Apcar	Watson.
Manlock	b aus g	Col. P. K. L. Beaver	T. Scott.
Miss Hopson	ch e m	Mr. Charles	Pringle.
Metalwing	br aus g	Mr. Charles	Pringle.
Miss Stone	ch aus m	Mr. Holmes	Wishart.
Morsel	ch e f	Mr. J. H. L. Mackenzie	Norton.

N.

Nightingale	br e m	Capt. Farquharson	Saunders.
Nak Our	ch aus m	Hon. Mr. A. A. Apcar	Watson.
Nirvana	b e g	Mr. Field	Heywood.
Nurse Kitty	b e m	H. H. Kour Sahib of Patiala	T. Scott.
Nigam	b aus g	Thakur Sripal Singh	Thomas.
Narwanah	ch aus g	Mr. C. Pearson	T. White.

O.

Olive Lee	br aus m	Mr. H. V. Low	Norton.
Olynthus	b aus g	Messrs. Jones and Pugh	Mr. R. Pugh.
Our State	b aus g	Mr. J. C. Galstaun	Tingey.
Orphan Boy	b aus g	Mr. Glen	Mr. Cowper.

P.

Pennant	b aus g	Mr. Borneo	Norton.
Pat. C.	b sth afr. b	Mr. J. D Scott	Owner.
Pineal	ch aus g	Mr. A. N. Dass	Taylor.
Plover	br aus m	Thakur Sripal Singh	Marriott.
Palas	ch aus m	Mr. R. D. Coggan	T. White.
Pendred	b e g	Mr. Charles	Pringle.
Palindrome	br or ch aus m	Mr. Stead	Torpey.
Paddy's Darling	b e m	Mr. J. C. Galstaun	Tingey.
Prince Lyon	br aus g	Mr. J C. Galstaun	Tingey.
Presbyterian	ch e g	Mr. P. B. Avasia	Bleach.
Psalm	br e m	Mr. O. M. D. Bell	Firth.
Projecture	b aus m	Mr. F. Potter	Owner.
Pure Gold	b e g	Mr. J. C. Galstaun	Tingey.
Prince Moorefield	b aus g	Mr. R. B. Lamotte	Owner.
Pretender	b aus g	Mr. K. M. Hamilton	Mr. Cowper.
Picture	b aus m	Mrs. J. N. Gregory	Taylor.

R.

Red Coral	b aus g	Lieut.-Col. J. Desaraj Urs	Vinall.
Rosanule	b e h	Mr. Charles	Pringle.
Refuge Bay	b aus g	Mr. Charles	Pringle.
Riverside II	b nth aus g	Mr. J. C. Galstaun	Tingey.
Rustile	ch aus m	Mr J. C. Galstaun	Tingey.
Rezia	b aus m	Mr. A. N. Dass	Taylor.
Rustler	b aus g	Mr. J. C. Galstaun	Tingey.
Rather Rakish	ch aus g	Mr. Holmes	Wishart.
Roseland	b cb g	Mr. J. D. Scott	Owner.

S.

Seclusion	ch aus m	Hon. Mr. A. A. Apcar	Watson.
Strathspey	bk aus g	Hon. Mr. A. A. Apcar	Watson.
Spark	b aus g	Mr. K. R. Tomkinson	C. Hoyt.
Senator	ch aus g	Mr. W. T. Miles	Owner.
Spero	b aus g	Mr. S. Margrett	Smallman.
Signorina	b aus m	Mr. J. B.	Ramshaw.
Son of a Gun	b e h	Mr. Bunting	J. D. Scott.
S. S.	b aus g	Thakur Sripal Singh	Thomas.
Sainte Marquise	br e m	Mr. J. C. Galstaun	Tingey.
Santa Maria	b e m	Mr. Holmes	Wishart.
Squire Alfred	b e g	Messrs. Wood & Badger	Penton.
Scamander	ch e m	Mr. W. H. Walmsley	Pringle.
Sacristan II	ch e g	Mr. Dartmoor	Taylor.
Solace	b aus m	Mr. Field	Heywood.
Silphoe	b e g	Mr. J. C. Galstaun	Tingey.
Sea Spray	b e f	Mr. G. B. Deakin	Owner.
Sermon	ch e g	Messrs. Wood & Badger	Penton.
Saloon	br cb g	Mr. J. B. Scott	Owner.
Steinhager	b e c	Mr. Charles	Pringle.
Stepaway	b e m	Mr A. L. Butler	Wishart.
Swindle	br aus g	Mrs. A. Grosser	Smallman.
St. Michael	b aus g	Mr. S. Margrett	Smallman.
Spain	ch e g	Capt. Milvain	Penton.
Sir Walter	b aus g	Mr. D. Norton	Owner.

T.

Thomond	br e g	Messrs. Wood & Badger	Penton.
Trencherman	b aus h	Mr. A. N. Dass	Taylor.
Trenayr	b aus g	H. H. Kour Sahib of Patiala	T. Scott.
Tartan	ch aus g	Mr. M. R. K. Hodgson	Owner.
Terence	ch aus g	Hon. Mr. A. A. Apcar	Watson
Tycannah	b aus g	Mr. J. S. Love	Marriott.
Trenton	b aus g	Lt.-Col. J. Desaraj Urs	Vinall.
Trentside Lad	b aus g	Mr. J. M. Rodocanachi	Norton.
Turk	gr aus g	Mr. W. O. Rees	Owner.

V.

Veera	ch aus m	Mr. G. K.	Munroe.
Vespasia	b e m	Mr. D. B. Myers	Dignum.
Vanity Fair	b aus m	Mr. Dartmoor	Taylor.
Vinolia	bor br aus m	Mr. H. V. Low	Norton.

W.

Wal	b aus g	Mr J. W. Scott	Owner.
Wakeful	br aus m	Mr. E. C. Ramshaw	Owner.
White Heather	ch e g	Capt. H. D. McNeil	Owner.
Windy	br aus g	Mr. J. C. Galstaun	Tingey.
Wake up	b aus m	Mr. H. E. Smith	Owner.
Watch Fire	gr aus g	Mr. R. A. C. Pugh	Owner.
Wales	gr aus g	Mr. Beaumont	Owner.
Woodbine	ch aus m	Mr. Charles	Pringle.
Watchfire	gr aus g	Mr. Gutshcke	Mr. Pugh.

Y.

Yardley	ch aus m	Mr. J. D. Scott	Owner.
Yankee Boy	ch aus h	Mr. J. D. Scott	Owner.

Z.

Zig Zag	b aus g	Mr. Glen	Mr. Cowper.

Entries for Races.

CALCUTTA SEVENTH EXTRA.

Saturday, 23rd February 1907.

THE ELGIN PLATE.—5 furlongs.

Mr. Charles' bk aus g Foy.
Mr. Charles' b e g Pendred.
Mr. W. H. Walmsley's ch e m Scamander.
Mr. W. H. Walmsley's b e g Jack Sheppard.
Mr. Holmes' ch e m Rather Rakish.
Mr. H. Wishart's br aus g Warstripe.
Messrs. Paris and Marshall's br e m Lady Anna.
Mr. J. M. Rodocanachi's b e m Downland.
Mr. D. Norton's br aus m Musette.
Mr. W. B. Green's b aus m Projecture.
Mr. H. E. Smith's b aus g Lynwood.
Mr. McGeorge's br e m Devil's Limit.
Mr. O. M. D. Bell's br aus g Bell Dhu.
Mr. O. M. D. Bell's br aus g Dramatic.
Mr. Field's b aus m Solace.
Mr. Austin's b aus g Bundah.
Mr. J. A. Manning's ch aus g Loyal.
Mr. Dartmoor's bk aus m Hazelnut.
Mr. A. N. Dass' b e m Clynder.
Mr. A. N. Dass' b aus g Springlock.
Mr. A. N. Dass' b aus g Mulison.
Mr. A. N. Dass' b e g Charles.

THE MIDDLETON PLATE.—1¼ miles.

Mr. W. H. Walmsley's br aus m Footlight, 14-1.
Mr. J. D. Scott's ch aus m Kathleen II., 14-0½.
Mr. J. D. Scott's ch aus g Yankee Boy, 14-1.
Mr. J. D. Scott's ch e m Tightlace, 14-0½.
Mr. Field's br aus m Solace, 14-2.
Mr. Dartmoor's bk aus m Hazelnut, 14-2.
Mr. J. D. Marshall's b aus g The Tattler II.
Mr. J. M. Gregory's br aus m Picture, 14-2.
Mr. Stead's br aus m Belle Cole, 14-1½.
Mr. A. N. Dass' ch aus g Pineal, 14-1½.
Capt. H. N. Holden's br aus g Pathfinder II., 14-1½.

WELTER HANDICAP FOR HORSES.—5 furlongs.

Mr. R. A. C. Pugh's b e m Manon.
Mr. R. A. C. Pugh's b aus m Posey.
Mr. L. P. E. Pugh's b aus g Galena.
Mr. Bell-Irving's b aus m Wake Up.
Mr. Holmes' ch aus g Nevermore.
Mr. Hudson's br c m Dame Fortune.
Mr. Mackenzie's ch e m Morsel.
Mr. J. M. Rodocanachi's b e m Downland.
Mr. H. Schwerdtfeger's b aus m Sal.
Mr. Rothschild's b or br aus g Fame.
Mr. Glen's b e g Tiritiri.
Dr. W. Hossack's ch aus m Lady Gold.
Mr. K. M. Hamilton's b aus g Pretender.
Mr. W. B. Tanner's b aus m Ruby.
Mr. K. Pierson's ch aus m Queen of Hearts.
Mr. R. J. Farquharson's b aus g Recoil.
Capt. H. N. Holden's br aus g Craig.
Capt. H. N. Holden's b aus g Lord Harry.

WELTER HANDICAP FOR PONIES.—5 furlongs.

Mr. R. A. C. Pugh's b aus m Mistlebird, 14-0½.
Mr. C. D. Petersen's ch aus m Golden Star.
Mr. Holmes' b aus m Vanity Fair.
Mr. C. W. Ritson's ch aus g Geebung, 14-0½.
Mr. J. D. Marshall's b aus g The Tatler.
Mr. Glen's b aus g Zig Zag, 14-2.
Mr. A. Levetus' br aus m Lady George, 14-1.
Mr. Cowper's b aus g Envious, 14-1½.
Mr. R. G. D. Thomas' ch aus g Waratah, 14-2.
H. H. the Maharajah of Cooch Behar's ch aus g Bellicrent, 14-1½.
Mr. T. G. Evers' ch aus g Branga, 14-2.
Mr. G. H. Hilliard's cr aus m Sunflower, 14-0½.

THE RAWDON PLATE.—1¼ mile.

Mrs. A. Grosser's b e m Merry Elsie.
Mr. B. B.'s b e m Bouquet.
Mr. B. B.'s ch aus m Leda.
Mr. Charles' bk aus g Foy.
Mr. Charles' b e g Pendred.
Mr. W. H. Walmsley's ch e m Scamander.
Mr. W. B. Green's b aus m Leading Lady.
Mr. McGeorge's ch e g Galley Slave.
Mr. O. M. D. Bell's br aus h Mount Dane.
Mr. Dartmoor's b e g Bundook.
Mr. J. A. Manning's ch aus g Loyal.
Mr. Alec's b aus g Lord D.
Mr. Field's b e g Nirvana.
Mr. Stead's br or ch aus m Palindrome.
Mr. A. N. Dass' b e g Insurrection.
Mr. A. N. Dass' b aus h Trencherman.
Mr. A. N. Dass' b aus g Mulison.
Capt. H. N. Holden's br aus g Craig.

SELLING HANDICAP.—1 mile.

Mr. J. G. Ballantyne's b aus g Clodian.
Mr. B. B.'s ch aus m Leda.
Mr. B. B.'s b e m Bouquet.
Mr. Charles' ch aus m Woodbine.
Mr. S. Margrett's b aus g St. Michael.
Mr. Borneo's br e m Colina.
Mr. H. E. Smith's b aus g All Pink.
Mr. H. Schwardtfeger's b aus m Sal.
Mr. W. B. Green's b aus m Leading Lady.
Mr. Rothschild's b or br aus g Fame.
Mr. J. D. Scott's b cb g Roseland.
Mr. R. B. Lamotte's b aus g Prince Moorefield.
Mr. Banker's b aus m Queen of Gems.
Mr. A. N. Dass' b e m Child Adopted.
Mr. A. N. Dass' br m aus g Lollipop.

JUBBULPORE RACES.

FIRST ENTRIES.

First Day, 26th March 1907.

NERBUDDA HURDLE RACE.

1 Mr. J. E. Heseltine's	g w g		Roseleaf.
2 Capt. E. W. Ballantyne's	br w m		Satanita.
3 Mr. R. Willan's	ch w m		Duchess.

EASTERN PLATE.

1 Mr. R. F. Cooke's	ch a g		Betty.
2 Lieut.-Col. Stisted's	b a h		Sublime.
3 Capt. W. F. Casson's	b a h		Eager.
4 Mr. Donaldson's	b a h		Cartoloin.

THE DESERT PLATE.

1 Mr. R. F. Cooke's	ch a g		Betty.
2 Lieut.-Col. Stisted's	b a h		Modesty.
3 Mr. J. E. Heseltine's	g a g		Sweet William.
4 Messrs. Chapman and Charrington's	b a h		Sweet William II

THE COMMISSIONER'S CUP.

1 Lieut.-Col. Stisted's	ch w g		First Bell.
2 Lieut.-Col. Stisted's	b w m		Forget-me-not.
3 Mr. J. E. Heseltine's	ch w m		Syren.
4 Mr. H. F. Halifax's	g w m		Black Pearl.
5 Capt. E. W. Ballantyne's	br w m		Satanita.
6 Mr. C. Lee's	gr a h		Banzai.
7 Major Logan Home's	ch w m		Belleolaf.

GOUR NADI HURDLE RACE.

1 Mr. W. G. Durham's	b w g		Ruapehu.
2 Mr. H. F. Hallifax's	g w m		Black Pearl.
3 Mr. R. B. S. Dunlop's	b w m		Caroline.
4 Capt. Hughes'	ch w g		Daroji.
5 Capt. Grant's	b w m		Madeira.
6 Mr. G. H. Beaumont's	ch w g		Wales.

THE GRAND STAND PLATE.

1 Lieut.-Col. Stisted's	b w m		Forget-me-not.
2 Mr. R. B. S. Dunlop's	b w m		Caroline.
3 Lieut.-Col. Rundle's	ch w g		Dick Cununingham.
4 Major Moore's	br e g		Half a Crown.
5 Capt. Casson's	ch w g		Curfew.
6 Lieut.-Col. Edwards'	br w g		Follower.

Second Day, 28th March.

ARAB HANDICAP.

1 Mr. R. F. Cooke's	ch a g		Betty.
2 Lieut.-Col. Stisted's	b a h		Pounds.
3 Lieut.-Col. Stisted's	c a h		Modesty.
4 Messrs. Chapman and Charrington's	b a h		Sweet William II.

THE GARRISON CUP.

1 Lieut.-Col. Stisted's	ch w g		First Bell.
2 Mr. J. E. Heseltine's	ch w m		Syren.
3 Mr. R. Willan's	ch w m		Duchess.
4 Mr. H. F. Hallifax's	g w m		Black Pearl.
5 Capt. Ballantyne's	br w m		Satanita.
6 Major Logan Home's	ch w m		Belleolaf.

THE JUBBULPORE STEEPLECHASE.

1 Mr. W. G. Durham's	b w g		Ruapehu.
2 Mr. H. F. Hallifaxs'	g w m		Black Pearl.
3 Capt. Hughes'	ch w g		Daroji.
4 Capt. Grant's	b w m		Madeira.
5 Mr. G. H. Beaumont's	ch w g		Wales.

MARBLE ROCKS PLATE.

1 Mr. R. F. Cooke's	ch a g		Betty.
2 Lieut.-Col. Stisted's	ch a h		Sublime.
3 Capt. Casson's	b a h		Eager.
4 Mr. Donaldson's	b a h		Cartoloin.

THE SELLING PLATE.

1 Capt. Ballantyne's	br w m		Satanita.
2 Mr. R. Willan's	ch w m		Duchess.

SEHORA PLATE.

1 Capt. Casson's	ch w g		Curfew.
2 Capt. Hughes'	ch w g		Daroji.
3 Major Moore's	br e g		Half a Crown.
4 Mr. R. B. S. Dunlop's	b w m		Caroline.

Third Day, 30th March.

THE SESSION CUP.

1 Mr. W. G. Durham's	b w g		Ruapehu.
2 Mr. R. B. S. Dunlop's	b w m		Caroline.
3 Mr. H. F Hallifax's	g w m		Black Pearl.
4 Capt. Hughes'	ch w g		Daroji.
5 Major Moore's	br e g		Half a Crown.
6 Capt. Casson's	ch w g		Curfew.
7 Mr. G. H. Beaumont's	ch w g		Wales.
8 Lieut.-Col. Edwards'	br w g		Follower.

DWARF STEEPLECHASE.

1 Mr. J. E. Heseltine's	g w g		Roseleaf.
2 Mr. R. Willan's	ch w m		Duchess.
3 Mr. H. F. Hallifax's	g w m		Black Pearl.

STEWARDS' PURSE.

1 Mr. W. G. Durham's	b w g		Ruapehu.
2 Lieut.-Col. Stisted's	ch w g		First Bell.
3 Lieut.-Col. Stisted's	b w m		Forget-me-not.
4 Mr. R. B. S. Dunlop's	b w m		Caroline.
5 Lieut.-Col. Rundle's	ch w g		Dick Cunningham.
6 Capt. J. E. Hughes'	ch w g		Daroji.
7 Major Moore's	br e g		Half a Crown.
8 Capt. Casson's	ch w g		Curfew.
9 Mr. G. H. Beaumont's	ch w g		Wales.
10 Lieut.-Col. Edwards'	br w g		Follower.

HOWARAGH PLATE.

1 Lieut.-Col. Stisted's	ch w g		First Bell.
2 Mr. J. E. Heseltine's	ch w m		Syren.
3 Mr. H. F. Hallifax's	g w m		Black Pearl.
4 Capt. Ballantyne's	br w m		Satanita.
5 Major Logan Homes'	ch w m		Belleolaf.

BEDOUIN PLATE.

1 Mr. R. F. Cooke's	ch a g		Betty.
2 Lieut.-Col. Stisted's	ch a h		Sublime.
3 Mr. J. E. Heseltine's	g a g		Sweet William.
4 Capt. Casson's	b a h		Eager.
5 Mr. Donaldson's	b a h		Cartoloin.

CONSOLATION RACE.

1 Mr. R. Willan's	ch w m		Duchess.

PRODUCE PLATE.

1	Mr. R. F. Cooke's	... ch a g	... Betty.
2	Lieut.-Col. Stisted's	... ch a g	... Modesty.
3	Messrs Chapman and Charrington's ...	... b a h	... Sweet William II.

J. E. HUGHES, Captain,
Honorary Secretary,
Jubbulpore Races.

Races to Come.

PROSPECTUS QUETTA SPRING MEETING.

(*Under W. I. T. C. Rules.*)

Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday, 21st, 23rd and 25th May 1907.

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CAPT. W. A. W. SWETTENHAM.	CAPT. C. H. TAYLOR.

Honorary Secretary—CAPTAIN G. B. MARRIOTT.

First Day Tuesday, 21st May 1907.

THE TAKATU CHASE.—Rs. 200 to winner, Rs. 100 to second, Rs. 50 to third. A steeple chase for Arab and C. B. ponies 14-2 and under, and other ponies 14-1 and under that have never won a steeplechase value Rs. 200 or over. Weights—Arabs and C.-B.'s 14-2 to carry 12st., others 14-1 to carry 13st. W. I. Penalties—Winners of a steeplechase value Rs. 50 or over, once 4lbs., twice 7lbs., oftener 10lbs. Allowances—Ponies that have never won a steeplechase value Rs. 50 or over allowed 7lbs. Distance about 2 miles.

THE SAMUNGLI STAKES.—Rs. 200 to winnter, Rs. 100 to second, Rs. 50 to third. For Arab ponies 14-1 and under. Weights—14-1 to carry 12st. W. I. Penalties—Winners of a flat race value Rs. 50 or over, once 4lbs., twice 7lbs., oftener 10lbs. Winners of a flat race value Rs. 200 or over to carry 7lbs. in addition. Allowances—Ponies that have never won a flat race value Rs. 50 or over allowed 7lbs. Distance—6 furlongs.

THE SIRIAB STAKES.—Rs. 200 to winner, Rs. 100 to second, Rs. 50 to third. For C.-B. ponies 14 1 and under. Weights—14-1 to carry 12st. W. I. Penalties—Winner of a flat race value Rs. 50 or over, once 4lbs., twice 7lbs., oftener 10lbs. Winners of a flat race value Rs. 200 or over to carry 7lbs. in addition. Allowances—Ponies that have never won a flat race value Rs. 50 or over, allowed 7lbs. Distance—5 furlongs.

THE BALELI PLATE.—Rs. 200 to winner, Rs. 100 to second, Rs. 50 to third. For English and Australasian ponies 14-1 and under. Weights—14-1 to carry 12st. W. I. Penalties—Winners of a flat race value Rs. 50 or over, once 4lbs., twice 7lbs., oftener 10lbs. Winners of a flat race value Rs. 200 or over to carry 7lbs. in addition. Allowances—Ponies that have never won a flat race value Rs. 50 or over allowed 7lbs. Distance—5 furlongs

THE ARAB NOVICE STAKES.—Rs. 200 to winner, Rs. 100 to second, Rs. 50 to third. For Arab ponies 14-1 and under that have never won a flat race value Rs. 50 or over. Weights 14-1 to carry 11st. 7lbs. W. I. Distance—6 furlongs.

THE NOVICE PLATE.—Rs. 200 to winner, Rs. 100 to second, Rs. 50 to third. For English, Australasian, and C.-B. ponies 14-1 and under, that have never won a flat race value Rs. 59 or over. Weights—English and Australasians 14-1 to carry 12st. C.-B's. 14-1 to carry 10st 7lbs. W. I. Distance—4 furlongs.

THE HUNT FLAT RACE.—Rs. 200 to winner, Rs. 100 to second, Rs. 50 to third. For all ponies 14-2 and under that have been regularly hunted with the Quetta or Karachi Hounds during the past season. Weights—English and Australasians 14-2 to carry 13st. 7lbs. Arabs, and C.-B's. 14-2 to carry 12st. Penalties—Winners W. I. of a flat race valueRs. 50 or over, once 4lbs.; twice 7lbs oftener 10lbs. Allowances—ponies that have never won a flat race value Rs. 50 or over allowed 7lbs. Distance—1 mile. G. R.'s only. Certificate required from M. F. H. that each pony entered has been regularly hunted with their hounds,

Second Day, Thursday, 23rd May 1907.

THE POLO SCURRY.—Rs. 200 to winner, Rs. 100 to second Rs. 50 to third. For *bonâ fide* Polo Ponies. Weights—English and Australasians 14 1 to carry 13st., C.-B. 14-1 to carry 12st., Arabs 14-1 to carry 11st., W. I. Penalties—Winners of a races distance 3 furlongs and under, value Rs. 50 or over, once 4lbs., twice 7lbs., oftener 10lbs. Winners of races distance 3 furlongs and under, of an aggregate value of Rs. 800 to carry 5lbs. in addition. Distance—3 furlongs. Entries must be accompanied by a certificate from the Honorary Secretary Polo of their respective stations that the ponies entered are *bona fide* polo ponies, or they will be declined. Certificates of 1906-07 only accepted.

THE HANNA HANDICAP.—Rs. 200 to winner, Rs. 100 to second, Rs. 50 to third. A handicap for Arab ponies that were eligible and entered for the Samungli Stakes or the Arab Novice Stakes on First Day. Distance—6 furlongs.

THE GUNDAK HANDICAP.—Rs. 200 to winner, Rs. 100 to second, Rs. 50 to third. A handicap for C.-B. ponies that were eligible and enterey for the Siriab Stakes or the Novices' Plate on First Day. Distance—5 furlongs.

THE KOTWAL HANDICAP—Rs. 200 to winner, Rs. 100 to second, and Rs. 50 to the third. A handicap for English and Australasian ponies that were eligible and entered for the Baleli Plate or the Novices' Plate on First Day. Distance.—6 furlongs.

THE CHILTAN HURDLES.—Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second, and Rs. 50 to the third. For Arab and C.-B., ponies 14-2 and under, and other ponies 14-0 and under, that have never won a hurdle race value Rs. 200 or over. Weights—Above weights to carry 12st. W. I. Penalties.—Winners of a hurdle race value Rs. 50 or over once 4lbs., twice 7lbs., oftener 10lbs. Winners of hurdle races value Rs. 50 or over of an aggregate value of Rs. 800 to carry 5lbs. in addition. Allowances—Ponies that have never won a hurdle race value Rs. 50 or over allowed 7lbs. Distance—1¼ miles over 9 flights.

THE DEALERS' STAKES.—Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second, and Rs. 50 to the third. For all ponies 14-1 and under that have never won a flat race value Rs. 190 or over up to the time of starting, and have never changed hands for more than Rs. 600. Weights—English and Australasians 14 1 to carry 12st., Arabs nnd C.-B.'s 14-1 to carry 11st. W. I. Penalties—Winners of a flat race value 50 or over, once 4lbs., twice 7lbs., oftener 10lbs. Distance—R. C. 9 furlongs.

THE HUNT HURDLES.—Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second, and Rs. 50 to the third. For all ponies 14-2 and under that were eligible and entered for the Hunt Flat Race on First Day. Weights—English and Australasians 14-2 to carry 13st. 7lbs. Arabs and C.-B.'s 14-2 to carry 12st. W. I. Penalties—Winners of a hurdle race value Rs. 50 or over, once 4lbs., twice. 7lbs., oftener 10lbs. Allowances—Ponies that have never won a hurdle race value Rs. 50 or over allowed 7lbs. Distance—1¼ miles over 9 flights. G. R.'s only.

Third Day, Saturday, 25th May 1907.

THE KHALIFAT CHASE.—Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second, and Rs. 50 to the third. A handicap steeplechase for ponies that were eligible and entered for the Takatu Chase on First Day. Distance—About 2 miles.

THE ZIARAT SELLING PLATE.—Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second, and Rs. 50 to the third. For Arab ponies 14-1 and under :—Maximum selling price Rs. 1,000, minimum selling price Rs. 400. Weights—14-1 to carry 12st. W. I. Penalties—5lbs. for each win, if any, on the two previous days' racing. Allowances—4lbs. for every Rs. 100 below the maximum selling price. Distance—1 mile. Winner to be sold by auction after the race.

THE KACH SELLING PLATE.—Rs. 200 to winner, Rs. 100 to second, Rs. 50 to third. For English and Australasian ponies 14-1 and under, and Arab and C.-B. ponies 14-2 and under. Maximum selling price Rs. 1.000, minimum selling price Rs. 400. Weights—English and Australasians 14 1 to carry 12-7 C.-B. 14 2 to carry 11st. 7lbs. Arabs 14-2 to carry 11st. W. I. Penalties—5lbs. for each win, if any, on the two previous days, racing. Allowances—4lbs. for every Rs. 100 below the maximum selling price. Distance—7 furlongs. Winner to be sold by auction after the race.

THE GOLWALA CUP.—A cup value Rs. 200 and Rs. 100 from the Fund to the winner, Rs. 100 to second, Rs. 50 to third. A handicap for all ponies that started on First or Second Day. Distance—R. C. 9 furlongs.

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GENERAL CONDITIONS.

1—All entries go to the Fund,

2—In the event of any race closing with less than six entries it may be declared void.

3—Entries for all races are as follows :—
1st Entries, Rs. 10, close 14th April.
2nd Entries, Rs. 20, close 30th April.
3rd Entries, Rs. 30, close 10th May.

All entries must be accompanied by a remittance for the full amount or they will be declined.

Entries made by wire must be confirmed by letter forthwith.

In making Entries height must be included in Entry; if measurement under Rule 39 is required it should be stated; in making Entries for selling races selling price should be stated.

4—In all races the full advertised amount will be given, except for a "walk over" when only half will be paid.

5—Only W. I T. C. and C. T. C. certificates of measurement will be accepted. Ponies without the above certificates will be measured in accordance with Rule 39 on 18th May. Ponies measured under Rule 39 allowed 6lbs. Ponies measured previous to 31st March 1899 penalised 7lbs.

6—Starting Declarations for terms races, must be placed in the box (marked with the name of the race to which they refer) at the Club by 12 noon the day before the races towhich they refer.

7—Handicaps will be published at the Club by 11 A.M. the day before the races to which they refer. Acceptances to be in the box at the Club by 2 P.M. that day.

8—Starting Declaration and Acceptance Forms may be obrained at the Club or from the Honorary Secretary, and these forms only should be used. They must be fully completed and any mistake or omission in declarations or acceptances will render owners liable to a fine not exceeding Rs. 20.

9—Rule 83 will be strictly enforced.

10—In all races Handicaps included :
- G. R.'s who have never won a flat race, hurdle race or steeplechase value Rs. 190 allowed 7lbs.
- G. R.'s who have never won a flat race, hurdle race or steeplechase value Rs. 450 allowed 4lbs.
- Professional Jockeys penalised 3lbs.

11. A Course fee of Rs. 5 will be charged for each pony running at the meeting.

12. Any owner running a pony in colours other than those declared in Starting Declaration or Acceptance will be fined at the direction of the Stewards.

13. Owners entering but not running a pony will be charged for admission to the Course.

NOTICES.

1. Admission to the Stand and Enclosure by ticket only. Rs. 5 per diem or Rs. 12 for the meeting. Ladies and owners free.

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3. Tickets for the meeting can be obtained by previous application to the Honorary Secretary (such application to be accompanied by cash or cheque) or on payment at the gate.

Daily tickets may be obtained at the gate on payment. In no case can tickets be signed for at the gate.

Cheques tendered in payment for admission (unless on the Punjab Banking Co. Ld.) must include 4 annas to cover exchange charges.

4. Second Enclosure Rs. 1 per diem. Soldiers in uniform half price.

5. There will be a totalisator on the ground, tickets Rs. 2 each.

6. There will be Lotteries at the Club at 9-30 P.M., the night before each day's racing. Ten per cent. of the Lotteries to go to the Fund. No Lottery accounts will be paid until all debts for Lotteries are collected.

Settling day for losers, 3rd June 1907.

7. No horses except those running will be allowed inside the Paddock, and no syces or servants will be allowed in without a servants' ticket which can only be obtained from the Honorary Secretary.

8. The Starting Gate will be used at the meeting.

9. All communications to be addressed to :—

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The police of Cincinnati state that there are two lovers in that city who have been engaged to be married for the last sixteen years. This postponement of the fateful plunge, however, is not due to the prospective bridegroom being laggard in love still less is it due to the bride being unduly coy. The simple explanation is that no time has occured during the above period when they were both out of prison at the same time.

A zealous locksmith died of late.
And did arrive at heaven's gate;
He stood without, and would not knock,
Because he meant to pick the lock.

Which is the most dangerous part of Brighton?
The Level; because there is "Eve" in the middle, and "I" at each end.

Sport in England.

(FROM THE HOME PAPERS.)
LONDON, *Friday, 1st February 1907.*

THE TURF.

GATWICK.

THE dull, dreary sky of the 30th ultimo was innocent of a gleam of sunshine, but after an enforced idleness sportsmen, none the more sorry for their exemption from Nottingham, came down in force to appreciate the excellent service of trains put on by the L.B. and S.C. Railway. The attendance panned out very well, a fairly representative company helping to fill the enclosures. Mr. Hook and his assistants had given every attention to the course, which was in excellent order. Details of the principal races :—

TANTIVY STEEPLECHASE—Of 500sovs.; second receives 70sovs. and the third 30sovs. 2 miles.

Mr. H. M. Hartigan's ch c Domino, by Jeddah—Rondino, 5yrs., 11st. 10lbs. ...	R. Morgan	1
Mr. R. W. Burrows' br g Tipperary, 4yrs., 10st. 10lbs.	P. Cowley	2
Mr. F. C. Graham Menzies' ch c Alyth, 5yrs., 11st. 10lbs.	T. Dunn	3
Mr. V. T. Thompson's Medico, 4yrs., 11st. 3lbs.	F. Morgan	0
Major Edwards' Burra Sahib, 4yrs., 10st. 5lbs.	A. Newey	0
Mr. F. Bibby's Jujube, 5yrs., 11st. 5lbs. ..	Mr. Bulteel	0
Mr F. Bibby's Breemount, 5yrs., 11st. 5lbs.	F. Mason	0
Capt. W. Murray's Whole Truth, 5yrs., 11st. 5lbs.	F. Freemantle	0
Mr. H. Ingram's Frowkins, 4yrs., 10st. 10lbs.	Mr. Gordon	0
Sir C. Nugent's Wizard of Meath, 4yrs., 10st. 5lbs.	W. Terrell	0
Mr. T. Stedall's Scotch Sign, 4yrs., 10st. 5lbs.	J. Dillon	0

(*Winner trained by F. Hartigan.*)

BETTING: 7 to 4 each agst. Domino and Medico, 6 to 1 Tipperary, 100 to 8 Alyth and 100 to 7 each others (offered).

Won cleverly by three lengths; a bad third. Medico was fourth, Burra Sahib fifth, Jujube a bad sixth, and Breemount the only other to complete the course, Whole Truth and Scotch Cross being pulled up. Time—4mins. 10⅘secs.

SURREY STEEPLECHASE (Handicap)—Of 200sovs.; second receives 20sovs. and the third 10sovs. 2 miler.

Mr. F. Bibby's br h Aerostat, by Ayrshire—Molynoo, 6yrs., 10st. 8lbs. ...	F. Mason	1
Mr. L. de Rotaschild's br g Key West, aged, 11st. 5lbs.	E. Driscoll	2
Mr. J. M. Walpole's b g Royal Star, aged, 10st.	S. Childs	3
Mr. T. Clyde's Onward, aged, 12st. 9lbs. ...	J. Walsh, jun.	0
Mr. C. B. Grant's Glenely, aged 10st. 9lbs.	T. Dunn	0
Mr. S. J. Unzue's Barabbas II., 6yrs., 11st. 7lbs.	R. Morgan	0

(*Winner trained by Donnelly.*)

BETTING: 9 to 4 agst. Aerostat, 3 to 1 each Glenely and Onward, 5 to 1 Barabbas II., 6 to 1 Key West and 8 to 1 Royal Star.

Won easily by half a dozen lengths; a head divided second and third. Onward (second best) a neck away was fourth, and Glenely a long way off, Barabbas II. having to be pulled up Time—4mins. 12⅕secs.

WICKHAM HURDLE RACE (Handicap)—Of 100sovs.; second receives 10sovs. 2 miles.

Capt. L. S. Denny's b g Turbulent, by Matchmaker—Torpedo Catcher, aged, 10st. 7lbs.	P. Burrell	1
Mr. C. T. Pulley's br f Ware, 4yrs., 10st. 4lbs.	G. Butchers	2
Mr. M. N. Rhodes' ch h Orbel, aged, 11st. 4lbs.	W. Hathaway	3
Mr. R. W. Burrows' Lord Orville, 4yrs., 10st. 8lbs	P. Cowley	0
Mr. A. Stedall's Scotch Cross, 4yrs., 10st. 9lbs.	J. Dillon	0
Mr. R. Bennett's Amabit, 5yrs., 11st. ...	J. Casey	0
Prince Hatzfeldt's Brettanby, 6yrs., 12st. 7lbs.	Hon. A. Hastings	0
Mr. T. E. Mason's Sonnet, 4yrs., 10st. 8lbs.	E. Driscoll	0
Mr. S. J. Bell's Black Mark, aged, 11st. 7lbs.	Owner	0
Mr. C. Kingswell's Horticulturist, 5yrs., 10st. 8lbs.	F. Mason	0
Mr. D. S. Hodge's Granada, 5yrs., 11st. 6lbs.	W. Hopkins	0
Mr. A. Benden's Hard Tack, 4yrs., 10st. 10lbs.	R. Morgan	0
Major P. G. Reynolds' Villefranche, 4yrs., 10st. 10lbs.	J. O'Brien	1

(*Winner trained by Gully.*)

BETTING: 7 to 2 each agst. Orbel and Black Mark, 6 to 1 each Scotch Cross and Ware, 8 to 1 Hard Tack, 10 to 1 each Sonnet, Turbulent and Amabit, and 100 to 8 each others (offered.)

Won easily by three lengths; six lengths divided second and third. Lord Orville was fourth, Scotch Cross (eased) fifth, Amabit sixth, Brettanby seventh, Sonnet eighth, Black Mark ninth, Horticulturist tenth and Hard Tack last. Time—4mins. 5⅘secs.

After all his eccentricities, January departed in satisfactory style with a day that can be called breezy—bittingly breezy, but the sun, whose rays in sheltered places convey a sensation of warmth, was in evidence, and the surface ice pools began to melt towards 12 o'clock. The going—absolutely perfect—was even better than on King Charles' day, and so altogether the executive can pat themselves on each other's backs on the strength of a most successful meeting, as both fields and company were of that length that conduces thereto. Details of the important races :—

BROOK HURDLE RACE—Of 200sovs.; second receives 20sovs and the third 10sovs. 2 miles.

Mr. A. Stedall's b f Olitzka, by Ocean Wave—L'Excepcion, 4yrs., 10st. 12lbs.	J. Dillon	1
Mr. A. Bendon's ch f Rayon, 4yrs., 10st. ...	P. Cowley	2
Mr. G. M. Inglis' ch f Keithock, 5yrs., 10st. 10lbs.	H. Aylin	3
Mr. W. F. Roy's Bumpkin, 4yrs., 10st. 12lbs	D. Morris	0
Mr. J. Hare's Uninsured, aged, 11st. ...	J. Hare	0
Mr. S. Gollan's Ethel Macarthy, 5yrs., 10st. 10lbs.	J. O'Brien	0

(*Winner trained by W. Nightingall.*)

BETTING: 2 to 1 agst. Olitzka, 9 to 4 Rayon, 4 to 1 Bumpkin, 5 to 1 Keithock and 10 to 1 each others (offered.)

Won by two lengths; six lengths divided second and third. Ethel Macarthy was last, Uninsured being pulled out two hurdles from home. Time—4mins. 3⅘secs.

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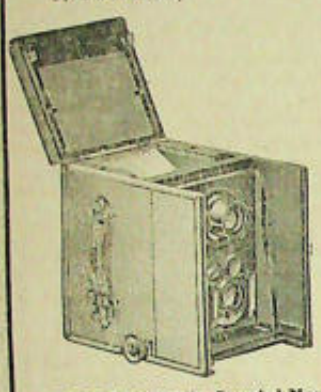

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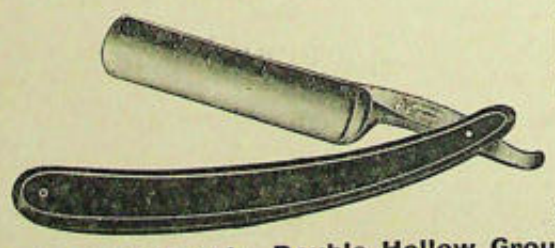

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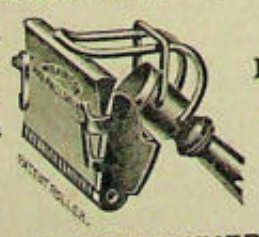

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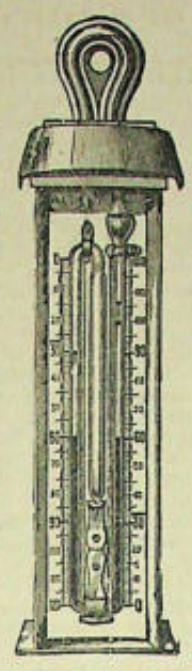

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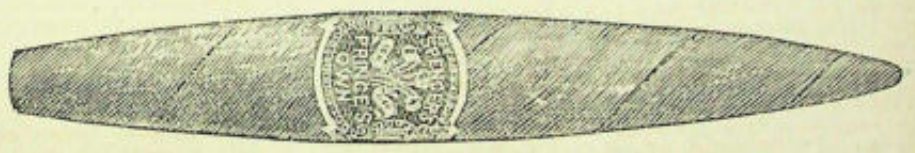

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Mr. J. Buchanan's Ormeton, 4yrs., 10st. 3lbs.	P. Cowley	0

(*Winner trained by W. Nightingall.*)

BETTING : 2 to 1 agst. Whitechapel, 5 to 1 Savernake, 6 to 1 Ormeton, 7 to 1 Iman, 8 to 1 each Rassendyl and Mansvelt and 100 to 8 each others (offered.)

Won in smashing style amid cheers by four lengths ; half a dozen lengths was the margin between second and third. Cassia Bark was fourth, Savernake (third best) fifth, Whitechapel (sulked) sixth, Carnegie seventh, Ancaster eighth and Ormeton beaten off. Time—3mins. 56⅗secs.

STEWARDS' STEEPLECHASE (Handicap)—Of 200sovs. ; second to receive 20sovs. and the third 10sovs. 3½ miles.

Mr. B. W. Parr's ch m Amu by Royal Meath—Mayo, 6yrs., 10st. 6lbs.	F. Freemantle	1
Capt. J. Foster's b g Officer, 5yrs., 10st. 6lbs.	F. Mason	2
Mr. Colwyn's br g Prince Tuscan, aged, 10st. 8lbs.	E. Driscoll	3

(*Winner trained by H. Persse.*)

BETTING : 11 to 8 agst. Officer, 6 to 4 Prince Tuscan, and 7 to 2 Amu.

Won easily by ten lengths ; a bad third. Time—7mins. 38⅘secs.

FOOTBALL ASSOCIATION RULES.

The programme in the big Leagues on Saturday was completely carried out, although the Arctic severity of the weather in some of the districts would have warranted the abandonment of the fixtures. The anxiety not to get in arrears is very great among professional clubs, as their list of engagements is so heavy, hence the perseverance of the officials in bringing games to a close under conditions which, where there were blinding snowstorms, were a most serious handicap. Where there was not snow, the grounds were frost bound, and the goal totals reflect the disadvantages under which players laboured. In the Southern League the forwards, with two notable exceptions, were strangely inept in front of goal, the ten games yielding only 22 goals, a dozen of which were scored in two games, leaving ten for the other 16 teams. The home clubs did remarkably well, six winning outright, and the other four divided the points. Nineteen goals were placed to the credit of home teams, and only three were obtained by visiting elevens. Altogether, nine teams failed to score! This is very ominous in view of next Saturday's Cup ties, and has, for the time being, a chastening influence on the buoyant spirits of Southerners.

LEAGUES I. AND II.

The forwards in the First Division of the League found it equally as difficult as their S. L. rivals to defeat the opposing defence, and their total amounted to 23, of which 15 were scored by home teams and eight by visitors. Victory went to six clubs playing before their own supporters, two home clubs were worsted, and the remaining two games were drawn. Although the aggregate of goals was so small, only five clubs have a cypher opposite their names. The Second Division clubs, not for the first time this season, take the lead in goal scoring, the combined efforts of the twenty teams producing 28, of which 17 were registered by home teams and 11 by the teams playing on foreign soil. Half the games were drawn, one home team went, and in four instances the visitors were sent away empty-handed. Five of the twenty teams failed to open their account.

SOUTHERN LEAGUE SURPRISES.

There were two surprises in the Southern League. They were not surprises so far as the actual results were concerned, but the severity of the defeats administered to Tottenham Hotspur and Queen's Park Rangers by Norwich City and Millwall respectively, make one gasp with astonishment. The heaviest away defeat which the famous 'Spurs had inflicted on them prior to Saturday was by Queen's Park Rangers at Park Royal, on 22nd December, when the Royalists won 3—1. West Ham, it is true, scored four goals against them a week later at Boleyn Castle, but Tottenham replied with a couple, and no other team had scored more than two against them in one afternoon home or away. On Saturday they were much below strength at Norwich, but in the opening half they did well, and were unfortunate to be a goal down at the interval. Even when facing heavy snowstorms in the second half they did well for some time, and looked uncommonly like equalising. Then came a sudden change, and in a few minutes Norwich had a big lead. The Citizens, playing with the confidence begotten of success, were irresistible, and before the finish scored five goals without response. This is the first time this season Norwich have scored five goals in a S. L. match, their previous best win being the 3—0 win over Millwall on 3rd November. The second surprise was provided in the Millwall *cs.* Queen's Park Rangers' game at north Greenwich. The Rangers are experiencing a big streak of bad luck, and the Dockers had no mercy on them. Four goals in the first half and three in the second indicate an all round superiority, and on the play there was great disparity between the sides, Millwall being just as lively and incisive as the Rangers were dull and inert. I do not know how much training they have done recently, but when I last saw them they had done too little or a great deal too much. Seventeen goals in two successive home S.L. games look healthy for Millwall.

PORTSMOUTH AGAIN ON TOP.

No matter the kind of opposition they offer to the more lowly place clubs, Watford invariably make a big fight against the top weights, and they maintained their reputation in this respect on Saturday, when they played Portsmouth at Fratton Park. In the corresponding game last year Watford lost 4—2, but goals were more scare last week end, a solitary one, scored in the opening half, giving the home side the victory. It was a most valuable goal to them, because it carried with it a couple of points, and reinstatement at the head of the table with a lead over Fulham, and two matches in hand. There was great rejoicing at Griffin Park on Saturday, for Brentford retained their unbeaten certificate revenged their last season's humiliation from Fulham, and captured two most valuable points. If Brentford had shown in their away games form approaching that to which they have treated the habitues of Griffin Park they would now be engaged in a Homoric struggle with Portsmouth and Fulham for the shield. The Cottagers tried hard to avert defeat, but just failed. At Sydenham, the Crystal Palace were visited by Southampton, always a dangerous side, notwithstanding their poor away record. They provided keen opposition, but were a trifle fortunate to divide the spoils as the play went. The other Metropolitan game resulted in a win for Leyton, after Northampton had led at half-time. These points are of priceless value to the East Enders, for they remove them from the danger zone, towards which they were travelling at too consistent a pace.

SWINDON'S HOME RECORD.

The Bristol Rovers did not succeed in accomplishing that which other teams had found beyond their powers—lower Swindon's colours on their own ground. The railway men prevailed by only a goal, but it reversed last season's result, and consequently afforded immense satisfaction to the home club's supporters. The Rovers who have been singularly unsuccessful in their foreign engagements since November, are now quite out of the running for honours. New Brompton must be written down as a disappointing team. Occasionally they show form worthy of the fame of the stars in the side, but more frequently they fail to realise expectations, and on Saturday it was not a convincing performance to draw with Reading. The chief fault lies among the forwards, who do not appear able to get into their stride. West Ham United had a hard tussle with Luton at the Beds town, and after being a goal down at the interval they drew level—a capital performance. It was an equally smart effort on the part of Brighton to play Plymouth on their own ground to a goalless draw. The Argyle have provided the Albion with three points this season, as the first game at Brighton in September was a 4—1 win for the latter.

S. L. TABLE.

There have been some important changes since last week, Portsmouth having jumped over Fulham, and Norwich City take precedence of Tottenham. It is not satisfactory to find four London teams in the last eight.

	P.	W.	L.	D.	Goals For	Goals Agst.	Pts.
Portsmouth ...	22	14	4	4	39	18	32
Fulham ...	24	11	4	9	34	24	31
Norwich City ..	24	10	5	9	44	30	29
Tottenham Hotspur ...	24	11	7	6	49	33	28
West Ham. United ...	23	9	5	9	41	29	27
Brighton and Hove .	24	10	7	7	31	28	27
Brentford	22	11	7	4	32	28	26
Bristol Rovers ...	24	10	9	5	35	29	25
Southampton ...	23	9	8	6	32	29	24
Plymouth Argyle ...	23	7	7	9	31	33	23
Watford	23	7	7	9	26	32	23
Swindon Town ...	23	7	8	8	24	23	22
Luton Town ...	22	8	10	4	25	39	20
Millwall	24	8	12	4	46	43	20
Leyton ...	22	7	10	5	28	45	19
Reading	22	8	12	2	31	29	18
Crystal Palace ...	22	7	11	4	32	32	18
Queen's Park Rangers ...	21	5	10	6	23	36	16
New Brompton ...	22	6	13	3	21	39	15
Northampton ...	22	3	12	7	19	47	13

THE ARSENAL GO UNDER.

The match at St. James' Park, Newcastle, on Saturday, was of tremendous importance to both clubs. Newcastle have for some time been marked out as the probable champions, their most dangerous opponents having been Everton and Woolwich Arsenal. Both clubs had played 23 games prior to that under review, and the Novocastrians held an advantage of a couple of points, and a much superior goal record. Last season the Gunners took three points from Newcastle by winning at home and drawing away, and in the first game this season at Woolwich, the Reds won by two goals to love. They thus had every reason for confidence, but the conditions under foot evidently did not suit them so well as the home side, who scored in the opening half, and maintained this advantage for the remainder of the game. At times the Arsenal half-back work was weak, and the forwards were slow and uncertain when opportunities came their way. It stands, however, to the credit of the Gunners that only one other team has been allowed to depart from St. James' Park this season in League matches with a single goal debited against them, Everton being beaten 1—0 on 15th September. Newcastle have obtained every possible point from their home matches, but they have not been consistent in away games, and this weakness may yet cost them the championship.

OTHER LEAGUE GAMES.

Of the other League games there were two of more than usual interest—the meeting of Bristol City and Sunderland, at Bristol, and the opposition of Everton to Aston Villa at Birmingham. It is about six years ago when Sunderland knocked Bristol City out of the F.A Cup in the west, and this was the first visit since that memorable occasion of the team which once boasted the name of "all the talent." At Roker Park earlier in the season the Citizens halved the points in a heavy scoring game, and they could not do any better than divide the spoils on Saturday. The rivalry between the Villa and Everton is of long standing, and as the latter went down at home before the Midlanders in September, they were intensely desirous of paying back the Villans in their own coin. They failed, and Aston Villa have for the second time in its history secured the four league points from Everton in one season. Manchester United, who have not been doing at all well, provided the sensation of the afternoon by defeating Bolton Wanderers at Burnden Park, and as Manchester City, at Hyde Road, effected a draw with Derby County—much less than was expected of them—the Manchester folk are on pretty good terms with themselves. Stoke were not able to avert defeat at Bromall Lane, and as Notts County only obtained one of the three goals scored at Trent Bridge in their game with Blackburn Rovers, they keep the Potters company at the foot of the table. It really appears that Nottingham will not have a team in the First Division next season. Preston North End scrambled home against Sheffield Wednesday, at Deepdale, and Liverpool showed by their 2—0 win over Birmingham that their Cup tie win over the ex-Heathens was not a fluke. The resuscitation of Middlesbrough is now an accomplished fact, Bury being their latest victims and the Tees-siders are now well clear of the chance of a Hibernian promotion.

LEAGUE I. TABLE.

The League table to date is appended :—

	P.	W.	L.	D.	Goals For	Goals Agst.	Pts.
Everton ...	26	16	7	3	54	25	35
Newcastle United ...	24	15	5	4	46	27	34
Woolwich Arsenal ...	24	13	7	4	45	35	30
Aston Villa	26	13	9	4	50	39	30
Bristol City	24	11	6	7	43	30	29
Sheffield United ...	24	11	7	6	38	37	28
Sheffield Wednesday ...	24	9	6	9	36	31	27
Bolton Wanderers ...	25	10	8	7	35	32	27
Preston North End ...	25	11	10	4	31	37	26
Birmingham	25	11	11	3	35	35	25
Manchester United ...	25	9	10	6	27	39	24
Blackburn Rovers ...	25	9	11	5	38	36	23
Sunderland	21	7	6	8	33	33	22
Liverpool	24	9	11	4	43	40	22
Middlesbrough ...	25	8	12	5	36	46	21
Manchester City ...	25	6	11	8	35	52	20
Bury	26	8	14	4	41	50	20
Derby County ...	25	6	12	7	25	32	19
Notts County ..	24	2	11	11	20	36	15
Stoke	25	4	14	7	23	43	15

CHELSEA ADVANCING.

The directors of the Chelsea Club did not conceal their anxiety as to the possible outcome of the game on Saturday with West Bromwich Albion. A defeat for the Pensioners would not have placed them in serious jeopardy, but it would have aroused a sense of uneasiness, because the great battles with Leicester Fosse, at Leicester, and with Nottingham Forest, at Stamford Bridge, are to be decided on successive Saturdays. It will be remembered that in the last tournament Chelsea won at home and drew away, but they improved on the latter in September, the Throstles being worsted 2—1 before their own supporters. The Albion consequently had an additional incentive to do well on Saturday, but they caught Chelsea on top of their form. The last sentence ought perhaps to be modified, because sparkling and convincing as the home team were in the open, they did not quite complete their work. Had they done so, the visitors would have had a heavy goal margin against them. The exhibition given by the winners was of such a character that if it be repeated during the next few weeks they will establish so pronounced a lead in the table that their promotion, now apparently well on its way, will be practically a certainty. It may be, after all, that the dismissal of the Pensioners from the Cup was a fortuitous circumstance, for they will now devote their undivided attentions to the League.

OTHER SECOND DIVISION GAMES.

There was one surprise in the Second Division of the League on Saturday, Nottingham Forest finding their form with such vengeance that Leeds City, on their own ground, were defeated 4—1. Leicester Fosse must be well satisfied with the one point they brought away from Barnsley, and Hull City and Bradford City were also good value for a division of honours at Stockport and Wolverhampton respectively. Clapton Orient did not give one of their best shows at Homerton against Blackpool, one point from a home match against so lowly placed a club not being satisfactory. Burnley again ran up a big score at home, Lincoln City being their victims, and Gainsborough Trinity and Grimsby delighted their followers by victories over Glossop and Grimsby in the order named. Burton United played and Chesterfield in the order named. Burton United played pluckily at Burslem, and brought away a point from a ground where teams with greater reputations have failed.

LEAGUE II. TABLE.

The table to date is appended, and it presents a cheerful appearance from the Chelsea point of view :—

	P.	W.	L.	D.	Goals For	Goals Agst.	Pts.
Chelsea ...	22	16	3	3	42	16	35
Notts Forest ..	23	15	6	2	46	29	32
Leicester Fosse ...	21	14	6	4	46	20	32
West Bromwich Albion ...	23	15	7	1	60	27	31
Wolverhampton Wands....	25	12	9	4	45	37	28
Bradford City ...	23	11	7	5	34	31	27
Gainsborough Trinity ...	26	12	11	3	34	45	27
Burnley	24	12	11	1	43	29	25
Hull City	24	11	10	3	42	33	25
Stockport County ...	24	9	8	7	29	32	25
Barnsley	23	10	10	3	47	32	23
Grimsby Town ...	23	10	11	2	35	36	22
Burslem Port Vale ...	23	9	12	2	41	53	20
Lincoln City ...	23	8	12	3	28	40	19
Clapton Orient ...	24	7	12	5	31	45	19
Leeds City	24	6	12	6	32	44	18
Chesterfield	25	7	14	4	32	49	18
Glossop	22	8	13	1	29	55	17
Blackpool	24	5	13	6	19	36	16
Burton United ...	23	5	15	3	19	48	13

THE AMATEUR CUP.

In spite of the wintry conditions, seven of the eight games in the second round of the Amateur Cup were played, the postponed tie being that between the New Crusaders and Oxford City, certainly the most interesting of the four down for decision in the South. I stated on Saturday that Civil Service on the season's results, should win at Champion Hill, against Dulwich Hamlet, and they fulfilled my prediction, but by a much heavier goal margin than I expected. The Service are playing so well that they will have to be seriously regarded as possible winners, and if their efforts should be so rewarded it would be most popular, for they have been keen supporters of the competition. Clapton had to work hard to win against the 2nd Grenadiers, but the other military team are still in the running, Barnet Alston being beaten by the 2nd Lincolnshire Regiment by the odd goal in five. In the north, the Stockton *cs.* Stanley United, and Northern Nomads *cs.* South Banks games were drawn, but the Rotherham Amateurs defeated the Sheffield Club, who were regarded as having an excellent chance to reach the final. Bishop Auckland easily defeated Grangetown, and their win was in accordance with previous results.

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NORTH *vs.* SOUTH.—The match on the 30th ultimo at Chelsea between the chosen representatives of the North and the South was a capital exhibition of football, especially in the first half, when there was a great struggle for supremacy, but in the concluding forty-five minutes the South died away to a pronounced extent, and thus paved the way for an easy win for the North. Changes were necessary in both teams, Vivian Woodward not having recovered sufficiently from the injury he received in the Hull match to be able to turn out, and Hilsdon, of Chelsea, was brought in. Stokes, the Bolton forward, was too indisposed to play, and Stewart, of Sheffield Wednesday, was absent through injuries. The teams were as stated in yesterday's *Sporting Life* six internationals appearing for the North and two for the South. That considerable interest was taken in the match was shown by the attendance, which approached 15,000, and the gate-money was £435. The arrangements were excellent, and the suitability of the Stamford Bridge ground for a match of this description was abundantly demonstrated.

It was fortunate that the severe frost broke in sufficient time for the bone to be taken out of the surface of the ground, but the players found it difficult to maintain their foothold. The majority surmounted this drawback extremely well, and the game served up was of a character that was well worth watching, for it was punctuated by clever combination, varied by individual efforts of pronounced brilliance. It was, too, played in a splendid sporting spirit, not more than two or three fouls being given, and these were not of a serious character. The players were keen, very keen on proving their possession of the requisite ability for further distinction, and it speaks well for the teams that, with so much anxiety to appear to advantage, there should have been no features in the play to which the most fastidious critic could take exception. What advantage there was in the crosswind went to the North in the first half, as Crompton beat Herbert Smith in the choice of ends, but the South were first prominent in attack, Wallace early giving a glimpse of his sprinting abilities, clever dribbling, and accurate centring. Coleman kept him well supplied with the ball, and for a time Bradley and Carr had a lively time. They were untiring and judgmatical, but at length they were outwitted, and Coleman provided Hilsdon with an opening which the centre-forward endeavoured to run to account. Hardy, however, cleverly anticipated the shot and his clearance set Rutherford on the move, an electric sprint on the right threatening considerable danger, but the irrepressible Wedlock intervened when the Novocastrain swung a centre across. The exchanges certainly ruled in favour of the South, the forwards being well together and they were well supported by the halves, the deft passes of Hawkes being particularly noticeable. Threlfall and Ross were working well together, but the dogged pertinacity of Warren prevented them becoming really dangerous. The play was fast and spirited, and for a time it was a grimly earnest struggle between the South attack and the North defence. Hawkes brought Hardy to his knees with a powerful drive from 40 yards out, and a moment later Wall and his partner were worrying Cross who could not prevent Bridgett swinging the ball across to Simpson, whose career towards goal was summarily closed by Hawkes. A better understanding was developed among the North forwards, with the result that more work was thrown upon the opposing defence, and from an opening which Bridgett made, Wall got in a left-footed drive, which Ashcroft smartly dealt with. The game once more settled in the North half, and incat individual work by Ross left Hilsdon in possession, but the Chelsea man missed the uprights with a shot which went in at express speed. Up to this point the South had had decidedly the best of matters, but the scoring opened at the other end, Smith letting Rutherford through, and the outside right worked in towards goal, and concluded with a shot which Ashcroft was unable to deal with, opinions being divided whether he should not have rushed out and tackled the Newcastle man. The goal was thoroughly well deserved, but the lead was not long retained, a lovely pass by Wallace to Coleman enabling the latter to give the ball to Hilsdon, who was favourably placed, and in a flash it was past Hardy in the net. So encouraged were the South by their success that they made strenuous efforts to obtain the lead, but the North defence was very solid, more so than the South, for after a lot of passing and repassing well in the neighbourhood of the South goal, Rutherford fastened on the ball, and for a second time defeated Ashcroft, the score at the interval being :—

	Goals.
North	2
South	1

The first half had provided brilliant football, and the game in the second half never became mediocre, but it suffered by comparison. To put it shortly, the North improved and the South deteriorated, particularly forward. This was more noticeable after the North had scored their third goal eight minutes from the restart, as the result of a movement in which all the forwards took part, Wall concluding the effort with a smashing shot which Ashcroft could not possibly cope with. Jones looked uncommonly like increasing the lead a minute or two later, but Ashcroft deflected the ball behind, and he next got rid of a most awakard shot by Bradley. Hardy was seldom troubled at the other end, and had not anything so difficult to dispose of as the long shots which Threlfall got in during the first half. Now and again the South forwards would work their way down, but the defence opposed to them was ever on the alert, and possible openings were few and far between. They returned to the attack frequently, but good though they were in the open they were not incisive enough when in the neighbourhood of Hardy, though this was probably due less to their lack of vim than to the vigour and determination of the North defence, in which Crompton, Warren and Carr were ever prominent. Under pressure the Blackburn Rover twice miskicked, Hardy having to have on each occasion, and after a free-kick had been given against Carr for illegally bringing down Wallace, the crowning misfortune came to the South, a timely pass by Rutherford to Jones giving the latter a chance which he promptly seized, and the score stood 4—1 in favour of the North. The South continued to struggle against untoward fate, but they could not reduce the adverse margin and the game ended :—

	Goals.
North	4
South	1

BOXING.

THE WORLD'S FEATHER-WEIGHT CHAMPIONSHIP.—The *New York Herald* of 19th January has the following account of the contest between Attell and Baker on 18th January at Los Angeles :—

Abe Attell retained his title to the feather-weight pugilistic championship of the world by forcing Harry Baker, of California, to throw up the sponge in the eighth round of what was to have been a twenty rounds fight at the Pacific Athletic Club. Baker put up a game battle, and in the second round sent Attell to his knees. In the seventh round Attell sent Baker down and he took a count of seven. Then Attell punished him so severely that he went down again. Finally Baker's seconds threw up the sponge at the beginning of the eighth round.

The pavilion was crowded to the doors, and the receipts will probably reach 8,000 dollars. Attell was the favourite at odds of 2 to 1. Baker was the first to enter the ring. His seconds were Frank McDonald, De Witt Van Court, "Eddie" Webster, and Eddie Menny. A few minutes later Attell jumped through the ropes, attended by Jack ("Twin") Sullivan and "Kid" Dalton. Neither principal tipped the beam at 122lbs. James J. Jeffries was the referee.

Round 1.—Baker was the first to lead with his right to the mouth. They rushed to a clinch. Attell sent his right to the jaw, then his left to the head. Attell staggered Baker with a right to the head, but Baker recovered quickly and sent his left to the head strong. They fiddled and Attell again sent a hard left to the head. Attell sent a hard left to the ear

Round 2.—Baker missed a hard left. Attell stopped a left for the jaw. Baker landed a left on the jaw and Attell sent a right to the jaw. Then Attell ducked a hard left swing. Baker got away from Abe's right. Baker was short with his left and right for the head, but he landed left and right on the body. They clinched. Baker led with his left and Attell rushed him to the ropes, sending left and right to the body. Baker escaped without injury. The crowd hissed Attell for his kidney punches in the clinches. Attell seemed master of the situation. Baker was strong, but it was Attell's round.

Round 3.—Attell sent his right to the body and his left to the jaw as they came together, but Baker was full of fight. He danced away from Abe's leads and sent a left to the jaw and a right to the head. Attell landed a swing on the neck and a left on the ear. Attell used his strength and rushed Baker to his corner. Baker swung to the head and sent Abe to his knees. Abe got up in a second, and uppercut Baker several times. Baker was fighting hard, and landed a stiff right on the jaw. Attell sent three left to the head and rushed his man to the ropes as the gong sounded. Honours were about even.

Round 4.—Baker took the aggressive and landed his right on the body, and followed with a left to the face. Attell got away from a right and then rushed Baker to the ropes. Baker's shiftiness saved him in two fast rushes. Attell then landed a left uppercut to the neck, and worsted Baker with short-arm work in clinches. Baker stopped Attell with a stiff left to the jaw Attell countered with a right to the face. He shook Baker up a second later with a hard left to the jaw. A clinch followed, and Baker was worsted as usual. Attell waited for Baker after the breakaway. The Californian led with the left and got away, bringing cheers. The gong sounded with honours easy.

Round 5.—Attell rushed, but Baker blocked a lead for the head. Baker missed two lefts. They sparred. Attell landed a right to the ribs, but Baker came back with fast work, and landed some hard blows. Attell, in a furious rush, landed terrific short-arm punches to the body. Baker sent a hard left to the jaw, and Attell swung a stiff left to the jaw. In a spirited rally Baker landed three short-arm rights on Attell's body. Attell retaliated with left swing on the jaw, sending Baker against the ropes. Baker quickly came back full of fight. The boys were sparring at the gong. It was Attell's round.

Round 6—Baker went down from a right to the jaw, but was up quickly. Attell showed cleverness in clinches by his quick work. Baker sent a right to the neck. Attell followed Baker around the ring, covering up and taking every punch Baker sent. Baker seemed unable to shake Attell, and appeared tired for the first time. In a clinch Attell uppercut Baker's face at will. Baker rushed into a right that took away a lot of his steam. Attell sent a right to the kidneys and punched Baker to a standstill in the centre of the ring. The round was in Attell's favour.

Round 7.—They opened by sparring, Baker covering up, but Attell walloped his head in a clinch. Baker appeared tired and fought on the defensive. Attell finally got the range, and sent a right to the face. He quickly followed with a rush, forcing Baker to the ropes. Attell then sent a right to the stomach and received a right to the head in return. Baker was severely punished on face and body. Attell swung a hard left to the jaw and Baker went down, but he came up at the count of seven, and walked to the other side of the ring. Attell quickly went after him, and scored another knock-down with a left swing. The blow sent Baker under the ropes. Baker was up before the count of ten. Hot infighting followed, Attell punishing his opponent with right and left swings. Baker was all but out, and his seconds threw up the sponge. Attell was strong at the end.

The referee promptly declared Attell the winner. Baker was very groggy, and was revived with difficulty after reaching his corner.

ROWING.

THE UNIVERSITY BOAT RACE.

OXFORD.—The Oxford president last week had his arrangements upset by the ice blocking the river, and as misfortunes never come singly, yesterday he had to alter his programme owing to the indisposition of Southwell, who was unable to row. The vacancy was filled by H. R. Barker (Christ Church), who rowed No. 7 in the winning trial, but otherwise the order was unaltered.

Only a limited amount of work was done in the eight, one journey being made to the Lasher and back at a slow stroke under the supervision of Captain Willis, who, however, gave tubbing instruction to Heard and Bucknall, Hope and Peat, and Gillan and Kirby. Names and weights :—

		st.	lbs.
	W. T. Heard (Balliol) (bow)	11	3
2.	H. C. Bucknall (Merton)	11	6
3.	G. E. Hope (Christ Church)	12	8
4.	R. M. Peat (Trinity)	11	10½
5.	J. A. Gillan (Magdalen)	12	2
6.	A. G. Kirby (Magdalen)	13	7
7.	H. R. Barker (Christ Church)	11	9
	O. N. Chadwick Healey (Trinity) (stroke) ...	11	2
	A. W. Donkin (Magdalen) (cox)	8	5

CAMBRIDGE.—Mr. B. Carruthers-Johnstone, the president, yesterday proceeded to his B.A. degree. The weather all day was most boisterous, and prevented any tubbing before luncheon. The preliminary work was to have started at 2 o'clock, but snow falling heavily, it was decided not to expose the candidates more than absolutely necessary. However, they made up for it in the eight, the men being called upon for hard work.

Getting afloat at the usual time, they took matters easily on the outward journey, which consisted of a number of easy stages of paddling at 26. Swinging round at the Little Ditch, they were ordered not to remove their sweaters, and they went right through the return journey—a distance of about three miles—without an easy. Alternate rowing and paddling was the order, the former at the rate of 32 and the latter at 28. The work, under the conditions, was satisfactory, the men being well rowed out at the finish. Mr. F. J. Escombe coached, and the order remained unchanged. Names and weight :—

		st.	lbs.
	E. W. Powell (Third Trinity) (bow) ...	11	7
2.	F. G. Hudson (Jesus)	12	4
3.	H. M. Goldsmith (Jesus)	12	7
4.	J. S. Burn (First Trinity)	12	10½
5.	H. G. Baynes (First Trinity)	14	1½
6.	O. Shimwell (Trinity Hall)	13	4½
7.	B. C.-Johnstone (Third Trinity)	12	8
	D. C. R. Stuart (Trinity Hall) (stroke) ...	11	0
	T. More (Caius) (cox)	8	6

MOTORING.

GOOD SHOW OF BICYCLES AT THE CRYSTAL PALACE.—The annual motor exhibition at the Crystal Palace was opened today under rather depressing conditions, the central hall being not nearly filled with exhibits, whilst there was only a sparse attendance of spectators.

The display is largely made up of second-hand cars and motor-bicycles, although some Humbers, Leaders and Pengeots provide good examples of first-hand cars.

The second-hand cars include a six-cylinder Napier, a powerful Darracq, and Mercedes, Panhard, Daimler, Siddeley, Royal Enfield, Oldsmobile and Scout cars.

Amongst motor-bicycles a good show is made with the Rip, including a twin-cylinder bicycle with side car. There is an extremely light looking motor-bicyle on the N.S.U. stand. The engine is only one and a quarter horse-power, and is in an inclined position in the frame. It is fitted with magneto ignition.

Other motor-bicycles are the Brown, G.B., F.N., Roc, Rex and Vindec Special. The last-named also have a three-wheeled runabout, which is formed by putting a front attachment to either the three and a half or five horse power models.

Motorboats are shown by James Taylor.

GOLF.

ENGLAND *vs.* SCOTLAND IN THE LONDON PROFESSIONALS' TOURNAMENT.—What has been generally regarded as the most interesting tie in the first round of the London Professional Foursome Tournament, namely, Rowland Jones (Wimbledon Park) and A. H. Toogood (West Essex) *vs.* W. Hunter (Richmond) and J. Hepburn (Home Park), was replayed to-day, over 36 holes, on the Mid-Surrey Club's course at Richmond.

When the couples met at Wimbledon Park last week they halved. Jones and Toogood are English internationals, while Hepburn and Hunter are Scottish internationals.

Jones and Toogood took the lead at the third hole, and playing a fine game, they stood 5 up at the eleventh hole, where Jones laid Hepburn a dead stymie.

Hepburn retorted by laying Jones a dead stymie at the seventeenth, but at the end of the morning round Jones and Toogood stood 7 up.

Hunting.

THE MADRAS HUNT.

SUNDAY morning last week was and will most likely remain, the best day of the season. There were nearly thirty people out, including Mrs. Horne, Mrs. Branson, Major Giffard, Captain Ross, Captain Kirkpatrick, Captain Symons, and others. The meet was at the 7th milestone on the Poonamallee Road and at first we had no luck, many of the usual coverts being drawn without result. Things were, in fact, beginning to look rather depressing when we moved over to the belt of casuarina trees which lies north of the river, opposite the 9th milestone. As it was, it was 8 o'clock, and becoming very warm when a jack was viewed and halloaed by some of the field and simultaneously hounds crossed his line, picking it up at once, running well from the start. The jack turned at first in the direction of Madras and hounds hunted him from covert to covert—all casuarina trees. At first he ran short and his course was never straight, but hounds gradually made the pace too hot for him and he decided to leave for pastures new. He turned back, parallel with the river, going in the direction of Poonamallee, and ran the row of plantations, hounds travelling at a very satisfactory pace. Then a second jack got up in front of hounds and for a time they divided. The smaller lot were, however, stopped by the Master and done of the whips and held them on to the main body, which were bustling the original jack along at his best pace. After making a short trip in the direction of Avadi, the jack turned back to covert for a time, but was not given a moment's peace and was soon forced out and at last made up his mind to run straight. A single hound, unluckily, got away on his line, but was stopped until the rest of the pack came up and they then went on at a good pace. The jack turned right handed and took us across a stretch of open country, straight for the Madras Railway line, and from this point the field had a hard gallop to keep up with hounds. The jack was only a little way in front of hounds, but they had not viewed him. At last one hound got a view and raced for him, getting a long start of the rest of the pack, which was carrying the line through standing crops. She ran the jack single handed for quite a mile and at last caught and held him until the rest of the pack came up and finished the work for her. This is a very plucky performance, for there are very few hounds that will tackle and hold a big dog jack single-handed. The hill was about half a mile from Avadi Station close to the Poonamallee-Avadi Road. The run had lasted for 45 minutes and the point, making no allowances for turns and rings, over five miles. Then came a weary walk back to the van, which was reached at 10-30 A.M. Most of the run was over excellent going, but there was a lot of nasty, pitted ground between the casuarina woods, which had to be negotiated with care.

R. R. B.

Paperchasing.

CALCUTTA PAPERCHASES.

No. 9.

LAST week's chase was run, like its predecessor, through the Jodhpur country and the usual run down to the Old Man's Crossing and back again was requisitioned. This big curve puts a good two miles into every course that includes it and it was rather too much of a good thing to have to tackle the long run round behind the Durzi's village in addition. With the Bund Country a closed book as it seems to be at present, it is perhaps difficult to find the happy medium and course laying must be a work of considerable magnitude under prevailing conditions. On the whole the going was good, but the heavy places told visibly on the horses. In the horse chase the leading division ran out of sight of the main body while the ponies finished very deliberately.

Mr. J. M. Turner, who has been confined to his room with a concussion sustained in his fall last Saturday week, was much missed. Mr. Pauntley and Mr. Deakin officiated in his absence and carried the paper, the latter on his mare Trilby, regardless of her engagement in the Hunters' Race next day. The race she won in spite of her hard work and it is a fact that she and Bluebell deserve their share of these Hunter Races as well or better than any paperchasers of the year.

Mr. Rees on Turk again cut out all the work in the Horse Chase, but he was unable to run away from the others in the close country and at the finish found Cain upon his heels. Mr. Evers executed a very dashing finish and won cleverly by half a length. Mr. Ballantyne and Fairy were close behind and so secured the Average Cup. The order was :—

1. Mr. Evers on Cain
2. Mr. Rees on Turk
3. Mr. Ballantyne on Fairy
4. Capt. Holden on Lord Harry
5. Mrs. Walker on Detective
6. Mr. Pugh on Great Hart.

In the Pony Chase all the leaders ran off the paper and Mrs. Stokes, Mr. Evers and Mr. Maude alone kept the course among the front division. Irish Boy was pushing along gamely right up to the finish and won very easily from his very weary companions. It was a long and hard ride and Mrs. Stokes may be well pleased at scoring her first win over so difficult a course. The order was :—

1. Mrs. Stokes on Irish Boy
2. Mr. Evers on Riff Raff
3. Mr. Maude on a bay
4. Mr. Barrow on Puck
5. Mr. Buckland on Blazes.

BLARNEY.

Polo.

NATIVE CAVALRY TOURNAMENT.

SECOND ROUND.

FOUR games of the second round of the first ties in the Native Cavalry Polo Tournament were played off on Tuesday, the 12th instant. General Clements, a well-known devotee of the game ,and all Umballa society, besides numerous visitors and friends of the playing regiments were present. Majors Chesney and Lecky, and Mr. Reynolds were responsible for the smooth working of the arrangements. One of the first couple of games was between the 10th Lancers (Captain Strong, Messrs. Chambers, Foster, and Goldie, back) and the 11th Lancers (Messrs. Gatacre, Hastlay, Captain Anderson and Mr. Rennick, later replaced by Captain Rose-Price, back). Umpires: Colonels Eastwood and Rivett-Carnac. Result :—

10th ... ... 5 goals, 1 subsidiary.
11th ... ... 3 goals, 1 subsidiary.

The game played concurrently with this was between the 1st Lancers (Messrs. Chamberlayne, Muirhead, Hinny and Pott, back) and the 14th Lancers (Mr. Sutherland, Captain Souter, Mr. Hewlett and Captain Hughes, back). Result :—

14th ... ... 10 goals, 3 subsidiaries.
1st ... ... 2 goals, 1 subsidiary.

Of the next series, one game was between the 8th Cavalry (Mr. Kay, Captain Becher, Mr. Fane and Captain Fetherstonhaugh, back), and the 18th Tiwana Lancers (Mr. Risley, Major Chesney, Captain Fitzgerald and Mr. Mills, back). Result :—

18th ... . 4 goals, 3 subsidiaries.
8th ... ... 2 goals, 2 subsidiaries.

The other game was between the 9th Hodson's Horse (Captain Rowcroft, Major Crocker, Messrs. Fraser and Atkinson, back), and the 26th Light Cavalry (Messrs. Clayton and Griffith, Captain Popham and Mr. Moor, back). Result :—

26th ... ... 5 goals, 1 subsidiary.
9th .. .. 1 goal, 2 subsidiaries.

SEMI FINALS.

The semi-finals for the Native Cavalry Polo Tournament were set down for the 14th instant, but the one between the 10th Hodson's Horse and the 14th Murray's Jat Lancers fell through, as the 14th scratched, owing to the lamentable death at Lucknow of Major Hobbs. Thus only one game was played, the first to be played on the new polo ground, in the presence of a very large assembly of spectators. The weather was cold, windy, and cloudy, but the attendant discomfort was recompensed by the spectacle, the splendid game and the hospitality of the 36th Cavalry, who were "At Home," and their band further enlivened the proceedings. The teams engaged were the 18th Tiwana Lancers—Mr. Risley, Major Chesney, Captain, Fitzgerald, and Mr. Mills (back); and the 26th Cavalry—Messrs. Chaytor and Griffith, Captain Popham Mr. Moir (back). The umpires were Majors Lecky and Hobson.

It was a splendid galloping game; both teams were splendidly mounted. The 26th who have graduated in the Golconda Polo School, have only lately moved from Secunderabad to Poona and then were regarded as winners and this anticipation proved correct.

In the first *chukker*, from the throw-in the Lancers ran the ball to the Cavalry flags, but their attack was averted, and the Cavalry carrying the ball to opposite end, the 36th confined play to the Lancers' ground, where they scored a subsidiary and at the call of time had a goal. The second *chukker* was a very busy one. Soon after play was renewed the Lancers, out of a penalty shot, got a subsidiary, and retained the ball in the Cavalry ground, where shortly they scored a goal and equalized, but the Cavalry, forcing the play into the Lancers' ground, scored a minor point. Soon the Lancers by fine play again equalized. Scores: one goal two subsidiaries all. In the third *chukker* there was fast up and down play. The Lancers were hot on the attack, and they got the ball into the proximinity of the Cavalry flags, and crowned the attack with a goal. After this the Cavalry held the ball in the Lancers' ground, and pressing round hit a goal out of a *mêlée*.

In the fourth *chukker*, the keenest excitement prevailed, and this bout opened with very level up and down play with hard hitting and galloping, till the Cavalry by a long shot hit a goal. The same order of play continued till the Cavalry getting the ball into the Lancers' territory, by a concentrated attack, hit a goal, and ere the *chukker* closed had supplemented their score with a subsidiary. The Cavalry were now one goal one subsidiary ahead, and there were barely six minutes left for play. In the fifth *chukker* the Lancers brought the ball into play, but it was met, and the Cavalry pressing on hit a goal. From the throw-in, play continued about midfield, till the 26th forced the ball along to the Lancers' end, and shortly by a clear shot hit a goal. The Lancers now assumed the offensive and were hot on the attack in front of the Cavalry flags, when off-side was given against the latter. The free hit accorded to the Lancers was unproductive, and shortly after final time was called, leaving the 26th Cavalry winners by five goals three subsidiaries to two subsidiaries.

(*By Special Telegram.*)

THE FINAL.

26TH CAVALRY *vs.* 10TH LANCERS.—The game played on Saturday, 16th instant, began in a depressing drizzle, though there was a big turn out to watch its progress The ground was soon very soft and play gradually got cautious and at times rather slow. It was a very level and well fought game, and the closing score was:—26th Cavalry, 3 goals and 3 subsidiaries; 10th Lancers, 3 goals and 1 subsidiary.

Rowing.

POONA ANNUAL REGATTA.

A REAL good afternoon's racing marked the first day of the above fixture. The grounds of the Royal Connaught Boat Club were looking their best, and the view looking down the river, with Parbutti in the distance, with a slight evening haze hanging over it, would be bad to beat anywhere in India. All the (Poona) world and his wife were there, and the band of the 121st Pioneers gave us a well selected programme. There was a feel in the air which told us of a hot weather not far distant, but a fair breeze got up just before proceedings opened which kept it cool enough, for spectators whatever it may have been for competitors.

The entries were very fair on the whole, though it is to be regretted that only one crew came from outside to compete for the challenge fours. Is not this event with its accompanying trophy worthy the attention of the C. R. C.? The crew that did turn up, however,—from Secunderabad—were real hot stuff. Their stroke, C. P. Rowley, stroked the Oxford boat in 1900, and their No. 3, H. H. Sanderson, a First Trinity man, represented the Sister 'Varsity twice on the Putney to Mortlake course. Add to this that their bow oar, Tudor, rowed in the Radley College boat, and it will be seen that Poona had something to beat. That they failed to do so is nothing to their discredit. They were "beaten but not disgraced," and though outclassed, rowed their race through pluckily and well. The first event, the Junior Sculls, was started a bit before the advertised time, but it was just as well for even so darkness closed down soon after the eights were rowed, and had there been any entries for the Canoe race, it would have been paddled in the dark. Moreover the Junior Sculls did not provide anything very exciting from a spectacular point of view, as the race resulted in a procession headed by Carlisle and followed at a long interval by the other two boats who, finding themselves distanced, wisely did not struggle for second place, but "easied," and finished together quite amicably.

The Secunderabad crew were first afloat for the big race of the day, and drew a round of applause by the workmanlike way they settled down to their stroke. They were shortly followed by the Poona boat, and paddling down to the mile post the two boats took up their stations, Secunderabad having drawn the outer, or Poona side. At first it was difficult to see what was happening, but as they came to the bend it was seen that Secunderabad had assumed a lead and this they held throughout, and gradually drawing away won by two and a half lengths. Four crews turned out for the Mixed Double Sculls, and after a great race Mrs. Fooks' crew scored from Mrs. Mortimer's by a bare half length. Bow of the winning boat was Miss Fooks, the lady who, with Colonel Hale, scored a win at the last regatta after an equally punishing race.

Miss Kemp's crew were unfortunately deprived of any chance they might have had by bow's slide being out of order.

The best race of the day, however, was undoubtedly that between the Sappers and the Doctors for the Regimental eights. The doctors' crew started at a disadvantage in that both stroke and No. 7 had already had a regular gruelling in the challenge fours, in addition to which their gallantry had impelled them to take part in the Mixed Doubles also. Stroke, of the Sappers boat, had also stroked the Poona four, but had wisely stood down during the second event. The doctors drew the Kirkee Station and at once assumed a slight lead which they maintained throughout a regular hammer and tongs race. Up to the quarter mile it was anybody's race, but there the Sappers narrowly avoided fouling their opponents and lost a lot of ground in consequence. They made a plucky effort to recover it however and were only beaten by a short half length, after as close a race as one could wish to see. Details :—

JUNIOR SCULLS.—¼ mile.

J. Carlisle.
Major G. Bidie.
E. B. Mangin.

Carlisle took the lead at the start and holding it throughout won easily by eight lengths.

CHALLENGE FOURS.—1 mile.

SECUNDERABAD.		POONA.	
Bow. Capt. H. H. Tudor ... 9st. 12lbs.		*Bow.* J. S. Graham 11st.	
2 J. L. Mowbray ... 11st.		2 J. Cunningham ... 11st. 3lbs	
3 R. H. Sanderson ... 12st. 9lbs.	*beat*	3 F. H. Noke 11st. 12lbs.	*beat*
Str. C. P. Rowley 11st. 10lbs.		*Str.* Capt. G. H. Boileau ... 11st. 7lbs.	
Cox. K. E. Milford ... 9st.		*Cox.* H. W. Bell 9st.	

Secunderabad drew away from the start, and leading throughout won by two and a half lengths. Time—6mins. 46⅗secs.

MIXED DOUBLE SCULLS.—¼ mile.

Miss Fooks	Mrs. Wilson	Miss Glenny	Mrs. Field
F. H. Noke	H. F. French	R. Wilson	J. Cunningham
Cox. Mrs. Fooks	Mrs. Glenny	Mrs. Mortimer	Miss Kemp

Mrs. Fooks' and Mrs. Mortimer's crews showed to the front and after a good race the former won by half a length. Time—2mins. 55½secs.

REGIMENTAL EIGHTS.—¼ mile.

MEDICAL SERVICES.		ROYAL ENGINEERS.
Bow. C. D. Holbrooke		*Bow.* Major Hingston
2 Capt. W. Jones		2 Capt. Maxwell
3 T. C. Lucas		3 E. Twiss
4 Capt. Martin	*beat*	4 Lt.-Col. Baddeley
5 Major Hinge		5 Capt. Bovet
6 Lt.-Col. G. E. Fooks		6 E. Ling
7 F. H. Noke		7 E. K. Squires
Str. J. Cunningham		*Str.* Capt. G. H. Boileau
Cox. Mrs. Martin		*Cox.* Mrs. Baddeley

A great race, the Engineers being defeated by a short half length. Time—3mins 51secs.

The second day of the regatta was well up to the level of its predecessor, and the energetic Honorary Secretary is to be congratulated on a thoroughly successful regatta. The attendance was even fuller than on the first day and the lawns of the club were covered with a crowd of smart frocks. This was partly accounted for by the fact that Colonel Aplin and the officers 107th Pioneers were "At Home" and their friends were able to beguile the intervals of racing with strawberries and cream and many and varied drinks, there was subsequently an *al fresco* dinner at the boat club followed by a dance, to which over a hundred remained. The afternoon's proceedings opened with the Senior Sculls for which there were two competitors, R. H. Sanderson frightened out two of the entrants, but J. K. Spanow pluckily opposed the erstwhile winner of the Colquhoun Sculls. The two boats kept together to the quarter mile, but it was then evident that the old blue was merely playing with his opponent, and could come away when he liked, which he did when opposite the lawn, eventually winning by one and a half lengths. Three crews turned out for the Service Fours, the race providing somewhat of a surprise, as while the 114th Mahrattas were commended for their sporting spirit in making up a crew, the race was popularly supposed to be between the Sappers and the Doctors. After a great race, however, the doctors just landed the verdict from the 114th with the Sappers third. It was a bare half length victory and as was the case in the Regimental Eights on the first day "it was the steerers as did it." The Sappers drew the Kirkee Station, which was all against them on account of the shallow water on that side, the 114th were in the centre and the doctor on the Poona side. The centre boat maintained a slight lead, though steering erratically, until opposite the lawn when the doctors came with a well-timed spurt and beat them on the post by half a length.

The Khalassis' race was the closest thing of the day, in fact it was impossible for anyone but the Judge to separate the first and second boats. The verdict, however, went to the boat on the Poona side, by the margin of a foot.

The biggest surprise of the day was the result of the Oxenham Double Sculls in which Messrs. Graham and Noke looked to have "no earthly" of beating Sanderson and Rowley. Whether the half mile course was not long enough for these five oarsmen, or whatever the cause, the local boat led throughout and won comfortably by three lengths. Two crews turned out for the Scratch Fours, and the race being rowed practically in the dark, the distance was shortened to quarter instead of half mile. Miss Kemp's crew winning somewhat easily by two and a quarter lengths. Details :—

SENIOR SCULLS.—¼ mile.

1 J. K. Spanow.
2 R. H. Sanderson.

Won very easily by one and a half lengths. Time—5mins. 25secs.

SERVICE FOURS.—¼ mile.

1.—MEDICAL SERVICES.

Bow. Major Hinge.
2. Lt.-Col. Fooks.
3. F. H. Noke.
Str. J. Cunningham.
Cox. Miss Fooks.

2.—114TH MAHARATTAS.

Bow. H. H. Weaver	...	9st.
2. Capt. W. A. Light ...	...	9st. 7lbs.
3. R. C. Wilson	...	12st. 7lbs.
Str. J. E. Carlisle	...	10st. 7lbs.
Cox. Mrs. Wilson	...	7st. 6lbs.

3.—ROYAL ENGINEERS.

Bow. E. Twiss	...	10st. 7lbs.
2. E. Ling	...	11st. 7lbs.
3. E. K. Squires	...	13st. 10lbs.
Str. Capt. G. H. Boileau ..	...	11st. 10lbs.
Cox. Mrs. Hingston	...	7st. 3lbs.

Won after a great race by half a length; one and a half length between second and third. Time—6mins. 18⅘secs.

¼ MILE KHALASSIS' RACE.

Won by a foot after a great race. No time taken.

OXENHAM DOUBLE SCULLS.—¼ mile.

J. S. Graham	C. P. Rowley
F. H. Noke	R. H. Sanderson

Won easily by three lengths. Time—3mins. 35secs.

SCRATCH FOURS.—¼ mile.

Hingston			Macleod
Skewes Cox			Carlisle
Mangin	*beat*		Kemble
Squires			Holbrooke
Cox. Miss Kemp		*Cox.*	Mrs. Wilson

Won easily by two and a quarter lengths. No time taken.

Cricket.

CRICKET IN CALCUTTA.

CALCUTTA C. C. *vs.* CALEDONIA C. C.—This match in the Eden Gardens resulted in another very hollow victory for the home team, by 246 runs on the first innings. Stewart won the toss, and Guise and Turnbull again put up over 70 for the first Calcutta wicket before the former was run out by his partner when he was thoroughly set. Turnbull reached his half century before being easily caught and bowled, and then came a very long partnership between White and Bartholomew: neither scored at all fast, but Bartholomew's innings was by far the more attractive to watch; both had a fair share of good fortune, but it was very hard lines on White to be caught at the wicket when for the second time quite recently within seven runs of three figures. After these two players had left, the remaining Calcutta batsmen took matters very easily though C. M. Pope and Nicholes made some good hits before the innings was declared with nine wickets down for 351. R. R. Pope not batting. The Caledonians on their turn to bat coming made a very feeble show against the bowling of F. H. Stewart, and were all out in just over an hour for 105 runs, the Calcutta captain taking eight wickets, six clean b wicket for only 29 runs, a good performance on a perfect wicket. Lawrence, Hodges and Elliot alone reached double figures, and only the first-named gave any real trouble, following on, the visitors scored 150 for six wickets, the C.C.C. men taking matters more easily. Durant, who hit out hard at every thing, soon knocked up 54, and Lawrence and Hodges again made useful scores. A word of praise, by the way, is due to Elliot for his steady bowling throughout the long Calcutta innings.

CALCUTTA C. C.

J. D. Guise, run out	...	35
G. Turnbull, c and b Elliot ...	...	53
E. H. T. White, c Lawrence, b Wade ...	...	93
C. P. Bartholomew, c Christensen, b Elliot —	...	71
C. B. Nicholls, b Elliot ...	...	2½
H. F. Yeoman, l-b-w, b Rogers ...	...	7
C. M. Pope, not out ... —	...	19
F. H. Stewart, b Elliot ...	...	7
J. G. Tredaway, c Wade, b Elliot ...	...	3
J. M. LeCocq, b Rogers ...	...	0
R. R. Pope, did not bat.		
Byes 31, leg byes 8 ...	...	39
Total (for 9 wikts.)* ...	...	351

*Innings declared closed.

CALEDONIA A. C.

	1st Innings.		2nd Innings.	
A. Hodges, b Stewart ...	26	not out ...	...	24
A. West, b Stewart ...	0	did not bat.		
E. Rogers, c Turnbull, b Stewart	6	c Pope, b Yeoman	...	12
A. Lawrence, l-b-w, b Guise ...	30	not out ...	...	30
G. V. Wade, c Turnbull, b Guise	0	b Stewart...	...	8
R. Byrne, b Stewart ...	5	b Pope ...	...	6
E. H. Christensen, b Stewart	4	did not bat.		
L. Fox, b Stewart ...	8	c Tredaway, b Stewart		11
G. Nugent, b Stewart ...	7	b Stewart ...	...	3
E. O. Elliot, c Nicholls, b Stewart	15	did not bat.		
E. G. Durant, not out ...	0	b Yeoman ...	...	54
Extras ...	4	Extras	...	2
Total ...	105	Total	...	150

RALLYGUNGE *vs.* THE SCALLYWAGS.—A good match, the chief feature of which was a first class exhibition by that seasoned cricketer, Mr. H. V. Low, who carried his bat for 126 and thus enabled Ballygunge to win easily by five wickets and many runs. The bowling of Coulthard and Whiteley was destructive and the latter's fielding was brilliant; both men batted well too. Sergt. Wilkinson did best with the bat for the Scallywags with a well knocked up 40. Score :—

SCALLYWAGS.

R. C. R. Hill, b Low	...	28
Sergt. Wilkinson, c Sherman, b Coulthard ...	...	40
Lt. Maude, c Whiteley, b Lowe...	...	3
Lt. Evans, l-b-w, b Whiteley ...	...	2
Lt. Selby c Sherman ...	...	1
Major Barlton, b Whiteley ...	...	6
Lt. Lethbridge, b Whiteley ...	...	0
Pte. Parant, c Bayley, b Coulthard ...	...	39
Pte. Money, c Whiteley, b Bayley ...	...	5
Lt. Staples, c Whiteley, b Coulthard ...	...	7
Pte. Lowe, not out ... —	...	0
Extras ...	...	24
Total ...	...	155

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BALLYGUNGE C. C.

H. V. Low, not out	126
J. B. Coulthard, b Lethbridge	36
F. N. Whiteley, b Parant	36
H. M. Sherman, c Lethbridge, b Parant	18
W. E. Bayley, c Wilkinson, b Selby	0
C. C. T. Eastgate, c and b Selby	0
R. L. McIntyre, not out	38
H. F. Mytton, A. D. Garth, E. W. Antram, } did not bat.	
Extras	16
Total (for 5 wkts.)*	270

*Innings declared closed.

CRICKET IN BOMBAY.

BOMBAY GYMKHANA *vs.* ROYAL NAVY.—Played at the Bombay Gymkhana ground and resulted in a win for the Gymkhana by 142 runs :—

BOMBAY GYMKHANA.

Mr. J. Monteath, c Sub. b Mainprice	22
Mr. G. M. Gillett, b Mainprice	43
Capt. Bradfield, c Bonbow, b Smythies	13
Mr. E. E. Coombs, c Colemore, b Smythies	79
Capt. Thompson, c Bonbow, b Smythies	6
Mr. F. P. West, c Hickley, b Colemore	0
Commdr. Wilson, not out	25
Mr. Rhe Phillipe, c Benn, b Smythies	7
Mr. G. W. Dawson, not out	29
Mr. S. R. Gordon, Mr. Roughton, Mr. R. Peel, } did not bat.	
Extras	2
Total (for 7 wkts.)*	226

* Innings declared closed.

ROYAL NAVY.

Capt. Hickley, not out	39
Lieut. Gibson, c Coombs, b West	0
Mr. Benn, c Wilson, b West	2
Lieut. Bonbow, b Coombs	0
Mr. Mainprice, c Bradfield, b Coombs	14
Capt. Nicholson, l.-b.-w., b Coombs	9
Lieut. Heycock, b Coombs	3
Lieut. Smythies, c Dawson, b Coombs	0
Lieut. Clifton Mogg, c Roughton, b West	8
Lieut. Risk, c Phillipe, b West	1
Mr. Colemore, b West	6
Dr. Sheward, b West...	0
Extras	2
Total	84

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

BOMBAY GYMKHANA.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Lieut. Smythies	20	0	94	4
*Capt. Hickley	3	0	15	0
Mr. Mainprice	6	0	50	2
†Lieut. Heycock	10	0	35	0
Mr. Colemore	6	0	30	1

* Bowled one wide ball. † Bowled one no-ball.

ROYAL NAVY.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
E. E. Coombs	11	1	44	5
F. P. West...	11	0	58	6

THE JAMASJEE CHALLENGE CRICKET CUP.

THE QUEEN'S REGIMENT *vs.* 10TH HUSSARS.—Played at Pindi on the 7th and 8th instant, the Queens winning by ten wickets and working their way into the final in which they meet the Gordons. Score :—

10TH (P. W. O. ROYAL) HUSSARS.

1st Innings.		2nd Innings.	
Col. C. T. M. Cavanagh, c Neale, b Alleyne	6	run out	1
Capt. A. H. C. Kearsey, c Tringham, b Lannowe,	12	st. Foy, b Parnell	11
E. W. E. Palmes, c Bignell, b Alleyne	3	c Bigell, b Alleyne	25
H. P. Chaplin, c Kenny, b Lannowe	0	b Alleyne	28
Capt. The Hon. W. G. S. Cadogan, b Alleyne	0	c Giffard, b Parnell	4
Sergt. Mitchell, c and b Lannowe	37	b Heath	11
C. H. Peto, c Alleyne b Lannowe	0	c Thornhill, b Heath	21
Pte. Bert, st. Foy, b Lannowe	9	b Lannowe...	2
W. O. Gibbs, b Lannowe	9	c Parnel, b Lannowe	15
Capt. Tomsett, c Alleyne, b Lannowe	0	not out	3
Sergt. Price, not out	0	b Heath	1
Extras	9	Extas	12
Total	85	Total	112

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

1st Innings.

	Wickets.	Runs.
Capt. Mathew-Lannowe	7 for	32
W. H. Alleyne	3 "	30
G. B. Parnell	0 "	14

2nd Innings.

	Wickets.	Runs.
Capt. Mathew-Lannowe	2 for	31
W. H. Alleyne	2 "	31
G. B. Parnell	2 "	34
Capt. Heath	3 "	4

THE QUEEN'S REGIMENT.

1ST INNINGS.

Capt. A. M. Tringham, st. Kearsey, b Bert	23
Capt. M. G. Heath, b Chaplin	4
Capt. E. B. Mathew-Lannowe, b Chaplin	12
G. N. Bignell, b Price	61
B. M. Kenny, b Bert	8
Capt. G. H. Neale, b Chaplin	53
C. W. Thornhill, b Chaplin	7
W. H. Alleyne, st. Kearsey, b Price	7
M. V. Foy, not out	7
G. J. Giffard, c and b Chaplin	5
G. B. Parnell, c Palmes, b Price	4
Extras	5
Total	191

2nd Innings.

Capt. A. M. Tringham, not out	3
Capt. G. Neale, not out	0
Extras	4
Total	7

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

1st Innings.

	Wickets.	Runs.
H. P. Chaplin	5 for	67
Sergt. Price	3 "	64
Pte. Bert ..	2 "	36
Capt. Tomsett	0 "	19

CRICKET AT OOTACAMUND.

OOTY GYMKHANA *vs.* THE PIONEERS.—The first game in the second round of the Liardet League Competition brought these elevens together: it was an easy win for the Gymkhana. Score :—

OOTACAMUND GYMKHANA.

A. B. Jackson, b Hemsley	5
Major Milner, b Hamilton	62
Col. Atkinson, b Hamilton	30
W. Prest, run out	14
Capt. Copeland, c Marsden, b Hemsley	16
L. E. Buckley, b Hamilton	17
S. Bayley, b Hamilton	4
Major Denne, not out	34
Capt. Illington, b Hamilton	14
Capt. Vaughan Edwards, not out	14
E. F. Barber, c Marsden, b Hemsley	26
Extras	11
Total	247

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

	O.	R.	M.	W.
Hamilton	31	116	9	5
Hemsley	30	131	1	3

THE PIONEERS.

Lieut. C. Hemsley, c Milner, b Copeland ...	...	37
Lieut. E. Marsden, run out	..	3
Forbes, b Copeland	...	0
Lieut. R. J. Malet, c Jackson, b Copeland ...	..	32
Lieut. A. F. Hamilton, b Copeland ...	...	7
Capt. R. Mackie, b Copeland	...	0
Lieut. Harvey-Kelly, l b-w, b Copeland ..	...	12
Lieut. H. Murland, b Buckley	...	13
Lieut. M. C. Smith, not out	...	1
Capt. J. D. F. Hunter, l M.S., c and b Buckley	...	0
Lieut. J. A. Storey, c and b Buckley ...	...	4
Extras	...	8
Total ...	...	117

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

	O.	R.	M.	W.
Copeland	13	50	0	6
Buckley	10	52	1	3
Illington	2	15	0	0

Football.

MURRAY FOOTBALL TOURNAMENT.

SECOND ROUND.

ON Thursday, the 14th instant at Lucknow, two games were played off in the second round of the Murray Football Tournament. The soldiers of the garrison turned out in force to witness the games, while a number of officers and ladies were also present.

Chief interest centred in the meeting between the Durham Light Infantry and the Royal Dragoons, on the ground of the former, and the game was splendidly contested throughout. Play was level for the first twenty minutes, when the Royal's goal was successfully invaded. Their goal-keeper left his post in order to save, when Surtees, the Durhams' centre forward, sent the ball into the net, scoring the first and only goal of the match. The arrival of half-time saw the Durhams still on the offensive, but after the interval the Royals got away several times and the Durhams goal was often in imminent danger. The ball was in midground when the whistle sounded for the final call of time. The Durhams, who had the best of the play towards the close, gained a well deserved victory by one goal to love. Teams :—

DURHAM LIGHT INFANTRY :—Winterfield, (*goal ;*) McCoy and Varvil, (*backs*) ; Blue, Mutson and Boyle (*half-backs*) ; Surtees, Burrows, Wilson, Dolan and Berry, (*forwards*).

ROYAL DRAGOONS :—Page, (*goal*) ; Halliwell and Elder, (*backs*) ; Corpl. Jaffreys, Ptes. Moss and Seaton, (*half-backs ;*) Messrs. Holt, Styles, Moore, Corpl. Pitkin and Duchworth, (*forwards*).

Referee : Pte. Madeley, Oxfords

The second game, which took place simultaneously on the Oxford Light Infantry ground, was between "O" Battery, R.H.A. and the Somerset Light Infantry, who had defeated the Bedfords a week previously in the first round of the Tournament. But for the opening five minutes, when "O" Battery were having decidedly the best of play, the Somersets held the advantage almost throughout, the pretty, combined passing of their forwards being a feature of the game. There was no scoring in the first half, but five minutes after the re-start, Sergt-Chambers made the first goal for the Somersets. The Cawnpore regiment scored again ten minutes later, from a *melee* in front of "O" Battery's goal, and from this stage onwards their victory was a foregone conclusion. No further addition wasmade to the score, and the Somerset Light Infantry defeated "O" Battery, R.H.G. by two goals to love. Teams :—

SOMERSET LIGHT INFANTRY —Sergt. Hinton, (*goal*) ; Sergt. Hellin and Pte. Mundy, (*backs*) ; Pte. Bishop, Sergt. Tadd and Pte. Coles, (*half-backs*) ; Ptes. Dorrill and Norman, Sergt Giggins and Chambers, and Pte. Millard, (*forwards*).

"O" BATTERY, R.H.A.—Sheffield, (*goal*) ; Hastings and Smith, (*backs*) ; Davison, Martin and Taylor, (*half-backs*) ; Townsend, Roberts, King, Allen and Bale, (*forwards*).

Referee : Sergt. Muddle, Oxfords.

Golf.

CALCUTTA GOLF CLUB.

CAPTAIN'S PRIZE.

FIRST ROUND.

E. H. Towned, J. R. Kay, C. L. Sandes, and A. MacVicar Smith byes.
Lieut.-Colonel W. J Buchanan beat W. Ross Smith.
J. O'B. Saunders beat Norman Mitchell Innes.
A. B. Simpson beat B. Severs.
Dr. W. Forsyth beat Lieutenant H. B. Green.
C. N. Douthil w. o. Henry Harris scratched.
D. H. Brackenridge beat John Crawford.
F. H. Stewart beat G. B. Merry.
John Davenport beat O. J. Barnes.
G. W. Walker beat N. J. Carmichael
Lieut.-Colonel J. M. Fleming beat Norman Birrell.
T. Fyfe beat C. D. H Dunlop.
T. H. Ambrose beat J. H. Fyfe.
C. T. Beath beat J. A. Tassie.
Mann beat W. Innes Ker.
Col. R. Macrae beat Rob. Graham.
Capt. B. McCoy beat P. Parriott
A. J. W. Christie beat C. E. Dewar.
T. R. S. Mackenzie beat J. W. Davenport.
H. Danks beat F. S. McEwan.
Lieut.-Colonel F. J. Drury beat R. W. Williamson.
E. A. Lyon beat C. C. Morgan.
E. J. Venn beat M. D Latouche.
J. W. Taylor beat V. Smyth.
H. E. Holden beat J. More.
K. B. Dunlop beat Hon. R. W. Carlyle.
J. Hampson beat J. S. Hannah.

SECOND ROUND.

J. R. Kay beat E. H. Townend (1 up.)
C. L. Sandes beat A. MacVicar Smith (2 up).
J. O. B. Saunders w. o.
Lieut. Col. W. J. Buchanan scratched.
Dr. W. Forsyth beat A.B. Simpson (1 up.)
F. H. Stewart beat J. Davenport (2 up and 1.)
G. W. Walker beat G. Turnbull (and 4.)
Lieut.-Col. J. M. Fleming beat A. J. Ferguson.
T. H. Ambrose beat W. A. Fyfe (6 and 5.)
C. T. Beath beat A. Mann (6 and 4.)
A. J. W. Christie beat T. R. S. Mackenzie (2 up.)
Liut.-Col. J. F. Drury beat Danks (3 and 1.)
E. A. Lyon beat E. J. Venn (2 and 1).
J. W. Taylor beat H. E. Holden (2 up).
J. Hampson beat K. B. Dunlop.

TOLLYGUNGE CLUB.

This Club's annual medal play competition for the Club Scratch Silver Challenge Bowl with which was coupled a Handicap competition under medal rules, took place at Tollygunge this week end, and attracted over fifty entries. The course was in excellent order, though the putting greens were naturally very fast, and the scoring was on the whole fairly level, though hardly so good as might have been expected. Mr. Stapleton, a previous prize winner on these links, proved easily successful in both events, and is to be congratulated on his good round of 83, which is handicap of three strokes reduced to 80 nett. Mr. E. H. Townend, with 84 scratch, came in second, and Major Wolfe Murray was third for the scratch prize. A gratifying feature was the improvement in the number of returns made, in response to the appeal of the Handicapping Committee. Scores :—

G. Stapleton	...	83 – 3 = 80
E. H. Townend	...	84 scr. = 84
R. L. Morgan	...	4 = 84
A. S. Drew	...	– 12 = 84
Major Wolfe Murray ...	...	85 scr. = 85
F. E. Dempster	..	93 – 8 = 85
A. F. Bruce	...	99 – 14 = 85
T. H. Fyfe	...	101 – 15 = 86
Col. Renny Tailyeur ...	...	90 – 3 = 87
E. A. Wild	...	91 – 4 = 87
Capt. V. A. S. Keighley ...	...	93 – 6 = 87
E. J. Wright ...	...	96 – 9 = 87
S. J. Martin	...	103 – 16 = 87
F. H. Stewart	...	88 scr. = 88
Frank Rose	...	96 – 8 = 88
H. Collingridge	...	96 – 8 = 88
R. K. Egerton	...	97 – 9 = 88
L. G. Dunbar ...	...	89 scr. = 89
A. A. Economo	...	94 – 5 = 89
E. A. Woodhouse	...	99 – 10 = 89
H. G. Olphert	...	107 – 18 = 89
D. Pym	...	90 scr. = 90
Hon. W. A. Inglis	...	94 – 4 = 90
F. H. E. Lamb	...	91 scr. = 91
G. H. Walker	...	91 scr. = 91
J. O'B. Saunders	...	99 – 8 = 91
C. D. H. Dunlop	...	99 – 8 = 91
L. V. Moinet	...	105 – 14 = 91
Dr. W. Forsyth	...	99 – 6 = 93
C. P. Lomax	...	102 – 8 = 94
Mr. J. D. Guise	...	104 – 9 = 95
H. R. D. Munn	...	105 – 9 = 96
J. C. Shorrock	...	116 – 18 = 98
R. Jardine Paterson ...	...	109 – 10 = 99

GOLF IN MADRAS.

MADRAS *vs.* BANGALORE.—On Saturday, the 9th instant, this annual match was decided, Madras beating their visitors as will be seen from the scores appended.

MADRAS.		BANGALORE.	
J. M. Brown ...	1	J. G. Tait	0
K. C. Ferguson ...	0	H. A. Boyd	0
A. M. Urquhart ...	1	J. T. M. Hughes ..	0
E. P. Corlett ...	1	W. Leith Ross ...	0
D. Annan ...	1	J. Turner	0
C. R. T. Balston ...	0	Capt. S. M. Rice ...	1
Total ...	4	Total ...	1

Hockey.

PUNJAB NATIVE ARMY HOCKEY TOURNAMENT.

36TH SIKHS *vs.* 23RD PIONEERS.—This match, which resulted in a pointless draw on Saturday, was replayed on Monday morning on the 38th Dogras' ground—the other grounds being too wet for play. At the very outset of the game the 23rd made a rush and Ricketts shot a goal. The 36th replied to this with a most determined attack and nearly scored twice. The ball was cleared eventually to the other end of the ground, and the 36th goalkeeper making a bad mistake let in Croslegh who shot the second goal for the 23rd. The 36th now began to press very hard, and from a penalty bully in the mouth of the goal Wilson-Johnston scored a goal. From this period up to half-time the 36th were all round the 23rd goal line but no further score was obtained. On resuming the 23rd began at once to press and looked very dangerous for some time. The 36th backs were tried very hard, but at length got the ball away and from a *melée* in front of the 23rd goal Wilson-Johnston scored with an excellent shot Both sides now played with the utmost vigour and attacked in turn. Just before the call of time the 23rd had bad luck in losing Ricketts, who received a blow in the face and had to retire. Extra time had to be played. The 36th playing with great vigour attacked the 23rd goal time after time, and Wilson-Johnston on one occasion netted the ball, but was penalized for "sticks." They continued the pressure up to the call of time. However, nothing further was scored and again the game resulted in a draw. The match was replayed on the 13th instant. For the first 15 minutes the ball was continually in the 23rd quarters, the backs and goalkeeper having to do their best to keep the ball away. The 36th all bat scored on two occasions and forced corners from which nothing resulted. After this the game became more even, nothing of importance happening for some time. The 23rd, however, then began to assert themselves and their forwards combining well got the ball down to the circle, and from some rather scrambly play in front of goal their inside left jumped in and shot a goal. On starting after half-time play was fairly even being characterised by roughness. The 36th worked down to the circle and from a scrimmage equalised. The 36th goalkeeper committed a bad error but from the resulting corner nothing occurred. The 23rd then took charge, and pressing hard had bad luck in not scoring, the 36th goalkeeper making amends for his previous mistake. Time was called with the scores equal. On resuming for the extra period the 36th had a free hit near their opponents' goal line and Wilson-Johnston cleverly glanced the ball into the net. Nothing more occurred and the 36th were left winners by 2—1. There was much hard hitting and roughness, and little skill, but both teams put their hearts into the game.

30TH PUNJABIS *vs.* 40TH PATHANS.—Played on the 13th instant. At the start of the game the 30th pressed, but shortly the game became more open and the ball travelled up and down the ground by good combined play of the forwards on both sides. The 40th backs were playing a particularly good game, and their forwards by a good rush scored their first point by means of their outside left. Shortly after the bully Moss for the 30th made a good run but failed to score. Good combined play on both sides ensued, the 30th having perhaps the best of it. Macpherson for the 40th relieved with a good run, and shortly afterwards his forwards enabled him to put the ball into the net. The 30th then got off and carrying the ball down to the 40th circle Moss put the ball through, the point being disallowed for offside. Half-time. On resuming the 30th got straight into the 40th circle but Webster failed to score. The 40th responded and from a *mêlée* in front of the 30th goal Macpherson scored their third point. The 40th continued to them in their opponents up to the call of no sides, but their frequent shots went wide. The 40th are a wonderfully improved side, their forward combine well and are quick, while their backs are sure. The 30th forwards were straggly and their backs uncertain. Macpherson for the 40th played an excellent game.

15TH SIKHS *vs.* 34TH PIONEERS.—Played on the 13th instant on 38th Dogras' ground. The 15th pressed from the start and their forwards by a good run got to the circle, the shot was stopped by the goalkeeper who was unable to clear, and the ball was put into the net a few minutes after the commencement of play. The 34th then took their share of play and each goal was visited in turn, both sides conceding corners which were fruitless. Give and take play continued, the 15th on one occasion shooting over the 34th goal. After half-time the 34th pressed for a short time, but the 15th returned to the attack and succeeded in scoring their second goal. Immediately after the ensuing bully they got away again and from a *mêlée* in front of goal added yet another point. After this the 15th pressed nearly continually, the 34th getting away on but few occasions, the game ending in a victory for the 15th by 3—0. There was much hard hitting on both sides and "sticks" were frequent. The 15th are strong behind and their forwards are fast and combine well, but their outsides are almost invariably offside. Muir at half played an excellent game. The 34th passed inaccurately, thus spoiling all their runs. The semi-finals, *i.e.*, 15th *vs.* 40th and 14th *vs.* 36th will be played at 4 P.M., 14th instant.

The final will be decided at 4 P.M., Saturday.

14TH SIKHS *vs.* DEPOT 47TH SIKHS.—Played at 4 P.M., 12th instant. The ground was still suffering from yesterday's downpour and the surface in parts was slippery, but considering all things was in fair condition. Play for the first fifteen minutes was rather slow, the men not getting a good foothold ; then the 14th got the upper hand and the 47th custodian was called upon more than once to save his charge. Twenty minutes from the commencement Channer for the 14th got away and Pennington from the pass scored a rather lucky goal, the ball rising slowly and dropping just underneath the bar. This woke the 47th up and they made several determined rushes but failed to equalise up to half time. On resuming play both sides attacked in turn, the 14th left wing and the 47th right wing being most conspicuous ; eventually from a corner well stopped and placed by Browne the 47th scored from a very hot shot. The 47th then pressed very strongly, several quick shots just missing the goal ; then Channer got away but was fouled in the circle, nothing resulting from the bully—up and down play followed till Browne got away and after a good run put in a hot shot from an acute angle, the ball hitting the upright and going out. Shortly afterwards the whistle blew for time with the score at one goal all After the usual five minutes the extra ten minutes each way commenced. One of the 47th backs made his one and only mistake and let in Channer who put the 14th ahead with a good shot. The 47th tried hard to equalise and just before time almost succeeded, the 14th thus winning a very good game by two goals to one. Both teams were well trained, and in comparison with the ordinary game the whistle was but little heard. Channer and Pennington for the 14th were the two who won the game for their side, while for the 47th all the little men played with great heart and thoroughly earned the sympathy and applause which was freely accorded to them by the onlookers. When the 47th Sikhs return from China it will need a very strong side to hold them.

SEMI-FINALS

14TH SIKHS *vs.* 36TH SIKHS.—Played on the 14th instant. Rain fell incessantly during the game and the player found some difficulty in keeping their feet. At the start Wilson-Johnston made a good run but from the place he had to take his shot it was impossible to score and a fruitless corner resulted. The 36th continued to press, but the game was constantly interrupted for fouls and sticks. The 14th then transferred to the other end and from a corner put in a hot shot which was well saved by the 36th goalkeeper. The 14th continued to attack strongly and only the good play of the 36th back averted a goal. Eventually after several shots at goal had been made, Pennington scored. Within 20 seconds of time the outside left scored a second point for the 14th with a very fine shot. On resuming the 14th pressed continually, the 36th backs having to resort to hitting out—Channer and Pennington for the 14th were playing very well together at this time, but the shooting was erratic, though one effort by the inside right deserved success. The 14th never let go their advantage and their outside left notched their third point. The refereeing in this game was strict and the whistle was continually in evidence. The coolest and best player on the ground was Bishan Singh, one of the 36th backs. The 14th meet the 15th Sikhs in the finals on Saturday and a good game may be expected.

15TH SIKHS *vs.* 40TH PATHANS.—Played on the 4th instant. The ground was slow owing to the rain in the morning but this seemed to have but little effect on the players who showed great dash all through. The 40th Pathans, though they lost the game in the last minute, played in much the best style, and once they got away went at full speed keeping the ball well under control ; their halves also were good but their backs failed them. The 15th on the contrary were strong in defence but their forwards lacked combination, and trusted more to the hit and rush style than to science. At the start the 40th got away and forced a corner which was saved by the 15th goalkeeper. The game was very even for some time till Macpherson, the centre forward of the 40th, made an excellent run, but on arriving inside the circle hit the ball extremely hard against the goalkeeper's pads who cleared. Half-time was called shortly afterwards. On resuming Macpherson again got away but his shot was cleared, the 40th, however, continued to attack and some good passing among the forwards resulted in their scoring a goal with a high shot. The 15th then warmed up and were unlucky in not scoring, but they stuck to it and their inside left equalised. Play was now very keen, Macmullen made a good run and pass into the centre, but his forwards failed to accept it. The 40th then pressed, but owing to the heavy ground failed to get in any hot shots though they had many opportunities. The 15th made a great effort just before time, and a good centre was improved upon with just 30 seconds to spare. Nothing more occurred, and the whistle was blown leaving the 15th rather lucky winners by 2—1.

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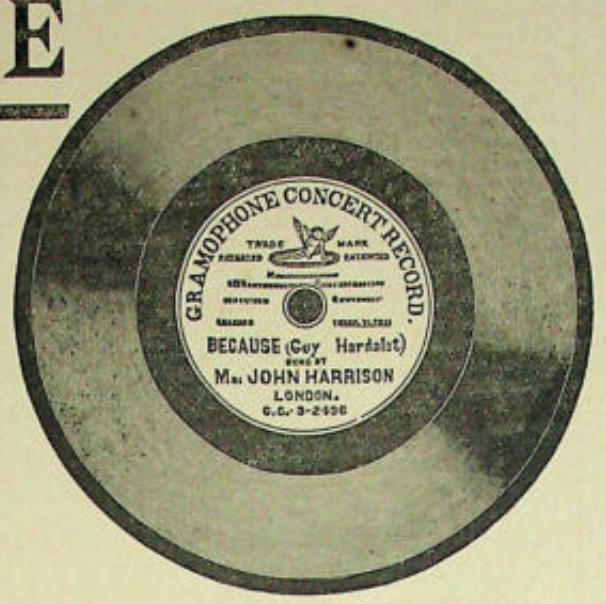

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Lawn Tennis.

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Mr. J. L. Williams ... } }
Mr. W. Reid ... ... } }
Mr. S. M. L. Bean ... } }
Mr. P. M. D. Sanderson ... } }
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Capt. W. D. Keys ... } }
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Mr. D. H. Brand ... } }
Mr. T. D. Parry ... } }
Mr. E. E. Sari ... } }
Mr. C. Thomson ... } }
Mr. L. Cooke ... ... } }
Mr. G. Sterrock ... } }
Mr. L. H. Thacker ... } }
Mr. H. Cheetham ... }

1st round to be played off by Thursday, 21st February.
2nd round to be played off by Saturday, 23rd February.
Semi-final to be played off by Tuesday, 26th February.
Final to be played on Wednesday, 27th February.

Sports.

THE EAST LANCASHIRE REGIMENTAL SPORTS.

THIS regiment held its annual Powy Memorial Sports on Monday and Tuesday, the 11th and 12th instant, at Wanowrie. Details :—

CROSS-COUNTRY RACE, open to teams, 15 men under one N.-C.O., about 3 miles.—1st, "B" Company; 2nd, "D" Company; 3rd, "D" Company. Pte. Wharburton was first man in, and gets a prize of Rs. 20.

TUG-OF-WAR.—"A" Company beat "C," "B" beat "H" "E" beat "D," and "G" beat "F."

PUTTING THE SHOT.—1st, Corpl. Sloane; 2nd, Corpl. Duckworth; 3rd, Lce.-Corpl. Nelson.

DRUMMERS AND SIGNALLERS' RACE.—1st, Signaller Naylor; 2nd, Lce.-Corpl. Wells; 3rd, Pte. Radcliff.

220 YARDS FLAT RACE, open to Corpls. and Lce.-Corpls.—1st, Lce.-Corpl. Neill; 2nd, Lce.-Corpl. Wells.

100 YARDS FLAT (Open to those who had joined the battalion since February 1905).—Pte. Granger, 1; Pte. Simmonds, 2; Pte. Prichard, 3. Time—11⅕secs.

HIGH JUMP.—Pte. Thomas, 4 feet 11 inches, 1.

220 YARDS FLAT.—Pte. Riley, 1; Lce.-Corpl. Wells, 2; Pte. Field, 3. Time—26⅖secs.

120 YARDS HURDLE RACE.—Sergt. Cuttle, 1; Pte. Thomas, 2; Pte. Finn, 3. Time—21⅖secs.

OFFICERS' RACE, 120 yards (1 yard start for every year's service).—Capt. Rutter, 1 (Cup); Col. Sitwell, D.S.O., 2 (Cup); Major Ware, 3. Fifteen started. Time—13⅘sec.

100 YARDS FLAT.—Pte. Field, 1; Pte. Riley, 2; Sergt. Cuttle, 3. Time—11⅘secs.

HALF MILE FLAT, (Open to British troops of the 6th Division).—Pte. Powell, Royal Scots, 1; Gunner Spicoley, 8th Battery, R.F.A., 2; Lce.-Corpl. Smith, Royal Scots, 3. Time—2mins. 17⅕secs.

SERGEANTS RACE, 150 yards.—Sergt. Johnson, 1; Sergt. Cuttle, 2.

TUG OF WAR.—Won by "A" Company who beat "G" Company.

QUARTER MILE FLAT.—Pte. Riley, 1; Pte. Thorpe, 2; Sergt. Cuttle, 3. Time—1min. 5⅕secs.

V. C. RACE.—Pte. Parry, 1; Lce.-Corpl. Ryan, 2; Pte. Hatcher, 3.

TWO MILES, (Open to British troops of the 6th Division).—Pte. O'Neil, Connaught Rangers, 1; Pte. Cochrane, Connaught Rangers, 2; Pte. Warburton, East Lancashires, 3. Won by half a lap. Time—10mins. 57⅘secs.

VETERANS' RACE, 120 yards.—Sergt.-Major Shaw, 1; Pte. Murray, 2. Time—15mins. ⅖secs.

HALF MILE, (Open to native soldiers of the Indian Army).—Ahmed Sharif, 80th Carnatics, 1; Lce.-Corpl. Naik Mhat Khan, 121st Pioneers, 2; Heera Singh, 3. Time—2mins. 22⅖secs.

OBSTACLE RACE.—Pte. Flynn, 1; Lce.-Corpl. Gregson, 2; Pte. Watson, 3. Time—2mins. 32⅖secs.

120 YARDS, (Open Hurdle Race).—Pte. Hume, Royal Scots, 1; Pte. F. Powell, Royal Scots, 2. Time—19⅖secs.

UNITED CLUB, HOWRAH.

THIS Club held its annual sports meeting on the Howrah *maidan* last Saturday, the 16th instant, and, from all accounts, a fair measure of success attended the efforts of the executive. We were not represented at the meeting, the Honorary Secretary having unkindly overlooked us in respect of the usual invitation to be present—an omission we feel keenly in view of the times gone by when it was our privilege to actively assist at these gathrings. *Tempora mutantur* dubbless. However, though we were not there we are able to give the names of the winners which we believe to be as follows :—

100 YARDS FLAT (Open).—W. Walls.—Time—10⅗secs.

100 YARDS RACE (Open to H. M.'s British Regiments.) Time—10s⅖ecs.

100 YARDS (Handicap) Club.—J. Jessop.—Time—10⅗secs.

120 YARDS HURDLE (Handicap) (Open) J. Jessop. Time—1min. 19secs.

220 YARDS (Handicap) Club—W. Smith.

1,000 YARDS (scratch) open to H. M.'s British Regiment.)—Corpl Spaw. Time—2mins. 13secs.

QUARTER MILE (Handicap) Club.—A Smith.

2 MILE BICYCLE RACE (Handicap) (Open)—A. Clemenshaw. Time—5mins.

150 YARDS FLAT RACE (Handicap) Club.—J. Jessop.

QUARTER MILE HANDICAP (Open)—C. Thompson.

One MILE (Scratch)—(Open to H. M.'s British Regiments.)—Corporal Shaw.

NATIVE CAVALRY TENT PEGGING TOURNAMENT.

DECIDED at Umballa on the 13th instant, the Guides winning, after a fine all round exhibition by most of the thirteen teams engaged. The victory of the Guides was well deserved and popular; they won the cup last year too. Appended are details :—

					Total.
The Guides ...	...	28	28	24	80
17th Cavalry ...	...	26	24	26	76
23rd Cavalry ...	...	24	28	22	74
8th Cavalry... ...	...	28	20	24	72
25th Cavalry ...	...	22	24	24	70
11th Probyn's Horse ...	...	20	24	24	68
9th Hodson's Horse ...	...	20	20	24	64
15th Cavalry ...	...	12	26	26	64
18th Tiwani Lancers ...	...	16	20	28	64
1st Skinner's Horse ...	...	20	22	20	62
19th Lancers ...	...	20	20	22	62
10th Hodson's Horse ...	...	14	20	26	60
36th Jacob's Horse ...	...	8	16	32	56

The officers of the 8th Cavalry offered two money prizes for tent-pegging by sections in two runs, and each team competed. The 8th Cavalry won the first prize with 38 points, the Guides and 1st Lancers dead heating for and dividing the second prize with 37 points.

The 8th Cavalry and 36th Jacob's Horse and 12th Royal Lancers acted as hosts.

A SKITTLE GYMKHANA IN BANGALORE.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

BANGALORE, *15th February.*

ONE hundred and thirty-four entries! That was the total in a Skittle Gymkhana that took place at Bangalore on the 14th instant, and whilst it easily beats our own "best on record," I think it would take some beating in any Indian Station Society. Mr A. G. Gwyer, of the Carabiniers, who has been filling an acting appointment here since his regiment left for Mhow, but who—alas! will have to follow them in a few days, have fairly made things hum during his tenure of office as Gymkhana Secretary. Moreover our new cavalry corps, the 14th (King's) Hussars have now been with us long enough for more than an initial acquaintance, and they have made it very clear that if they can assist sport in any way they will do so. Going back to our muttons, attention must be drawn to our riding ladies. Only about seven or eight were competing on Thursday last, but we have at least a dozen fair *equestriennes* at present in Bangalore who could hold their own any where. The names of Mrs. Heycock, Mrs. Bertholomew, Mr. Wortabet, Miss Mouat-Biggs, Miss Goodricks Mrs. Muspratt, Mrs. Stephen, Mrs. Loveson Goucen, Mrs. Pinkney, Mrs. Forster and Mrs. Grant occur to one at once and there are several other good lady riders. As to the entries and conditions on Thursday last, they must be cut very short, for fear of occupying too much of your space. Put briefly, they are as follows :—

POSTILLION RACE.

Capt. G. B. N. Foster, (Mounted Infantry School) ... 1
M. W. H. P. Hill (Royal Fusiliers) 2
Ten competed.

AFFINITY LLOYD-LINSDAY COMPETITION.

Mrs. Heycock and Major Hayes 1
Miss Mouat-Biggs and Major Ticknell 2
Four pairs competed.

BENDING COMPETITION.

Mr. Gwyer's Tam Ring (Mr. Hill) 1
Mr. Hill's Firefly (Capt. Palmer) 2
No less than 26 ponies competed.

Mr. Hill's Greyler, ridden by Captain Joicey, came in second, but unfortunately knocked down a flag and was disqualified.

V. C. RACE (Barebacked.)

Mr. W. P. Hill (Royal Fusiliers) 1
Six competed.

THE ROPER'S STAKES.

Mr. Belgrave 14th (King's) Hussarsars 1
Mr. Mason 2

Thirty-one competed, and the conditions of the event, in which the *third* competition to arrive was adjudged the winner, naturally caused much amusement.

POLO BALL RACE.

Mr. Hill (Royal Fusiliers) 1
Mr. Astley (14th Hussars) 2

Nineteen competed.

THE MILLINER'S STAKES.

Mrs. Leveson-Gower and Mr. Hodgson 1
Mrs. Forster and Capt. Forster 2

Seven pairs entered, and the differently coloured ribbons presented a terrible puzzle to the mere man. It was an astonishing fact that a *bachelor* should have assisted in winning a competition of this description.

CHATTY RACE.

Mr. Maydwell (Gordon's Horse) 1
Capt. G. P. N. Foster (Mounted Infantry School) ... 2

Nineteen competed, and the safe convoy of the chatties was increased in difficulty by the fact that those who broke their chatties furiously pursued those whose burdens were still intact. Amidst great merriment Mr. Maydwell woon. Mrs. Stuart-Fraser presented the prizes and a record Skittle Gymkhana ended.

Shows.

LUCKNOW HORSE SHOW, 1907.

COMMITTEE:

Lieut.-Col. H. de B. De Lisle, C.B., D.S.O., The Royal Dragoons.
Capt. W. G. Thompson, R.H.A.
Capt. P. T. Godman, The Royal Dragoons.
A. Watson, Esq.
Capt. England, A.V.C.
Capt. P. N. Craigie, 6th Cavalry.
Capt. J. W. Jeffreys, 68th Durham Light Infantry.
W. E. T. Morland, Esq., 43rd Oxford Light Infantry.
Capt. J. F. Barlow, R.F.A.

Capt. J. F. Barlow, *Honorary Secretary.*

Wednesday, 13th February 1907.

THE Lucknow Horse Show, held in the Martinière Park to-day, was a most successful affair. It was attended by a fashionable gathering, which included Sir John Hewett, General Sir E. and Lady Locke-Elliot, Sir Ralph and Lady Gore and Colonel and Mrs. De Lisle. The number of entries for the various events was a record one. Some very good jumping was seen, also some good driving in the Ladies' Turnouts. Lady Elliot won in class for Ladies' Hacks. The Durham's Band played a choice selection of music. The prizes were given away by Lady Elliot. Details :—

CLASS I.—Chargers, Mounted Branches.

Major A. H. Hussey's b aus g Ghazi 1
Capt. Guest's Roballior 2

Judges :—Captains Godman, FitzMaurice and England.

CLASS IA.—Native Officers' Chargers.

Resildar Gulam Mahomed Khan's Locket 1
Resildar Bashist Singh's Leo 2

CLASS II.—Infantry Chargers.

Major E. St. G. Pratt's b aus m Two Step 1
Col. Clarke's b a h Aden 2

Judges :—Major Steel and Captains Godman and Thompson.

CLASS III.—Hunters, Heavy Weight.

Capt. Guest's Recluse 1

Judge :—Major Hussey.

CLASS IV.—Hunters, Light Weight.

Hon. Mrs. A. Hamilton Russell's b aus g Bay Middleton 1
Hon. O. Stanley's br aus m Starlight 2
Mr. A. Watson's br c h Billy 3

Judges :—Colonel De Lisle and Captains. FitzMaurice and Thompson.

CLASS V.—Polo Ponies, English and Colonial.

Mr. Pike's Hopeful 1
Capt. FitzMaurice's Busy Bee 2
Mr. H. A. Tomkinson's rn aus g Star 3

Judges :—Colonel De Lisle, Major Climo and Captain Thompson.

CLASS VI.—Arab Polo Ponies.

Capt. T. Godman's g a g Idar 1
Mr. W. Miles' ch a g Jehangir 2
Col. Mansel's g a g Bijli 3

Judges :—Colonel De Lisle, Majors Climo and Sandys.

CLASS VII.—C.-B. Polo Ponies.

Mr. Johnston's ch cb m Rahat 1
Mr. T. S. Irwin's ch cb m Sunshine 2

Judges :—Colonel De Lisle, Major Sandys and Captain Barlow.

CLASS VIII.—Horse Jumping.

Lieut.-Genl. Sir Edward Locke-Elliot's b aus g Taitstown 1
Mr. Cosen's ch aus g Tudor 2
Mr. Johnston's Tommy 3

CLASS IX.—Pony Jumping.

Capt. W. G. Grant's br nth am g Charles 1
Capt. Guest's Funny 2
Hon. Mrs. A. Hamilton Russell's g cb m Miss Tatters ... 3

CLASS X.—Single Harness.

Capt. Hensley's b cb g Tommy 1
Mr. H. A. Watson's br c m The Babe 2
Mr. C. W. Turner's bl aus m Gracie 3

CLASS XI.—Tandems.

Capt. W. G. Thompson's Tandem 1
Major Young's Tandem 2
Mr. A. Scott's Tandem 3

CLASS XII.—Ladies' Turnouts.

Mrs. Watson's Turnout 1
Miss M. Jackson's Turnout 2
Hon. Mrs. A. Hamilton Russell's Turnout 3

CLASS XIII.—Teams.

"O" Battery, R. H. A. Team 1
74th Battery, R. F. A. Team 2
VIth Cavalry Team 3

CLASS XIV.—Children's Ponies.

Miss Phyllis Jackson's Ripley 1

CLASS XV.—Ladies' Hacks.

Lady Elliot's b aus m Mary 1
Hon. Mrs. A. Hamilton Russell's b aus g Bay Middleton 2
Mr. A. Watson's bk c g Billy 3

CLASS XVI.—Best Pony in the Show.

Mr. Pike's Hopeful 1

CLASS XVII.—Best Horse in the Show.

Major Hussey's Ghazi 1

The Story Teller.

A BIT "PREVIOUS."

PROBABLY nine people out of ten when they discuss young Mr. Pinkerton's Turf career, will be most hard upon him in regard to that affair of the Stewards' Cup at Goodwood. How just they are in coming to that conclusion this story will tell. Young Mr. Pinkerton was not a popular man with any sort or description of Turf society. Where he began to get together his stud it was said that he had made a huge fortune first by keeping a bucket shop, and then by promoting companies, but the majority of racing men were not any the worse disposed to him on that account. It has before happened that the shadiest of financial geniuses have been particularly straight as racing men—probably because in the City they have found a more profitable field for their predatory qualities. Young Pinkerton's rascality in the City had not really been, quite as successful as it was reported to have been, and instead of going on the Turf as people believed, with the object of making fashionable friends, and advertising himself, his main object happened to be to make money. Of course when the people who had crowded round him found this out—as some did to their cost—they could not say enough against him. As a matter of fact he probably had the distorted ambition to be thought, and to be, a very clever man on the Turf, and though he was pushing and vulgar, this wish was stronger than any of his social ambitions. Certainly any one who wanted to get on in society would not have made an enemy of that most popular of men, Sir Peregrine Langley. That genial, though not very affluent baronet, has one weakness. He would be friendly with his Satanic Majesty if he thought that potentate could give him any information about a race. That year at Ascot Mr. Pinkerton had two horses in the Stakes, and he advised Sir Peregrine to back the one with which he did not win. He probably got a longer starting price against the winner by doing this, for it is not only a question of the modest "pony" which Sir Peregrine puts on for himself, there are his numerous pals, some of whom bet very heavily, whom he usually tells about a good thing.

Sir Peregrine after the race declared that sooner or later he would be even with the ingenious Mr. Pinkerton, and those who knew him best believed that he would be as good as his word. The Goodwood after this occurred, Sir Peregrine was staying for the week with his old friend and ally, Major Baxter. Sir Peregrine is a Sussex man, but his place is let, and for Goodwood he generally stops with the Major, whose training establishment is near his old home. That year the Major had a horse in the Stewards' Cup which he and Sir Peregrine fancied. The Stewards' is a race which Major Baxter has always shown a fondness for. There is a generally received idea that when he means business in it he is especially hard to beat. That year he had one of his good things, and as it happened that there was a better market than usual, he had backed the horse Monopole for a good stake the week before. On second thoughts the Major and Sir Peregrine, who generally stood in with his friend, were inclined to believe that there was one horse that could bet them, namely, Mr. Pinkerton's Lame Duck. This, however, was rather doubtful, for the public had backed that horse, and rushed him up to a very short price before Mr. Pinkerton had got his money on. The Major and Sir Peregrine were sitting over their wine the night before the race talking over their chances of pulling it off, when the servant announced that a person who gave his name as Sam Perkins wanted to see Major Baxter.

"Who is Perkins?" said the Major.

"Well, he is a tout and something more," answered Sir Peregrine, "for he is as good at watching men as horses, and he is wondefully clever at finding out any thing. I did him a good turn once, and I don't think he has forgotten it."

"No, I daresay he is broke and come to get you to do him another," replied the Major.

Mr. Perkins was an unremarkable looking little man, until one caught his eye, which was a very searching one.

"Good evening, gentlemen," he said. "I took the liberty of calling because I've learnt something that might interest both of you gentlemen."

Sir Peregrine smiled encouragingly at the little man, and the Major took a good look at him, and summed him up as "anyhow, no fool."

"Well, Sir Peregrine," said Perkins, "I was at the station when I caught sight of Mr. Pinkerton. He wanted to see the station master, and I guessed it was something particular for he went into his private room. Now I happened to have noticed that the window of the station master's room was open, and being of an inquiring turn of mind about some people, I just stepped along the platform, and heard what they were saying. Of course what they said might not have been interesting, but it happens that it was. Mr. Pinkerton had arranged for a horse-box to be ready by the 12-40 train to-morrow. The 12-40 is an express, and don't stop for another twenty miles, but it could slip the horse-box at Blankley Station, and Mr. Pinkerton arranged that it should do this; only it was very particular that no one should know anything about what was to be done."

"Well," said Sir Peregrine, as the little man came to a stop, "and what does that come to?"

"Don't you put two and two together, Sir Peregrine? You see, Mr. Pinkerton has his horses near here, and don't you see what he means to do? Why, to-morrow he sends Lame Duck home. Leastwise, the horse is seen sent down to the station, and boxed, and taken off by the train. That will make the bookies on the course bet against him for the Stewards' Cup. Then Mr. Clever and Co. get their money on. Then the horse comes round from Blankley, where the horse-box has been stopped, and runs all right. It ain't a very new dodge; I've known it done in the old days more than once."

"The cheek of the young rascal's trying a game like that at Goodwood," said Major Baxter, "but it might give us a chance of backing Lame Duck."

"Not for a penny," exclaimed Sir Peregrine, who had been staring intently at the rings he had been making with his cigarette smoke. "Lame Duck won't win or start, I believe," and then, with the explanation that he was going to Blankley Station to make some more inquiries, he left the room.

It is needles to say that the news—that the favourite for the Stewards' Cup, Lame Duck, had been taken to the railway station and sent off home—created some sensation. The bookmakers, however, were half suspicious, and Lame Duck's price only went down to about 10 to 1. At that price it seemed that there was some one willing to back the horse.

Mr. Pinkerton had not even had the good taste to scratch his horse, to give the public warning that he was not going to run. Several people of some position on the Turf, who had never before spoken to him were very anxious to give him a piece of their minds. Mr. Pinkerton, however, was nowhere to be seen, and the general opinion was that he dare not face the public indignation that his conduct had caused. The backers of Lame Duck, however, would have been somewhat reassured if they had known that the horse was being backed for his owner for all that could be got on at long odds, and that worthy gentleman was waiting at a station—which we will call Blankley—for the horse box that would contain the noble animal whose destinies on the Turf he controlled. Presently a train dashed through the station, but he did not stop, or unslip the horse-box. Mr. Pinkerton was inclined to feel nervous, but he looked at the station master, to whom he had spoken about the horse-box, and noticed that he showed no signs of anything being wrong. Presently he went up to him quietly, for their were several people about and asked if the train that had passed was not the one that ought to have left his horse-box.

"Well, sir," answered the official, "it seems it wasn't the one, 'cause you see it didn't."

"Can you telegraph and find out?"

"Don't see how I can telegraph to the train," was the answer.

"No, but to the station, to see if the horse was sent off," said Pinkerton, getting more and more angry. Man alive, look sharp. The horse has to run in the Stewards' Cup to-day."

"Then I don't see what you want humbugging him about on the railway," said the station master, but he went off and sent some telegraphic message to the next station. The answer seemed a long time coming, in fact half an hour passed, and it was within an hour and a half of the race when the man drawled out, "That horse of yours was on the train that passed. The guard has probably made a mistake between Blankley and Blankby, a station of the line. It ain't likely that he'd understand your sending a horse a journey by rail for nothing." Then Mr. Pinkerton's fury broke out and he cursed and swore, and wanted to know how the horse could be got back, threatening all sorts of legal proceedings if the horse d d not appear in time.

"You will have to do what you like about that, but there ain't no means, as I knows on, for getting the horse back here before half-past four at the earliest."

Mr. Pinkerton wasted another five minutes in threatening, storming, and cursing, and then he sent off a telegram to a friend on the course who was backing Lame Duck for him.

He found out afterwards that if he had sent the telegram five minutes sooner, instead of swearing at the station master, he would have saved some £500, which his friend had put on Lame Duck for him.

As a matter of fact he never brought his action against the company, and he accepted all the opprobrium of the Stewards' Cup business, rather than let the world know that he had been hoisted with his own petard.

Monopole won, and Sir Peregrine and Major Baxter had a very good race of it. Sir Peregrine believes that they owed their good fortune to an interview he had had with the station master at Blankby, whom he had known as a boy. Certainly the latter and the guard of the train, which failed to set down Lame Duck, divided a hundred pounds between them.

The Theatre.

OTT'S VICTORIA CIRCUS.

ONCE again this clever and amusing troupe of entertainers is in Calcutta with that excellent horseman and successful ring-master Mr. Emil Ott, as usual, at the head of affairs. They have pitched their tent rather late in a season that has been somewhat overcrowded with *divertissement*, and with the koel, that raucous harbinger of the hot weather shricking among the new foliage on the *maidan* it may be that our thoughts turn rather towards the punkah than the arena; yet one is glad to see good houses at Ott's, for the present Company puts on an all round good show. Mr. Ott's contributions to the bill are of sterling merit; his *haut ecole* turns, jumping acts, and the trained horses and ponies he introduces are naturally popular, for we seldom see as good out here. There is a capable clown named Adolf, though he is rather prone to reiteration, and in Miss Bella and Mrs. Dicky we have two first class acrobats whose work exhibits marked improvement on what they put before us last year. The entertainment is rather strong in dancing, the Carollis, the Bells and the Cake Walkers all acquit themselves well, and though the "light fantastic" items are not usually expected to be found particularly prominent in a Circus bill of fare, yet they are both pleasing and novel and as such acceptable to the majority we believe. Mdlle. Walbourge we saw last time Ott's were here; she and her equine companions play quite as strong a hand as before and treat us to many graceful and admirable feats. As this fair equestrienne has a nice way with a horse, quite apart from her ability as a horsewoman, the result is usually presented to us in a way that is charming. The performing lions are good, though we do not consider the show in this respect equal to what we saw before. Mr. Schultez, the "looper," makes a bigger bid for popularity than he did on the occasion of his first appearance here. He now loops an open loop, eighteen feet of the top of the loop being unboarded, so that he takes a jump while actually upside down and landing on the down grade rushes to the end of the risky ride, the whole being carried out in full view of the audience—and uncommonly well he does it. On Saturday the management announce a matinee.

Cards.

BRIDGE.

Solution to Problem No. 23.

A and B have to win three out of the last four tricks to save the game. Z is marked with the knave, 7 of diamonds, and probably holds the ace and another in clubs. A cannot afford to discard a diamond, or Z will lead a third round making his knave good. If he discards his two small clubs, on the other hand, and keeps his king and queen, Z will most likely continue with his ace and remaining club, and A will be forced to lead up to him in diamonds. He should, therefore, discard the 3 and queen of clubs, keeping the king and 4. Then, if Z goes on with the ace, he throws his king under it, trusting to B for the knave. This is practically his only chance of saving the game, unless B holds the ace of clubs, in which case A's discard of the queen can do no harm.

Problem No. 24.

A and B are partners against Y and Z. Score: A and B, 24; Y and Z, love; in the last game. Z deals and leaves it to Y, who makes no-trumps. Y's and Z's hands are as follows :—

Y's Hand (Dummy).

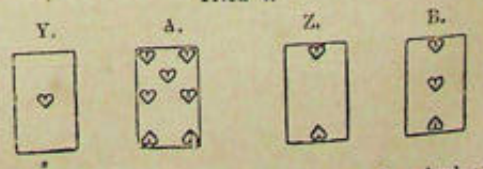
Hearts: Ace.
Diamonds: Queen, knave, 3.
Spades: 5, 4.
Clubs: Ace, king, 10, 9, 6, 3, 2.

Z's Hand (Dealer).

Hearts: King, 6, 2.
Dimonds: 8, 5, 4, 2.
Clubs: 8, 4.
Spades: Ace, queen knave, 2.

The first trick is as follows :—

Trick 1.



How ought the dealer to go on with the hand, and why?

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THE COUNTY CRICKET QUALIFICATION.

THE "county qualification" has been a fruitful source of argument and difficulty, we might say ever since county cricket has been played. The question as to what constituted a player eligible to play for his county was first taken in hand so far back as some 1873 when representatives from Surrey, Middlesex, Kent, Sussex, Gloucestershire, Yorkshire and Notts met in the Oval pavilion and drew up a brief and simple code of laws, which at their request were adopted by the M. C. C. The spirit of these rules was sufficiently clear: they provided (1) That no cricketer should play for more than one county during the same season; (2) that every cricketer born in one county and residing in another should be free to choose at the commencement of each season for which of the counties he would play; (3) that a cricketer should be qualified to play for any county in which he was residing and had resided for two years: or he might elect to play for the county in which his family home was situate so long as it remained open to him as an occasional residence; and (4) that any question as to residential qualification should be left to the Committee of the M. C. C.

These rules covered the ground and made the way of the county cricketer whether amateur or professional plain, so long as their *spirit* was obeyed. There was no getting round, or through, clause 1 and the meaning of clause 2 was sufficiently obvious. "Residence" in ordinary language can only mean the place where a person lives, and it was taken for granted that cricketers would accept the ordinary meaning of the word. The spirit in which the rules of 1873 is well shown by the proviso that recognised family ties to a county, it was entirely in accordance with the spirit of county cricket as then accepted that a member of a family, who had left the paternal dwelling to seek his livelihood in some profession or calling in London or elsewhere, should still be regarded as a county man and as such eligible to play for his county provided he still maintained such communication with his relatives as most sons do maintain. It was a liberal rule; and Rule 2 left the player free to continue playing for his own county if he pleased even after he married and settled down in another county establishing new ties to the soil. In a word these rules recognised the claims of the county upon a county family, or if the reverse be preferred, the claim of members of a county family to play for their own shire: it did something to establish the intimate connection between the upper middle class and the national game. With increasing competition between counties, however, the spirit of the residential rule began to be ignored: endeavours were made to find means of evading it while complying with the letter. We need not mention names in this connection; but it is a matter of common knowledge that certain players of greater or less prominence led the way through the rule by taking a lodging, seldom if ever occupied, in a county town or village, and basing their claim on possession of that *pied a terre*, made good their right to play for a county with which they had no other connection. It may have been good common law but it

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was not good cricket law. The practice increased until it became recognised, and the Rule was rendered nugatory : it became a farce.

We are notoriously slow to amend the rules of any sport or game and it was not until December 1898 that a meeting of county representatives met at Lords and after discussion resolved to leave the rules of County Cricket to the M. C. C., which had offered to form a committee to deal with them. We say "them" though the only rule which required recasting was that relative to residential qualification. The new rules as to residential qualification were adopted after prolonged deliberation and were eventually framed to come into force in the season of 1900. Under these rules (which remained unquestioned until the meeting held on 16th December last) the residential qualifications were made much more drastic. As they now stand the mere acquisition of hering of a tenement, *unless used as a bonâ fide home :* the use of such tenement during the cricket season only does not constitute residence. These definitions of residence are clear enough, but the new rules went farther. If the holder of residential qualification leave the country for the winter months his title to play for his county becomes impaired and he must prove it to the satisfaction of the M. C. C. Five consecutive years' play for a county constitutes qualification for life, and two years' residence—genuine residence—is necessary for qualification : little enough unless indeed the player produce proof that he has *bonâ fide* established a tie with the county by the purchase or long lease of property therein, or by engagement in professon or business of a permanent character. The flow of cricketers from the Colonies to the old country, which has been a feature of recent years, has compelled the revision of the county qualification rules to meet their case ; and this was the principal business transacted at the meeting of 16th December to which we have made passing reference. The question was what period of residence in a county should be required of a Colonial cricketer? Essex proposed five years. Kent at its own meeting held a week before approved four years, but at the meeting at Lords merely proposed "that the time for qualification be extended for the man who comes to this country for the purpose of making a livelihood out of cricket." Surrey moved that the term proposed by Essex should not apply to a player who had already taken up his residence with the object of qualifying under the two years' rule. There was a strong minority in favor of extending the period of residence in the case of Colonial players, seven representatives approving and eight opposing : by a majority of one therefore the Colonial players—the rule practically applies to professionals—only are placed on the same footing as home players. We think this is as it should be : no sound reason can be urged for penalising the Colonial born cricketer who elects to take up his quarters in the old country : and it is quite out of harmony with imperial ideas, which should prevail in the cricket and football worlds quite as strongly as in others, if not more strongly, to place a British subject who hails from Australia or South Africa on a footing different from that accorded the home bred man. It is also politic to make the qualification rules impartial : for home bred players going to take up their residence in the Colonies might otherwise find themselves debarred from participation in the game by rules framed in a spirit of retaliation.

THE BENGAL PRESIDENCY ATHLETIC SPORTS.

WITH two exceptions the entries for all the events on this year's programme are good, the exceptions being in the high jump and shot items. The amateur competitions should be interesting especially as several men are coming from up-country to try conclusions with our local athletes. As usual the British Army Championships have attracted big entries ; among the regiments represented are the Wiltshires, Umballa ; the Cheshires, Bangalore ; the Cameronians, Meerut ; the Dorsets, Wellington ; the 15th Hussars, Muttra ; King's Royal Rifles, Jubbulpur ; Middlesex, Regiment, Lebong ; Highland Light Infantry, Dum-Dum ; S. Staffordshires, Allahabad ; Royal Dragoons, Lucknow ; the Gunners from Bombay and Barrackpore ; the King's Liverpool Regiment, Nasirabad ; the Devons, Rangoon, and others. In the Native Army Championships there are the 91st Punjabis from Bhamo ; those popular sprinters from the 27th L. C., Jubbulpore ; the 93rd Burmans, Mandalay ; the 13th Rajputs, Alipur ; the 17th N. I., Barrackpore, who are all known to Calcutta sportsmen. The schools are represented at full strength.

Her Excellency Lady Minto has graciously consented to present the prizes ; and H. E. the Commander-in-Chief has signified his intention of being present. The Colonel and officers of the Northumberland Fusiliers have kindly lent their fine band for the occasion and a strong picket to keep the ground. Messrs. G. F. Kellner and Company will cater at an inclusive charge of one rupee a head as at the races. In all other respects the arrangements will be the same as in other years. The prizes, Challenge Shields and medals, a handsome collection, are on view in the show room of Messrs. Walter Locke and Company, Limited. The preliminary heats will be run off to-morrow afternoon beginning at 4 o'clock.

Special Telegrams.

THE WATERLOO CUP.

SATURDAY, *23rd February 1907.*

Mr. W. Jardine's ... ... Long Span beat
Mr. A. D. Gaussen's ... ... Glenbridge.

WINNERS SINCE 1896.

1897—Mr. T. P. Hale ns (Mr. T. Holmes') bd d Gallant Won.
Mr. H. Hardy's f d Five by Tricks ... ... Ran up.
1898—Mr. J. Trevor ns (Mr. H. Hardy's) f w b Wild Night ... ... Won.
Duke of Leeds's bk d Lang Syne ... ... Ran up.
1899—Mr. J. B. Thompson ns (Mr. R. Rogers's) bk d Black Fury ... ... Won.
Col. J. M. McCalmont ns (the Duke of Leeds's) bd b p Lapal ... ... Ran up.
1900—Mr. J. H. Bibby ns (Messrs. Fawcett's) bk tk b Fearless Footsteps ... ... Won.
Duke of Leeds's f b Lavishly Clothed ... Ran up.
1901—Mr. J. H. Bibby ns (Messrs. Fawcett's) bk tk b Fearless Footsteps ... ... Won.
Mr. F. Watson ns (Mr. P. Clarke's) bk d p Cleughbrae ... ... Ran up.
1902—Mr. G. F. Fawcett's bd w d Farndon Ferry ... Won.
Mr. W. Ward's r d p Wartnaby ... ... Ran up.
1903—Mr. J. H. Bibby ns (Messrs. Fawcett's) bd d Father Flint ... ... Won.
Mr. A. J. Pope ns (Mr. L. Pilkington's) bk d p Paracelsus ... ... Ran up.
1904—Mr. G. Darlinson ns (Mr. E. Herbert's) rd p Homfray ... ... Won.
Mr. R. H. Whitworth ns (Mr. Michel's) bk d p Minchmuir ... ... Ran up.
1905—Mr. W. H Pawson's bd d Pistol II., by Fighting Fire—Thessaly ... ... Won.
Mr. A. F. Pope ns (Mr. L. Pilkington's) r d Prince Plausible, by Boswell—Thoughtless Beauty ... ... Ran up.
1906—Mr. H. Hardy's f d Hoprend, by Forgotten Fashion—Heirlom ... ... Won.
Mr. S. S. Death's w bk d Dividend Deferred, by Grampus—Dark Dame ... ... Ran up.

INTERNATIONAL FOOTBALL.

LONDON, *Saturday, 23rd February 1907.*

AT Rugby Football Scotland this afternoon beat Ireland by fifteen points to three.

WINNERS SINCE 1896.

1897	Scotland	2	0	Ireland	0	1
1898	Scotland	1	1	Ireland	0	0
1899	Ireland	0	3	Scotland	1	0
1900	Ireland	0	0	Scotland	1	0
1901	Scotland	0	3	Ireland	0	0
1902	Ireland	1	0	Scotland	0	0
1903	Scotland	0	1	Ireland	0	1
1904	Scotland	2	3	Ireland	1	0
1905	Ireland	1	2	Scotland	0	3
1906	Scotland	3	0	Ireland	0	0

At Association Football Wales beat Ireland by three goals to two.

WINNERS SINCE 1896.

1897	Ireland	4	Wales	3	1902	Ireland	3	Wales	0
1898	Ireland	1	Wales	0	1903	Ireland	2	Wales	0
1899	Ireland	1	Wales	0	1904	Ireland	1	Wales	0
1900	Wales	2	Ireland	0	1905	Ireland	2	Wales	2
1901	Wales	1	Ireland	0	1906	Wales	4	Ireland	4

THE HEAVY-WEIGHT CHAMPIONSHIP.

LONDON, *Tuesday, 26th February 1907.*

THE fight between Gunner Moir (London) and J. Smith (Merthyr Tydvill) erstwhile of the 10th Hussars for £500 a side and the purse of £3,550 given by the National Sporting Club took place last evening. It was a hollow affair ; Smith's hurricane tactics and rushes had not the least effect upon the Gunner who made a veritable punching ball of his opponent, hustled him round and round the ring, had him three times on the ropes, never ceased punching him and in the easiest fashion disposed of the "Tiger" inside of three minutes.

Sporting Notes.

IN Calcutta interest in local racing during the last few days was a bad second to that taken in the telegrams from Bombay. The successive victories of Ballark enable us all to point out how clever we were in observing that this horse's best form was yet to be discovered. Here he was not asked to compete in the big open races, merely because his stable was already so strongly represented in that class. As a matter of fact when he met with his railway accident fifteen months or so ago people used to say that he was every bit as good a horse as Mallard. The Handicapper seems to have triumphed in the Byculla Club Cup ; Kipling has had no luck at all this season, his wins notwithstanding ; such a good horse as he has shewn himself to be might very well have won at each and every time of asking. In the Grand National more particularly he was unfortunate in running second. Sermon's success was also to be looked for on his running over here, and his sporting owners have had the good time their courage deserves.

The lucky travellers who can get away to England this week should arrive in nice time for Aintree. The non-appearance of Cinders in the list of acceptances for the Grand National will disappoint those who hope to see this marvellous daughter of Cinder Ellen competing in the great steeplechase. The mare is still young, however, for so bold a venture, and Mr. G. B. Paris may yet see his favourite old mare's offspring rolling home in front over the Aintree course. Ascetic's Silver is, of course, top weight, but the handicapper has astonished most people by allotting him 12-7, thus placing him in the same rank as Cloister and such like mighty chasers.

The alteration of the definition of "Maiden" so blithely passed by a small meeting of the Calcutta Turf Club a few weeks ago seems to have caused some little bitterness in military circles, and no wonder. A correspondent of the *Pioneer* complains of such changes being made in utter disregard to the interests of up-country racing, and points out that under existing conditions it is quite impossible for any authoritative representation to be made to the Stewards of the C. T. C., in cases of this kind on behalf of the small military owner. The only persons who could make their voices heard would be the Stewards of the few up-country meetings that still struggle against an adverse fate. Unfortunately nowadays it seems to be the fashion to head race programmes with lists of *ex-officio* Stewards ; Generals, Officers Commanding, and what not ; with a racing man as Honorary Secretary to do all the work. The said *ex-officio* Stewards probably know little about the value of maidens in horseflesh, and certainly care less.

The Calcutta Seventh Extra Meeting produced one good finish, owing to a surprising effort by Clodian, most determinedly ridden by Mr Evers. For the rest there were runaway victories one after another the whole afternoon long. Geebung was the first to spreadeagle a field of paperchase ponies, winning by eight lengths ; probably he has at last convinced people that he can gallop a little among this class. Mount Dane, another outsider, beat a big field over a mile and a quarter, the favourite running second, and old Loyal third. The Selling Handicap looked a good thing for St. Michael and he beat everything but Clodian with great ease. His owner refused to part with him, however, and another good horse is still for sale.

For the closed Club Race Downland and Recoil were well backed, but neither had any chance against Mr. Pugh's Manon, who should have been remembered on her running at Tollygunge where

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she was asked to meet very much better horses. The last two races were won by Baichan, and with Solace he upset a very hot favourite in Mr. Scott's Tightlace, whose supporters had not reckoned with Mr. Field's present run of luck.

On Thursday comes the last Extra of all, after which we shall fold our wings thankfully and watch for the coming of the beautiful Indian summer that is now so close at hand. The two closed races have filled well. Among the Light Horse chargers Fairy looks best; Myrene and Salad Dressing both prefer to race under a very much lighter weight, and although there are said to be one or two fastish horses in the entry, the old chestnut mare will probably find little difficulty in pulling it off.

The Paperchase Cups now afford the chief topic of interest among riding people in Calcutta. The Pony Cup will be won before these lines appear in print, and there seems to promise better competition than was expected a week or so ago. Mistlebird should be favourite, but Pathfinder, after his win last week, will run her very close. Also there will be Josephus, Clarice, Samah, and perhaps Envious, all speedy enough to take advantage of any slip made by the leaders.

For the big Cup the prospects are still better. Taking the heavy weights first, Dr. Forsyth on Corydon will be hard to beat, but still we fancy Mr. Myers on Sir Walter or Mr. Halliday on Ruddigore, who have both shown good form in recent chases. Messrs. Macdonald, Euler and Leggatt will proabbly join in the hunt. Of the light weights Captain Holden and Lord Harry are *facile princeps* on form, but Mr. Evers and Cain will surely worry them not a little. Besides these there are many possibilities, chief of which is Mr. Deakin and Trilby, and in all the field should muster about fifteen.

Poor "Tiger" Smith! erstwhile the pride of the 10th Hussars, and the relentless smiter of many mediocrities on whom he built up his fistic reputation out here. From ourintimate knowledge of Smith and his methods—and we had a good deal to do with his early appearances in Calcutta as most of our readers are aware—we always predicated that if he ever went home and tried conclusions with the quality he would shape but poorly. He went, and the first man he met was Seaman Kelly, whom he was lucky enough to beat. But this gave us absolutely no line whatever: both were sloggers pure and simple and Smith managed to get there first. Then vaulting ambition led him on to challenge the Champion of England, with what result our special telegram acquaints us! Here he met a scientific giant who, with lumps of weight in hand, put him out in three minutes—there could not well have been any other result unless a miracle had occurred. And we must not forget that Moir is by no means a top-hole man.

The first entries for the Great Northern Spring Meeting are published to-day; second entries close on the 6th proximo.

We believe the Calcutta Light Horse Sports, last Saturday, were very successful. A friend who was there has given us the following statement of results:—

Leading Horses.—Open to sections of four horses. No. 3 will fall in mounted and will lead the three led horses round a flagged course. The section making the fastest time to win. Won by Corporal Morgan, Troopers Dods, Sidey, and Pearson.

Victoria Cross Race.—Competitors fall in mounted and ride over a couple of fences, pick up a dummy, and return over two fences, to the winning post. Sergeant-Major Fogarty first, Trooper Ballantine second.

The Moorghy Race.—Competitors fall in on foot and each man runs to a lady, who will hand him a coloured ribbon, and he runs to a crate containing moorghies, each moorghy having a coloured ribbon tied to it. The competitor arriving at the winning post first with a moorghy matching his ribbon to win. (*N. B.*—Moorghy to be sound in wind and limb.) Won by Lieutenant Westmacott and Mrs. Dods.

Jumping Competition.—Points will be given for pace, seat, hands and dressing saddles. Won by Sergeant Antram, Corporal Pugh and Trooper Bletsoe second and third respectively.

Geography Race.—Each man falls in mounted, carrying an envelope containing the name of four towns and rides over a fence to a lady, who enters the names of the continents to which the towns belong in the slip, and the man rides back over the fence to the winning post. The first in with the correct answer to win. Won by Mrs. O'Kenealy and Trooper Levetus.

Swimming Competition.—Members fall in mounted on barebacked horses on the west side of the Serpentine Tank and swim their horses across and finish at a flag about 50 yards from the bank. Won by Sergeant Harvey. Trooper Morgan second.

The first week in February saw the conclusion of the shooting for the Grand Prix at Monte Carlo. One hundred and forty-seven competitors entered. The Italians were in great strength, numbering sixty-eight, whilst there were twenty-five Englishmen, twenty-three Frenchmen, and competitors from Belgium, Russia, Spain, America, Austria, Australia, Germany, and other countries. On Wednesday, the concluding day, there was a big crowd and splendid sunshine, and the competitors numbered one hundred and fifty-four. In the fifth round Roberts, H. Grasselli, Trauttmansdorff, Villaviciosa, Schiannini, Journu, Davies, Robinson, Hall, Bradley, Gagliardi, Glioilanda, Moncorge, Lazzara, Urzaiz, Artet, Avial, Interdonato, F. Thellusson, Carter, and Polastoi killed all their birds. In the next round Roberts' bird dropped dead outside the barrier, and Vilvilaciosa, Davies, Gagliardi, Glioilanda, and Moncorge missed their birds, but Grasselli, Trauttmansdorff, Schiannini, Journu, Robinson, Hall, Bradley, Urzaiz, Avial, Interdonato, F. Thellusson, and Carter bagged theirs. In the seventh round Grasselli missed his bird, as did Journu, Carter, Urzaiz, and Avial; Trauttmansdorff, Schiannini, Robinson, Hall, Bradley, Interdonato, and Thellusson killing. In the eighth round only Trauttmansdorff, Hall, Interdonato, and Thellusson killed all. The excitement became intense, Bradley having to deal with an impossible bird; the next to miss was Interdonato, whose ninth bird got away. Mr. Thellusson broke down in the tenth round, when the result was left to Trauttmansdorff and Hall, the former being the first to kill. Both killed their eleventh birds, but Trauttmansdorff missed his twelfth, and Hall, crumpling up his bird, won the Prix amid the plaudits of the company. His victory gives seven in favour of the Englishmen, against six won by Italians. The official announcement of the result was as follows:—Hall first, with 12-12; Roberts and Interdonato dividing second and hird with 14-15; and Trauttmansdorff and Schiannini fourth with 13-15. Mr. Hall, whose victory was an extremely popular one, is a very well known pigeon shot, both here and abroad. He shot with a Woodward gun and used cartridges loaded with Curtis's and Harvey's Smokeless Diamond powder. This powder, by the way, was used by the competitor who took second place in the Grand Prix last year. It is a wonderfully quick powder, and from what we hear gave much satisfaction to sportmen last season.

In accordance with the wish expressed at the last General Meeting of the Ceylon Fishing Club, a consignment of fish ova has been ordered from England, and is due to arrive in Ceylon before the end of the current month. About 20,000 ova, half of which will be of brown trout, and the remainder rainbow trout, will thus arrive there at a season which is considered the most favourable for hatching them out. It will be remembered that the importation of ova by the Fishing Club was discontinued for a long interval, the brown trout ova being the first stopped owing to the very small percentage of results. It was found that the trout were breeding locally, and the Club thus discontinued the regular stocking of the up-country streams, but, latterly, a growing scarcity of fish has been noticed and the Club is taking action to remedy matters. Mr. Herbert Campbell, who has kindly undertaken the work connected with the hatcheries since Mr. H. C. Wilson, the fish expert, went to Madras, says that the present season is the most suitable for the hatching out of the ova, and that there is every reason to hope that good results will be obtained from the expected consignment of ova.

With sorrow we received the news of the death of Mr. Henry K. Beauchamp, late editor of the *Madras Mail*; the cause is said to have been appendicitis. He retired but a few weeks ago, and died, poor fellow, within a few days of his return to England on retirement from India. For sixteen years he edited the *Mail* with extreme credit to himself and much benefit to the country; he was a sound and brilliant journalist, a prominent personality in public life in the Madras presidency, a kindly man and a plucky. As a sportsman he will be long remembered, for he was a good oarsman and rider and took an active interest in most outdoor pastimes. Years ago we were connected with his paper in the capacity of Calcutta correspondent and our recollections of those somewhat distant days contain nothing but the kindliest feelings for an appreciative chief and a clever brother journalist with whom it was a pleasure and a privilege to be associated. He will be hard to replace.

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At the annual meeting of the Indian Polo Association, which commences at Meerut on the 7th March, in addition to the bu-iness already announced, Captain Heseltine, of the Carabiniers, will propose that in future the Hurlingham Rules for Polo be adopted *in toto* in this country, with two exceptions, *viz.*, the height of ponies and the duration of play. Colonel Macan will propose that at Stations where polo is much played, the Polo secretary should keep a list of those competent and willing to umpire in matches and tournaments ; their names to be sent to the Honorary Secretary, I.P.A., for registration, and that in all important Tournaments Umpires be selected from this list.

C. J. Lee, the Bombay bookmaker, is again in trouble. Since the Key West episode which marked his exit from the betting ring he has been carrying on a starting price business ; his premises were raided by the Bombay police on Friday last and he and his assistants were arrested on a charge of keeping a common gaming house.

Well printed, well arranged, well illustrated and comprehensive are the adjectives which occur to one when perusing Messrs. W. Newman and Co.'s latest general catalogue and we may say that the full detailed index at the end thereof is a useful and noteworthy feature of an altogether first class publication of its kind. Any item of stationery, any particulars *re* printing, binding, and lithography can be readily found in this smart and up-to-date catalogue.

Our Bangalore correspondent writes :—Eheu fugaces !—especially from the point of view of Bangalore racing. The first day of the February meeting was a complete frost, and it is doubtful whether the authorities would not have been wiser to cancel the meeting. Five races on the card and four of them reduced to matches ! Except during June and July, when there are a lot of outside stables summering here, it would seem that Bangalore has now no use for any racing except that of the Gymkhana variety. There are plenty of local animals, but they are almost all of the charger, hunter or polo pony class, and the few that stand out are not in themselves sufficient to furnish fields. Besides their very presence spoils sport. Owners of polo ponies see one or two of a class which they know to be better than their own entered, and say at once " What is the use of running against a racing pony." Or the said racing pony gets thirteen or fourteen stone clapped on his back and his owner quite naturally says :— " I am not going to break a good pony down for a hundred and fifty rupees."

The second day's racing was a degree better than the first, although it was only a couple of substitution charger races that produced even fair fields. There are few remarks to be made which are worth making and the only extraordinary feature was the running of Ping Pong in the Little Plate. Certainly he was giving three stone to each of his two opponents, but considering their class, one would have expected him to " do it on his head." The time was not good and 4 to 1 was laid on Ping Pong when he went out. The brief account sent you of the racing supplies quite sufficient additional comment.

The skittle polo tournament here has ended in a win for " A " Team (Captain the Hon'ble H. E. Joicey and Major Tickle, D. S. O., 14th [King's] Hussars ; Mr. T. R. Bruce, R. A., and Mr. Naper, R. A.), after a great struggle with " F " Team (Mr. A. G. L. Astley and Mr. H. Maddick, 14th [King's] Hussars, and Captain Muspratt and Mr. H. T. Walker, Gordon's Horse). These two sides each won four matches out of five and consequently a deciding game was necessary. This was played on the morning of the 21st instant, when " A " Team won by 2 goals to a subsidiary. Naper played particularly well for the winners.

That good sportsman and polo player, Lieutenant C. F. Pike of the Royal Dragoons, accidentally shot himself at Lucknow last week and, to the regret of all who knew him, died on Saturday last at the Station Hospital.

The Infantry Polo Tournament was won by the Rifle Brigade team who beat the Seaforths by 4 goals and 3 subsidiaries to 3 goals.

A correspondent of our contemporary "down the street" gives the following details of a brisk little incident in which a Chief Commissioner and an angry elephant played the leading parts :— "Mr. S. M. Fraser, Chief Commissioner of Coorg and Resident in Mysore, met with an adventure in Coorg near the Canara border during his recent tour. Mr. Fraser, accompanied by Mr. Harris, I.C.S., Assistant Commissioner, Mr. McCarthy, Forest Officer, and Mr. Haller, Assistant Director of Agriculture, was riding along a narrow zigzagging path through an almost impenetrable jungle, when he heard an elephant moving parallel with them. Mr. McCarthy rode to the next bend to see if the coast was clear. At the moment Mr. McCarthy turned the bend a tusker came out on to the path above him, without a moment's hesitation gave the usual squeal and charged down the path. Shouting 'ride,' Mr. McCarthy galloped down the path, and, with this flying start, passed Mr. Fraser, who had not got up much pace, not fully realising the danger. The rest of the party disappeared round the next bend. Mr. Fraser turned into an opening in the jungle, only to find it a regular trap of impenetrable growth on all sides. The rogue elephant was within a few yards of the horse's tail. Without an instant's hesitation, throwing an armround a tree while passing, he let the horse gallop from under him, fell to the ground on all fours, flung himself to one side clear of the charging elephant's path and springing to his feet took refuge behind a larger tree some paces away. No sooner did the elephant miss his man than he pulled up, turned round and proceeded slowly to hunt for him. Mr. Fraser in the meantime moved silently round the tree, keeping it between himself and the elephant. Fortunately after some minutes, the elephant moved off and disappeared. Mr. Fraser emerged from his place of concealment, not damaged in any way and as cool as though such hair-breadth escapes were a matter of every day occurrence. The whole party was unarmed."

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Probably a postal irregularity is responsible for the fact that our Bombay correspondent's interesting budget of notes has not come to hand this week.

A chance of picking up some really cheap fox-hounds is offered in Mr. Bazley's advertisement further on.

Athletic Notes.

THE Punjab Native Army Hockey Tournament was won by the 15th Sikhs who beat the 14th Sikhs in the final : this is the third victory of the 15th in this competition.

The Staunton Chess Club has once again blossomed into activity, *vide* the announcement of an open Tournament to be found among our special advertisements to-day.

The following gem, addressed to the Honorary Secretary by a disappointed entrant for a handicap in the forthcoming Presidency Athletic Sports, is too good to be lost :—

"DEAR SIR,—I have been given to understand that you have given me 3 yards handicap only for 150 yards flat race. If it is so, I do not see there is any use of me running when I stand no chance. I saw yesterday that Saker has got 10 yards handicap wnen he can run faster than me and he beat me in the 220 for the school challenge shield. And may I also mention that Mr. Watts who won the 100 yards in the Howrah sports this year has got 8 yards which I think is unfair. *I thank you very much if you will kindly give me the same handicap or at least 8 yards, if not kindly refund my money.* Hoping no offence."

By his magnificent innings of 134, which fairly won their match for the English schools against the Indian schools in the Eden Gardens the other day, J. D. Guise set the seal on probably quite the most successful batting season which a Calcutta cricketer has ever known. He has scored in all something like 1,300 runs with an average of something over 60, we believe, and as he always goes in first with the responsibility of the batting success of his side resting very largely on his shoulders, and has only one not out innings to help him, it will readily be realised what a tremendous amount of good work he has done. For the Calcutta Cricket Club alone he has scored well over 1,100 runs, which must be several hundred more than any other player has previously accomplished, and it must be noted the quality of the attack of the other local clubs is much improved of late years. Add that he is perhaps the best and keenest field with the most reliable pair of hands on the C. C. C. side, and that his bowling, though much of its sting of seven or eight years ago has gone, is still often of considerable use, and it is not difficult to deduce his value to any team for which he plays. We hope that he will have a chance of figuring in some really good cricket at home during the coming summer.

The abovementioned match between the English and the Indian schools has clearly come to stay, and with the batting strength available on both sides, we should like to see three days allotted to it another year. The increase in the hours of play and the improvement in the wickets has made a most marked difference in the scoring in the Eden Gardens, and during their last four innings alone the home side have put up some 1,400 runs for the loss of some 30 wickets, a good many of which have really been thrown away. And yet out here we have had no wails from the bowlers so far as to the need for legislation to improve the game !

In the final match of the South Indian Athletic Association Football Tournament, played on Monday, the Sherwood Foresters beat the Cheshire Regiment.

London Week by Week.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

Friday, 8th February 1907.

HIS MAJESTY opens Parliament on Tuesday : and Parliament, if rumour be an honest woman of her word, will open with an attack on the Upper House. Mr. Keir Hardie says it is unlikely there will be a General Election this year, but he is certain that next year will see it : and what the member for Merthyr Tydvil does not know on these matters is not worth knowing. I heard a few days ago that there is little hope of Mr. Chamberlain's return to active political life ; physically he is very well, but his recent illness left him with memory so greatly impaired that he will not again be able to resume his place in the fighting line as a leader at all events. This is the worst blow the country could sustain ; Mr. Chamberlain for long past has been for the country as distinguished from Party.

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As the fog of early charge and countercharge bred by panic clears away we get a clearer idea of the situation at Kingston and the actions of Sir A. Swettenham : and the clearer the picture, the better the figure made by the much abused Governor. He seems to have offended the succeptibilities of some "low down" journalist who seized the opportunity to blacken him. The *Times* published the abuse, but it has also published the saner and better founded accounts. Nothing, of course, can explain away the ill considered private letter to the American Admiral ; but it seems certain that if any proceeding could have brought about trouble among the Negroes it was the landing of an American force under the American flag which stands for everything most loathed and feared by the black man in the West Indies : and it was well to get rid of this display of force as quickly and completely as possible.

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Have you read the Aga Khan's article in the *National Review?* If not, do so: it is the best answer to shrieking political baboodom I have seen. He proposes for India what others have urged for Ireland; release from the political arena by the appointment as Viceroy of a near relative of the Sovereign who, being above party, should become the nucleus of all the best men, native princes and European Civil Servants in India. He wants to get rid of the party-political change of attitude towards India which mars the existing system; even as we would get rid of it in Ireland by appointing real Heads in a Prince and Princess of the Blood and dispensing with the raving politicians. The article is that of a very able and thoughtful statesman who can, and does, take large views.

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The Book War has entered upon a new phase. The publishers, whose books the *Times* asks its readers not to order if they can help it, have refused to sell books to the *Times* Book Club at any price at all and only supply "the trade" on condition that the trade refuses to sell to the club even at full retail prices. The publishers further put a secret mark in books sold to the trade and send spies to Oxford Street to see if these books find their way to the library. Mr. Eden Phillpotts, having fallen foul of the *Times* for prefacing a notice of his last work with a request to readers not to order it, is given a leading article all to himself wherein he is told that he and his publishers do not know their business. The *Times* is ready to buy 2,000 copies of his book if the publishers will supply them at wholesale prices. I am sorry for Mr. Phillpotts, but it seems to me that he ought to "go for" his publishers rather than the *Times*. There was a lull in the interminable correspondence this week, and we fondly hoped the dreary squabble was at an end.

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People at Selsey had their bucolic peace disturbed in an unusual way on Tuesday afternoon. A 9-in. shell—2ft. 9in. long—fell in a field near some houses, causing broken windows and other unpleasantness, as it buried itself with a tremendous dirt splash two or three feet in the plough. The uncanny thing was that no ship was in sight and it has since transpired that the nearest battleship was ten miles away. Luckily the projectile was a practice shell: had it been a "live" one it must have gone hard with the Fisherman's Joy inn close to which it alighted.

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A curious and interesting question has been recently raised. Where are the Gretna marriage registers? Gretna Green marriages began in about 1754 to provide means of evading Lord Harwicke's Marriage Act of that year: and they continued until 1856 when Lord Brougham's Act made them illegal. The whereabouts of some of these registers are known: a firm of Carlisle solicitors have several volumes, others are in private hands, while others are known to have been destroyed. It is urged with great propriety that these books should be collected and placed in national keeping, before some American millionaire gets hold of them. It is an excellent chance for Mr. Carnegie. Years ago I remember seeing one of these registers at the King's Head at Gretna: it was hired by the host as an attraction from a very old man named William Lang, who was said to be one of the last survivors of the small knot of the Gretna "priests" who celebrated these marriages.

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The accident which cost Lady Dorothy Cuthbert her life has been investigated by the Coroner with the anticipated result. The discharge of her husband's gun was the result of half frozen fingers touching the trigger: Captain Cuthbert was carrying it over his left shoulder and was in the act of bringing it forward and releasing the safety bolt when he pulled the trigger. Lady Dorothy was walking near him a little to his left rear. The statements that he tripped over roots hidden under the snow, or that the trigger caught on his coat have no foundation. The fatality was one of those deplorable accidents which demand sympathy for the survivor more than for anyone else.

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The marriage of an Englishwoman to an Aryan is always to be profoundly regretted, but the case of Hall vs. Wadia does not seem to have grown directly from the fundamental error of the high contracting parties. The arrangement made was bound to end in disaster if all concerned were whites and angels of amiability to boot. When Cursetjee Nowrojee Wadia married Miss Hall in 1903 he contracted with the lady's grandmother for £900 a year to provide a home for himself and his wife: and induced her to leave Cromwell Crescent for 196, Cromwell Road, a much larger house. C. N. Wadia was much in the East whither for obvious reasons neither he nor his wife were willing she should go: and Mrs. Wadia lived with her 70-year old grandmother and an aunt. When the husband was in London matters did not run smoothly and at last he endeavoured to break the seven years' contract and turn out his grandmother-in-law. The old lady would not go: she brought an action for breach of contract and got a verdict for the better part of her claim, £3,500. There is to be an appeal.

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"The Philanderer" is not one of Mr. Bernard Shaw's best plays. It was written and published a good many years ago and he has done much work superior to it in the interval. The story depends on a scientific man's mistake. Dr. Paramore has made a great reputation by discovering a new disease and has given Colonel Craven two years to live: Colonel Craven, who has lived a gay life, has turned serious, goes to church regularly, forgives his enemies though he still hates them, and generally prepares for his end. Then after a year of this, to him in the Ibsen Club, enter Dr. Paramore paralysed by the discovery that his famous disease does not exist at all. Utterly oblivious of all this means to Craven his mind is monopolised by the loss of his own reputation. The scene is worked out in the best Shavian manner and is the cream of the play. Apart from this the comedy does not greatly appeal. We cannot take much interest in Leonard Carter's love affairs; his entanglement with Julia Craven what time he woos a new love, Mrs. Tranfield; nor do the vagaries of the two ladies hold us: even though Miss. Wynne Mathieson was the widow and Miss Barton played Miss Craven excellently—wonderfully, considering she took the part at a few hours' notice. They are vague shadowy creatures. Mr. Eric Lewis was first-rate as Colonel Craven and Mr. Harben was properly forbidding as the self-centred doctor who thought his vivisection work on three dogs and a monkey had established his proof of that disease.

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I omitted last week to refer to the new "Dutch Musical Incident" at the Prince of Wales' Theatre. The programme was promising: I do not refer to the fact that it bore the names of Mr. G. P. Huntley, Miss Isabel Jay, Mr. Geo. Barrett, Miss Gracie Leigh, and others of good report: but to the description:—"Chatter by Paul A. Rubens and Austen Hurgon, Jingles and Tunes by Paul A. Rubens." Chatter and jingles just fits the average musical comedy, but "Miss Hook of Holland" is at least one cut above that variety entertainment. There is a distinct thread of story; not a very strong one perhaps, but at all events a clear idea running through it. Mr. Hook of Holland has made a vast fortune by distilling a certain liqueur for the recipe of which there is only one copy: he takes the unique document out for a walk to give it or himself a treat because it is its or his birthday, and loses it. It is found by Simon Slinks, loafer, and by him sold to Captain Paap of the Artillery who thinks to use it as an instrument for gaining the hand and fortune of Sally, only daughter and right hand of old Hook. After much ado the recipe is recovered by Bandmaster Van Vupt, also of the Artillery, with whom Sally is in love.

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Allowing for the manifest absurdities essential to the story—as the non-existence of even one duplicate of the famous recipe with its 63 ingredients—the story is quite reasonable; but, of course, the play depends far more upon the "chatter and jingles" than coherency of plot, and it was admirably acted. Mr. Huntley as the doddering amiable old distiller is delightful; his fussiness and his omnipresent dislikes—a list of which he keeps in his note book for ready reference—underlain by his natural drollery kept the house in a roar. Miss Isabel Jay is Miss Hook; her's is the master hand in the distillery, for she invented that wonderful liqueur and she it is who keeps the business going: she has some songs that suit her excellently well, the best of them being perhaps "Little Miss Wooden Shoes" with a chorus of little girls seated on kegs whereupon they kick time with their sabots. The hit of the evening in "jingles" was Miss Leigh's song, "The Flying Dutchmen," with a picturesque chorus of market girls. The secondary parts were well done; particularly Slinks by Mr. G. Barrett, Ludwig Schnapps, foreman of the distillery, and Mina, Miss Hook's maid, by Miss Leigh. The music is tuneful: not remarkable for originality, but such music as pit and gallery can pick up at first hearing and whistle going home. The play is very well put: Act I is a Dutch market place and Act II, the interior of the Distillery, has the attraction of novelty.

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The Variety Artists "House Warming" at the Scala Theatre on the night of Thursday week resolved itself into a series of speeches after the orchestra had played a selection—a good many selections. There was much congratulation on

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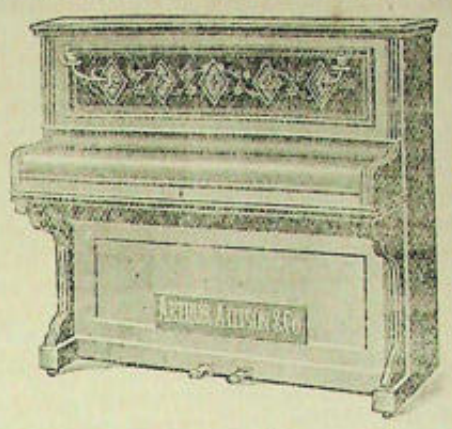

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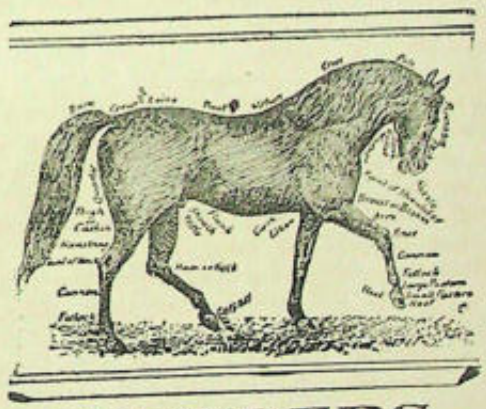

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possession of a theatre, and much denunciation of music hall managers and all their works. The audience consisted largely of strikers and the rest of a not overfull house of languidly interested members of the public. The "performance," if it can be called so, has not been repeated: agreements with managers preclude the giving of anything but speeches by the music hall planets: and those planets or some of them met the managers for five hours at the Trocadero on Monday with the object of arriving at an understanding. It is eminently desirable that an understanding should be reached because the present situation can do no good to any of the parties involved. The music hall firmament is a howling voice without stars and stars cease to be stars unless there be a place for them in their native space. The foes of settlement seem to be the officials of the National Alliance—always look to officials who have least to lose for the motive power of a strike. The managers flatly refuse to recognise the alliance or its officials at all preferring, wisely, to treat direct with the stars themselves. A *modus vivendi* was reached at Monday's meeting, and now a Conciliation Board has been formed to adjust differences and set matters on a sound footing. We shall no doubt be admitted into the confidence of the Board ere long: its members at present are disinclined to say anything for publication.

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A new turn at the Oxford is called the "Stunning Grenadiers" in allusion I presume to the terrific din accomplished by six able-bodied young women armed with cymbals. They go through evolutions and drill unknown to the red book, and wind up with a wild parody of Sousa's method of conducting an orchestra which has disastrous results on their clothes: the stage is strewn with fragments after the display is over.

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The Telepathic boom continues. The latest notable turn at the Palace is that of the "Mysterious Howards," two young Americans—if accent go for anything—who achieve precisely the same results as the Zancigs. In one essential particular the Howards are even more remarkable: the man on the stage, blindfolded and with his back to the audience, writes on a blackboard the date of a coin, number of a cheque or note or name of a card shown to the other man moving among the audience, the other man saying not a word. [We have the same sort of show now in full swing in Calcutta.—Ed.]

I give this report, which has been going the round, for what it is worth:—When the Zancigs arrived in this country they were welcomed by Maskelyne and Devant, who asked whether their performance was a trick or if they called it telepathy. The new-comers said it was a trick: whereupon Maskelyne and Devant hailed them as brothers, saying that had occultism been claimed they would have got up a rival show at Queen's Hall and exposed the trickery. There is honour among conjurors, no doubt: but somehow I do not find it easy to accept the story.

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The Great Wheel is gradually dissolving into its original parts. A huge scaffolding of wood, like a St. Andrew's Cross, fills it from hub to rim: the great driving chains have been cut into 60-foot sections and removed, and this week a gap appears at the top of the wheel. A curious incident of the work is that to ensure safety to the workmen during demolition, an enormous quantity of old bolts and rivets have been removed and replaced by new ones, whereby the structure has been made as good as new merely to be pulled to pieces. The legs which carry the axle are to be cut and allowed to fall: if the Earl's Court people are wise they will make an afternoon's show of that final scene.

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Strange indeed are the troubles of them who seek advice in London police courts! On Saturday appeared before Mr. Grant at Willesden a woman distraught: during the past week she had noticed a change in the partner of her joys and had arrived at the disturbing conclusion that he was not the man to whom she had been married for 14 years: this man was stouter and not so kind. On the other hand he gave her exactly the same amount for housekeeping as her real husband did. Nevertheless in spite of his amazing personal resemblance she was perfectly sure he wasn't the right man: and she wanted "a warrant for her real husband." The woman appeared to be perfectly sane and was apparently satisfied when Mr. Grant advised her to bring the changeling to the court that the matter might be enquired into. She has not been back yet.

Onlooker.

Shikar.

AN OLD GUNNER.

On the jut of the Norfolk coast which runs due east from Hunstanton to Cromer is a tract of shore unlike any other on the English seaboard. From Holkham Bay to Blakeney Tower the land has, in the course of a few centuries, gained as much from the shallow Northern sea as it has lost where the coast once more faces eastward. In place of lost towns and submerged churches, there extends, as far as the eye can reach, a wide fringe of saltmarsh, protected from the sea, first by an ever growing barrier of sandhills, and secondly by an outwork known as the "High Sand," an immense sandbank, rising like the back of a sole, uncovered, except at high tide, studded from mile to mile with ancient wrecks, and the nightly resting place of the celebrated wild grey geese of Holkham, which come there yearly in October from the Lapland marshes "to pay their rents," as the fishermen say, for last year's food and lodging. The inner tract of marsh, between the sandhills and the original line of shore, has been reclaimed along the whole face of the Holkham estate as far as the mouth of Wells Harbour. Thence it stretches eastward in an apparently limitless plain not of mud or sand, but of land almost reclaimed by nature, covered with thousands of acres of sea-lavender, crab-grass, rosemary, and samphire, intersected by creeks large and small, which figure on the map much as the arteries of the body do in an anatomical drawing, and cut by one or two deeper channels, running up from Wells Harbour, which are navigable by boats at high tide. The high springs or "marsh tides," as they are locally called, cover these flats twice or thrice a month. But the whole expanse offers a feeding ground and resting place for wild fowl almost unequalled in England. The sands and the muds outside the sandhills are visited in winter by thousands of stints, knots, curlews, and grey plover, and the marshes inside the "hills" are by night the feeding ground of all the wildfowl which rest by day on Holkham Lake, while red-shanks, green plover, golden plover, and curlew haunt them at all hours.

It can scarcely be matter for surprise that these marshes, which are so attractive even to the stranger who visits them for the sake of sport or natural history, are regarded with an almost passionate attachment by the old "gunners" who have spent all their lives upon their borders. They eagerly welcome the chance of a whole day upon the marshes as an agreeable change from their daily work of mussel and cockle fishing, and their keenness to do the honours of their native marsh to a stranger is as great as that of any great proprietor to show sport to his guests in his fields and covers.

The writer's last visit to this delectable land was made with the object of seeing, and perhaps shooting, some of the wild geese on their morning and evening flight from and to the great sandbank. For guide and attendant he had an old "gunner" who, by general consent, had a more intimate knowledge of the methods and history of wildfowling in these marshes, and of the habits of the creatures which frequent them, than any man now living upon this coast. His back was bent from long nights spent sitting in "duck holes." He knew the effect of every shift of wind and weather on the fowl, the devious ways and paths across the marshes, and the hours at which the creeks could be crossed at all states of the tide. His keenness for the sport was inexhaustible, as the following anecdote shows. He is an adept at "calling" the different shore birds, and in the earlier part of the season can whistle single golden plovers and curlew down from the sky with an art which looks like magic. On one occasion, in September he called a single golden plover, which descended from a great height and alighted within twenty yards of a party who were lunching in the sandhills. But he was so unfortunate as to lose a front tooth, and found that he could "whistle" the birds no longer. This was not to be borne, so he extracted (with his knife) the corresponding lower tooth, in the hope that he would whistle as well as ever if he "made things ship shape." The result of this experiment was that he could not whistle at all. So he contrived a "stopper" of tin which could be adjusted to fill the gap, and thus equipped, found that he could once more practice his lost art.

Our "wild-goose chase" presented more than the usual difficulties. At night they flew back too high over the sandhills for a successful shot. In the early mornings the winds were light and adverse, and the weather clear. But, like Charles St. John's keeper Donald, the old man had set his heart upon our shooting a goose, and was determined that no slackness on our part should be encouraged.

Each night he appeared, nominally for orders, really to give them, and then discoursed in fluent East Anglian phrase on the whole duty of the wildfowler.

"I ha'brought some swan-shot up to load a few of your cartridges for them geese we're a-going after in the morning, he would observe, on entering the inn parlour after dinner had been removed.

"Oh, we are going after them, are we? the writer would answer, half in inquiry, half in resignation.

"You *must*; can't you hear the wind? That's blowing half a gale from the west'ard, and them old geese, when they come o' the morning, they're bound to fly low. I lay a penny they'll come straight in past the beacon, and in over them highest sandhills. That's were we're bound to be afore light if the wind don't shift. Like as not that'll blow harder then. You'll come all the same if that snow or rain! Then I'll call you at half-past five. Dark? no; that o'ont be dark—not dark enough to si'nify. That's never rightly dark unless there come on a thick" (a fog). "Moonlight nights on the marshes, I've known when that looked as light as day. But that isn't. I never cared what time that was when I was out, whether that was day or whether that was night; and I've set out in 'duck-holes' all hours and all weathers. But moonlights are the carousest. The birds can see; you can't see, or not a quarter so much, or see things wrong; and though they can see everything else, there is just one thing they can't see, and that's *you*. Anyway, if you keep still they don't pay no regard to you—not no more than if you was a piece o' wreck—not so much sometimes, for they'll a'most walk over you.

"I was setten one night in a 'duck-hole' near where that goose-net stands, just off the hills. That was bright moonlight half-full. Two stints come flying along over the mud, and lit down against me, on the edge of the hole, and I catched one with my hand.

"I said to the man who was with me, setten, in another hole close by, 'Gracious heart now me, what do you think I done? I catched a stint with my hand, and very near had the other!'

"When we dig a duck-hole that fare as if the birds like to come and see what it is, and often that won't mind you a mite—not if ye keep setten still. When you dig one of them holes, you go and gather two or three armfuls of marrum-grass, and put that in the hole to set on, and be comfortable and dry. When I've been set there I've had an old owl pitch in by me and stop so, pricked up upon the marrum. So I have seen them when first I come to the whole, setting pricked up upon the seat where I was going to sit. Old brent geese too, will get into the holes, and set on the dry marrum where you laid it.

"One night I had forty or fifty of the grey geese come walking and talking within twenty yards of me. They were all scattered about, not arranged anyhow so as I could shoot along the 'ringe,' and I kept waiting till they got nearly too far to shoot. Then I only got a couple.

"Moonlight nights I was waiting for them knot, when a brace of widgeon dropped right into the whole where I sat. *They* didn't stop to shut the door before they were off! Another night I found the hole I had dug was full of water, so I made another alongside of it. While I sat there two mallards flew up behind me, and dropped slap into the water-logged hole that was a little behind me, and I had to turn round to shoot. My heart went thump! thump! thump! as I waited for them to come out of the hole, for the water wasn't up to the top, and I couldn't see *them*, and they were so close under the side that they couldn't see *me*.

"At last I crawled out, and up they got, but I never killed but one.

"Old Jimmy Catchpole and I sat out one very sharp night by the edge of the long sand. The tide was too high to dig a deep hole, but Jimmy scraped out a 'laying-hole,' and lay there on his back, just so as his head and body were level with the sand, but his feet and legs lay out. He allus swear an old mallard drake come and washed the'self and cleaned the'self between his two feet. That night, while I lay there on my back, a mallard come walking past me not four yards off. I had the gun lying with the muzzle resting on my toe down along my leg. Thinks I, 'I'll tak' yar head off,' for that was too near to shoot it anyhow else. I fired, and that lay on the ground. But when I come to pick it up, it wasn't touched by the shot, though it was as dead as a herring. Not a drop of blood anywhere. That must have been killed by the wind of the charge just over its head.

"Well, while I ha' been talking I ha' filled these dozen cartridges with swan shot, and these others with BB; and if we don't kill one of them old grey geese in the morning they'll have sore bones anyhow."

Punctually at half-past five next morning the rattle of gravel against the window aroused us from bed, and a brief interval saw us tramping by starlight over muddy roads towards the sands of Holkham Bay. As the dawn cleared the way for daylight across the marsh the geese came in in lines and companies from the High Sand. Flock after flock passed over, with steady even flight and flute-like calls. But the gale had dropped, the lightening sky was cloudless and though our shot could be heard rattling on the feathers of the geese, the elastic cuirass of down saved them from injury. We were consoled by the beauty of the dawn on the marshes, and the walk home in the fresh winter morning between the sandhills and the sea. Not so our guide. He felt that his reputation was at stake. In the evening he once more appeared, to urge us to further enterprise by tales of the shore and marsh.

"You say that you can only half see by moonlight, I remarked; 'but you can see a great deal more than most men—than myself, for instance, when I am out at night.'

"Perhaps I can, but it is all happy go-lucky work. When the moon is about nine days old no man can believe his eyes. It is like sleep-walking. When the moon is about that size I have shot little stints thinking they were curlew. Then I had a fair rake with big shot at a man, thinking he was a duck; and one night off Brancaster I see a rare lot of widgeon feeding, and pulled my punt up well within range, and pulled right off into them. It was nothing but a row of stakes; the widgeon were the other side, and the shot went on and I killed a brace. When you are lying as still as still on the muds, with nothing bigger than a mallard near you, you make bigger mistakes than that. An old duck will go walking splash! splash! splash! past you, so loud and heavy that you would think it was a man.

"I was lying on the bank called 'Old Shells' one bright night, and a gentleman with me was lying a hundred yards off in a shallow hole on the mud, when a pair of mallards walked in between us.

"After we got up to go home I said to him:—

'Didn't you see nothing?'

'No,' he said.

'What, nothing at all? Not that pair o' ducks?'

'No,' he said: 'only I see a man and a boy go past.'

"It was them two mallard he saw. That was a capital place to make a duck-hole. Soon as you'd taken a bit of the jelly off the top you could dig down five feet if you liked.

"Once I was sitting there when a man I was 'in Co.' with had a fair shot at me. His hole was full of water when we come. So I baled it out for him, and went off to mine. I lost sight o' him, and he o' me. Presently off goes his gun and the shot come plump into the mud alongside o' me.

"Luckily it catched the mud where I had scooped it out of the hole; it sent great lumps over my head, and the top of my old water-boots rattled. A lot hit my side; but I had thick clothes on and that never got through.

"That ain't so dangerous at night as when you are crawling down a creek with another man behind you. Once I was squated down in a narrow creek, so narrow that my side bag would not fit in, but was hitched up against the bank. Off goes the gentleman's gun, and all, that charge of shot went between my back and the bag. I felt so bad that I lay down for ten minutes, and then I walked off home.

"Only once I came near to bringing a man into real danger.

"I was out by night in a gunning punt, and a young fellow who was 'in Co.' with me, and I heard those old grey geese 'talking' on the sand. The tide was high, and we thought we could get right into them.

"I said:—'Whatever you do, do you keep me in sight. We will work up together, and pull when I flash a match.' Well we sat up, but he got separated, though I new he must be pretty close by, because we could see the line of the sand, and hear just where the geese were 'talking' on the edge There they sat gabbling and splashing, though I couldn't quite see them. Then I made out a body of them to the right, so I backed my paddle and looked along my big gun to see how to take them. They seemed a bit too quiet for geese. Then I thought it was a piece of wreck, but I couldn't see any break in the line of it. However, I see it move, so thinks I, 'Well, here goes,' when part of a cloud cleared off from the moon, and there lay his punt, with him in it. Another two seconds, and I should have killed or sunk him. Instead, I backed my other paddle, and, without waiting for him, I had a good rake at the geese and shot four."

Wild birds were not the only creatures which fell to the old man's gun at Wells. Seals visit the harbour from time to time, and are often shot before they can regain the sea. They swim up the harbour stream following the fish; before the embankment was made to the west of the entrance they were more commonly seen. Grey mullet were then very plentiful on what is now the new reclamation on the Holkham side; flat-fish—plaice, dads, and flounders—also afforded a plentiful dinner to exploring seals.

Nothing could be prettier or more interesting to watch than these friendly visits of the seals. Unfortunately, the poor beasts were looked upon as game of rather a high order, and seldom escaped being shot or caught.

Their habit was to come in with the flood-tide; and often a seal could be watched swimming below water just against the wall of the big quay. The "gunners," who had never seen the seals at the Zoo, were "stammed" by the agility they showed in the water.

"I ha' seen one," remarked my old friend, "when the water was right clear alongside the quay, keep-a-popping his head out, just for a moment, and then down that would go again, and tarn oover on the back, and swim so, ten feet down, a-looking up at us while we kep' a-looking down at him, and a-rubbing his face and working his tail just like a merrymaid" (mermaid). "When the tide ebbed that would goo on up the crick, and crawl out, and lay on the mud asleepen. One day I was comen home across the marshes with my gun, when a see right a great 'unlying by one o'them pounds where you shot the redshank a-flighting. I see him afore he see me, and down I backs into a crick. The crick was so narrow that it wouldn't hardly hold me and my 'side bag," too, but I sleeped down till I was within twenty yards of him, and then I peeped over the rab-grass and let fly at his head. He walloped away a bit towards the water, but anyhow that settle him. When he was dead he kep' sliding down the mud to the crick, where that was deep. He was to big to lift into the boat; so I got some boards and sloped them up, and rolled him up like a pig, till he fell in to the boat. I flayed him, and had the skin tanned. I sold that to a curate. Once a sea-lion came and sat on the bar. He was asleepen, and one of the men got quietly up across the sand and threw a coat over his head, and then the others ran up, and the whole lot got hold of him, and so they 'copped' him. They used to keep him in the docks—that was some deep holes of water inside the quay—and haul him in with a rope to show him to folks. Soon he got right tame, and would come to the man that owned him when he called."

Almost every year an eagle used to be seen in the marshes. These were in nearly every case young white-tailed eagles going south. The projection of this north Norfolk coast is the natural alighting place of all birds travelling south along the shore, as well as of those which cross the sea from Norway and Sweden. I have seen peregrine falcons on passage come in from the North Sea in a line straight as an arrow for Holkham Park, and the eagles were once so common in Norfolk that they were known as "Fen eagles." My old gunner stated that he had more than once seen an eagle come up from the coast and fly over the lake at Holkham when it was covered with wildfowl.

"When the ducks see him that make'em muster. Off they go to see in a hurry; they can stand a hawk, but they don't want telling to go if an eagle come. One day I was coming home from shrimp-catching, and when I come to the side of the big crick there sat an eagle within twenty yards off me. Another day, when I was crossing the marshes with my gun, I shot an eagle against the marsh head. I slipped up to the bridge, and when I fired he fell with one leg broken. I caught hold of him by the neck, and he caught hold of the mud and crab-grass with his sound foot. Didn't he pull out a great lump o' mud and grass with his foot!—almost as big as a brick!"

Inside the line of the sea wall which embank the last piece of salt-marsh west of Wells is a reed-bed of at least two hundred acres, with one or two pools of water. Towards evening this reed-bed is certain to attract any buzzard or marsh-harrier in the neighbourhood. They sit about on the bundles of cut reed, or flap along the dykes, looking for rats. Sometimes one comes out on to the open marsh east of the harbour. On one occasion one of these big hawks was attracted by the sight of dead ducks lying by the side of our old gunner who was crouched in a "duck-hole" on the mud, near the harbour month.

"The pake o' my cap," he said, "came out just so as the edge catched my eye, and I kept thinking something had latched in it and was flickering in the wind. I put up my hand once or twice to brush it off, but the flicker went on, and when I looked up there was that great hawk, flickering his wings just over my head, looking at them dead ducks that was lying by me I upped my gun and brought him down. I sold him to a schoolmaster, and *he ate him*."

A succession of high tides rendered it dangerous to lie up at night for the geese upon their sandbank, and though rabbiting in the sandhills, with excursions along the mud and marshes, gave plenty of sport and amusement by day, we seemed fated to return without shooting a single goose. On the last evening fortune relented so far as to enable us to kill one. A little observation had determined the exact line at which the main body of the geese left the marshes, and after waiting till after dusk, the birds came out in a long line extending for more than a hundred yards, with their usual flute-like calls. One bird was hit, and fell at a distance in the shallow water of the bay. There was no doubt that it was down. It fell, as our gunner remarked, "just as if you had hit, the water with a malt-shovel." Malting being one of the surviving industries of Wells, the metaphor seemed appropriate. But it was too dark to see, and though we were assured that if we waited another hour it would wash up on the point, the prospect of a long wait in the dark and cold was not inviting. We made a compromise, by arranging with a fisherman who had also been lying up for the geese, armed with a muzzle-loading eight-bore as long as an Afghan matchlock, to come round at dawn next morning and pick up the goose before the grey crows discovered the body. The bird was duly recovered, and proved to be a fine pink-footed goose, killed by a single No. 1 shot which had pierced from breast to back. The greater number, or more probably all, of the birds at Wells belong to this species, and though not so large as the grey-leg, our specimen was a handsome and gracefully proportioned bird. The pink legs and beak are exactly the shade which a *modiste* would select to set off the smoky greys of the plumage and after hanging a fortnight, and roasting—care being taken not to baste the bird with its own gravy—it was as good as a stubble goose at Michaelmas. Its weight was 5½lbs., though the expanse of the wings makes it appear a vastly large bird when flying high across the levels of the sands.

T. O'G.

Fishing.

RIVER AND LAKE FISHING IN INDIA.

XI.

ANY mention of the more sporting kinds of fish to be found in India would be incomplete without some reference to the trout fishing in the Neilgherry hills, especially near Ootacamond. I regret that I am unable to give information on this subject, but I believe that the waters in those localities have been successfully stocked with English trout, and that in spite of recent misfortunes, such as the destruction of nurseries of young fish by unusual floods, the fishing promises to become very good indeed within the next few years, and that the fish obtained from imported ova give indications of attaining a size more approaching that of fish similarly bred in Canada and New Zealand than that of their English progenitors. It is to be hoped, however, that they will not follow the example of their Antipodean brethren, in refusing to take a fly after attaining the weight of 8 or 10lbs.

Coarse fish are to be found in all rivers in the plains, as well as in those tanks or large ponds which are fed, or have at some time been fed, by streams, natural or artificial, communicating with rivers, and have not since run dry, however small these streams may be. The keen fisherman generally has within fairly easy reach a certain amount of sport with these fish, and though he cannot have the accompaniments of scenery and a comparatively mild climate in following his favourite pursuit, this sport is by no means to be despised, forming, as it frequently does, the only recreation to be obtained in the long weary summers of the plains. Many and many a time in the earlier part of my official career, when posted to small stations wanting in social surroundings, have I discovered the solace of excellent sport with the rod (the previous existence of which had been apparently unknown, or at any rate untried) by enquiring into the history of the formation and maintenance of artificial or natural pieces of water, and my advice to any brother angler, whose lines are cast in such places, is, never to be without a rod and tackle at hand, when moving about in his district.

It will be sufficient to give one instance out of many, in which my enquiries resulted in my getting excellent sport in water which had been unfished until I tried it. I was once staying for a few days, on inspection duty, at an out-of-the-way place where I was quite alone, and as the hot weather was then at its height, shooting was out of the question. I discovered two fairly large ponds, both within half a mile of the bungalow and both swarming with "mulleys." Using sometimes a spoon and sometimes a natural bait, I took on the first day over thirty fish, weighing nearly 140lbs., and on the two following days from fifteen to twenty fish each day. These fish ran from 2lbs. up to 14lbs. This is, as I say, only one instance, quoted by way of illustrating the resources one often has within reach, for passing away pleasantly the spare time which would otherwise hang heavily on one's hands. I have found similar sport in scores of other places, and there is no reason why every fisherman should not at some time or other be equally fortunate. In tanks and ponds fed by channels from a main stream, mahseer will rarely if ever be found unless they have been placed there by human agency. It has not yet been proved whether the young fry do not run down water-courses, to a distance from the parent river, in the same way as the young of other species of fish, or whether having once entered the pond, they find the surroundings unfavourable and die off Taking the analogy of the Kumaon lakes, the former theory seems the more probable, since these lakes held no mahseer until they were stocked with these fish. Whatever the cause may be, the fact remains that they are not there, but there are, however, many species of fish, predatory and otherwise, which will increase and multiply freely in such waters without any care being taken as to creating the supply in the first instance, and the same sorts will, it goes without saying, be found in rivers below the usual habitat of the mahseer. Among the predatory species which will be found in numbers are, the mulley, also called bawali and lanchi. (scientific name, "Wallago attu"), the Tengra ("Singhara," or "Macrones Singhala"), and the murrel, three sorts, *viz.*: Ophiocephalus marulius, O. gachua, and O. striatus. Their comparative prevalence is in the order above given. With the exception of the Ophiocephalus gachua, which rarely exceeds one pound in weight, these run to fairly large sizes in tanks, that is to say, up to 15lbs., and occasionally a good deal heavier. The mulley takes a spoon, a dead bait either moving or stationary, and a live bait, freely, also sometimes, but not often, a large fly. The tengra and murrel take a dead or live bait, and sometimes a spoon. All three also take a worm, the larger the better. The murrel is the only one which is good for eating, according to European ideas, though natives are always glad to get the other two. The O. gachua takes a medium sized worm, and sometimes a paste bait. In confined waters you will generally take at least ten mulleys to one fish of any other species.

Of non-predacious fish the number is legion, but the largest of these are, the rohu ("Labeo rohita"): the kalbans or kalabans ("Labeo kalbasu"), and the mirga or white carp ("Cirrhina mrigala"). These, especially the rohu and mirga, run to large sizes in ponds. I have taken both up to 25lbs. and kalbans up to 12lbs., but much larger fish are sometimes taken. These occasionally take a worm on a medium sized (No. 6) hook, but the bait *par excellence* for them is paste. They all give good sport and fight doggedly to the bitter end, though their first rush is not as strong as that of the mahseer, and the rohu and mirga are excellent eating when the water from which they are taken is not foul or stagnant, and receives periodical supplies of fresh river water.

All these fish, predatory and otherwise, can also be taken in rivers in the plains, the best places for them being the large pools left in river beds at canal heads when most of the water has been diverted from the river to the canal, and in such places they frequently run to much larger sizes than those mentioned above. The goonch ("Bagarius yarelii") and the silund ("Silundia gangetica") are also to be found in canal heads, and in river pools below the regulators, but not in ponds. These take the same baits as other predacious fish, and run to very large sizes. The goonch is a brute of whom there is nothing good to be said. He is ugly to look at, useless to eat, and his manners are disgusting. When he runs large, he will sometimes take your spinning bait with a rush which makes you think for one brief moment that you have got into a lusty mahseer of record size, and he will then go down to the bottom where he stands on his head and sulks, often for an hour or more, defying every effort to set him going again. He will then (if you have had sufficient patience to hang on to him without intentionally breaking your line and getting free) sail off into the next parish, taking as much of your tackle as he can with him. Fortunately, he is not found, or very rarely so, in the upper waters of rivers where mahseer are plentiful. His weight may be anything up to 150lbs. The silund is a fish of quite another sort. He is a handsome silvery colour, shot with gold, and he fights well and honestly. He runs up to probably 50 or 60lbs., though I have never taken one over 41lbs. I remember well one red letter day at the head-works of the Okhla canal, near Delhi, when a friend and I once took two each of these fish, of which the respective

weights were 41, 35, 33 and 28lbs. We had also several breakages, due to our having put our trust in the phantom minnows of the local tackle dealer.

I cannot call to mind having taken silund in any river except the Jumna, but I believe they are to be found in others. Their habitat appears to be confined to plains waters only.

There are one or two other species of fish which are common in the rivers of the plains, but I will reserve mention of these for a later article.

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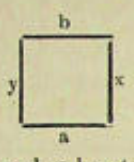
BRIDGE QUERY.

TO THE EDITOR OF "THE INDIAN FIELD."

SIR,—To decide a dispute as to the correct lead will you give your valued opinion on the following case. Score: love all. :—



X leaves to Y who makes hearts A has the hand.

Hearts	4.
Diamonds	Ace 7, 3, 2.
Clubs	King 10, 8, 7.
Spades	Ace 10, 8, 5.

What should "A" lead.

C. G. A. C.

AHMEDNAGAR, *22nd February 1907.*

[We think A's best lead is the 4 of hearts.—ED.]

MOTORING FROM CALCUTTA TO PURI.

TO THE EDITOR OF "THE INDIAN FIELD."

SIR,—Messrs. Ashworth and Taylor, writing to your evening contemporary, announce that their petrol-supply scheme embraces, among other highways, "the Orissa Trunk Road down to Puri!" I wonder whether the promoters of this scheme have ever tried motoring from Calcutta to Puri. A determined, or shall I say desperate, motorist with whom time, money and the jeopardising of his car is no object might care to undertake such a journey; but from personal knowledge, having twice covered the distance on the humble bike, I should say, he would be hardly likely to repeat the feat. This is the itinerary of the trip.

1. Calcutta to Ooloobaria, by steamer—there is no road to Ooloobaria.
2. Between Ooloobaria and Midnapur, a run of 56 miles, the following *unbridged* rivers occur:—The Damuda, at Moheshdanga, the Roopnarain, at Nowpolla, the Cossye, at Panchkura, and the same stream a few miles out of Midnapur.
3. Between Midnapore and Cuttack (189 miles) the *unbridged* rivers are the Subarnarika, the Bura Balong (a tortuous stream which has to be crossed twice), the Brahmini Byturnee (also crossed twice), the Kursoon and the Mahanuddy.

The net result gives us no less than *eleven* unbridged rivers in two hundred and sixty-one miles. In the rains these are in full flood, the ferry arrangements are primitive, and, for all but small cars, quite inadequate; in the dry months—from November to June—they present the alluring spectacle, from a motorist's point of view, of dreary wastes of deep sand and large stones with a little water trickling down the middle. The very thing to make motoring a joy for ever. Now then ye Calcutta motorists who's for Puri! Don't all speak at once.

STYX.

REDUCED CHARGES FOR THE ·350 RIGBY-MAUSER RIFLE.

TO THE EDITOR OF "THE INDIAN FIELD."

SIR,—With reference to "·350's" letter, in your issue of 10th January, I advise your correspondent to send an empty cartridge case and bullet belonging to his Rigby-Mauser, direct to the Ideal Manufacturing Company, New Haven, Connecticut, U.S.A., asking if one of their reloading tools will suit for reloading the cases, and if a mould to cast a hollow-fronted bullet of about 200 grains, to fit the rifle, can be furnished. "·350" will find a hardened lead hollow fronted bullet quite suited to his requirements, but I warn him that he may have to devote some little time and patience in experimenting, before he discovers a smokeless charge giving a velocity of 1,400 foot seconds combined with accuracy. If he is satisfied with something rather lower, he might try 12 grains of Schultze loose in the shell, with the bullet seated only deep enough to prevent its falling out (bullet to be $\frac{1}{10}$ tin). If the Winchester Company will supply "·350" with metal-patched soft nosed bullets, he will be saved much trouble, as in this case he would have no reason to fear the bases of his bullets being deformed by fusion, through using too much powder. With these jacketted bullets I daresay about 20 grains of cordite would give good results.

It is always necessary to know the EXACT calibre of a rifle when suiting it with a new bullet. Supposing the Rigby-Mauser to have a bore measuring ·350 inch across the lands, the bullet to fit it should be about ·358 inch in diameter.

FLEUR-DE-LYS.

TO THE EDITOR OF "THE INDIAN FIELD."

SIR,—In reply to "·350" in your issue of 10th January the ·35 calibre Winchester self-loading rifle bullet is ·350 inch diameter, that of the Rigby-Mauser rifle is ·358 inch, so the former bullet cannot be used in the ·35 or 9 mm. Mauser.

The Ideal Manufacturing Company of New Haven, Connecticut, U.S.A., make a variety of moulds for bullets of 9 mm. calibre which will fit the Rigby-Mauser rifle. They are as follows:—

No. 358238	·35 Winchester	165 grs.	and 220 grs.
,, 358242	·38 Colt Automatic	125	,,
,, 358246	·38 S. & W.	147	,,
,, 358250	·38 S. & W special	157	,,
,, 36071	·38-44 S. & W.	146	,,

Of the above I would recommend the ·35 Winchester 220 grains which cast with hollow point would weigh about 195 grains. It would be a little more accurate than the shorter 165 grains (145 grains hollow point) bullet.

The others would do well for short ranges up to 100 yards. These bullets would require to be cast of an alloy of about 1 tin to 10 of lead to prevent stripping in the quick twist rifling of a high velocity rifle. They would, of course, be lubricated in the cannelures, pure beeswax melted with a little vaseline does very well in India, and a hard jute wad rather larger than the bore would be of use behind the bullet as a gas check.

The bullet would be fixed in the mouth of the case in its usual place, the powder being loose. With cast bullets without metal bases higher velocities than 1,000 or 1,200 foot seconds cannot be expected as a charge of nitro powder sufficient to give high velocity is apt to strip the bullet out of the rifling.

I think a good bullet for small game would be the ·360 express nickel base bullet intended for use with nitro powder in black powder rifles. Its diameter is, I believe, ·358, if so, it is correct for the 9 m.m. rifle. I believe it weighs about 190 grains. This could be driven at fairly high velocity up to 1,600 or 1,700 foot seconds with good results. It would reduce the power of the Rigby-Mauser to that of the old ·360 miniature express. The ·350 Winchester bullet 250 grains soft nose could, of course, be used for reloading with high velocity charge, but it would be rather too powerful. The ·38 colt automatic soft point rather too light.

For certain calibres the Ideal Company supply moulds to cast bullets intended to be fitted with metal base cups which they also supply very cheaply. These bullets can be used with fairly high charges giving velocities up to 1,700 foot seconds and are much used in America for midrange shooting with their service rifle, but unfortunately are not made for the ·350. They have experimented in America with good results with paper wrapped cast lead bullets in high velocity rifles and the Swiss Military bullet is or very recently was of this description. So it might be possible to use a paper wrapped bullet like the old Martini-Henry in the Rigby-Mauser, but the "lead" or slope from the chamber to the rifling might be too short for a paper wrapped bullet in the ·350 Rigby-Mauser rifle.

As regards powder charges for reduced charges for short range there is no difficulty. In the ·303 I found 7 grains of Amberite shot gun powder gave good results at 100 yards with a 160 grain bullet of $\frac{1}{15}$ tin alloy, but I fancy the velocity was under 1,000 foot seconds.

Ten grains of Cordite cut up into grains did very well so did 15 grains of ·303 rifleite with the same bullet.

I should think the ·350 Rugby-Mauser would do well with 9 or 10 grains of Amberite behind the ·35 Winchester 165 or 220 grain bullet and slightly larger charges of ·303 rifleite or grained Cordite would do, but experiments to find out the right charge would have to be made at a target. They make various brands of smokeless powder for rifles in America, where they go in a good deal for reloading. The Ideal Handbook recommends the following for the ·35 calibre Winchester High Power Rifle.

For high power.—Dupont's ·30 calibre or savage No. 1, 1903, 43 grains, Laflin and Rand's W. A. ·30 calibre, 45 grains.

For mid—range.—Laflin and Rand's sharpshooter 12 grains, Dupont's No. 1, 20 grains.

For short range.—Laflin and Rand's unique, 8 grains, Dupont's No. 1, 15 grains.

The charge for the Winchester ·35 *Self-loader* cartridge with its ·350 inch diameter 165 grain No. 350293 cast bullet, $\frac{1}{15}$ tin alloy, is 8 grains Laflin and Rand's sharpshooter powder. *See* Ideal Handbook.

The high power charge would require a metal cased bullet, while cast bullets would do for the mid and short range charges with or without base cups. English gun and ammunition makers do not encourage reloading, but it certainly pays the sporting rifleman in India to refill. I do not know of any special tools for refilling ·350 or 9 mm. Mauser cartridges like those for American cartridges, but Rigby and Company could doubtless supply them. The following tools are necessary: Mullets mould the Ideal No. 358,238, fitted with plunger for hollow point is recommended, price 2 dollars. Resizing tool, necessary for swelled cases, they generally do expand too much to fit after firing with full charges. Capping tools are wanted also, these could be supplied by any good gunmaker. If the ·350 Mauser case is primed similarly to the ·303 case the cap can be removed by a sharp pointed bradawl driven into the side of the cap while the case is held firmly in a hole in a block of hard wood or metal, care being taken not to hurt the anvil which is part of the case. If it has the usual loose anvil primer the decapping is a simple matter. The cases ought to be well cleaned and dried before being refilled. The powder should lie loose in the case and the bullet in its usual place, only enough of its base inserted to make it fit tight. If the mouth of the case is too big it might be nicked into a cannelure of the bullet in two or three places, but the resizing process usually resizes the mouth of the shell as well.

To lubricate the bullets dip them into melted lubricant and scrape off the surplus grease by passing them through the mouth of an old case the base of which has been cut off. As to short bullets not shooting well, of course the sooner the bullet gets into the rifling the better, but as long as a bullet can be relied upon to group into a 4-inch circle at 100 yards it is sufficiently accurate for most purposes and I found that cast bullets of $\frac{2}{3}$ inch in length did this in the ·303 rifle, the "lead" of which is longer than in more up-to-date small bore rifles. So there ought to be little practical difficulty as regards accuracy at sporting ranges. The Ideal Company supply metal ready alloyed for bullet casting, but, of course, it would be expensive getting it in India I would recommend a thorough perusal of their handbook which gives more information on the subject than any book I have ever come across and it is thoroughly reliable.

B.

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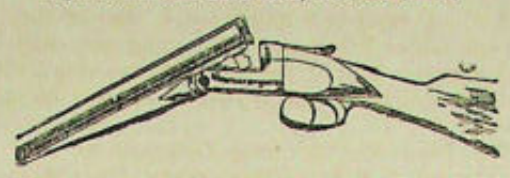

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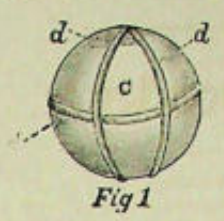

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Umballa Spring	,,	12, 14 & 16
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Mag we Spring	,,	28 & 30
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Quetta Spring	May	21, 18 & 25

CLOSING DATES OF ENTRIES.

Jubbulpore	Third ..	.. 12th March.
Madras Winter	Final ..	.. 5th March.
Lahore Spring	Second ..	.. 1st March.
	Third ..	.. 10th March.
Rawalpindi Spring ..	Second ..	.. 6th March.
	Third ..	.. 15th March.
Punjab Army Chases ..	Second ..	.. 6th March.
	Third ..	.. 15th March.
Karachi Spring ..	First ..	.. 8th March.
	Second ..	.. 22nd March.
	Third ..	.. 9th April.
Bangalore March Handicap ..	First ..	.. 15th March.
	Second ..	.. 21st March.
Quetta Spring ..	First ..	.. 14th April.
	Second ..	.. 30th April.
	Third ..	.. 10th May.

INDIAN SPORTING FIXTURES

POLO.	
Cawnpore Polo Challenge Cup ..	4th March.
Jorhat Tournament	Beginning 6th March.
Bhopal Cup Tournament	10th March.
SHOWS.	
Great Punjab Horse Show	1st, 2nd & 3rd April.
LAWN TENNIS.	
Jorhat Tournament	Begins 6th March.
S. India Tournament	Begins 4th March.
BOXING.	
Poona Tournament	22nd to 27th April.
ATHLETICS	
Bengal Presidency A. A. A. Meeting	2nd March.
FOOTBALL.	
Madras Gymkhana Association Tournament ..	4th to 9th March.
GOLF.	
Jorhat Tournament	Begins 4th March.
LAWN TENNIS.	
Bengal Championship	Begins 6th March.
PIGSTICKING.	
Guzerat Cup Meeting	Begins 9th March.

ENGLISH RACING FIXTURES.

(Principal Races in 1907.)

Lincolnshire Handicap (1 mile)	Tuesday, 19th March.
Brocklesby Stakes (4 furlongs 5 yards)	Wednesday, 20th March.
Liverpool Grand National (4 miles 856 yards.) ..	Friday, 22nd March.
Queen's Prize (1 mile)	Monday, 1st April.
Craven Stakes (1 mile 22 yards.)	Thursday, 8th April.
Great Metropolitan Stakes (2¼ miles)	Tuesday, 23rd April.
City and suburban (1½ mile)	Wednesday, 24th April.
Two Thousand Guineas (1 mile)	Wednesday, 1st May.
One Thousand Guineas (1 mile)	Friday, 3rd May.
Chester Cup (2½ miles)	Wednesday, 8th May.
Kempton Park Great Jubilee Handicap (1½ mile) ..	Saturday, 11th May.
Newmarket Stakes (1 mile 2 furlongs)	Wednesday, 15th May.
Manchester Cup (1½ mile)	Friday, 24th May.
Prix du Jockey Club (1½ mile)	Saturday, 2nd June.
The Derby (1½ mile)	Wednesday, 5th June.
The Coronation Cup (1½ mile)	Thursday, 6th June.
The Oaks (1½ mile)	Friday, 7th June.
Grand Prix de Paris (1 mile 7 furlongs)	Sunday, 16th June.
Ascot Stakes (2 miles)	Tuesday, 18th June.
Ascot Gold Vase (2 miles)	Tuesday, 18th June.
Royal Hunt Cup (7 furlongs 166 yards)	Wednesday, 19th June.
Gold Cup (1½ mile)	Thursday, 20th June.
New Stakes (5 furlongs 144 yards)	Thursday, 20th June.
Hardwicke Stakes (1½ miles)	Friday 21st June.
Northumberland Plate (2 miles)	Wednesday, 26th June.
July Stakes (Newmarket) (5 furlongs 144 yards) ..	Tuesday, 2nd July.
Princess of Wales' Stakes (1 mile 4 furlongs) ..	Thursday, 4th July.
Eclipse Stakes (1½ mile)	Friday, 19th July.
Liverpool Cup (1 mile 3 furlongs)	Friday, 26th July.
Steward's Cup (Goodwood) (6 furlongs)	Tuesday, 30th July.
Goodwood Plate (2 miles)	Wednesday, 31st July.
Goodwood Cup (2½ miles)	Thursday, 1st August.
Brighton Cup (1½ mile)	Wednesday, 7th August.
Great Northern Leger (1 mile 5 furlongs)	Wednesday, 21st August.
Prince of Wales Plate (5 furlongs)	Tuesday, 27th August.
Great Ebor Handicap (1½ mile.)	Wednesday, 28th August.
Gimrack Stakes (6 furlongs)	Thursday, 29th August.
Great Yorkshire Handicap (1 mile 6furs. 132yrds.) ..	Tuesday, 10th September.
Champagne Stakes (Doncaster) (5 furs. 132 yrds.) ..	Tuesday, 10th September.
St. Leger (1 mile 6 furlongs 132 yards)	Wednesday, 11th Septr.
Doncaster Cup (2 miles)	Friday, 13th September.
Prince Edward Handicap (1½ mile)	Saturday, 21st Septr.
Jockey Club Stakes (1½ mile)	Thursday, 3rd October.
Prix du Conseil Municipal (Paris) 1½ mile)	Sunday, 6th October.
Duke of York Stakes (1½ mile)	Saturday, 12th October.
Cesarewitch Stakes (2¼ miles)	Wednesday, 16th October
Middle Park Plate (6 furlongs)	Friday, 18th October.
Cambridgeshire Stakes	Wednesday, 30th Octr.
Dewhurst Plate (7 furlongs)	Thursday, 31st Octr.
Liverpool Autumn Cup (1 mile 3 furlongs)	Friday, 8th November.
Manchester Novesuber Handicap (1½ mile)	Saturday, 23rd Novr.

ENGLISH SPORTING FIXTURES.

Wales vs. Scotland (Association)	4th March.
Ireland vs. Wales (Rugby)	9th March.
Oxford and Cambridge Sports	15th March.
Varsity Sports	15th March.
Scotland vs. Ireland (Association) ..	16th March.
England vs. Scotland (Rugby)	16th March.
Varsity Boat Race	18th March.
England vs. Wales (Association)	27th March.
Amateur Boxing Championship	30th March.
English Amateur Cup Final (Association) ..	6th April.
England vs. Scotland (Association)	6th May.
Tennis Championship, Fairs vs. Lathara ..	25th May.
England vs. Scotland (Amateur Golf)	28th May.
Amateur Golf Championship	20th June.
Golf Open Championship	1st July.
England vs. South Africa (Cricket)	3rd, 4th & 5th July.
Henley Regatta	4th July.
Oxford vs. Cambridge (Cricket)	6th July
Amateur Athletic Championships	12th July.
Eton vs. Harrow (Cricket)	17th July.
Gentlemen vs. Players (Cricket)	29th July.
England vs. South Africa (Cricket)	31st July.
Rugby vs. Marlborough (Cricket)	27th August.
Dublin Horse Show	

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Saturday, 23rd February 1907.

AN excellent card, good fields and pleasant weather combined to render this afternoon's racing very enjoyable. We deal with the running in our Sporting Notes, here we give the usual details :—

WELTER HANDICAP FOR PONIES.—Rs. 500 to the winner, Rs. 200 to the second, and Rs. 100 to the third. For ponies which have never won a Flat Race, Hurdle Race or Steeplechase of the value of Rs. 500 or over, the property of Members of the C. T. C., Bengal Club, U. S. Club, Tollygunge Club, Calcutta Polo Club, New Club, Saturday Club, German Club, or Officers at present serving in the Presidency Districts, of Members of the Calcutta Light Horse. G. R.'s Licensed Jockeys 9lbs extra. 5 furlongs.

Mr. C. W. Ritson's ch aus g Geebung, 9st. 10lbs.	Owner 1
Mr. R. A. C. Pugh's b aus m Mistlebird, 12st.	Owner 2
Mr. R. G. D. Thomas' ch aus g Waratah, 7st. 8lbs.	Mr. Evers 3
Mr. G. H. Hilliard's br aus m Sunflower, 8st. 12lbs.	Baichan 4
Mr. C. D. Petersen's ch aus m Golden Star, 11st. 6lbs.	Mr. Stokes 0
Mr. J. D. Marshall's b aus g The Tatler, by Bataliar,—Tat (5 yars.) 11st. 11lb.	Mr. Deakin 0
Mr. Glen's b aus g Zig Zag, 9st. 3lbs. ...Mr. Bell-Irving	0

(Winner trained privately.)

BETTING : 6 to 4 agst. Waratah, 7 to 2 Zig Zag, 5 to 1 Geebung, 8 to 1 each Tatler and Mistlebird, 12 to 1 each Sunflower and Golden Star.

Totalisator paid Rs. 81 on the winner; Rs. 34 and Rs. 42 for peaces.

Won by eight lengths; a length between second and third. Time—1min. 8⅘secs.

THE RAWDON PLATE.—Rs. 1,000 to the winner, Rs. 300 to the second and Rs. 200 to the third. A High-weight Handicap for horses. 1 mile and a quarter.

Mr. O. M. D. Bell's br aus h Mount Dane, 9st. 6lbs.	Firth 1
Mrs. A. Grosser's b e m Merry Elsie, 9st. 7lbs.	Mr. Bradshaw 2
Mr. J. A. Manning's ch aus g Loyal, 8st. 11lbs.	P. Morrison 3
Mr. Dartmoor's b e g Bundook, 9st. 2lbs. ...	R. Morrison 4
Mr. Charles' bk aus g Foy, 9st. 8lbs.	Mr. Bell-Irving 0
Mr. W. H. Walmsley's ch e m Scamander, 9st. 3lbs.	Fraser 0
Mr. McGeorge's ch e g Galley Slave, 9st. 11lb.	Mr. Dudley 0
Mr. B. B.'s ch aus m Leda, 8st 5lbs. ...	Lansdown 0
Mr. Alec's b aus g Lord D., 8st. 3lbs. ...	W. White 0
Mr. A. N. Dass' b e g Insurrection, 8st. 11lb.	Murdison 0
Capt. H. N. Holden's br aus g Craig, 8st.	Mr. Evers 0
Mr. A. N. Dass' b aus g Mulison, 7st. 12lbs.	Drew 0
Mr. Field's b e g Nirvana, 7st. 11lb. ...	Baichan 0
Mr. A. N. Dass' b aus b Trencherman, 7st. 6lbs.	Balgobin 0

(Winner trained by Firth.)

BETTING : 2 to 1 agst. Merry Elsie, 6 to 1 Nirvana, 8 to 1 each Mount Dane and Insurrection, 10 to 1 each Scamander and Craig, 12 to 1 each Foy, Bundook, Galley Slave, Loyal and Leda, 20 to 1 each Lord D., Mulison and Trencherman.

Totalisator paid Rs. 107 on the winner; Rs. 37, Rs. 17 and Rs. 94 for places.

Won by two and a half lengths; a length between second and third; three-quarters of a length between third and fourth. Time—2mins. 12⅘secs.

SELLING HANDICAP.—Rs. 1,000 to the winner, Rs. 300 to the second and Rs. 200 to the third. A High-weight Handicap for horses to be sold for Rs. 750 which have not won a flat race value Rs. 1,500 or over since 31st March 1905. 1 mile.

Mr. S. Margrett's b aus g St. Michael, 8st. 10lbs.	Murdison 1
Mr. J. G. Ballantyne's b aus g Clodian, 8st.	Mr. Evers 2
Mr. J. D. Scott's b ch g Roseland, 7st. ...	Baichan 3
Mr. A. N. Dass' b e m Child Adopted, 8st. 8lbs.	Balgobin 4
Mr. B. B's b e m Bouquet, 9st. 2lbs. ...	Lansdown 0
Mr. W. B. Green's b aus m Leading Lady, 8st. 6lbs.	Bradshaw 0
Mr. A. N. Dass' br m aus g Lollipop, 7st. 8lbs.	Eli Bux 0
Mr. R. B. Lamotte's b aus g Prince Moorefield, 7st. 8lbs....	Rohoman 0

(Winner trained by Smallman.)

BETTING : 6 to 4 agst. St. Michael, 5 to 1 each Leading Lady and Bouquet, 8 to 1 Clodian, 12 to 1 each Child Adopted and Roseland, 20 to 1 the others.

Totalisator paid Rs. 24 on the winner, Rs. 13, Rs. 15 and Rs. 21 for places.

Won by a head; two lengths between second and third; a head between third and fourth. Time—1min. 45secs.

WELTER HANDICAP FOR HORSES.—Rs. 500 to the winner, Rs. 200 to the second, and Rs. 100 to the third. For horses which have never won a Flat Race, Hurdle Race or Steeplechase to the value of Rs. 500 or over, the property of Members of the C. T. C., Bengal Club, U. S. Club, Tollygunge Club, Calcutta Polo Club, New Club, Saturday Club, German Club, or Officers at present serving in the Presidency District, or Members of the Calcutta Light Horse. G. R.'s. Licensed Jockeys 9lbs. extra. 5 furlongs.

Mr. R. A. C. Pugh's b e m Manon, 10st. 11lbs.	Owner 1
Mr. Glen's b e g Tiritiri, 8st. 3lbs. ...	Owner 2
Mr. W. Bell-Irving's b aus m Wake Up, 10st. 4lbs.	Owner 3
Mr. J. M. Rodocanachi's b e m Downland, 12st. 4lbs.	Mr. Ott 4
Mr. Hudson's br e m Dame Fortune, by Fortunio—Miladi, aged, 11st. 10lbs.	Mr. H. E. Smith 0
Mr. A. Schwerdtfeger's b aus m Sal, 11st. 6lbs.	Mr. Dudley 0
Capt. H. N. Holden's b aus g Lord Harry, 10st. 11lbs.	Owner 0
Mr. R. J. Farquharson's b aus g Recoil, 9st. 12lbs.	Mr. Deakin 0

Mr. K. M. Hamilton's b aus g Pretender, 9st. 10st. ... ... Mr. Cowper 0
Dr. W. Hossack's ch aus m Lady Gold, 9st. 9lbs. ... ... Mr. Cowper 0
Mr. L. P. E. Pugh's b aus g Galena, by Metal—Pale Girl, 7st. ... ... Eli Bux 0
Mr. W. R. Tanner's b aus m Ruby, 6st. 6lbs. ... ... Baichan 0
Mr. R. A. C. Pugh's b aus m Posey, 6st. 3lbs. ... ... Fazromahar 0

(*Winner trained privately.*)

BETTING: 2 to 1 agst. Downland, 4 to 1 Recoil, 5 to 1 Manon, 6 to 1 each Sal and Wake Up, 12 to 1 each Dame Fortune, Lord Harry, Tiritiri, Ruby and Posey, and 20 to 1 the rest

Totalisator paid Rs. 79 on the winner; Rs. 20, Rs. 40 and Rs. 30 for places.

Won by two lengths; half a length between second and third; two lengths between third and fourth. Time—1min. 4⅘secs.

THE ELGIN PLATE.—Rs. 1,000 to the winner, Rs. 300 to the second, and Rs. 200 to the third. A High-weight Handicap for horses that have not won a Flat Race value Rs. 1,500 or over, since 31st March 1905. 5 furlongs.

Mr. Austin's b aus g Bundah, 8st. 9lbs. ... Baichan 1
Mr. W. H. Walmsley's b e g Jack Sheppard, 10st. 10lbs. ... ... Pringle 2
Mr. J. A. Manning's ch aus g Loyal, 8st. 9lbs. ... ... P. Morrison 3
Mr. H. P. Wishart's br aus g Warstripe, 8st. 12lbs. ... ... Murdison 4
Mr. O. M. D. Bell's br aus g Dramatic, 10st. 2lbs. ... ... Mr. Deakin 0
Mr. W. B. Green's b aus m Projecture, 9st. 9lbs. ... ... Bradshaw 0
Mr. O. M. D. Bell's br aus g Bell Dhu, 8st. 12lbs. ... ... Firth 0
Mr. D. Norton's br aus m Musette, 8st. 3lbs. Fraser 0
Mr. A. N. Dass' b e g Charles, by Prince Charles dam by Lord Lorne, 3yrs., 8st. 11lb. ... ... Lansdown 0
Mr. A. N. Dass' b aus g Springlock, 7st. 11lbs. ... ... Balgobin 0

(*Winner trained by Heywood.*)

BETTING: 5 to 2 agst. Projecture, 3 to 1 Bundah, 5 to 1 each Bell Dhu, Warstripe, and Musette, 15 to 1 Jack Shepard, 20 to 1 the others.

Totalisator paid Rs. 53 on the winner; Rs. 21, Rs. 93 and Rs. 48 for places.

Won by lengths; two and a half lengths between second and third; two lengths between third and fourth. Time—1min. 3secs.

MIDDLETON PLATE.—Rs. 1,000 to the winner, Rs. 300 to the second, and Rs. 200 to the third. A High-weight Handicap for ponies 14-2 and under. 1¼ miles.

Mr. Field's b aus m Solace, 8st. 12lbs. Baichan 1
Mr. J. D. Scott's ch e m Tightlace, 7st. 12lbs. ... ... R. Morrison 2
Mr. W. H. Walmsley's br aus m Footlight, 9st. 4lbs. ... ... Fraser 3
Mr. Dartmoor's bk aus m Hazelnut, 8st. 11lbs. ... ... P. Morrision 4
Mr. Stead's b aus m Belle Cole, 10st. 3lbs. Bradshaw 0
Mr. A. N. Dass' ch aus g Pineal, 6st. 10lbs. Rahman 0

(*Winner trained by Heywood.*)

BETTING: 5 to 4 agst. Tightlace, 5 to 2 Belle Cole, 4 to 1 Solace, 12 to 1 the rest.

Totalisator paid Rs. 52 on the winner; Rs. 12 and Rs. 15 for places.

Won by three lengths; two and a half lengths between second and third; two lengths between third and fourth. Time—2mins. 17secs.

THE BOMBAY RACES.

Third Day, Monday, 18th February 1907.

THE STEWARDS' PURSE.—Rs. 2,000, out of which second receives Rs. 400 and the third Rs. 200. A handicap for ponies 14 hands and under which have not won flat race value Rs. 1,200 or over since 31st March 1904. 5 furlongs.

Aga S. Shah's Welsh Love, 7st. 11lb. ... Kamad 1
Mr. J. C. Galstaun's Silphoe, 9st. 7lbs. ... Robinson 2
Capts. Meynell and Greig's Recovery, 7st. 5lbs. ... ... O'Neill 3

Also ran: Pat C., 8-12 and Virballa, 8-0.

(*Winner trained by Ali Mahomed.*)

Totalisator paid Rs. 8 and Rs. 20.

BETTING: 2 to 1 agst. Virballa, 3 to 1 each Welsh Love and Pat C., 4 to 1 Silphoe, and 5 to 1 Recovery.

Won by half a length; Recovery was beaten by a head only for second money. Time—1min. 3⅕secs.

THE MIDGET PLATE.—Rs. 2,000, out of which second receives Rs. 400 and the third Rs. 200. A high-weight handicap for Arab ponies 13-3 and under. 6 furlongs.

Messrs. Wood and Badger's Dilerjung, 9st. 3lbs. ... ... Bray 1
Aga S. Shah's Oriental, 8st. 9lbs. ... Kamad 2
Mr. Vaid's Zurriff, 8st. 10lbs. ... Melsom 3

Also ran: Rose, 9-10; Scimitar, 9-1; Derby, 9-0; Shanwar, 8-7; Creditor, 8-6; Young Gazelle, 7-13; Little Joker, 7-8; and Rufus, 7-1.

(*Winner trained by I. Penton.*)

Totalisator paid Rs. 28 and Rs. 70.

BETTING: 3 to 1 agst. Young Gazelle, 4 to 1 each Oriental and Dilerjung, 5 to 1 each Little Joker and Rose, 6 to 1 Shanwar, and 10 to 1 the others.

Won by a neck; a neck between second and third. Time—1min. 20⅘secs.

THE MAHALUXMI PLATE.—Rs. 2,500, out of which second receives Rs. 400 and the third Rs. 200. A high-weight handicap for horses which have not won flat race value Rs. 2,000 or over since 31st March 1904. 1 mile.

Mr. John Morris' Gambara, 7st. 10lbs. ... Manley 1
Mr. Dartmoor's Lady Metal, 8st. 13lbs. ... J. Taylor 2
Mr. B. Deakin's Beaunero, 9st. 10lbs. Kaesen 3

Also ran: Squire Alfred, 9-9; Our State, 9-8; Metal Maid, 8-13; Apology, 8-1; Mallingyook, 8-3; Shower, 8-2; Honest Lady, 8-0; Flotsam, 7-12; Trenayr, 7-7; Freelance, 7-1; and Edie, 6-11.

(*Winner trained by Owner.*)

Totalisator paid Rs. 26 and Rs. 25.

BETTING: 3 to 1 agst. Beaunero, 4 to 1 Apology, 5 to 1 Trenayr, 6 to 1 each Shotover, Honest Lady, and Our State, 8 to 1 Metal Maid, and 10 to 1 and longer odds the others.

Won by half a length; a neck between second and third. Time—1min. 42⅖secs.

THE TOWN PLATE.—Rs. 2,000, out of which second receives Rs. 400, and the third Rs. 200. A high-weight handicap for Arab ponies 14 hands and under. 1 mile.

Messrs. Meyer and Green's Bandit II., 8st. 12lbs. ... ... Vining 1
Mr. R. R. S.'s Tachreet, 9st. 12lbs. ... Williams 2
Mr. Ali bin Talib's Eed, 9st. 2lbs. ... Mahomed 3

Also ran: Hermit, 9-10; Norman, 8-6; False Start, 8-5, Witness II., 8-2; Antica, 8-0; King Cobweb, 7-13; Panala II.; 7-10; Sir Jamal, 6-13; and Highborn, 6-10.

(*Winner trained by Cowasjee Burjorjee.*)

Totalisator paid Rs. 12 and Rs. 30.

BETTING: 3 to 1 agst. Highborn, 4 to 1 Bandit II., 5 to 1 Tachreet, 6 to 1 Eed, 8 to 1 each Hermit and Sir Jamal, 10 to 1 and longer odds the others.

Won by one and a quarter lengths; half a length between second and third. Time—1min. 51⅖secs.

THE FLYING PLATE.—Rs. 3,000, out of which second receives Rs 700 and the third Rs. 300. A handicap for horses. 5 furlongs.

Col. Beaver's Manlock, 7st. 8lbs. (car. 7st. 2lbs.) ... ... Southall 1
Mr. J. C. Galstaun's Dulcimer, 8st. ... Robinson 2
Mr. R. R. S.'s Killua, 9st. 10lbs. ... Williams 3

Also ran: Paddy's Darling, 9-2; Amyas, 8-12; Primerole, 8-2; Vocalist, 7-10; Rustile, 7-6; Adelaide, 7-4; Harpist, 6-13; and Epitome, 6-6.

(*Winner trained by T. Scott.*)

Totalisator paid Rs. 12 and Rs. 30.

BETTING: 5 to 2 agst. Killua, 3 to 1 Manlock, 5 to 1 Amyas, 6 to 1 each Dulcimer and Vocalist, 8 to 1 each Paddy's Darling and Epitome, 10 to 1 Primerole, and longer odds the others.

Won by three-quarters of a length; a neck between second and third. Time—1min. 1sec.

THE SALSETTE PLATE.—Rs. 2,000, out of which second receives Rs. 400 and the third Rs. 200. For Arabs which have not won flat race value Rs. 1,200 or over since 31st March 1904. W. A. reduced 3lbs. Penalties—Winners since 31st March 1904, race value Rs. 500 or over: once, 4lbs.; twice, 7lbs.; oftener, 10lbs. Allowance—Horses which have not won race value Rs. 150 or over, 4lbs. Ponies 14 hands and under, 5lbs. 6 furlongs.

Mr. N. A. Audria's Gladiator, 9st. ... Williams 1
Mr. Khalil Doorce's Mukhool, 9st. ... Heeroo 2
Mr. A. M. Ameer's Wait-a-While, 9st. ... Yussuf 3

Also ran: Young Kaiser, 9-0; Kour Sahib, 8-13; Forester, 8-8; and Scarlet, 8-1 (disqualified.)

BETTING: 5 to 4 agst. Gladiator, 3 to 1 each Young Kaiser and Mukhool, and 10 to 1 the others.

Dead-heat between Scarlet and Gladiator; Mukhool a length away. Time—1min. 21secs.

An objection to Scarlet on account of carrying wrong weight was upheld and the race was awarded to Gladiator.

Fourth Day, Wednesday, 20th February 1907.

THE COLABA PLATE.—Rs. 2,500, out of which second receives Rs. 400, and the third Rs. 200. A high-weight handicap for horses which have not won a flat race value Rs. 2,000 or over since 31st March 1904. 1¼ miles.

Mr. J. D. Scott's Honest Lady, 6st. 12lbs. Kamad 1
Mr. G. B. Deakin's Beaunero, 9st. 6lbs. ... Kaesen 2
Mr. J. C. Galstaun's Killevan, 9st. 12lbs. Robinson 3

Also ran: Lady Metal, 9-1; Squire Alfred, 9-1; Our State, 9-1; Lord Boyne, 7-10; and Shotover, 7-6.

(*Winner trained by Owner.*)

Totalisator paid Rs. 2½ and Rs. 6½.

BETTING: Evens Honest Lady, 4 to 1 agst. Beaunero, 5 to 1 Lord Boyne, 6 to 1 Lady Metal, and 10 to 1 the others.

Won by three lengths; a length and a quarter between second and third. Time—2mins. 12secs.

THE SIR COWASJEE JEHANGIR PURSE.—Rs. 2,000, out of which second receives Rs. 400, and the third Rs. 200. A high-weight handicap for Arabs. 1 mile, 1 furlong.

Mr. Khalil Doorce's Mukhool, 7st. ... Mujeed 1
Mr. A. M. Ameer's Young Kohincor, 8st. 8lbs. ... ... Southall 2
Capt. Marchant's King Cobweb, 7st. 7lbs. ... A. Hoyt 3

Also ran: Precious 9-13; Hampstead, 8-11; Skylark, 8-8; Bandit II. 8-7; Sheila 8-2; Dilerjung 8-0; Bendigo, 7-12; Mooreed, 7 11; Young Kaiser, 7-3; and Scarlet, 6-4;

Totalisator paid Rs. 32 and Rs. 80.

BETTING: 4 to 1 each agst. Precious and Bandit II. 5 to 1 Dilerjung, 6 to 1 Mooreed, 8 to 1 Hampstead, and 10 to 1 and longer odds the remainder.

Won by a length; two lengths divided the second and third. Time—2mins. 7secs.

THE IMPERIAL PLATE.—Rs. 2,500, out of which second receives Rs. 400, and the third Rs. 200. A high-weight handicap for ponies 14-2 under. 5 furlongs.

Mr. J. C. Galstaun's Silphoe, 8st. 13lbs. ... Robinson 1
Mr. J. D. Scott's Duplex II., 7st. 11lbs. ... Southall 2
Messrs. Goculdas and Nanjee's Gun Metal, 9st. 9lbs. ... ... Ames 3

Also ran: Comeback, 10-3; Lady Avon, 8-12; Lady Grey II., 8-11; Russley Rose, 8-10; Koko, 8-3; Mandeville, 7-0; and Virballa, 6-12.

(*Winner trained by T. Ferguson.*)

BETTING: 6 to 4 on Lady Grey II., 5 to 1 agst. Duplex II., 6 to 1 each Silphoe and Mandeville, 10 to 1 the remainder.

Won by three-quarters of a length; half a length between second and third. Time—1min. 25secs.

THE SECOND DEALERS' PLATE.—Rs. 4,000, out of which second receives Rs. 70, and the third Rs. 300. For Arabs imported into Bombay direct from the country of foaling since 1st July, 1906, and which are the property of, or which have been bought from the importer. W. A. reduced 7lbs. Penalty—Winner of Melton Plate, 7lbs. Allowances—Ponies 14 hands and under, 5lbs. 1 mile.

H. H. the Kour Sahib of Patiala's Commander, 8st. 5lbs. ... ... Southall 1
Mr. D. Runchordass' Spearmint, 8st. 2lbs. Kamad 2
Mr. Haji Ali Khaderi's Tabriz, 7st. 7lbs. ... Mujeed 3

Also ran: Great Shot, 8-10; Sherlock, 8-7; Alma, 7-12; Kalee Charan, 7-12; The Barb, 7-12; Poseidon, 7-12; Come Soon, 7-12; and Nazzar, 7-7.

(*Winner trained by T. Scott.*)

Totalisator paid Rs. 34 and Rs. 85.

BETTING: 6 to 4 agst. Kalee Charan, 4 to 1 Nazzar, 5 to 1 Commander, 6 to 1 each Spearmint and Great Shot, 8 to 1 Alma, and 10 to 1 and longer odds the others.

Won by two lengths; one and a half lengths between second and third. Time—1min. 54⅖secs.

THE ASIAN PLATE.—Rs. 2,000, out of which second receives Rs. 400, and the third Rs. 200. A high-weight handicap for Arab ponies 14 hands and under. 6 furlongs.

Aga S. Shah's Oriental, 8st. 8lbs. ... Kamad 1
Mr. D. Runchordoss' Ashroff, 8st. 6lbs. ... Dhondi 2
Mr. A. Razak's Osborne, 8st. 7lbs. ... Oomerkhan 3

Also ran: Tachreet, 9-13; Mint, 8-11; Darby, 8-6; Zurriff, 8-4; False Start, 8 0; Witness II., 7-12; Antica, 7-9; and William Rufus, 7-8.

Totalisator paid Rs. 12 and Rs. 30.

BETTING: 4 to 1 each agst. Oriental, Zurriff and False Start, 5 to 1 each Tachreet and William Rufus, 8 to 1 Ashroff, and 10 to 1 and longer odds the remainder.

Won by a neck; a length between second and third. Time—1min. 20⅘secs

THE MANSFIELD PLATE.—Rs. 5,000, out of which second receives Rs. 700, and the third Rs. 300. A handicap for horses. 6 furlongs.

Messrs. Wood and Badger's Sermon, 9st. 12lbs. ... ... Bray } dead-heat.
Col. Beaver's Manlock, 8st. 3lbs. ... Southall }
Mr. J. C. Galstaun's Prince Lyon, 8st. ... Melsom 3

Also ran: Killua, 9.2; Sacristan II., 8-6; Dulcimer, 8-1; Royalist, 7-8; Primerole, 7-7; and Adelaide, 6-7.

(*Sermon trained by I. Penton and Manlock by T. Scott.*)

BETTING: 6 to 4 agst. Sermon, 5 to 2 Killua, 6 to 1 each Manlock, Dulcimer and Sacristan II., 10 to 1 Prince Lyon, and longer odds the others.

Dead-heat; half a length between the dead-heaters and third. Time—1min. 13secs.

Owners divided.

Fifth Day, Saturday, 23rd February 1907.

THE DESERT PLATE.—Rs. 2,000, out of which second receives Rs. 400 and the third Rs. 200. A high-weight handicap for Arabs which have not won a flat race value Rs. 1,500 or over since 31st March 1904. 7 furlongs.

Mr. R. R. S.'s Precious, 9st. 13lbs. ... F. Williams 1
Mr. G. K.'s Bendigo, 8st. 5lbs. ... Robinson 2
Mr. Ali bin Talib's Eed, 8st. 3lbs. ... Heeroo 3
Messrs. Goculdas and Nanjee's False Start, 7st. 9lbs. (car. 7st. 12lbs.)... Ames 0

Also ran: Gladiator, 8-13; Bandit II., 8-10; Mukhool, 8-6; Wait-a-While, 7-13; Scarlet, 7-12; King Cobweb, 7-9; Kour Sahib, 7-3; and Forester, 6 8.

BETTING: 2 to 1 agst. Precious, 4 to 1 Eed, 5 to 1 Bendigo, 6 to 1 Bandit, and longer odds the others.

Won easily by one and a half lengths; a length between second and third. Time—1min 36⅖secs.

THE INNOVATION PLATE.—Rs. 4,000, out of which second receives Rs. 700, and the third Rs. 300. A high-weight handicap for ponies 14-2 and under. 7 furlongs.

Mr. Bunting's Lady Grey II., 8st. ... Southall 1
Mr. Vaid's Mandeville, 6st. 10lbs. (car. 6st. 12lbs.) ... ... Melsom 2
Capts. Meynell and Greig's Recovery, 7st. 11lb. (car. 7st. 3lbs.) ... ... A. Hoyt 3
Mr. J. D Scott's Duplex II., 8st. 4lbs. ... Kaesen 0

Also ran: Gun Metal, 9-5; Wakeful, 9-1; Matalgia, 8-8; and Russley Rose, 8-5.

BETTING: 5 to 2 agst. Lady Grey II., 7 to 2 Matalgia, 4 to 1 Russley Rose, 5 to 1 Dupleix, 6 to 1 Wakeful, and 10 to 1 to 15 to 1 the others.

Won easily by two and a half lengths; a neck between second and third. Time—1min. 29⅖secs.

THE TULIP CLUB CUP.—Rs. 3,000, out of which second receives Rs. 600 and the third Rs. 300. 1 mile, 5 furlongs.

Thakur Sripal Singh's Soheil, 7st. 13lbs. ... Kaesen 1
Mr. Ali bin Talib's Egypt, 8st. 6lbs. ... Ames 2
Messrs. Wood and Badger's Dilerjung, 7st. 6lbs. ... ... O'Neil 3
Mr. S. A. Waheed's Skylark, 8st. 8lbs. ... Omarkhan 0

Also ran: Hampstead, 9-1; Young Kohinoor, 8-1; Ajax, 8-7; Sandow, 8-5; Mooreed, 8-4; and Panala II., 7-3 (car. 7-4).

BETTING: 5 to 2 agst. Ajax, 5 to 1 Soheil, 6 to 1 each Mooreed and Dilerjung, and 8 to 1 to 10 to 1 the others.

Won by two and a quarter lengths; neck between second and third. Time—3mins. 7⅕secs.

THE BYCULLA CLUB CUP.—Rs. 10,000 from the Fund, and a cup value £50 sterling, presented by the Members of the Byculla Club. Second receives Rs. 2,000 and the third Rs. 1,000 out of the stakes. 1 mile, 5 furlongs.

The Hon'ble Mr. A. A. Apcar's Ballark, 9st 7lbs. ... ... Vining 1
Mr. Marshall's Kipling, 6st. 8lbs. ... Kamad 2
Mr. Deakin's Beaunero, 6st. 2lbs. (car. 6st. 8lbs.) ... ... Dhondi 3
Mr. E. L. De Soysa's Footprint, 6st. 12lbs. (car. 6st. 13lbs.) ... ... O'Neil 0

Also ran: Fitzgrafton, 9-12; Prince Lyon, 6-11 (car 6-12); Dirtyboy, 6-10; Chassepot, 6-9.

BETTING: 6 to 4 agst. Ballark, 4 to 1 Kipling, 5 to 4 Beaunero, 6 to 1 Fitzgrafton, 8 to 1 Footprint, 10 to 1 Prince Lyon, and 20 to 1 the others.

Won by a head; same distance between second and third. Time—2mins. 51⅕secs.

THE STAND PLATE.—Rs. 2,500, out of which second receives Rs. 400 and the third Rs. 200. A high-weight handicap for horses. 6 furlongs.

Mr. R. R. S.'s Killua, 9st. 2lbs. ... F. Williams 1
Messrs. Scott and Marshall's Saloon, 7st. 9lbs. ... ... Kaesen } D.-H.
Mr. Deakin's Meadow Saffron, 7st. 6lbs. ... Kamad }
Col. Beaver's Manlock, 8st. 12lbs. ... Southall 0

Also ran: Paddy's Darling, 8-9; Amyas, 8-3; Killevan, 7-11; Vocalist, 7-2; and Adelaide, 6-0 (car. 6-4).

BETTING: Evens Killua, 6 to 1 each agst. Manlock, Amyas and Killevan, 8 to 1 Saloon, and 10 to 1 to 20 to 1 the others.

Won in a canter by one and three-quarter lengths; Saloon dead-heat with Meadow Saffron for second place. Time—1min. 14⅕secs.

THE BEDOUIN PLATE.—Rs. 2,000, out of which second receives Rs. 400 and the third Rs. 200. A high-weight handicap for ponies 14 hands and under. 5 furlongs.

Mr. Artin A. Essayie's Creditor, 8st. 2lbs. ... Heeroo 1
Messrs. Goculdas and Nanjee's Bay Middleton, 8st. 10lbs. ... ... Robinson 2
Mr. R. R. S.'s Mint, 8st. 12lbs. ... F. Williams 3
Mr. Kelso's Hermit, 9st. 6lbs. ... ... Vining 0

Also ran: Darby, 8-11; Osborne, 8-9; Gaucho, 8-4; Plassey, 8-1; Antica, 8-0; Wadi, 8-3; and Rufus, 7-0.

BETTING: 5 to 2 agst. Bay Middleton, 3 to 1 Mint, 4 to 1 Wadi, 6 to 1 Rufus, 7 to 1 Hermit, and 10 to 1 to 15 to 1 the others.

Won by a length; a neck between second and third. Time—1min. 7⅖secs.

RANGOON SIXTH EXTRA MEETING.

Saturday, 16th February 1907.

IN rather sultry weather we brought off this meeting with marked success. The racing was above reproach from a spectacular point of view and it was cheering to see so many sportsmen and others looking on. Details:—

THE MIDGET PLATE.—Rs. 199 to the winner, Rs. 50 to the second, and Rs. 25 to the third pony. A flat race for Burma-bred ponies, 12-2½ and under, 12-2½ to carry 9st. W. I. about ¼ mile.

Mr. Mg. Thin's ch b b m Hal Nyun, 8st. 7lbs. ... ... Po Kai 1
Mr. I. Tilly's g bb g Myadaung, 8st. 4lbs. Po Youk 2
Mr. Shwe Wah's b bb m Hla Min, 8st. 6lbs. Oomer 3
Mr. Torren's g bb m Sein Pu, 7st. 4lbs. (car. 7st. 13lbs.) ... ... Mg. Glay 0
Mr. George's b bb m Pauk Myaing, 8st. 5lbs. Chit Pe 0
Mr. Cheong Taik's g bb m Aye Hla, 8st. 11lb. (car. 8st. 3lbs.) ... ... Ba Thwin 0
Mg. Po Byaw's ch bb g Aung Lan, 7st. 11lbs. (car. 7st. 13lbs.) ... ... Po Khin 0
Hir Raman's b bb g Shwe Bau, 7st. 7lbs.... Ba Nyun 0
Mg. Ba Kyine's ch bb g Rajah Ram, 7st. 8lbs. ... ... Po Tun 0

BETTING: 5 to 4 on Hla Nyun, 2 to 1 agst. Hla Min, 4 to 1 Sein Pu, 10 to 1 Rajah Ram, 12 to 1 Myadaung, 20 to 1 each Pauk Myaing and Aye Hla, 30 to 1 the rest.

Won by a neck; a head between second and third, and a head between third and fourth. Time—60⅖secs.

Totalisator paid Rs. 18 over winner, Rs. 7, Rs. 9 and Rs. 7 for places.

THE NEW GRIFFIN PLATE.—Rs. 199 to the winner, Rs. 50 to the second, and Rs. 25 to the third pony, For Griffin Ponies 14-0 and under, imported in August 1906. 14-0 hands to carry 9st. 7lbs. About 6 furlongs.

Mr. I. Tilly's ch aus g Rownuck II., 9st. 8lbs. ... ... Mr. Cullen 1
Mg. Tun Myaing's b aus g Troutbeck, 8st. 8lbs. (car. 8st. 9lbs.) ... Mg. Glay 2

Major J. Penny's ch aus g Spearmint, 8st. 12lbs. ... ... Po Mut 3
Mr. Villa's d aus g Chieftain, 10st. 7lbs. .. Oomer 0
Mg. Po Byaw's bk aus g Bonnie, 7st. 11b. (car. 7st. 3lbs.) ... ... Po. Kai 0

BETTING : 6 to 4 on Troutbeck, 2 to 1 agst. Chieftain, 3 to 1 Rownuck II., 4 to 1 Spearmint, 5 to 1 Bonnie.

Won by three lengths ; six between second and third. Time—1min. 25⅖secs.

Totalisator paid Rs. 36 over winner ; Rs. 14 and Rs. 6 over places.

THE NEW YEAR PLATE.—Rs. 199 to the winner, Rs. 50 to the second, and Rs. 25 to the third pony. A flat race for English and Australasian ponies, 13-2 and under, and Arabs, and C.-B.'s 13-3 and under. W. I. 6 furlongs.

Mr. Chin Tsong's br aus m The Bride, 10st. Kyaw Zan Oo 1
Mr. G. H. Bell's ch e m Money Box, 8st. 7lbs. ... ... Po Mut 2
Md. Majoo's ch aus m Red Rose, 8st. 9lbs. Maung Glay 3
Mr. George's b aus m Mascotte, 10st. 6lbs. Thaw Paw 0

BETTING : 6 to 4 on Red Rose, 6 to 4 agst. the Bride, 2 to 1 Mascotte, 5 to 1 Money Box.

Won by ten lengths; a length between second and third. Time—1min 25⅕secs.

Totalisator paid Rs. 14, and Rs. 7 and Rs. 8 over places.

THE BURMA PLATE.—Rs. 199 to the winner, Rs. 50 to the second and Rs. 25 to the third pony. A flat race for Maiden, Burma-bred ponies, 13-0½ and under. 13-0½ to carry 9st. 4lbs. W. I. 6 furlongs.

Mg. Nwai's b bb g Kya Bwa, 8st. 12lbs. ... Po Youk 1
Mg. Bah Yin's g bb g Myin Yin, 9st. 8lbs. Mg. Glay 2
Mg. Thin's b bb m Money Get, 8st. 12lbs ... ... Po Khai 3
Mr. Burjorjee's b bb m Juno, 9st. 2lbs. ... Clarke 0
Mr. Foster's b bb g Mandalay, 9st. 2lbs. ... Po Mut 0
U. Kyee's g bb m Kyaung Byan Mah, 8st. 4lbs. ... ... Ba Nyun 0
Mr. Cheong Taik's g bb m Aye Hla, 7st. 10lbs. ... ... Po Chin 0

BETTING : 6 to 4 on Juno, 2 to 1 agst Money Get, 5 to 1 Myin Yin, 6 to 1 Kya Bwa, 10 to 1 Mandalay, 30 to 1 the rest.

Won by a head ; a head between second and third. Time—1min. 32⅕secs.

Totalisator paid Rs. 150 to win, Rs. 14 and Rs. 10 for places.

THE OLD GRIFFIN PLATE.—Rs 199 to the winner, Rs. 50 to the second, and Rs. 25 to the third pony. A flat race for Griffin Ponies, 14 hands and under, imported by the Stewards under the Griffin scheme. 14 hands to carry 9st. 7lbs. W. I. About 5 furlongs.

Mg. Tyo's b aus g Aung Kyu, 8st. 2lbs. ... Po Kai 1
Mr. George's br aus m Necklace, 9st. ... Mr. Cullen 2
Major Penny's br aus g Rex, 11st. ... Elliot 3
Mg. Ba Thaik's ch aus m Aye Myah, 8st. 5lbs. (car. 8st 6lbs.) ... ... Mg. Glay 0
Mr. George's b aus m Josephine, 10st. 8lbs. Mr. Vivian 0
Md. Alluddeen's b aus g Estamboul, 9st. .. Md. Ebrahim 0
Md. Moolla's bk aus m Wee Lassie, 7st. 11b. (car. 7st. 9lbs.) ... ... N. Mahomed 0
Mr. I. Tilly's br aus g Pelwhan, 7st. 9lbs. Po Youk 0

BETTING : 2 to 1 on Rex, 2 to 1 agst. Aung Kyu, 4 to 1 Necklace, 12 to 1 Estamboul, 20 to 1 the rest.

Won by two lengths ; same dividing second and third. Time—1min. 9secs.

Totalisator paid Rs. 33 over winner ; Rs. 4, Rs. 9 and Rs. 15 over places.

THE SUBSTITUTION PLATE.—Rs. 199 to the winner, Rs. 50 to the second, and Rs. 25 to the third pony. A flat race for English and Australasian ponies, 14-0 and under. Country-breds 14-1 and under, and Arabs 14-2 and under. W. I. About 5 furlongs.

Mr. George's b aus m Celia, 7st. 11lbs. ... Chit Pe 1
Mr. Foster's b aus m Jiffy, 9st. 11b. ... Po Mut 2
Mr. Burjorjee's b aus m Curlew, 7st. 9lbs. ... Po Khin 3
Mr. George's br aus m Mascotte, 8st. 10lbs. Elliott 0

BETTING : Evens Celia, 5 to 4 agst. Jiffy, 6 to 4 Mascotte, 3 to 1 Curlew.

A dead heat, Curlew, ten lengths off, third. Time—1min. 6⅖secs.

In the run off, Celia won by half a dozen lengths. No time taken.

Totalisator paid Rs. 18 over winner and Rs. 8 and Rs. 9 for places.

MEERUT GYMKHANA.

First Day, Tuesday, 19th February 1907.

THE arrangements for to-day's sport were perfect, but the weather elected to upset everything. A big dust storm followed by a heavy shower brought down the Gunners' hospitable tent with a run, necessitated the abandonment of the steeplechase, rendered the course a quagmire and made most of us angry and uncomfortable. I append results :—

THE ARAB PLATE.—A handicap for maiden Arab ponies 14-1 and under. 6 furlongs.

Capt. Jeffrey's Nijidi, 9st. 13lbs. (car. 10st. 3lbs.) ... ... Owner 1
Major Jaine's Gold Dust, 9st. 10lbs. .. Shib Singh 2
Capt. Saunders' Royal Exchange, 9st. 8lbs. Mr. Day 3

Also ran : Sweetlips, 11-0 ; and Pardon, 11-0.

BETTING : 6 to 5 agst. Nijidi, 2 to 1 each Pardon and Gold Dust, 4 to 1 Royal Exchange, and 10 to 1 Sweetlips.

Won by a length ; a head between second and third. Time—1min. 29secs.

NOVICE STAKES.—For ponies 14-1 and under that have never won a race of any description, Gymkhana or otherwise. English and Australians 14-1 to carry 13st., C.-B.'s 14-1 to carry 11st. 7lbs., Arabs 14-1 to carry 10st. W. I. ¼ mile.

Sirdar Jewan Singh's Blackswan, 11st. 13lbs. ... ...Capt. Johnson 1
Sirdar Jewan Singh's Fortunate Lady. 11st. 11b. ... . Capt. Walwyn 2
Mr. Adam's Hinemoa, 10st. 12lbs. ... Mr. Higgon 3

Also ran : Ireland, 10-6 ; and Daisy Bell, 10-3.

BETTING : 3 to 1 on Blackswan, 3 to 1 agst. Fortunate Lady, and 10 to 1 the others.

Won by three lengths ; two lengths between second and third. Time—63secs.

HORSE PLATE.—A handicap for horses. 6 furlongs.

Mr. Bryan's Reinforcement, 11st. Owner 1
Mr. Walker's Lodge Worcester, 10st. 10lbs. Owner 2
Capt. Saviles' Cakewalk, 8st. 10lbs. ... Mr. Day 3

Also ran : Birralee, 10-1.

BETTING : Evens Reinforcement, 3 to 1 agst. Lodge Worcester, and 10 to 1 the others.

Won by three lengths. Time—2mins. 27secs.

THE SUDDER PLATE.—A handicap for ponies 14-1 and under. ½ mile.

Mr. Fail's Glenlea, 9st. 5lbs. ... ... Mr. Day 1
Capt. Forsyth's Esslemont, 9st. 2lbs. ... Shib Singh 2
Sirdar Jewan Singh's Blackspot, 11st. 12lbs. Capt. Johnson 3

Also ran : Koorlong, 12-0 ; Jean, 10-3 ; Pinfire, 9-11 ; Flight, 9-11 ; and Lady, 7-3.

BETTING : Evens Glenlea, 3 to 1 each agst. Koorlong, Blackspot and Esslemont, and 10 to 1 the others.

Won by a neck and a half ; a length between second and third. Time—56⅘secs

NOVICE ARAB RACE.—
Mr. Peyton's Ruddigore, 11st. 11b. ... Mr. Higgon 1
Major Daunt's Robin, 10st. 9lbs. ... Owner 2
Capt. Bennett's Peter the Great, 8st. 10lbs. (car. 9st. 7lbs.) ... ... Owner 3

Also ran : Chestnut, 11-7.

BETTING : 2 to 1 on Chestnut, and 3 to 1 agst. each of the others.

Won by three lengths ; five lengths between second and third. Time—61secs.

Second Day, Friday, 22nd February 1907.

We had capital racing to-day, though one experienced disappointment at the field of but two for the Polo Stakes. Details :—

ALL-COMERS' STAKES.—A handicap for ponies. 5 furlongs.

Sirdar Jewan Singh's Blackspot, 11st. 3lbs. ... ... Capt. Johnson 1
Capt. Jeffrey's Koorlong, 11st. 7lbs. ... Owner 2
Sergt. Newton's Jimmy, 10st. 5lbs. (car. 10st. 7lbs.) ... ... Capt. Barrett 3

Also ran : Pinfire, 9-4 (car. 9-7).

BETTING : 2 to 1 on Blackspot, 4 to 1 agst. Jimmy, and 5 to 1 the others.

Won by half a length ; a neck between the second and third. Time—1min. 8⅘secs.

ARAB SCURRY.—Catch-weights over 11st. 3 furlongs.

Capt. Johnson's Sweetlips ... ... Owner 1
Mr. Peyton's Ruddigore ... ... Mr. Higgon 2
Major James' Gold Dust ... ... Mr. Brogant 3

Also ran : Pardon, Outpost, Mail and Nijidi.

BETTING : 2 to 1 on Nijidi, 3 to 1 each agst. Pardon, Gold Dust and Ruddigore, 4 to 1 each Mail and Outpost, and 10 to 1 Sweetlips.

Won by a head ; half a length between second and third. Time—43secs.

HIE OVER PLATE.—Handicap hurdle race for horses. 1¼ miles.

Mr. Bryant's Reinforcement, 11st. 8lbs ... Owner 1
Mr. Henry's Hautboy, 12st. ... ... Capt. Johnson 2
Mr. H. Norton's Birralee, 10st. ... Capt. Bennett 3

BETTING : 4 to 1 on Reinforcement, 2 to 1 agst. Hautboy, and 7 to 1 Birralee.

Won by a length and a half ; four lengths between second and third.

PONY HURDLES.—A handicap for ponies. 1¾ miles over 8 flights of hurdles.

Capt. Walwyn's Briar Rose, 10st 11lbs. ... Capt. Johnson 1
Capt. Charley's Hermes, 11st. ... Owner 2
Major Noblett's Folly, 10st. 7lbs. (car. 10st. 9lbs.) ... ... Owner 3

Also ran : Jean, 9-7 (car. 9-9) (fell), and Oiled, late Portia, 8-7 (car. 8-10).

BETTING : 6 to 4 on Briar Rose, evens Hermes, and 5 to 1 the others.

Won by four lengths : a bad third.

POLO STAKES.—3 furlongs.

Mr. Adams' Hinemoa, 12st. ... ... Owner 1
Major Daunt's Robin, 10st. .. ... Owner 2

BETTING : 2 to 1 on Hinemoa, and 2 to 1 agst. Robin.

Won by half a length. Time—45secs.

CONSOLATION STAKES.—A handicap for horses and ponies that have run and not won at the meeting. 3½ furlongs.

Mr. Walter's Lodge Worcester, 11st. 7lbs. Owner 1
Capt. Forsyth's Esslemont, 10st. 7lbs. ... Mr. Day 2
Capt. Savile's Cake Walk, 9st. (car. 10st. 4lbs.) ... ... Owner 3

Also ran : Daisy Bell, 8-0 (car. 9-6.)

BETTING : 6 to 4 on Lodge Worcester, 6 to 4 agst. Esslemont, and 20 to 1 the others.

Won by two lengths ; four lengths ; between second and third. Time—48secs.

BANGALORE FEBRUARY HANDICAP MEETING.

STEWARDS :

COL J. P. GRANT. | COL. W. T. BERRETON.
LIEUT.-COL. J. DESARAJ URS. | COL. W. H. CONNOLLY.

Secretary :—H. DONNE, ESQ.

Second Day, Thursday, 21st February 1907.

THE second day of the above races was an improvement upon the first, but that is all that can be said. Two subst tution charger races filled fairly well and rendered the afternoon's sport amusing, but the very fact that these were the only events to produce even respectable fields is significant of the class which most be catered for in Bangalore at present Results of the racing :—

THE NOVEMBER PLATE.—Rs. 100, of which the second horse will receive Rs. 20. For horses. Weights—Handicap. 6 furlongs.

Mr. P. Hannygton's ch aus g King's Mirror, 9st. 5lbs. ... ... Thompson 1
Lieut.-Col J. Desaraj Urs' b aus g Rustler, 10st. ... ... Ferguson 2

BETTING : 2 to 1 on King's Mirror, 6 to 4 agst. Rustler.

King's Mirror led out at once and won as he liked by a dozen lengths. Time—1min. 25⅕secs.

THE LITTLE PLATE.—Rs. 100, of which the second pony will will receive Rs. 20. For ponies. Weights—Handicap. 5 furlongs.

Capt. A. K. Heyland's ch Irish m Sharavogue, 8st. 7lbs. ... ... Owner
Major R. H. Hayes' ch aus g K. C. S. I., 8st. 7lbs. ... . Thompson 2
Lieut.-Col. J. Desaraj Urs' ch aus m Ping Pong, 11st. 7lbs. ... ... Ferguson 3

BETTING : 4 to 1 on Ping Pong, 6 to 4 agst. Sharavogue, and 3to 1 K. C. S. I.

A complete upset. Sharavogue won in a canter by lengths; with the favourite last. Time—1min. 12secs.

THE PADDOCK PLATE.—Rs. 100, of which the second pony will receive Rs. 20. For Arab ponies. Weights—Handicap. ¼ mile.

Col. Connolly's br a h Mauser, 10st. 8lbs. Mr. Spinks 1
Capt. White's b a g Little Prince, 9st. 8lbs. ... ... Capt. Heyland 2
Mr. L. Phillips' g a h Once More, 9st. 12lbs. ... ... Owner 3

BETTING : 6 to 4 on Mauser or Once More, and 6 to 4 agst. Little Prince.

The betting indicated a close race, and so it proved, Mauser winning a good finish by half a length, with Once More a couple of lengths behind Little Prince. Time—1min. 37secs.

THE STATION PLATE.—Rs. 100, of which the second horse will receive Rs. 20. For horses *bonâ fide* the property of members of the Bangalore Gymkhana Club. Weights—Handicap. 1¼ miles.

Mr. C. W. Spinks' b aus g The Gander, 11st. ... ... Owner 1
Mr. P. Hannygton's b aus g Advance, 10st. 7lbs. ... . Ferguson 2
Mr. Trelowey's ch aus m Crenia, 10st. 4lbs. Mr. Walker 3
Capt. Denniston's ch e m Ardamine, 10st. 7lbs. ... ... Owner 0

BETTING : 2 to 1 on The Gander, 2 to 1 agst. Advance, 3 to 1 Crenia, and 4 to 1 Ardamine.

The Gander made all his own running and won as he liked from Advance ; bad third. Time—2mins. 31⅘secs.

THE INFANTRY CHARGER RACE.—Rs. 100, of which the second horse will receive Rs. 20. For *bonâ fide* Infantry chargers that have not won a race of the value of Rs. 50 or over. 3 furlongs.

Capt. Porter's g a g Policeman, 11st. 7lbs. Mr. Naper 1
Capt. Rice's b aus m Lottery, 11st. 7lbs. ... Owner 2
Capt. A. K. Heyland's ch cb m Nemesis, 11st. ... ... Owner 3
Mr. Hill's b cb g Silver Tail, 11st. ... Owner 0
Mr. Matterson's g cb g Pink Eye, 11st. ... Owner 0
Capt. Forster's ch cb g Firefly, 11st. ... Mr. Maxwell 0
Major R. H. Hayes' bk cb m Teaser, 11st.... Mr. Astley 0
Major Kauntz's b a g Lord of the Soil, 10st. 7lbs. ... ... Mr. Walker 0
Mr. Douglas' br a h The Slug, 10st. 7lbs. ... Owner 0

BETTING : Evens Nemesis, 3, to 1 each agst. Lottery and Teaser, 4 to 1 each Silver Tail and Firefly, and 5 to 1 the others.

Won by a length ; same distance between second and third. Time—46⅖secs.

Someone had stuck a doll in little Rosie Solomon's shoe, and she ran to her mother with it. "Mein schild," said the latter frowning to her very nose, "ole Fader Christmash don't giff mit no tolls for ze Schew childern ; we wash Israelites, ton't you know!" "Yes, mother," said Miss Solomon, reflectively, "I suppose he came down the wrong chimney ! But isn't it a lark to sheat de little Christian girl out of it though!"

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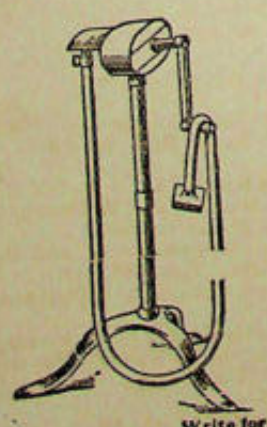

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CALCUTTA EIGHTH EXTRA MEETING.

Thursday, 28th February 1907.

HANDICAPS.

HORSE CONSOLATION PLATE.—Divided Handicap No. 1.—5 furlongs.

Prince Lyon	...	11	8	Gum ...	...	8 8
Palindrome	...	9	8	Lady Anna	...	8 6
Pure Gold	...	9	6	Loyal ...	...	8 5
Clynder ...	...	9	2	Warstripe...	...	8 2
Projecture	...	9	1	Bell Dhu ...	...	8 2
Peveril ...	...	9	0	Kendal King	...	8 1
Cyril ...	...	8	10	Downland	...	8 0
Sweet Sound	...	8	7	Rather Rakish	...	7 11

HORSE CONSOLATION PLATE.—Divided Handicap No. 2.—5 furlongs.

Musette ...	...	10	7	Eclipse ...	...	9 8
Craig ...	...	10	7	Woodbine	...	9 7
Mulison ...	...	10	5	Leading Lady	...	9 5
Charles ...	...	10	4	Wake Up...	...	8 11
Vinolia ...	...	10	1	Queen of Gems	...	8 9
Morsel ...	...	10	0	Miss Trenton	...	8 6
Sal ...		9	13	Roseland ...	...	7 13
Springlock	...	9	10	Prince Moorefield	...	7 9

MINTO PLATE.—R. C.

Beaunoro	...	11	12	Leda ...	...	8 0
Honest Lady	...	11	1	Hande'ilian	...	7 12
Hoop Iron	...	10	2	Insurrection	...	7 10
Mount Dane	...	9	10	Nirvana ...	...	7 9
Bundook...	...	9	6	Solace ...	...	7 5
Riverside II.	...	8	13	Bouquet ...	...	7 4
Scamander	...	8	7	Pallas ...	...	7 0
Loyal ...	...	8	5	Clodian ...	...	6 12

Child Adopted ... 6 8

If the top weight accepting be under 10-12, it will be raised to that amount and the others in proportion.

FAREWELL PLATE.—6 furlongs.

Botha ...	...	11	2	Cyril ...	...	9 0
Pendred ...	...	10	10	Scamander...	...	8 13
Jack Sheppard	...	10	6	Gum ...	...	8 12
Camira ...	...	10	6	Downland ...	...	8 4
Lipscombe	...	10	4	Colina ...	...	8 2
Mercedes	...	9	12	Musette ...	...	8 0
Pure Gold	...	9	10	Mulison ...	...	7 12
Foy ...	...	9	8	Manon ...	...	7 8
Dramatic	...	9	8	Nirvana ...	...	7 7
Clynder ...	...	9	6	Dib ...	...	7 6
Projecture	...	9	5	Springlock...	...	7 3
Bundah ...	...	9	2	Solace ...	...	7 3

If the top weight accepting be under 10-12, it will be raised to that amount and the others in proportion.

HARRINGTON PLATE.—7 furlongs.

Botha ...	...	11	7	Colina ...	...	7 8
Mercedes	...	10	3	Craig ...	...	8 5
Pure Gold	...	10	1	St. Michael	...	8 3
Merrie Elsie	...	10	0	Vinolia ...	...	7 13
Dramatic	...	9	13	Nirvana ...	...	7 12
Bundook	...	9	12	Trencherman	...	7 11
Galley Slave	...	9	11	Sal ...	...	7 11
Bundah ...	...	9	7	Solace ...	...	7 8
Loyal ...	...	9	0	Clodian	...	7 3
Belle Cole	...	8	8	Leading Lad	...	7 3
Hande'ilian	...	8	7			

If the top weight accepting be under 10-12, it will be raised to that amount and the others in proportion.

PONY CONSOLATION PLATE.—6 furlongs.

Belle Cole	...	10	12	Kathleen II.	...	9 13
Lady Viola	...	10	11	Yardley ...	...	9 7
Lady Vera	...	10	7	Hazelnut ...	...	9 0
Nurse Kitty		10	5	Belligerent	...	8 13
Circus Girl	...	10	0	Mademoiselle	...	7 12
	Mayroid		...	6 9		

SECOND HUNTERS' FLAT RACE.—7 furlongs.

Lord Harry	...	12	7	Queen of Hearts	...	9 7
Lady Gold	...	11	9	Ruby ...	...	9 4
Tiritiri ...	...	11	7	Posey ...	...	9 0
Pretender	...	11	0	Cain ...	...	8 9
Detective	...	10	8	Orphan Boy	...	8 5
Sylvia ...	...	9	10	Jacinth ...	...	8 0

THE GREAT NORTHERN SPRING MEETING.

RAWALPINDI.

19th, 21st and 23rd March 1907.

List of First Entries closed on 15th February.

First Day.

THE PONY HURDLES.—About 1½ miles (over 6 flights of hurdles.)

1 Capt. W. E. B. Smith's	... b c b g	...	Tyrant.
2 Capt. A. S. Toogood and Mr. Allen's	... b c b m	...	Beauty II.
3 Major Williamson and Mr. S. Brandreth's	... b aus m	...	Irish.
4 Col. R. Pringle's	... b c b m	...	Maggie Lauder.
5 Mr. Sydney Smith's	... b c b m	...	Shamrock.
6 Mr. G. F. Gretton's	... ch a g	...	Rudolph.

THE NOVICE PLATE.—1,000 yards.

1 Capt. W. E. B. Smith's	... ch a g	...	Life Line.
2 Mr. M. D. Ahern's	... b a h	...	Mirza.
3 Col. R. Pringle's	... b a g	...	Cock O'th North.
4 Mr. Sydney Smith's	... b a h	...	Khalifa.
5 Mr. Hunt's ...	...		Roko.
6 S. Q. M. S. Mason's	... g a g	...	Pompey.
7 Mr. W. O. Gibb's	... g a h	...	Fair Exchange.
8 Col. Doran's ...	... ch a g	...	Rupert.
9 Col. Doran's ...	... g a h	...	Random.
10 Mr. Willoughby-Osborne's	g a h	...	Petit Bleu.

THE MAIDEN PLATE.—6 furlongs.

1 Mr. J. Lee's ...	... blk c b m	...	Ringette.
2 Major Popham Young and Mr. S. Brandreth's	... b c b m	...	Happy-Go-Lucky.
3 Major W. R. Walker's	... b c b m	...	Labby Annie.

THE KULDUNNAH PLATE.—6 furlongs.

1 Capt. A. S. Toogood's	... blk aus m	...	Careless.
2 Capt. A. S. Toogood's	... b e m	...	Maranta.
3 Mr. Sydney Smith's	... br e m	...	May Queen.
4 S. S. M. R. Cox's	... b aus m	...	Countess.
5 Mr. G. O'Hara's	... b aus m	...	Margaret.
6 Maj. Popham Young's	... b e b	...	Fabius.
7 Col. Fuller's ...	... ch aus m	...	Little Dorris.
8 Capt. Paine's ...	... blk aus g	...	Black Satin.
9 Mr. Henry's ...	... b aus m	...	Alice.
10 Col. Doran's ...	... ch aus m	...	Lucky Bell.

THE DESERT PLATE.—R. C.

1 Col. C. M. Kavanagh's	... g a h	...	Money Spinner.
2 Mr. E. W. Williams'	... g a g	...	Avatar.
3 Mr. Sydney Smith's	... b a h	...	Palmy Days.
4 Maj. Popham Young's	... b a h	...	Surkhab.
5 Capt. Howard's	... ch a h	...	Promise.
6 Capt. O'Winter's	... b a h	...	Whirlwind.
7 Maj. Moore's	... g a h	...	Gendarme.
8 Mr. Henry's ...	... ch a h	...	The Ranger.
9 Col. Doran's ...	... ch a h	...	Lordling.

THE RAWAL PINDI GRAND NATIONAL.—About 2 miles over the Steeplechase Course.

1 Col. F. G. Delamain's	... ch aus g	...	Marquis.
2 Mr. H. F. Whitby's	... br aus g	...	Taffy.
3 Capt. F. Jackson's	... b aus g	...	Ace of Hearts.
4 Capt. R. Price's	... b aus g	...	Monte.
5 Mr. J. K. Gatacre's	... ch c b g	...	Karim.

Second Day.

THE GHARIAL PLATE.—R. C.

1 Col. C. M. Kavanagh's	... g a h	...	Money Spinner.
2 Mr. E. W. Williams'	... b a g	...	Pasha.
3 Mr. Sydney Smith's	... b a h	...	Khalifa
4 Mr. Sydney Smith's	... b a h	...	Palmy Days.
5 Maj. Popham Young's	... b a h	...	Surkhab.
6 Capt. Howard's	... ch a h	...	Promise.
7 Capt. O'Winter's	... b a h	...	Whirlwind.
8 Maj. Moore's	... g a h	...	Gendarme.
9 Mr. Henry's ...	... ch a h	...	The Ranger.
10 Col. Doran's	... ch a h	...	Lordling.
11 Mr. Willoughby-Osborne's	g a h	...	Petit Bleu.

THE PUNJAB ARMY CUP.—2 miles.

1 Mr. H. F. Whitby's	... b c b m	...	Mirhbani.
2 Mr. E. C. Barne's	... ch a h	...	Crusader.
3 Mr. H. C. Dibben's	... ch a g	...	Mister E.
4 Col. R. Pringle's	... r c b m	...	Pearl O'Dec.
5 Mr. G. H. S. Fowke's	... g a g	...	First Spear.
6 Mr. A. M. Ker's	... g c b m		Fidget.
7 Mr. R. Creek's	... b c b m	...	Sappho.
8 Mr W. O. Gibbs'	... ch c b h	...	Spitfiel.
9 Mr. H. C. Dibben's	... br c b m	...	Doreen II.
10 Capt. A. S. Toogood and Mr. Allen's	... b c b m	...	Beauty II.
11 Mr. G. F. Mellor's	... b a g	...	Harmony.
12 Mr. E. W. Williams'	... ch a h	...	Lohengrin.
13 Mr. E. P. Argyle's	... b c b g	...	Rallywood.
14 Mr. C. P. Marten's	... w c b m	...	Moti.
15 Maj. W. R. Walker's	... b a g	...	Minting King.
16 Mr. G. B. Ollivant's	... g a g	...	Zoowar.
17 Col. F. G. Delamain's	... ch c b m	...	Daffodil.
18 Mr. R. F. Ewart's	... b c b g	...	Moonshine.
19 Mr. H. E. Cannop's	... b c b g	...	K. C.

THE KASHMIR PLATE.—7 furlongs.

1 Capt. A. S. Toogood's	... b e m	...	Maranta.
2 Maj. Williamson and Mr. S. Brandreth's	... b aus m	...	Irish.
3 Mr. G. O'Hara's	... b aus m	...	Margaret
4 Col. Fuller's ...	... ch aus m	...	Little Dorris.
5 Capt. Paine's	... blk aus g	...	Black Satin.
6 Mr. Henry's ...	... b aus m	...	Alice.
7 Col. Doran's ...	... ch aus m	...	Lucky Bell.

THE KIMBERLEY PLATE.—6 furlongs.

1 Capt. W. E. B. Smith's	... b c b g	...	Tyrant.
2 Col. F. G. Delamain's	... ch c b m	...	Daffodil.
3 Mr. J. Lee's ...	... blk c b m	...	Ringette.
4 Maj. Popham Young and Mr. S. Brandreth's	... b c b m	...	Happy-Go-Lucky.
5 Mr. Sydney Smith's	... b c b m	...	Shamrock.
6 Mr. G. O'Hara's	... b c b h	...	Agile.
7 Major W. R. Walker's	... b c b m	...	Labby Annie.
8 Mr. Henry's ...	... ch c b h	...	Bob Major.

THE ARAB PLATE.—1,000 yards.

1 Capt. W. E. B. Smith's	... ch a g	...	Life Line.
2 Capt. A. S. Toogood's	... b a h	...	Malabar.
3 Mr. E. W. Williams'	... g a g	...	Freckles
4 Maj. Popham Young's	... b a h	...	Surkhab.
5 Mr. Sydney Smith's	... g a g	...	Canopus.
6 Maj. Moore's ...	... g a h	...	Gendarme.
7 Mr. G. F. Gretton's	... ch a g	...	Opal.
8 Col. Doran's ...	... ch a h	...	Lordling.
9 Col. Doran's ...	... ch a g	...	Rupert.
10 Col. Doran's ...	... g a h	...	Random.

THE MARCH PLATE.—7 furlongs.

1 Mr. G. O'Hara's	... b e g	...	Wood Cutter.
2 Capt. O'Winter's	... b e h	...	M. P.
3 Capt. F. Jackson's	... br aus g	...	Netherby.
4 Capt. R. Price's	... b aus g	...	Monte.
5 Mr. J. K. Gatacre's	... ch c b g	...	Karim.
6 Mr. G. B. Ollivant's	... b aus g	...	Pactolus.
7 Capt. Paine's ...	... b e m	...	Jubilation.
8 Mr. C. E. Reynard's	... br aus m	...	Small Scotch.
9 Mr. C. E. Reynard's	... b aus g	...	Vienard
10 Mr. W. O. Gibbs'	... b e m	...	Nell Gwynne.
11 Mr. Willoughby-Osborne's	ch aus m	...	Impolita.

Third Day.

THE HIE OVER PLATE.—2 miles (over 8 flights of hurdles.)

1 Capt. A. S. Toogood's	... blk aus m	...	Careless.
2 Major Williamson and Mr. S. Brandreth's	... b aus m	...	Irish.
3 Col. R. Pringle's	... b c b m	...	Maggie Lauder.
4 Mr. Sydney Smith's	... b c b m	...	Shamrock.
5 Mr. G. F. Gretton's	... ch a g	...	Rudolph.

THE PUNJAB ARMY HANDICAP PONY CHASE.—2 miles.

1 Mr. H. F. Whitby's	... b c b m	...	Mirhbani
2 Mr. E. C. Barnes'	... ch a h	...	Crusader.
3 Mr. H. C. Dibben's	... ch a g	...	Mister E.
4 Col. R. Pringle's	r c b m	...	Pearl O'Dec.
5 Mr. G. H. S. Fowke's	... g a g	...	First Spear.
6 Mr. A. M. Ker's	... g c b m	...	Fidget.
7 Mr. R. Creek's	... b c b m	...	Sappho.
8 Mr. W. O. Gibbs'	... ch c b h	...	Spitfiel.
9 Mr. H. C. Dibben's	... br c b m	...	Doreen II.
10 Capt. A. S. Toogood and Mr. Allen's...	... b c b m	...	Beauty II.
11 Mr. G. F. Mellor's	... b a g	...	Harmony.
12 Mr. E. W. Williams'	... ch a h	...	Lohengrin.
13 Maj. W. R. Walker's	... b a g	...	Minting King.
14 Mr. G. B. Ollivant's	... g a g	...	Zoowar.
15 Col. F. G. Delamain's	... ch c b m	...	Daffodil.
16 Mr. R. F. Ewart's	... b c b g	...	Moonshine.
17 Mr. H. E. Cannop's	... b c b g	...	K. C.

THE SAHARA HANDICAP.—R. C.

1 Mr. G. O'Hara's	... b e g	...	Wood Cutter.
2 Capt. O'Winter's	... b e b	...	M. P.
3 Capt. F. Jackson's	... b aus g	...	Ace of Hearts.
4 Capt. R. Price's	... b aus g	...	Monte.
5 Mr. J. K. Gatacre's	... ch c b g	...	Karim.
6 Mr. G. B. Ollivant's	... b aus g	...	Pactolus.
7 Capt. Paine's ...	... b e m	...	Jubilation.
8 Mr. H. F. Whitby's	... br aus g	...	Taffy.
9 Mr. C. E. Reynard's	... b aus g	...	Vienard.
10 Mr. W. O. Gibbs'	... b e m	...	Nell Gwynne.
11 Mr. Willoughby-Osborne's	ch aus m	...	Impolita.

THE C. B. PLATE.—1 mile.

1 Capt. W. E. B. Smith's	... b c b g	...	Tyrant.
2 Col. F. G. Delamain's	... ch c b m	...	Daffodil.
3 Major Popham Young and Mr. S. Brandreth's	... b c b m	...	Happy-Go-Lucky.
4 Mr. Sydney Smith's	... b c b m	...	Shamrock.
5 Mr. G. O'Hara's	b c b g	...	Agile.
6 Maj. W. R. Walker's	... b c b m	...	Labby Annie.
7 Mr. Henry's ...	... ch c b h	...	Bob Major.

THE DISTANCE PLATE.—5 furlongs.

1 Capt. W. E. B. Smith's	... ch a g	...	Life Line.
2 Capt. A. S. Toogood's	... b a h	...	Malabar.
3 Mr. Sydney Smith's	... b a h	...	Palmy Days.
4 Mr. Sydney Smith's	... g a g	...	Canopus.
5 Maj. Popham Young's	... b a h	...	Surkhab.
6 Capt. Howard's	... ch a h	...	Promise.
7 Maj. Moore's...	... g a h	...	Gendarme.
8 Mr. G. F. Gretton's	... ch a g	...	Opal.
9 Mr. Henry's ...	... ch a h	...	The Ranger.
10 Mr. W. O. Gibbs'	... g a h	...	Fair Exchange.
11 Col. Doran's ...	... ch a g	...	Rupert.
12 Col. Doran's ...	ch a h	...	Lordling.
13 Col. Doran's ...	... g a h	...	Random.

THE FAREWELL PLATE.—7 furlongs.

1 Capt. A. S. Toogood's	... b e m	...	Maranta.
2 Mr. J Lee's	... blk c b m	...	Ringette.
3 Major Williamson and Mr. S Brandreth's	... b aus m	...	Irish.
4 Mr. G. O'Hara's	... b c b h		Agile.
5 Mr. G. O'Hara's	... b aus m	...	Margaret.
6 Col. Fuller's ...	... ch aus m	...	Little Dorris.
7 Capt. Paine's	... blk aus g	...	Black Satin.
8 Mr. Henry's ...	... b aus m	...	Alice.
9 Mr. C. E. Reynard's	... br aus m	...	Small Scotch.
10 Col. Doran's ...	... ch a h	...	Lordling.
11 Col. Doran's ...	... ch a g	...	Rupert.
12 Col. Doran's ...	... g a h	...	Random.
13 Col. Doran's ...	... ch aus m	...	Lucky Bell.

N. B.—Second Entries close on 8th March 1907.

Final Entries close on 15th March 1907.

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(FROM THE HOME PAPERS.)

LONDON, *Friday, 8th February 1907.*

THE TURF.

SANDOWN.

THOUGH a reassuring message was early received in London on the morning of the 1st instant, as to racing being practicable at Sandown, it was a very near thing, as the frost further afield was strong, and the snow lay so thickly on the hard ground that hunting was impossible. The executive had taken time by the forelock in having the course covered a week ago, and could afford to snap their fingers at fate. Strange to say, the going was excellent; soft round the far side, where the hoof-marks were deeply imprinted, and owners need not have been at all chary, but the fears of bad going kept many intending competitors away, and fields ruled on the small side. The hay covering was all ready to be raked back again as we left in the teeth of a biting north-wester, but there was not any frost in the air, and the prospects for next day seem fair with every appearance of fine weather. Doubtless the icy outlook militated against the muster, which was smaller than usual here, though representative, many patrons of the Turf swelling the attendance in the club enclosure where the full force of the biting wind brought those roses to the cheeks of our fair compatriots for which England is famous all the world over. Details of the principal races:—

BURWOOD STEEPLECHASE—Of 150sovs.; second receives 10 sovs. 3 miles.

Capt. N. Money's ch g Cissy's Revel, by Gay Reveller—Cissy, aged, 12st. 5lbs....	T. Moran 1
Mr. A. Gorham's ch g Wolf's Folly, aged, 11st. 7lbs.	P. Cowley 2
Mr. C. Bewicke's br g Bonar, 5yrs, 10st. 12lbs.	J. O'Brien 3
Mr. R. C. de Crespigny's Warner, 5yrs., 10st. 12lbs. (car 11st. 11lb.) ...	Capt. de Crespigny 0

(*Winner trained by F. Hartigan, at Weyhill.*)

BETTING: 11 to 10 agst. Wolf's Folly, 5 to 4 Cissy's Revel, 10 to 1 Bonar, and 20 to 1 Warner (offered).

Won easily by five lengths; a head was the margin between second and third. Time—6mins. 36⅕secs.

FEBRUARY FOUR-YEAR-OLD HURDLE RACE—Of 200sovs.; second receives 25sovs. 2 miles.

Mr. A. Stedall's ch c Simonson, by Jeddah —Simonella, 10st. 2lbs.	J. Dillon 1
Mr. H. M. Hartigan's b c Dafila, 11st. ...	T. Moran 2
Mr. J. M. Kerne's b c Sancho, 10st. 2lbs.	F. Freemantle 3
Mr. W. H. Pawson's Postscript, 10st. 2lbs.	Mr. A. Wood 0

(*Winner bred by Mr. J. W. Larnach; Trained by W. Nightingall, at Epsom.*)

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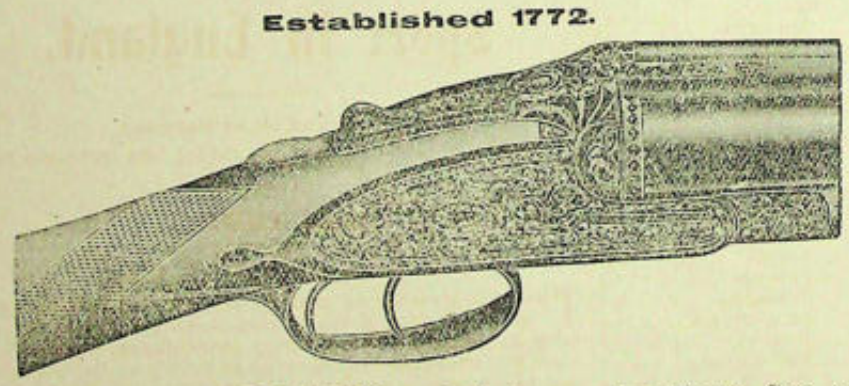

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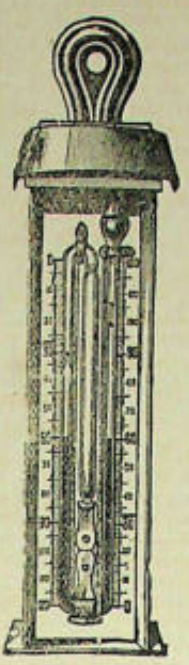

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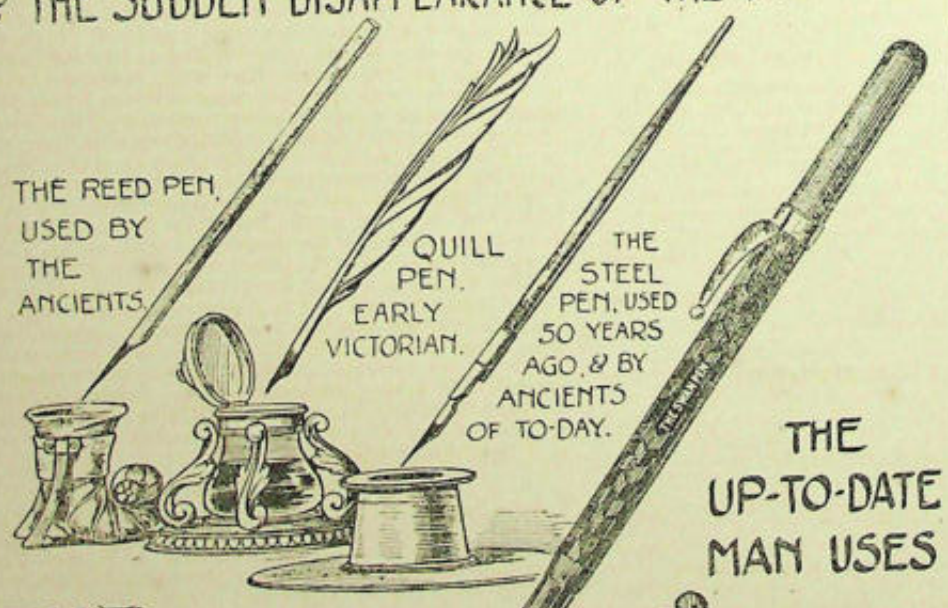

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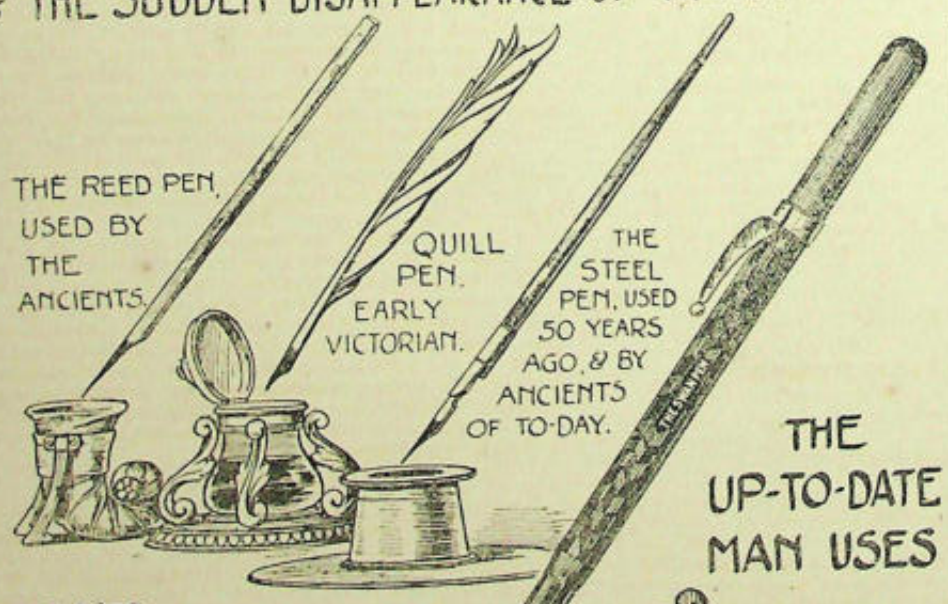

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The weather, after a long spell of frost, was excellent, and on the straw being removed the turf proved in splendid order, both captains being perfectly pleased. It was a very fast stretch of turf.

Pritchard kicked off for the Principality prompt to time. Purves fielded, but Winfield, from a long return, got possession, and sent the ball into touch at the Scots' twenty-five. The first, scrum was anxiously watched. It was desperately contested but it broke up to neither's advantage. The Scotch backs got possession, however, and pushed ahead, and let the native division across the centre line. Clever kicking by Trew sent the ball over to the Welsh left, where Maddox got hold and punted for touch. An early misfortune happened to Wales. Travers being injured. He rapidly recovered, and from the next scrum Simson broke away in characteristic fashion. Trew laid the Scotlow, and Gibbs, the roving commissioner, new came into prominence, kicking into the centre, where Evans gathered the ball, and racing ahead, handed out to Gabe. The latter passed to Williams, but failing to gather properly, the chance was lost.

A free-kick let Scotland away and Maddox brought the game back, but Macleod and McGregor secured the Welshman. A penalty-kick against Scotland, not three yards inside the centre line, was taken by Winfield. He made a try all the way, but the ball just fell short. Sloan did not find touch with his drop back, and Winfield getting in a terrific return found touch tenyards from the Scottish line. The Scottish forwards rallied nobly, and at length, the aggressive Welshmen were driven back. For a time the Thistle pack was in well nigh irresistible mood, rushing the ball pell-mell along in their own fashion. Eagerness spoiled a promising movement by a couple getting off-side. From the scrum the ball came out on the Scottish side, and Simson fairly set his threes on the move, the dash coming to an end when Macleod was bundled into touch after making much ground. Another burst by the Scottish forwards bustled the ball over the Welsh line, but it ran dead before anyone could get it.

Aided shortly afterwards by a free-kick, the wearers of the feathers soon invaded Scottish soil. In a *mêlée* just outside the twenty-five a Scot got off-side, and Wales had a free awarded them, and from the place Winfield had no difficulty in putting the ball over the bar. The Scotsmen were in evidence immediately after the kick-off, Bedell-Sivright leading a stiring rush right to the Welsh twenty-five. Winfield's kicking was again in evidence, as he found touch just outside the opposing twenty-five. —mighty long kicking indeed. Walters relieved, and Purves made some ground, and Greig, the Scottish captain, supplemented their efforts with a fine kick into touch well into Welsh territory.

Rush and counter-rush was the order, and then Gibbs fairly let the Welsh rear rankers away. Evans and Williams made some ground, but again Macleod's fine tackling, which had been of much service, came to the rescue of his country. The Welshmen were now established in home ground, but a little before half-time the Scottish three-quarters got moving, but Evans clutched McGregor like an octopus, and effectively brought the raid to an end. Half-time:—

	Pts.
Wales (one penalty goal)	3
Scotland	0

With a break of but five minutes, Bedell-Sivright restarted the game. His kick was marked, but a warm reply by Macleod let Scotland down instanter. A "free" to the Principality was well taken by Winfield, who sent a tremendous punt to the other end. It failed to find touch, and Macleod's return was a mammoth one. Equally long it reached touch and gave Scotland a great advantage. The Scottish forwards were now fairly in the thick of it, and keeping the ball tight they gave the Welsh back division no chance to get into operation. The game was fought resolutely amongst the forwards, and Scotland's equaliser was soon forthcoming. The ball went out to the three-quarters, and each of them in turn handled in certain fashion, and Purves capped the movement with as fine a try as has been scored on the Union field. The place was a long one, and Macleod, who took the kick, failed to convert. With the scores even Wales went at it in stirring fashion. The ball got loose, and Trew and Evans set off at a fine pace, Macleod hard in their wake. The latter failed to tackle Williams, who got the ball from Evans, but so upset was the flying winger that Sloan had no difficulty in bringing him down.

Scotland did not long submit to this sort of thing, and carrying a succession of scrummages, they took play right into the Welsh corner on the stand side of the field. Here some terrific work ensued, and several times the Scots were all but in. The home team had the complete upper hand, and Winfield was hotly, beset. In stopping a raed, the Welsh full back sustained an injury and after a longish delay Winfield had to leave the field.

He was limping badly, and did not return during the remainder of the game, and Gibbs, the free lanced, fell into the full back position. The loss of a man to Wales did not immediately affect play, the visitors playing up in rousing style. The burst was short-lived, and an overwhelming Scotch advantage at forward brought the game once more back on the Welsh lines. A bout of passing amongst the Scotch three-quarters nearly ended in disaster, but McGregor was downed at the supreme moment.

Playing very pluckily indeed, the Welshmen gained a little ground, but, thanks to great work by the Scottish forwards, the home backs again got in motion and in quite delightful fashion the ball flashed along the third line. Macleod gathered a fine pass from McGregor, and the aspect was very bad for the Leek. The home forwards rallied round, and the game was fought desperately right under the Welsh posts. There was nothing gingerly about the tackling, and the players gave as much as they took. There was a brief pause to attend to an injured Welshman, and then at it again.

There was little doubt that Scotland were on scoring bent, and despite every effort of the Welshmen, the try came. There was a perfect *mêlee* around the Welsh posts. Scot after Scot assailed the line in Herculean fashion, and at length Monteith waded across, amidst cheers. The kick was entrusted to McAllum, but the Watsonian failed.

Not much time had now to run, and amidst the cheers of the spectators, who saw a Scottish victory looming ahead, the game was resumed. The Welshmen were not yet done, and the closing moments saw a despairing effort by the sons of the Principality, the Welsh backs getting away in magnificent line. Maddocks was all but in, when Sloan brought him down. From the line-out Greig kicked to the centre, where there were three Welshmen unmarked. Like a streak of light Evans made for the line and passed to Gibbs. The latter went dead straight just outside the touch-line. It was tremendous, and he did not try to dodge Sloan. With the pace on, the Welshmen reckoned he would brush Sloan aside. On bounded the Welshman, and got over, but up went the touch-judge's flag. There were loud cries of dissent from the Welshman, who were convinced that Gibbs was never in touch. Touch, however, was given, and from the line-out the Scots got to the centre, when the whistle blew. The last dash by Gibbs was a superb bit of work, and did not meet with the success it well merited. Result:—

	Pts.
Scotland (2 tries)	6
Wales (1 penalty goal)	3

Mr. Lefevre (Ireland) officiated as referee, and Messrs. Tulloch (Scotland) and Schofield (Wales) as touch-judges. The teams were:—

WALES.—H. B. Winfield (Cardiff), full-back; J. L. Williams (Cardiff), left wing, R. T. Gabe (Cardiff), left centre, Jack Evans (Pontypool), right centre, and H. T. Maddocks (London Welsh), right wing; R. M. Owen (Swansea), inside half, and W. Trew (Swansea) (captain), outside half; R. A. Gibbs (Cardiff), roving back; C. M. Pritchard (Newport), George Travers (Pill Harriers), J. Watts (Llanelly), J. Brown (Cardiff), Tom Evans (Llanelly), J. Webb (Abertillery), and W. Dowell (Newport), forwards.

SCOTLAND.—T. Sloan (Glasgow Academicals), back; A. L. Purves (London Scottish), M. W. Walter (London Scottish), K. G. Macleod (London Scottish), and D. McGregor (Pontypridd), three-quarters; E. D. Simson (London Scottish) and L. Greig (United Services) (captain), half-backs; W. P. Scott (West of Scotland), D. R. Bedell-Sivright (Edinburgh University), H. G. Monteith (United Hospitals), J. C. MacAllum (Watsonians), L. D. Speirs (Watsonians), I. C. Geddes (London Scottish), G. M. Frew (Glasgow High School), and G. A. Sanderson (Edinburgh Royal High School), forwards.

ASSOCIATION RULES.

LEAGUE TABLES TO DATE.

The interest in League work on Saturday was not of a pronounced character, but there were some interesting happenings. Newcastle United overwhelmed Manchester United, at St. James' Park, and went to the head of LeagueI. in consequence, while Sheffield United moved up several places as the result of their win over Preston N. E. Chelsea did exceedingly well to halve the points with Leicester Fosse, at Leicester, and this makes their prospects the more rosy. In the Southern League Queen's Park Rangers took two points from Leyton, at Park Royal, and Reading won a hard game at Elm Park against Plymouth Argyle League tables appended:—

SOUTHERN LEAGUE.

	P.	W.	L.	D.	Goals For	Goals Agst.	Pts.
Portsmouth ...	22	14	4	4	39	18	32
Fulham ...	24	11	4	9	34	24	31
Norwich City ..	24	10	5	9	44	30	29
Tottenham Hotspur ...	24	11	7	6	49	33	28
West Ham. United ...	23	9	5	9	41	29	27
Brighton and Hove .	24	10	7	7	31	28	27
Brentford	22	11	7	4	33	28	26
Bristol Rovers ...	24	10	9	5	35	29	25
Southampton ...	23	9	8	6	32	29	24
Plymouth Argyle ...	24	7	8	9	32	35	23
Watford ...	23	7	7	9	26	32	23
Swindon Town ...	23	7	8	8	24	23	22
Luton Town ...	22	8	10	4	25	34	20
Reading	23	9	12	2	36	30	20
Millwall	24	8	12	4	46	43	20
Leyton ...	23	7	11	5	28	47	19
Crystal Palace ...	22	7	11	4	32	32	18
Queen's Park Rangers ...	22	6	10	6	25	36	18
New Brompton ...	22	6	13	3	21	39	15
Northampton ...	22	3	12	7	19	47	13

THE LEAGUE.—DIVISION I.

	P.	W.	L.	D.	Goals For	Goals Agst.	Pts.
Newcastle United ...	25	16	5	4	51	27	36
Everton ...	26	16	7	3	54	26	35
Woolwich Arsenal ...	24	14	7	4	45	35	30
Sheffield United ...	25	12	7	6	41	38	30
Aston Villa	26	13	9	4	50	39	30
Bristol City	24	11	6	7	48	30	29
Sheffield Wednesday ...	24	9	6	9	36	31	27
Bolton Wanderers ...	25	10	8	7	35	32	27
Preston North End ...	26	11	11	4	32	40	26
Birmingham	25	11	11	3	35	35	25
Manchester United ...	26	9	11	6	27	44	24
Blackburn Rovers ...	25	9	11	5	38	36	23
Sunderland	21	7	6	8	33	33	22
Liverpool	24	9	11	4	43	40	22
Middlesbrough ...	25	8	12	5	36	46	21
Manchester City ...	25	6	11	8	35	52	20
Bury	26	8	14	4	41	50	20
Derby County ...	25	6	12	7	25	32	19
Notts County ..	24	2	11	11	21	36	15
Stoke	25	4	14	7	24	43	15

THE LEAGUE.—DIVISION II.

	P.	W.	L.	D.	Goals For	Goals Agst.	Pts.
Chelsea	24	16	3	4	43	17	36
Leicester Fosse ...	25	14	6	5	47	26	33
Notts Forest ...	23	15	6	2	46	29	32
West Bromwich Albion ...	24	15	7	1	60	27	31
Wolverhampton Wands....	25	12	9	4	45	37	28
Bradford City ...	23	11	7	5	34	31	27
Burnley	25	13	11	1	44	29	27
Stockport County ...	25	10	8	7	32	34	27
Gainsborough Trinity ...	26	12	11	3	34	45	27
Hull City	24	11	10	3	42	33	25
Barnsley	23	10	10	3	47	32	23
Grimsby Town ...	23	10	11	2	35	36	22
Burslem Port Vale ...	23	9	12	2	41	53	20
Lincoln City ...	23	8	12	3	28	40	19
Clapton Orient ...	24	7	13	5	31	45	19
Leeds City	25	6	12	7	33	44	19
Chesterfield	25	7	14	4	32	49	18
Glossop	23	8	14	1	31	58	17
Blackpool	25	5	13	7	20	37	17
Burton United ...	24	5	16	3	19	49	13

BILLIARDS.

When, midway through Thursday afternoon's sitting at Messrs. Burroughes and Watts' Soho, square salon, Diggle led Stevenson by no fewer than 1,372 points, the Lancastrian's numerous admirers were shaking hands with each other, and maintaining that, despite his little "accident" when playing Dawson recently, he was quite justified in aspiring to play the top-weights on level terms. They were, however, just a little "too previous" with their self-congratulations. They probably failed to remember that although Stevenson a few years ago was not famed for his battling qualities when in the "pit," he is now as game as he is brilliant. Instead of cracking up, as many expected he would, the Hull artist went after his man in a style that could not have been excelled by that prince of battlers, C. Dawson himself. Indeed, on the evening of the day when Diggle's admirers had imagined it was practically all over, Stevenson had so pulled the game round that but little separated the contestants on the handicap. Then on Friday, the scratch player practically put paid to Diggle's account with that superb effort of 599, and although the Mancunian overshadowed this great break with the effort of his life—the 673 referred to elsewhere—in the very last stage of the match, Stevenson came through with a very handsome victory. Brilliant as Stevenson undoubtedly is, all his brilliance would have been of little avail on this occasion if it had not been backed up by the extra bit of "devil" he introduced into his play.

THREE BREAKS OF THE WEEK.

Three breaks stand out by themselves during the week—the individual record breaks of 673 and 360 by Diggle and Aiken respectively, and the 599 by Stevenson on Friday—but apart from these the work of the various professionals in this direction has not been out of the ordinary. The brilliant triumvirate—Stevenson, Dawson, and Diggle—are still far ahead of all others in the appended table, which denotes brilliancy, although in the "Results Table" they do not appear in such a favourable light, several of the younger players taking precedence here. However

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THREE-FIGURE BREAKS TO DATE.

	100 and over.	200 and over.	300 and over.	400 and over.	500 and over.	Tl.	Actual pts. Scrd.	Av.
H. W. Stevenson ...	297	91	30	14	7	439	139,354	59·88
C. Dawson ...	275	79	25	6	5	390	125,736	56·39
E. Diggle ...	191	42	12	2	3	250	83,258	51·97
A. E. Williams ...	14	3	2	0	0	19	7,000	44·54
W. A. Lovejoy ...	144	20	9	2	1	136	65,903	44·30
T. Reece ...	110	20	3	1	2	156	52,326	41·93
C. Harverson ...	235	36	2	1	0	274	101,624	40·90
M. Inman ...	180	28	9	2	0	219	89,271	38·94
F. H. Weiss ...	93	18	1	0	0	112	45,887	38·17
T. Aiken ...	34	2	1	0	0	37	14,823	36·72
W. Cook ...	93	19	2	0	0	119	55,674	32·67
W. Mitchell ...	21	2	1	0	0	24	14,011	24·39
W. Osborne ...	45	4	0	0	0	49	29,979	23·04
J. Harris ...	8	0	0	0	0	8	6,473	17·14
W. Pindar ...	18	1	0	0	0	19	17,467	14·21
G. Nelson ...	23	0	0	0	0	23	23,092	12·00
F. Lawrence ...	7	0	0	0	0	7	10,017	8·56
F. W. Hughes ...	3	0	0	0	0	3	6,388	5·63
A. Taylor ...	1	0	0	0	0	1	4,599	3·32

Note.—The final column gives the percentage of points scored by the agency of three-figure breaks.

RECORD OF MATCHES TO DATE.

	P.	W.	L.	Possible Points.	Actually scored.	Per-centage.
A. E. Williams ...	1	1	0	7,000	7,000	100·00
T. Reece ...	8	5	3	53,500	52,326	97·80
W. Pindar ...	3	2	1	18,000	17,467	97·03
G. Nelson ...	6	4	2	24,000	22,09?	96·21
F. Lawrence ...	3	0	3	10,500	10,017	95·40
H. W. Stevenson	*16	10	5	146,252	139,354	95·28
M. Inman ...	14	8	6	93,725	89,271	95·25
C. Harverson ...	11	3	8	107,000	101,624	94·97
E. Diggle ...	9	5	4	87,834	83,258	94·79
W. A. Lovejoy ...	12	8	4	70,250	65,903	93·81
T. Aiken ...	2	0	2	16,000	14,823	92·64
C. Dawson ...	14	8	6	136,000	125,736	92·45
F. W. Hughes ...	1	0	1	7,000	6,388	91·25
W. Osborne ...	*9	5	3	32,942	29,979	91·00
F. H. Weiss ...	8	3	5	50,600	45,887	90·68
W. Cook ...	*16	6	9	63,245	55,674	88·02
J. Harris ...	2	0	2	8,000	6,473	80·91
A. Taylor ...	1	0	1	7,000	4,599	65·70
C. H. Wilkinson ...	3	1	2	2,850	1,862	65·33
W. Mitchell ...	2	0	2	21,600	14,011	64·86

*Remaining game drawn.

Note.—The average column shows percentage of possible points scored.

THE BIG TOURNAMENT.

The nearer its close, the more interesting does this event become, each of the three heats still to play having a decided bearing on the result. Stevenson and Inman are in the best position, but events might so work out that a tie between four is more than a possibility. The appended table will assist *Sporting Life* readers to form a fairly accurate idea of the possibilities of the situation. It conveys all the chief features of the games already decided, and denotes that with only three games to go, five of the six players are still in a state of uncertainty :—

	P.	W.	L.	Inns.	Points.	Av.
H. W. Stevenson (scr.)	4	3	1	766	31,121	44·43
*M. Inman (rec. 2,250)	4	3	1	711	30,716	28·89
C. Dawson (scr.)	3	1	2	677	24,671	36·33
*E. Diggle (rec. 1,000)	4	2	2	529	33,574	43·22
T. Reece (rec. 2,500)	4	2	2	973	35,505	26·12
C. Harverson (rec. 2,000)	5	1	4	1,118	41,937	28·47

Note.—The final column gives the average for every completed visit paid to the table. For this purpose the starts and misses have been deducted from the total points.

*Fourth heat abandoned, owing to illness of Inman. Game awarded to Diggle, with scores 3,716—3,666 in favour of Inman.

ROWING.

THE UNIVERSITY BOAT RACE.

OXFORD.

Although other branches of sport are suffering from a continuation of the frost, the conditions which prevailed yesterday afternoon left little to be desired from the rowing man's point of view. The Dark Blues again journeyed below Locks under the supervision of Captain Willis, and were afloat soon after two o'clock. They proceeded at a steady paddle to Sandford, where on clearing the lock they had a formal start, and then paddled to the Horse Gate.

Continuing after a brief halt, Gladstone started off at 32 to the minute. After some distance, however, the rate of striking was reduced to 28, which was continued to the island. In Nuneham Reach, however, Gladstone quickened to 31, and sending the boat along in capital style, they finished the spin at the Black Bridge. As usual, they stretched their legs on the bank, and then, re-embarking, pulled back to the barge, only one sharp burst of rowing being done on the way. Names and weights :—

	st.	lbs.
W. T. Heard (Balliol) (bow) ...	11	2½
2. H. C. Bucknall (Merton) ...	11	6½
3. G. E. Hope (Christ Church) ...	12	6½
4. R. M. Peat (Trinity) ...	11	9½
5. J. A. Gillan (Magdalen) ...	12	2½
6. A. G. Kirby (Magdalen) ...	13	8
7. E. H. L. Southwell (Magdalen) ...	12	0
A. C. Gladstone (Christ Church) (stroke) ...	10	11½
A. W. Donkin (Magdalen) (cox) ...	8	6

CAMBRIDGE.

After having practised for twenty-seven days, the Light Blues yesterday entered strict training, and in the evening all dined together. Practically speaking, there have been no changes since the 21st of last month, and it may be taken that the crew are definitely settled. Not since they returned from Richmond has there been any work during the morning, nor was there any change yesterday, when, as on the previous day—owing to Powell, Hudson, Goldsmith, Burn, Baynes, and Shimwell being tubbed—the eight were late in getting away.

The sun shone brilliantly, but the tow-path was in a vile condition. Nevertheless, chiefly because it was early closing day, several hundreds of people assembled outside the Goldie Boathouse to watch the crew push off, while a good number accompanied the coach, Mr. Escombe.

Pulling away from headquarters, they had a number of "easies" before they reached the Pike and Eel. From here they went to Grassy Corner in one piece, paddling as steadily as they possibly could, and registering only 21 to the minute. Occasionally they broke into half a dozen strokes of rowing. Getting together again, they paddled at 26 to the Locks, where they came about and stripped. A preliminary start landed them at the Little Bridge, and from here they rowed to the Ditch, keeping up a stroke of 34. From here they paddled to Ditton Corner, and then rowed to Cook's, the latter at a stroke of 32. The first piece of rowing was good, but in the Long Reach, although there was but little wind, they splashed rather a lot and occasionally rolled. Names and weights :—

	st.	lbs.
E. W. Powell (Third Trinity) (bow) ...	11	7
2. F. G. Hudson (Jesus)	12	4
3. H. M Goldsmith (Jesus) ...	12	5
4. J. S. Burn (First Trinity) ...	12	11
5. H. G. Baynes (First Trinity) ...	14	1
6. O. Shimwell (Trinity Hall) ...	13	3
7. B. C. Johnstone (Third Trinity) ...	12	7
D. C. R. Stuart (Trinity Hall) (stroke) ...	11	2
T More (Caius) (cox)	8	6

BOXING.

Despite the wretched weather on the evening of the 4th instant there was an excellent attendance at headquarters to witness the programme arranged by the management. The principal events on the card were a couple of ten-round contests in which Army and Navy men figured. Seaman E. Kelly (late of H. M. S. *Jupiter*)—who, it will be remembered, met Tiger Smith several months ago in the same ring—met J. McMurray (Royal Garrison Artillery), while the contestants in the other event were those well-known feather-weights, Stoker C. Stoodley (H. M. S. *Drake*) and Dan Bowie (Champion of Natal), the men having signed articles to box at 8st. 12lbs. When the men weighed earlier in the day the visitor just went the required poundage, while Stoodley was 8lbs. lighter. Unfortunately, the *Drake* representative had not recovered from an injury to his right hand, which became very painful in the third meeting, and caused his retirement.

The meting between the heavy-weights, Kelly and McMurray, ended even more abruptly, the former winning in decisive fashion in the second round. Another contest which was contested between "handy men" was that between Seaman Mackerel and Seaman Broadbent, but the latter knew more about the business in hand, and won easily. Further progress was made in the 10st. novices' competition, and those who had braved the elements were well rewarded for their trouble.

Officials :—Referee, Mr. J. H. Douglas ; timekeeper, Mr. E. Zerega ; M. C., Mr. A. F. Bettinson ; seconds, Arthur Gutteridge and Bill Baxter.

PASTIMES.

JU-JITSU AT CAMBRIDGE.

CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY JU-JITSU CLUB *vs.* LONDON SCHOOL OF JU-JITSU.—The first match between institutions or clubs outside Japan took place at Cambridge on Friday, 18th January, and in view of the extending popularity of the exercise I should like to be allowed to mark the occasion by offering details, together with some criticisms, in order to supply a record of the game for the ju-jitsu players of the future. Three men represented each side and the contests were as follows : -

1. E. A. MACNEE (CAMBRIDGE) *vs.* C. A. MACCLYMONT (LONDON).—In this contest it seemed as though both contestants were too much impressed with the importance of the match—and naturally enough, as they were the very first representative combatants in a ju-jitsu match outside Japan. Accordingly neither was able to show his knowledge of ju-jitsu to any great extent. After three minutes Macnee tried a good knee throw which was very effective, MacClymont falling to the ground. Groundwork followed and Macnee eventually forced MacClymont to surrender by the use of the neck-lock although, strictly speaking, he ought to have relaxed his hold when MacClymont raised him and dashed him on the mat. Afterwards Macnee assumed the aggressive and no further score resulting, the referee in ten minutes awarded the match to the Cambridge representative on the one point that he had gained.

2. G. T. LEMON (CAMBRIDGE) *vs.* F. B. ROGERS (LONDON).—This was a more interesting contest for the onlookers, but a difficult one for the referee, as it was a standing combat from beginning to end. In two minutes Lemon tried the first trip against Rogers's left leg, quickly, however, changing it to a side throw, which was successful. It was so quickly done that only an expert would have noticed that there were two tricks employed. Lemon was awarded three-quarters of a point for this, subsequently making up one point. Rogers meanwhile had gained half a point, and gained another half point by a good side throw, so that with the score at one point all the game became more and more interesting. In twelve minutes Rogers threw Lemon over his head by means of the stomach throw, thus winning the match.

3. E. T. BUSK (CAMBRIDGE) *vs.* W. H. DREW (LONDON).—Busk, though only a beginner, had shown considerable promise, and was included in the side at the request of the instructor himself. Drew was the lightest of all the contestants, but showed great agility and science. In a few minutes Drew, using the first trip, effected an excellent throw, which very clearly deserved one point. Busk attacked with the shoulder and hip throws, but Drew guarded, and soon gained three-quarters of a point. Another quarter of a point would have given him the maximum of two points, but Busk on the ground managed to seize Drew's left leg, and getting a leg lock, forced Drew to pat the mat in token of surrender, thus gaining one point. Having found out where to attack, Busk soon got the same lock again on the same leg, scoring another point, and winning the victory by quarter of a point. Drew's style, both in attack and in defence, was worthy of admiration, as was also Busk's pluck in maintaining the fight and eventually winning after his opponent had gained one and three-quarter points.

Of the three prizes presented by Baron Komura, the Japanese Ambassador, two fell to Cambridge and one to London. No roughness was displayed on either side, and full confidence was placed in the referee.

SKATING.

SPEED CHAMPIONSHIP OF EUROPE.

The European championship took place on Saturday and Sunday, 2nd and 3rd February, at Davo's Plate, together with several competitions in figure-skating. The entries for the championship were : S. Mathisen (International Skating Club, Davos), F. Schilling (Vienna Skating Club), O. Steen (Christiania Skating Club), M. Ocholm (Stockholm Skating Club).

The rules of the International Skating Union, under which all International competitions, either in speed or figure skating, are held, set forth that the winner of the championship must be successful over at least two of the following distances, and that he must run in all, *viz.*, 500, 5,000, 1,500, and 10,000 metres.

The world's records for distances up to 10,000 metres are :—

	m.s.			
500 metres.	0·41⅘.	Rudolph Gundersen,	at Davos,	1906
1,000 „	1·34,	Peter Oestlund	„	1900
1,500 „	2·22⅘,	Peter Oestlund	„	1900
5,000 „	8·37⅗,	Jap Eden,	at Hamar,	1894
10,000 „	17·50⅕,	Peter Oestlund	at Davos,	1900

Davos is undoubtedly the best of venues for speed-skating and training. The climate and ice are excellent, and the absence of wind is all in favour of fast times. It will be seen from the above table that four out of five world's records have been made there. The racing track is double throughout and 400 metres in circumference, the competitors crossing over at a given point in each lap.

It will be seen that no English competitors were present; indeed, England is never represented in any International speed skating event. Surely this cannot be from lack of good material, for given similar facilities for training, our boys should be as good as any, but from want of energy on the part of those who control the sport.

The National Skating Association of Great Britain is a rich body, but it has never sent a skater to train or race abroad, while the chief object of similar bodies on the Continent is to ensure that a capable representative shall be present at the principia meetings. The clubs take a real interest in the efforts of their men, who, on their side, are equally anxious to do credit to their clubs.

The competitions were commenced on Saturday morning with the compulsory figures for the Ladies' Figure-Skating. For this event there was three entries, all from the Figure-Skating Club, London—Mrs. G. Smith, Miss Lycett, and Miss Eardly Wilmot. The figures selected comprised loops, counters, three-change-three, and the simple three's. Most of the figures were skated best by Mrs. Smith, Miss Lycett being a close second.

The first of the four races for the championship followed, over 500 metres, and this produced the surprise of the meeting, for the young Swedish skater, Oeholm, who was making his *début* in Davos, succeeded in equalling world's record for the distance. The result and times were:—Oeholm (Stockholm), 44⅕secs., 1; Steen (Christiania), 47secs., 2; Schilling (Vienna), 50secs., 3.

The 5,000 metres race was next decided, and here the Swedish skater was again successful. The result were:—Oeholm, 9mins. 6⅘secs., 1; Steen, 9mins. 18⅖secs., 2; Schilling, 9mins. 18⅗secs., 3.

The Swede thus secured the championship, though compelled to race in the 1,500 and 10,000 metres on the following day in order to obtain the title.

On Sunday the free-skating for the ladies' competition was decided. In this Miss Lycett was first, but Mrs. Smith's lead in the compulsory figures enabled her to win, the result being:—Mrs. Smith, 1; Miss Lycett, 2; Miss Eardly Wilmot, 3.

The race for the 1,500 metres was a fine one. Victory again rested with the Swedish champion, the times being :—Oeholm, 2mins. 31⅘secs., 1; Schilling, 2mins. 32⅘secs., 2; Steen, 2mins. 36secss. 3.

During the afternoon exhibitions of fancy-skating were given by Mrs. Syers (lady champion) and of pair-skating by Mr. and Mrs. Syers, and Mr. and Mrs. Johnson.

The final event was the 10,000 metres race. In this Oeholm was obviously suffering from his previous exertions, and he fell at the half-distance and finished third. Times :—Schilling, 18mins. 44secs., 1; Steen, 18mins. 47⅖secs. 2; Oeholm, 18mins. 52secs., 3.

The meeting was carried out in perfect weather, and was witnessed by an immense number of spectators.

Paperchasing.

CALCUTTA PAPERCHASES.

No. X.

The tenth Meet held at Jodhpur Thana last Friday morning drew a large gallery, but a moderate field of performers, a fact accounted for to some extent by the number of hunter races on the *maidan* just now. The course started at the Thana and after three fences on the railway side crossed the main road opposite the new tank, past which the Secretaries had found a very passable way on to the old piece of plough land, where the ancient wall in the corner was dully resuscitated. It claimed at least one victim to add to its long tale of successes, as Mr. Koetlitz and his gay chestnut pony took a glorious toss over it in the pony chase. The drop fence was the next speciality, but was very moderate in its demands, and only the gentleman who is bold enough to call his horse "Avernus" made a facile descent on to the swiftly rising clods at this obstacle. A long sweep round behind the Durzis' village brought us out beyond the Tollygunge Lane without accident, but the run home along the Mullah Hat Road to the Ladies' wall and so back to the main road brought an unusual number of people to grief. Orphan Boy and Ruddigore fell together at a simple wall in the open, but the undaunted policeman was quickly remounted and actually dead-heated for second place. The last hurdle dislodged Mr. Pierson and gave Mr. Shearme a very nasty looking fall, while shortly after a sportsman on a bay cob also took the floor. On the whole it was quite an exciting morning.

After all these tumbles Mrs. Lamond Walker and Detective won a real hard chase in tip top style, the President of the Club and Mr. Halliday dead-heated next and the rest came in procession. The order was :—

1. Mrs. Walker on Detective.
2. Mr. Dudley Myers on Sir Walter.
3. Mr. Halliday on Ruddigore.
4. Capt. Fitzgerald on Fermoy.
5. Mr. Deakin on Trilby.
6. Dr. Forsyth on Corydon.

Pathfinder showed the ponies the way round, and after this successful burst Captain Holden seems to have a very excellent chance of bringing off a double event in the Cup chases. The official order of running was :—

1. Capt. Holden on Pathfinder II.
2. Mr. Forster on Josephus.
3. Mr. Wheeler on Envious.
4. Mr. Pauntley on Irish Boy.
5. Mr. Barrow on Puck.
6. Mr. Bell-Irving on Samah.

BLARNEY.

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THE INFANTRY TOURNAMENT.

FIRST TIES.

ROYAL WELSH FUSILIERS *vs.* DURHAM L. I.—The Durhams set about it at once and put on no less than four goals and a subsidiary in the first chukker, the reply of their opponents being a single subsidiary. They increased their score with steady persistence and it was not till the third chukker that the Fusiliers got a goal and after that play ruled pretty level to the end, but the Durhams maintained their lead and eventually won by 7 goals and 1 subsidiary to 4 goals and 2 subsidiaries. Teams :—

DURHAM L. I.		ROYAL WELSH FUSILIERS.	
Capt. C. L. Mathews ...	1	Lieut. C. H. R. Crawshay ...	1
Capt. J. S. Unthank ...	2	Capt. R. I. B. Johnson ...	2
Capt. J. W. Jeffreys ...	3	Lieut. M. E. Lloyd ...	3
Capt. A. W. B. Wallace (*back*)		Capt. O. De L. Williams (*back*)	

Umpires :—Colonel Porta and Captain Bannerman.

SEAFORTH HIGHLANDERS *vs.* ROYAL IRISH RIFLES.—Taking the field at by no means full strength the Irishmen were severely handicapped in meeting such a powerful combination as that presented by the Highlanders.

It goes without saying that they did their best and at times put up a most creditable defence ; but it was all defence, and

to say, and the Highlanders won by 6 goals and 3 subsidiaries to 1 subsidiary. Teams :—

Seaforth Highlanders.		Royal Irish Rifles.	
Lieut. F. Anderson	... 1	Lieut. E. R. Ludlow-Hewitt	1
Lieut. K. D. Maclachlan	... 2	Lieut. W. M. Lanyon	... 2
Capt. K. G. Buchanan	... 3	Lieut. H. R. Goodman	... 3
Capt. D. A. Carden	(*back*)	Major L. H. Noblet	(*back*)

Umpires :—Colonel Phayre and Major Daunt.

The Queen's *vs.* Rifle Brigade.—A level, fast and pretty game. It was anybody's game up to the fourth chukker when the Riflemen put on a spurt and had most of the attack thence to the end of the game which they won by 3 goals and 1 subsidiary to 1 subsidiary. Teams :—

Rifle Brigade.		The Queens.	
Capt. C. E. Harrison	... 1	Lieut. R. F. S. Creek	... 1
Capt. W. F. Bassett	... 2	Major W. J. T. Glasgow	... 2
Lieut. A. A. Tod	... 3	Capt. E. B. Mathew-Lannowe	3
Lieut. S. W. Trafford	(*back*)	Lieut. G. N. Dyer	(*back*)

Umpires :—Colonel Portal and Captain Bannerman.

King's Royal Rifles *vs.* The Cameronians.—A foregone conclusion; nevertheless the Riflemen put up a good fight. The final score read :—The Cameronians, 6 goals and 5 subsidiaries. K. R. Rifles 3 goals. Teams :—

The Cameronians.		K. Royal Rifles.	
Capt. H. H. Lee	... 1	Lieut. J. E. N. Haselfine	... 1
Major L. Combe	... 2	Lieut. G. Cookson	... 2
Col. T. T. Macan	... 3	Capt. G. K. Priaulx	... 3
Capt. C. E. Tuson	(*back*)	Lieut. B. N. Abadie	(*back*)

The Semi-Finals.

The Durham L. I. *vs.* Seaforth Highlanders.—In the opening chukker the Seaforths made a strong demonstration in the Durhams' ground, but they could not break through the Durhams' defence, and then the latter charged the *venue* of play and hotly attacked the Highlanders' flags, and ere the chukker closed they scored a subsidiary. The second chukker witnessed a lively bout all over the ground, and the Durhams were able to add a goal to their score. The third chukker was the most eventful of the game. The Seaforths rallied and put a new complexion on the game, while the Durhams showed a falling off. Play for most of the time was in the Durhams' ground, where the Seaforths put up 2 goals and 2 subsidiaries. Though the Seaforths in the succeeding chukker continued to have the best of the game, the Durhams on several occasions looked like asserting themselves, but they were only able to add a minor point to their score, while the Highlanders increased theirs by one major and two minor points. The fifth and practically the last chukker saw the Durhams again playing up very level, but the Seaforths got 2 goals to their 1 goal, the Seaforths winning by 5 goals 4 subsidiaries to 2 goals 2 subsidiaries. Teams as before.

Umpires :—Colonels Phayre and Portal.

The Cameronians *vs.* Rifle Brigade.—In the first two chukkers the Riflemen had put up 4 goals and 2 subsidiaries to 1 subsidiary, and had entirely the best of the game. Then the Cameronians made a change in the disposition of their team, and they were able to put a better aspect on the game. In the second chukker the Cameronians, mainly through Colonel Macan's help, scored 2 goals to the Riflemen's 1 goal, and it was entirely owing to the splendid defence of Trafford that the Cameronians in two or three hot assaults did not score again, for the ball was re-cued each time when all but out between the flags. In the concluding chukker the Riflemen got three more minor points, and finally won a splendidly played game by 5 goals 5 subsidiaries to 2 goals 1 subsidiary. Teams as before.

Umpires :—Colonels Phayre and Portal.

The Final.

Rifle Brigade *vs.* Seaforth Highlanders.—The final was played, between these teams on the 23rd instant. On a capital ground, in good pleasant weather and before a big gallery both teams showed their best form. Play was brilliant almost throughout, fast galloping, clean hitting and good combination evoking continuous applause. It was a level game, too, the Riflemen winning by 4 goals and 3 subsidiaries to 3 goals. Details :—

The first chukker was a very good and lively bout. The Riflemen early got a goal, and the Seaforths quickly equalized. Then the Rifles confining the play to the Seaforth ground, got two subsidiaries at the close of the chukker, which was prolonged through penalties awarded against each team. The Seaforth pressed home their attack and scored a goal. *Score:* Seaforths, 2 goals to Rifle Brigade's 1 goal and 2 subsidiaries.

In the second chukker the Rifle again were early to score a goal, and thereafter for a long space held the ball in the Seaforths' half of the ground, where scoring was averted by good defence. Then the ball went out in the Riflemen's ground. *Score:* Rifle Brigade 2 goals and 2 subsidiares to 2 goals.

In the third chukker, soon after play started, the Riflemen took the ball into the Seaforths' territory, where after a brief detention they attacked the flags and scored a goal. Very level and excellent play with fine individual displays followed in mid-field, both the backs doing grand service till the ball finally went out at the side in mid ground. *Score:* Rifle Brigade 3 goals and 2 subsidiories to 2 goals.

In the fourth chukker was another very level and fast period. At first the Seaforths were hot on the attack in front of the Riflemen's flags, then Trafford relieved the pressure by a long shot into mid-field and changed the *venue* of the play. The Riflemen now assumed the offensive till the ball went out at the side, the chukker closing without score.

In the fifth chukker there were only five and-a-half minutes left for play, which were utilised in a vigorous struggle. From the throw-in the Riflemen got on, and by a clean shot they scored a subsidiary, and continued on an attack in the Seaforths' ground, and shortly scored a goal. From the throw-in the Seaforths took the ball to the Rifles end, where they had two unsuccessful shots at the flags and continuing to hold the ball in Rifles end they ultimately got a goal. Uneventful play followed all over the ground till the call of final time. The Rifle Brigade won by 4 goals and 3 subsidiaries to 3 goals. Teams as before.

A distinguished veteran officer, who habitually speaks in a low voice, which sometimes sounds confidental, was calling on some intimate friends. The door was "answered" by an under housemaid, a young girl to whom he was a stranger. Having entered, he asked her to fetch a brace of pheasants from his carriage, and noticed with some surprise that in doing so she carefully hid them under her apron. Being rather amused at her extreme caution, he mentioned the incident to the lady of the house, who explained that the girl was a new hand, quite recently taken on adding: "And a very nice, careful girl indeed; but I can't quite understand why"—then suddenly remembering—"Oh! she is a gamekeeper's daughter!"

Talking about churches, etc., suggests the following riddle :—"Which is the most obedient, the bell or the organ?" The bell, of course, because it sounds when it is tolled (told); but the organ says he "will be blowed first."

Cricket.

CRICKET IN CALCUTTA.

English Schools *vs.* Indian Schools.—An excellent game under this title proved a fitting termination to the cricket season in the Eden Gardens, and after some tall scoring on both sides ended in a most creditable victory for the home schools with four wickets in hand. The local side was a strong one, though weakened by the absence of Boo, owing to a damaged hand, but the English team was not at full strength, and with von Ernsthausen away all the first day, was decidedly short of bowling. Bayley won the toss, and naturally took first innings on a perfect wicket. Mookerjee soon went, but Rosser and Quiterio made a prolonged stand, though both were several times beaten by Stewart who sent down his first twelve overs for 14 runs, including six consecutive maidens. Both batsmen too had lives at the wicket were Tatam was not in his usual fine form. At last Quiterio was L-b.-w. to Guise for 77, a stylish but uneven and rather nervous innings. Mehta adopted more forcing tactics and shaped well until bowled by a good ball from Quin, who also at last got rid of Rosser, thanks to a splendid one hand catch in the slips by Nicholls. The outgoing batsman's display, though a little dull at times, was practically faultless, and he once more thoroughly proved himself the backbone of any such local side as played in this match. Rosser's wicket fell at 234, to which he had subscribed 112 in two hours and forty minutes. Stumps were drawn with the board showing the high total of 254 for only four wickets, but next morning Stewart, though not bowling nearly so well as on the previous day and von Ernsthausen soon dismissed the remaining batsmen and the innings closed for 328, von Ernsthausen securing three wickets for 23 runs.

The home schools entered on their tall task with four hours and a quarter to play, and got the runs with an hour to spare, in spite of the total failure of Eddis, Turnbull and Hill, of whom the two former have been scoring so freely all the year. Guise was the hero of the match, and once more fairly won the game for his side. Eddis was caught at the wicket in the first over, but Guise and Pope then put on 132 before Pope was leg before for a dashing hit, not faultless, 60. Turnbull and Hill were clean bowled by consecutive balls from Templeton, and Nicholls, though he made a few hard hits, showed no defence at all. Five wickets were down for 168, but von Ernthausen and Guise played confident free cricket until the former shared Pope's fate, 235—6—42. The match was by no means won yet, but Bartholomew, who now joined Guise, also played sound, stylish cricket and the runs were eventually knocked off without further loss. Guise was out in the next over for 134, an innings which in the circumstances it is impossible to over praise and the game then came to an end. Bartholomew's 34, not out, was also a good and valuable display. Mehta for the losers bowled extremely well, but with shocking bad luck, and Templeton was effective and should have been kept on longer when the wicket begun to wear as he was making the ball get up very hastily: the rest of the eight bowlers tried were innocuous. A word of praise must be given to the cover points on each side. Eddis and Quiterio who both fielded splendidly: taken all round the ground work of the losers was better than that of their opponents, but failure to hold catches in the slips, Templeton being a prominent offender, may have cost them the match. Full score.

Indian Schools.

A. B. Rosser (capt.), c Nicholls, b Quin	...	112
B. Mookerjee, L-b.-w., b Guise	...	5
M. Quiterio, L-b.-w., b Guise	...	77
H. R. Mehta, b Quin	...	29
H. A. Bailey, b Stewart	...	19
G. Hodges, b Ernsthausen	...	15
A. McCready, b Ernsthausen	...	9
A. E. Cooper, b Stewart	...	10
F. Knolles, c Ernsthausen, b Stewart	...	18
E. Templeton, b Ernsthausen	...	4
A. Vaughan, not out	...	5
Extras	...	25
Total	...	328

English Schools.

J. D. Guise (Merchiston), c Rosser, b Bailey	...	134
B. E. G. Eddis (Charterhouse), c Cooper, b Vaughan	...	0
R. R. Pope (Edgebaston), L-b.-w., b Vaughan	...	60
G. Turnbull (Fettes), b Templeton	...	1
R. C. R. Hill (Clifton), b Templeton	...	0
C. B. Nicholls (Chigwell), b Templeton	...	19
A. C. von Ernsthausen (Uppingham), L-b.-w., b McCready		42
C. P. Bartholomew (St. Edwards), not out	...	33
M. R. Quin (Prior Park)	did not bat.	
F. H. Stewart (Harrow), capt.	did not bat.	
A. C. Tatam (Bedford)	did not bat.	
Extras	...	43
Total for 7 wickets	...	332

Ballygunge C. C. *vs.* Mr. H. V. Low's XI.—This provided the hard hitting B. C. C. men with a very easy victory as will be seen by the appended scores. Messrs. Martin, Whiteley, Sherman and Eastgate smote vigorously and runs came merrily; also "Mr. Extras" weighed in with a more than useful 44! H. M. Sherman was also in good form with the ball and collared six wickets. Messrs. Lee and Mytton batted best for the losers and Simson and Yeoman bowled for them with some effect. Score :—

Ballygunge C. C.

E. Horncastle, c sub, b Yeoman	...	1
R. L. McIntyre, run out	...	17
E. C. Cowdrey, b Simson	...	1
H. M. Sherman, b Law	...	43
J. R. Coulthard, b Yeoman	...	2
A. D. Garth, b Simson	...	0
F. H. Whiteley, c Maude, b Yeoman	...	73
G. F. Martin, c Simson, b Yeoman	...	78
C. C. T. Eastgate, not out	...	33
J. G. Tredaway, b Simson	...	4
W. H. Smith, c Lomax, b Selby	...	18
Extras	...	44
Total	...	314

Mr. H. V. Low's XI.

S. C. B. Lee, c Garth, b Coulthard	...	46
H. V. Low, b Whiteley	...	4
H. F. Mytton, b Sherman	...	36
C. G. Maude, c Coulthard, b Sherman	...	9
Major Burlton, c Whiteley, b Coulthard	...	8
R. H. Selby, c Coulthard, b Sherman	...	0
W. E. Bayley, b Whiteley	...	13
A. Simson, c Eastgate, b Sherman	...	17
H. F. Yeoman, not out	...	18
A. Lethbridge, c Whiteley, b Sherman	...	0
C. P. Lomax, b Sherman	...	9
Extras	...	28
Total	...	188

THE PUNJAB COMMISSION CUP.

Jat Sikh Regts. *vs.* Royal Sussex Regt.—This match was played at Lahore on the 20th and 21st instant, the Sikhs winning by 65 runs. Score :—

Jat Sikh Regiments.

1st Innings.		2nd Innings.	
G. D. Pennington, b Wilberforce ...	20	c and b Hewlitt ...	7
R. A. Mund, b Morpnett ...	5	c Birkett, b Hewlitt ...	6
H. G. Bignell, c Bond, b Hewlitt ...	44	absent	
A. H. Muir, c Bond, b Wilberforce ...	2	c Birkett, b Hewlitt ...	8
W. E. Wilson-Johnston, b Morpnett ...	113	L-b.-w., b Morpnett ...	34
W. W. Muir, c Bond, b Hewlitt ...	3	L-b.-w., b Morpnett ...	0
H. L. Haughton, L-b.-w., b Morpnett ...	1	b Morpnett ...	6
C. F. W. Hughes, c Atkins, b Morpnett ...	1	c Morpnett, b Hewlitt ...	5
C. N. Macmullen, b Morpnett ...	13	L-b.-w., b Morpnett ...	0
J. B. W. Hay, b Hewlitt ...	5	not out ...	14
C. M. Carter, not out ...	2	c and b Morpnett ...	15
Extras ...	5	Extras ...	3
Total ...	214	Total ...	96

Bowling Analysis.

	1st Innings. Overs.	Runs.	Wickets.		2nd Innings. Overs.	Runs.	Wickets.
Morpnett	35	90	5	Morpnett	17	46	5
Wilberforce	16	48	2	Wilberforce	—	—	—
Hewlitt	19	68	3	Hewlitt	16	48	4

Royal Sussex Regiment.

1st Innings.		2nd Innings.	
C. E. Bond, b Hay ...	7	c Pennington, b Carter ...	20
R. M. Birkett, c Wilson-Johnston, b Hay ...	6	b Carter ...	4
H. M. Whittell, c Wilson-Johnston, b Muir ...	5	c A. H. Muir, b Carter ...	0
A. R. Wilberforce, b A. H. Muir ...	31	b Carter ...	29
Q. C. Morpnett, b A. H. Muir ...	28	b Carter ...	7
Sergt. Ayres, c Macmullen b Haughton ...	19	b Carter ...	6
R. F. A. Atkins, c Haughton, b Muir ...	26	L-b.-w., b Carter ...	2
F. G. Goring, b Haughton ...	3	st Munn, b Carter ...	8
Pte. Lee, run out ...	2	b Muir ...	7
Sergt. Watts, c Pennington, b Bignell ...	6	b Muir ...	1
Pte. Hewlitt, not out ...	5	not out ...	1
Extras ...	20	Extras ...	2
Total ...	158	Total ...	87

Bowling Analysis.

	1st Innings. Overs.	Runs.	Wickets.		2nd Innings. Overs.	Runs.	Wickets.
A. H. Muir	17	39	4	A. H. Muir	16	32	2
C. M. Carter	4	21	0	C. M. Carter	15	53	8
Hay	7	20	2	Hay	—	—	—
Haughton	10	40	2	Haughton	—	—	—
Bignell	5	20	1	Bignell	—	—	—

Golf.

GOLF IN THE BRITISH ISLES.

London, *8th, February* 1907.

Once again has the even tenour of the ways of Links and Linksmen been disturbed by meteorological vagaries and the whole of the British Isles has been held captive by the icy grip of King Frost, what can the golfer do then poor thing? not much! that is to say not much with regard to medal or Bogey for golf is *not* Golf when the ground is like iron, when the sand in the bunkers is apparently cast in the same metallic mould and when one's fingers are dead and yellow! But although on Saturday, 26th January, one met more athletic looking men carrying skates than clubs, yet after mid-day on Sunday a suspicion of a Scotch mist conveyed to the alert mind an idea that thaw was at hand and by Monday morning when the London Street were thick and splashing with mud one knew that the rain of below 32° had ceased and hope eternal sprang up with renewed vigour in the golfing breast.

The decision of the 'Varsity captains to play their annual match once again at Hoylake has provoked some adverse criticism, one or two people being of opinion that the golf match like all the other inter-'Varsity contests should *pro bono publico* be held within the metropolitan area we have somehow so got into the habit of expecting that all these should be played or rowed within a certain radius that it offends our conservative notions and we object to Hoylake or any other Links far far away being the venue. There is absolutely no reason for this nor are there any hard and fast rules confining these or any matches—football, cricket, hockey or golf to any given district. Hoylake is a good test of golf and March is a bad month very often for Sandwich or any first class Links in the south-east corner of the British Isles. It appears that the choice of green lies alternately with the Light Blue and Dark Blue captain, and the Hon'ble C. N. Bruce who has the right in 1907 by virtue of office as Oxford captain has chosen Hoylake—so be it. The Cricketing Golfers inter-County-Tournament has begun again and so far as one can ascertain there will be far fewer Scratchings this year than last. The holders (Yorkshire) seem to have quite as good a chance of retaining their title this season as they had of winning it last, on the Mid-Surrey Club's Course on the Old Deer Park, Richmond, on Tuesday, 29th ultimo, the first heat of the Tournament was played between Middlesex and Somerset, resulted in a win for the latter county by 3 up and 2 to play. As will be remembered the conditions are this year quite altered and have taken the form of a foursome on merits. The winning county was represented by Mr. W. Trask and Mr. W. N. Roe, whilst the defeated "team" consisted of Messrs. Beldam and E. S. Littlejohn. Nothing at all remarkable or worthy of comment occurred during the round, the only noticeable feature being the bad putting by the losers. After the frost, however, probably the greens were difficult, on Wednesday, 30th, a very interesting game also in connection with the Cricketing Golfing Tournament took place between Yorkshire and Lancashire on the Formby Clubs Links, the Lancashire couple, Messrs. W. B. Stoddart and E. E. Steel, began well and stood 2 up at the turn. From this point, however, the Yorkshiremen (the Hon'ble F. Jackson and Mr. Ernest Smith) put their shoulders into it and finally won the match by 3 up and 2 to play. A very interesting contest took place on Saturday, 2nd February, between Devonshire represented by the brothers the Hon'bles Denys and Osmund Scott, and Essex for whom Messrs. A. S. Johnston

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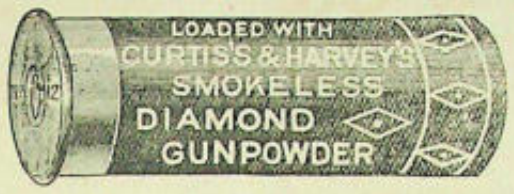

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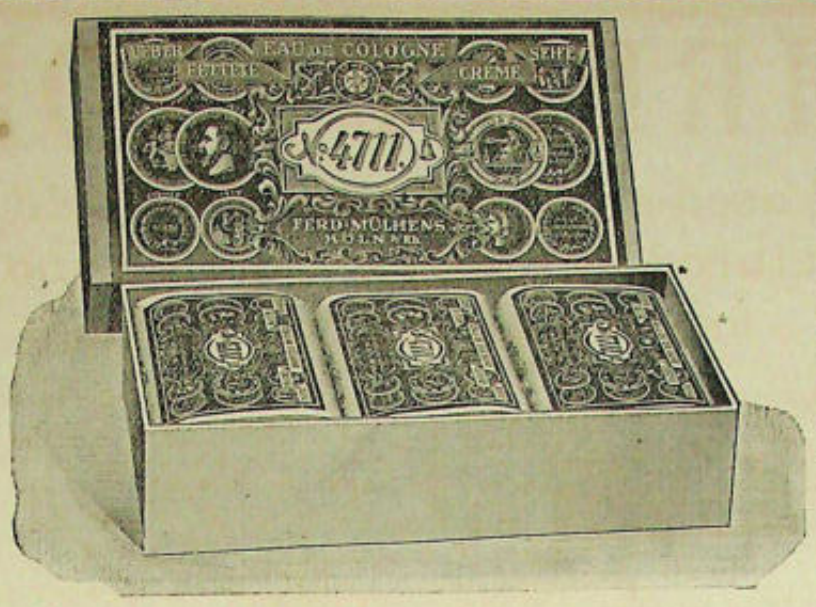

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and A. H. Read fought, this match took place at Walton Heath and resulted in a win for Lord Elton's Sons by a decisive 4 up and 2 to play, judging from the form showed by the two brothers, they should stand a very good chance of going through the Tournament.

At Hythe, on the same day, Kent and Gloucestershire had a good fight, long strong hitters in the cricket field all four have many a time and oft proved themselves, and long strong drivers from the tee and though the green were the quartette at Hythe. For Kent were Messrs. C. J. Burnup and K. L. Hutchings and the Gloucester pair were G. L. Jessop and J Healing. So close was the match that they stood all square on the 18, and had to contest another 9 before the home County finished 2 up.

Again on Saturday, 2nd, was another match in this very interesting tournament decided, this was between Northumberland and Durham far far away in the other extreme of England for Hythe to Seaton Carew is a far cry, and there Messrs. A. B. Horsley and T. Knich (Durham) beat Messrs. J. Hansell and V. Thompson (Northumberland) by 3 up and 2 to go.

Interesting as in the progress of the competition, there are other than Golfing Cricketers in the world of Golf, there are Professionals who just now are without a thrashing at the London Professional tournament, for this there is a very large entry and great enthusiasm prevails, but it would be tedious to enumerate the contest as they take place one by one, so it is proposed and carried unanimously by the writer of these notes and postpone all details until the finish and then to give a brief synopsis only of the preliminary matches. The Oxford and Cambridge Society's Easter Tour will this year be made in Lancashire and Cheshire. Easter falls so uncomfortably early, that with Arctic weather we are now enjoying (?) (8th February) one hardly dares make plans and preparation for the Spring Festival. All the "Union" are making up their Fixture Cards and programmes for the year, the Sussex will hold there Championship on the links of the Southdown Club, on 18th, 19th, and 20th April. The Cornish Championship is to take place at Newquay from 20th to 25th May. Perhaps after all one might as well be up-to-date in the Cricketing Golfers matches. Snow, hail and frost prevented that between Norfolk and Suffolk coming off on the appointed day, but it will probably take place at Hellesden, the Royal Norwich Club's course, as soon as the extra cold weather disappears. Then on 4th February Sussex and Hampshire met at Richmond. The Sussex Representatives were Mr. George Brown, the famous batsman, an old international footballer, and Mr. H. L. Simms who also played for the county last season, Mr. E. C. Lee and Mr. F. E. Lacey played for Hants and this latter couple beat Sussex by 2 holes after a very close struggle. Next week I hope to give more interesting notes, but as I said frost freezes more than the water and the ground.

M. E. S.

Hockey.

HOCKEY IN CALCUTTA.

NOTES AND COMMENTS.

THE Calcutta Hockey season of 1907 opened on the 6th instant, with the first games in the Senior and Junior Leagues, and with over a hundred and fifty fixtures to be got through in six weeks, the executives have had some considerable difficulty in arranging the programme. It is to be hoped that it will be found possible to complete the number of games by the specified date, and not to have to continue them throughout the Beighton Cup Competition as was the case last season.

The League has opened in a most disappointing manner; two teams in the Upper Division, viz., Ballygunge and Hornets, and teams galore in the Junior Division have been obliged to cancel their engagements owing to their inability to get a side together. The E. I. R., I understand, have scratched altogether, and it simply seems as if certain Clubs have entered the League without the least intention of seeing it through.

Sibpur have been obliged to scratch to Calcutta, and their conduct, to say the least of it, is most deplorable. They knew perfectly well that they were sending a team to play in the Allahabad Tournament and therefore could not keep several of their earlier engagements in the League, and then have the audacity to write at the eleventh hour requesting Clubs to put off engagements to indefinite dates in following months! There is nothing whatever against their entering for both tournaments, and in fact we are only too glad to see one of our leading clubs competing in outside tournaments had they only notified earlier that they would be unable to keep some of their earlier fixtures in the Calcutta League, and thus avoided a lot of unnecessary trouble.

The authorities are to be congratulated on the formation of a Hockey Referees' Association and Clubs have been asked to send in the names of members willing to act as referees during the season: I understand quite a number of acceptances have been received.

Mr. Miller and Mr. Wade, who have jointly taken on the Secretaryship of the Association, have hopes of being able to appoint competent referees for all the fixtures. Personally I do not consider their task an easy one. On some dates there are seven games down for decision which will mean the appointment of fourteen referees, and although two referees for each game is not compulsory, it is certainly desirable. It will be difficult to obtain the requisite number on occasions such as these and if the Secretaries succeed they will have every cause for congratulation. It is up to individuals to assist them, with their services, and more especially for older players to prove that beyond the personal pleasure and interest they have had in the game, they still have the interests of the game as played in this City at heart.

It is early yet to discuss the prospects of any Clubs, these I hope to deal with in my notes of next week. There are, however, one or two points which might be brought to notice with regard to change in rules and play.

A new rule is now in force whereby when a ball passes over the side line it can be rolled in along the ground by hand *in any direction* and need not necessarily as hitherto be rolled in behind, or in line with the point, and parallel to the goal line, where it was out.

With regard to the actual play itself, it is to be hoped that the game will be conducted in a more sportsmanlike manner than has hitherto been noticeable on the *maidan*. "Above all," to quote the words of advice in an article on the subject of how to play the game "let blows be received in silence. Hockey is an irritating game abounding in knocks which raise a bruise and the temper at about the same rate, however it is most excellent discipline, and to rob it of that with strong language is to squander half the afternoon."

A few words of advice to captains, which may not be altogether unnecessary. Let there be no shouting for passes, no bellowed orders; talking, if there is any to be done, should be done by the captain and possibly should the captain be playing in the back division, the centre forward might be deputed to do the cackle. Let every man do his best in his own way, and let the umpire not be appealed to as if his ears were in his boots.

WHY NOT.

THE BANGALORE TOURNAMENT.

THE Bangalore annual hockey tournament for the magnificent challenge cup held at present by the Bangalore Rifle Volunteers opened on the 2nd instant. Only seven teams have entered this year and it seems odds on the B. R. V. retaining the trophy, for they are still a very strong side.

BANGALORE GYMKHANA *vs.* ROYAL ARTILLERY.—This was the first match played, and the game cannot be described as a good one. The troops in Garrison have not had much time for practice, owing to lengthy and exacting manœuvres and the Gunners, although energetic, played a wild and unscientific game. "Sticks" were frequent, and "fouls" and "offside" appeals numerous. In fact the referees' whistle was hardly ever still. The Gymkhana, although a somewhat scratch side, played a much better game, and had it not been for some marvellous saves by the R. A. goal-keeper, would have won by considerably more than one goal to *nil*, which represented the state of affairs when time was called.

ROYAL ENGINEERS *vs.* SHERWOOD FORESTERS.—Played on the 23rd instant. This was a much better game, and there were good men on both sides. The Sappers pressed almost throughout the first half, but only scored once, Paisley for the Sherwoods effecting some marvellous "saves." The interval arrived with the score 1—love in favour of the R. E., Bamberger having scored for them. The early portion of the second moiety of play saw the Sappers still pressing and except for occasional flashes of good passing between Bernard and Parsons the Sherwoods scarcely seemed to be in the hunt. Bamberger, and then White scored for the R. E., but during the last quarter of an hour a great change came over the game, the Sherwoods almost penning their adversaries. They worked like horses to score, although the match seemed hopelessly lost, and at length succeeded, through a good bit of passing. Lee centred from the right, and Bernard being hampered passed to Foxon on the left wing, the latter scoring amidst applause. The remaining play was all in favour of the men from Nottingham and Derbyshire but they could not get through the Sapper defence, and lost a good game by 3 goals to 1. Baos played well for the losers at centre half, Paisley was good in goal and Bernard and Parsons were the best of the forwards. For the winners White, Bamberger and Pemberton in the forward line, Agnew at centre half and Keenan at back were best.

PUNJAB NATIVE ARMY HOCKEY TOURNAMENT.

THE FINAL.

14TH SIKHS *vs.* 15TH SIKHS.—Played 4 P.M. on Saurday, 16th instant. The weather was against very fast play, for rain fell during the morning, and even during the game itself there was a smart shower. The clerk of the weather has been particularly unkind this year, rain having fallen on most days during the last fortnight, and it is a pity that the best grounds which had been carefully prepared were hardly played upon, as the 34th Pioneers' parade ground lies low and it takes many days for them to dry. However, to-day's game was played on the 38th Dogra ground which was in excellent condition after a short preparation. Both teams come from the same station, *i.e.*, Ferozepore, and it is curious to notice that in most practice games the 14th usually held the upper hand, whereas to-day they had to admit defeat by 1 goal to love. The most noticeable incident of the game was the friendly spirit in which it was played, there was no roughness and yet play was as keen as possible, and though the referee was strict the whistle was not often in evidence. The 15th got their goal in the first half from a free hit near the circle. The 14th had undoubtedly bad luck, an excellent shot by Channer from a corner hit striking the goal-keeper's pads; the wearer of them could not possibly have seen the ball, but once he felt it promptly cleared. The game was mostly open up and down the ground, good play being shown by both sides. For the 15th Macmullen, though suffering from influenza, played a very good game at centre half, Muir doing equally good work at right half. McGrayne at back was very sure and got in his hits very quickly as did Bir Singh, his partner; at the same time the latter was rather inclined to rough play. For the 14th Channer and Pennington worked their hardest, but they tried to do everything themselves, and quite neglected their other forwards who towards the end were left absolutely unmarked, their opponents realising that the 14th halves would invariably pass the ball to one of these two players. Their backs played very surely and it was none of their fault that the 15th scored their goal. On the conclusion of the game General Kitchener kindly presented the cup to the winning team, and spoke some true and kind words regarding the game itself, and hockey in general; he mentioned the 40th Pathans for their good play and very rightly too, for they played to get more goals than their opponents and were unlucky in not being able to do so. This is the third time that the 15th Sikhs have won the cup which was presented by Ganda Singh Uberoi, the well-known athletic outfitters at Sialkot, and all who know them will be glad that the trophy is in the possession of such a real good sporting regiment.—*Civil and Military Gazette.*

Sports.

GORAKHPORE GYMKHANA.

Saturday, 16th February 1907.

A VERY successful Gymkhana was run off to-day. The Honorary Secretaries, Messrs. Judson and Bliss, worked hard to secure full entries for each event and the results fully bore out their efforts.

The first event was for members of the Gorakhpore Squadron, and comprised part of their prize programme. The prize was presented by Major Crawford, I. M. S., and was won by Trooper Lang.

THE LADIES' DISTANCE HANDICAP was easily won by Miss Lightfoot, riding her racing pony King of Thule.

THE LIMERICK RACE was most amusing. Many and varied were the experiences of the "young maid of Japan." She was given children black and tan. She was held by the hand by a man. She generally waggled a fan. She was entranced at the sight of a man; but the crowning point was put to her misfortunes when "Being fanned with a fan by a man" she got so hot she exclaimed, "What! what!! The poor little maid of Japan!"

THE CRACKNEL STAKES afforded amusement. Mr. De Hoxar came in first, closely followed by Mr. McCall; these two, however, were disqualified; the first for losing his cigarette, and the second for losing the top of his sunshade.

IN THE IGNORANCE COMPETITION all did fairly well, though it puzzled several to find out that, if two sheep stood back to back, how could they see each other without turning. The name of the Home Secretary also seemed a stumbling block to many.

THE JOBBING STAKES was very easily won by Mr. Crawford.

The members of the Gorakhpore Squadron were "At Home." The Gymkhana prizes were presented by Mrs. Broun and the Corps prizes by Mrs. Turnbull.

A very successful and most enjoyable afternoon concluded with three cheers for the ladies, who so kindly undertook to distribute the rewards.

POINT TO POINT RACE.—Prize presented by Major Crawford, I. M. S.

Won by Trooper Lang.

MATCH—200 A SIDE.

Capt. Ross' Bounder, Mr. Lang	... 1
Mr. Jas. Williamson's Joker, Mr. McCall ...	... 0

Won easily.

LADIES' DISTANCE HANDICAP.—W. A. and C. Prize presented by F. Simpson, Esq., I. C. S. 4 furlongs.

Miss Lightfoot ...	... 1	Miss Lightfoot on King of Thules with 20 yards start won as she liked. Mrs. Billson, who started scratch and Mrs. Maloney, who was handicapped, are to be specially commended for their plucky riding.
Miss Manners ...	... 2	
Mrs. Billson ...	... 3	
Mrs. Maloney ...	... 0	
Miss Gracey ...	... 0	

LIMERICK RACE.—Each gentleman to run with sealed envelope to his lady partner who will open the envelope. The first line of a Limerick will be given inside and the lady and gentleman together must compose the rest. Each gentleman to read

out his "Limerick" and the best "Limerick" to get the prize. Prize presented by Colonel Newcomen.

Mr. Sutton was first in with his "Limerick," but was disqualified. The prize was awarded to Miss Masey, who helped Mr. Jas. Williamson to compose the following :—

There was a young maid of Japan who, when asked for a kiss by a man, so coyly replied, as she clung to his side you oughtn't you know—but you *can*.

THE CRACKNEL STRUGGLE.—Each gentleman to ride to his lady partner, dismount, eat a cracknel to be handed him, light a cigarette, lady lighting the match, and gallop a furlong and back with a parasol handed him—open—by his partner before mounting. First in with parasol open a cigarette alight wins. Prize presented by E. A. Neville, Esq.

Won by Mr. H O. Clark nominated by Mrs. Neville. 2. Mr. F. Simpson nominated by Mr. Sutton.

THE CONFUSION OF TRILBIES.—Each gentleman to leave his boots at a given point. He will then be started from a given distance, ride to his boots, find them, lace them up, ride a furlong and back. First in with boots properly laced to win. Prize presented by E. A. Moloney, Esq., I.C.S.

Won by Mr. Jas. Williamson nominated by Mrs. Hunt. 2. Mr. Stares nominated by Miss. Lightfoot.

THE IGNORANCE COMPETITION.—Gentlemen to run to their lady partners and hand them a sealed envelope containing questions of general knowledge. First in with all answers correct to win.

Won by Mr. C. E. Crawford nominated by Mrs. Mumme. 2. Mr. Stuart nominated by Mrs. Sutton.

THE JOBBING STAKES.—Gentlemen to take a tent-pegging spear, stuck in the ground, while going at a gallop and tent-peg in the usual way. Prize presented by J. A. Broun, Esq., I.C.S.

Won by Mr. C. E. Crawford nominated by Mrs. Mackinnon.

CHARGER RACE.—For all horses regularly ridden on parade during the meet. Open to members of the Gorakhpore Squadron only. Prize presented by Colonel Newcomen. 4 furlongs.

Mr. C. E. Crawford's Kenhart ...	Mr. Stares	1
Mr. R. C. Tute's Pacific	Owner	2
Mr. Mackenzie's Max	Mr. Lang	3
Mr. Williamson's Joker ...	Owner	0
Mr. Webb's Betty	Mr. Andoe	0
Mr. Hyama's	Mr. Hunt	0
Mr. Smith's	Owner	0
Mr. Simpson's	Mr. Donaldson	0

A very popular event. They were let go to a splendid start. Rounding the bend Max led closely followed by Pacific and Kenhart. From the two-furlong post Kenhart took charge of affairs, was never really pressed and won by three lengths; same distance divided second and third. Time—54½secs.

The Kennel.

THE DOG NEVER A WOLF—ITS MODERN EVOLUTION.

SOMEONE—perhaps one who did not love this faithful friend of man—has asserted that the dog is a descendant of the wolf and has no distinctive canine ancestry.

This view is vigorously combatted by an authority who has recently put forth two fat volumes of 400 pages, each devoted to tracing dog history back to the beginning.

He has examined records, drawings, carvings and sculptures dating as far back as 7,000 years ago, and is unable to find any proof that the dog was once a wolf. His work is so sincere, so convincing, that one, after reading the eulogistic pages, is enabled to look the meanest cur in the face with some degree of respect.

This literary and research-loving friend of the dog went far back into the dim and forgotten past.

He found carved on the tomb of Amten, an Egyptian ruler of the Fourth Dynasty—about 3,500 years before the Christian era—a well-defined figure of a dog of the period.

And it was a dog—not a wolf, a half-wolf, or an animal having any close resemblance to a wolf.

It has a hunting dog, and was shown in three scenes, in two of them attacking a deer and in the third running some other kind of a horned animal.

It is said that the writers of ancient Egypt referred to this particular species of dog as a Foxhound.

If it had been a wolf, or the descendant of wolves, doubtless there would have been something to indicate the origin.

There were Terriers, too, in the early Egyptian days. At any rate, a Terrier-like dog is found among the relics of the Sixth Dynasty, about 3066 B. C.

A few centuries later in the line, the large Greyhound, the Mastiff and the Dalmatian, or coach dog, were discovered; and as early as 2266 B. C. the Dachshunde type appeared.

At that time the Dachshunde seemed to be the particular favorite as a house dog, and must have been in high favor at court, as the royal fancy in these times set the fashion regarding almost everything known to man of the period.

The early Egyptians had great reverence for the dog, and evidently did not consider it any relative of the wolf, which have no standing in their favor.

One of the early Egyptian gods, Ambis, is shown with a dog's head. When a family dog did in those long-gone times the family went into mourning.

There were severe penalties for moltreating a dog, and the animal was recognized as occupying almost as high aposition in the world of living things as man.

Six or seven hundred years before the Christian era the Greeks used dogs in war, teaching them to attack the horses of cavalry regiments.

Toy dogs were in favor as household pets, especially the Toy Spaniel and the little Pomeranian.

So far as can be learned, there was little difference between the dogs early history and those of the present, as regards size, weight, etc.

The Assyrian dog was about thirty inches high at the shoulder; that of the sporting gentlemen of Athens or Rome about twenty inches.

It was not until 1387 that the Spaniel appeared in the troubled history of the times. The first a members of the family are recorded as haing been the property of a famous sportsman, Gaston de Foix, who maintained a large estate in France, on the Spanish border.

With a Frenchman's depreciation of every nation but his own, Gaston de Foix said of his dogs that they "had many bad qualities, like the country they came from;" but he insisted that they never manifested any of the qualities of the wolf.

From about that time argument as to the probable descent of the dog from the wolf was dropped by the historian of the canine tribe.

He had evidently concluded that his contention had been proved, and that the straight-backward ancestry lines of the dog could be followed by the beginning of the tribal life, without touching the borders of wolfdom.

From the fourteenth century onward the historian devoted himself to following the development of various dog species.

The Setter and the Pointer, for example, were diveloped out of the transition from the ancient fowling piece to the flent-lock gun and the shotgun of later years.

The smooth sheepdog of the present is the original farm dog, and, in fact, is regarded as the original cur. The Bulldog is a close relative of the cur, it seems; but, through a series of years of upward breeding has been lifting himself into a higher and distinctive class.

Entirely a nineteenth century production is the Bull Terrier, dating from about 1820. The Black-and-Tan Terrier can boast of a little older ance try; while the Irish Terrier, it seems, has lost track of his ancestors. It is stated that this particular animal is mentioned in old Irish manuscripts.

From an old Scottish race comes the Skye Terrier—it may be the oldest of Terriers. No one knows the dawn of this dog's history.

The Great Dane received many years of careful training in Germany before he became generally known to the world. There are pictures of this species dating as far back as 1425.

Founder of the most useful, intelligent and fearless of the dog families is the Mastiff, which was among the war dogs of Rome.

The St. Bernard is known as far back as 1092, and the Newfoundland has a lineage of which even an animal may be proud.

Of the large family of hounds, the Irish Wolfhound is regarded as one of the oldest types of hunting dogs preserved in its original purity. The Greyhound and the Russian Wolfhound also reach back into dim antiquity.

All this research into the past of the dog tribe has had one principal object—to prove that the dog was not in the least to be regarded as a descendant of the wolf.

The canine member of the animal world stands upon his own feet, according to the proofs revealed by research, and has been a dog since the beginning of things animate upon the earth.—*The Breeder and Sportsman.*

Shows.

BOMBAY HORSE SHOW.

Judges.—Lieut.-Col. Broome, Lieut.-Col. J. S. Forbes, Major S. G. Peacocke, Major Cotgrave, Messrs. A. Gale, F. A. Prevost, M. Goculdass, and S. A. Wahed. Stewards.—Major Lloyd Jones, Messrs. G. Lucas, Alister Forbes, R. G. Baldock, L. A. Lamb, W. L. B. Souter, R. M. Phillips, W. G. Palmer, W. E. Crum and E. M. Webb, and the following members of the Local Executive Committee.—Capt. Meynell, Capt. F. D. Hunt, Messrs. T. W. Birkett, W. E. Crum, J. St. J. J. Graham, P. L. Roberts, F. A. Prevost and Mr. H. Crawford, M.R.C.V.S., Honorary Veterinary Surgeon.

HONORARY SECRETARIES AND TREASURERS.—Hon'ble A. Hill Trevor and Mr. L. Barraclough.

CLASS 16.—For Arab and Country-bred Polo Ponies. This class was divided by the judges into two class—Light Weight and Heavy Weight.

Light Weight.

Capt. H. Meynell's Mercury 1
Major A. A. Kennedy's Rattle 2

Heavy Weight.

Major Lee's Cygnet 1
Capt. J. H. Davies' Khirrdie 2
Judges: Major Cotgrave and Mr. F. A. Prevost.

CLASS 7.—For English and Colonial Hunters 14-2 and under.

Mrs. J. A. Morgan's All Gold (late All's Well) ... 1
Mrs. Morris' Veronique 2
Judges: Lieut.-Col Broome and Mr. A. Gale.

CLASS 1.— For English and Colonial Chargers.

Major A. A. Kennedy's Marquis 1
Capt. H. R. Hopwood's Veronique 2
Judges: Lieut.-Col. Broome and Mr. A. Gale.

CLASS 3.—For Charges of Volunteer Officers and Light Horse.

Mr T. L. Roberts' Sir Brian 1
Mr. R. W. L. Dunlop's The Count 2
Judges: Lieut.-Col. Broome and Mr. A. Gale.

CLASS 17—Polo Ponies of other classes. This class was divided by the Judges into two classes—Light Weight and Heavy Weight.

Light Weight.

Capt. H. Meynell's Rosalea 1
Poona Horse Polo Club's Hanibal 2

Heavy Weight.

Capt. H. Meynell's Ulisa 1
Major Leslie's (R.E.) Louise 2
Judges: Major Cotgrave and Major Peacocke.

CLASS 4.—English and Colonial Troop Horses.

H. E. the Governor's Body Guard No. 23 1
H. E. the Governor's Body Guard No. 49 2

CLASS 14.—Ladies' Horses other than Arabs and C.-B.'s over 14-2.

Capt. J. L. Meyers' Rainbow 1
Surgn.-Genl. Trevor's Cock Robin 2
Mr. Roberts' Early Dawn 3
Judges: Major Cotgrave, Major Peacocke, and Mr. F. A. Prevost.

CLASS 12.—Best Hack 14-2 and under. Must be property of a resident in Bombay who possesses no other horse or pony of any description.

Mr. R. G. Campbell's Mardel 1
Mr. H. G. Meikle's Grandslam 2
Judges: Mr. F. A. Prevost and Mr. A. Gale.

CLASS 29.—Jumping for Horses.

Lieut.-Col. J. S. Forbes' Khala 1
Mr. G. Lucas' Lady Bird 2
Lieut.-Genl. G. Richardson's Leap Year 3
Judges: Lieut.-Col. Broome, Major Cotgrave, Major Peacocke, and Mr. F. A. Prevost.

CLASS 21.—Driving Competition. Other classes over 14-2 in single harness.

Mr. J. B. Beatie's Coronation 1
Mr. S. A. Wahed's Chance 2
Judges: Lieut.-Col. J. S. Forbes and Mr. A. Gale.

CLASS 22.—Driving Competition, Arabs and C.-B.'s 14-2 and under in single harness.

Mr. Leach's Umta 1
Mr. R. S. Powala's Pallas 2
Judges: Lieut.-Col. J. S. Forbes and Mr. A. Gale.

CLASS 28.—Best complete Turnout.

Lieut. Hamilton's (R.J.M.) Billy 1
Mr. R. S. Powala's Pallas 2
Judges: Lieut.-Col. J. S. Forbes and Mr. A. Gale.

CLASS 38.—Best English or Colonial mare or gelding suitable for an officer's charger or hunter landed in Bombay since 1st July, 1906, by *bonâ fide* horse shippers for sale in India.

Lieut.-Col. G. H. Bull's Brawl 1
Hon. A. Hill Trevor's Oswestry 2
Judges: Major Peacocke and Lieut.-Col. J. S. Forbes.

CLASS 32.—Arab stallions over 14 hands.

Messrs. M. Goculdas and A. Nanji's Galopin ... 1
Aga Samsuddin Shah's Royal Prince 2
Judges: Major Cotgrave and Mr. A. Gale.

CLASS 33.—Arab stallions 14 hands and under.

Capt. Orr Paterson's Mishall 1
Lieut.-Col. Abud's Martini 2
Judges: Capt. Davie and Mr. M. Goculdas.

CLASS 19.—Ponies suitable for Polo 14-1 and under, other than Arab and Country-bred.

Major A. A. Kennedy's Gentleman 1
Capt. H. R. Hopwood's Holly 2

The Judges commended Lieut.-Col. Dyson's Dawn (late Masher) in this class.

Judges: Major Peacocke and Major Cotgrave.

CLASS 18.—Arab and Country-bred ponies suitable for Polo 14-1 and under.

Capt. J. H. Davies' Tigris 1
H. H. Prince Vijaysinhji of Palitana's Viveinne ... 2
Judges: Major Cotgrave and Mr. F. A. Prevost.

CLASS 35.—Brood mares other classes over 14-2.

Major F. Lee's Pretty Polly 1
Miss Trevor's Lucy 2
Judges: Major Peacocke and Lieut.-Col. J. S. Forbes.

CLASS 37.—Best Country-bred horse, mare or gelding.

Mr. N. Dwarkadas' Sir Trenton 1
Mrs. Morris' Mascotte... 2
Judges: Major Cotgrave and Mr. M. Goculdas

CLASS 36.—Brood mares 14-2 and under other than Arabs and C.-B's.

Capts. Meynell and Greig's Recovery 1
Mr. N Dwarkadas' Florrie 2
Judges: Major Peacocke and Lieut.-Col. J. S. Forbes.

CLASS 34.—Brood mares suitable for breeding purposes. Arab and Country-bred.

Mrs. Morris' Mascotte... 1
H. H. Prince Vijaysinhji of Palitana's Vivienne ... 2

CLASS 10.—English and Colonial hunters 14-2 and under regularly hunted with the Bombay Hounds.

Hon. A. Hill Trevor's Oswestry 1
Mrs. McCausland's Pooh Bah 2
Judges: Major Cotgrave and Mr. A. Gale.

CLASS 6.—English and Colonial hunters over 14-2.

This class was divided into two classes—Light Weight and Heavy Weight.

Light Weight.

Miss Trevor's Lucy 1
Capt. H. R. Hopwood's Veronique 2
Commended by the Judges: Mr. T. L. Roberts' Early Dawn.

Heavy Weight.

Lieut.-Col. Bull's Twilight 1
Lieut.-Col. S. J. Forbes' Khala 2
43 entries.
Judges: Lieut.-Col. Browne and Major Peacocke.

CLASS 8.—Arab and Country-bred hunters (horse or pony).

Capt. B. C. Fellows' Dervish 1
Mr. Cecil Gray's Wild Fox 2
Highly commended by the Judges: Mrs. Morris' Mascotte.
Judges: Major Cotgrave and Mr. A. Gale.

CLASS 15.—Ladies' horses other classes 14-2 and under.

Mrs. J. A. Morgan's All Gold (late All's Well) ... 1
Mrs. Morris' Veronique 2
Mr. W. O. E. Crum's Deputy was commended by the Judges.
Judge's comments: "Smart."
Judges: Lieut.-Col. Broome and Major Peacocke.

CLASS 11.—Arab and Country-bred hunters regularly hunted with the Bombay Hounds.

Mr. Cecil Gray's Wild Fox 1
Capt. B. . Fellows Dervish 2
Mr. Cecil Gray's Arabian Flag was highly commended and Mr. F. N. Furdoonji's Clear All commended in this class by the Judges.
Judges:—Major Cotgrave and Lieut.-Col. J. S. Forbes.

CLASS 9.—English and Colonial Hunters over 14-2 regularly hunted with the Bombay Hounds.

Hon. A. Hill Trevor's Melton 1
Capt. Rundle's Apello 2
In this Class Mr. A. Forbes' Kestrel and Major F. Lee's Domino were highly commended by the Judges.
Judges: Major Cotgrave and Mr. A. Gale.

CLASS 13.—Ladies' horses, Arab and Country-bred.

Mr. Morris' Mascotte 1
Mr. L. Barraclough's Bucentaur ... ...
Commended: Mr. T. D. Moore's Akhbar Khan.
Judge's Comments: "Good."
Judges: Lieut.-Col Broome and Major Peacocke.

CLASS 30.—Jumping for ponies 14-2 and under.

Mr. W. G. Palmer's Inspiration 1
Mr. C. G. Stileman's Lux 2
Commended: Mr. F. A. Prevost's Mercia.
Judges: Lieut.-Col. Broome, Lieut.-Col. J. S. Forbes, Major Peacocke, and Mr. F. A. Prevost.

CLASS 20.—Arabs, Country-bred (horse or pony) in single harness.

Messrs. M. Goculdas and A. Nanji's Hyderi 1
Lieut.-Col. Dyson's Dainty 2
Judges: Lieut.-Col. J. S. Forbes and Mr. A. Gale.

CLASSES 23 TO 25.—Pair in double harness.

Messrs. M. Goculdas and A. Nanji's Lady Josephine and Modesty 1
Mr. R. S. Powala's Pallas and Pomona ... 2
Judges: Lieut.-Col. Forbes and Mr. A. Gale.

CLASS 26.—Teams.

No prize awarded.

SPECIAL PRIZES.

For the best Polo Pony in the Show:—Capt. H. Meynell's Rosalea.

For the best C.-B., prize presented by H. H. Prince Vijaysinhji of Palitana:—Mr. N. Dwarkadas' Sir Trenton.

For best Hunter:—
Light-Weight: Miss Trevor's Lucy ... . } equal.
Heavy-Weight: Lieut.-Col. Bull's Twilight ..... }

BOMBAY DOG SHOW.

JUDGES:—Colonel O. H. Canner, Major Cole, Hon'ble A. Hill Trevor, Major W. D. Smith, A.V.D, Mr. A. Gale, Mr. Harrington Bulkley and Mr. J. Watson.

HONORARY VETERINARY SURGEON:—Mr. J. Crawford.

HONORARY SECRETARY:—Mr. Douglas Bennett.

Thursday, 21st February 1907.

On the whole this was a better show than we have yet attempted, with its 13 Classes and 166 entries, though it doesn't, of course, compare with the recent Calcutta Kennel Club Championship show which I see by the magnificent illustrated catalogue had no less than 82 classes and over 250 exhibits. Still it was successful and there were some good dogs benched. The judging was curious, I could not follow it in many instances; for example how Domino came to be overlooked in the wire-haired Fox Terrier Class seems incomprehensible. I append a list of the awards.

SMOOTH-COATED FOX TERRIERS (Dogs.)

Condr. Robert Stone's Dunce 1
Major Cole's Chink 2

(Bitches.)

Major Cole's Jessica 1
Sergt. Nelson's May 2

WIRE-HAIRED FOX TERRIERS (Dogs.)

Mrs. Holliott Powell's Dusky Member 1
Mrs. Holliott Powell's Karari Hands up .. 2

(Bitches.)

Mrs. Holliott Powell's Karari Worry 1

IRISH TERRIERS (Dogs.)

Mr. Kavasji Ardeshir Chinoy's Free Lance ... 1

(Bitches.)

Capt. Thompson's Biddy 1

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BULL TERRIERS (Dogs.)

Mrs. Deane's Bill of Lambeth 1
(Bitches.)
Mr. Douglas Bennett's Lincoln Peggy — ... 1

GREYHOUNDS.

Mrs. Duff's Sam Weller 1
Lieut.-Col. G. E. Hyde Cates' Dandy 2

BULL DOGS.

Mr. K. K. Seervai's Sam 1
(Bitches.)
Mr. J. H. Kendall's Ivy Green 1

DACHSHOUNDS (Dogs.)

Mr. R. W. L. Dunlop's Quaver 1
(Bitches.)
Mr. A. Strandes' Gretti ... — ... 1

SPANIELS AND RETRIEVERS.

Lieut.-Col. Aplin's Prince Charlie 1
Mr. F. D. McAlpin's Champion Dash 2

OTHER BREEDS not entered in previous classes (Dogs.)

Mrs. Dyson's Holarth (Scotch deer-hound) ... 1
(Bitches).
Mrs. C. A. Ellis' Lena (Manchester Toy Terrier) ... 1

BEST LITTER OF PUPS.

Major Morris' Litter of Fox Terrier Pups ... 1
Condr. Robert Stone's Norfolk Nittle and Litter (Fox Terriers) 2

ALL PUPPIES in the show between six and twelve months old (Dogs).

Capt. Thomson's Blaser ... ... — 1
(Bitches.)
Mrs. ffolliott Powell's Karari 1

AUSTRALIAN TERRIERS (Dogs.)

Mr. A. Meyer's Ghusa 1
(Bitches.)
Miss Davies' Wallerdo 1

SPECIAL PRIZES.

A silver cup presented by the Committee, value Rs. 120, for the best Fox Terrier in classes 1 and 2. Mrs. ffolliott Powell's Dusky Member (wire-haired terriers).

A silver cup presented by the Committee, value Rs. 120, for the best Fox Terrier dog or bitch bred in India. Mrs. ffolliott Powell's (wire-haired Fox Terrier).

A silver cup presented by Dr. Dinanath B. N. Dandekar, for the best Fox Terrier dog pup under one year old bred or born within a radius of ten miles of Bombay. Conducter R. Stone's (wire-haired Fox Terrier).

A silver cup presented by Mr. Kaliandas V. Kapadia, for the best bitch pup under one year old, bred and born within a radius of ten miles of Bombay. Mr. Douglas Bennett's May Blossom.

A silver cup presented by Mr. Lakhmidas Morarji, for the best imported Irish terrier-dog suitable for stud. Mr. C. Chinoy's Free Lance.

A silver cup presented by Mr. Dwarkadas Runchhordas, for the best imported Bull I Terrier brood bitch. Mr. Douglas Bennett's Lincoln Peggy.

A cup valued at Rs. 75 presented by H. H. the Maharaja of Jodhpur for the best bull dog in the show. Mr. J. H. Kendall's Ivy Green.

The Naturalist.

THE SENSE OF LOCALITY IN ANIMALS.

THE migration of birds is a subject which is full of interesting and difficult problems and not the least interesting nor the least difficult of comprehension is the question how they find their way. About the admirable accuracy of their movements there is no question whatever. The willow warbler will come back year after year to occupy the same position in the same tangle of grass and undergrowth as the site for its nest. Others are less accurate and punctual; but the exactness of this little bird is the more remarkable because of the apparently feeble powers of flight which seem to leave it quite unprovided with the locomotive means required to bring it so unerringly to its goal. While the questions which migration presents are difficult enough of understanding, there is one which transcends all the rest in its obscurity. It is the question which is suggested by the fact, apparently quite well authenticated, that in the case of many species they are the young birds of the year that lead the migration fight.

The instinct, as it appears to be, which leads animals to direct their course to a certain spot without, so far as we are able to ascertain, any previous hint or indication of guidance, demonstrates itself in several remarkable ways besides that of the migration fight, but in none perhaps more remarkably than in the case of the guanaco, a species of llama of South America, which resorts in immense numbers to a certain place to die. In fact, it seems from the accounts given by Darwin and by Mr. W. H. Hudson, that all the guanacos of the southern part of Patagonia must resort, when the hour of death approaches to a certain spot in a certain river-bed which has become a perfect mausoleum of their bones. Mr. Hudson had hazarded a very ingenious hypothesis to account for this assemblage in the common mortuary. He notes, primarily, that it is only the guanaco of the southern extremity of the South American Continent that has this habit; which is as much as to say that it is a habit restricted to descendants of forefathers who lived at one time in an extremely rigorous, semi-Arctic climate. Mr. Hudson conjectures that among these forefathers the instinct grew up, when the stress of hunger and cold was very dire, and they felt its chill setting upon them, of resorting to this sheltered place in the river bed where they might find warmth in their own closely collected numbers, and possibly food, which would enable them to outlive the days of extreme rigour. By a continual survival of those who betook themselves to this place of refuge the race instinct would be formed of resorting thither when they felt the tides of life running low. This feeling, Mr. Hudson argues, their descendants are likely to experience now at the approach of the hour of death, and in obedience to it flock to the same resort. But now it is no longer just a passing spell of extreme cold which they can hope to survive that leads them thither. The death call has come and they must lay their bones in the common mortuary. It is not "in order to die," as we so frequently say with a very common error in considering the ways of animals that the guanaco seeks his place; it would be nearer the truth if we were to say it was "in order to live." Another instance of what appears to be this wholly mysterious guidance is afforded by the well-known habit of the rattlesnakes, in the colder countries of their range to assemble together in great numbers for hibernation in caves. It seems to be pretty well established that the snakes, on emerging from these caves, cover long distances in their wanderings, that their young are generally born far away from the wintering-place, and yet that these young, although they do not accompany their parents, nor remain with them until the date of hibernation approaches, still succeed in finding their way to the caves with the greatest certainty.

About the pigeon itself there has been a great deal of misconception. It has been imagined that, provided a pigeon belongs to the variety which is called carrier or homing, it is enough to liberate the bird at any distance from its native cote, and it will then immediately fly straight home led by some mysterious force which is beyond human understanding. There is so much in the universe that really is beyond this modest limit that it is quite unnecessary to invent difficulties gratuitously. As a matter of fact, very well known to all trainers of these pigeons, they have to be carefully practised in flights of constantly extending distances along the line in which it is desired to send them eventually, until a chain of landmarks has become familiar to them along the whole course between the point at which it is wished to liberate them and their native home. There is no more mystery in this than in a man's finding his way along streets the features of which are known to him. Lord Avebury and other observers of insects have seen much to lead them to think that it is in the same simple manner that hymenopterous insects find their way back to their homes; they have no special loadstone.

THE OSTRICH.

ALL ostriches, adults as well as chicks, have a strange habit known as "waltzing." When chicks are let out from a kraal in the early morning they will often start away at a great pace. After running for a few hundred yards they will all stop, and with raised wings, spin rapidly round for some time, often until quite giddy, when a broken leg occasionally occurs. Adult birds, when running in large camps, will often, if the veld is good, do the same, especially if startled in the fresh of the early morning. A troop of birds waltzing, in full plumage, is a remarkably pretty sight.

Vicious cocks "roll" when challenging to fight, or when wooing the hen. The cock will suddenly bump down on to his "knees" (the ankle-joint), open his wings, making a straight line across his breast, and then swing them alternately backward and forward (keeping the line straight) as if on a pivot, each wing as it comes forward being raised while that going backward is depressed. The neck is lowered until the head is on a level with the back and the head and neck swing from side to side with the wings, the back of the head striking with a loud click against the ribs, first on the one side and then on the other. The click is produced by the skin of the neck, which then bulges loosely just under the beak, and for some distance downwards. While rolling every feather over the whole body is on end, and the plumes are open, like a large white fan.

Considerable misconception prevails as to the manner in which the ostrich runs. It seems to be still generally held that, when running, it spreads out its wings, and, aided by them, skims lightly over the ground. This is not correct.

When a bird really settles itself to run it holds its head lower than usual, and a little forward, with a deep loop in the neck. The neck vibrates sinuously, but the head remains steady, thus enabling the bird, even at top speed, to look around with unshaken glance in any direction. The wings lie along the sides about on a level with, or a little higher than, the back, and are held loosely just free of the plunging "thigh." There is no attempt to hold them extended, or to derive any assistance from them as organs of flight. Indeed, I doubt whether the conformation of the wings permits their being held out to any extent with the edge to the front; and the front edge is thickly and heavily covered with long feathers (which are regularly plucked for the market). In fact, it may be said that the wings assume just that position along the sides which the wind would force

them into when the ostrich is running at a great pace; their positions is exactly that which offers least resistance to the passing wind.

When ostriches are startled, as by a dog; when they start away to run; or when not very hard-pressed, they will often run, and very rapidly, for some distance with their wings raised nearly upright on each side of the neck; just as under similar conditions, springbucks will run with the white fan on their backs raised, frequently "pronking." When the ostrich runs thus, with its wings raised, it generally moves with a high, springy, bounding step, never with the long raking stride of the bird that, hard-pressed, is fleeing for its life. Raised wings are undoubtedly an obstacle to the greatest pace. So the springbuck, when he stretches himself out to run his fastest, shuts down his fan, as the attitude which enables him to expand it prevents his attaining to his greatest pace. When an ostrich, after a long run, is very tired, its wings sometimes droop; this is due to exhaustion; they are never by a running bird exerting itself to the utmost, held out away from the sides to lighten its weight or to increase its pace. But the wings appear to be of great service in turning, enabling the bird to double abruptly even when going at top speed.

The ostrich feeds in a peculiar manner. It tosses the food into a sack in the upper part of the neck, and then swallows it. I have seen a bird toss fully a quart of *mealies* (Indian corn) into this sack before swallowing; and it is no uncommon thing to see two "swallows" travelling down the neck at the same time with a clear interval between them; or to see one of them (if of large and loose food, *e.g.*, grain) slide back into the sack after being swallowed, if the bird lowers its heads to continue feeding before the food has travelled some considerable distance down the neck. The food travels slowly, and performs a complete circuit of the neck before reaching the crop. Crushed bones are greedily eaten; if two large a piece should stick in the neck, it is a simple matter to cut it out and sew the wound up again. The wound, as a rule, heals quickly, and causes but little inconvenience.

As is well known, ostriches will swallow almost anything small enough to pass down the neck. I have either known them swallow, or have heard of them swallowing, and on evidence, which I believe, such things as oranges, small tortoise, fowl and turkey chickens, and kittens! I found a cock in my dining-room on one occasion rapidly demolishing, one after another, the contents of a box of luscious peaches. Some friends were playing tennis with only one ball. A rather vigorous drive sent it beyond the tennis ground, close to an ostrich hen; she at once swallowed it with evident relish, and brought the game to a sudden end! A cock swallowed several yards of fencing-wire in short pieces, and about half a dozen brass cartridges. These were found in his crop, and had killed him. He had followed the fencers, swallowing the ends of the wires as filed off! An ostrich's crop always contains a large quantity of smooth stones, many of them brightly coloured.

The Story Teller.

THE OLD ADAM.

CECIL LORRIMER had ridden all his life. From the time of his first pony to the end of his 'Varsity days he had always something to ride, or had been in the way of getting a mount. Now that, with a family living in his eye, he had adopted the Church as a profession, and settled down to the life of junior curate of a High Church in a seaside town, he found that polo and hunting were out of the question, and his silk jacket and cap only to be dreamt of in his very wildest moments. He took them out sometimes and looked at them regretfully; for they, with the crops, cutting whips, and spurs that adorned his diggings in Seaview-Terrace, Bexham-on-Sea, were all that remained to remind him of the old life.

Two years passed, with only an occasional afternoon on a hired hack, or, when funds didn't run to that, a day on foot with the local harriers—for holidays and oof were scarce amongst the curates of St. Augustin's—and now one evening found him in his armchair after dinner puffing reflectively at his pipe, and reading for the tenth time a letter the evening post had brought him. It was from an old 'Varsity chum, and its last paragraph ran—

"*Do try, old man, and come to us for the 18th, and stop a week or as long as you like. Our local chases will be on—there'll be a large house-party, and we're all going over. You can have the run of the stables and the rabbits, and amuse yourself as you think best.*"

It was very tempting, and a chance not to be missed.

He knew the Digby stables, and miles of green pasture rose in his mind with recollections of many a frolic over the timber thereon. He was more or less entitled to a few days, and it would be easy to get one of the other curates to take his services and do his visiting; then he would square the vicar.

Lorrimer worked all the preliminaries successfully, and a few days later, in smart clerical evening dress, walked into the drawing-room at Digby Grange as the second dinner-bell rang.

What a change it felt from the humdrum existence at Bexham-on-Sea; and how different the dinner from the chop or cold joint which was his daily portion at Seaview-Terrace.

After the ladies had left the room the talk naturally turned on racing and sporting matters generally, the coming meeting being eagerly discussed, for most of those present were either owners or riders, or interested in some way in the horses.

"How's The Doctor doing?" asked Tom Digby of a man at the other end of the table.

"Oh he's doing all right; but I shall have to scratch him, I'm afraid."

"Scratch him! Why?"

"Well, I've had a wire from Thynne at Aldershot to say he can't possibly get away—and I've been counting on him. I can't raise anybody at this short notice that I know of. It's gentlemen riders only for the Shire Cup, you know, and that course takes a bit of riding.

"There's Lorrimer here. He'll ride for you. He used to be good—weren't you Cecil?"

"I!" exclaimed Lorrimer. "My dear fellow, I can't go about the country riding chases. Supposing the bishop got to hear of it? Why, my vicar would have seven fits if he thought I even dreamt of such a thing, and all the old ladies in the parish would cut me dead."

"Oh! the bishop will never know, or the vicar either, unless you tell them. It's quite simple; your name won't be on the card, so it won't get into the papers; and nobody would imagine you're a parson when you've got a regulation jacket and cap on."

"But in any case, I'm not trained; besides, I've no racing things."

"You're fit enough—you're always in condition," answered Tom Digby. My togs used to fit you; I'll rig you out all right."

Perhaps Lorrimer did not wish to make a very determined resistance. At any rate, such feeble objections as he raised were soon overruled, and with the added persuasion of the ladies in the drawing-room, he gave in and consented to chance it. The next two days were passed in making The Doctor's acquaintance and getting into his little ways.

"He's a bit hard to hold sometimes," said his owner, "and he'll show his temper if he thinks he can get the better of you; so let him know who's master the first chance you get."

The day came, and Lorrimer had almost forgotten St. Augustin's in the lapse into the old life and associations; and certainly few of his parishioners would have known him as, in Tom Digby's boots and breeches, he walked into the weighing-room, and presented himself to the clerk of the scales.

He felt a little nervousness at first, but it wore off when he was mounted, and he had all his work cut out as his horse sidled with crab-like gait in the direction of the post.

"You'll have to watch him at that first bank, remarked The Doctor's owner, as he walked down alongside them, "keeping well out of range of his beauty's heels; there's a road down there that he knows leads home, and he'll make for it."

"Cheerful mount this," said Lorrimer to himself as he joined the others at the post. "I've every chance of breaking my neck—and then the fat will be in the fire properly."

They were off, however, before he had much time to think of it, and following the lead of the others, The Doctor took the first fence, and behaved himself like a gentleman up to the next one. He looked at that somewhat doubtfully as he came up to it; then, seeming to alter his mind, took it sideways, and under protest, as it were.

There was no doubt, however, about the next obstacle—the bank Lorrimer had been warned about. The Doctor suddenly dug in his toes, slid along for about ten yards, then came to a dead stop. Again and again did Lorrimer take him back and rush him at the bank; the same thing occurred each time and at last he began to walk sideways slowly and surely, and, in spite of a terrible mauling from whip and spur, in the direction of the road that led home.

It was tiring work, and Lorrimer was hardly in condition to keep this game up for long. He was getting more and more done every minute, and had begun to wonder which of them would give in first, when he heard a trap drive along the road near him and pull up, while a cheery voice sang out—

"One moment, sir—I'll come and give you a hand."

Lorrimer was too much occupied with his horse's head to look round; and the reinforcements began, with what sounded like a carriage whip, to lambaste The Doctor about the hind quarters with a vigour that started him bucking and plunging and making every effort to get the bit and start in the direction of home.

But it was two to one against him now; his head was held firmly in the direction of the course, and a rain of searching cuts came from every direction he tried to turn in, and got him on all sorts of unsuspected places, while a running fire of uncomplimentary comments was kept up.

"Come up, you brute—take that, then! I'd one like him myself at Oxford, sir, and I'm not likely ever to forget him. He lost me half a dozen races in exactly the same way. Dear me! this is just like the old times. Hope you've got nothing on this race, sir? Now he's moving! Ha! would you? That's right, sir; sit back. Capital! Excuse me, sir; but I've done a lot of this sort of thing when I was younger. I can't now. Now he's on the course—tha's it—keep him up to it, and we'll take him at the bank. Now then get him well in hand—that's it—rush him at it. Capital!"

After a further consignment of cuts on parts that were getting remarkably tender, the astonished Doctor gave in, went at the bank, and scrambled over with as bad a grace as he could. It was no use following on then—the others must have been in long ago; so Lorrimer turned to thank his unknown helper, when he recognised in the perspiring figure before him, with a broken whip under his arm, and mopping his forehead with his handkerchief, the Lord Bishop of Fulborough, in which diocese Bexham-on-Sea is situated.

"Well done, sir," began the bishop; "you sat him well. Regular brute that—you can see it in his eye. Luckily, I was just driving along the road when I saw you. I've broken the whip, too, and it belongs to my host. And—excuse me, sir, but I surely know your face somewhere? Let me see now—let me see. Why, of course, you are one of the curates at St. Augustin's, Bexham—eh?"

"Ye—yes, my lord," faltered Lorrimer.

"Then how do you come to be riding in a race like this? You surely know—"

Lorrimer saw there was no way out of it, so explained just how it had happened from the beginning.

A fellow feeling is supposed to make us wondrous kind, and there certainly was a twinkle stealing into the bishop's eye as he said—

"Well, Mr. Lorrimer—perhaps we'll both say nothing about this little meeting. Yes; I did a good deal of riding when I was young—and I'll tell you what, it's fortunate you didn't come off, or I really believe I should have been tempted to get up and finish the course instead of you—and a pretty sight I'd have looked coming up the straight! You see the danger you exposed your bishop to, sir! Don't venture on it again," he added, with a smile. "Good-day, Mr. Lorrimer."

"Good-day, my lord," answered the curate, as he turned his horse's head and trotted off towards the paddock.

When a few months later a vacancy occurred for the private secretaryship to the Bishop of Fulborough, there was great speculation in clerical circles as to why the choice of his lordship fell on the Rev. Cecil Lorrimer; and perhaps nobody was more astonished than the Reverend Cecil himself.

The Theatre.

THE WESTMINSTER GLEE SINGERS.

BY the time this notice appears in print, the Westminster Glee Singers will have departed! Would, that, like the poor, they were ever with us! Not until they come again, like the swallows, of which little Albert Hole, the world's youngest chorister, sang so sweetly, shall we be delighted, our senses soothed, our spirits refreshed by that pleasing "old world" courtesy of manner and style, which is as sweet as rain after drought in this hurrying busy twentieth century of ours, where people very often do not seem to find the leisure to be polite! Not so the Westminster Glee Singers. With the deliberation which makes for great effect, just as haste is the sure sign of incompetence, this gallant little band of four children, one woman, and six men wait upon each other and efface their own identity in their thorough subservience of self to the general effect. Each is quite content to be a unit in one harmonious whole, and so is harmony, real harmony, in every sense of the world, produced. It is difficult to give an adequate idea of how the truly musical—and there are not a few of us in this city—have been delighted with the dear old English ballads and half-forgotten ditties of a bygone day, these people have sung. "The Rhymes my mother taught me" have, perhaps never sounded sweeter, except in the original, than in Madame Marie Hooton's rich contralto voice. This lady is never at fault, and whether in a touching ballad, drawing tears from our eyes, a sigh from our hearts, or merry and sprightly in a gladsome ditty she is always, desirable, and yet again to be desired, as her repeated encores will attest.

With an accompanist, as sympathetic as Mr. Edward Branscombe, or one so entirely able to interpret his own settings as Mr. T. C. Sterndale Bennett, it would be hard to find fault. The former gentleman was a lay vicar of Westminster Abbey up to a short time ago, when the demands of his extensive tours compelled him to relinquish all other work. Undoubtedly one of the world's highest authorities on part singing, he is more than qualified to be the Organiser and Director of the party; while in Mr. Sterndale Bennett, remembering his distinguished grandfather, one recognises more than ever the force of heredity. His settings of the nursery rhymes specially written for the boy sopranos was one of the features of the entertainment, as well as his rendering of one of his own compositions—"Dennis Lightheart."

The funny element is supplied by Mr. Harry Ivimey, whose efforts, always distinctly clever and never malicious, take us back to another day, when mild flirtations and gentle scandal supplied the void now filled by golf, bridge, and motoring. By the crowd of small smiling people who thronged to both matinées he was specially appreciated, while by their elders his perfect skill as an entertainer of the first order, could not fail to be recognised.

The smallest boy soloist in the world—little Albert Hole—has captured a place in the affections of Calcutta wholly out of proportion with his size. He was perhaps most delightful in the solo "Love was once a little boy;" though his high notes in "The Swallows" and "Cherry Ripe" must have been the envy and admiration of many sopranos of far maturer years.

Unaccompanied part singing, or part singing with vocal accompaniment, we have no hesitation in saying, appeals to the truly musical in a way nothing else can do. To those who have heard the Westminster Glee Singers at their best in these lines, any comment is quite superfluous. Suffice it to say, those to whom the present party are not total strangers, gave them a warm welcome, while to those who had not had the previous pleasure of hearing them, they have been a delightful surprise, and the entire Calcutta public, in wishing them *bonvoyage*, does so, with regret at their short stay, and wish them a speedy return to a city where their appearance in the season of 1906-1907 has been an unequivocal success.

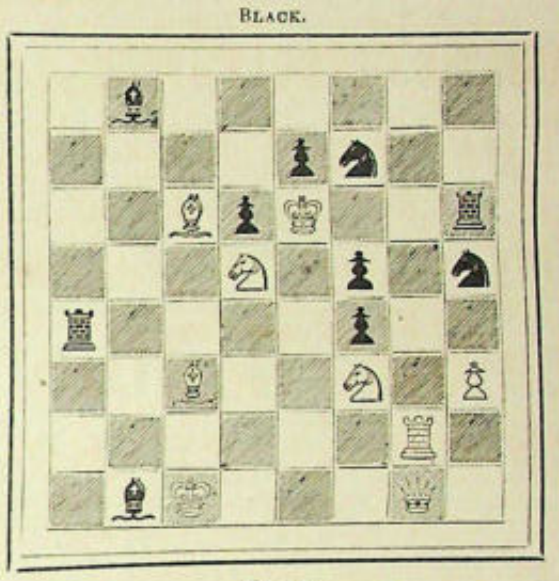
Chess.

Solution to Problem No. 390.

WHITE.	BLACK.
1. R. to K B 6	1. Anything.
2. Mates accordingly.	

Problem No. 391.

BLACK.



WHITE.

White to mate in three moves.

Game.

VIENNA OPENING.

WHITE.	BLACK.
1. P. to K 4	1. P. to K 4
2. Kt to Q B 3	2. Kt. to Q B 3
3. B. to Q B 4	3. Kt. to K B 3
4. Kt. to K B 3	4. B. to Q B 4
5. Castles	5. P. to Q 3
6. P. to K R 3	6. Kt. to Q R 4
7. Q. to K 2	7. Kt. takes K B
8. Q. takes Kt	8. P to Q R 3
9. P. to Q 4	9. P. to Q Kt 4
10. Q. to Q 3	10. K. P takes P
11. K. Kt takes P	11. B. to Q Kt 2
12. K. Kt takes Q Kt P (*a*)	12. Castles
13. K. Kt to Q 4	13. P. to Q R 4
14. K. R to K sq	14. Kt. to Q 2
15. Q. B to K 3	15. Kt. to K 4
16. Q. to Q sq	16. Kt. to Q B 5
17. B. to Q B sq	17. Q to K. B 3
18. Kt. to K B 3	18. R to Q Kt 5
19. Q. to Q 3	19. Kt. to K 4
20. Kt. takes Kt	20. Q. takes Kt
21. P. to K B 4	21 Q to Q sq
22 P. to Q R 3	22. B. takes Kt
23. P. takes B	23. Q. to Q B 3
24. Q. to K Kt 3	24. K. R to K sq
25. P. to K 5 (*b*)	25. R. to K 3 (*c*)
26. P. to K B 5	26. R. takes K P
27. R. takes R	27. P. takes R
28. R. to Q Kt sq	28. R to Q sq
29. B. to K Kt 5	29. R to Q 2
30. P. to K B 6	30. P. to K Kt 3
31. P. to K R 4	31. P. to K R 4
32. Q. to K R 3	32 R. to Q sq
33. P. to Q B 4	33. R. to Q B sq
34. Q. to K 3	34. Q. takes P at Q B4
35. Q. takes K P	35 Q takes Q B P
36. R. to Q B sq	

Given up as drawn. (*d*)

(*a*) Winning a pawn, but opening up Black's position.
(*b*) The position on both sides is full of danger.
(*c*) This move wins a pawn, as Black threatens mate.
(*d*) This was one of the hardest fought games in the match.

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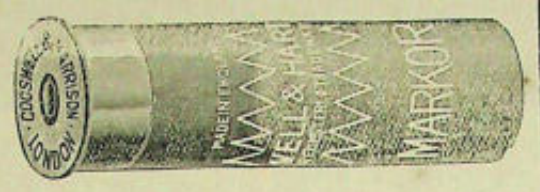

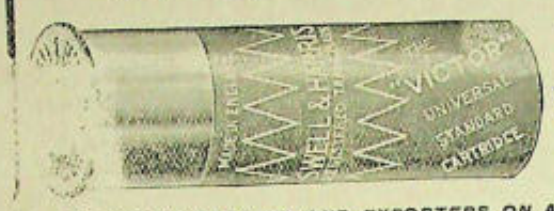

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THURSDAY, 14th March 1907.

AN EXPLANATION.

As announced in my circular last week, *The Indian Field*, which should have been issued on Thursday, the 7th instant, failed to come out owing to a general strike of compositors and pressmen at the "Edinburgh Press," where the paper is printed and from which it has been turned out with unfailing regularity for the last five years. This strike was not only unexpected; it was absolutely unwarranted. The men, far from having any grievances, have always been treated with consideration bordering on indulgence: their attitude is altogether inexplicable. I will refrain from further comment and it will be unnecessary for me to point out that, whatever the merits of the misunderstanding may be, the press and I are heavy losers.

My advertisers and subscribers, I am confident, will extend to me and the press their sympathy and support in what has been nothing short of an outrage, and I trust they will approve my action in supporting the press and enabling them to hold out against this iniquitous strike thus, even in a small way, helping to maintain British commercial prestige. I have decided to slip an issue of the paper and, though the present number is necessarily rather behind hand with its sporting news, and has, moreover, been produced under many difficulties, I shall make amends by bringing the record of sporting events up to date next week.

It is the first time in a journalistic career of nearly twenty-five years that I have failed to "come up to time"—I can only invite perusal of appended extracts from the daily press and leave myself in the hands of my friends and supporters.

W. S. BURKE.
Editor and Proprietor.

The strike at the Edinburgh Press continues The offer held out to the men, that the press would be open at 10 a.m. yesterday, and if they resumed work unconditionally, they would be received back and nothing more said, has not been availed of. Not a single man of the strikers turned up. But other developments have occurred. The strikers have sent a message that they will not resume work unless a general rise in salary all round of Rs. 2 per month is made. This has come through the Printers' Union. Of course, the Company would not yield to any such terms. This only shows that the employés of the Edinburgh Press have absolutely no grievances, and the demand for a general increase in wages is only an excuse to cause loss and embarrassment to the proprietors. We believe that the employés of this press have always been exceptionally well treated. The manager informed our representative that the Secretary of the Printers' Union had even admitted to him, and had informed the men on a previous occasion, that the men could not have better or more considerate employers.

There is a sinister side to the strike, as some of the strikers have taken up a position outside the premises with the object of preventing such men as wish to come in, from resuming work.

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The company have addressed the Commissioner of Police as to the picketing and the threatening attitude of the strikers, and have asked for the protection of such of their employès as have remained faithful. The proprietors of the press are determined to hold out against the strikers, and will not submit to any dictation of terms either from the strikers or the Printers' Union. In this they have the hearty support of all right-thinking people, as it is monstrous that the whole of the work of a large concern like this should be paralysed and remain at the mercy of men who bring about bad relations between employers and their employes.—***Englishman.***

The strike which has taken place in a Calcutta press will have the effect of preventing the appearance to-morrow of our excellent weekly contemporary the *Indian Field*. We feel sure that the readers of the *Field* in their own disappointment will sympathize with the proprietors, who are victims of a dispute in which, whatever its merits, they have no concern.—*The Statesman.*

One of the victims of the strike at the Edinburgh Press is the *Indian Field*, which ought to come out to-day, but which is thus prevented by circumstances over which it has no control." Readers who have been deprived of their weekly entertainment are however, unofficially invited to call on Mr. Burke, the editor, when they will be treated to a dissertation on the viciousness of mankind in general and of printers in particular, accompanied by lurid prognostications as to the enternal future of the compositors of Bow Bazar.—*The Empire.*

Last Thursday for some unknown reason I felt strangely ill at ease. There was nothing particularly extraordinary in the atmospheric conditions. But still there was something which I could not quite define, which made me feel as if I had missed some important event or as if there had been a void in my usually tranquil and peaceable existence, an it was only on Friday that I discovered what was wrong. The *Indian Field* that most estimable of sporting weeklies had failed to make its usual punctual appearance. No wonder that I felt disturbed and uncomfortable and it was all due to the strike at the Edinburgh Press. I hear, however, that the *Indian Field* will be issued as usual next Thursday, and I am sure it will be an extra good number to compensate for mine and many other peoples' disappointment.—*The Journal.*

CALCUTTA RACES, 1906-1907.

DURING the past season a very decided step has been taken in the development of Indian Racing, and looking to the immediate future perhaps the most interesting features are the continued decline of pony racing and the success of English-bred horses. The small pony, that is to say everything below the 14-2 class, has practically disappeared from the Calcutta course, a result foreshadowed in these columns when the 14-2 pony was introduced a few years ago. In Calcutta their loss will hardly be felt, since the number of horses in training has increased so rapidly during the past few seasons that the C.T.C. programmes could easily be constructed without any pony racing whatsoever. The exclusion of these events would admit of the framing of handicaps or second and third class horses throughout the big meetings, and so afford opportunities to owners who at present must be content to wait until the end of January before their chance comes. It is impossible to foretell the effect of these changes upon racing elsewhere than in Calcutta. Most of the old Bengal meetings that were mainly or entirely supported by pony racing have already disappeared, but, on the other hand, this form of sport has never been so flourishing as it is to-day on the other side of India. Were a suburban Pony Racing Club to spring up in Calcutta, it might well happen that a strong revival would take place on this side, but such an eventuality has not yet come within the range of practical politics.

Fitzgratton and the rest of the fine stable now owned by the Hon'ble Mr. A. A. Apcar have done much to sustain the credit of the Australian race horse, but this year a very large number of sprint races and rich handicaps have been carried off by English-bred horses, the number of which has so largely increased in India during the last few years. Without going into figures it is sufficient to mention the names of Sermon, Paddy's Darling, Annamulloch, Sacristan and Killeevan as proofs, of and reasons for, the popularity of English horses on Indian courses. One or two of those with the greatest reputations, such as Steinhager and Clear Artist, have been failures, but on the whole their success has been remarkable. Mr. Galstaun, who has perhaps the longest string now in training on the Calcutta side, will no doubt be encouraged by this year's experience to send more and more orders to England, and already he has a new one in Cinder Bill that is taking very kindly to the Indian climate and is consequently expected to do great things next season. The great sensation of the early meetings, however, was caused by a country-bred. A series of victories ending with the Trials, in which he beat the best horses in India at weight for age and class, was scored by the Indian-bred Saloon. It was not surprising to find him made a hot favourite for the Viceroy's Cup itself, and although he could not run into the first four, his win in the Trials is sufficient to stamp him as a marvel among country-breds, and, apart from his breeding, a veritable wonder for his size and inches.

For years past there have been croakers in plenty to foretell the doom of jump racing at Calcutta and Tollygunge. This season has not brought them one whit nearer the fulfilment of their prophecy, and indeed the New Year's Day programme at Tollygunge was a very respectable one. In the Grand National there were nine starters and in the Trial Chase eight. The Hunters' Races were somewhat disappointing, but the interest in these events shows no sign of diminishing. It has again been suggested that the Tollygunge course should be entirely remodelled, but the hands of the C.T.C. Stewards are already so well filled by the constantly growing cares and duties of the maidan meetings, that they are not very likely to undertake such a serious responsibility at this juncture. Until they make up their minds to hand over the Tollygunge Course to a subsidiary Club or Company, nothing much can be expected in this direction.

The improvements in the stands and paddocks on the Calcutta course are in a state of transition, and the arrangements this year have evoked considerable disapprobation. Such of the complaints as were well-founded have already been liberally met, or have no doubt been noted for consideration when the new accommodation promised for next year becomes available. Of the official arrangements the handicapping alone has met with any adverse comment. This was almost inevitable upon the appointment of two new officials, and their work can hardly be fairly judged upon so short and sudden a trial. We append the usual statistics and publish the Form at a Glance among our Turf news.

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Mr. Dartmoor	9,505	6
Mr. O. M. D. Bell	6,070	6
Mr. Holmes	5,880	2
Mr. J. D. Scott	5,775	5
Mr. G. B. Deakin	5,385	5
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NAME.	Wins.	NAME.	Wins
J. D. Scott	16	Smallman	2
Tingey	14	Norton	2
Watson	10	Thomas	2
Firth	8	Harper	1
Taylor	7	Marriott	1
Pringle	7	Vinall	1
Heywood	6	T. Scott	1
Wishart	5	Ferguson	1
Ramshaw	3	A. Hoyt	1
Penton	3	Privately	16
Dignum	3		

GENTLEMEN RIDERS.

NAME.	First.	Second.	Third.	Unplaced.	Total.
Mr. Evers	3	5	6	18	32
Capt. Holden	3	2	...	3	8
Mr. Pugh	1	3	2	1	7
Mr. Galstaun ...	1	...	2	3	6
Mr. Barrow ...	1	...	1	3	5
Mr. G. B. Deakin ...	1	...	...	4	5
Capt. Barrett ...	1	...	...	...	1
Mr. Robertson ...	1	...	...	...	1
Mr. Ritson ...	1	...	...	...	1
Mr. Bletsoe ...	1	...	...	...	1
Mr. Bell Irving ...	...	1	1	10	12
Mr. Cowper ...	...	1	1	5	7
Mr. H. K. Pierson ...	...	1	...	3	4
Dr Hossack ...	...	1	...	1	2
Mr. Levetus ...	...	1	...	...	1
Mr. Glen	...	...	2	5	7
Mr. Sopper	...	...	1	2	3
Mr. Gibbs	...	...	1	...	1
Mr. Ballantyne ...	...	...	1	...	1
Mr. Dudley	...	...	...	11	11
Mr. Antram	...	...	...	5	5
Mr. Turner	...	...	...	2	2
Mr. Beaumont	...	...	...	1	1
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Mr. S. O. Langham ...	...	...	...	1	1
Mr. R. Westmacott ...	...	...	...	1	7
Mr. R. Fogarty ...	...	...	...	1	1

JOCKEYS.

NAME.	First.	Second.	Third.	Unplaced.	Total
Robinson	9	8	6	35	58
Evans	8	5	6	8	27
Mosom	8	5	2	32	47
Firth	8	4	4	27	43
W. Southall	7	7	8	22	44
W. Kaeson	7	5	3	22	37
Baichan	7	8	6	33	49
Bullock	5	5	2	14	26
Vining	4	5	1	6	15
Murdison	4	4	5	33	46
Bradshaw	3	1	8	23	44
Fraser	3	3	3	32	41
Sneldrake	3	3	...	3	9
O'Brien	3	2	1	13	19
Bray	2	3	5	9	19
C. Hoyt	2	3	5	4	14
O'Neil	2	3	4	19	28
A. Hoyt	2	2	2	22	28
R. Morrison	2	2	1	7	12
Deeble	2	...	1	6	9
Thom	2	...	1	5	8
A. Ferguson	1	3	...	16	20
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Northmore	...	2	...	6	8
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Kamad	...	1	...	5	6
Pringle	...	1	...	1	2
Taylor	...	1	...	1	2
Bennett	...	...	3	11	14
Lansdown	...	...	1	26	27
Murphy	...	...	1	3	4
Johnson	...	...	...	...	1
Balgobin ... — ...	...	...	...	10	10
Rahman	...	...	...	9	9
Elibux ... — ...	...	...	...	9	9
W. White	...	...	...	8	8
T. White	...	...	...	7	7
Elliot	...	...	...	5	5
S. Gee	...	...	...	4	4
Barrett	...	...	...	2	2
Toomey	...	...	...	2	2
Norman	...	...	...	1	1
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Sporting Notes.

THE Calcutta season wound up with a huge programme of eight races and backers had a real bad time. There were three or four big dividends on the tote, as Emigrant, Jacinth and Mercedes went out almost friendless; the last named paid something over Rs. 500 on win tickets. In the Balaclava Plate for Light Horse Chargers, a horse named Dougale was reported to be a real good thing, and a few hopefuls had backed it at threes before it was announced that the horse was missing and his number was removed from the board. Myrene created some little stir in the air down at the gate by dashing through the ropes and breaking every one of them. Eventually they got away to a good start and the result was a duel between Emigrant and Jorrocks, in which Mr. Bletsoe, who is a scion of the great chasing family, had the better of it and won on a very tired horse.

Baichan rode another nice race on Bundah in the Farewell Plate and the objection lodged by Cyril's rider was not sustained. Then came a big surprise in the Hunter's Flat Race, for Jacinth, with Mr. Galstaun up ran clean away from his field and was never headed. The others no doubt expected that the old horse would come back to them whenever he heard them in pursuit, but Mr. Galstaun did not give him time to think and hustled him right home to the winning post. Detective cut it somewhat in the struggle for second place and Pretender beat him in the last few strides.

The public were not far wrong in their next effort and Mr. Dass scored a win with Mulison, a turn of luck which he well deserves. The pony race was another disaster as Hazelnut gave Baichan a second win, and the well-backed favorite, Yardley, ran nowhere. Bundah very nearly scored again in the Harrington Plate, but Mercedes made a magnificent effort in the straight and just managed to get home in front. Proceedings closed with a race round the course, which Scamander won easily. Clodian ran disappointingly, but with a stronger rider must have done much better.

Captain Holden and Pathfinder managed to pull off the Pony Paperchase Cup in spite of all the weight they had to put up. Geebung was pushed along with great determination by his sporting owner and actually led during a great portion of the journey, but the chestnut stood no chance against the Dehra Dun pony when it came to fast work over the heavy ploughland through which the last mile of the course lay.

Mr. G. B. Deakin will have much sympathy in the loss of his fine mare Meadow Saffron. She died in Bombay after a severe attack of fever and her place in the stable will be hard to fill.

Amongst those on the homeward trail this spring are Mr. and Mrs. Latham Hamilton, Mr. Boteler, Mr. J. D. West, Mr. Arthur G. Macpherson, Mr. Gresson and J. M. Turner. The genial time-keeper is said to be retiring for ever and a day, but this is a long time and we hope to see him, watch in hand, again on the Calcutta course before many seasons roll by. Mr. Turner has not quite recovered from his knock on the head, but is taking the long sea route by way of Colombo and should be well on his legs again before he reaches London town. He will be much missed at the Tollygunge Club Gymkhanas, the more so in the absence of Messrs. Macpherson and Gresson, who have both taken a large share of the work at these pleasant little meetings.

Our Bombay correspondent writes:—As usual, with the close of the big meeting, several of the big stables have left, as well as many of the jockeys and trainers, and the mail that left on Saturday took several of the bookmakers, those fortunate people who are able to take an annual trip Home at our expense. The slightly diminished attendance did not, however, prevent our having a more than fair day's sport, which however, included a most unfortunate occurrence. Some very large fields are generally seen out in the races for newly landed ponies, and when these get away to a good start it is indeed a matter of surprise there are not more accidents when the fight for a position near the rails begins. Such was the case in the Second Dealers' Consolaiton when the jamming began about a furlong from the start and in the thick of it Jalal and The Barb came down with Mujeed and Yussuff. The former lad has had a very successful season, but unfortunately, whilst on the ground, was either kicked or galloped over as he was carried off on a stretcher with a broken left collar-bone and three fractured ribs and looked more dead than alive when brought into the paddock. He was removed to hospital and if these are the only injuries he has received he should be seen riding again in Poona, but his nerv will probably suffer. Yussuff luckily got off scot-free and rode in the next race. The Stewards asked Williams to pay them a visit after the races, and, as the accident in question could not be any particular man's fault, may be the rumours that he shouted something about shutting Oriental in during the Parle Plate had something to do with it.

So many changes have the M. G. and A. N. stable made in trainers that, though Fowler had done them so well up to the big meeting, it was thought probable a lack of wins of late would mean yet another The change has occurred and we now see Bleach at. that position though he himself has had to give up a strongs tring. Poor Fowler! The very day after this they secured two brackets, and the kudos goes to the newcomer.

There were seven events on the card and three favourites figured as winners, but this did not make a punter's day. One need not say very much about the first four races which were all won with ease. Sherlock was made a favourite for the first of the new Arab races and after allowing Madrid to flatter his backers for a time, came away as he liked; Madrid beating the one time favourite Madras. The pony race, the Kensington Plate, once more saw a field half full of Byramjee's charges. It did not take long to leak out that Russley Rose had shown form in a gallop with Koko and, to cut the story short, she won on her head after being made a hot favourite. She has come down no less than a stone and a half and it is not Mr. Cursetjee's usual plan of action to ease them off like this when the least bit of return to form must end in but little else than a canter.

With a clean sweep of six entrants, only three faced the barrier for the Spring Plate and Killua was quoted at fours on. The stable having, however, got him at something about evens were content, and no wonder, to make assurance double sure and cover on Harpist at threes. This somewhat puzzled punters but as it turned out Killua came up to the other and Balayeuse at the bend and walked home. The second new Arab race followed and the mishaps have already been dealt with. It will be remembered how disappointing Kalee Charan was in the Second Dealers' and now again after following Salanic he absolutely failed to stay. A rank outsider in Company drew up to Salanic near the stand and left him easily. Jalal, who fell, was backed by his stable and we are told to keep an eye on this good looking grey.

Once more the public could not grasp the fact that 9-12 takes more carrying over nine than seven furlongs and once more made Precious favourite. He came up well at the bend but was beaten there. The finish was a pretty one as, after Hadhur had made all the running, Melsom came with a great run and won a nice race almost on the post. Oriental had a very bad run and came a long way round finishing very close to Hadhur and would probably have won with a clearer course. This was followed by another magnificent finish for the March Plate. Freelance again dashed out in front with Gambara in pursuit and at the bend only half a length divided them. Melsom, however, had only been taking a breather and once more went away by over a length. Near the stand Manley realised how well the leader was going and driving the black along finely seemed to have dead-heated but Freelance was returned by a neck. Then in conclusion came the second M.G. and A.N. success in a hollow win by False Start who, after lying handy, came away very comfortably. Another of those occurrences in the betting ring likely to disgust punters was seen for this race when Byramjee once more had three interests. They first came at Scimitar and the public followed, but at the last moment a rush on Plassey sent him from tens to six to four and those who saw the former go from twos to five after this probably gloated over the running of the latter in the ruck.

The annual Chart and Compass Race of the Calcutta Light Horse, though hardly a sporting event, has so much of sport and sporting spirit connected with it that our readers will perhaps pardon us if we give at least the bare results. It came off in the Duttapukur country, on the Bengal Central Railway, and the official placings were as follows:—

		h.	m.
1.	Segt. Gourlay Harvey on Smoke	2	4
2.	Tr. Levetus on Sheila	2	27
3.	Sergt. Antram on Myrene	2	28
4.	Lieut. Graves on Emigrant	2	33
5.	Sergt Lys	2	46
6.	T. S. M. Simon on Little Billy / T. Wilson on Swashbuckler	2	52
7.	Lieut. Westmacott on Salute	3	1
8.	Corpl. Ralli on Iona	3	3
9.	Tr. Egerton on Svengali	3	7
10.	Tr. Pearson on Kiaora	3	25
11.	Tr. Nicolaidi on Gold Light	3	44
12.	Tr. Longham on Salad Dressing	3	58

A novel drawn battle between a pike and otter was witnessed by a keeper on the Braham river in Suffolk last month. After the latter had been beaten off

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severely wonded, the fish who had also suffered a good deal in the encounter was captured and found to measure 3 feet in length, scaling 16lbs. In some of our north-east districts otters are frequently trapped bearing extensive scars which are attributed to fights between themselves, but may just as well have been caused by "catching a tartar" as stated above. We should much like to witness a tussle between one of our big river siluroids and a good dog otter.

Our Bangalore correspondent writes:—"A" team has beaten "F" team in the final of the Bangalore Skittle Polo Tournament. Contrary to expectation they beat "F" in the last match on the American system by a bare subsidiary and the teams then totalled four wins each out of five matches. Meeting in again the "decider," "A" team again won this time by the substantial majority of two goals to a subsidiary. The winning side was composed as follows:— Captain the, Hon'ble H. E. Joicey and Major Tickell, D.S.O. 14th (King's) Hussars, and Messrs. Bruce and Naper, R.A. The runners up were: Mr. A. G. S. Astley and Mr. H. Maddick, 14th (King's) Hussars, and Captain Muspratt and Mr. H. T. Walker (Gordon's Horse).

Captain G. H. Sawyer of the 23rd Pioneers has been mauled by a leopard at Chitral. He will probably lose an arm; one of his legs is said to be also badly damaged. Hard luck.

E. J. Lee, the Bombay bookmaker, whose encounter with the police we noticed in our last issue, has been fined and otherwise inconvenienced. The charge of keeping a common gaming house was heard by the Chief Presidency Magistrate of Bombay, who in his judgment said he was satisfied the books produced were books kept for the purpose of recording wagers and making statistics and calculations in relation to wagers in connection with horse races, that posters on the wall were used for the purpose of advertising such wagers, and that the other exhibits, tickets or cards, were used for the purpose of recording wagers in relation to horse races. He was of opinion that they were instruments of gaming within the meaning of the Act. He accordingly convicted the accused No. 1 and ordered him to pay a fine of Rs. 100. The evidence against accused Nos. 2 and 3, who were present in the room, was not in his opinion sufficient to lead to a reasonable belief that they were assisting in conducting the business of the room, and accordingly he acquitted them. The Magistrate ordered that two-thirds of the amount found on the premises (Rs. 907) be returned to the first accused and one-third confiscated. Certain exhibits in the case were also ordered to be returned to the accused and the rest to be destroyed.

A remarkable sequel to the bite of a dog was described at the Marylebone County Court. Mrs. Mary Emma Kestas of Shrewsbury Road, Willesden, sued Mr. H. Williams, for damages, declaring that she was bitten by his dog, and that since then she has suffered from a nervous affection, the principal symptom of which is that her hair has fallen out in patches. She said she had lost five patches of hair in all, and that a doctor told her it would be eighteen months before it grew again.

Dr. Moore said he had made a microscopical investigation of the hair and could find nothing to account for its falling out. He came to the conclusion that it must have been produced by the dog bite, which had caused great shock to the system.

"The hair will come back again, doctor?" said Judge Selfe. "She has youth on her side, has she not?"

"Yes, youth is her greatest asset," said the doctor. "It will come back in a year or so."

"You would not expect me to get my hair back?" said Judge Selfe.

"No; there is not much chance after forty," said Dr. Moore.

"Well, I will confess that I am nearly that," said the Judge, who was born in 1845.

A dustman named Pratt said that he never approached the dog without a shovel, and when he was asked if the dog was in court he said:—

"I hope not, your honour. I have not brought my shovel with me."

Mr. Williams and some of his neighbours gave the dog a good character, but Judge Selfe awarded £7 10s. damages to Mrs. Kestas.

The following advertisement, taken from a recent issue of the *Times*, is surely most inspiriting:—

"Young gentleman, first-class public school education, well-trained and skilful chemist and physicist, careful, intrepid, quick, self-reliant, is prepared to FILL any DANGEROUS POSITION. Absolutely no fear of death. More danger the better. Highest testimonials and references.—X 25, *The Times* Office, E.C."

The mind instinctively turns to thoughts of the most dreadful risks open to men, such as being compelled to read through the whole of the correspondence on a Bandman theatrical squable, or exting the air on the earth Calcutta Strand Road during the prevailing motor pest. But the explanation is probably much more simple. The courageous young gentleman merely wishes to obtain a situation in which he will be able to take the fullest advantage of the new Servants' Compensation Act. As the Irishman put it, "Who'd be afraid of being killed if you were sure of getting £70 a year for the rest of your life afterwards?"

The Bareilly Polo Toumament brought further laurels to those top-notch players the Durhams who beat the Carabiniers in the final by 4 goals and 2 subsidiaries to 2 subsidiaries.

The annual sporting fixtures for the Simla season have been arranged. The summer races will be on the 28th and 30th May and 1st June; the polo tournament for the Beresford Cup during the week beginning the 10th June, and the horse show in the same month. The Durand Footpall Tournament will take place, as usual, in September.

In India, especially in Lower Bengal and the plains generally horse-owners are constantly confronted with trouble in connection with their horses' feet, Among the more common affections fevered feet, sand crack, corns, shelly feet and contracted heels readily occur to one. For some time we have had personal knowledge of what we are inclined to think is a sovereign remedy for these complaints and we are glad to find the manufacturers are now vigorously pushing the sale of the specific in this country. To refer to "La Corniere," a full-page illustrated advertisement regarding which appears in the body of to-day's paper. Its really wonderfull properties are testified to by leading vets. in many parts of the world and no wonder when such quick and astonishing results are obtained in the direction of replacing diseased by sound and healthy hoof material. It is in a word a wonderful horn producer and healer and a further claim to the consideration of horse-owners is its recognised preventative action against future ailments. We should say "La Corniere" will soon establish a big reputation in India and ere long be found as indispensable a stable accessory as the "momrogan" and "somrogan" beloved of the genus syce.

The Hyderabad twenty-first annual tent-pegging tournament was held on the 4th instant and was won by "O" Squadron of the 29th Deccan Horse who made the very fine score of 69 points out of a possible 72.

The polo tournament for the cup presented by the Begum of Bhopal will be held at Jubbulpur, beginning on the 31st instant.

On the 4th instant Mr. Lionel Lloyd, an assistant in the Shivagunga Zemindary, Madras, and one of his native overseers, were drowned while out duck-shooting on the Nettoor tank. The native got out of the boat to retrieve a duck, and got into difficulties; Mr. Lloyd went to his rescue an both were drowned.

The annual meeting of the Indian Polo Association held at Meerut on the 7th instant, was remarkably well attended. Every British cavalry regiment in India was represented, and so were most of the British infantry and Indian cavalry regiments Native infantry and polo clubs, however, were not represen- General Clements was unanimously elected President of the Association and Major Leslie, Poona, Captain Watson, Mhow, Colonel Kavanagh, Rawalpindi, and Colonel de Lisle, Lucknow, members of their centres.

A proposal to discontinue the Championship Tournament was not carried. It was resolved that the Championship be held at Calcutta next cold weather with the permission of the Calcutta Polo Club.

Major Leslie's proposal for raising the height of polo ponies was also not carried. The following proposals were carried: That 14-1 be the limit for ponies; that the period of play be changed from five minutes' actual play to seven and-a-half minutes all in, and in case of a tie that the goal posts be widened by double the distance, and seven and-a-half minutes, chukker be continued till the first goal is obtained, that no player be allowed to play with his left hand; that the I. P. A. penalty for a dangerous foul shall remain as at present; and that with the above exceptions the Hurlingham rules be adopted.

Colonel Macan's proposal for a permanent list of umpires was not carried. A proposal by Colonel de Lisle that when gate money is charged a proportion of this should be expended in defraying the expenses of the teams was discussed as also an amendment by General Clements that where there was a big tournament and where a large amount of gate money was realized, the Secretary of the I. P. A. should be directed to address the local committee, suggesting that a portion of the gate money should be allotted to the defraying of the expenses of the teams. The amendment was eventually carried. A proposal that the Inter-Regimental Tournament next year should be held at Meerut on the first Monday in March was carried.

Captain Barrett proposed that a committee should be formed at Meerut each year to formulate a "forms" list. This was also carried.

Athletic Notes.

THE Fifteenth Championship Meeting of the Bengal Presidency Amateur Athletic Association was held on the 2nd instant on the Calcutta Cricket Club ground in the Eden Garden, and was as successfull, from an athletic point of view, as most of its predecessors; but it attracted probably the smalles "gate" on record—the takings were nearly seven hundred rupees less than last year. It is not easy to account for this: the only explanations that suggest themselves to us are the lateness of the date this year and the fact that the fixture came at the very end of a season which has been unusually full of gaieties, amusements, and opportunities for parting with cash! The lateness of the date may be an inconvenience to a good many people; but seeing that the Association cannot get the ground until after the C.C.C. have completed their fixture card we do not see what can be done to improve this matter unless the Cricket Club will come to the rescue and arrange their card so as to admit of the sports being put on earlier, as in days gone by.

The outstanding features of this year's meeting were, to begin with, perfect weather. We heard it remarked by many that it was oppressively hot and that this might have accounted for the poor attendance. The fact remains that the thermometer showed the afternoon of the 2nd March to be cooler than that of the 23rd February, in addition to which a steady cool north breeze was blowing throughout. The ground was in perfect condition, and though the form did not disclose anything of superlative merit it was distinctly good and occasionally brilliant, there were some really good races and three dead-heats, while two records were lowered. One was accomplished by Sepoy Mirza Khan of the 91st Punjabis, Bhamo, who did the Native Army Championship quarter mile in 52⅗secs. Quite a good performance when we look at the times put up that afternoon for the same distance by the British Army runners and the Amateurs—53⅗ses. and 54secs. respectively. The 91st Punjabis came up with the reputation of being "hot stuff" and they proved this conclusively by establishing a record, winning the 100 yards and quarter mile and running a good second in the half. We congratulate these enterprising and speedy fellows on carrying off Sir Allan Arthur's magnificent Challenge Shield.

Another pleasant feature was the exceptionally good form shown by the brawny men of the Wiltshire Regiment. Their tug-of-war team

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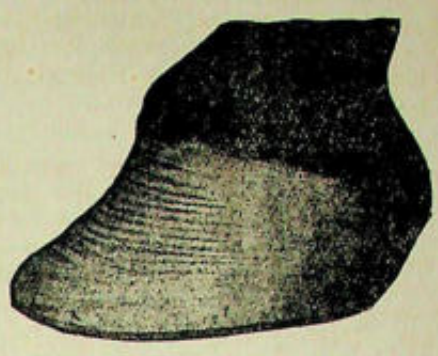

COMPLICATIONS.

Dear Sirs,—I beg to inform you that I tried your La Corniere on a carriage horse twenty years old, suffering from sunken sole, after lamanitis, and extensive destruction of horn tissue, as the result of seedy toe. I find that a new growth of horn is appearing, both in the walls and the sole. This case was considered incurable.

Yours faithfully, J. SUTCLIFFE HURNDALL, M.R.C.V.S., London.

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Dear Sirs,—I have tried your La Corniere for a horse with bad feet, and my stud groom considers it very efficacious, and thinks that the use of it tended much to increase the growth of the hoof, and also to remove the fever in the forefeet to which the horse was subject.

Yours faithfully,
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Yours truly, (Mrs.) R. S. BAGNALL.

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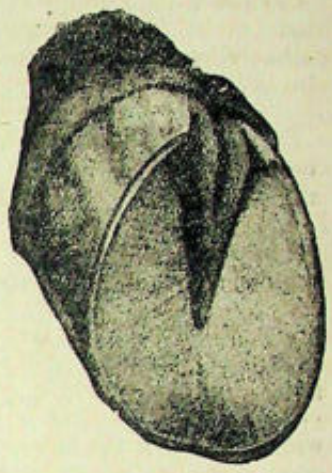

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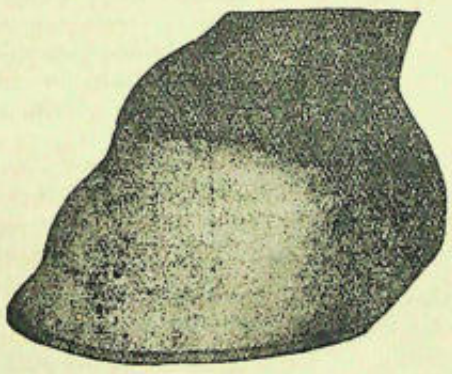

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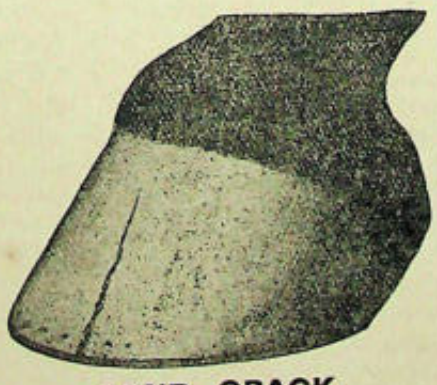

SAND CRACK.

Dear Sirs,—I had a valuable horse with both hind feet split right through the coronet. I had two staples across each foot, and rubbed the coronet with a stimulating ointment, but did not make much headway; but I am pleased to say that, under the treatment of La Corniere, fresh horn is growing on the horse's hoof, which seems sound all round; one hoof is almost all right again.

Yours sincerely, W. GRIFFITHS,
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PRESS OPINION

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"'LA CORNIERE' HOOF OINTMENT."

The preparation which, under the title 'La Corniere,' will come as a boon to horse-owners and all connected with the care of horses. It is claimed to be the best hoof ointment on the market, and is guaranteed to cure in a few days. Mr. Demuth has so much confidence in its efficacy that he undertakes to refund the cost to anyone giving it a trial where a cure is not effected. 'La Corniere' is not only a speedy remedy for corns, sand cracks, contracted heels, speedy toe, shelly and fevered feet, and ether affections of the horse's hoof, but it promotes a rapid re-growth of the horny substance, and is a most efficient preventative against future ailments. Although is has been for only 12 months on the English market it is already in much favour, and numerous testimonials have been received speaking highly of it success. In each of these, whether it be from titled owner, breeder, trainer, veterinary surgeon, private individual, cab proprietor, omnibus company or business firm, they are unanimous in its praise and request a further supply of the ointment. Some of the cures reported are certainly extraordinary, and in one instance the case had been pronounced incurable.

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were veritable giants and, of course, they carried away the Shield again, though one must not forget that their opponents were really a scratch lot and lacked training and practice together. But their runners were almost as big—Private Chandler, who won the thousand yards and mile, and Private Pratt, who tied for first place in the quarter nd ran Corporal Smith of the Devons to inches in the hundred, were runners of dimensions one seldom sees. out here, both good to look upon and beautifully trained. Chandler won the mile, making his own place throughout, and coming in over twenty-five yards ahead of the second man, in 4mins. 41⅕secs. which is just a fifth outside the Indian Army record made by Checkly of the Black Watch in 1897. The supreme ease with which he won— he was actually easing down at the finish—convinces us that, if hustled, Private Chandler would be capable of knocking nearly ten seconds off this time. The other record was made by Private E. A. Fay of the 10th Hussars, who in the bicycle race lapped his opponents and covered the three miles in 7mins. 42⅖secs. The previous best on this track was his own 8mins. 7secs. done last year and the next best 8mins. 13secs. by Mr. H. E. Bryning seven years ago, so Fay's performance was of distinct merit. These two records (the native quarter and 3 miles bicycle) and the good timing in the British Army mile, the Amateur hurdles—18⅕secs. from the 140 yards mark, the Amateur 220. the Native Army 100 yards, which equalled record and the British Army 100 yards, which was only a fifth of a second outside record, help to prove that it was an ideal afternoon for athletics and show the "far too hot for sports" brigade to be utterly wrong.

Entries were very good in all the British Army events and of average proportions in respect of the Amateur events, while the schools were at usual strength. There was a marked falling off in the Native Army Championships, only five regiments being represented this year. Mr. W. A. Knyvett, a much improved runner, showed up well. He won the hurdles from 20 yards behind scratch in 18⅕secs., which shows him to be capable of at least 16 secs. for the proper distance ; he was a good second in the 150 yards from scratch, the winner from a 6 yards mark being clocked at 15 secs. ; and he jumped over for the high jump, being the only entrant, and very sportingly returned the prize to the Association for presentation next year.

The fine Irish athlete, Captain T. E. Harty, R. A. M. C. won the 220 and the quarter mile in capital style ; he has a wonderful long stride and is a particularly strong sprinter. Hearty congratulations on winning *The Indian Field* shield and may you again show them the way next year ! Mr. R. T. Ross, of Sitarampore, ran well, carried off the McLeod shield which goes with the 100 yards Amateur Championship, and the 300 yards Handicap and was placed third in the 150 yards handicap. Mr. W. E. Watts, of Kanchrapara, was prominent in the sprint events. Both these rather unknown quantities were too literally treated by the handicappers, indeed of the three handicaps the hurdles alone worked out well.

St. Xavier's College again won the Schools Shield (they tied for it last year with the Armenian College) and have the distination of having their name engraved on this coveted trophy for the sixth time.

Her Excellency Lady Minto was present from half past four o'clock and distributed the prizes. Owing to his engagement at the University Convocation the Viceroy was unable to be present. His Excellency Lord Kitchener was prevented from being present by reason of a recent bereavement in which he will have the sympathy of all sportsmen. The band of the 5th Fusiliers, under the baton of Mr. A. N. Moss, provided one of the most appre' ciated features of, the afternoon and "lor'an'order was strictly preserved by the strong picket kindl'y placed at the disposal of the Committee by the Officer Comanding the Regiment. Messrs. G. F. Kellner's catering was beyond reproach. Full details appear further on.

The recent boxing entertainment at the Columbia Rink, Calcutta, was a "flat, stale, and unprofitable" affair. The star item, a mill between Sam Newman and Harry Powell for the "Heavyweight Championship of Calcutta," whatever that may be under present conditions of boxing in this city, ended, after a dull and uninteresting exhibition, in a draw. The padding of the programme in the shape of bouts between a few aspirants to fistic distinction was a fitting garnish to the *piece de resistance*.

Rumours not infrequently pass around of a new ball, possessed of prodigious powers of flight, which is to be sprung upon an unsuspecting and somewhat doubtful golfing public. And well may we golfers be doubtful—more than doubtful—if the game will be improved by further developments in the carry and run of golf balls. When the rubber-cored ball was introduced it was received by many with strenuous oppositon, especially by the professionals, who petitioned the ruling clubs to make the use of the gutta ball compulsory in the Open Championship. The request was refused, and after the event the consensus of opinion will surely endorse the decision. Mr. A. J. Balfour's pronouncement on the subject undoubtedly carried weight. He said that in his opinion "any attempt to standardise the implements of the game was to be deprecated," or words to that effect. Mr. Balfour's influence over the fortunes of golf has been considerable. His known love of the game materially assisted to strengthen the rising tide of its popularity which set in early in the nineties.

An interesting lecture was delivered on the 14th ultimo, by Dr. Warre at the Oxford University B. C. to representatives of the various college boat clubs. Dr. Warr prefaced his remarks with the interesting statement that it was exactly fifty years ago that day that he first rowed for the O. U. B. C., of which he subsequently became president he pointed out the importance of coaches seeing that the boats in which they were teaching their pupils were properly adjusted for them, seats to work at the right height, stretchers at the right length,&c., and went on to impress the absolute necessity of coaches being able to give, and always giving, a reason for their instructions, and of being able to show their pupils what they meant by practical illustration. He showed very cleverly and clearly the exact amount it was necessary to turn the handle of the oar to bring it on to the feather," indicating the right and wrong positions of the hands in so doing.

Dr. Warre emphasised the importance of swinging the bodies backwards and forwards on what he called "the medial line" (i.e., an imaginary line dividing a man exactly in half through the spine, and passing down between his heels) in order that each set of muscles arranged in pairs should be able to work equally. Finally, he deplored the slow rate of stroke used in teaching, and the stiffening-up of the muscles during the swing forward, which, he said, was answerable at Oxford "for reducing men who might have been capable performers to the level of the wooden respectability of heavy and powerful oarsman."

An amusing proposition has been made at home to present prizes to the coaches of winning crews as as well to the oarsmen. It has been negatived by the powers, who naturally did not wish to add to the army of pot-hunters the estimable gentlemen who shout words of wisdom through megaphones. If coaches are not now content with the opportunity of criticising in detail the rowing faults and personal characteristics of several helpless men in a boat, and with the honour of referring to "my winning crew," they are changing for the worse.

The Calcutta Football Club Hockey Fixtures for the week will be found advertised further on. The Beighton Cup Tournament starts on the 17th April.

The combined team of the officers of the 6th Jats and 37th Dogras beat the Queen's on Saturday last in the finals for the All India Hockey Tournament by 1 goal to *nil* after two extra periods of play.

We heartily congratulate Messrs. Walter Locke and Company, Limited, of Calcutta, on the latest edition of their General Sports Catalogue. As a specimen of high grade printing it is a most creditable production (there is no imprint to indicate who produced it), while as a sporting list it is probably the most comprehensive, detailed and fully illustrated of anything of its kind hitherto submitted to the Indian sporting public.

Our Bombay correspondent writes :—Despite the confidence the Presidency should have gained from their Poona victory over the Parsis and the tremendous strength local scribes declared them to have had, there has again been a victory by the Hindus of which the Europeans must feel thoroughly ashamed. They were beaten at every point of the game and though some sort of excuse was made for the rot that set in on the second day in their first innings the Hindus followed on the crumbling wicket and tooked their bowling mercilessly to the tune of 263. With a deficiency of 319 runs to make up in their second innings, the Presidency again bowed down to the hopelessness of playing Baloo and, except for a brief partnership by Rutter and Turner, were all dismissed for 81. I have purposely refrained from anything like a detailed description of the game, Mr. Editor, as not only would it make very poor reading but there's no use in further rubbing salt into the wound which will not heal till more exhaustive methods are adopted to get at the best possible Presidency eleven.

There are, however, one or two features one should mention and first of them, from a spectator's point of view, was the magnificent performance of Pai. His two totals were 107 and 44 and so confidently did he treat the bowling that he never looked like being beaten. In the first innings he gave one barely possible chance, a very hard low drive to Coombs who was bowling, and hit fifteen 4 s. Not a chance did he give in the second, 32 of which came from boundaries and those to all parts of the field. Baloo was a less finished display though a sound one with 64 for once out and, though slow, Divekar's was also a sterling display.

In Seshachari's performance behind the wicket we undoubtedly saw the finest we have seen and the majority consider him the best man in that position in India. To say that in Baloo the Hindus also possessed India's finest bowler would also not be far off the mark. He is a medium pace trundler with occasional fast ball, keeps a fine length, breaks both ways and changes his pace without any change of action.

Of the Presidency eleven Cheetham's 53 was a really good effort in his usual style and with 21 and 20 Rutter deserves praise for very sound displays at times when they were most wanted. Bowling at a great pace in the first innings Crump met with considerable success in taking 5 for 36 and Turner, who I thought was even faster, got three of the most useful wickets in the second very cheap. Priestley behind the sticks also performed creditably and had some erratic fast stuff to contend with.

Commencing Saturday week the Yacht Club have been having their Regatta during the week which throughout has been favoured with fine weather and a good moderate wind. On Tuesday four races were sailed and with her substantial allowance from *Eileen*, *Isca* won easily. From six starters *Coralie* won a grand race from *Midget* by under a minute in the Tomtit Class and *Turquoise* narrowly beat *Sapphire* after a race in which they left the other five behind in the A B and C Handicap. Only two went out for the Pixie Class, but the race was a splendid one. Though *Trixie* went over with the first gun and was late for the second she got up to *Pixie* and a great race ensued in which the latter just retained the lead by a mere second.

Wednesday was Ladies' Day and three races were sailed, the first being the C. and T. Handicap in which two started and *Midget* easily saved her time on *Tomtit*. The B Class was a good race between five in which *Trixie* just beat *Pixie* under a minute at the same mark. Of the three that went out for A Class *Turquoise* won very comfortably.

The fourth day was the last of the month and in the opening race after *Melody* had given up *Sapphire* more than saved her time on *Turquoise*. In the Any Size Race, *Yellow Peril* was in the lead when *Trixie* came up and on their fouling one another the former's bowsprit broke and the two retired. *Pixie* went on from here and won from *Erin*. The third was the Tomtit Class and this was comfortably won by *Coralie*.

On Saturday four races were sailed in a decidedly stronger wind. The D Class only had two starters and after a grand race *Swale* just beat *Swin* on time by half a minute. In the Third Challenge Cup Race *Melody* gave up leaving *Sapphire* and *Turquoise* and the former easily saved her time. There were six for B Class and leading all the way *Trixie* beat *Erin* and *Pixie* by a good margin. In the last, Tomtit, race *Midget* was unfortunate in fouling the *Schooner* and *Maud* sailed an excellent race.

The European Amateur Billiard Championship at Pyrke's saloon is drawing towards a close and this week both Messrs. Lamb and Beattie scratched. The only actual game played was between Messrs. Binning and Hargreaves and this was about the best we have seen to date. They were playing dead level till 200 when it must be confessed Hargreaves had all the luck and left Binning most difficult shots, some of which he got very cleverly but could never get them together. Hargreaves took a lead of over a hundred and held it to the end, winning comfortably. Hargreaves' best breaks were 42, 36, 26, 25, and 24, Binning's were 31, 25, 24, and 20.

Hargreaves ...	... 500
Binning. ...	... 371

Mr. A. S. Anderson, well known in Calcutta broking and sporting circles, met with a fatal carriage accident Sunday night. Driving home from the Rowing Club to his residence in Camac Street at 7-15 P.M. his tum-tum collided with a ticca-gharry at the foot of Kyd Street, he was pitched out on to his head and killed on the spot. Poor old "Jock." for by this name we all knew him, he had many friends who will mourn his loss. Beneath a brusque exterior he had a warm heart and was ever ready with a helping hand, a kindly soul a smart and straight business man and a good friend. He had been in Calcutta about thirty

five years and in the eighties he took a prominent part in the Ballygunge C. C. Sports and to the last maintained his interest in sporting matters. It is inexpressibly sad to reflect that after seventeen years' absence from the old country he was about to return for a short holiday; as a matter of fact, he was to sail in a few days and his advent was being anxiously awaited by his old mother, his wife and two bonnie children.

London Week by Week.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

Friday, 15th February 1907.

THE King and Queen opened Parliament in State on Tuesday and the politicians lost no time in falling foul of each other. I am told that His Majesty dislikes exceedingly Sir Henry Campbell Bannerman's campaign against the upper house, and that his dislike was reflected in his tone when he read the passage in his speech which refers thereto. It had been expected that the suffragists and unemployed would contrive to adorn the precincts of Westminster on Tuesday, but they did not. The police refused to allow the procession of 800 out-of-works—unemployables of the plainest type for the most part—within a mile of Westminster, and the women postponed their little show till Wednesday, and then they gave the police a very lively time.

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Ostensibly they had postponed their "Attack on the Commons" until they learned whether the King's speech contained any word about female suffrage: and as it did not, were ready with their plans. They held a meeting at Caxton Hall and then sallied out in procession, four deep, 300 strong to St. Stephen's entrance where the police stopped them and the row began: eleven women managed to dodge through the police and reach the lobby to be fired out gently or ungently as their conduct required: all were turned out and some were arrested, to be released on bail in time to attend the evening meeting at Caxton Hall. I suppose the evening campaign must be considered a great success: there were nearly a thousand police in the streets outside Palace Yard and held in reserve, and the women's attack was as vigorous as they knew how to make it. Encouraged by the cheers, or jeers, of an enormous crowd they tried to break their way through the solid masses of police. The men on foot behaved with extraordinary forbearance, but the mounted police had a difficult task: the women were mixed up with a mob of hooligans, who had come for a row, and when the mounted men pushed their horses through the mob to break it up, the shrieking and yelling was indescribable. The neighbourhood of St. Margaret's and thereabout was perfect chaos from five o'clock, with a brief interval, during which the onlookers did not disperse, until nearly ten: by that time most of the leading suffragists had qualified for the police court, had been arrested or re-arrested and removed. When was peace.

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We shall not know what caused the explosion in the cordite magazine at Woolwich till the War Office enquiry is held and it is very doubtful if we know it then. There is nothing left of the magazine: a hole fifty feet deep marks the site and the remains of the building are scattered over Essex. By great good fortune the accident occurred at 3-20 on Monday morning when there were few men in or about the place and the only personal damage was sustained by two constables who suffered from the shock. A curious feature of the explosion is that the effects were felt on the ground level: countless shop and house windows were broken, but in every case there were groundfloor windows. One lump of masonry weighing quarter of a ton was thrown 500 yards, the back of a grand stand on the arsenal football ground was blown away and its roof dislodged and the arsenal gasometer was badly damaged. Having regard to the effects of the explosion, the fact that nobody was killed is one for great congratulation. The force of it was felt right on the other side of the county at Bishop Stortford, which is actually in Bedfordshire.

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The Cabbies' Union sent a deputation to the Home Office on Monday to complain about the new cab regulations. The cabmen want the motors to ply "under the same conditions" as the horse cab. We all wish they would! You realise the immense superiority of the motor vehicle if you tender the man his legal fare: his language is subdued, but vitriolic or petrolic. Try and get a motor off the rank and the driver at once tries to stipulate for what he considers a proper fare, and his views are generally so liberal that you conclude negociations by calling the hansom that almost inevitably has pulled up to await the fare he knows will be his.

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The Special Committee appointed to enquire into the effect of the L. C. C.'s electric generation works at Greenwich upon the Royal Observatory has issued its report. Certain restrictions in the time and manner of working the engines are suggested and it is urged that the new engines should be turbine, which cause much less vibration. The establishment of means of communication between the observatory and the station is proposed and restrictions are suggested on the height of certain chimneys and the heat of the vapour they may discharge. Perhaps the most important clause in the report is that which recommends re-examination of the whole matter after two years' working.

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The Norfolk Street burglary on Monday night or Tuesday morning promises to rival the famous Bond Street robbery of 1876 when Gainsborough's "Duchess of Devonshire" was cut from its frame in Agnew's galleries and carried off three weeks after Agnew's had paid 10,100 guineas for it. Mr. Charles Wortheimer is a brother of the Wortheimer who carries on business in Bond Street: the victim uses his house as his shop and a very beautiful house it is. The police theory is that two bold and expert thieves climbed the porch in Norfolk Street and got to work early in the morning. Their spoil consisted of a picture by Gainsborough "Nancy Parsons" and "Mrs. Roland Yorke" by Reynolds: the two are valued at £15,000: these were roughly cut out of their frames. Reflecting no doubt that such pictures are hard to sell the thieves solaced themselves with eighteen snuff boxes, a couple of miniatures, and a curious old watch scent flask; these trifles being valued at about £35,000 for their workmanship and material: even melted down, the gold and jewels would be worth much.

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The robbery was very carefully thought out: the thieves left the house at 6 o'clock, at which hour there is never a constable in the immediate neighbourhood of Norfolk Street. A burglar alarm, with fine irony, gave notice of the thieves exit by the front door. Finger stalls and old gloves left behind show that the thieves have due regard for the significance of finger prints. Mr. Wertheimer was so prostrated by the loss of his treasures that they had to send for a doctor: £1,000 reward is offered for information leading to apprehension and recovery.

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A curious case was decided on Saturday in the Probate Division. An old woman named Charlotte Spiers having received many little kindnesses from the local relieving officer English who supposed, with the best reason, that she was a penniless tramp, got him to make her will for her in his own favour. The old woman, after being turned out by her own relatives, received further meals and sixpence from English what time she abode in a disused chapel whence nobody thought it worth evicting her: and eventually went to the workhouse infirmary. She let fall various obscure hints about her property and English concluded she had a pound or two in the local branch and caused her to put in writing her wish that he should see she was decently buried. She died: an enquiry at two banks revealed that the supposed tramp had about £1,150 at her credit. From one account she had drawn nothing since 1880. The woman's relatives opposed probate, but the action of the relieving officer English was so clearly proved to have been inspired by good natured charity and his ignorance of her hoard was so plainly demonstrated that the jury found for him without hesitation, notwithstanding the fact that he had written the will in his own favour.

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The *Times* advertises a meeting in the interests of a new publishing company to carry on business upon the lines advocated by that journal in its war with the publishers. This move does not come as a surprise to anyone. From the first, a good many of us anticipated that the Book Club would develop into a publishing company. Thinking to win the support of the *Times* for it, I proposed six months ago to invite the Manager of the Book Club to publish a book I had ready: but my artist colleague shrank from incurring the hostility of publishers and the offer was never made.

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The "Three Blind Mice" of Mr. Arthur Law's play produced at the Criterion last night are the three young ineligibles to whom Marjorie Lovell contrives to partially engage herself while staying at Lady Clarisforde's. It is hardly an epoch-making play and is as much as the attraction is the attraction of dialogue rather than of situation here is not much to be said about it. Marjorie is

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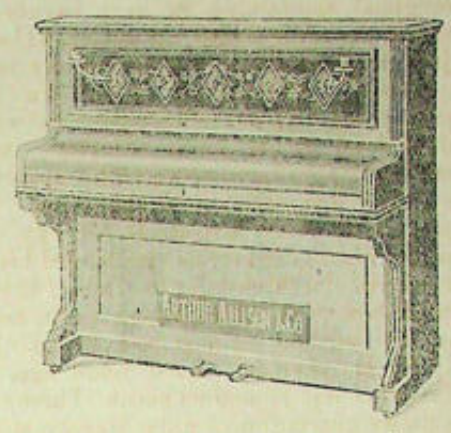

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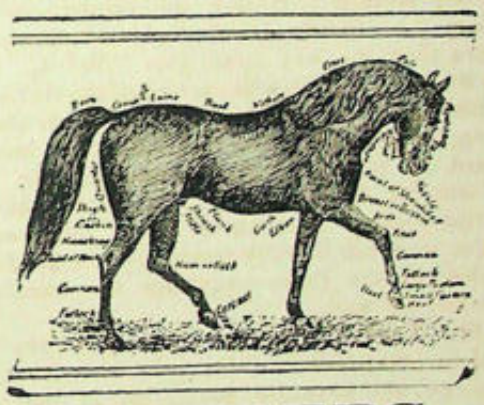

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fairly engaged to the most persistent ineligible before her godfather arrives to reason with her and Miss Tippings a governess arrives to recall the ineligible to his allegiance to herself. Finally Marjorie who has fallen in love witb the godfather takes him. The dialogue is often amusing, sometimes conventional and occasionally silly: but the main impression left is distinctly pleasant as of meringues which leave little behind. Mr. Frederick Kerr was excellent as the godfather and Miss May Palfrey entirely satisfied as Marjorie. The heavy and dull young man, the fussy young man, and the unlicked cub from Sandhurst were all very cleverly played

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Mr. St. John Hankin's four act Comedy produced at the Imperial on Monday falls short of success: one character after another fails to win our sympathy in "The Cassilis' Engagement." The mainspring of the plot is the engagement of Geoffrey Cassilis to Ethel Borridge, daughter of a deceased bookmaker of bad repute and his mother's successful machinations to break it off. We appreciate Mrs. Cassilis' wisdom in asking that dreadful old baggage Mrs. Borridge and her common daughter to stay with her at Deynham: but we cant understand why Geoffrey allowed his future mother-in-law and wife to come. He must have foreseen the figures they would cut in county society and surely the most infatuated young man must have repented his promise to marry when he saw his future relatives beside his own people.

We cant sympathise with Geoffrey: he is too great an ass: and we cant sympathise with Ethel Borridge, the frankly deceitful, and hardly reputable —she proposes to Major Warrington that they shall run over to Paris and have a jolly week together— and we get a final "sickener" when she sings in the most brazen music hall style after dinner "Waiting at the Church." This after-dinner scene is clever and original: the silence born of "a little music" reigns on the stage throughout. Lady Mabel Vernning, the girl Geoffrey's mother wants him to marry, sings (and Miss Isabel Roland sings delightfully) and then Ethel Borridge in pursuance of her mission of contract performs as above. Geoffrey scolds her after the guests have gone and she retorts. Next morning she breaks off the engagement because he likes riding with Lady Mabel. The curtain falls on Mrs. Borridge's hysterical and pointless lamentations—pointless because the breach is her daughter's, not Geoffrey's —that they have "not a word on paper" to sue for damages.

The best of the male characters is Major Warrington, really a most respectable and decent old fellow who poses as a gay dog: he was admirably played by Mr. Sam Sothern. Mr. Langborne Burton did what he could with the thankless and difficult rôle of Geoffrey: Miss Clare Greet and Miss Maudi Darrell played Mrs. Borridge and Ethel, and both acquitted themselves excellently well save that the vulgarity was now and then overdone. Miss Weldon as Mrs. Cassilis was good and so was Miss Florence Haydon in the not unimportant part of Lady Remenham.

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The music hall artists had their house-warming at the Scala on Monday, giving an "up-to-date musical comedy hotch potch," which might so well pass for an ordinary musical comedy that I should not be surprised if there were trouble. There is a thread of plot involving revelation of the natural sin of music hall managers; the excuse is the marriage of an Eastern potentate to his 25th wife which involves a performance (of music hall stars) to celebrate the event. Theatre managers may be all they are represented to be in the Scala hotch potch, but they badly want one there if only to keep the business up to time. The programme promised a variety concert at ten o'clock, but at that hour the second act of the hotch potch had not begun. There is some very clever fooling in the piece; Mr. Deon Wade's imitation of Mr. George Robey and Miss Clarice Mayne's imitations of music hall stars were very amusing and good.

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It is stated that the music hall managers and the artists on strike have agreed to refer their differences to the arbitration of the Board of Trade, the services of the official arbitrator having been accepted. This necessarily means delay, and in the meantime the music halls are doing the best they can with minor stars, and do not complain of neglect by the public.

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The first of what we are given to understand is a long series of "Cape to Cairo" pictures was shown on the biograph at the Palace on Tuesday. The views take us as far as the Victoria Falls on the railway and the views are varied with portraits and scenes of work in diamond and gold mines, railway laying at a mile an hour and bridge building operations. Decidedly interesting.

Mr. George Alexander is standing as a Municipal Reform candidate for South St. Pancras. He has explained to the electors that he comes forward not as a theatre manager but a "plain business man." Mr. Alexander is known as a very able business man behind the scenes and will be a useful addition to the L. C. C. if South St. Pancras is wise enough to send him there.

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Miss Isabel Jay has been suffering from annoyance in the shape of libellous post-cards. These are delivered both at her own house and at the Prince of Wales' theatre and are very objectionable. She has now offered £50 reward for discovery of the sender.

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Billiards at the rate-payers' expense is so popular in Battersea that the borough council are going to buy another table. There is risk of surcharge as the Mayor admitted; but that public spirited official evidently thinks he knows his John Burns and takes the responsibility on himself.

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There is a proposal afoot to widen and deepen the canal which connects the Clyde and Forth: the existing canal is for barges only: the project is to make it capable of passing our largest battleships. No doubt such a canal would be of strategic as well as commercial value; but the conservative mind rather shrinks from carving up the island in this fashion.

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I cannot think that Miss Cartwright was well advised to sue for so intangible a loss as a top note. Miss Cartwright packs flour at a baker's by day and sings at night. In following her diurnal occupation, her hair came in contact with a driving shaft and her scalp was injured. After this accident she could only get up to B. flat, whereas she had previously reached the altitude of the top C: wherefore she sought compensation from the baker. The jury for two hours debated the nice question and gave it up, disagreeing.

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Cerebro spinal meningitis, otherwise spotted fever having travelled from Belfast to Glasgow and Glasgow to Edinburgh has, it is reported, appeared in London, a case having been recognised in Lambeth.

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A nice question in school ceremony etiquette arises in connection with Tossing the Pancake at Westminster on Tuesday. Was J. Ainger justified in importing football methods into the Great Hall? Was he playing the game when he hurled himself upon the pancake and resolutely lay upon it defying the endeavours of the nineteen to remove him? J. Ainger's plan was so successful that when he was set on his feet and restored to shape he was found to have retained possession of three parts of the pancake whereby he got the dependent guinea.

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A committee is to be appointed by the Home Office to enquire into the Edalji case: it will proceed on the same lines as the enquiry into the Beck case.

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Review.

THE TARPON.

ANGLERS in search of a new and exciting form of their sport should consider the merits of the Tarpon. We had been under the impression that Tarpon fishing was one of those costly recreations reserved for the wealthy few and that it demanded such apprenticeship as other forms of angling: but as made clear in Mr. Churchill's book on the subject this is not the case. Over and above living expenses Tarpon fisbing, *i. e.*, boat, boatman and bait come to about a pound a day, and this, having regard to the fact that the novice has quite as good a chance of sport as the expert, cannot be regarded as excessive. In point of fact there is no science whatever about the business: the angler equips himself with a stiff six-foot rod, a reel carrying couple of hundred yards of strong line, and a few large, well sharpened hooks on wire traces: the boatman provides the small fish required for bait and all the angler has to do is sit in the boat trailing his bait, while the boatman rows over such waters as he thinks most likely to provide sport: and in the season it would seem that the estuaries of rivers which enter the Gulf of Mexico at Tampico in Mexico and Boca Grande in Florida contain Tarpon in sufficient number during the season—the summer—to give sport to a regiment of anglers. Tarpon fishing may not be scientific angling, but it is probably the most exciting and hardest fishing known to man. The fish run from five feet to over seven feet in length and up to 200 lbs. in weight: they fight to the very last gasp and their habit of springing out of the water in their endeavours to get rid of the hook renders the business of playing them a vast deal more eventful than that of playing the Salmon. A peculiar feature of the Tarpon's anatomy is against the angler: its mouth is furnished with certain bony plates which militate against the chances of the hook taking hold, turn the point of the hook and in conjunction with the muscular structures enable the fish to release himself much more readily than can the majority of fish. Hence there is always an element of doubt, as in other forms of angling but more considerable, until the fish is actually brought to the gaff. A fish of enormous muscular strength, great vitality and "game" every inch of him, he fights to the very last: and here it is that the sport comes in. From Mr. Churchill's account we find that one Tarpon well hooked will provide a struggle that will last two hours or more and will leave the angler quite as tired as his quarry to say nothing of the boatman who has to keep his craft underway, lest the fish run out all the line and break away by sheer strength. Once the fish is brought alongside the boat,—or the boat alongside the fish, for even when dead beat the Tarpon will not enter shoal water—the game is over: Tarpon is not regarded as good eating by anyone, though the lower classes of Mexicans are acquiring a taste for it. When the quarry is brought alongside therefore the angler usually releases him unless he wants the specimen for the taxidermist or the peculiar trophy—the lenses of the eyes—which the fish affords. It is no easy business to get the hook out of the Tarpon; his large firm scales make it impossible to gaff him externally anywhere but under the throat and the insertion of the gaff here is very likely to inflict a fatal wound, or at least produce such a flow of blood as will attract the too numerous sharks in these waters. The accepted method is to put the gaff into the mouth and hold the fish until the hook has been extracted, when the Tarpon is released.

The number of Tarpon fishers would seem to have much increased during recent years as we read that the charges made for boats and boatmen have practically doubled. This would seem to be the case particularly at Tampico, where the sport is to be had at its best in the river Panuco, about six miles from its mouth. There is there an inn which caters for the Tarpon fisher and where accommodation is to be had for from ten to twelve shillings per diem; not so long ago the inn Tariff was half as much, but the popularity of the sport has increased so much that the inn keepers have naturally taken advantage of their position. In former days yellow fever was rife in this region and strangers gave it a wide birth: but improved drainage and sanitary arrangements have removed this scourge and a case of yellow fever has not occurred for three or four years. Insects too are less troublesome and venomous than might be supposed: and we imagine that the visitor who has had a few years' seasoning among the mosquitoes in this country would suffer little in this regard. A noteworthy feature of Mr. Churchill's book is the series of photographs of leaping fish.

***Tarpon Fishing in Mexico and Florida.* By E. G. S. Churchill. Harrison and Sons' London.

Shikar.

THE TRAIL OF THE 'COON.

NOEL BENTLY, the champion 'coon hunter of Vermont, had no desire to upset the tranquility of West Pawlet. He simply drove through the little hamlet one clear, frosty morning in the latter part of October on his way back from Haystack Mountain with a 22-pound 'coon, and his two faithful canines, old "Ben" and young "Sport," perched on the seat beside him.

Herman Nelson saw the 'coon and in less than no time was stricken with the fever. He communicated it with a single sentence to his brother Tom Nelson. Tom lost no time telling Clarence Waters that there was nothing in the sporting line quite equal to a good 'coon hunt with crackajack dogs. Under this inspiration Waters told everything to "Wishy" Williams, the postmaster, who got so excited that he could hardly distribute the mail. While Wayland Johnson was getting his mail the news struck him broadside and he went under with the rest, even inciting W. H. Copeland to deeds of daring, and the endurance of hardships untold and not even imagined. To cap the climax George Folger, who had rather fish than work, got caught in the swirling current. Things were certainly doing.

It did not take much urging to bring Bentley up from his home in Rupert with the dogs. He had been out three nights that week, but did not object to going again if there was anything in sight.

"I aint got only nineteen this fall" said Noel, "and I want to get enough to bring it up to last year. I got forty-five in 1904, and about forty-three the year before that. Guess if I didn't have to work so hard day-times running the farm I could hack out a few more on 'em."

Along with Bentley and the dogs came George Austin, who wears a broad brimmed hat, heavy rubber boots, and a sad expression on his face. George never talks. One might imagine that he was sad over the loss of some 'coon, long ago.

The crowd gathered that night at Steve McFadden's, two or three miles out of town, and with lanterns, axes and one gun tramped the mountains and hills and valleys. It was a beautiful moonlit night to start with, but the dew was not there, and before long a strong wind commenced rushing down through Rush "Holler." The dogs were working in the woods on the side of the hill when they struck a track. Old Ben gave the signal, but as he kept going higher up the sound was carried away by the wind. The 'coon went into a ledge, but it took so long to locate the centre of action that the dogs gave it up and returned. A good dog will never leave a tree, but he knows just as well as a hunter that the chances are all against him when a 'coon gets into the rocks.

In the early hours of the morning, old Ben again gave tongue. It was in an old orchard, not far from a brook. Then the sweetest music a sportsman ever heard was wafted over the valley. It stirred the despondent nimrods to heroic sprinting. Thomas Nelson, rather portly, in his haste to reach the spot where the chorus had now reached a babel of tongues, stubbed his toe and measured his majestic form on the rock-strewn earth. The shock was great. "Hold on boys" yelled Sir Thomas, "I want to be in at th' killin'," but he had no time or breath left to spout his favourite remark: "I had ruther hear a dog baying on th' trail than to hear th' Boston symphony orchestra play a tune."

The chase was short but sharp. The quarry took to the shelter of an old weather-worn butternut. Not a leaf was left to bar the vision, and with the aid of lanterns held aloft the hunters had no difficulty detecting a dark, crouching object in the higher branches. A consultation of war was held. It would have been an easy matter to shoot the game. But that was too tame. The savage instinct said to tumble the animal out of the tree and let the dogs kill it. It is the fight at the end of the chase that the hunters long for and will walk miles to see.

"All right" said Bentley, "we will shake him out. Stand back, keep quiet, give the dogs a chance. So up the tree went 'Gene Barden, who had joined the party at the last moment. So quickly and easily did he shin the aged trunk that one might imagine him a rival to the chicoree.

Below, eagerness flushed the faces of all. The dogs were acting as if mad. They jumped, they twisted, they cavorted ; but all the time they kept their song of triumph echoing through the valley.

"Look out!" yelled Barden. Momentary silence reigned. He rattled the dead branches. With a rush, a dark object came down and struck the ground with a thud. The dogs closed in.

"Boys," said Bentley, "we've got a stray cat!"

Some of the remarks that followed would not sound well in a prayer meeting. However, the cat was saved, and that is at least a redeeming feature.

Tired out, disgruntled and disconsolate, the crowd went home, stopping on the way to drink a big can of milk. The owner of the milk, John Jackson, said next morning that that was a mild finish for a cat hunt. A slight coolness toward the subject of 'coon hunting was noticed in certain quarters until the inner man had been thoroughly appeased. Then the fever broke out again and three nights later the party had the courage to tackle the Manor swamp, which is seven miles long by three miles wide. Its mysteries were unknown, but Bentley had killed two 'coons on the edge of it a short time before.

Before they had been swashing around two hours, different expressions indicated that something was wrong. The champion 'coon hunter was so disturbed that he lay down and went to sleep. When he awoke he offered the consolation that he had no more idea of where he was than a boiled owl. Each individual offered a different direction to bring the party out in the clearing. Each was tried and the swamp remained as dear to the heart as ever. At five o'clock a lonely dog's voice was heard. That was the rescuing angel, but it was 9 o'clock in the morning before the party stumbled into town. They were called different names, most of which were uncomplimentary, but in their crippled condition could not rise to their own defence. Several homes really looked like hospitals. Along towards night, however, they slowly commenced to thaw out a little, and bristle up at the insinuation that they did not tell a poor little pussy cat from a sharp nosed, bright eyed 'coon.

Most of them admitted in unguarded moments that they had enough of wading around in water-soaked swamps on cold and cheerless nights. One of the hunters said that his respect for the animal which always washes its food in cold water before eating it, was so great that he had no intention of seeking to destroy its life. "I have learned," he said, "a great deal about the habits of 'coons. They are not easily found although their favorite location is in a swamp, where there is heavy timber, a running brook, and plenty of barb wire fences. They never seem to be injured by a fall out of the tallest tree. No sooner do they strike the ground than they are up and ready for a fight. Only an experienced dog, one who knows the game, can conquer them. They prowl around nights because that is the most inconvenient time to hunt them."

For a time it looked as if the frost had killed the 'coon fever, but one afternoon a report reached town to the effect that a 'coon had been seen in a tree in Dennison's woods. The special tree in which his 'coonship had sported with an unsophisticated puppy was not more than half a mile from the village. This was adding insult to injury, and the fever broke out in virulent form. A telephone message to Bentley brought him with his dogs. That night the crowd attacked the hills west of the town. The dogs raced through the woods and the swamps until midnight, but not a sound was heard to warm the hearts of the now despondent hunters.

Somebody suggested that it was about time to go home, if the "guides" had any idea of how to get there. Mild as the insinuation was it reduced the temperature to a marked degree, and increased the impression that landmarks familiar in the daylight had taken on unfamiliar forms in the darkness. A discussion only left the situation as clear as muddy water.

That characteristic expression of New Englanders, "I told you so," was sounded good and hard as the party strung out in single file along an old road which passed through a tumble-down fence, and along the edge of a small swamp. "No more 'coon hunting for me" remarked one of the hitherto enthusiastic followers of the chase as he stubbed his toe and measured his length on the damp earth. "I tell you there is not a 'coon in the Green pond country, and we might as well get out of it. You don't drag me——"

What he might have said was lost in the general confusion that followed. Old Ben had suddenly broken away from Bentley and was tearing around in marshy ground.

"Boys" yelled Bentley "there is somethin' doing sure as your born. Old Ben isn't crazy for nothin'. I'll bet ——" One long drawn bawl from the older dog was followed by a rapid succession of sharp tongues, and the younger dog let loose with a voice that made the old hills fairly ring with the music. It was a perfect babel of tongues, and a more excited crowd of human beings was never seen. The lethargy of despondency disappeared ; rocks, trees, and water were forgotten in the mad rush. Suddenly the barking sounded as if it came from one spot. For a moment it died away, only to be renewed with greater vigor. "Treed, sure as your born" cried Bentley.

He was right. Around the base of an oak, which towered more than eighty feet into darkness, and was so big around that a man's arm could not span half its rugged trunk, the dogs were barking and jumping as if mad. As if in delirium of joy the young hound was fairly turning somersaults.

"Smart 'coon, that" said Bentley ; "he knew enough to pick out the largest and meanest tree in the woods to climb."

Then it suddenly dawned on the inexperienced that it was one thing to put a 'coon up a tree and another to get it down. The lowest limb was twenty feet above the ground. No one seemed anxious to climb up—no one knew where or how far—and shake the sharp nosed, bright eyed forager out. A call for volunteers proved that there were no Japanese in the crowd. Oppressive silence followed. Finally Mr Thomas Nelson with great deliberation, suggestive of judicial mien, held up one hand and delivered himself as follows :

"I will tell you what we will do, listen." Even the dogs stopped barking ; it was a momentous moment. "Let Austin climb the tree, and shake out the 'coon. We will stay down here and kill it."

All eyes were turned to Austin. He was bashful, pondered a moment and finally replied to the honor offered him : "Let Tom climb."

That was the blow that almost killed Thomas. Staggered by the blow he recoiled, gasped and then blurted out : "Do I look like a tree climber?" Not one was bold enough to say "yes." Then in the hour of extreme suspense George Folger came to the front, and made a climb that will go down in the history of Vermont 'coon hunting as the most daring on record.

With the aid of long poles, made from saplings, he was helped up to the lowest branches. From there he had to "shin" a seven-foot stretch before he found himself in a working position. At the extreme top he shook out the 'coon, a risky piece of work because the branch broke. Only Folger's nerve and strong fingers saved him from a fall to certain death. But he did not forget to yell out : "Look sharp ; he's comin'."

The 'coon ran down the branch as it broke, made a wild jump at Folger's foot, but missing went crashing down to the ground. Whether it was cleverness on the part of the 'coon, or chance cannot be told, but the dead limb struck on one side of the tree and the 'coon far over the other side.

Keen to the situation, Bentley yelled : "Stand back, boys ; not a sound or we will lose him." Bentley and the dogs made no mistake in the sounds of falling bodies. With unerring accuracy they located the 'coon. In less than a second, 'coon, dogs and Bentley were mixed up in a grand rough and tumble fight. I was careless enough to get into the limelight. The 'coon broke away from the dogs, and made a rush at my legs.

"Get out of the way"! shrieked Bentley ; "let Cap have him."

I did not argue the question. Cap was on top of the 'coon in the twinkle of the eye. He grabbed him by the throat, but when the young hound pounced down upon the game fighter he got hold of him anywhere he could, thus showing his inexperience. Bentley pulled him off as quick as he could, because he did not want the hide injured. It was a great fight, an exciting fight, but the odds were too great ; the 'coon died.—*Western Field.*

Shooting.

HOLLAND AND HOLLAND'S NEW ·465 "VELOPEX" EXPRESS RIFLE.

In accordance with anticipations expressed in these columns, the manufacturers of Express rifles in England have lost no time in providing substitutes for the ·450 and ·303 calibres, the importation of which is now prohibited. Furthermore, the new rifles, distinguished from the old to meet the requirements notified under the Arms Act by Government, embody distinct improvements from the sporting point of view. These improvements are the result of experiment and observation extending back over months or even years. It thus befalls that the necessity for abandoning the ·450 and the ·303 has the effect of hastening developments which in any event would ultimately have manifested themselves in the introductoin of improved Express. The military magazine rifle and the suportingExpress have developed on parallel lines, the military rifle maker and the sporting gunmaker each adopting an identical principle to the end that with moderate pressure a high velocity may be obtained. In the military arms long range is a desideratum, and flatness of trajectory an incidental advantage. The use of a sporting Express regards the flat trajectory as of importance almost paramount, because if a misleading term may be admitted for the sake of the idea it conveys, the velocity does really produce something very like a long "point blank" range. To get that, the excess of penetration, which a fully enveloped bullet from a high velocity rifle must necessarily produce, has been condoned, and various forms of expanding projectiles have been adopted to simulate the smashing effect of the heavier missiles used in the old types of Expresses.

Messrs. Holland and Holland have just introduced a series of rifles of calibres conforming with the requirements of the Indian Arms Act, in which a new bullet, designed by the firm, is employed. The object in view is to make the high velocity higher than before, the flat trajectory consequently flatter, and at the same time to keep the pressures at a level well within those limits of safety so necessary in a hot climate.



The new bullet is adapted for use in various cartridges, and two rifles, one of ·465 bore as a substitute for the ·450, the other a magazine rifle of ·375 bore, have been submitted for consideration. The bullet, as will be seenfrom the illustration, is of that essentially modern type in which the external dimensions approved by experience are adhered to, while the weight is reduced. The lead core is not continued up to the nose of the bullet, but the front third, or thereabouts, consists of some light material over which the nickel nose extends. The nose may beopen for purposes of expansion or may be closed if preferred. The light material used, in the examples under consideration, is ot wood, but other fibrous substances are employed and give equally good results. Bullets so constructed are named "Velopex," and their invariable characteristic is that, in relation to diameter and length, the weight is reduced. That is, in shape and appearance, the bullets conform to established conditions, but by the substitution of a lighter substance at the front of the core, their ballistic properties are materially improved.

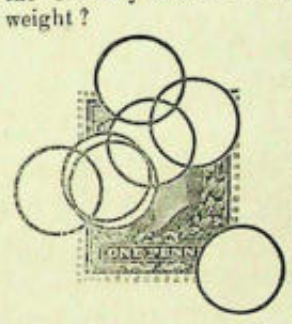


Three weights of bullet have been designed for the ·465 cartridge. The heaviest is 480 grains, this being a projectile with full leaden core. Then comes a 365 grain bullet, precisely the same in dimensions, but of "Velopex" pattern with the wooden fronted core and finally there is another, lighter still for use on soft skinned animals. The cartridges, as the woodcut shows, are of the bottle-necked pattern, and resemble closely the well-known Holland 50·500-4 the case being modified for the ·465 bullet. The charge of cordite used is 75 grains, and with the two weights of projectile specified the ballistics compare thus :—

480 grain bullet 12·14 tons pressure, 2,141 f.s. muzzle velocity.

360 grain bullet 10·71 „ „ 2,282 f.s. muzzle velocity.

It is thus seen that the effect of lightening the projectile without altering its dimensions is very materially to reduce the chamber pressure for the same charge of powder and at the same time to increase the velocity to a marked extent. While these results are what might be expected in view of comparatively recent investigations concerning the effect of reducing the weight of bullets to obtain increased velocity and that flatness of trajectory so particularly valuable for sporting purposes, there is of course another essential point for consideration. To get this flat trajectory, which nullifies misjudgments of distances within reasonable limits; this low chamber pressure which makes the rifle so suitable for use under fluctuating conditions of temperature ; this high velocity with the advantage of low recoil, has anything been sacrificed in the way of accuracy? Will the ·465 bore shoot as well with the "Velopex" bullet as it does with the ordinary lead-cored ickel-coated projectile of normal weight?



The answer is that it will shoot better. Many diagrams have already been made and might be reproduced, but the group made when the rifle was shot in the presence of the Editor of the *Field* in London is so excellent that it is unlikely to be improved upon. In our illustration, the 7 shots, fired at a range of 100 yards, grouped themselves so that they can be shown, six breaking one into the other, and the seventh just below the main group, all actually upon an ordinary postage stamp. This diagram was made at the first attempt, using open sights, and it constitutes a really remarkable indication of the wonderful accuracy of the Holland ·465 rifle in combination with the new "Velopex" bullet. The groups made with the rifle and cartridge have been consistently good, but, having regard to human imperfections, it is not to be expected that the performance here illustrated will be often repeated. To fully realise its merit a postage stamp on a target 100 yards away might be examined. One is then led to the conclusion that the shooting qualities of the new rifle are limited only by the ability of its users, and that the fallibility of the human factor in the combination must be held accountable for any falling off from a standard of absolute accuracy within sporting distances.

It is on this question of accuracy that the new "Velopex" bullet seems most signally to have succeeded, and it is probably due to the fact that, with the lighter substance well forward at the nose, the projectile maintains, and even improves upon, the steadiness of flight obtained with a full weight bullet of corresponding dimensions. It may be observed also that, comparing the ·465 with the old ·450, both burning the same charge of cordite, the former bullet, having a greater diameter at the base, presents a larger surface upon which the powder gas may act. Being reduced in weight without any corresponding reduction in length, the bullet gains in velocity without producing any corresponding increase in recoil, so that there appears to be no disadvantage of any kind to set against the improvements Messrs. Holland and Holland have so succes-fully effected.

In applying the same system to rifles of smaller bores, in which heavy chamber pressures are normally provided for, further advantages are revealed. In connection with the ·375 rifle already mentioned these may on a future occasion be discussed. Messrs. Holland and Holland are, in this calibre, producing double-barrelled and single falling block rifles as well as the magazine pattern for the "Velopex" cartridge. Meanwhile, the eminently satisfactory performances of the "Velopex "bullet in the Holland ·465 single and double rifles made especially for use in India is a matter upon which the makers of the arms and their prospective users are alike to be felicitated.

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VARIOUS INFORMATION WANTED.

TO THE EDITOR OF "THE INDIAN FIELD."

Sir,—Will you or any of your readers kindly give me information on the following points :—

Isa Tweed, in his book on Poultry, gives two medicines for chicken-pox. Chircheri or chorchora are the native names for these roots, also the jokha or joga bailta root. What is the botanical name of these roots?

Which shimal thorn should be pounded; there are several varieties.

I have been told that you can cut down trees with gun-cotton. That they are cut down straight across as though sawn. Can really large trees be dealt with in this way, say one of ten feet diameter or thirty feet circumference? How much gun-cotton would it take, and its cost with fuse? How is it done? Would lesser trees take the same quantity in ratio of size? Is gun-cotton dangerous to handle or store?

What are the latest and cheapest modes of felling trees in the larger lumber camps of Canada and America?

Thanking you very much in anticipation.

SETTLER.

MONGHYR, *27th February 1907.*

REWARDS FOR THE DESTRUCTION OF DANGEROUS ANIMALS.

TO THE EDITOR OF "THE INDIAN FIELD."

SIR,—A short time ago I wrote a letter to your paper on the above subject and I am returning to the charge again.

A few months ago I shot two bears in an adjoining Madras district and applied for the reward in the usual manner, sending my shikari with the skins for inspection. The reward was paid by the Assistant Collector without demur and the shikari's heart was rejoiced, as he was allowed to pocket the whole amount, less two rupees deducted by the Assistant Collector for the value of the skins. I may add that the bears were not much more than halfgrown and had never injured anyone.

Now comes the instructive part of the tale. Last month I shot two panthers which had been doing considerable damage in the same division, and I applied, as usual, for the reward, to the Sub-Collector who was then in charge of the division and received an answer from him to the effect that he considered European sportsmen ineligible for such rewards.

Now the orders of the Board of Revenue are that the rewards are to be paid to Europeans, but these orders are of no effect because the divisional officers can either refuse to pay the rewards, and, if their decisions are appealed against, can say that the value of the skins retained by the sportsman is equal to, or in excess of the amount of the reward.

That the rewards are paid in an arbitrary manner is clear enough from the case given above.

I fail to see anything *infra dig*, applying for the reward. In this district the rewards are paid to Europeans, without any fancy value being deducted for the skins retained and the civilians draw the rewards for the beasts shot by them just the same as anyone else.

It is rather farcical when Government offers a reward of say, Rs. 35 for a tiger, that a divisional officer can say that the value of the skin is Rs. 50 and ask the sportsman to pay up Rs. 15. I do not say that this has happened, but there is no reason why such a thing should be impossible.

Here is a problem for those interested in the subject: Supposing that a man-eater accounted for a civilian or two and a reward of Rs. 500 was offered for its destruction would European sportsmen be eligible for the reward? I expect the contents of the tiger would be so valuable that if one wished to retain the skin as a trophy, one might at once retire to the workhouse!

HIGH VELOCITY.

WALTAIR, *1st March* 1907.

IS SNIPE SHOOTING EASIER IN INDIA THAN IN ENGLAND?

TO THE EDITOR OF "THE INDIAN FIELD."

SIR,—As there has been some discussion regarding the difference there is in snipe shooting here and at Home, I shall feel much obliged by your opening your columns to correspondence on the following question: Is snipe shooting easier at home or in India?

RAOUL.

MOORSHEDABAD, *2nd March* 1907.

[We have never shot snipe in England but from what we hear the surrounding conditions heat, glare, walking, etc., are harder in this country than at Home. Whether the birds are more difficult to shoot at Home we do not know. Obviously strong birds on a cold morning in England are quicker than birds put up after tiffin on a blazing September afternoon in Lower Bengal! Our personal experience of snipe shooting in India is that it is beyond question the very hardest form of shikar (it beats gaur stalking easily) and none but the fittest can hope to become first class at it. Perhaps Mr. W. K. Dods and other "top-hole" snipe shooters will give us their opinions.—ED.]

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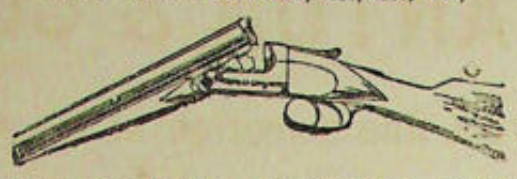

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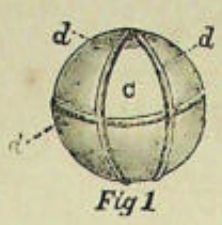

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Rawalpindi	...	About " " "
Lahore	..	" 6th " "
Umballa	...	" 9th & 10th April 1907.
Meerut	...	" 13th April 1907.
Lucknow	...	" 17th " "

JAMES HUTCHISON,
Secretary,
Calcutta Turf Club.

N.B.—Fees must be paid in Advance.

The Jubbulpore Spring Race Meeting.

WILL TAKE PLACE ON

Tuesday	...	2nd April
Thursday	...	4th April
Saturday	...	6th April
Instead of	...	26th, 28th and 30th March

Third Entries close 19th March.

The Bhopal Polo Tournament will be held the same week as the races on 1st, 3rd and 5th April.

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In the Rawalpindi Grand National, First Day, please *read* A handicap for horses instead of "For maiden horses" and scratch W. A. and C. raised 2 stone.

First Entries for the above race close on 6th March.
Second and Final Entries " 15th "
The Official Handicapper will handicap.

E. CAMPION, Captain,
Honorary Secretary,
Rawalpindi Races.

Calcutta Football Club.

Hockey Fixtures—League.
Saturday, 16th, versus N. Fusiliers—Home.
Wednesday, 20th, versus Howrah United—Away.
"B" Team.
Friday, 15th, versus Medical College.—Home.
Sunday 17th, versus N. I—Barrackpore.
Tuesday, 19th, versus Olympian Club—Away

The Turf.

INDIAN RACING FIXTURES

Name of Races.	Month.	Date.
Jorhat	..	6 & 8
Jorhat Gymkhana	Mar.	7
Rangoon Spring	"	9, 12 & 14
Bombay Eleventh "	"	9
" Twelfth "	"	16
" Thirteenth "	"	23
" Fourteenth "	"	30
Umballa Spring	"	12, 14 & 16
Lahore Spring	"	28 & 30
Rawalpindi Spring	"	19, 21, & 23
Punjab Army Chase	"	21 & 23
Jubbulpore	"	26, 28 & 30
Muzafarnugger Challenge Cup	"	6
Madras Winter	"	12, 14 & 16
Punjab Army Chases	"	28 & 30
XI. K. E. O. Lancers' Jubilee Meeting	"	22
Bangalore March Handicap	"	25 & 28
Magwe Spring	"	28 & 30
Karachi Spring	April	23, 25 & 27
Quetta Spring	May	21, 18 & 25
Simla Summer	May	28 & 30 June

CLOSING DATES OF ENTRIES.

Jubbulpore	..	Third ..	.. 12th March.
Lahore Spring ..	..	Third ..	.. 10th March.
Rawalpindi Spring ..	..	Third ..	.. 15th March.
Punjab Army Chases ..	..	Third ..	.. 15th March.
Karachi Spring ..	..	First ..	.. 8th March.
		Second ..	.. 22nd March.
		Third ..	.. 9th April.
Bangalore March Handicap	..	First ..	.. 15th March.
		Second ..	.. 21st March.
Quetta Spring ..	..	First ..	.. 14th April.
		Second ..	.. 30th April.
		Third ..	.. 10th May.

INDIAN SPORTING FIXTURES

POLO		
Bhopal Cup Tournament ..	..	.. 10th March.
Beresford Tournament Simla ..	..	.. 16th June.
SHOWS.		
Great Punjab Horse Show ..	..	.. 1st, 2nd & 3rd April.
Simla Horse Show ..	..	.. In June.
BOXING.		
Poona Tournament ..	..	.. 22nd to 27th April.
FOOTBALL.		
Madras Gymkhana Association Tournament		.. 4th to 9th March.
Durand Tournament ..	..	.. In September.

HOCKEY.

Belghton Cup Tournament ..	..	.. Begins 17th April.

LAWN TENNIS.

Bengal Championship ..	..	.. Begins 6th March.

PIGSTICKING.

Guzerat Cup Meeting ..	..	.. Begins 26th March.

ENGLISH RACING FIXTURES.

(Principal Races in 1907.)

Lincolnshire Handicap (1 mile)	.. Tuesday, 19th March.
Brocklesby Stakes (4 furlongs 5 yards) ..	.. Wednesday, 20th March.
Liverpool Grand National (4 miles 856 yards.)	.. Friday, 22nd March.
Queen's Prize (1 mile)	.. Monday, 1st April.
Craven Stakes (1 mile 22 yards.) ..	.. Thursday, 18th April.
Great Metropolitan Stakes (2¼ miles) ..	.. Tuesday, 23rd April.
City and Suburban (1½ mile) ..	.. Wednesday, 24th April.
Two Thousand Guineas (1 mile) ..	.. Wednesday, 1st May.
One Thousand Guineas (1 mile) .	.. Friday, 3rd May.
Chester Cup (2¼ miles)	.. Wednesday, 8th May.
Kempton Park Great Jubilee Handicap (1½ mile) ..	Saturday, 11th May.
Newmarket Stakes (1 mile 2 furlongs) ..	.. Wednesday, 15th May.
Manchester Cup (1½ mile)	.. Friday, 24th May.
Prix du Jockey Club (1½ mile) ..	.. Saturday, 2nd June.
The Derby (1½ mile)	.. Wednesday, 5th June.
The Coronation Cup (1½ mile) ..	.. Thursday, 6th June.
The Oaks (1½ mile)	.. Friday, 7th June.
Grand Prix de Paris (1 mile 7 furlongs)	.. Sunday, 16th June.
Ascot Stakes (2 miles)	.. Tuesday, 18th June.
Ascot Gold Vase (2 miles)	.. Tuesday, 18th June.
Royal Hunt Cup (7 furlongs 166 yards) ..	.. Wednesday, 19th June.
Gold Cup (1½ mile)	.. Thursday, 20th June.
New Stakes (5 furlongs 144 yards) ..	.. Thursday, 20th June.
Hardwicke Stakes (1½ miles) ..	.. Friday 21st June.
Northumberland Plate (2 miles) ..	.. Wednesday, 26th June.
July Stakes (Newmarket) (5 furlongs 144 yards)	.. Tuesday, 2nd July.
Princess of Wales' Stakes (1 mile 4 furlongs)	.. Thursday, 4th July.
Eclipse Stakes (1½ mile)	.. Friday, 19th July.
Liverpool Cup (1 mile 3 furlongs) ..	.. Friday, 26th July.
Steward's Cup (Goodwood) (6 furlongs) ..	.. Tuesday, 30th July.
Goodwood Plate (2 miles)	.. Wednesday 31st July.
Goodwood Cup (2½ miles)	.. Thursday, 1st August.
Brighton Cup (1½ mile)	.. Wednesday, 7th August.
Great Northern Leger (1 mile 5 furlongs)	.. Wednesday, 21st August.
Prince of Wales Plate (8 furlongs) ..	.. Tuesday, 27th August.
Great Ebor Handicap (1½ mile.) ..	.. Wednesday, 28th August
Gimrack Stakes (6 furlongs)	.. Thursday, 29th August.
Great Yorkshire Handicap (1 mile 6furs. 132yrds.) ..	Tuesday, 10th September.
Champagne Stakes (Doncaster) (5 furs. 132 yrds.) ..	Tuesday, 10th September.
St. Leger (1 mile 6 furlongs 132 yards) .	.. Wednesday, 11th Septr.
Doncaster Cup (2 miles)	.. Friday, 13th September.
Prince Edward Handicap (1½ mile) ..	.. Saturday, 21st Septr.
Jockey Club Stakes (1½ mile) ..	.. Thursday, 3rd October.
Prix du Conseil Municipal (Paris) 1½ mile) ..	Sunday, 6th October.
Duke of York Stakes (1½ mile) ..	.. Saturday, 12th October.
Cesarewitch Stakes (2½ miles) ..	.. Wednesday, 16th October
Middle Park Plate (6 furlongs) ..	.. Friday, 18th October.
Cambridgeshire Stakes	.. Wednesday, 30th Octr.
Dewhurst Plate (7 furlongs)	.. Thursday, 31st Octr.
Liverpool Autumn Cup (1 mile 3 furlongs) .	Friday, 8th November.
Manchester November Handicap (1½ mile)	.. Saturday, 23rd Novr.

ENGLISH SPORTING FIXTURES.

Wales *vs.* Scotland (Association) ..	.. 4th March.
Ireland *vs.* Wales (Rugby)	.. 9th March.
Oxford and Cambridge Sports ..	.. 15th March.
Versity Sports	.. 16th March.
Scotland *vs.* Ireland (Association) ..	.. 16th March.
England *vs.* Scotland (Rugby) ..	.. 16th March.
'Varsity Boat Race	.. 16th March.
England *vs.* Wales (Association) ..	.. 18th March.
Amateur Boxing Championship ..	.. 27th March.
English Amateur Cup Final (Association)	30th March.
England *vs.* Scotland (Association) ..	.. 6th April.
Tennis Championship, Fairs *vs.* Latham	.. 6th May.
England *vs.* Scotland (Amateur Golf) ..	.. 25th May.
Amateur Golf Championship ..	.. 28th May.
Golf Open Championship	.. 20th June.
England *vs.* South Africa (Cricket) ..	.. 1st July.
Henley Regatta	.. 3rd, 4th & 5th July.
Oxford *vs.* Cambridge (Cricket) ..	.. 4th July.
Amateur Athletic Championships .	.. 6th July.
Eton *vs.* Harrow (Cricket)	.. 12th July.
Gentlemen *vs.* Players (Cricket) ..	.. 17th July.
England *vs.* South Africa (Cricket) ..	.. 29th July.
Rugby *vs.* Marlborough (Cricket) ..	.. 31st July.
Dublin Horse Show	.. 27th August.

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Thursday, 28th February 1907.

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Mr. J. Graves' b aus g Emigrant, 11st. 7lbs. — Mr. Bletsoe 1
Mr. A. Levetus' gr aus g Jorrocks, 11st. 7lbs. — Owner 2
Mr. J. G. Ballantyne's ch aus m Fairy, 11st. 7lbs. — Owner 3
Mr. W. S. J. Willson's ch aus g Swashbuckler, 11st. 7lbs. — Mr. Egerton 4
Mr. F. E. de Guerrier's ch aus g The Cobbler, 11st. 7lbs. — Ching 0
Mr. E. W. Antram's br aus m Myrene, 11st. 7lbs. — Owner 0
Mr. J. B. Hampson's b aus g Slogan, 11st. 7lbs. — Owner 0
Mr. A. Levetus' ch aus m Sheila, 11st. 7lbs. — Mr. Harvey 0
Mr. S. O. Langham's ch aus g Salad Dressing, 11st. 7lbs. — Owner 0
Mr. R. Westmacott's ch aus g Salute, 11st. 7lbs. — Owner 0
Mr. R. Fogarty's b aus m Norma, 11st. 7lbs. — Owner 0

(*Winner trained privately.*)

BETTING: 6 to 4 agst. Jorrocks, 3 to 1 Fairy, 4 to 1 Emigrant, 6 to 1 Salad Dressing, 10 to 1 to 20 to 1 the rest.

Totalisator paid Rs. 116 to win; Rs. 16, Rs. 13 and Rs. 12 for places.

Won by two lengths; two and a half lengths between second and third; two lengths between third and fourth. Time—1min. 8⅘secs.

FAREWELL PLATE.—Rs. 1,000 to the winner, Rs. 300 to the second, and Rs. 200 to the third. A high-weight handicap for horses which have not won a flat race value Rs. 1,500 or over since 31st March 1905. 6 furlongs.

Mr. Austin's b aus g Bundah, 9st. 2lbs. ... — Baichan 1
Mrs. A. Grosser's b aus g Cyril, 9st. ... — Bradshaw 2
Mr. O. M. D. Bell's br aus g Dramatic, 9st. 8lbs. — Firth 3
Messrs. Hudson and Butler's bk e m Mercedes, 9st. 12lbs. — Mr. Evers 4
Mr. Charles' b e g Pendred, 10st. 10lbs. — Pringle 0
Mr. W. H. Walmsley's b e g Jack Sheppard, 10st. 6lbs. ... — Mr. Bell-Irving 0
Mr. Borneo's br e g Colina, 8st. 2lbs. ... — Fraser 0
Mr. B. A. C. Pugh's b e m Manon, 7st. 3lbs. — W. White 0
Mr. W. Atkinson's b aus g Dib, 7st. 6lbs. (dec. 8lbs.) ... — R. Morrison 0

Mr. F. Field's b aus g Solace, 7st. 8lbs. ... — O'Neil 0

BETTING: Evens Bundah, 2 to 1 Pendred, 5 to 1 each Jack Sheppard, Dramatic and Mercedes, 8 to 1 Colina, and 10 to 1 to 20 to 1 the rest.

Totalisator paid Rs. 33 to win; Rs. 13, Rs. 35 and Rs. 16 for places.

Won by two lengths; same between second and third; a neck between third and fourth. Time—1min. 16⅘secs.

An objection lodged against Bundah for an alleged cross was thrown out.

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Mr. Cowper's br aus g Jacinth, 8st. (dec. 4lbs.) — Mr. Galstaun 1
Mr. K. M. Hamilton's b aus g Pretender, 11st. — Mr. Cowper 2
Mr. L. Waker's b aus g Detective, 10st. 8lbs. — Mr. Pugh 3
Mr. W. R. Tanner's b aus m Ruby, 9st. 4lbs. — Mr. Bell-Irving 4
Mr. T. Curtis-Hayward's b aus m Sylvia, 9st. 10lbs. — Mr. Dudley 0
Mr. H. K. Pierson's ch aus m Queen of Hearts, 9st. 7lbs. — Owner 0
Mr. R. A. C. Pugh's b aus m Posey, 9st. ... — Mr. Evers 0
Mr. T. G. Evers' b aus g Orphan Boy, 8st. 5lbs. (dec. 6lbs.) — Mr. Antram 0

(*Winner trained privately.*)

BETTING: 6 to 4 on Detective, 4 to 1 agst. Posey, 5 to 1 each Sylvia and Ruby, 7 to 1 Jacinth, and 10 to 1 the rest.

Totalisator paid Rs. 173 to win; Rs. 52, Rs. 90 and Rs. 17 for places.

Won easily by two and a half lengths; two lengths between second and third; one and a half lengths between third and fourth.

HORSE CONSOLATION PLATE, DIVIDED HANDICAP II.—Rs. 1,000 to the winner, Rs. 300 to the second, and Rs. 200 to the third. A high-weight handicap for horses which have run but have not won a flat race, hurdle race or steeplechase at the Calcutta Extra Meetings, Calcutta Races, First and Second Meetings and Tollygunge Steeplechases, 1906-1907. 5 furlongs.

Mr. A. N. Dass' b aus g Mulison, 10st. 5lbs. — Murdison 1
Capt. H. N. Holden's br aus g Craig, 10st. 7lbs. — Owner 2
Mr. A. N. Dass' b e m Miss Trenton, 8st. 6lbs. — Mr. Galstaun 3
Mr. D. Norton's br aus m Musette, 10st. 7lbs. — Fraser 4
Mr. A. Schwerdtfeger's b aus m Sal, 9st. 13lbs. — Mr. Dudley 0
Mr. A. N. Dass' b aus g Springlock, 9st. 10lbs. — Balgobin 0
Mr. W. Bell-Irving's b aus m Wake Up, 8st. 11lbs. — Mr. Evers 0
Mr. H. P. Banker's b aus m Queen of Gems, 8st. 9lbs. — Firth 0
Mr. J. D. Scott's b cb g Roseland, 7st. 13lbs. — R. Morrison 0
Mr. R. B. Lamotte's b aus g Prince Moorefield, 7st. 9lbs. — Rahman 0

(*Winner trained by Lansdown.*)

BETTING: Evens Mulison, 4 to 1 Musette, 6 to 1 each Craig and Miss Trenton, and 8 to 1 to 10 to 1 the rest.

Totalisator paid Rs. 23 to win; Rs. 20, Rs. 27 and Rs. 39 for places.

Won by six lengths; one length between second and third; a neck between third and fourth. Time—1min. 3⅘secs.

PONY CONSOLATION PLATE.—Rs. 1,000 to the winner, Rs. 300 to the second, and Rs. 200 to the third. A high-weight handicap for ponies 14-2 and under, which have run but have not won a flat race, hurdle race or steeplechase at the Calcutta Extra Meetings, Calcutta Races, First and Second Meeting, and Tollygunge Steeplechases, 1906-1907. 6 furlongs.

Mr. Dartmoor's bk aus m Hazelnut, 9st. ... — Baichan 1
Mr. Stead's b aus m Belle Cole, 10st. 12lbs. — Bradshaw 2
Mr. Galstaun's b aus m Circus Girl, 10st. — Mr. Galstaun } D.-H.
Messrs. Crichton and McCall's b aus m Mademoiselle, 7st. 12lbs., (dec. 2lbs.) — Mr. Evers }
Mr. Galstaun's b e m Nurse Kitty, 10st. 5lbs. — Mr. Dudley 0
Mr. J. D. Scott's ch aus m Kathleen II., 9st. 13lbs. — P. Morrison 0
Mr. J. D. Scott's ch aus m Yardley, 9st. 7lbs. — R. Morrison 0
H. H. Maharajah of Cooch Behar's ch aus g Belligerent, 8st. 13lbs. — Firth 0

(*Winner trained by Heywood.*)

BETTING: 6 to 4 each Kathleen II. and Yardley, 2 to 1 Hazelnut, 5 to 1 Circus Girl, 6 to 1 each Belligerent and Belle Cole, 8 to 1 Mademoiselle, and 10 to 1 Nurse Kitty.

Totalisator paid Rs. 42 to win; Rs. 14, Rs. 26, Rs. 16 and Rs. 15 for places.

Won by one and a half length; same between second and dead-heaters. Time—1min. 19secs.

HORSE CONSOLATION PLATE, DIVIDED HANDICAP.—Rs. 1,000 to the winner, Rs. 300 to the second, and Rs. 200 to the third. A high-weight handicap for horses which have run but have not won a flat race, hurdle race or steeplechase at the Calcutta Extra Meetings, Calcutta Races, First and Second Meetings, and Tollygunge Steeplechases, 1906-1907. 5 furlongs.

Mr. W. B. Green's b aus m Projecture, 9st. 11lb. — R. Morrison 1
Mr. Stead's ch or br aus m Palindrome, 9st. 8lbs. — Bradshaw 2
Messrs. Paris and Marshall's br e m Lady Anna, 8st. 6lbs. — Baichan 3
Mr. J. C. Galstaun's b e g Peveril, 9st. ... — Mr. Dudley 4
Mr. A. N. Dass' b e m Clynder, 9st. 2lbs. ... — Mr. Evers 0
Mr. J. C. Galstaun's b aus g Gum, 8st. 8lbs. — Owner 0
Mr. H. Wishart's br aus g Warstripe, 8st. 2lbs. — Murdison 0
Mr. O. M. D. Bell's br aus g Bell Dhu, 8st. 2lbs. (dec. 2lbs.) — Firth 0
Mr. J. M. Rodocanachi's b e m Downland, 8st. — Fraser 0
Mr. Holmes' ch e m Rather Rakish, 7st. 11lbs. — O'Neil 0

(*Winner trained by Mr. H. Smith.*)

BETTING: Evens Palindrome, 2 to 1 Lady Anna, 6 to 1 each Projecture and Downland, 8 to 1 Bell Dhu, and 10 to 1 and any prices the rest.

Totalisator paid Rs. 104 to win; Rs. 28, Rs. 18 and Rs. 22 for places.

Won by two lengths; one and a quarter length between second and third; half a length between third and fourth. Time—1min. 2⅘secs.

HARRINGTON PLATE.—Rs. 1,000 to the winner, Rs. 300 to the second, and Rs. 200 to the third. A high-weight handicap for horses which have not won a flat race value Rs. 1,100 or over since 31st March 1905. 7 furlongs.

Messrs. Hudson and Butler's bk e m Mercedes, 10st. 3lbs. — O'Neil 1
Mr. Austin's b aus g Bundah, 9st. 7lbs. — Baichan 2
Mr. O. M. D. Bell's b aus g Botha, 11st. 7lbs. — Firth 3

Mr. D. B. Myers' b aus g St. Michael, 8st. 3lbs. — Murdison 4
Mr. J. C. Galstaun's b e g Pure Gold, 10st. 11lb. — Owner 0
Mrs. A. Grosser's b e m Merry Elsie, 10st. — Bradshaw 0
Mr. McGeorge's ch e g Galley Slave, 9st. 11lbs. — Mr. Dudley 0
Mr. Borneo's br e g Colina, 8st. 7lbs. — Fraser 0
Capt. H. N. Holden's br aus g Craig, 8st. 5lbs. — Mr. Evers 0
Mr. A. N. Dass' b aus h Trencherman, 7st. 11lbs. (dec. 2lbs.) — Balgobin 0
Mr. W. B Green's b aus m Leading Lady, 7st. 8lbs. (dec. 1lb.) — Rahman 0

(*Winner trained by Wishart.*)

BETTING: Evens Botha, 3 to 1 Merry Elsie, 3 to 1 Bundah, 5 to 1 St. Michael, 6 to 1 Colina, 8 to 1 Mercedes, 10 to 1 to 20 to 1 the rest.

Totalisator paid Rs. 510 to win; Rs. 88, Rs. 18 and Rs. 21 for places.

Won by a neck; two lengths between second and third; a short head between third and fourth. Time—1min. 29⅘secs.

MINTO PLATE.—Rs. 1,000 to the winner, Rs. 300 to the second, and Rs. 200 to the third. A high-weight handicap for horses which have not won a flat race value Rs. 3,000 or over since 31st March 1905. R. C.

Mr. W. H. Walmsley's ch e m Scamander, 8st. 7lbs. — Drew 1
Mr. B. B.'s ch aus m Leda, 8st. — Murdison 2
Mr. A. N. Dass' b e g Insurrection, 7st. 10lbs. — Fraser 3
Mr. J. G. Ballantyne's b aus g Clodian, 6st. 12lbs. — Rahman 4
Mr. O. M. D. Bell's br aus h Mount Dane, 9st. 10lbs. — Firth 0
Mr. Dartmoor's b e g Bundook, 9st. 6lbs. — P. Morrison 0
Mr. J. C. Galstaun's b nth am g Riverside II., 8st. 13lbs. — Owner 0
Mr. J. A. Manning's ch aus g Loyal, 8st. 5lbs. — R. Morrison 0
Mr. Field's b e g Nirvana, 7st. 9lbs. — Baichan 0
Mr. R. D. Coggan's ch aus m Pallas, 7st. — O'Neil 0

(*Winner trained by Pringle.*)

BETTING: 6 to 4 Mount Dane, 4 to 1 Insurrection, 5 to 1 each Loya,, and Nirvana, 6 to 1 Riverside II., 8 to 1 each Clodian and Scamander, and 10 to 1 to 12 to 1 the rest.

Totalisator paid Rs. 222 to win; Rs. 147, Rs. 47 and Rs. 19 for places.

Won by two lengths; half a length between second and third; two length between third and fourth. Time—3mins.

BOMBAY TENTH EXTRA MEETING.

Saturday, 2nd March 1907.

THE FIRST DEALERS' CONSOLATION PLATE.—Winners Rs. 900; second, Rs. 200; third, Rs. 100. For Arabs landed since 1st July, 1906, which have not won flat race value Rs. 200 or over. W. A. reduced 5lbs. 6 furlongs.

Mr. A. Razak's Sherlock, 8-4, Omerkhan 1
Mr. G. K's Madrid, 8-1, C. B Mahomed 2
Mr. A. M. Mana's MADRAS, 8-1 (carried 8-3), Forster ... 3
Mr. H. Dawood's Shuyyar, 8-1, Majeed 0

Also ran: Mustwin, 8-6; Deenar, 8-6; Testator, 8-1; Shahvine, 7-13; Manchester, 7-12; Joker, 7-12; Alma, 7-12 (carried 7-13); Tardeo, 7-12 (carried 8-1); Greyboy, 7-7; Zir, 7-7.

Betting: 3 to 1 agst. Sherlock, 4 to 1 Madras, 6 to 1 Deenar, 8 to 1 Madrid and 20 to 1 to 30 to 1 the others.

Won by one and-a-quarter length, 1 three-quarter length between second and third. Time—22 ⅖sec.

THE KENSINGTON PLATE.—Winner, Rs. 900; second, Rs. 200; third, Rs. 100. A high weight handicap for ponies 14-2 and under. 6 furlongs.

Kelso's Russely Rose, 7-11 (carried 7-13), Mr. J. Trenoweth 1
Capts. Meynell and Greig's Recovory, 6-13 (carried 7-4), A Hoyt 2
Mr. Arten Essyie's KOKO, 8-2, Keeroo ... 3
Messrs. Goculdas and Nanjee's Gunmetal, 9-7, Ames ... 0

Also ran: Comeback, 10-0; Ceres, 8-4; Florrie, 7-1; Mandeville, 8-1.

Betting: 5 to 4 on Russley Rose, 4 to 1 agst. Ceres and Mandeville, 6 to 1 Recovery, and 10 to 1 and 12 to 1 the others.

Won by one and a half lengths. Time—1min. 15 ⅖secs.

THE SPRING PLATE.—Winner, Rs. 900; second, Rs. 200; third, Rs. 100. A high weight handicap for horses. 6 furlongs.

Mr. R. R. S's Killua, 10-1, F. William 1
Mr. Kelso's HARPIST, 6-12, Kamad 2
The Hon'ble Mr. Hill Trevor and Messrs. Goculdas and Nanjee's Balayeuse, 7-0, Melsom 3

Betting: 6 to 4 on Killua, 6 to 4 agst. Harpist, 4 to 1 Balayeuse. Won by two and a half lengths. Time—1min. 14⅖secs.

THE SECOND DEALERS, CONSOLATION. PLATE—Rs. 900; second, Rs. 200; third, Rs. 100. For Arabs land 1st July, 1906, which have not won flat race value Rs. 200 W. A. reduced 5lbs. 6 furlongs.

Mr H. A. Shabag's Company, 81, Omerkhan 1
Mr H. Binzaker's Salanic, 8st. 7lbs, Forster 2
Mr H. A. Khaderi's Meerjan, 7st. 7lbs, Abdoola 3
Mr Syeddaya's Idbas, 7st. 7lbs. (carried 7st. 8lbs.) Raeson 0

Also ran: Greatshot, 8st. 13; Muftakar, 8st. 6.; Kaleecharan, 8. 5; Sunshine, 8. 4; Rocksalt, 8st 1; Talal, 7. 12; Kawakib, 7. 12. (carried 7 13); The Barb, 7. 12; Mirdas, 7 7, and Engine, 7 7.

Betting: 5 to 4 agist Kaleecharan, 3 to 1 Mirdas, 5 to 1 Talal, 7 to 1 Greatshot, 10 to 1 each Muftakar and idbas and any price the others.

Won by a length; three quarters of a length between second and third time 1min. 232-5 secs.

THE PAREL PLATE.—Winner, Rs. 900; second, Rs. 200; third Rs. 100. A high weight handicap for Arabs. 9 furlongs.

Mr. G K's Bendigo, 7st. 7lbs, Melsom 1
Mr. Alibin Talib's Hadur, 7st 8lbs (carried 7st. 9lbs), Ames 2
Mr. Aga Shah's Oriental, 7st 10lbs, Heeroo 3
Thakur Sripal Singh's Soheil, 8st 10lbs, Kaesen 4

Also ran: Precious, 9. 12; Young Kohinoor, 8. 13; Ajax, 8st. 6lbs; Skylark, 8st. 11lbs.; Makbool, 7st. 12lbs. (carried 8. 3); Gladiator, 7. 12.; Sandow, 7. 11; and Panala 11, 6. 12 (carried 7).

Betting: 2 to 1 against Precious, 3 to 1 Oriental, 6 to 1 Skylark, Hadhur and Bendigo, 7 to 1 Soheil, 8 to 1 Sandow, 10 to 1 and 15 to 1 the others.

Won by three quarters of a length; a neck between second and third. Time 2mins 6secs.

THE COOKLA PLATE.—Winner, Rs. 900; second, Rs 200; third, Rs. 100. A high weight handicap for Arabs 14 hands and under. 5 furlongs.

Messrs. Goculdas and Nanjee's False Start, 7st. 8lbs. (car 7st 9lbs), Ames ... ... 1.
Mr Kelso's Hermit. 9st. 5lbs. Vining — ... 2
Mr Vaid's Zurriff, 8st. 3lbs, Melsom } dead heat
Mr. N. S. Rasheed's Sahoon, 7st. 11lb. Kamad... ... ... } dead heat

Also ran: Creditor, 9 0; Mumbra, 8 10 Darby, 8 9 Scimitrar, 8. 8; Sheik, 8 0; Plassey, 7 12; Emir, 7 8; (car, 7. 10; Girjistan, 7. 4 (car 7 6); and Onepi 6 8.

Betting: 6 to 4 agst Plassey, 4 to 1 Scimita, 6 to 1 each Hermit and Girijistan, 8 to 1 each Zurriff, Falsetart, and Creditor, add longer odds the others.

BAREILLY SPRING MEETING, 1907.

STEWARDS:

COL. H. H. SMYTHE, R.S.F. | COL. KING SALTER, 2nd L. B
LIEUT.-Col. WELLER, 14th Jat Lancers. | P. U. ALLEN, Esq., C.S.
COL. SHEKELTON, S. Lancs. Regt. | F. FAIL, ESQ., A.V.C.

Hony. Secy. :—CAPT. A. H. TEED, 14th Jat Lancers.

First Day, Monday, 25th February 1907.

THE meeting opened well to-day. The going on the track was pronounced exceptionally good and the racing was of unusually good quality; fields were on the big side in some races; there were three upsets and some very pretty finishes. Captain Davis had a couple of wins, riding Maureen to victory in the All Comers' Polo Scurry, while Mr. McCall had the mount on Bustle, who won the Soldiers' Plate. Details:—

THE PONY HURDLES.—Rs. 199 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second, and Rs. 50 to the third. A hurdle race for maiden Arab and C.-B. ponies 14-2 and under, and other maiden ponies 14-1 and under. C. B.'s 14-2 to carry 11st. 7lbs., Arabs 14-2 to carry 10st. 7lbs., others 14-1 to carry 12st. W. I. 1 mile over 5 flights of hurdles.

Sripal Singh's Elsie, 10st. 13lbs. — Mr. Charrington 1
Mr. Connop's K. C., 10st. 13lbs. — ... Mr. Bryant 2
Mr. Webster's Flight, 11st. 12lbs — ... Capt. Heseltine 3

Also ran: Dainty Lady, 11-8 (car. 11-12); Invest, 11-2; Dolly, 11-7.

BETTING: Evens Elsie, 6 to 4 agst. Flight, 5 to 1 the others.

Won easily by one length and a half; a neck separated second and third. Time—2mins. 20secs.

THE HORSE HURDLES.—Value Rs. 199 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second, and Rs. 50 to the third. A hurdle race for maiden horses. C. W. A. C. raised 2st. 7lbs. 1 mile over 5 flights.

Mr. Bryant's Reinforcement, 11st. 10lbs. — Owner 1
Mr. Reynard's Vienard, 12st. 2lbs. — ...Capt. Heseltine 2
Mr. Collett's Fifeshire, 11st. 10lbs — ... Mr. Bromilow 3

Also ran: Tehri, 11-10; Bonerie, 11-13; Ragtime, 11-10; Simple Simon, 11-12; Goodwin, 11-10.

BETTING: 2 to 1 on Reinforcement, 6 to 4 agst. Vienard, 6 to 1 Goodwin, 10 to 1 the others.

Won by half a length; six lengths separated second and third. Time—2mins. 5⅘secs.

THE ALL COMERS' POLO SCURRY.—Rs. 199 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second, and Rs. 50 to the third. For polo ponies that have been played regularly up to date of entry. ¼ mile.

Capt. Davis' Maureen, 12st. ... ... — Owner 1
Capt. Teed's Skylark, 12st. ... ... — Owner 2

BETTING: 4 to 1 on Maureen, 2 to 1 agst. Skylark.

Won by eight lengths. Time—28⅘secs.

THE SOLDIERS' PLATE.—Rs. 199 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second, and Rs. 50 to the third. For Arabs and C.-B.'s 14-1 and under that are *bonâ fide* the property of officers of the British or Indian Army that have never won a race value Rs. 150 or over. 14-1 to carry 11st. W. I. 1 mile.

Capt. Davis' Bustle, 8st. 12lbs. (car. 9st. 3lbs.) ... ... — Mr. McCall 1
Mr. Railstone's Munir, 9st. 12lbs. ... — Owner 2
Mr. Evans' Black Rock, 10st. 2lbs. ... — Mr. Day 0

BETTING: 2 to 1 on Black Rock, 3 to 1 the others.

Won by four lengths. Time—2mins. 4secs.

THE DESERT PLATE.—Rs. 199 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second, and Rs. 50 to the third. For Arab ponies 14-1 and under. 14-1 to carry 11st. 7lbs. W. I. 6 furlongs.

Mr. Fail's Chance, 10st. 5lbs. ... ... — Owner 1
Capt. Winter's Whirlwind, 10st. 2lbs. ... — Mr. McCall 2
Mr. Henry's The Ranger, 12st. 11b. ... — Mr. Bryant 3

Also ran: Sweet William, 9-13.

BETTING: 6 to 4 on Whirlwind, 6 to 4 agst. Chance, 5 to 1 Sweet William, 8 to 1 The Ranger.

Won by one length and a half; a neck separated second and third. Time—1min. 32secs.

THE NOVICE PLATE.—Rs. 199 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second, and Rs. 50 to the third. For Arab ponies 14-1 and under that have never won a flat race value Rs. 50 or over. 14-1 to carry 11st. W. I. ¼ mile.

Mr. Burton's Rubicon, 10st. 11lbs. ... — Owner 1
Mr. Young's Lala, 11st. ... — Mr. Sutherland 2
Major James' Gold Dust, 10st. 11lbs. ... — Mr. Bryant 3

Also ran: Leave Refused, 8-12; Japan, 9-7 (car. 9-9); Blarney Stone, 11-0.

BETTING: Evens Leave Refused, 2 to 1 agst. Gold Dust, 4 to 1 Blarney Stone, 8 to 1 the others.

Won by a length and a half; a length separated second and third. Time—58secs.

THE BUDAON PLATE.—Rs. 199 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second, and Rs. 50 to the third. For ponies 14-2 and under. 14-2 to carry 12st. 7lbs. W. I. 6 furlongs.

Mr. Butler's The Butler, 8st. 7lbs. ... — Kadir 1
Mr. Locke's Quick Remedy, 10st. 8lbs. ...Mr. Charrington 2
Mr. Fail's Glenlea, 9st. 13lbs.... ... — Owner 3

Also ran: Nizam, 11-12; Silver, 8-12; Wild Rose, 10-6; Small Scotch, 11-0; Mignon, 11-1; Esslemont, 9-5 (left at post.)

BETTING: Evens The Butler, 2 to 1 agst. Nizam, 3 to 1 Quick Remedy, 4 to 1 Glenlea 8 to 1 the others.

Won by a short head; half a length separated second and third. Time—1min. 22secs.

Second Day, Wednesday, 27th February 1907.

In cool weather, with a steady breeze, apparently turned on for our special benefit, we discussed an interesting card to-day. There was some good racing, notably in the Horse Chase, which Mr. Bromilow won handsomely on Battleaxe. In the Pony Chase we had an accident and some unrehearsed effects that were both humorous and interesting. The accident befel Mr. Heseltine, of the Carabiniers, whose mount Flight fell and hurt him badly. Meanwhile the most fancied K. C., after going well enough over three jumps, flatly declined to do any more and till Flight fell it looked a good thing for him. When he came down, however, things got a bit mixed—there were only two in it—till Major Nickalls in tennis flannels descended on the situation as a veritable *Deus ex machina*, caught Flight, rode him in, and won. Quite an exceptional incident in Indian hurdle racing. Details:—

THE ARAB SCURRY.—Rs. 199 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second, and Rs. 50 to the third. For Arab polo ponies that have been played regularly up to date of entry. A certificate to this effect from Polo Secretary must accompany entry. 2¼ furlongs.

Mr. Burton's Rubicon, 11st. 7lbs. 1
Mr. Winser's Catapult, 11st. 7lbs. ... — Mr. McCall 2
Mr. Young's Lala, 11st. 7lbs. ... ... — Owner 3

Also ran: Laffee, 11-7.

BETTING: Evens on Rubicon, 3 to 1 agst. Catapult, 4 to 1 the others.

Won by half a length; one length and a half separated second and third. Time—36secs.

THE VISITORS' PLATE.—hs. 199 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second, and Rs. 50 to the third. A handicap for all ponies 14-1 and under. 5 furlongs.

Mr. Butler's The Butler, 9st. 10lbs. ... — Shib Singh 1
Capt. Jeffrey's Kourlong, 10st. ... — Owner 2
Mr. Macleod's Auric, 8st. 7lbs. ... — Native 3

Also ran: Lady Knight, 10-7 (car. 10-12); Elsie, 10-0.

BETTING: Evens The Butler, 6 to 4 agst. Lady Knight, 3 to 1 Koorlong, 8 to 1 the others

Won by a length; six lengths separated second and third. Time—1min. 9⅖secs.

THE PONY CHASE.—Value Rs. 199 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second, and Rs. 50 to the third. A handicap steeplechase for maiden ponies. About 2½ miles over the S. C. C.

Mr. Webster's Flight, 11st. 7lbs. (car. 11st. 9lbs.) ... — Major Nickalls 1
Mr. Connop's K. C., 10st. 11lbs. (car. 11st. 11lb.) ... ... — Mr. Bryant refused.

BETTING: 2 to 1 on K. C., evens Flight.

K. C. refused at the fifth fence, and Flight went on till she fell at the fence near the mile post. Captain Heseltine being badly hurt, Major Nickalls mounted Flight, and completed the course.

THE ARAB PLATE.—Rs. 199 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second, and Rs. 50 to the third. A high-weight handicap for ponies 14-1 and under. 6 furlongs.

Capt. Fail's Chance, 10st. 7lbs. ... — Owner 1
Capt. Jeffrey's Nijidi, 9st. 7lbs. (car. 9st. 10lbs. ... ... — Mr. Charrington 2
Mr. Henry's The Ranger, 11st. 7lbs. ... — Mr. Bryant 3

Also ran: Whirlwind, 9-11.

BETTING: Evens Whirlwind, 2 to 1 each agst. the Ranger and Chance, 5 to 1 Nijidi.

Won by one length and a half; half a length separated second and third. Time—1min. 34secs.

RAMPUR CUP.—A Cup, value Rs. 500, presented by H. H. the Nawab of Rampur to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second, and Rs. 50 to the third from the fund. For maiden English and Australasian ponies 14-1 and under and C.-B.'s 14-2 and under. English and Australasian ponies 14-1 to carry 12st., C.-B.'s 14-2 to carry 11st. 7lbs. W. I. 5 furlongs.

Messrs. Brown and Mackinnon's Hooded Monk, 11st. 2lbs. ... — Mr. McCall 1
Capt. Fail's Glenlea, 10st. 4lbs. ... — Owner 2
Mr. Macleod's Auric, 10st. 10lbs. ... — Native 3

Also ran: Maureen, 9-6; Coin, 11-5.

BETTING: 3 to 1 on Hooded Monk, 3 to 1 agst. Glenlea, 6 to 1 Maureen, 20 to 1 the others.

Won by half a length; three-quarters of a length separated second and third. Time—1min. 13secs.

THE HORSE CHASE.—Rs. 199 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second, and Rs. 50 to the third. A handicap steeplechase for maiden horse. About 2½ miles over the S. C. C.

Mr. Bromilow's Battleaxe, 11st. ... — Owner 1
Mr. Robertson's Ryong, 13st. ... — Mr. Charrington 2
Mr. Bryant's Reforms, 11st. (car. 11st. 4lbs.) ... ... — Owner 3
Mr. Young's Lahri, 10st. 7lbs. (car. 11st. 6lbs.) ... ... — Owner 0

Also ran: Ragtime II (fell); Simple Simon, 10-7 (car. 10-10); Steel Pen, 11-0 (car 11-4).

Captain Heseltine's Wait-a-Bit, 11st, was also shown on the card, but owing to the owner's accident, did not start.

BETTING: 2 to 1 on Reform, 2 to 1 agst. Ryong, 6 to 1 Steel Pen, 8 to 1 Battleaxe, 10 to 1 the others.

Won by two lengths; ten lengths separated second and third. Time—4mins. 46secs.

THE CONSOLATION PLATE.—Rs. 199 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second, and Rs. 50 to the third. A handicap for ponies that have run at the meeting and not won. ½ mile.

Messrs. Wilson and Jolliffe's Lady Knight, 10st. 7lbs. ... ... — Shib Singh 1
Mr. Macleod's Dainty Lady, 9st. ...Abdul Kareem 2
Capt. Fail's Glenlea, 9st. 7lbs. ... — Owner 3
Col. Berryman's Mignon, 9st. 10lbs. ... — Mr. McCall 0

Also ran: Esslemont, 9-0; Small Scotch, 8-0; Silver II., 9-4; Wild Rose, 9-0; Dolly, 6-5 (car. 9-4).

BETTING: 2 to 1 on Glenlea, 6 to 4 agst. Lady Knight, 4 to 1 Mignon, 5 to 1 each Esslemont and Wild Rose, 10 to 1 the others.

Won by half a length; a similar distance separated second and third.

SECUNDERABAD RACES.

STEWARDS:

BRIGR.-GENL. G. F. FRANCIS. | MAJ. A. A. JONES, 20th D.H.
COL. R. D. VIZARD, Manchester Regiment. | MAJ. A. H. M. TAYLOR, D.S.O., 13th Hussars.
LT.-COL. AFSUR-UL-MULK, BDR, C.I.E., M.V.O., A.-D.-C. | HUGH GOUGH, ESQ.

Handicapper :—HUGH GOUGH, ESQ.
Starter :—F. C. CRAWFORD, ESQ.
Honorary Secretary :—CAPTAIN H. H. TUDOR, R.H.A.

First Day, Tuesday, 26th February 1907.

THE meeting, held on the Laik—ud-Dowlah Course, opened auspiciously to-day. The weather was good enough though hot and the sport provided, though its leading features were upsets, was appreciated by the fairly large gathering present. Appended are details:—

THE SCURRY.—Rs. 150 to winner; second receives Rs. 30 and third Rs. 20. For Arab and C.-B. *bonâ fide* polo ponies 14-1 and under. 3 furlongs.

Mr. Tayleur's b a h Whiteface, 10st. 4lbs. — Capt. Tudor 1
Mr. Bomford's br cb g Peter Pan, 9st. 5lbs. — Pte. Wilson 2
Mr. Mowbray's ch a h Young Prince, 8st. 11lbs. ... ... — King 3

Also ran: Hailfellow, 10-10; Comely, 10-6, and Abdul, 9-9.

BETTING: Evens Whiteface, 3 to 1 agst. Hailfellow and Peter Pan, 6 to 1 Young Prince and 10 to 1 each Comely and Abdul.

Won by two lengths; half a length between second and third. Time—41⅕secs.

JUMPER PLATE.—Rs. 150 to winner; second receives Rs. 30 and third Rs. 20. For horses. 6 furlongs.

Mr. Willoughby's b w g The Moachim, 11st. 3lbs. ... ... — Owner 1
Capt. Hodgkinson's br w g Tappington, 11st. 3lbs. ... ... — Owner 2
Mr. Newton's b w g George, 11st. 3lbs. ... Capt. Jackson 3

BETTING: 2 to 1 on Tappington and 5 to 1 agst. the others.

Won by three lengths; bad third. Time—1 min. 20⅕secs.

SALAMUT PURSE.—Rs. 150 to winner, second receives Rs. 30 and third Rs. 20. For maiden ponies 14-1 and under. 4 furlongs.

Mr. Robinson's Frenchwoman, 10st. 3lbs.... — Mr. Eve 1
Capt. Jackson's b a g Hailfellow 2
Mr. Rees' br e g Fizzer, 9st. 11lbs. ... Corpl. Harvey 0

Also ran: Ethel Hastings, 10-0, and Seamew, 8-3.

BETTING: Evens Ethel Hastings, 2 to 1 each agst. Hailfellow and Seamew, 4 to 1 Fizzer and 20 to 1 Frenchwoman.

Won by a quarter length; half length divided second and third. Time—56secs.

ARABIAN PLATE.—Rs. 150 to winner; second receives Rs. 30 and third Rs. 20. For Arabs.

Capt. Bayley's ch a g Shikari, 9st. 11lbs.... — Owner 1
Mr. Geddere Fisher's b a h Playboy, 10st. 10lbs....Capt. Tudor 2
Capt. Jackson's g a g Paddy, 9st. 4lbs. ... — Owner 3

Also ran: Baronet, 11-7, Surban 10-10 and Borealis, 10-0

BETTING: 2 to 1 on Surban and Shikarri, 3 to 1 each Playboy and Borealis and 10 to 1 Baronet and Paddy.

Won by two lengths; three lengths between second and third. Time—1min. 42secs.

MILITARY PURSE.—Rs. 150 to winner; second receives Rs. 30 and third Rs. 20. For *bona fide* chargers. 5 furlongs.

Capt. Marchant's b w g Barenose, 11st. 3lbs. ... ... — Capt. Tudor 1
Mr. J. G. Willoughboy's ch w g Scandal 10st. 7lbs. ... ... — Owner 2
Major Jones' b cb g Leader, 7st. 13lbs. ... — Sidic Umur 3

Also ran: Falstaff 10st. 7lbs.

BETTING: 2 to 1 on Barenose, 2 to 1 agst Leader, 3 to 1 Falstaff and 4 to 1 Scandal.

Won by one and a half lengths; three lengths between second and third. Time—1 min. 6 4/5 secs.

WELCOME PLATE.—Rs. 150 to winner; second receives Rs. 30 and third Rs. 20. For Arabs 14-1 and under. 4 furlongs.

Mr. Tayleur's b a h Whiteface, 11st. 7lbs.... — Capt. Tudor 1
Capt Jackson's b a g Mac 7st. 2lbs. ... — Owner 2
Mr. Hodgson's g a g Seamew, 10st. 3lbs....Mr. Robertson 3

Also ran:—Saimoo 10st. 3lbs.

BETTING: 2 to 1 on Whiteface, 2 to 1 agst Mac and 8 to each Saimoo and Mac.

Won by one length; two and a half lengths between second, and third Time—56secs.

Second Day, Thursday, 28th February 1907.

A bigger gallery watched the racing to-day; the same conditions prevailing and the layers of odds had the best of it. On the first day there was a successful objection lodged against Fizzer, who ran second in the Salammut Plate: the place was given to Hailfellow who finished third. Details:—

BEGINNERS' PLATE.—Value Rs. 150 to winner, second receiving Rs. 30 and third Rs. 20. For Arabs, 14-1 and under. 3 furlongs.

Mr. Hodgson's Seamew, 10st. — ... — Capt. Tudor 1
Capt Jackson's Mac, 9st. 5½lbs. — ... — Owner 2
Mr. Eve's Parvo, 10st. 3lbs. — ... — Owner 3

Also ran: Nalbund, 11st. 7lbs; Saimoo, 10st. 3lbs.

Won by a length; a quarter of a length divided second and third. Time 43 4/5secs.

BETTING: 3 to 1 agst. Seamew; 3 to 1 each Parvo and Mac 4 to 1 Nalbund; 6 to 1 Saimoo.

JITMUTLA PLATE.—Value Rs. 150 to the winner; second Rs. 30; third Rs. 20. Arab ponies 14-1 and under. 5 furlongs.

Capt. Jackson's Hailfellow, 11st. 11lbs.... — Capt. Tudor 1
Mr. Jeddere Fisher's Playboy, 11st. 7lbs. — Capt. Hodgkinson 2
Capt. Bailey's Shikari, 11st. 2lb. ... — Owner 3

Also ran: Borealis, 10st. 6lb.

Won by four lengths; length divided second and third. Time—1min. 11secs.

BETTING: Evens Hailfellow; 6 to 4 agst. Shikari; 5 to 1 Playboy; 10 to 1 Borealis.

POLO HANDICAP.—Value Rs. 150 to the winner; second receiving Rs. 30; third, Rs. 20. A handicap for Australian and C.B. ponies 14-1 and under. 3 furlongs.

Capt. Henly Hutchinson's Comely, 8st. 10lbs.... — Pte Wilson 1
Mr. Mowbray's Quick Step, 8st. 10lb. — ..Capt. Tudor 2
Mr. Robinson's French Woman, 11st. — ... Mr. Eve 3

Won by a head; one and a half length between second and third. Time—42secs.

BETTING: 6 to 4 agst. Quick Step; 3 to 1 the others.

THE OPEN SPRINT.—Value Rs. 150 to the winner; second receiving Rs. 30; third, Rs. 20. For all ponies 14 hands and under. 3 furlongs.

Mr. Mowbray's Young Prince, 8st. 9lb. ... — 1
Mr. Rees' Fizzer, 10st. — ... — Capt. Harvey 2
Mr. Nazir Beg's Investment, 11st. 7lbs. ... — Pearson 3

Also ran: Parvo, 8st. 2lbs.; Shikari, 9st. 9lbs.

Won by three lengths with two lengths between Fizzer and Young Prince. Time—41⅕secs.

BETTING: Evens Investment, 4 to 1 Fizzer and Young Prince; 3 to 1 Shikari; 10 to 1 Parvo.

An objection being lodged against Investment for carrying short weight the race went to Young Prince.

THE DECCAN HANDICAP.—Value Rs. 150 to the winner, second receiving Rs. 30 and third Rs. 20. A handicap for horses. 5 furlongs.

Major Jones' Leader, 7st. 9lbs. — ... — Sidi Kumer 1
Mr. Willoughby's Scandal, 11st. 3lbs. — ... — Owner 2
Capt. Hodgkinson's Tappington, 11st. — ... — Owner 3

Also ran: Falstaff, 9st. 7lb.; Bridlemere, 8st. 9lbs.

Won by one and a half length to spare; half a length divided the other two. Time—1min. 6secs.

BETTING: 2 to 1 Scandal; 4 to 1 each Tappington and Leader; 6 to 1 Bridlemere.

THE LILLIPUTIAN STAKES.—Value Rs. 150 to the winner, second receiving Rs. 30 and third Rs. 20. For Arab ponies 14 hands and under. 4 furlongs.

Mr. Hodgson's Seamew, 11st. 8lb. ... — Capt. Tudor 1
Mr. Mowbray's Young Prince, 11st. 2lb. — Driver Kelly 2
Capt. Jackson's Mac, 10st. ... — Owner 3

Won by a head with Mac barely half a length behind. Time—55 2/5secs.

BETTING: Evens Seamew and Mac; 10 to 1 Young Prince.

BANGALORE GYMKHANA RACES.

At a Gymkhana race, meeting held in Bangalore on the last day of February, there was some fairly good fun, principally due to lotteries at the United Service Club the night before. A native book maker was present, and there was always a totalisator. The attendance was somewhat poor, but the Gunners were "At Home" and it was a pleasant tittle function. Results of the racing:—

THE ARAB POLO SCURRY.—3 furlongs.

Captain J. B. Walker's ch a h Dus 11st ... — Capt: Palmer 1
Mr. L. A. D. Naper's b a g Grand Slam 10st. 12lbs ... ... — Owner 2
Mr. A. E. H. Fetherstonhaugh's g a g Corporal 10st 12lbs ... ... — Owner 3

BETTING:—5 to 2 on Das, Evens Burra Slam and 2 to 1 against Corporal. (In the lotteries, Dus sole for Rs. 130, Grand Slam for Rs. 45 and corporal for Rs. 20. Won easily. Time—47 seconds.

THE POLE SCURRY.—3 Furlongs.

Major E. J. Tickell ch aus m Dainity, 10 st — Owner 1
Mr. H. T. Walker's b. aus. m. wakeful. 12st 7lbs owner 2
Capt I. B. walker's b. S. af. 9 Tom Tucker 11st. ... ... — Ccapt Palmer: 3
Mr. M. K. Hodgson's br n. tea. m. Eog. 10st m Douglas 0

BETTING: 2 to 1 on Wakeful evens Tom Tucker, 4 to 1 against Dainty and 5 to 1 Eve. In the lotteries, Wakeful sold for Rs. 170, Tom Tucker for Rs. 105, Dainty for Rs. 25 and Eve for Rs. 15.

Dainty got a bit the best of the start and won after a close race by three quarters of a length, Time.—44 3-5 secs.

THEFEBRUARY CHASE.—S. C. A handicap for horses 2 miles.

Mr P. Hannygton's bausg Advance, 11st. 7lbs ... . — Owner 1
Mr. L. C. Trelawney's hc aus m Crenia, 10st. — Owner 2
Mr. H. T. Walker's b aue g Max10st. — Owner 3

BETTING: 4 to 1 on advance, 2 to 1 against. Crenia and 3 to 1 against Max.

In the lotteries Advance sold for Rs. 145, Creina for Rs. 20 and Max for Rs. 15.

Won after a good race by a length and a half, bad third. Time—4 mins. 29 1-5 secs.

THE PONY HURDLES.—1 mile.

Major R. H. Hayes' ch aus g K. C. S. I. 11st 7lbs. ... ... — Mr. Burmester w. o.

THE TYRO STAKES.—For ponies which have never won a Gymkhana or other race ¼ mile.

Mr. E. J. Bridges' b aus m Lady, 12st. — Owner 1
Capt. A. L. Palmer's ch am g Jack, 12st — Owner 2

Major E. J. Tickell's ch saf g Intombi, 13st Owner 3
Mr. M. K. Hodgson's g ch. g. P. P., 12st Owner 0
30th Lancers g a h. Commander, 10st 7lbs. ... . Capt. Muspratt 0

BETTING : Evens Lady, 2 to 1 against, Intombi or Jack, 3 to 1 Commander and 5 to 1 P. P. In the lotteries, Jack sold for Rs. 40, Intombi for Rs 35, Lady for Rs. 30, Commander for Rs. 25 P. P. for Rs. 10. Won easily by three lengths; two length between second and third. Time —1min. 45 secs.

THE MATAGIRI PLATE. 6 furlongs. Hundicap for charges,s
Major R. H. Hayes, chaus G. K. C. S. I., 9st 12lbs ... ... Mr. Burmester 1
Mr. T. C King's ch aus G. Ginger 10st 11 lbs ... ... Owner 2
Mr. G. K Mason's b aus m Conondrum 11st 4lbs ... ... Owner 3
Mr. V. E. Mocatta's ch aus g Frenchman 10st 8lbs. ... ... Mr. Fethers toxhaugh 0
Mr. J. D. Belgrave' sch aus g Rufus 10 st 7lb ... ... Mr. Pile 0
Mr. F. E. Hunt's bk aus g Christy Minstrel 11st. ... ... Mr. Walker 0

BEATING : 2 to 1 on K. C. S. I. evens Gingers 2 to 1 against Christy Minstrel, 5 to 2 Frenchman, 4 to 1 Rufus, and5 to 1 Conundrum.

In the lotteries Ginger sold for Rs 15, Frenchmanfor Rs. 35, Rufus, for Rs. 20, Conundrum, Rs 5, Christy Minstrel, Rs. 25 and K. C. S. I.,Rs. 110.

Won in a canter by seven lengths, three lengths between second and third. Time—1 min. 32 3-5 secs.

THE DESERT STAKES.—Handicap for Arab ponies I mile.
Mr. D. M. Patrickson's g a g St Martin, 10st.7lbs. ... ... Captain. Heyland 1
Mr. J. D. B, elgrave's g a g Nubia, 10st.,12lbs. Mr. Burmester 2
Mr. J. Douglas' b a h The Slug, 10st, Owner 3

BETTING: 2 to 1 on St Martin, evens Nubia and 5 to 2 against. The Slug. In the lotteries, Nubia sold for Rs. 45, St. Martin for Rs. 185 and The Slug for Rs. 15.

Won anyhow by four lengths, three lengths between second and third. Time—2 mins. 11 1-5 sec.

Races to Come.

PROGRAMME OF THE MYSORE RACES 1907-08.

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First Day,—Tuesday, 25th June.
Second Day,—Thursday, 27th June.
Third Day,—Saturday, 29th June.
Under C. T. C. Rules of Racing.

First Day, Tuesday, 25th June 1907.

THE ARAB PLATE.—RS. 1,200. Of which the second horse will receive Rs. 200 and the third Rs. 100. For Arab horses, which have not won a flat race of the value of Rs. 900 or over since 31st March 1905, W. A. reduced 7lbs. Penalties—Winner, since 31st March 1905, of a flat race, value Rs. 200 or over, once 4lbs.; twice 7lbs.; three times or oftener 10lbs. Allowances—Horses which have not won a flat race of the value of Rs. 150 or over since 31st March, 1905, 7lbs. Entrance—15th April, Rs. 25; 15th May, Rs. 35; 15th June (when the race will close) Rs. 45, with Rs. 20 more if not struck out before 8 P.M., on Saturday, 22nd June 1907. Distance—1 mile.

THE MACINTIRE PLATE.—Rs. 1,200. Of which the second horse will receive Rs. 200 and the third Rs. 100. For horses which have not won a flat race of the value of Rs. 500 or over since 31st March 1905, W. A. and C. Penalties—Winner, since 31st March 1905, of a flat race, value Rs. 150 or over, once 4lbs.; twice 7lbs.; three times or oftener 10lbs. Allowances—Horses that have not won a flat race of the value of Rs. 150 or over, since 31st March 1905, 7lbs. Distance—6 furlongs. Entrance—15th April, Rs. 25; 15th May. Rs. 35; 15th June (when the race will close) Rs. 45, with Rs. 20 more if not struck out before 8 P.M., on Saturday, 22nd June 1907.

THE FARM PLATE.—Rs. 1,000. Of which the second horse will receive Rs. 200 and the third Rs. 100. For country-bred horses which have not won flat races of the value of Rs. 50 or over amounting in the aggregate to Rs. 2,000 or over since 31st March 1905, W. A. reduced 7lbs. Penalties—Winner, since 31st March 1905, of a flat race value Rs. 200 or over, once 4lbs.; twice 7lbs.; three times or oftener 10lbs. Distance—4 furlongs. Entrance —15th April, Rs. 20; 15th May, Rs. 30; 15th June (when the race will close) Rs. 40, with Rs. 20 more if not struck out before 8 P M., on Saturday, 22nd June 1907.

THE MEDIUM PLATE.—Rs. 1,000. Rs. 500 presented by M. Kantharaj Urs, Esq., with Rs. 500 added from the Fund, of which the second pony will receive Rs. 100. A high-weight handicap for ponies. Distance—4 furlongs.
Entrance—15th April, Rs. 20; 15th May, Rs. 30; 15th June (when the race will close) Rs. 40, with Rs. 20 more if not struck out before 8 P. M., on Saturday, 22nd June 1907

THE LILLIPUT PLATE.—Rs. 1,000. Of which the second pony will receive Rs. 100. A handicap for Arab ponies 14-1 and under, which have not won a flat race of the value of Rs. 1,000 or over since 31st March 1905, 14-1 to carry 9st. 12lbs. W. I. Penalties—Winner, since 31st March 1905, of a flat race, value Rs. 500 or over, once 4lbs.; twice 7lbs.; three times or oftener 10lbs. Allowances—Ponies that have not won a flat race of the value of Rs. 150 or over since 31st March 1905, 7lbs. Distance—5 furlongs. Entrance—15th April, Rs. 20; 15th May, Rs. 30; 15th June (when the race will close) Rs. 40, with Rs. 20 more if not struck out before 8 P. M., on Saturday, 22nd June 1907.

Second Day|Thursday, 27th June 1907.

H. H. THE MYSORE MAHARAJA'S CUP.—Rs. 3,000 Of which the second horse will receive Rs. 300 and the third Rs. 200. A Cup of the value of Rs. 500 presented by H. H. The Maharaja of Mysore will also be given to the winner. A handicap for horses. Distance—1¼ miles. Entrance—15th April, Rs. 60; 15th May, Rs. 90; 15th June (when the race will close) Rs. 120, with Rs. 60 more if not struck out before 8 P. M., on Tuesday, 25th June 1907.

THE STEWARDS' PLATE.—Rs. 1,200. Of which the second pony will receive Rs. 200 and the third Rs. 100. A handicap for Arab ponies 14-1 and under. Distance—6 urlongs. Entrance—15th April, Rs. 25; 15th May. Rs. 35; 15th June (when the race will close) Rs. 45, with Rs. 20 more if not struck out before 8 P M., on Tuesday, 25th June 1907.

THE BIRTHDAY CUP.—Rs. 1,500. Of which the second horse will receive Rs. 200 and the third Rs. 100. A handicap for horses Distance—5 furlongs. Entrance—15th April, Rs. 30; 15th May, Rs. 45; 15thJune (when the race will close) Rs. 60, with Rs. 25 more if not struck out befor 8 P.M., on Tuesday, 25th June 1907.

THE MYSORE SERVICE PLATE.—Rs. 1,200. Of which the second horse will receive Rs. 200 and the third Rs. 100. A handicap for Arab horses. Entrance—15th April, Rs. 25; 15th May, Rs. 35; 15th June (when the race will close) Rs. 45, with Rs. 20 more if not struck out before 8 P.M., on Tuesday, 25th June 1907. Distance—1¼ miles.

THE STABLE CUP.—Rs. 1,000. Of which the second pony will receive Rs. 200 and the third Rs. 100. A handicap for ponies 14-2 and under. Distance.—6 furlongs. Entrance—15th April, Rs. 20; 15th May, Rs. 30; 15th June (when the race will close) Rs. 40, with Rs. 20 more if not struck out before 8 P.M., on Tuesday, 25th June 1907.

THE COUNTRY PLATE.—Rs. 1,000. Of which the second horse will receive Rs. 200 and the third Rs. 100 A handicap for country-bred horses. Distance—6 furlongs. Entrance—15th April, Rs. 20; 15th May, Rs. 30; 15th June (when the race will close) Rs. 40, with Rs. 20 more if not struck out before 8 P.M., on Tuesday, 25th June 1907.

Third Day, Saturday, 29th June 1907.

THE ARAB HANDICAP.—Rs. 1,000. Of which the second horse will receive Rs. 200 and the third Rs. 100. A handicap for Arab horses. Distance—9 furlongs Entrance—15th April, Rs. 20; 15th May, Rs. 30; 15th June (when the race will close) Rs. 40, with Rs. 20 more if not struck out before 8 P.M., on Thursday, 27th June 1907.

THE DEWAN'S PLATE.—Rs. 1,200. Of which the second horse will receive Rs. 200 and the third Rs. 100. Rs. 500 presented by V. P. Madhava Rao, Esq., C.I.E., Dewan of Mysore, and Rs. 700 added from the Fund. A handicap for country-bred horses. Distance—1 mile. Entrance—15th April, Rs. 25; 15th May, Rs. 35; 15th June (when the race will close) Rs. 45, with Rs. 20 more if not struck out before 8 P.M., on Thursday, 27th June 1907.

THE ROYAL PURSE.—Rs. 1,200. Of which the second pony will receive Rs. 200 and the third Rs. 100. A handicap for ponies. Entrance—15th April, Rs. 25, 15th May, Rs. 35; 15th June (when the race will close) Rs. 45, with Rs. 20 more if not struck out before 8 P.M., on Thursday, 27th June 1907. Distance—1 mile.

THE PALACE CUP.—Rs. 1,200. Of which the second horse will receive Rs. 200 and the third Rs. 100. A handicap for horses. Distance—1 mile. Entrance—15th April, Rs. 25; 15th May, Rs. 35; 15th June (when the race will close) Rs. 45, with Rs. 20 more if not struck out before 8 P. M., on Thursday, 27 June 1907.

THE CHAMUNDI PLATE.—Rs. 1,200. Of which the second pony will receive Rs. 200 and the third Rs. 100. A handicap for Arab ponies 14-1 and under. Distance—1 mile. Entrance—15th April, Rs. 25; 15th May, Rs. 35; 15th June (when the race will close) Rs. 45, with Rs. 20 more if not struck out before 8 P. M., on Thursday, 27th June 1907.

An extra race will be provided each day if sufficient inducement offers.

GENORAL CONDITIONS.

1. A Course Fee of Rs. 10 will be charged for every horse or pony started or trained on the course between 1st May and the end of the meeting.
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3. The full advertised money will be given in every race except in the case of a walk-over when only half the advertised money will be given according to Rule 140.
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9. Mares and geldings will be allowed 3lbs. in all races except handicaps and selling races.
10. Certificates of height and age of the C.T.C., and W.I.T.C., and Local Stewards (under Rule 39) will alone be accepted. Ponies holding certificates prior to 31st March 1899 will be penalised 7lbs. unless otherwise specified. Handicaps excepted.
11. Handicaps will be published at 8 A. M. the day before the race.
12. Starting declarations accompanied by the jockey's fee for a losing mount if not already paid must be placed in the box kept for that purpose at the Race Stand by *noon* the same day.
13. All telegrams must be confirmed by letter in accordance with Rule 54.

NOTICE.

1. Ten per cent. of Lotteries, Totalizator, etc., to go to the Fund.
2. All communications to be addressed to the Secretary Mysore Races, Richmond Road, Bangalore.

H. DONNE,
Secretary.

*Old measurement means, ponies measured previous to 31st March 1899. New measurement means, ponies measured subsequent to 31st March, 1899.

Hunting.

THE MADRAS HUNT.

THIS week, owing to Sunday being the day after the Hunt Races, and also after the Hunt Dinner, the usual meet was postponed until Monday. The meet was at St. Thomas's Mount and there was a fairly large field out, in spite of the very small contingent from Madras, for the gunners at the Mount are always keen sportsmen and as they had only just got back from the camp at Bisandra, they turned out in full force. At this time of the year, when the day grows hot so soon, an early find is essential if we are to have any sport at all, and so Sheepshead Covert had been baited a little for the previous day or two. This precaution met with full success, for hardly had hounds been put into the covert than they opened on a line and a big grey jack went away up the river bank, without keeping us waiting a minute. He ran as far as the prickly-pear patch about half a mile up the bank and then swung round and went back into Sheepshead, but he was a staunch beast and showed no desire to stay there. After a ring round the covert he crossed the river and ran over the open country, making in the direction of the Poonamallee Road. He kept handing, however, a little to the right and after giving us a most enjoyable gallop over somewhat hard but otherwise perfect country he crossed the river again and went into Scavenger Covert. From there he went down as far as the Poonamallee Road, back again towards the Mount, over the river and back by nearly the same line as he had come into Sheepshead. Here he went through most of his manœuvres all over again, recrossing the river and going back to Scavenger. Hounds were running very fast up to this, but scent was now growing bad and in Scavenger Covert they were frequently at fault. After a great deal of slow hunting they were still sticking to the jack and he again crossed the river and retraced his way to Sheepshead. The ground between these two coverts is dry and gravelly and on this, the fourth journey across it, there was ample evidence that scent was failing as the sun got higher and at last hounds were brought to their noses. They hunted splendidly, however, carrying the line right through Sheepshead Covert out at the Pallavaram end and then, very slowly, across the open ground to the Pallavaram Road. They held the line across the road, but could only speak to it now and then and at last left it for good at the railway line.

The jack had proved himself an unusually good one and fairly beat hounds, running them clean out of scent. The run lasted for an hour and a quarter and every hound worked well. The weather is now getting hot for hunting and the last meet of the season will take place on Sunday next, last Thursday's meet having been abandoned on account of the hard day hounds had had on Monday.

B. B. B.

MADRAS HUNT RACES.

This is the first time in the long history of the Madras Hunt that there have been cross country races for hunters at the end of this season. Three cups were offered for competition and the races were held on Saturday, proving a great success. The country round the city is excellent for real point to point racing, as there is generally ample room for difference of opinion as to the shortest way between any two points, and though the country is rough and often cramped it is very sporting

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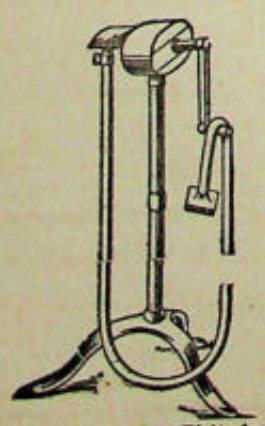

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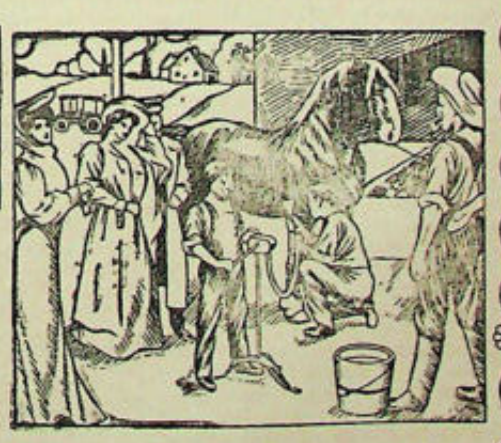

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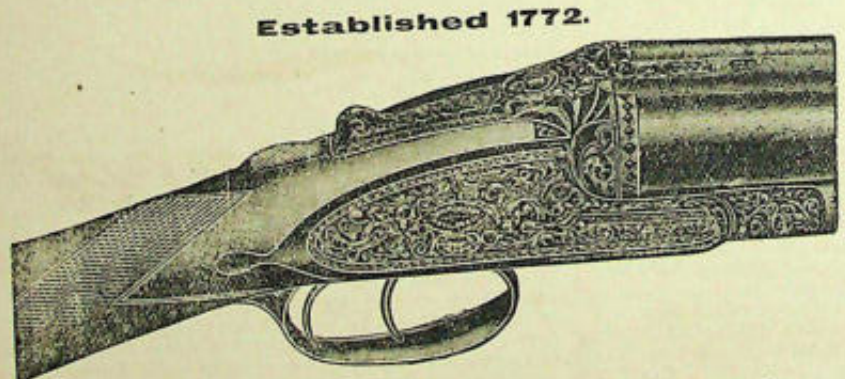

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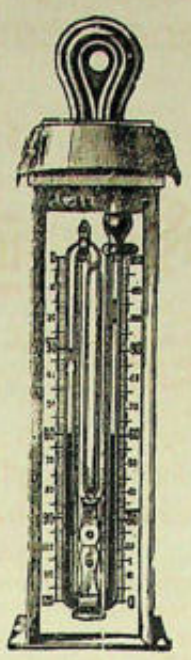

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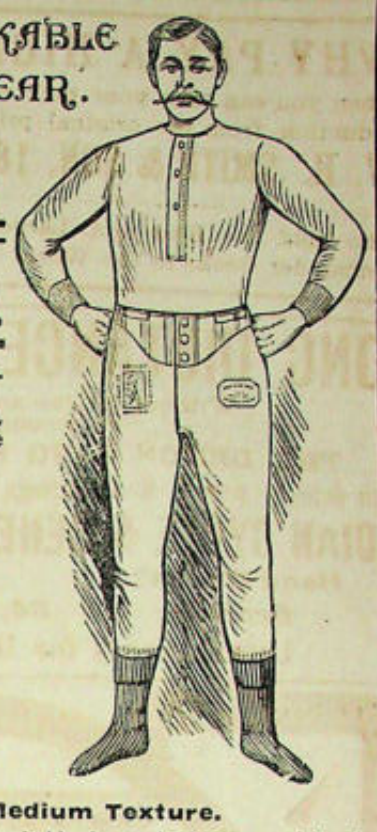

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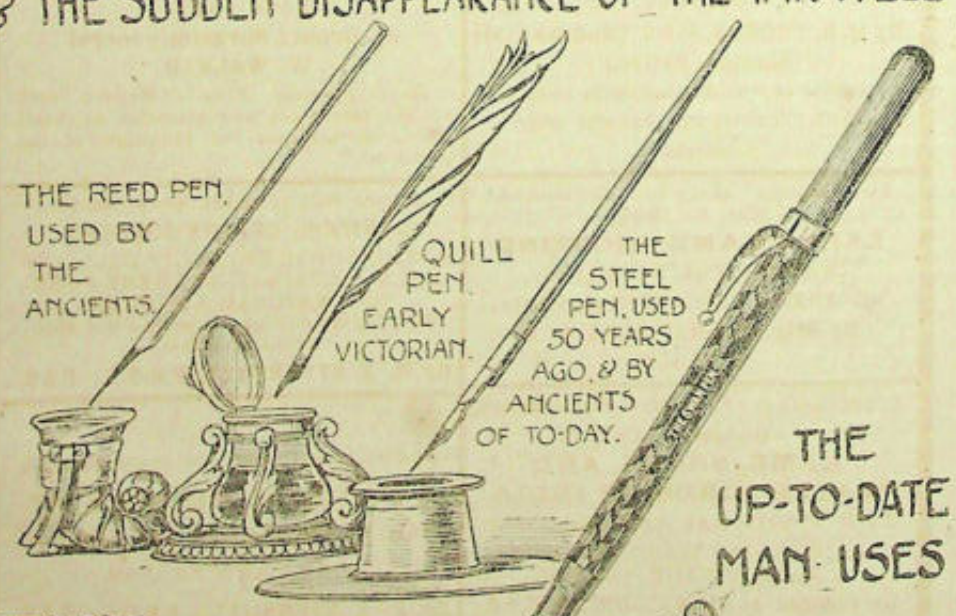

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and to get over any long stretch of it at a fast pace is a real test of both horse and rider. This was all very well for the competitors on Saturday, and they had a good time all round, but the spectators had great difficulty in seeing anything of the races, the finish on the south bank of the Adyar being particularly bad in this respect. It was fixed at a spot opposite the Adyar Club and for half a mile in any direction the country was very difficult. Practically all that the spectators could see of the finish was the final scramble through heavy sand to the flags. The courses for the Masters Cup for horses and the Hon'ble Mr. Justice Miller's Cup for ponies were laid the Master and Mr. H. A. B. Vernon, the Hunt Secretary, laid it for the Ladies Cup. All three were sporting and fair specimens of Madras hunting country.

Two out of the three races resulted in complete surprises, Mr. Spinks, riding over country completely strange to him, winning the Master's Cup on Major Thomas' Narraghmore, and the Zemindar of Kavalpara, a minor of the Court of Wards, coming in first in the Pony Cup. This latter race was a curious one. All the riders went at least a mile, and probably much more further round than they need have done and crossed the Adyar river twice, when there was no necessity to cross it at all! The winner thoroughly deserved his victory. The Ladies' Race was won by Mr. Horne, on Black Prince, but was marred by an unfortunate accident to Mrs. Giffard, whose horse came a cropper over a bund. She was severely bruised and shaken, but it is understood that no bones were broken and that she is doing well.

After the races, Mrs. Horne, wife of the popular Master, was "At Home" at the Adyar Club, and the cups were presented to the winners by Mrs. Yorke. The annual Hunt Dinner was held in the evening.

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THE KARACHI HUNT.

The heavy rain we have experienced during the month has interfered a good deal with the hunting of late and several meets have in consequence been cancelled. The hounds, however, have shown capital sport, and the going, though a bit heavy in places, has been good. We had a magnificent run of just over an hour on 7th February, when the hounds killed in the open near Noonan's Ruck. The hounds met near the Hunter's Pool on the Schwan Road. Mrs. Graham, Mrs. Travers, Mrs. Northen and Miss Bayley were out, and going well over some very difficult country we had to negotiate. Drawing along the Pinjrapol Bund the hounds owned to a scent in the scrub, just beyond the ploughed fields and raced through the Pinjrapol gap on to the Supura Pass. Here they got rather scattered, owing to the field pressing on to them too closely, but a slight check brought them together again. The hounds after hunting magnificently and maintaining the scent over very difficult rocky country, eventually pushed their jack out on to the Supura Plain. A fresh fox jumped up and crossed the line but the hounds held on, and eventually killed in the open near Noonan's Ruck, a point of roughly 8 miles from the meet.

On 12th February the hounds met at the Garden Crossing at 5 o'clock afternoon. A large field, including Mrs. Graham, Mrs. Travers, Mrs. Northen, Mrs. Anderson, the Commissioner, General Smith Dorrien, Mr. Lucas and others turned out to participate in tea and other light refreshments kindly provided by Mrs. Graham, before undertaking the more arduous duties of being photographed and hunting.

The Master took the hounds beyond Sher Ali's village before drawing. We found in one of the newly-planted coverts, and the hounds ran strongly towards Rai Singh's Well. Here we crossed the Maggir Pir Road and went on through the khets beyond to the Bund country. On nearing the Ruined Cottage the jack turned sharp left and we lost him eventually in the Long Bund after a run of 30 minutes. It was very hot and it was a marvel to every one that the hounds did so well.

On 17th February we met near the Pinjrapol (as the going over Lyari was too heavy) in hopes of finding a hill jack. The Master had 10½ couples out looking the picture of health and keenness. Mrs. Graham and Mrs. Travers were the only ladies out, but we were glad to see the Commissioner out, and also Mr. Lucas, who led the field throughout in great style over good bit of rather difficult hunting country. The hounds found near the bund and with a breast high scent ran a tremendous pace towards Oomer Dosal's Khete. But before reaching it they swung to the left towards the river and we found ourselves with endless nullahs to cross and some very heavy going to negotiate. The jack got down to the river bed and tried to cross, but he thought better of it, and turning he ran back towards the Pinjrapol fields. The hounds pulled him down on the Schwan Road after a fast run of just over 30 minutes He was a fine old dog jack. Drawing again, we hit off a line near Oomer Dosal's Khets. After a sharp burst of 10 minutes, the hounds ran into a jack, who was trying to take cover in a nullah. It was a nice cool morning, and so the Master determined to draw the Thull Nullah, but owing to the recent rains, there was too much water about and it was too damp. We found again near Hyona Hill on our way back and had a short run, but without killing.

On 21st February the hounds met at the Bunnia's Crossing at 7-15 A.M. It promised to be a good scenting morning, and so it proved to be. After drawing blank the Orchards on the far bank and the Guavas the Master cast along Rai Singh's Bund. There the hounds owned to a line and we had a capital run, lasting about 35 minutes, before the hounds run their quarry to ground in the Maggir Pir Hills. But it was only a shallow earth and the Master soon had him out. On the way home we drew along the Long Bund and got away on a nice scent. But on nearing Graham's Spinney, the hounds overran the line and were at fault. A short cast in the direction of the White House apparently put them right, but they were at fault again at once. Mr. Graham was taking them back to draw the Spinney again, when our jack was viewed away on the far side. The hounds, running from scent to view, were soon on terms with him and accounted for him near the nullah.

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The Pony Cup.

The course for the Pony Cup was laid from a start on the Red Road by the Old Man's Crossing to a finish close to the Ladies' Wall. The going was cramped for the greater part of the distance, but a splendid gallop over the last mile of the course should have been enough to satisfy those who like open courses. Messrs. Deakin and Bell-Irving laid the paper and after the seven competitors had been weighed out a start was made. The list of weights and riders was as follows:—

Mr. C. W. Ritson on Geebung	14 0½	10st. 13lbs.
Mr. D. Forster on Josephus	14 1	11st. 2lbs.
Mr. C. G. Maude on Mist	14 1	11st. 2lbs.
Capt. Holden on Pathfinder II.	14 1½	11st. 11lbs.
Mr. F. Buckland on Blazes	14 1	11st. 2lbs.
Mr. N. Macdonell on Zig Zag	14	lbs.
Mr. R. Pugh on Mistlebird	14 0½	10st. 7lbs.

Geebung led out with Pathfinder next. Mistlebird hit the first wall very hard and never seemed to get going again throughout the race. Before the Mulla Hât Road was reached both Mist and, Blazes had lost their riders, and Pathfinder soon after went to the head of affairs. Captain Holden negotiated all the awkward turnings of the next mile successfully, followed by Geebung, Mistlebird, Zig Zag and Josephus. Coming up to the Ladies Wall Geebung made his effort and actually led for some distance, but when the finish hove in sight Captain Holden set his pony going in earnest and the issue was never for a moment in doubt. Going on he won comfortably from Geebung, who nearly dislodged his rider at the last hurdle, and Mistlebird was a bad third.

Next came the Horse Chase, for which the field was sadly depleted owing to the Hunters' Race in the afternoon. Messrs. Evers and Rees had a final duel however, and raced each other all the way followed at a respectful distance by Mr. Pauntley on a new bay horse and Captain Fitzgerald on Fermoy and Mr. Pierson on Lady Fox. After a great finish Mr. Rees managed to beat Cain, and the rest followed at intervals in the following order:—

1. Mr. Rees on Turk
2. Mr. Evers on Cain
3. Mr. Pauntley on Ledbury
4. Capt. Fitzgerald on Fermoy
5. Mr. Pierson on Lady Fox
6. Mr. Webber on Bijli

followed by Mr. Dudley Myers on Sir Walter, Mr. Gresson on Kildare, Capt Holden on Lord Harry, etc.

The Paperchase Cup.

The big meet was held in the fields at the foot of the Bund Country where a shamiana had been pitched in which the Viceroy's Staff dispensed Chota Haziri after the race to all subscribers and their friends. Mr. Pauntley had laid a gallery course, bringing in the Bund Country early in the chase and running past the high bund on which the spectators gathered no less than three times before finally bringing it back again to finish alongside. Fourteen started seven light and seven heavy, and all completed the course, except two light weights, a fine performance over a five mile point with some fifteen or sixteen fences through rough and heavy going.

There was plenty of galloping country, but the jungle turns were mostly difficult in that they varied a trifle from the old and well known tracks. The leaders were off the paper three or four times during the chase, Mr. Ballantyne most unfortunately at the final and critical turn into the straight. Mr. Pauntley on Ledbery and Mr. Holmes on Nevermore laid the paper and Mr. Apostolides acted as Judge with Mr. Squire Walker at the Scales.

In the chase Mr. Evers led out from Corydon, Lord Harry, Jorrocks, Fairy and Trilby, and they ran in this order until Mr. Evers and Fairy got off the line by the new tank close to the Garia Hat Road. They were soon in position again, however, and running up to the Ladies' Wall for the last phase of the race Fairy went to the front while Lord Harry, Cain and Corydon lay handy. Fairy was still going great guns at the Tollygunge Lane when Mr. Ballantyne lost the paper and his saddle in a desperate effort to regain the trail through the trees. Coming into the open for the run home Lord Harry held a good lead of Cain and Captain Holden sat down to ride for home without more ado.

It was well he did so, for although Cain could only struggle in behind him that fine horse Corydon was still full of running and would have been a dangerous customer to tackle had the winner not slipped him as he did coming out of the last piece of jungle. Trilby ran fourth and Fairy remounted next, Ruddigore led the procession of very tired horses that followed. Lady Gold (Dr. Hossack) and Queen of Hearts (Mr. Pearson) did not finish, but the remaining twelve came along in this order:—

Lord Harry, Capt. Holden; Corydon Cr. Forsyth, Cain, Mr. Evers, Trilby Mr. Deakin, Fairy Mr. Ballantyne Ruddigore Mr. Halliday, Fermoy Fitzerald, Jorrocks Mr. Levetus, Toastrack Mr. Radmore, Bijli Capt. Webber, Sir Walter Mr. Myers, Ruby Mr. Tanner, Myrene Mr. Antram, Dona Mr. Ralli.

The Paperchase Dinner was held at the Saturday Club on Saturday evening when some seventy covers were laid. Dr. Forsyth in the Chair, was in great form and proposed the usual toasts with witty brevity. Mrs. Lamond Walker replied and was followed by Mr. Ballantyne, whose neat little speech was clearly heard. Capt. Holden spoke at some length and was very entertaining. Messrs. Myers, Stokes and Norman McLeod were the other speakers. It was announced from the Chair that Capt. Holden, and Dr. Forsyth, Mr. Robertson an Mr. Deakin had offered to present Cups for next season. All were agreed that the past season had been one of the pleasantest and most successful in the annals of Calcutta Paperchasing.

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SATURDAY, 2ND MARCH 1907

Appended are results of this meeting, comments on which will be found among our Athletic Notes to-day:—

AMATEUR EVENTS.

100 YARDS CHAMPIONSHIP.—1, R. T. Ross, Sitarampore; 2 W. E. Watts, Kanchrapara F. C. Won by a foot; same distance between second and third. Time—10 2-5Secs. Eight ran in the final heat.

300 YARDS HANDICAP.—1, R. T. Ross, Sitarampore, 15 yards; 2, G. A. Pybus, Caledonia A. C. 13 yards; 3. H. M. Sherman, Calcutta F. C, 2 yards. Won easily by eight yards; a foot between second and third. Time—33 Secs. Six ran.

HIGH JUMP.—1, W. A. Knyvett, Bengal Police (the only entrant) jumped 5 feet and returned the prize to the Association.

150 YARDS HANDICAP.—1, W. E. Watts. Kanchrapara F. C, 6 yards; 2, W. A. Knyvett, Bengal Police, scratch; 3, R. T. Ross, Sitarampore, 5 yards. Won by two yards; a foot between second and third. Time—15 Secs. Six ran in the final heat.

220 YARDS.— 1, Capt. T. E. Harty, R. A. M. C.; 2, A. E. Catchick, Armenian College; 3, J. G. Pybus., Caledonia A. C. Won easily by four yards; a yard between second and third. Time—24 1-5 Secs. Six ran.

PUTTING THE SHOT.—1, W. L. Curtis, 37ft. 8 in; 2, A. Roberts, Rangoon. Four competed.

120 YARDS HURDLES.—1, W. A. Knyvett, Bengal Police. penalised 20 yards; 2, J. G. Pybus, Caledonia A. C., penalised 5 yards. Won by a yard. Four ran in the final heat.

QUARTER MILE CHAMPIONSHIP.—1, Capt. T. E. Harty R.A.M.C., 2 C.B. Thompson, Jamalpore. Won easily by four yards Time—54 Secs ran.

HALF MILE.—1, C. G. Arthur, Glasgow Academicals; 2, J. Crabbe, Howrah, 3. H. Leigh, Calcutta Boys' School. Won by ten yards; three yards eteen second and third. Time—2mins. 12secs. Six ran.

BRITISH ARMY CHAMPIONSHIPS.

100 YARDS.—Lce. Corpl. G. Smith Devon Regt., Rangoon; 2, Pte H. Pratt, Wiltshire Regt., Umballa; 3. Lce. Corpl J. Bown Dorset Regt., Wellington. Won by a yard; half a yard between second and third. Time—10 2-5 secs. Eight ran in each preliminary heat, and Eight in the final.

440 YARDS.—1, Pte. H. Pratt. Wiltshire Regt., Umballa and. Lce. Corpt. G. Smith, Devonshire Regt, Rangoon, dead heat 3, Pte. W. Goulden, King's Regt., Nasirabad. The dead heaters were a yard in front of the third man. Time—53 3-5 secs. Seventeen ran.

600 YARDS.—1, Pte 5. Hunter. King's Royal Rifles, Jubbulpore 2, Lce. Corpt. F. S. Brown, Dorset Regt., Wellington; 3, Dmr. wln. Allan, Cheshire Regt. Madras. Won by a foot; half a yard between second and third. Time—1min 18 secs. Ten ran.

1,000 YARDS.—1, Pt. C. Chandler, Wiltshire Regt., Umballa; 2, Dmr. H. Branbrook, South Stafford Regt., Allahabad; 3, Pte. Cundy, Royal Dragoons, Lucknow. Won easily by twenty-five yards; four yards between second and third. Time—2min. 24secs. Seventeen ran.

ONE MILE.—Pte. C. Chandler, Wiltshire Regt., Umballa; 2 Pte. J Osborne, King's Royal Rifles, Jubbulpore; Pte., M. Cunningham, Royal Irish Regt., Rawalpindi. Won by eighteen yards; ten yards between second and third. Time—4min. 41 1 5 secs. Fourteen ran.

THREE MILES BICYCLE.—1, Pte. E. A., Fay, 10th Hussars, Rawalpindi; 2, Pte. J. Adshead, 10th Hussars, Rawalpindi; 3, Sergt. A. Biddulph, the Cameronians, Meerut. Won by about a quarter of a mile. Time—7mins. 42 3-5 secs. (Record for the B. P. A. A. A. track.) Five rode.

NATIVE ARMY CHAMPIONSHIPS.

100 YARDS.—1, Sepoy Mirza Khan, 91st Punjabis, Bhamo; 2, Sepoy Ujagar Singh and Sepoy Imam Din, 93rd Burma Infantry, Mandalay, dead heat. Won by two yards; a yard between second and third. Time,—10 4-5 secs. Ten ran.

440 YARDS.—1, Sepoy Mirza Khan, 91st Punjabis, Bhamo; 2, Sepoy Imam Din, 93rd Burma Infantry, Mandalay, Lce-Corpl. Abdul Sattar, 27th Light Cavalry, Jubbulpore, dead heat. Won by three yards. Time—52 2-5 secs. (Record.)

HALF MILE.—Lce. Naik Abdul Sattar, 27th. Light Cavalry Jubbulpore; 2, Bugler Jamal Din 91st Punjabis, Bhamo; 3, Sepoy Sulliman Khan, 17th N. I., Barrrakpore. Won by six yards; four yards between second and third. Time—2 mins. 11 secs. Eight ran.

SCHOOLS' CHAMPIONSHIPS.

100 YARDS.—1, R. Leadon, Calcutta Boys' Sch Wittenbaker, St. Joseph's High School; 3 G. Droven, St. Xavier's College. Won by a yard; half a yard between second and third. Time—11 2-5 secs. Eight ran in each of the preliminary heats and eight in the final.

220 YARDS.—1, G. Lawrence, St. Joseph's High School; 2, L Stevenson, La Martiniere; 3, C. Howe. Doveton College. Won by 2 yards; a yard between second and third. Time—26 secs. Seven ran in each of the preliminary heats and eight in the final.

440 YARDS.—1, S. de Silva, St. Xavier's College; 2, J Owens, St. Xavier's College; 3, M. Marcar, Armenian College. Won by two yards; same distance between second and third. Time—58 1-5 secs. Eleven ran.

WINNERS OF CHAMPIONSHIP SHIELDS.

AMATEUR 100 YARDS.—Presented by Mr. C. C. McLeod. Won by R. T. Ross, Sitarampore.

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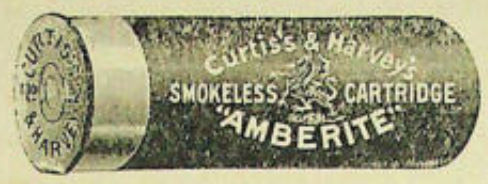

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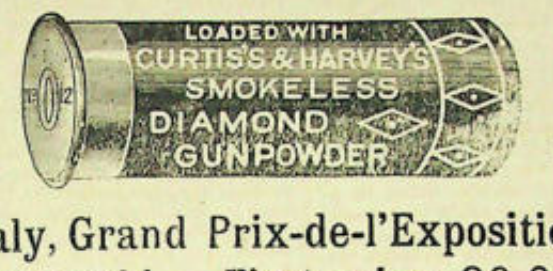

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MURRAY FOOTBALL TOURNAMENT

THIRD ROUND.

SOUTH STAFFORD NORTHAMPTONS.—Owing to a number of other engagements interveving, it was not possible to commence the third round of the Murray Football Tournament at Lucknow until Monday afternoon, the 4th March, when the tie between the Northamptons and the South Staffordshire Regiment was played off on the ground of the Oxford Light Infantry. The teams were fairly evenly matched, and play ruled fast, but both sides were at fault in not keeping the ball down. The Northamptons kicked off and their opponents shortly afterwards ran up the ball and obtained a corner, but without result. A foul was next given against the Staffords near the mouth of their goal, but the ball was cleared. Several corner kicks were conceded by both teams, and both kicked over the goal more than once. In the second half of the game, the Northampton's goal-keeper had saved a shot at goal, and returned the ball into play, when it was headed by the Staffords' left wing. It was the only score of the match the South Staffords thus winning by one goal to nil.

SOMERSET L. I. THE CARABINIERS.—On Tuesday afternoon, the 5th instant, the sumerset Light Infantry played the Carabinier on the Durham Light Infantry ground. The game was a fast one, but at the call of time nothing had been scored and an extra twenty was played each way, but still without result. The tie was replayed the following morning, when the somerset Light Infantry defeated the Carabiniers by two goals to one.

DURHAM LIGHT INFANTRY *vs* "A" TEAM ROYAL IRISH RIFLES.—On the same day on the ground of the Oxfordshire Light Infantry the Durhams met "A" Team Royal Irish Rifles and after a very closely contested game the Durhams won by two goals to one. The Royal Irish scored first, and the Durhams equalised within a few minutes of time. An extra ten minutes' play each way was ordered, and in the last few minutes the Durhams got the wining goal

THE SEMI-FINALS.

ROYAL WELSH FUSILERS *vs.* SOUTH STAFFORDSHIRE REGIMENT.—The first of the semi-final matches was played on the afternoon of the 6th instant between the above teams on the ground of the Oxfordshire Light Infantry. In the first half of the game the Staffords obtained the first goal, but near half time the Welshmen equalised. nothin gwas scored e in thsecond half, an extra ten minutes was played each way, and about three minutes from time the Staffords scored, winning by two goals to one.

DURHAM LIGHT INFANTRY *vs.* THE CARABINIERS.—The above remaining tie in the semi-finals of the murray Cup was played on Thursday afternoon, the 7th instant, before a large number of spectators. The tie was most closely contested, and proved to be the best game yet witnessed in the competition. Half time arrived with nothing scored, but subsequently both teams put up a goal apiece. An extra ten minutes, play each way was ordered, but without result.

The tie was replayed the following morning, with the result that another draw resulted, the score at the close being two goals all.

Golf.

RANGOON GOLF CLUB.

The annual competition for "the Captain's Prize" which began with a qualifying round under medal play on 26th January was completed on 24th February, and the following are the results of the concluding stages :—

FIRST ROUND.

G. Blackstock	(8)	beat Capt McKinlay	(15)	by 1 hole.	
G. C. Whigham	(†2)	" T. O. B. Ditmas	(6)	" 3 up and	to play.
E. G. Howlett	(8)	" J. B. Orr	(7)	" 3 "	" 2 "
Dr. Douglas	(18)	" S. Gordon Brown	(12)	" 6 "	" 4 "
S. Macdonald	(8)	" A. J. Watt	(3)	" 5 "	" 3 "
J. W. Anderson	(8)	" J. C. Anderson	(scr)	" 3 "	" 1 "
Captain Davis	(8)	" J. J. A. Shaw	(18)	" 5 "	" 4 "
Major Alexander	(12)	" J. M. Sime	(1)	" after a tie.	

SECOND ROUND.

G. C. Whigham	(†2)	beat G. Blackstock	(8)	by 3 up and	2 to play.
Dr. Douglas	(18)	" E. G. Howlett	(8)	1 hole.	
S. Macdonald	(8)	" J. W. Anderson	(8)	" 4 up	" 2 "
Capt Davis	(8)	" Major Alexander	(12)	" 5 up	" 4 "

SEMI-FINAL.

Dr. Douglas	(1)	beat G. C. Whigham	(†2)	by 6 up and	5 to play
S. Macdonald	(8)	" Capt Davis	(8)	after a tie.	

FINAL.

S. Macdonald (8) beat Dr. Douglas (18) by 2 up and 1 to play

CALCUTTA GOLF CLUB.

CLUB GOLD MEDAL.

This competition for the principals cratch prize of the club's year last took place over the Maidan links on Friday and Saturday last. It is a pity that it was fixed for the same day as the Presidency Athletic Meeting, and the entries and interest doubtlessly suffered thereby still there was a good outturn of players, and with the course in fair order, though very hard and keen, some better scoring might have been anticipated. The winner eventually turned up in Mr. F. H Stewart, who, in spite of want of practice, put in a creditable card of 83, though his golf was rather enelven. Mr. H. W. Dick was second a single stroke behind and this was lost by bad luck on one of the earlier putting greens. Mr. Stewart also won this medal in 1900, after a tie with Messrs. T. Drimmie and D.S. Murray and in 1901.

The best scores sent in were as follows :—

	Score.
F. H. Stewart	... 83
H. W. Dick	... 84
E. H. Townend	... 87
J. Ferguson	... 87
Major Hedley	... 88
J. Reid Roy	... 88
Geo. B. Merry	... 89
C. D. H. Dunlop	... 89
Lt.-Col. F. J. Drury	... 91
Dr. W. Forsyth	... 91
R. W. Williamson	... 92

Hockey.

THE BANGALORE TOURNAMENT.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

In continuation of my notes on the hockey tournament the following brief descriptions of the games may perhaps be of interest:—

BANGALORE RIFLE VOLUNTEERS (HOLDERS) *vs.* KOLAR GOLD FIELDS.—An excellent and interesting match. Up to half time there was not a great deal to choose between the teams, although the Volunteer forwards were distinctly cleverer in front of goal. At this point the B. R. V. were only a goal to the good, but they subsequently ran all round Kolar, and scored two more goals. "Joe" Pereira, much aided by Hubert Pereira and Hay-Green on the right wing, was responsible for all the goals, and he netted the ball a fourth time, but "sticks" caused the point to be disallowed.

SEMI-FINALS.

ROYAL ENGINEERS *vs.* BANGALORE GYMKHANA.—A most exciting game. The hockey was not perhaps of the very highest type, as there was a certain amount of wild, hard hitting. But there were good men on both sides, notably Pemberton for the R. E. and Boyce for the Gymkhana. The last named managed to dislocate his shoulder, but had it put in on the ground and continued to play, amidst applause. Before the interval nothing was scored, but shortly after play was resumed, Sleater scored a beautiful goal for the Gymkhana, the point being the outcome of a fine run and centre by Morris on the left wing. From now to the finish the Sappers pressed, and Pemberton several times had hard lines in not scoring. Three minutes before time, White equalised amidst frantic applause, and by mutual consent an extra five minutes each way was played. Nothing of note occured during the first moiety of this time, but in the second, Pemberton's yeoman service on the right wing was at last rewarded. He dribbled very prettily, and passing across to Bamberger, that player added the winning point amidst shrieks of delight from the Sappers' supporters. The R. E. accordingly won by two goals to one.

SEMI-FINALS.

BANGALORE RIFLE VOLUNTEERS (HOLDERS) *vs.* 14TH (KING'S) HUSSARS.—This match was played on the 1st March and needs no description, for the holders were simply practising at goal throughout. They scored three goals in the first half, ("Joe" Pereira one and Hubert Pereira two), and no less than six during the second period of play. Hubert Pereira netted the ball thrice, Joe Pereira twice, and C. D'Cruz once. The Volunteers, accordingly, won a runaway match by nine goals to love. It was plucky of the Hussars to enter for they have had no chance whatever of practice owing to manœvres.

THE FINAL.

The final between the Royal Engineers and the Bangalore Rifle Volunteers was played on Saturday, the 2nd March, and the holders won by four goals to two. It was a real good game without a suspicion of roughness, and both teams deserve every credit. Before half-time the holders scored two goals and shortly afterwards added a third, W. Pereira having scored twice and "Joe" Pereira once at this point.

Subsequently the Sappers improved tremendously, and goals by Dolan and Pemberton (the latter a beauty) caused some excitement. However the Bangalore Rifle Volunteers then returned to the attack and a beautiful goal by "Joe" Pereira put the issue beyond doubt.

NOTES AND COMMENTS.

A little more interest appears to be taken in the League since my last notes were published, and some fairly satisfactory games have been played. Some of the clubs have not yet, however, settled down and it is therefore difficult to judge their relative strength.

Calcutta have got off with the pistol and so far have done well. After a drawn game with the Rangers of two goals all, they easily disposed of the Y.M.C.A. by 5 goals to 1. They will have much the same team available as did service for them last season. V. C. Cooper will play in goal. Graham, who I am glad to notice has returned from furlough, will partner McCaw at back and they should prove a formidable pair. The half-back line will in all probability not be so strong as usual. Mackenzie will be leaving Calcutta shortly, while Pierson will not always be available. The Club have, however, obtained an efficient substitute in E. Studd, who has played in good hockey at Home and is already shaping well. Powell, who is a much improved player, will probably find a place at half. Of the forwards, Sherman, Simson, Martin and Badham will be playing, while Heilgers, the "ruggerite," will be given a trial at outside left. He is full of dash and with a little practice should be a decided acquisition. The inside men appear to have already got into their stride and are passing with accuracy and precision. Martin at inside right passes extremely well to his outside man, but his passes to the centre appear to be too hard. It is the "push stroke" that is required more than the actual hit. Badham played a tip-top game against the Y.M.C.A., but is weak in fielding and should use his hands more. Capable substitutes are, I understand, available, and I anticipate the Club will hold a good position on the League table at the finish.

Ballygunge are experiencing some difficulty on getting together a side, but I was glad to see that they were able to place a fairly representative team in the field against the Caledonians on Monday last, and were unlucky to lose by the odd goal of three, scored in the last few minutes of the game. Coulthard played in goal and there are few his equal in this department of the game, and with Warwick Smith, McCrea, Graves, Gould, Horncastle, Braithwaite and Martin they should yet give a good account of themselves. Ballygunge are always handicapped as a number of their members are also members of Calcutta and in some cases prefer to don the red and white shirt.

The United Services team, I understand, prefer to withdraw from the League altogether than be played in the second division. This seems a pity, as now they have no hope of being played in the senior division next season, under the new qualifying rules. One can, however, quite understand in a way, their prefering to play friendly games instead of going through the more serious business of a league, and after all when the team changes so considerably yearly, it is apt to lack that united support that is so necessary.

The Rangers have as usual a very strong defence, and it is this that saved them from defeat at the hands of Calcutta. Gasper, Lees and Margaret are about as sound a combination as is at present playing, and it is to be hoped that the lastnamed player's rather nasty accident will not prevent him from taking the field for any length of time. Warden is as good at centre half as usual, but it was surely a mistake playing Schumacher forward. He is a first class half, but a poor forward. The attack as it at present stands is decidedly weak, but I understand it will shortly be strengthened by the inclusion of the brothers Lawton, which will make a deal of difference.

The Y.M.C.A. have not had a very auspicious beginning, and the side as played against Calcutta is distinctly ragged. Reynolds at back was as usual a tower of strength, but his partner, M. Remfry, was too slow for words and is better suited at half. Dyer is probably their best half and of the forwards the only two worth mentioning are Price and Vanspall, the latter being extremely nippy on the left wing.

The two college combinations, St. Xavier's and the Medicals are as good as ever and are probably the smartest teams playing at present; but Seebpore will not be so strong as usual, having lost several of their best players. They have, owing to their absence at the Allahabad show, lost several points in the League, but can always be counted upon to show up prominently in the Belghton Cup Competition.

WHY NOT.

Boxing.

THE MANCHESTER TOURNAMENT.

THIS interesting event filled well and was productive of some quite good boxing. Colonel J. Grantham referred and the judges were Captain Chapman and Lieutenant Yate, Details.—

MIDDLE WEIGHTS.—Pte. Howland, Royal Fusiliers, beat Gr. Dossett, R.F.A., by a knock out blow in the third round.

LIGHT WEIGHTS.—Pte Holland, 13th Hussars, beat Dr. Jones 41st Battery, R.F.A.; Gunner Hargraves, 16th Battery, R.F.A, beat Dr. Goy, 16th Battery, R.F.A.

BANTAM WEIGHTS.—Dr. Franklin, S. Battery, R.H.A., beat Dr. Chellingworh, 16th Battery, R.F.A.; Dr. Riddle, 16th Battery, R.F.A., beat Pte. Morris, Royal Fusiliers.

FEATHER WEIGHTS.—Pte. Oakley, Royal Fusiliers, beat Pte. Payne, 13th Hussars.

NOVICES.—Pte. Cooper, Royal Fusiliers, beat Pte. Bevan, Royal Fusiliers; Lce-Corpl. Melville, 13th Hussars, beat Pte. Hughes, Royal Fusiliers.

BOYS.—Boy Malone, Manchesters, bet Boy Boston, R.A.; Boy Bailey, Manchesters, beat Boy Massey R.A.

SIX ROUND CONTEST FOR A PURSE OF Rs. 100.—Pte. Mundy, 13th Hussars, *vs.* Pte, Waldron, Manchesters, Munday knocked Waldron out in the fourth round.

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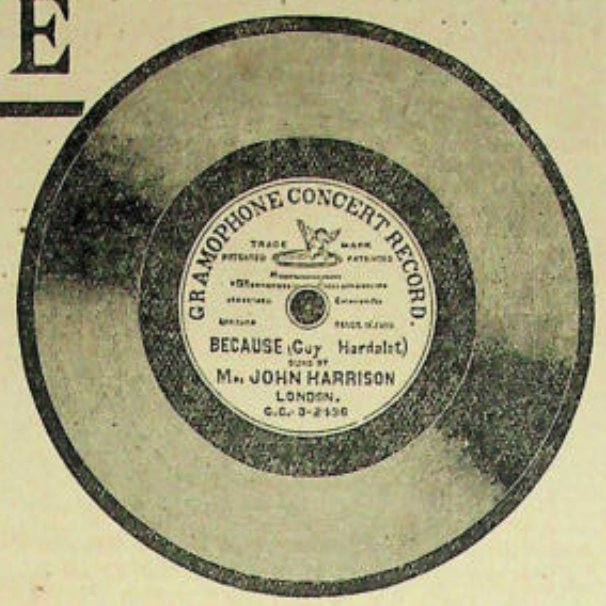

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SIX ROUND CONTENT FOR A PURSE OF Rs. 100—Bdr. Perkins R.F.A., *vs.* Pte. Peacetul, 13th Hussars.

The Referee stopped the fight in the fourth round and awarded the prize to Perkins.

Second Day, 26th February 1907.

MIDDLE WEIGHTS.—Pte Branchflower, Manchester Regiment, defeated Corpl. Spackman, 16th Battery, R.F.A., in the first round, the latter yielding when cornered. Time 1min 27secs.

Pte. Howland, Royal Fusiliers, beat Pte. D'Arcy, Manchester Regiment.

In this fight, D'Arcy sustained an injury to his arm in the second round and on time being called he threw up the sponge.

LIGHT WEIGHTS.—Pte. Walster, Royal Fusiliers, beat Pte. Holland, 13th Hussars.

Gr Hargeaves, 16th Battery R.F.A., *vs.* Gr. Brand, S Battery R.H.A.

Brand had the best of the fight in the first round, but was disqualified by the Referee for hitting too low, leaving Hargraves the winner.

BANTAM WEIGHTS.—Dr. Franklin, S Battery, R.H.A. beat Pte. Jennings, Manchester Regiment.

Pte. Kally, Manchester Regiment, *vs.* Dr. Riddle, 16th Battery, R.F.A.

The latter gave in to Kaley after being nearly counted out in the second round.

FEATHER WEIGHTS.—Dr. Steeden, Manchester Regiment, beat Pte. Morton, Manchester Regiment.

Pte. Deighton, 13th Hussars, won, Pte. Thompson having scratched owing to his having met with an accident.

Dr. Bond, 16th Battery, R.F.A., beat Lce-Corpl Povah Manchester Regiment.

Dr. Sampson, S Battery, R.H.A., beat Dr. Oakley, Royal Fusiliers.

NOVICES.—LceCorpl Melville, 13th Hussars, beat Pte. Welsh, Manchester Regiment.

Lce-Corpl Cooper, Royal Fusiliers, beat Pte Richardson, Royal Fusiliers.

BOYS.—Boy Hocking, R.A., knocked out boy Malone, Manchester Regiment, in the first round.

Boy Willis, Manchester Regiment, beat boy Bailey, Manchester Regiment.

SIX ROUND CONTEST FOR A PURSE OF Rs. 100.—Pte Howlett Royal Fusiliers, beat Driver Pugh S Battery R. H. A.

Third day. 24th February 1907.

FEATHER WEIGHTS (Semi-finals).—Pte Deighton, 13th Hussars *vs*, Dr. Steeden, Manchester Regiment.

Deighton won after three rounds of hard fighting, thereby securing a place in the finals.

The next to face each other were Dr. Bond, 16th Battery, R.F.A., and Dr. Sampson, S. Battery, R.H.A. Sampson floored Bond in the second round when the latter was counted out. Time—46secs.

MIDDLE WEIGHTS (Final)—Pte. Branchflower, Manchester Regiment, *vs*, Pte. Howland, Royal Fusiliers.

This was a very fine exhibition of boxing. Branchflower punished Howland severely in the second round and in the third round knocked him out

NOVICES (Final.)—Lce-Corpl. Melville, 13th Hussars, *vs* Lce-Corpl Cooper, Royal Fusiliers.

Melville won on points at the end of three rounds of fairly even fighting.

SIX ROUND CONTEST FOR A PURSE OF Rs. 100.—Pte. Christie, Royal Fusiliers, *vs.* Pte Cooper, Manchester Regiment.

First Round.—This was an excellent round both, boxing in capital style; it ended, if anything, in favour of Cooper.

Second Round.—Cooper went for his man, giving him some heavy jabs on the face, which evidently nettled him considerably, but he could not retaliate. Christie's tactics in the other rounds were to keep his man in the corner, and having more staying power, try to put him out; but Cooper was not to be had in that way and stuck to his man gamely though he was severely punished. Christie won.

BOYS' FINAL.—Boy Hocking, R.A., *vs* Boy Willis, Manchester Regiment.

Willis, though much smaller than his opponent, fought pluckily, and in the end won on points.

THREE ROUND CONTEST, BOYS UNDER 15 YEARS, 5ST. 8½LBS.—Boy Whitbread, Manchester Regiment, *vs.* Boy Smith, Manchester Regiment.

A very even fight, the stakes being eventually divided.

SIX ROUND CONTEST, 100M. 2LBS.—For a purse of Rs. 100. Lce-Corpl Powell, 13th Hussars, *vs.* Dr. Harris, 16th Battery, R.F.A.

First Round.—Both sparred cautiously at the opening, then several very hard exchanges followed, Powell towards the end landing several straight lefts on Harris' jaw.

Second Round.—Powell led off effectually, but Harris put in a very lucky right swing, which sent Powell heavily to the boards, but rising to time, exceedingly dazed, Harris forebore inflicting punishment, Powell being hopelessly done. The Referee awarded the fight to Harris. Time—1. min. 24secs

LIGHT WEIGHTS (FINAL).—Pte Walster, Royal Fusiliers *vs.* Gr. Hargreaves, 16th Battery, R.F.A.

Walster won fairly easily in the second round.

FEATHER WEIGHTS (FINAL).—Dr. Sampson, S Battery R.H.A., *vs.* Pte. Deighton, 13th Hussars.

An evenly-matched bout, Sampson winning in the third round on points.

SIX ROUND CONTEST, 8ST. 6LBS.—For a purse of Rs. 100. Pte Warren, Royal Fusiliers, *vs.* Pte Round, Manchester Regiment.

Warren threw up the sponge in the second round, after some quick fighting in which he was severely punished.

BANTAMS (FINAL).—Dr. Franklin, S Battery, R.H.A., *vs.* Pte Kaley, Manchester Regiment.

Kaley won on points at the end of the third round after a very good fight.

Shows.

MADRAS GYMKHANA HORSE SHOW.

THE annual Madras Gymkhana Horse Show was held on the island last week and proved in every way a great success. The show extended over three days, instead of two as in former years, and the entries, both in numbers and general quality, were quite up to the average. The Hunters and Polo Ponies were both spoken very highly of by the Judges, but in the former classes the entries were not so numerous as usual, while a very large number of Hacks were shown, but their quality was not as high, with the exception of the winning animals, as it might have been. A special feature of the show this year was the jumping. There were two classes—for horses and ponies—and in both the judges said that the performances witnessed had seldom been equalled. Their Excellencies the Governor D Lady Lawley were present every day, with a large party from Government House. The prize for the best Hunter in the show was won by the Rajah of Pittapore's splendid *Diplomat*, and that for the best pony in the show went to Mr. A F Symonds' Australian mare *Cleopata II*, and both His Excellency and Miss Lawley won several prizes. The Cups were presented to the winners on Saturday by Sir Arthur Lawley, who congratulated the promoters of the show on the success of their efforts for both in number and quality of exhibits it had broken all records. He mentioned specially the fact that in the jumping classes most of the owners of competitors had ridden their own animals. This, he said, was what he liked to see, as it encouraged true sport—was, in fact the mainspring of such sport. He thanked Major K. H. Elliot, I. M. S, the Honorary Secretary of the show, for his untiring energy, which had done much to ensure its success. Details.—

First Day, Thursday, 21st February 1907.

BROWN SINGLE HARNESS.—Class XXI.—For the best set of brown single harness. Prize presented by H.H. the Maharajah of Travancore.

Messrs. Oakes and Co. 1

Also competed :—Messrs. Watts and Co., Messrs. Spencer and Co., Messrs. Moses and Co., and Messrs. J. Hussam and Co.

Judges.—Captain E. B. Cotter, R.A., and Mr. W. D. Smith, with Sergeant Ezard as an expert adviser.

Remarks.—Winner by far the best. Tendency to make collars of a bad shape. Messrs. Watts and Co.'s exhibit, considering the country leather, was nearly equal to that of the winner.

BLACK SINGLE HARNESS.—Class XXII.—For the best set of black single harness. Prize presented by H.H. the Maharajah of Travancore.

Messrs. Oakes and Co. 1

Also competed :—Messrs. Watts and Co., Messrs. Spencer and Co., Messrs. Moses and Co., and Messrs. G. Veerasawmi and Sons, Messrs. L. Cottappah and Sons, and Mr. H. Irwin.

Judges.—Captain E. B. Cotter, R.A., and Mr. W. D. Smith, with Sergeant Ezard as expert adviser.

Remarks.—Messrs. Spencer and Co.'s exhibit would have won, but for a bad flaw in the reins.

BROWN DOUBLE HARNESS.—Class XXIII.—For the best set of brown double harness. Prize presented by the Hon'ble Mr. Justice H. T. Boddam.

Messrs. Oakes and Co. 1

Judges.—Captain E. B. Cotter, R.A., and Mr. W. D. Smith with Sergeant Ezard as expert adviser.

Remarks.—Only one entry, which was very good. It coulp not have been beaten.

BLACK DOUBLE HARNESS.—Class XXIV.—For the best set of black double harness. Prize presented by the Hon'ble Mr. Justice H. T. Boddam.

Messrs. Spencer and Co. 1

Also competed :—Messrs. Watts and Co., Messrs. Oakes and Co., and Messrs. Moses and Co.

Judges.—Captain E. B. Cotter, R.A., and Mr. W. D. Smith, with Sergeant Ezard as expert adviser.

Remarks.—The winners' in the best country leather, was excellently made. Other makers might follow with advantage the rapid release attachment on the trace.

POLO PONIES.—Class VII.—Arabs and country-breds with I.P.A. or local certificate. To be shown under saddle. First prize presented by the Golfers of Madras, second prize by the Madras Gymkhana Club, and third prize by Rao Bahadur T. Numberumal Chettiar.

Captain F. H. Symons' b a p Marsala 1

Rajah Venugopaul Bahadur's ch a h Hero 2

Also entered :—Mr. J. Turner's Biddy, Colonel H. J. W. Brownrigg's Lease of Life, Rajah Venugopaul Bahadurs' Mafeesh and Mr. H. A. B. Vernon's Grey Light.

Judges.—Colonel H. L. Dawson, Major Graham and Captain H. C. Oakes.

Remarks.—A small class of ordinary quality.

HACKS.—Class VII.—14 hands 2 inches or under. To be shown under saddle. First prize, presented by the Hon'ble Sir

C. Arnold White, Kt. second prize presented by the Hon'ble Mr. Justice J. E. P. Wallis, and third prize presented by the Hon'ble Sir V. C. Desikachariar, Kt.

Captain T. H. Symons' ch a m Baluchi 1
Major G. C. Glyn's b aus g Toby 2
The Zemindar of Marungapuri b w g Starlight ... 3

Also entered :—Mr. F. Bell Scot's Sago, Mr. G. H. Lyle's Heather, Mr. W. H. Oakes' Phyllis, Mr. Kenneth Campbell's Plastic, Mr. J. J. O'Reilly's Postman, Mr. C. B. Leggatt's Cockey, Mr. T. G. J. Torrie's Blackbird, Mr. T. G. J. Torrie's Marmion, Mr. Marshall Reid's Nameless, Mr. H. M. Gibson's Boundary, the Rajah of Pittapur's Nelson, Major Hayes' Westerly, Mr. J. Melver's Mabs, Mr. A. Y. G. Campbell's Sirdar, Mr. M. Buchi Babu's Action, Mr. W. O. Horne's Engagement, Mr. Thomas' Lady Betty, Mr. F. Fountain's Kapunda, Miss Lawley's Guinea Pig, Captain A. A. Duff's Rudolph, Mr. Guy Laddell's Hilda, Mr. J. C. Armstrong's Shula, Mr. J. T. Lewes' Ninepins.

Judges.—Colonel H. L. Dawson, Major G. C. Glyn and A. P. Symonds.

Remarks.—Not a good class. The first three stood out from the rest.

CHARGERS.—Class X.—To be the *bonâ-fide* property of, and to be ridden by Volunteer Officers or members of the Mounted Company, M.V.G. First prize presented by Mr. C. G. Todhunter, I.C.S.; second prize presented by Major G. G. Gifford, I.M.S., and third prize presented by Mr. F. Fountain.

Mr. J. Josselyn's br aus g Odd Trick 1
Mr. W. A. Turner's b aus g Dandy Dick 2
Mr. C. W. Gowan's b aus g Peter 3

Also entered :—Mr. W. S. Bickham's Katango, Mr. H. A. B Vernon's Brown Girl, Mr. K. C. Ferguson's La Fleche, Mr. C. J. Fulton's Moonbeam, Mr. D. C. Stewart's Lavengro, Mr. J. R. Branson's Gaylad, Mr. F. Chatterton's Brownie, Mr. R. H. Meredith's Patchwork.

Judges.—Colonel H. L. Dawson, Major G. C. Glyn and Captain H. C. Oakes.

Remarks.—A good class.

POLO PONIES.—Class XII.—English or Australian with I.P.A. or local certificate. To be shown under saddle. First prize presented by Mr. A. J. Yorke, second prize presented by Mr. W. H. Oakes, and third prize presented by the Madras Gymkhana Club.

Major Hayes' bk aus g Bushranger 1
Rajah Venugopaul Bahadur's g a g Raj 2
Major Hayes' bk aus g Westerly 3

Also entered :—Mr. W. H. Oakes' Mascotte, Mr. W. H. Oakes' Blazes, Mr. T. G. J. Torrie's Harlequin, Mr. T. G. J. Torrie's Marmion, Mr. T. G. J. Torrie's Blackbird, Mr. H. A. B. Vernon's Magpie, Mr. Hughes' Popum, Mr. A. Y. G. Campbell's Good Luck, Major J. A. Hobson's Mustard, Rajah Venugopaul Bahadurs Lassie, Rajah Venugopaul Bahadur's Fakeer, Mr. J. T. Lewis' Ninepins.

Judges.—Colonel H. L. Dawson, Major Graham, R.H.A., and Captain H. C. Oakes.

Remarks.—A very useful lot. The winners were above the average.

SINGLE HARNESS.—Class IX.—Horses (over 14 hands 2 inches). To be driven in harness. First prize presented by the Hon'ble Mr. M. Hammick, C.S.I., C.I.E., I.C.S. second prize presented by Rajah Sir Ramasawmy Moodelliar, Kt., C.I.E., and third prize presented by the Maharajah of Bobbili.

Major G. C. Glynn's b aus g Electric 1
Captain H. Kirkpatrick's g aus g Acrobat 2
H. E. Sir A. Lawley's b w g Amber II. 3

Also entered :—The Zemindar of Marungapuri's Pickle, the Hon'ble Mr. V. G. Lynn's Paddy, the Hon'ble Mr. V. G. Lynn's Toby, the Hon'ble Mr. J. Twigg's Collard, Mr. M. Buchi Babu's Action, Mr. Fawcett's Galatea, Mr. F. Chatterton's Brownie and H. E. Sir A. Lawley's Amazon.

Judges.—Lieutenant-Colonel R. F. R. Formby, Mr. H. Irwin, C.I.E., and Mr. W. D. Smith.

Remarks.—A fair class. The winner was far and away the best.

SINGLE HARNESS PONIES.—Class V.—Ponies 14 hands 2 inches or under. To be driven in harness. First prize, presented by Messrs. Spencer and Co., Ld.; second prize presented by Hajee Ismail Sait, and third prize, presented by Messrs. T. R. Tawker and Sons.

Captain T. H. Symons' ch a m Baluchi 1
Mr. F. Fountain's gr a c Glenelg 2
Mrs. S. Eardley Wilmot's br a g Lord Bob 3

Also entered :—F. Bell Scott's Sago, Captain C. C. Redfern's Assurance, Mr. W. H. Oakes' Mascotte, Mr. H. A. Irwin's Symatite, Mr. H. A. Irwin's Newfoundland, Mr. C. Brooke-Leggatt's Cockey, Mr. T. G. J. Torrie's Marmion, Mr. H. E. Gibbs Strap, Mr. B. R. T. Tondaman Sahib's Cremier, Sir C. A. White's Bumps, Mr. J. Melver's Mabs, Major W. D. Gunn's Bobby, Mrs. Alexander's Melody, Mr. Archibald Read's Cocby, Mrs. Armstrong's Prince, Mr. H. E. Gibbs' Suspect and Mr. Raymond Simpson's Satellite.

Judges.—Lieutenant-Colonel R. F. R. Formby, Mr. H. Irwin, C.I.E and Mr. W. D. Smith.

Remarks.—A good class. The winner was a very superior pony.

PAIRS.—Class XVIII.—14-2 and under. To be shown under harness. First prize presented by the Hon'ble Mr. F. J. Wilson; second prize presented by the Madras Gymkhana Club and third prize presented by the Madras Gymkhana Club.

Mr. W. Fraser Smith's brown pony pair 1
Rajah Venugopaul Bahadur's grey pair 2

Also entered :—Mir Nammalwar Chetty's pair.

Judges.—Lieutenant-Colonel R. F. R. Formby, Mr. H. Irwin and Mr. W. D. Smith.

Remarks.—It was gratifying to see this class again in the Show. The prize was won by a very good pair. The winners were both distinctly good.

Second Day, Friday, 22nd February 1907.

HUNTERS.—Class I.—Hunters. Heavy-weight, up to 14 stone and over. To be shown under saddle. First prize presented by Mr. D. D. D. Mackinnon, second and third prizes presented by the Rajah of Pithapuram.

Mr. M. Buchi Babu's r w g Neelavany 1
Major G. G. Giffard's bl aus g Great Northern ... 2

Also entered :—Mr. P. Bligh's Shithan, Mr. H. D. Taylor's Mona, Major H. M. Thomas' Narraghmore, Major J. A. Hobson's Ginger, Mrs. Margaret Miller's Coral, Captain H. C. Oak's Harkaway, and Mr. A. J. Yorke's Cowboy.

Judges :—Major E. Brandreth, Mr. H. Irwin, C.I.E., and Mr. W. O. Horne, I.C.S.

Remarks :—A very fair class. Very difficult to distinguish between the first and second.

PONY HUNTERS.—Class IV.—14-2 and under. To be shown under saddle. First prize presented by the Hon'ble Mr. H. Bradley, second prize presented by Mr. Sutherland Orr, and third prize presented by the Hon'ble Mr. K. S. Gurusawmy Iyer.

Mr. A. P. Symond's blk aus m Cleopatra II. ... 1
Mr. W. H. Oakes' b aus m Phyllis 2
Major G. C. Glyn's b aus g Toby 3

Also entered :—Mr. J. Turner's Biddy, Mr. G. H. Lyle's Heather, Mr. A. Y. G. Campbell's Sirdar, Captain G. E. Kidd's Rudolf, Mr. W. O. Horne's Engagement, Miss Dorothy Clarke's Molly, Mrs. Thomas' Lady Betty, Captain T. H. Symon's Baluchi, Mr. F. Fountain's Kapunda, Mrs. C. G. Todhunter's Gority, Mr. A. D. Jackson's Missie, Captain A. A. Duff's Rudolph, Mr. R. H. Meredith's Patchwork, Mr. Guy Liddell's Hilda, Colonel H. Brownrigg's Peter, Mr. Kenneth Campbell's Plastic, Mr. J. J. O'Reilly's Postman, Mr. C. B. Leggatt's Cockey, Mr. T. G. J. Torrie's Harlequin, Mr. H. A. B. Vernon's Magpie, Mr. Marshall Reid's Nameless, Mr. H. M. Gibson's Boundary, Mr. O. Mansfield's Fortunatus, Mr. J. T. Lewis' Ninepins and Captain J. A. Butchart's Satan.

Judges :—Major E. Brandreth, Major G. C. Glyn and Major Graham, R.H.A.

Remarks :—A big class of a good quality and very difficult to pick between the first three.

HUNTERS—Class VIII.—Light-weight. To be capable of carrying from 10 st. to 11 st. 7lbs. To be shown under saddle. First prize presented by the Hon'ble Mr. Justice L. C. Miller, second and third prizes presented by Lieutenant-Colone. J. Desaraj Urs.

Mrs. Henderson's Queen of Diamonds 1
Mr. W. O. Horne's bk aus g Black Prince 2
Miss C. Lawley's b w m Corona 3

Also entered :—The Minor Zemindar of Sivagiri's Sunrise, Mrs. Twigg's Shell, Mr. J. Branson's Paleface, Mr. T. W. S. Smyth's Sanfran, Mr. W. O. Horne's Clipper, Mrs. Symond's Countess, Captain T. H. Symon's Desmond, H. E. Sir A. Lawley's Lochmore, Miss Lawley's Opal, Mr. Guy Liddell's Sunny Jim, Mr. J. Josselyn's Odd Trick, Mr. Kenneth Campbell's Plastic, Mrs. Marjoribank's President and Mr. Marshall Reid's Nameless.

Judges :—Colonel H. L. Dawson, Major H. M. Thomas, R.F.A., and Major Graham, R.H.A.

Remarks :—A very good class. The winner stood out above the rest.

LADIES' HACKS.—Class XI.—14 hands 2 inches or under. Must be the property of and regularly ridden by ladies. To be ridden by ladies. First prize presented by the Hon'ble Mr. C. J. Weir, C.I.E., second prize presented by Mr. W. H. Oakes, and third prize presented by the Madras Gymkhana Club.

Mrs. W. O. Horne's bk aus g Engagement 1
Miss Dorothy Clarke's gr aus m Molly 2
Mrs. Archibald Read's g aus g Dumpling 3

Also entered :—Mrs. Thomas' Lady Betty, Hon'ble Mrs. Glyn's Nobbs, Mrs. C. G. Todhunter's Gority, Miss Lawley's Guinea Pig and Mrs. Armstrong's Prince.

Judges :—Lieutenant-Colonel W. C. Neville, Major E. Brandreth and Captain T. H. Symons, I.M.S.

Remarks :—A very good class.

JUMPING.—Class XIV.—For ponies 14 hands 2 inches or under. (Two rounds.) First prize presented by the Hon'ble Mr. J. Twigg, I.C.S., second prize presented by Mr. W. H. Oakes, and third prize presented by the Madras Gymkhana Club.

Captain G. E. Kidd's ch w g Rudolf 1
Mr. Kenneth Campbell's Plastic 2
Captain J. A. Butchart's bk ch m Satan 3

Also entered :—Mr. A. Scott's Thistle, Mr. G. H. Lyle's Heather, Mr. A. Y. G. Campbell's Sirdar, Mr. W. O. Horne's Engagement, Mr. A. D. Jackson's Missie, Mr. F. Fountain's Tarriville, Captain A. A. Duff's Rudolph, Mrs. Thomas' Lady Betty, Mr. C. Davies' Cymro, Colonel H. J. W. Brownrigg's Peter, Mr. Hughes' Popum, and Mr. O. Mansfield's Fortunatus.

Judges :—Colonel H. L. Dawson, Major Graham, R.H.A. Captain H. Kirkpatrick, I.M.S. Captain T. H. Symons, I.M.S. Mr, H. M. Gibson and Mr. A. P. Symonds.

Remarks.—Very nigh class jumping.

LADIES HACKS.—Class XIII.—Horses (over 14 hands 2 inches) Must be the property of and regularly ridden by ladies. To be ridden by ladies. First prize presented by Colonel H. L. Dawson, second prize presented by Mr. W. H. Oakes, and third prize presented by the Madras Gymkhana Club.

Miss C. Lawley's br w m Corona 1
Mrs. Branson's br w g Paleface 2
Mrs. Thomas' ch aus g Narragmore 3

Also entered :—Mrs. Twigg's Shell, Mrs. B. L. Cumberland's Bobs, Mrs. W. O. Horne's Black Prince, Mrs. W. O. Horne's Clipper, Mrs. Symond's Countess, Miss Lawley's Opal, Mrs. Miller's Coral and Mrs. Marjoribank's President.

Judges:—Lieutenant-Colonel W. C. Neville, Major E. Brandreth and Major G. C. Glyn.

Remarks :—A very good class.

HACKS.—Class II.—Horses (over 14 hands 2 inches). To be shown under saddle. First prize presented by the Hon'ble Mr, V. G. Lynn, second prize presented by the Rajah of Pithapuram, and third prize presented by the Madras Gymkhana Club.

Miss C. Lawley's br w m Corona 1
Mr. J. R. Branson's Paleface 2
Captain H. C. Oakes' b aus g Harkaway 3

Also entered :—Mr. J. Josselyn's Odd Trick, Major G. G. Giffard's Great Northern, Mrs. Marjoribank's President, Mr. H. A. B. Vernon's Brown Girl, the Minor Zemindar of Sivagiri's Sunrise, Major R. H. Elliot's Red Knight, Mr. A. Y. G. Campbell's Maori, Mr. W. O. Horne's Black Prince, Mr. W. O. Horne's Clipper, Mr. Symond's Countess, Major H. M. Thomas' Narraghmore, Mr. F. Fawcett's Thady, Major J. A. Hobson's Straight Wire, Mr. Guy Liddell's Sunny Jim and Miss Lawley's Opal.

Judges:—Lieutenant-Colonel R. F. R. Formby, Major E. Brandreth and Mr. H. Irwin, C.I.E.

Remarks:—A very good mixed class, with three very good hacks.

Third Day, Saturday, 23rd February 1907.

HUNTERS.—Class VI.—Middle-weight. To be capable of carrying 11 st. 7lbs. up to 13 st. To be shown under saddle. First prizes presented by the Prince of Arcot, second and third prize, presented by Lieutenant-Colonel J. Desaraj Urs.

The Rajah of Pittapore's b aus g Diplomat 1
Mr. J. R. B. Branson's br w g Paleface 2
Mr. F. Fawcett's b aus g Galatea 3

Also entered :—Mr. C. D'Angelis' Jack, Mr. P. Bligh's Shithan, Major R. H. Elliot's The Red Knight, Mr. W. A. Beardsell's Barkis, Mr. H. F. Sandeman's Algebra, Mr. A. Y. G. Campbell's Maori, Mr. T. W. S. Smyth's Sanfran, Mr. H. A. B. Vernon's Brown Girl.

Judges :—Major E. Brandreth, Major H. M. Thomas, R.F.A., and Mr. W. O. Horne, I.C.S.

Remarks :—A fair class, in which the first two stood out above the rest.

PAIRS.—Class XVII.—Pairs over 14-2. To be shown under harness. First prize presented by H. H. the Maharajah of Mysore, second and third prizes presented by H. H. the Maharajah of Mysore.

H. E. Sir A. Lawley's b w g Amber II. and Amber III ... 1
H. E. Sir A. Lawley's br w g Agitator and Assault ... 2
Mr. A. L. Hannay's Pair 3

Also entered :—Hon'ble Mr. J. E. P. Wallis's pair, Honb'le Mr. V. G. Lynn's Paddy and Toby, Mr. P. Aiyannah Chetty's pair, Mr. C. G. Todhunter's Bob and Joe, and Mahomed Meera Bowther's pair.

Judges :—Captain T. H. Symons, Mr. A. P. Symonds, and Major E. Brandreth.

Remarks :—Very good class. Horses had a decided advantage over cobs.

A SPECIAL PRIZE.—Class XXV.—For the best hunter in the Show. Open to the first horse in each of the four hunter classes. Post entries. No entrance fee. Prize presented by H. E. The Governor of Madras.

Rajah of Pittapore's b a g Diplomat.

Judge :—H. E. the Governor of Madras.

A SPECIAL PRIZE.—The best pony in the Show. Open to all prize-winners in the pony classes. Post Entries. No entrance fee. Prize presented by H. H. the Maharaj Kumarika Sahiba of Vizianagram.

Mr. A. P. Symonds' bk aus m Cleopatra II.

Judges :—Major H. M. Thomas, Major Graham, R.H.A. and Major E. Brandreth.

JUMPING.—Class XV.—For horses. (Two rounds.)—First prize presented by Messrs. P. Orr and Sons, second prize presented by Mr. Sutherland Orr, and third prize presented by the Madras Gymkhana Club.

Capt. H. C. Oakes' b aus g Harkaway 1
Mr. Miller's b w g Coral 2
The Rajah of Pittapore's b aus g Diplomat 3

Also entered.—Mr. Guy Liddell's Sunny Jim, Mr. P. F Villiers' Gay Lord Queux, Major G. G. Giffard's Great Northern., Mr. A. J. Yorke's Cowboy, Mr. C. D'Angelis' Jack, Mr. W. A Turner's Dandy Dick, Mr. K. C. Ferguson's La Fleche, Mr. W. S. Bickham's Kantango, Mr. C. W. Gowan's Peter, Mr. T. W. S. Smyth's Pollux, Mrs. Symond's Countess, Mr. J. A. Butchart's Clementine, Mr. F. Fountain's Coalbrook, Major J. A. Hobson's Ginger and Straightwire, Captain H. Kirkpatrick's Acrobat.

Judges :—Mr. H. Irwin, C.I.E., Major Graham, R.H.A., Major H. M. Thomas, R.F.A., Captain T. H. Symons, I.M.S., Mr. A. P. Symonds and Mr. H. M. Gibson.

Remarks.—A very good class indeed.

Class XVI.—Children's Turnout. Cart and pony.—First prize presented by the Misses Lawley and second prize presented by Mr. Gansham Singh.

Miss Giffard's Governess cart and pony Tomboy ... 1
Hon'ble M. J. E. P. Wallis's Children's Turnout ... 2
Miss C. Lawley's Pretty Polly 3

Also entered :—Mr. Gerald Elliot's Turnout, Miss Horne's Laddie, The City Stables' Children's Turnout, Miss Smyth's Governess cart and pony.

Judge :—Mr. H. E. Gibbs, A.V.C.

LED HORSES.—Class XIX.—Consolation prize. Led Horses. Open to all horses which have been shown at this Horse Show and have not won a prize. Prize presented by Messrs. Simpson and Company.

Major Elliot's ch aus g Red Knight 1

Also entered :—Mr. F. W. Fawcett's Galatea and Mr. P. Bligh's Shithan.

Judges :—Colonel R. F. R. Formby and Major H. M. Thomas, R.F.A.

LED PONIES.—Class XX.—Consolation prize. Led ponies. Open to all ponies which have been shown at this Horse Show and have not won a prize. Prize presented by Messrs. Lawrence and Mayo.

Mr. C. S. Todhunter's ch h m Gority 1

Also entered:—Colonel C. H. Brownrigg's Peter, Mr. J. T. Lewis' Ninepins, Mr. J. T. Torrie's Harlequin, Marmion and Blackbird, and Mr. H. A. B. Vernon's Magpie and Green Light.

Judges:—Colonel R. F. R. Formby and Major H. M. Thomas, R. F. A.

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Solution to Problem No. 24.

THE dealer should lead the 9 or 10 of clubs from Y's hand, as he has no card of entry, in the other suits, and cannot afford to play on the chance of the adverse clubs being evenly divided. If both opponents follow suit, Z, on regaining the lead, puts Y in, makes all his remaining clubs, and goes game without taking the finesse in spades. If A is void of clubs Z can only make two tricks in the suit; but if B is void he will make three, or six if A does not pass the first round. The object of leading the 9 or 10 of clubs instead of a small one is to leave the lead with Dummy for the finesse in spades in case A has all four clubs and holds up the queen and knave to block Y's suit. If led through in diamonds, Dummy will, of course, play an honor.

Problem No. 25.

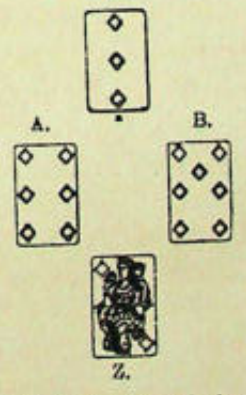
Score : A B, 0 ; Y Z, 0. Z deals and declares no trumps. Y's and Z's hands are as follows :—

Y's Hand (Dummy).
Hearts—Q.
Diamonds—A, J, 9, 4, 3.
Clubs—K, 7, 6, 5, 3.
Spades—8, 7.

Z's Hand (Dealer).
Hearts—K, J, 8, 2.
Diamonds—Q, 2.
Clubs—A, J, 4.
Spades—A, Q, 9, 3.

The first trick is as follows :—

Trick 1.



How ought the dealer to go on with the hand, and why ?

Scene : Mr. Justice Darling's Court.

Trial of action, Bisman *vs.* England, 13, 2, 05.

Mr. McCall, K.C., for plaintiff, Mr. Lush, K.C., for defendant.

Mr. Lush (on defendant's case) : "We have heard a lot during the course of this action of a Mr. Virgo, but I notice that my learned friend has neglected to call him."

Mr. McCall : "Not likely my lord when Mr. Lush's clients have got a proof from him."

Mr. J. Darling : "Do you intend to call him, Mr. Lush ?"

Mr. Lush : "No, my lord."

Mr. J. Darling : "As neither of you gentlemen propose to call him, he remains a 'virgo intacta.'"

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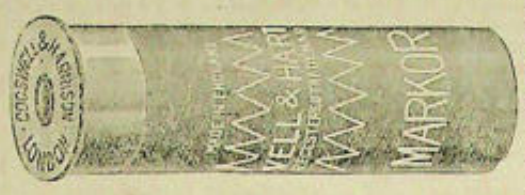

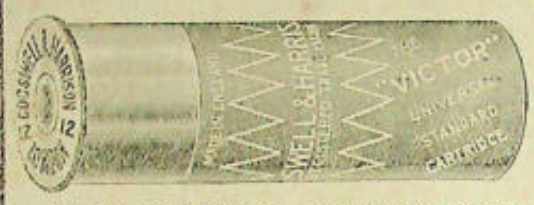

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DR. WARRE ON ROWING AND COACHING.

AS we stated in our last issue Dr. Warre, the late Head Master of Eton, has been giving a lecture on rowing and coaching to the College boat clubs of Oxford, a subject which would appeal with special force to boating men at the time when the Varsity eights have begun their home practice for the race to be rowed on the 16th of this month. Dr. Warre is a man who can speak with authority on the subject. Fifty years ago he was among the best oarsmen at Oxford and later he became president of the O. U. B. C. He has always taken the keenest interest in rowing and has watched the development of the modern style of oarsmanship from its beginning. Dr. Warre's rowing career and the modern racing ship are indeed about the same age. Clasper had invented outriggers ten or eleven years before—1845—and had thus given greater speed: but the outrigger did not bring about any change in the style of rowing then in vogue. The change of style was brought about after 1856 when Mr. Littledale and Mat Taylor, a ship's carpenter, who had adopted boat building as a calling, evolved the smooth-skinned keelless boat which was first used at Henley in that year by the Royal Chester Rowing Club crew for the Grand Challenge Cup, which they won thanks, largely as was generally allowed, to the superiority of the new build of boat. The Littledale-Taylor boat revolutionised boat building for racing purposes, and it did more; it revolutionised the style of rowing. Dr. Warre is one of the few men living who has had practical acquaintance with the old style of race rowing and the modern; and is certainly the best authority on the two. The removal of the keel and the adoption of a shallower ship compelled the change in style; the old boat was not easily upset; the keelless craft would turn over so readily that the first care of the crew was to keep their ship balanced; steadier work was entailed; and a new style of using the oar, it was soon realised, was necessary in order to get the best pace out of the boat. It says much for the discernment and practical knowledge of the designers of the 1856 boat that the shell of today remains, in all essential particulars, unchanged. The sliding seat which came into use in 1872 threw more work upon the legs, but that in effect meant that the work was more generally distributed over the whole frame of the rower; it did little or nothing to alter the style of rowing or to increase the speed. This latter assertion we are aware is opposed to popular belief; but comparison of the "times" of the University Boat Race—the most accessible rowing records—for a series of say five years before and after 1873, the year in which sliding seats were first used by the crews, will show that there is nothing to choose between the times made in the boats with fixed and boats with sliding

seats ; though, by a curious coincidence the race in 1873, was rowed in the fastest time known to that date, namely 19 minutes 35 secs. This "record" remained unbroken until 1892 when Oxford won in 19 mins. 21secs.

Dr. Warre, as we all rowing men know, has views of his own on the subject of boat building, but he does not appear to have touched upon these in his lecture. It will be remembered that his convictions in favour of a boat shorter than the accepted length, 62 feet or thereabout, by five or six feet prevailed with the O. U. B. C. in 1901 when the Dark Blues rowed in a "short boat" and won a very severe race in rough waters by two fifths of a length : also that a short boat of Dr. Warre's design was used in 1902 when Oxford was badly beaten in smooth water by five lengths. It is, we need hardly say impossible to decide how much of the success of 1901 was due to the boat and how much of the defeat in the following year. Of course there was a section of rowing opinion which gave the boat all the credit in 1901 : and equally there was a section of opinion which laid upon it all the blame in 1902. More dispassionate judges seemed to be of opinion that the Oxford crew won on their own merits in the former year and were beaten on their merits in 1902. On the whole the concensus of opinion was against the shorter boat : it was observed by those who watched the race carefully that the Cambridge craft was always travelling whereas the Oxford ship wanted "punching along"; and gave the men none of the assistance they derive from a boat of the orthodox length : further it was thought that the shortened craft was not big enough for a heavy crew. Whether the boat deserved the credit for the win in rough water or the blame for defeat in smooth is one of those things nobody can pretend to decide : the facts remains that the shortend boat was discarded and has not again been used. It would be too much to say that Dr. Warre's boat has been condemned as a failure, but it may fairly be said that it did not confer such conspicuous advantage on the users as to justify them in renouncing a well proved type of craft for one which must still be regarded as experimental.

Dr. Warre, so far as the somewhat meagre reports of his lecture at our disposal show, is fully alive to the necessity of having a boat to fit the crew. He dwelt at some length, we are told, on the initial duty of the coach, which is to see that everything in the boat is properly adjusted, seats at the right height, stretchers at the right length for each man, and so forth. As a coach Dr. Warre has no equal, and much of his address was directed to those who undertake to teach the young idea how to row. There are few coaches who do not by instinct adopt the right main lines of proceeding with an onerous and difficult task ; where the majority fail, comparatively speaking, is in attempting too much at once : nobody can doubt that it arises from anxiety to do well by their charge, but the fact remains that many coaches seek to correct too many faults at the same time. The ideal coach is like the ideal Master of Hounds; at once an archangel and intensely human he must be endued with infinite tact, patience, good humour and firmness : he must have intimate practical knowledge of his subject and a reputation as an oarsman to give weight to his instruction, and that is only the foundation course of his acquirements and qualities ; he must, above all things, be able to teach ; in rowng as in other matters, whether trigonometry or shooting the art of teaching for it is an art, is indispensable. Some are born with it, and if born with it, they can acquire the rest, others have all the rest, but were not born with the teacher's peculiar gift, and these latter, if they cannot acquire it were best advised to refrain from attempting to coach. The position of the rowing coach is particularly important because each man of the eight probably has his own little peculiarities which must be softened down in order that he may fit into his place as one of a coordinated whole. It is not difficult to teach one man to row in tolerable style, it is difficult to mould him into the form of the rest of the crew ; he is dependent on the coach to a much greater extent than other pupils: he cannot see what others are doing and model his style upon, or correct his faults by observation of their methods. Hence the great necessity for the coach to be able to make his directions, often necessarily somewhat loose by reason of the deficiencies of our language, which does not enable us to express fine shades of meaning, perfectly clear and understanded of his pupils.

Special Telegrams.

THE VARSITY BOAT RACE.

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.

LONDON *16th March 1907.*

CAMBRIDGE were overwhelming favourites and started at the odds of 5 to 1 on. The weather was dull and the course rough most of the way. Cambridge, on the Middlesex side, led throughout and won by four and a half lengths. Time 20 min. 26 secs. Crews.—

CAMBRIDGE.

	st.	lb.
(A. B. Close Brooks. (First Trinity) (bow)	11	0
*2. J. H. F. Benham (Jesus)	12	6½
*3. H. M. Goldsmith (Jesus)	12	5
4. J. S. Burn (First Trinity)	12	9
5. H. G. Baynes First Trinity	13	13
*6. B. C. Johnstone (Third Trinity	12	9
*7. E. W. Powell (Third Trinity)	11	5½
†*D. C. R. Stuart Trinity Hall stroke	11	0
R. Boyle Trinity Hall cox	8	12

† Rowed against Harvard. * Old Blues.

OXFORD.

	st	lb
W. T. Heard (Balliol) (bow)	11	3½
2. H. C. Bucknall (Merton)	11	7
3. G. E. Hope (Christ Church)	13	0
4. R. M. Peat (Trinity)	11	13½
5. J. A. Gillan (Magdalen)	12	82
6. A. G. Kirby (Magdalen)	13	8
7. E. H. L. Southwell (Magdalen)	13	1½
A. C. Gladstone (Christ Church) (stroke)	11	0
A. W. Donkin (Magdalen) (cox	8	5

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LONDON, *19th March 1907.*

M. Ephrussi's b h OB, by Bocage—Glave, 8st. 10lbs., Stern 1
Mr. F. S. Barnard's b g KAFFIR CHIEF, by Raeburn—Ingonda, 7st. 8lbs., Griggs ... 2
Mr. W. Dawe's b c RIFLEITE, by Quidnunc—Ballistite, 6st, 3lbs., Watts. ... 3
Mr. H. V. Jackson's b c VELOCITY, by Speed—Ballast, 9st. 3lbs. 0
Col. N. Money's bh ROSEATE DAWN, by Enthusiast—Honey Dew, 9st. ... 0
Mr. W. R. Wyndham's bc ATHI, by Desmond—Bend Sinister, 8st. 11lb. ... 0
Mr. F. Longstaff's brh CATTY CRAG by Wolf' Crag—Nobody's Child, 7st. 12lbs 0
Lord H. de Walden's b c HIS EMINENCE, by Royal Hampton—Altesse, 7st 11lbs ... 0
Mr. G A Prentice' b h DUMBARTON CASTLE by Wolf's Crag—Chemistry, 7st. 9lbs 0
Sir J. Thursby's b c BILL OF THE PLAY, by Bill of Portland—Opera Dance, 7st 7lbs... 0
Mr. F. Pennard's bh MONKSHEAD, by Friar's Balsam—Perce Niege, 7st 4lbs. ... 0
Mr, E. A. Wigan's bc SARCELLE, by Gallinule —Croceum, 7st. 4lbs. 0
Mr. W. Goodchild's bc CRUSADER, by Eager —Angelina, 7st. 3lbs. 0
Mr. G. Walmsley's ch b WILD ASTER, by Victor Wild—Asteria, 7st. 3lbs. ... 0
M. M. Caillault's ch c CAMISARD, by The Bard—La Carmagnole, 7st. 0
Mr. G. Parrott's b g TRUFFLE DE PERIGORD, by Perigord—Bit of a Devil, 7st. ... 0
Mr. J. Fallon's b c ATHLEAGUE, by Perigord—Outcry, 6st. 10lbs., ... 0
Mr. G. Menzie's b g JAPAN, by Raeburn—Primula, 6st. 10lbs. 0
Mr. L. de Rothschild's br c MINOS, by St. Frusquin—Cretan Belle, 6st. 7lbs. ... 0
Mr. J. Craig's b c CRESCENT, by Janissary —Hungry, 6st. 7lbs. 0
Mr. W. Raphael's br f LOVANIA, by Ayrshire —St. Louvaine, 6st. 4lbs. 0
Mr. A. Stedall's b g KOLO, by Matchmaker—Cloon, 6st. 2lbs. 0
Mr. W. M. G. Singer's b g LUSTLEIGH, by Simontault—Jersey Lily, 6st. 0
Mr. Milnthorp's b c MIKADO, by Mimic—Kaaba, 6st. 0

(Winner trained in France.)

BETTING :—9 to 4 agst. His Eminence 25 to 1 Ob, 100 to 7 Kaffir Chief, 33 to 1 Rifleite.
Won by five lengths; three lengths between second and third.

Sporting Notes.

IT is perhaps not yet too late to comment on the past paperchasing season, as its principal events are at any rate fresh in the minds of Calcutta readers. Captain Holden carried on the traditions of the Bodyguard by winning the big Cup and his success was doubly popular, since the Bodyguard, and indeed the Viceroy's Staff generally, have for many years passed been good and valued friends to Calcutta paperchasers. Captain Holden is himself a genuine paperchaser, by which is understood that he rides his horses regularly and fairly week by week and takes his chances with the rest in addition to supporting the Hunter Races which have done so much to revive and sustain the interest taken in paperchasing.

His horse Lord Harry has now shewn himself to be the best chaser in the town and fully deserved his long succession of victories ; furthermore he has been at no disadvantage in respect of his rider as Captain Holden has to be reckoned with nowadays as an experienced and fine horseman, who has profited by the opportunities that have crowded upon him during the past two or three years.

Another fine hunter is Dr. Forsyth's Corydon and it is rather a pity that he was not set to race against Lord Harry over the Tollygunge Course, but the Doctor natuarlly likes to have the riding of his hunters himself and is content with his annual race for the Cup. The runners up in both the Light and Heavy divisions this year may congratulate themselves on knowing that they have been beaten by exceptional horses and that in an average year they could have defeated all comers.

The Light Horse Paperchase Cup brought out a very sporting field of which Fairy disposed in summary fashion. Without grudging Mr. Ballantyne his double victory, we may perhaps suggest that the conditions of this chase should always exclude Paperchase Cup winners in order to give the beginners some sort of a chance. The chase on Friday last proved more or less of a fiasco simply because Fairy went to the front about half a mile from the start and cut out a pace which simply throttled the chargers behind her. The result was wild jumping, falls and refusals at every fence until nothing was left but Jorrocks and a very small tail of beaten, but quite undisgraced horses and riders. With a more level field the majority would probably have succeed in negotiating the course in company.

The *Sardinia* took away from Calcutta two very useful and popular members of the Calcutta Turf Club in Messrs. J. Stewart and A. G. Macpherson. With so many racing men on leave this summer their places on the Executive will not be very easy to fill, but so long as Messrs. Apcar, Dickson, Deakin, Bates and Paris remain in town we have a working nucleus which can be very confidently relied upon to carry on the work successfully.

R. Morison, the Jockey, has got into trouble in Rangoon. Last Saturday his riding of Mr. W. B. Green's Flo in the Tharawaddy Handicap caused his suspension for the day and an enquiry which is to be referred to Calcutta. Flo is said to have been pulled.

To be gored by a gaur was the fate of Mr. J. T. Lewis, Chief Engineer of the S. I. Railway, shooting in the Cochin Forest, on the 13th instant, he shot a big gaur which fell, but, recovering, he charged the shikari, severely goring him in the stomach. Mr. Lewis is now in hospital in a critical condition.

The Punjab Infantry Polo Tournament resulted in the victory of the 53rd Sikhs who beat the Guides Infantry by 2 goals and 3 subsidiaries to 2 goals and 2 subsidiaries.

The teams were composed as follows:—53rd Sikhs—Mr. Prescot, Major Davis, Captain Milward and Major Ferguson Davie. Guides Infantry—Mr. Hensley, Mr. Banks, Major Codrington and Mr. Kirkpatrick.

At the conclusion of the game General Sir Edward Barrow congratulated the Sikhs on their success and on keeping the Cup in the Peshawar Division. He remarked that out of the ten occasions that the

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Cup has been played for the Guides Infantry had won it no less then six times. Lady Barrow then presented the handsome trophy to the winning team.

Some "simple villagers" Jubbulpore way have, we hope, struck a snag this time. A Jubbulpore correspondent reports that while Colonel Pennyquick Lloyd, P.M.O., was out shooting in the district he accidently shot a native woman in the leg, none of the pellets, however, breaking the skin. He was surrounded by people of the village who took away his gun, but on the headman appearing the gun was returned. The villagers refused to allow him to proceed until he gave up his watch, to be returned when he sent the compensation demanded. Money was accordingly sent to the village, but marked. The place was surrounded by the police who arrested 25 men in possession of marked money and brought them into Jubbulpore charging them with being dacoits. Most excellent!

A Nuwara Eliya correspondent wrote to the *Ceylon Observer* on the 7th March:—Up to date 14,000 young fry have been hatched out of the 20,000 brown trout ova brought out by the *Moldavia*, 50 to 60 ova go bad daily and it is expected to hatch out 19,000 fry from the consignment. This constitutes a record and is the best result ever known since ova was first imported.

In connection with the Shooting Rules for the United Provinces, "Soldier" writes to our Allahabad contemporary:—

"I notice you are having further correspondence on the above subject. May I ask your readers to peruse the excellent letter signed 'U. P' in the *Indian Field* of 3rd January last? So exhaustive and so clear and sound that it might well be copied into every newspaper in India. I may make a confession and say that, before reading it, I thought some services had been unduly favoured before to the detriment of soldiers and other non-officials, but have now changed my opinion. The whole thing is now *impossible*. Even when marching with a regiment if the halting ground is close to a reserved forest, you cannot enter it to shoot a pheasant or a kaka unless you have first procured a permit. Let all the forests be free as before. What is wanted is a game licence and not ridiculous rules full of every kind of restriction. If absolutely necessary make sanctuaries, but nothing else. The real offenders are the native *shikaries*, and the new rules do not get at these gentlemen at all. Leave the Forest Officers to perform their legitimate duties instead of turning them into game-keepers."

Many old Calcutta men will have read with pleasure the announcement in the *Statesman* that Mr. L. C. Baines is returning to Calcutta. An all round sportsman and muscle-merchant was the redoubtable "Jimmy" what time he tasted tea in this city and filled in his leisure with boxing, swimming, football, rowing and volunteering, at all of which he was a front ranker. On the concert platform he was a great success at times, and he used to play the banjo more than ordinarily well.

Mr. W. S. Burke's Scottish Terrier Charnock Lassie on the 5th instant, threw four pups—three dogs and a bitch—to his Charnock Wee Macgregor who so distinguished himself at the recent Championship Show of the Calcutta Kennel Club. Lassie is a fashionably bred one. On her sire's side she comes of the famous Clydeford Rebel stock, her grandsire being Clydeford Tonic. Clydeford Rebel was by Regent—Charybdis, by Heather Prince and was bought for £150 by Mr. J. Smith. Through her dam (Cairntable Fanny) Lassie claims descent from the Warrender's Tibb family which produced such good stud dogs as Ch. Gair and Geyser II. her grandsire on the dam's side.

The Inter-Regimental Polo Tournament was won by the 10th Hussars, who beat the 15th Hussars by 5 goals to 4 goals and 3 subsidiaries. Details further on.

A result of the recent strike at our press was our utter inability to publish last week the usual "Form at a Glance" of the past season's racing in Calcutta. It was set up, but with the paucity of hands could not be corrected in time. We offer it now with apologies and regrets.

The latest fish story is the following:—While obtaining stone from the Clunch Pit, Pirton, Herts, a party of parishioners who are engaged in restoring the parish church, under the leadership of the vicar (the Rev. E. W. Langmore), made a remarkable discovery. On splitting a huge block of stone, they found embedded in it a fish about 12 inches long. Though it has, obviously, been encased for many hundreds of years, the fish is perfect in form, and its scales are still silvery and natural in appearance. The body is as hard as flint.

Someone was asking, "Where are they,
Those Kings of Sport of yesterday?
Simple their tastes; their wishes few;
Steady their aim; their eyesight true.
A brace of dogs, and a single gun,
Were all they asked to share their fun.
Under the trees,
A pleasant breeze,
A sandwich or some bread and cheese.
Have they gone with the years that are far away,
Those Kings of Sport of yesterday?"

And someone answered, "See, I pray,
The pampered sportsman of to-day.
Conceit and swagger; a jealous shot,
Creeping near where the corner's hot.
Two guns, a loader, a cosy butt;
A sumptuous feast in a rainproof hut.
Fizz and old port.
This is his sport!
Scarcely enjoyed and dearly bought."
A third voice murmured in real dismay,
"Then no true sportsman lives to-day!"
—GWENDOLINE DAVIDSON, in *The Bystander*.

Recently there have been complaints from dog owners in Calcutta regarding the indiscriminate dog poisoning which has resulted in the destruction of valuable and harmless pets. Of course the authorities will point to the public notice regarding "Dogs Found Straying" but what is "straying?" Can an obviously *owned*, dog with a collar, be rightly considered to be straying if found within a few yards of his owner's gate when he is, perchance, attending to such legitimate business as may require his presence on the public highway? We should say not. But whatever may be the rights of the question it is evident that the destruction of dogs is not entrusted to the right class of person; also it is apparent that the operations are conducted at the wrong time of day. We have seen European policemen and domes at their fell work of offering poisoned sweetmeats to pariahs before 8 A.M. Now this is a time when the pariah is peculiarly alert and wary and we have witnessed the rejection of the tempting morsel by the intended victim. True we have seen the bait retrieved by the dome, to be reserved for the next likely pi; but a crow or kite might swoop down on it and drop it into any compounded or terrace where any domestic pet, or even child, might be sacrificed! It seems to us that the dog killers might with the minimum of effort, and with a vast saving of time, make really big "bags" if they conducted operations say at noon when the weary pi is slumbering in the shade. Almost any day, at any time beween midday and 2 P.M. three or four stray pariahs are to be seen asleep on the steps of the Holwell monument; half a dozen more are similarly employed on the shady side of Bankshall Street near the Small Cause Court, as many more near the High Court, the Town Hall, and under the big trees on the *maidan*. We have observed them and marked them down for weeks. We do not profess to be expert at the game, but in an amateur way we would guarantee in a couple of hours—between noon and 2 o'clock—to rid the city of twenty-five of these dangerous pests. We respectifully offer the tip to Mr. Halliday and his merry band of exterminators.

The Subalterns' Polo Tournament brought together in the finals, the 10th Hussars and the 12th Lancers, the Hussars winning by 2 goals and 2 subsidiaries to 1 goal and 1 subsidiary. Details in our Polo column.

A correspondent writes from the Native State of Karauli:—"We bagged a tigress yesterday and the day's sport was interesting, if only for the manner in which a pack of dogs assisted us in attaining our end. The tigress was wounded and had taken refuge in a ravine affording a fair amount of cover. The beaters failed to dislodge her, and she was in such an unpleasant temper that they were withdrawn and the pack turned in. I could see the whole proceeding from the bank of the ravine. The pack were just a miscellaneous lot of pies, no Banjaras or other dogs of any sort of breed, but they were big, powerful animals, and not without gameness as the sequel shows. They were all dogs in sex, no bitches. I was told that bitches do not answer the purpose so well, are less staunch and more uncertain. The Maharajah uses the pack for tiger and pig, and says he loses more dogs from boars than from tigers. Just before they are loosed, they are given some *masala*, probably bhang, it is possible this may tend to render them more indifferent to their fate. They don't give tongue, but hunt silently and only growl and bay when the quarry is found. On this occasion one of the dogs first scented the tigress, who was lying up

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under a bush, and then the whole pack surrounded the position. One large, black pie, more venturesome than the rest, then went into attack at close quarters and was instantly killed. Still, though worried or nipped at from all sides, she refused to bolt, and eventually, catching sight of her as she made a dash to punish one of her assailants, I was able to put a couple of bullets into her from a distance of twenty yards. She was an old tigress and measured 8ft. 7th. As long as she was alive, the dogs exercised a certain amount of caution, but the instant my bullets laid her out they closed and worried to their hearts' content. I must say the pack of mongrels, or whatever you like to call them, did useful service and saved us what otherwise might have been a very nasty job. Excepting the one dog mentioned as having been killed outright at the first onset, the rest suffered no serious injuries of any kind, the pack appeared to be just game enough and not too game for their business, and I can imagine that employed in this way they may be often useful in bringing a wounded tiger to bag. I think you may be interested in the incident as showing how dogs are used in a Native State for following up dangerous game."

We note with satisfaction that powers have been conferred on the Customs authorities to examine parcels suspected of containing feathers and skins of such birds, the trade in which is prohibited, it having leaked out that in spite of the law large consignments still go forward. We are inclined to go a step further and suggest that district officers should be empowered to cancel the gun licenses of those engaged in the feather trade. Dyeing has now attained such perfection that milliners can easily meet the wants of those who seek to deck themselves out in emulation of Cherowkee Indians with headgear formed from from the feathers of domestic poultry, without demanding a continuance of practices which, unless checked, will render birds of bright hue as extinct as the dodo.

Brown had returned from a fishing expedition and, after partaking of a most welcome dinner, was relating some of his experiences.

"Last year," said he, "while fishing for pike, I dropped half a sovereign. I went to the same place this year, and after my line had been cast a few minutes I felt a terrific pull. Eventually I landed a fine pike, which had swallowed the hook, and on cutting it open to release the hook, to my amazement——"

"Ah," said his friend, "you found a half-sovereign."

"Oh, no," replied Brown; "I found nine shilling and sixpence in silver and threepence in coppers."

"Well, what became of the other threepence?" queried his friends.

"I suppose the pike paid to go through the lock with it," answered Brown.

Our Bombay correspondent writes:—For the eleventh extra, there were nine events on the card with some huge fields, and some good finishes were seen.

In the first of the Strangers' Selling Plates, Glass jumped away with a nice lead which he made into a fairly substantial one, but there was no shaking the favourite off when he came. He is a very racy looking grey, suggesting staying ability and should turn out another Lamond in time. There was no bidding however, in fact throughout the selling races there seemed no anxiety to buy on the part of owners. There was no getting away from Spearmint in the first New Comers' Handicap despite the 9-10 he had to carry. Once more Madrid quite failed to stay, but is useful over just a furlong shorter, whereas Spearmint settled Salanic's hash and had practically won his race when express put in his late run.

The uncertainty of the 14-2s has been as upsetting as the new ponies, but such a strong run was there on Comback that this was thought to be another such as Russley Rose won the time before. From the raising of the barrier Filbert and Russley Rose were out of it and little Achievement cut out the pace. When the favourite cut in between her and Welsh Love it was thought to be all over, but a disturbing element propped up in Koko whom Heeroo steered nicely into the berth on the rails. At the distance the result was apparent and Koko romped in again to land outsiders' odds.

The new pony races that followed were a contrast to the first two, being of a most disastrous nature. After a great deal of uncertainty, Kawakib was made favourite for the second New Comers' Handicap with Poseidon and Meerjan fancied. With Robert Macaire hopelessly left, Rabliss made the pace till the half mile where the 20 to 1 chance, Gopal, came out and going on won absolutely any how with Meerjan beating two more outsiders in Zir and Dhamas; the race was run in the remarkably smart time, for any Arab, of 1min. 21⅗ secs.

The Lingfield Plate was where punters really scored when they made Chassepot a warm favourite in a field of half a dozen, though I may say he was lucky to win. The time, 1min. 56secs., was our-fifths of a second faster than Ballark's time in the Grand Wstern.

From now onwards it was a case of outsiders and, in a field of seventeen, Highborn was favourite and nowhere for the Thannah Plate. Tachreet was also backed, but he fell away at the bend from where we saw one of the most open races possible. Some eight at least were in a dead line at the distance where Little Joker showed out only to fall away to Young Gazelle but he also was passed and that almost on the post by Sir Jamal who came on the extreme outside of the line and landed odds of twenties.

In the Callian Plate of a mile, so fast did Monsoon make the pace that Commander's time in the Second Dealer's was broken by a fifth of a second by a new pony after a desperate finish.

Only five went out for the Auction Plate with Epitome a warm favourite from old Blue Blood, who does not look the picture she was three years ago. Epitome and Frelance got badly away and Blue Blood made the running from the rank outsider Rossi who came away in the run home in very easy manner to win in the classy time of 1min. 15secs.—a further proof of the fast track at Mahaluxmi.

The Jackal Club Point-to-Point Meeting took place at Marole on Saturday when there was a very fair attendance though the day was unfortunately a race day. During the evening Lord Lamington put in an appearance and altogether a very pleasant time was passed.

As usual, the two Jumping Competitions came first and the one for horses was won by Lieut.-Col. Forbes on his bay, Khala, who made such a good impression in the Horse Show, beating Mr. Armstrong's Blarney. The Pony event was also won by one of those who scored in the Horse Show, Mr. W. E. Palmer's Inspiration, who once more gave his rider trouble only to clear beautifully once his mind was made up.

The Hunt Cup for horses over a 4 mile course was the first of the races and this was eventually won by an old warrior in Kingfisher ridden by that game sportsman, Mr. Symons, who came in for quite an ovation. He got away very badly, but making up his ground in grand style and, passing Mr. Turnbull on Tomtit and Captain Fellows on Chorister, won a good race.

Several old favourites were seen at the start for the Pony Hunt Cup in which Mr. Stewart had a very nasty fall. It was a pretty easy win for that well-known performer, Akbar Khan, steered by his owner.

Lastly came the open Point-to-Point for horses in which Mr. Moore, again secured a win on Sir Brian, a big, shapely bay belonging to Mr. T. L. Roberts beating Mr. Tournbull on Tomtit. Mrs. Donald Graham presented the prizes after a good day's sport.

The annual Hunters flat race at the Twelfth Extra was exceptionally interesting and ended in quite a good race. Good Luck was sent out from Lady Jenkins' Hoaxer, the former made no sort of a show at any part of the journey. Capt. Meynell could not have ridden a better judged race and amongst the first four at the bend came up and won by half a length, with plenty in hand.

A very hot thing went down in the big race, the Goodwood Plate in which, Projective was backed as though the race was over, not long after the start, however, Rustile assumed command and was never headed. In a field such as this, the 1min 2 secs in which it was done was surprisingly slow and had Vocalist not got off in the ruck I think he might have given them a further jar.

The Lanowli Plate was a very open betting race fives the field being on offer with Berlin, King Cobweb and Egypt most in demand. Alf Hoyt rode a very nice race and after allowing Egypt and Panala to make the pace, only had Ajax to beat which he did comfortably. The Selling Handicap looked very open: though after Freelance and Rossi had made the pace, Shotover came away in the easiest of manners and gave his stable a very nice win.

The Little Arab Plate gave full confirmation, about the honesty of Vedas. Receiving five pounds from him, Mudlool was made a shade better favourits, but was badly beaten at the finish; Vedas lay third till the three furlongs where he came into the lead and literally wore Mudlool down.

The second division was an upset; after Highborn and Vasco had been well backed, Sahoon jumped away at a great pace and took a commanding lead but when Highborn came up at the bend he looked a winner. And so he would have been had he kept straight, but he finished nearly on the tan whereas Sahoon gamely struggled on near the rails and secured a half length verdict. All the three nursery handicaps were in favour of punters.

A further step has an last been made in the Amateur, championship at Pyrke's Saloon and the final of the eliminating rounds has at last been reached. The first of the semi-finals was between Messrs. P. Fischer and Avery on Wednesday when one cannot say the form was too good or the game either. The former is by no means in form and after losing the lead from the start was always playing an up hill game. To be fair, it must be acknowledged Avery had all the best of the luck, but made far less use of it than one might expect from a man, who has gained quite a reputation. On nearing the fourth century he began to go away and led by 100 when within fifty of game. Now however, Fischer brought off some nice shots, especially cannons, and in the end was by no means disgraced, the final scores being Avery 500, Fischer 442.

The best game seen to date, and the best likely to be seen, was that between Messrs Louth and Hargreaves the former a brilliant player in want of practise and the latter a rare sticker who seems to score whenever he goes to the table. With fortune favouring him, Hargeaves went away from the first and reached 100 with his opponent at half that Then, however, Louth showed a bit of his form with a delightful 45 which included a variety of shots, as he never really got them together to his liking. Shortly after he took the lead and the next moment went clear away with a brilliant compilation of 67 which ended, as these breaks usually do, with an absurdly easy in off at the top pocket. During this his in offs at the middle pockets were delightfully clean and with well judged strength; the concluding portion being at the top where his finessing was a treat to watch. From now however he did nothing and with dogged perseverence Hagreaves gradually decreased the gap till the game was in a tremendously exciting condition, the score was 483-476 against Louth when he went to the table for what turned out to be the last time. In going in off he at once lost the white, but with the red nicely placed for the middle right pocket, he played it which such perfect strength that going in off seven times, he ran out with a break of 25 unfinished. The final scores were Louth 500 Hargreaves 483. Louth's best efforts were:—67, 25 (unfinished) 21 and 20 (twice). Hargreaves:—25, 22 and 21 three times.

If Louth can only play a little more consistently the cup may be his. He and Avery meet on Monday, the winner to play the holder, Pyrke.

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"How do you get to Edensville?"

"Coach has gone, miss!"

"Oh, my! What am I to do?"

"Better go and put up with the station agent for the night miss."

"Sir, I'm a lady!"

"Yes, mum; and so is the station agent."

"That dog of yourn flew at me this morning, and bit me on the leg, and I now notify to you that I intend to shoot it the first time I see it."

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Athletic Notes.

FULL details of the Bengal Lawn Tennis Championships are published in another place. Mr. E. M. Atkinson won the singles and he and Captain B. O. Roe were successful in the Doubles.

The final match in the Punjab Commission Cup Tournament was won by the Jat Sikh Regiments. In the course of a short speech, before Lady Clark presented the Cup, Mr. Justice Robertson said:—

"I think the history of this Cup is now well known to you all. It was presented eight years ago to the Panjab Army, first as a token of the good will of the members of the Punjab Commission to their military brethren, and secondly to encourage cricket throughout that body. Our desire has always been that every member of the Panjab Army, of whatever branch or rank or nationality, should have a chance of playing for the Cup and forming one of a winning team. We took a British Infantry Battalion as our unit of strength and endeavoured to form other branches, corps and departments into groups which should have as far as possible equal chance of success. For seven years however the Cup went to the hitherto unconquerable British Infantry, but this year it has gone elsewhere and we are sure that our friends the British Infantry will not misunderstand us when we say that we are glad to see another branch getting a turn after all these years. We want to see the Cup go round, and while we hope that the British Infantry will have their fair share of success we shall be very glad to see teams from the Gurkhas, Indian Cavalry, R. A. M. C. and other groups successful in their turn. The winners and the runners up are both to be congratulated on having put good teams into the field in a most sporting manner under great difficulties and we heartily congratulate the "Fighting Sikhs" on their well earned success."

As an example of churlishness the following is pretty fair. At the recent B. P. A. A. A. sports a boy belonging to the—no we will not mention the school—won a medal in one of the races; he did not appear when his name was called at the prize giving, and a day or two afterwards the Hon. Sec. notified the Principal of the fact that he had a medal for one of his boys. Up to date no sign has been made either by pedagogue or pupil! This is the sort of thing that prompts the consideration whether it is really worth while including the Schools events in the programme of these sports. Everything is done to encourage a taste for outdoor sport that the Association can well do. Three races are framed, a magnificent shield is put up, silver and bronze medals are awarded, the competitors pay no entrance fees and all schools in charge of masters are admitted free to see the sports. There have not been wanting occasions during the period of training, when certain young ruffians have disgraced themselves and their schools by exhibitions of malicious destructiveness and other misdeeds. One has, of course, to make allowance for the lower code of schoolboy morality prevailing out here, but surely discourtesy of the kind here indicated does not meet with general approval among those who teach and are taught at our Calcutta schools?

Corpl. G. Smith of the Devonshire Regiment and Sam Newman boxed to a draw in the Jubilee Hall, Rangoon last Saturday. The talent displayed was pretty fair, Smith was leading on points up to the tenth round after which Newman got in much good work and drew level at the finish.

The final tie in the Laver Hockey Cup Tournament was played at Secunderabad on the 14th instant when the Manchesters met and defeated the Gymkhana by a goal to nil.

General Hamilton, before presenting the cup, said there had been a very keen competition for Mr. Laver's cup. Twelve teams as against nine last year had entered. The game between the Rajputs and Pioneers, combined officers' team against the Lincolns was the best ever seen in Secunderabad. He regretted very much that the Lincolns lost possession of the cup in this match by a penalty goal, but that was the fortune of war and the fault was their own. They would have all been more satisfied, however, had the Lincolns been beaten in the ordinary way. The greatest credit was due to the Rajputs and Pioneers for putting in such a strong team of officers. He congratulated the Manchesters on their win. Undoubtedly they had the best of the game all through and deserved the prize.

The Murray Football Tournament ended in a win for the Carabiniers who beat the Royal Welsh Regiment in the final (after a draw) by 2 goals to 1. Details are given in the usual place.

In connection with the final in the Panjab Commision Cup Cricket Tournament, which ended on the 6th instant in a win for the Jat and Sikh Regiments by 111 runs, it is interesting to record that a bowling performance quite out of the common was accomplished by Mr. E. H. Lancaster, of the Supply and Transport Corps team, who in the second innings of the winning team captured all ten wickets.

The directors of the City of Glasgow Life Assurance Company have issued their sixty-eighth annual report. During 1906, 975 policies assuring £367,885 with premiums of £17,553 were issued. £5,904 was received in respect of annuities granted for £730. The claims which arose by the death of 264 policyholders amounted, with bonus additions, to £171,683. £25,251 became payable under endowment assurance policies which matured in the lifetime of the assured. After writing £15,319 off the values of investment the accumulated funds increased during the year by £66,703, and amounted at the end of the year to £2,966,207. The average annual rate of interest earned on the funds, including uninvested balances was £4 1s 6d. per cent., and the ratio of expenses to premium income was 15 per cent. The liabilities of the company under life assurance and annuity contracts were again valued by the Om and Oa tables with 3 per cent. interest. The life assurance fund exceeded the total of these liabilities by £71,550, of which it is recommended that £43,723 be divided and £27,827 carried forward.

London Week by Week.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

Friday, 1st March 1907.

WRITING on the eve of what we are assured in season and out of season is the most momentous election of recent years, one's predominant feeling is one of pious thankfulness that at last the end is in sight, and another twenty-four hours will see the contest at an end; the fate of the London rate-payer decided for good or evil; and last, though by no means least, that we cannot in the nature of things, have another L.C.C. election before 1910. For weeks past this election has been an obsession, from which escape has been impossible. Report says the noble army of canvassers — of both sexes, and of all classes who have been impressed into the service is far larger, on both sides, than has ever been known before, even at a General Election. Signs are not lacking that the small shop keeper, and even the British workman who has anything to lose, are becoming alive to the socialist danger.

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One would fain hope that the tactics which impelled the Socialistic hooligans in their attempt to break up the meeting in Trafalgar Square on Saturday were those of despair but that comfortable theory scarcely holds water in face of the fact that the same tactics were ressorted to by the same honourable party at the General Election, when their position cannot, with truth, be described as having been a desperate one. Their chief hope undoubtly lies in preventing certain stern, unpleasant, facts being effectually brought home to the great mass of the rate-payers; and the appearance of the Khaki-coloured dummy steam boat distinctly damaged by collisions with many piers; of the dummy house, built of London County Council bricks, and falling into ruins; of the banners made of the now famous L. C. C. blankets; and hods full of the no less famous Norbury bricks, was distinctly inopportune and inconvenient. By the way a certain mystery attached to the fate of the unfortunates hod men with the bricks or rather to that of their remains. A daily paper, describing the row, is responsible for the following appalling statement: "The men with the blankets banners were hustled and the blanket torn to pieces. The same fate befell the hodmen with the bricks.

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While Mr. Haldane is taking considerable trouble to divest himself of any surviving particle of confidence that Unionists may have had in him, he is gaining the questianoble reputation of being the most long-winded of ministers. He broke the record on Monday night when he spoke for over three hours in explanation of his plans for again throwing Militia and Volunteers into the melting pot. All that he had to say could have been more clearly said in half the time, and he paid the penalty of talking too long by finishing his speech to half empty benches.

One sentence in his speech—inserted probably with an eye to Mr. Keir Hardie and the other gentlemen of the Labour party—should be noted as showing the spirit of the War Minister with whom we are blessed; "we do not wish to encourage anything like the military spirit" says Mr. Haldane.

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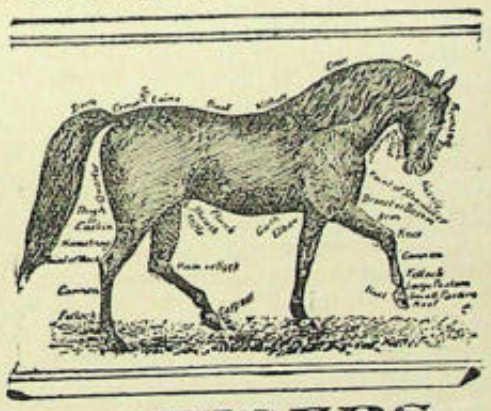

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A lurid imagination is hardly necessary to picture the smug approval of the Nonconformist Conscience at the pronouncement, and the varied feelings with which it will be received in Japan and Germany.

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The Adelphi has returned to its old love and Mr. Hall Caine provides the necessary melodrama. On Tuesday evening a large and enthusiastic audience welcomed the revival of "The Prodigal Son," which had such a successful run at Drury Lane about eighteen months ago. The revival does not at all points resemble the Drury Lane production. A few changes have been made in the cast; Mr. Walter Hampden taking Mr. George Alexander's place in the part of Oscar Stephenson, and Miss Florence Wood replacing Mrs. John Wood as Margaret Neilson. Miss Cecil Cromwell plays Helga Neilson formerly taken by Miss Nancy Price. Mr. Frank Cooper is again Magnus and plays with his usual power, carrying the action along with vigour and sincerity, Miss Lily Hall Caine, who has immensely improved since she was seen in the part at Drury Lane, is agained Thora and Elin. On Tuesday night her acting was really admirable and she spoke her lines, with a few exceptions finely. The piece is improved by sundry curtailments which might, perhaps, have been carried further with advantage The only tableau retained is that in which Magnus finds Oscar praying by the bedside of his dead wife. The carnival disappears from the third act, and in fact the whole act might be suppressed without serious loss of interest, so diffuse is the play. The piece is well mounted, and is evidently in for a new lease of life.

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The New Royalty which was new many, many years ago— is just now a proof that, given what they want, the public are quite willing to make the journey to a theatre a little off the beaten, track. M. de Ferandy's French company which is playing here for a week, is attracting large audiences. M. D. Ferandy opened his short season on Monday night with "Les affaires sont les Affaires," in which he made such a marked success about a year ago. M. de Ferandy was the original player of the part of Isidore Lechat, and on Monday night his personation of the unscrupulous, vulgar, hard-headed, vainglorious financeir was as astonishingly real as ever. Mdlle. Van Doren, who has the advantage of an extremely graceful and striking appearance, played the part of Germaine with much distinction, and the Mdme Lechat of Mdme Marie Laure was excellent. On Wednesday M. de Ferandy presented "L' Age Difficile" and last night "L' Avare with an extremely good cast. M. de Ferandy, good throughout, was especially strong in the great scene where Harpagon finds he has been robbed; the fall of the curtain being followed by a storm of applause. Moliere's comedy was preceded by "Monseigneur en Vacances" a pretty little sentimental comedy in one act, by' M. Joles Claretie, which gave M. de Ferandy, an opportunity of which he made good use of showing his remarkable gift of playing with subtlety and delicacy. "Blanchette," a new play by M. Brieux, is to be a given this evening.

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Mr. Oscar Asche opened a week's visit to the Kennington Theatre on Monday night with "The Taming of the Shrew." The performance was full of vigour, and was received with delight by a large audience. Mr. Asche is physically well suited to the methods he adopts as Petruchie, and Miss Lily Brayton played up to him admirably. Miss Agnes Brayton made a charming Bianca, the parts of her two suitors Gremio and Hortensio, being played with all due humour by Mr. Caleb Porter and Mr. Reginald Penny. Yesterday afternoon, Mr. Asche presented "Othello," appearing himself in the title role. His version of the play differed from most of those to which we are accustomed, but nevertheless it is a good working one, and illustrates more vividly than do most others, the truth that there are unions against which nature sets her face. The "Othello" of Mr. Asche, with his gigantic frame his black face with flashing teeth, and his uncouth, curious gestures, never for a moment allows the audience to forget the revolting unnatural character of the marriage, and the interest of the play gains enormously thereby. Mr. Asche was specially good in the third act It is a long time since Miss Lily Brayton has had a character so well suited to her powers as is that of Desdemona. Her rendering of the part is almost ideal—tender, innocent, altogether pretty,—and also altogether ineffectual. Mr. Braydone, as Tago, shared honours with Mr. Asche. The play, which had an enthusiastic reception from a crowded house, will be repeated to night. Next week, "His House in Order" will be the attraction at Kennington, it having been withdrawn from the St. James's on Wednesday.

Miss's Gladys Unger's play "Mr. Sheridan," with Mr. Bourchier in the title role, is promised at the Garrick next Wednesday. It is in four acts: the first two taking place in the library of Sheridan's house at Wanstead, the third at a ball, and the fourth at "The Happy Hymen" Inn at Gretna Green. Report says that Mr. Bourchier intends to make up for the part on the lines of the well-known portrait of Sheridan in the National Portrait Gallery; his Sheridan will therefore be Sheridan at about forty years of age.

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The cast of "The Great Conspiracy" which Mr. Charles Frohman produces at the Duke of York's on Monday, is a remarkable one, for both quality and quantity. Exactly thirty names appear in it, which should satisfy the most exacting of playgers: while as regards quality, they have Mr. John Hare as Napoleon Bonaparte (Emperor of the French), Miss Irene Vanbrugh as Jeanne de Briantes (La Belle Marseillaise), the herione of the story; Miss Madge McIntosh as Josephine, Miss Janet Alexander as Hortense Beauparnais, and Miss Jane May and Miss Elso Sinclair as Napolean's sisters, Mr. Aubrey Smith will be the Marquis de Tallemont, known as Lacanssa le, while Mr. Henry Ainley and Mr. Lyall Swete will play the parts of A. D. Cs. to Napoleon. The play, which is in three acts, is by Pierre Berton, and has been adapted by Madeleine Lucette Ryley.

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An unusually large number of actors have been incapacitated by illness lately. Mr. Welch has been obliged to discontinue the Wednesday matinees of that most amusing piece, "When Knights were Bold." Mr. Hawtrey's illness necessitated the postponement of Mr. Locke's new comedy, "the Palace of Puck," and arrangements have been made to stage "Peter's Mother" at the Haymarket on Saturday. The career of Mr. de la Pasture's comedy has been somewhat akin to that of the Wandering Jew, but the play is still popular, and as it is to have the advantage of the same cast as won favour on its first appearance it should meet with continued success. Owing to illness Mr. Rutland Barrington was unable to play the part of Pharaoh in "Amasis" last week at the Kennington Theatre, his place being taken by Mr. Michael Faraday, the composer of the opera, with signal success. Mr. du Maurier, just recovered from influenza, is again playing the part of the amateur cracksman in "Raffles" which has now been running over 300 nights. Mr. Edmund Payne, who has been out of the cast of "The New Alladin" at the Gaiety, has been able to resume his amusing role of Tiffin, the office boy.

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The most noteworthy productions in the immediate future are Mr. Alfred Sutro's new play "John Gladye's Honour," which Mr. Alexander promises for 8th March, at the St. James's. "Hedda Gabler" on several afternoons in this month at the Court, with Mr. Patrick Camphell in the part of Hedda. Mr. Cyril Maude proposes to give a series of matinées at the Playhouse, which, without interfering with the evening bill, will afford opportunity for the production of new plays, of which the first is to be "Her Son," by Mr. Horace Annesley Vachell, which Miss Winifred Emery took for a preliminary canter in the country a short time ago, since then the piece is said to have been subjected to drastic treatment with beneficial results. In its early state something like twenty years were supposed to elapse between the acts, now the play runs to a close with but a brief interval, Mr. Maude is to appear in the part formerly played by Mr. E. Norwood, Miss Emery, and Miss Mina Bouicicault, Miss Florence Haydon, and Mr. Alfred Bishop are also included in the cast. At the Alhambra, on Monday night, a new ballet was produced with marked success. It takes its name "The Queen of Spades," from the card by which in the first scene,' L'Etaile, a dancer fleeces a young sculptor of all he possesses. Infatuated with L'Etaile, the sculptor deserts his betrothed, quarrels with the Marquess, the dancer's lover, and finally, "seeking consolation in wine," falls into a heavy slumber. A magnificent dream or vision follows. The sculptor's statue turns into L'Etaile, dressed as the Queen of Spades, who becomes his evil genius, while his former fiancée now appears as his good spirit. Among the many incidents of the vision is a gorgeous dance of Harlequins, and a fascinating ballet of liqueurs-Chatreuse, Benedictine, Curacoa, etc.; but the crowning triumph of the evening was the ballet of the cards, in which the effects of light and colouring are simply marvellous. The final scene, which passes beneath the water, with water-nymphs, grottoes, and caves, will also be a triumph when it goes a little more smoothly than it did on Monday night. The dancing of Mdlle. Alexia was more astounding than graceful, and created a sensation. Signorina Marino, who dances in a quieter style, is exceedingly graceful; and both were warmly applauded. The ballet is written by Signor Carte, and the pretty, if somewhat commonplace, music is composed by Signor Mario Costa.

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On Saturday afternoon the Palace scored two records. The opening of the South African Products Exhibition by the King and Queen was shown on the bioscope within three hours of its occurrence, and we saw what probably has never been photographed before, the ceremony of knighthood, Captain Bain kneels, the King touches him with a sword, and Sir Peter rises. The pictures of the exhibition are wonderfully clear.

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The wreck of the *Berlin* is shown in a series of pictures which were evidently taken from the prow of a vessel following the life-boat, and they enable one to form a fairly acurate idea of the position of affairs and of the difficulties attending the rescue: we are shown the rescuers setting out, and later, the fierce see breaking over the wreck. The pictures which are by no means sensational, show few of the more distressing painful incidents.

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The twenty-nine suffragist martyrs who were released from Holloway on Wednesday morning were welcomed by their friends and admirers with the usual procession, waving of banners, and singing of war songs, and were entertained at a breakfast at the Eustace Miles Restaurant in Chandos Street. At the meeting which followed this festive function the heartiest maledictions of the assembled ladies were bestowed on Mr. Ramsay Macdonald, M. P. who had ventured to say in a letter to one of them, that he "really did not think they were doing any good to their cause." This expression of opinion from one of their former backers was received with jeers and hisses.

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On Saturday, while the King and Queen were opening the South African Exhibition at Westminster, Mr. Botha, was being elected to the post Premier of the new Transvall Constitution, and Mr. Smuts, his late companion in arms against the British, to the office of Colonial Secretary. In such a position of affairs it is hardly possible to "view with confidence" the future—at least the immediate future—of that portion of His Majesty's dominions, though it may perhaps be said that Mr. Botha is at least as sincerely attached to the British Empire as is our own "C. B."

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The verdict given on Monday in the King's Bench Division in the action of Beresford *vs.* Accident Insurance Company is satisfactory to all of us who insure against theft and loss. The action was brought by Capt. Horsley-Beresford, and his wife, an actress known professionally "as Miss Kitty Gordon," for the loss of a sable coat valued at a thousand guineas, which was taken from a trunk in transit from America to England. The defence chiefly consisted of an attempt to discredit the statement that the coat was packed in the box before it left America, but Mr. Justice Bray held that the insurance covered not only the transit but also the time in America: judgment was given for the plaintiff for £1,000 and costs.

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The death is announced of General the Hon. Sir Robert Rollo, K.C.B., who was the oldest officer in the Army, being 93 years of age, and having entered the Black Watch as long ago as August 1832. At the time of his death he was honorary colonel of the regiment. He served in the Cremean War, in which he gained four decorations and a brevet.

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In these bad times, which may become worse. some of us may like to know how to live on sixpence a day. If so, Professor Landouzy, of Paris, can tell us all about it, and he is no amateur. He says it is possible to live on sixpence a day, and moreover he guarantees us three meals for our money. The first meal consists of milk, three pieces of sugar, bread and butter. At midday you may have bread, ham, vegetables, or in summer, fruit, and a cup of coffee, with three pieces of sugar; and for dinner your fare is soup, with lard and bread, haricots or lentils, chestnuts and wine. How long you would survive to spend your daily sixpence the Professor sayeth not.

ONLOOKER.

"Why" asked Pat, one day, "was Balaam a first-class astronomer?" The other man gave it up, of course. "Shure," said Pat, "'twas because he had no trouble in finding an ass to roid."

A bridegroom, on returning thanks, blundered through a speech, and, hardly knowing what he was saying, brought blushes to the cheek of the bride by trusting "that in future her troubles would be little ones."

"No truer words were ever spoken than these: 'A fool and his money are soon parted,' "said the lecturer. "That's so," said a voice from the rear of the hall, "we all paid sixpence each to get in here."

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A VERY slow and hot journey brought myself and friend from Mussoorie whence we started on the 1st May, to Rampur, the Capital of the Basahir State on the 16th. There were pleasant stretches of country however, here and there which tempted us to linger. The road to Chakrata is most uninteresting ; but from Deoban above the Cantonment to Triuni on the Tons we had a pleasant time, marching slowly through the Jaunsar Bawar forests. The scenery from Deoban to Mandali is really splendid—and just the reverse in some. The northern slopes are generally clothed in magnificent hanging forests, while on the south the hillsides are bare and steep. This contrast made the good bits the more enjoyable. These forests are carefully preserved and are the favourite resort of tourists and sportsmen during the "fall." From Triuni bridge to Roru we marched up the Tons valley along the banks of the stream. The most uncomfortable stages we had yet had. The rays of the sun, as soon as he topped the mountain crests, were scorching, and that concentrated essence of insect poison the "Tons fly" added to our discomfort by unceasing attacks in every exposed portion of our bodies. The amount of discomfort that this minute pest inflicts on the human being is in inverse proportion to his size ; he is almost invisible but the results of his attacks are just the reverse. From Roru to Sungri, the next stage, we ascended several thousand feet and entered the Basahir State. The change in the climate was magical. The two next marches also were very pleasant across the huge spur from the Himalayan buttresses which separate the waters of the Sutlej from those of the Jumna. We then descended to Rampur, the capital of the State on the left bank of the Sutlej, when the heat and want of space in and about the town gave us a bad time.

During these two stages we were in that portion of Basahir where a "gadr" or rebellion was going on, mention of which was made at the time in Indian newspapers. As we passed through the discontented villages we could not help hearing tales of oppression and highhandedness which had culminated in this mild demonstration of revolt. It seems that a few years ago Government appointed a Superintendent to look after the affairs of the State owing to the incapacity, through old age, of the present Rajah ; on all sides we heard complaints of the *zulum* practised by this official who was addressed by the high sounding title of "Wizir-i-Azam." As complaint was not listened to by the authorities at Simla, the people took the law into their own hands and expelled the official with the high title, who fled to Simla. The people have now assembled in large numbers and have subscribed Rs. 90,000 among themselves to fight their case. The old Rajah seems a non-entity. His powers have been taken away and a British official reigns in his stead. His Highness has no son who can succeed him, the rightful heir died a few years ago. He will not nominate a successor but is said to desire the annexation of his State, after his death. Complaints against the Forest Department were also frequent, not only in this part of Basahir but along the whole route we travelled where their jurisdiction extended. The two charges brought against them are that they impound cattle, etc., by the hundred, for no reason whatever and levy large sums as fines ; also that the zemindar, the owner of the land, cannot fell a tree on his own property without permission. It is also stated that the Basahir forests have been taken over by Government for 99 years on an annual payment of Rs. 10,000 to the Rajah, while the Forest Department make a profit of a lakh every year ! The people contend that the forests belong to them and not to the Rajah, who had no right to make such a onesided bargain. The above is the gossip of the way side which we picked up as we went along and is given here for what it is worth. It shows at any rate that there are grievances which have excited the feelings of the people of this country to a very unusual extent. The discontent is very general ; though only a few villages have come to the front, the population in general are in sympathy with them. What may be the real causes of such general discontent cannot be discovered by casual travellers like ourselves.

Rampur town is a miserable hole and is at present a mass of crumbling ruins. The great earthquake more than a year ago levelled many buildings, the Rajah's, palace was cracked from top to bottom in many places. Attempts were made to rebuild ; but shocks have been so frequent since and the roughly built houses have such light foundations that they collapse again, so the inhabitants are making the most of the ruins as shelters and new houses do not seen to be springing up. An energetic ruler would no doubt find a more desirable sight for the capital of his kingdom and remove his subjects there at little cost, but under the present *regime* "stagnation" is the word. In cases like this it is a pity that the British Government does not exercise its paternal authority and use sufficient pressure to effect obvious improvements. The present old Rajah is reputed to be a miser and is said to have a full treasury. When he departs in the natural course and is gathered to his ancestors a good opportunity will occur for a general remodelling of this ancient hill state.

We reached Nachar in four marches. The first stage to Gaora is a very steep ascent almost all the way, 8½ miles. We joined the great Hindustan and Tibet road, built by Lord Dalhousie many years ago, a few miles below Rampur and our going ever since has been easy and pleasant with the exception of the uphill work as far as Gaora. The forest scenery is splendid in the left bank of the Sutlej in the higher slopes above this road. Between the road and the river, which is several thousand feet below, the hillsides are covered with terraced fields and villages are numerous all the way to Nachar. Above the road splendid forests of Deodar stretch all the way for the whole four stages and travellers pass through them for long distances at a time while extensive stretches of cultivation are spread below him, the stages were short and we enjoyed them immensely. The approach to Nachar from the Rampur side is a most pleasant bit of road through fine deodar forest, a walk through which early in a May morning was most pleasant. From Nachar to Chini it is two marches. Three miles from the former is the well-known Wangtu bridge reached by a steep descent all the way, a fine iron suspension bridge now spans the river : in years gone by I have crossed it here over a shaky old wooden one with a good slant on one side, a slip along which would give easy access to the depths below. The road after crossing winds along the right bank of Sutlej with a very stiff ascent almost up to Urni forest bungalow. This was a most trying march though we started unusually early. The sun blazed on the steep hillside with terrific effect and there was no shade along the road to protect us from the scorchingsun. The forest buildings across the river at Kilba are just opposite Urni bungalow. These were the headquarters of the Divisional Forest Officer in former years ; they are now at Kotgarh near Simla, much nearer civilization. Next morning we walked to Roghi, where are the well-known cliffs of that name, across the face of which for some distance the Hindustan and Tibet road is scouped out of the solid rock. It is difficut to imagine how the workmen could have got along when blasting had to be done at every yard, only the local hill-men, who are born cragsmen, would have accomplished such a slow, tedious and most dangerous job. Chini is only three miles from Roghi and is not a haltingplace at all : but it is the headquarters of the State official (Naib Tahsildar) who is in charge of the Kunawar district of Busahir. It is also the *last* post office on this road. The two miles into Chini are shaded by fine deodars and orchards on either side ends, a very pleasant walk from Roghi. We sent back our mounts from this place to Nachar to await our return, as the made road ends a few miles further on and even grass for horses is scarce ! At Nachar supplies are easily obtained. We dismissed our coolies also with the exception of four who are useful as camp servants. These men from the lower hills are not fitted for carrying loads at this elevation and in such a climate—10,000 feet and upwards. They are always miserably clad, always fed on starvation allowance, and are entirely dependent on huge wood fires at night for the necessary warmth. As soon as the limit of forest is reached they collapse. The supply difficulty now began to give us trouble. Villages are few and far between ahead of us and cultivation is scanty. The Forest Officer in charge of this division has kindly allowed us to buy ten maunds of flour from his "shop" at Pangi, our next haltingplace. Should we run short, this supply will come in handy to keep us and our men from starvation. Numbers of sawyers and others are employed in these forests during the working season ; they generally come from the Punjab. To feed these men the Forest Department have to keep a bania's shop open to supply them with the articles necessary for their daily fare ; this indispensible establishment is kept at Pangi. As all the supplies have to be carried up from the plains and lower hills during several months of the year, the Department has to do a considerable business in the retail shopkeeper's line as well as in the carrying trade, which is mostly done on bullocks. But for these arrangements the workmen from the plains would find it impossible to do the felling and sawing in these forests. The above details will give some idea of the country ahead of us.

On our return journey we met a traveller near Pangi whose enthusism regarding scenery round Chini could with difficulty be restrained. He was a great traveller, and had seen most of the scenic show places in the world, it was his opinion that the combination of earth, air and sky about Chini could not be equalled even in Switzerland. Our admiration lagged not far behind his. There is a considerable extent of level, or comparatively level, ground, about the village and the water-supply is abundant. There are apricot orchards and green fields below with dark deodar and fir forests enclosing and dominating them on the steep slopes rising westwards, whence comes the stream that irrigates the land. Facing this valley, across the Sutlej, on the east, are the stupendous mountains, rugged and bare at the higher elevations, and overtopped by the precipitous Raldhang 21,250 feet in height. Stretches of snow and glacier are in full view below, while lower down are forests with a green field let in here and there. Not even Switzerland can boast a panorama of such extent and grandeur which can be taken in by the tourist's eye at a range of five miles or less. Chini struck us as being an ideal place for a British Cantonment, though the elevation is 9,000 feet and the journey from the plains would be an arduous one. But who knows what may be in its future. A railway running up the valley of the Sutlej to accommodate the great trade expected by this route from Tibet, would open out hundreds of miles of mountainous country and make access easy to many sites from Rampur to Chini, where thousands of British soldiers could find refuge from the heat of the plains. Here is a hint for K. of K.

S. J. S.

(To be continued.)

Fancy that old reprobate Beaufoy coming into the smoking-room the other night with the following awful conundrum: "When is a policeman like the good Samaritan ?" And for answer gave us : "When he comes out of *some area*."

Shooting.

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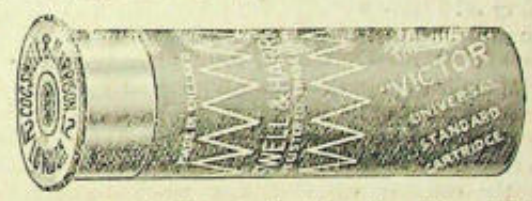
The firm's new powder factory is at Colnbrook, Middlesex, adjoining their shooting school. Here they make three kinds of sporting nitro-compound. 'Vicmos" is a smokeless power made in two varieties, one loading 42 grains to the 12-bore charge, and the other 33 grains. The third powder "Exceltor" is a 42-grain compound, and it is used in a case corresponding to the ordinary unlined "nitro" case. At Colnbrook also cap charging and foiling is carried on, so that here the manufacture of explosive substances is concentrated. The cartridge case making is conducted in a special department of the gun factory near Victoria Station, London, where a plant has been laid down for the production of sporting cases. Here also the cap blanks are stamped out in readiness for charging in the danger buildings at Colnbrook. In the processes of manufacture of cartridge cases, approved methods are adopted, and the ordinary procedure of the most modern factories has been followed. It is claimed that in the prodution of the rolled paper tubes an improvement has been effected. In the three grades of cases under consideration, the pasted paper of the tubes seems to be practically homogeneous, and the cases throughout are well made and finished. The best quality case is called "Victoroid", and is made with waterproof tube, metal lined. The next case is the "Victor" which is the gastight quality, it has the brass extended from the head up to the tube to the same extent as the "Victoroid" and is of primrose colour. The third case, with brass not so deep and caulk built up inside to support the tube is the "Exceltor"



coloured brick red. This is the "nitro" quality. All these cases are supplied loaded with the Cogswell and Harrison powders, wadded with the standard one-twelfth cards over and under the felt and one-sixteen card over the shot. Caps and powder are standardised to produce the velocity and pattern approved by modern practice, with quick ignition and moderate recoil. The cartridges are supplied in card boxes of 25, a very convenient packing, which is much liked. Altogether this latest innovation of the firm bids fair to produce very satisfactory results, as well for the manufactures of the new cartridges as for the users of them.



In their gun factory Messrs. Cogswell and Harrison have recently laid down a new plant for barrel boring, applying to the process the principles disclosed by scientific investigations on the subject of patterns. They thus produce tubes upon which the operation of regulating is not complicated by the rectification of initial faults in boring, and so secure the standard choke, modified choke, improved cylinder or cylinder patterns desired, with celerity and a satisfactory degree of certainty. These barrels are made of a special steel, and are designated "Arcus." It may be mentioned also that special precautions are taken to insure that each tube is bored concentrically, so that the inside and the outside walls run together without one side of the barrel being thinner than the other at any part. Of the guns made in this extensive factory, there is no necessity to speak in great detail, for they have for years, running into generations, been well known. The "Victor" ejector, priced at 60 guineas, is the Cogswell and Harrison best gun. Then there are the "Avant Tout" ejectors in "Crown" and "Sandhurst" models with side locks, and "Rex" and "Ideal" models with body locks, the last named being a wonderfully inexpensive hammerless ejector of plain quality priced at 15 guineas. Then there is a hammerless non-ejector at 10 guineas, a "General Purpose" gun made at various prices and chambered for 2½in., 2¾in., or 3in. paper cases, or 3in. brass Perfects, and various other models. The "Cosmos" ball-and-shot gun, taking ordinary 12-bore shot cartridges, or ball, in the form of the solid lead bullet or open fronted Express bullet, is another useful and widely known weapon made by the firm.

In regard to Express rifles, Messrs Cogswell and Harrison have hitherto specialised in ·375 and ·400 and ·450 bores, both double and single, and they also produce a magazine big game rifle in the three calibres. They have now in consequence of the change in the Arms Act regulations debarring the ·450 in India, produced new rifles of ·475 calibre taking a ·480 grain bullet with powder charge of Cordite M. D. This new cartridge seems likely to be extensively used in the future, as it will provide a substitute for the ·450 giving greater power, but admirably adapted for the same class of work. A miniature rifle, with bolt action, made by the firm in London for target shooting, and other purposes of a low power arm, is another

weapon that must be mentioned. It is bored either for the various ·22 cartridges or for the ·297-230 short and long Morris tube ammunition, has military pattern sights, and is a beautifully made little rifle at a very moderate cost.

Messrs. Cogswell and Harrison are also one of the firms authorised by the Army Council to manufacture the War Office Miniature rifle, and their model, in course of production, is so far advanced that it will almost immediately be introduced.

E. H. S.

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100 ACES AT BRIDGE.

TO THE EDITOR OF "THE INDIAN FIELD."

SIR —Can you or any of your numerous readers give me some idea of what is considered the record for the number of times a player has turned up four aces in no trumps in 100 rubbers? I send you a scoring book showing one individual to have had this good fortune sixteen times in 94 rubs. We were in the hills and played one or two rubs. every night. The fortunate lady appeared to be turning up four aces so often that I kept a record and from 8th June to 26th July this was her average. In most instances it was also a case of *bara* or *chota slam* so she was a considerable winner. The average of the other players in the same time and number of rubbers was three and four. Once in less than six rubbers sounds tall and I should much like to know if there are many players who can come up to or over it. I enclose my card and remain

"A LOVER OF BRIDGE."

17th March 1907.

RIFLE NOTES.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE INDIAN FIELD.

Sir,—In your issue of the 24th January I suggest reboring rifles of the prohibited .303 and .450 bores to take ammunition of larger calibre. This would be a comparatively cheep procedure, but probably would not be approved of by some gun-makers as of course it would pay them better to fit new barrels, and they might object to reboring on the score of danger from the reduction of thickness of metal in the chamber and barrel. I think in the case of a 450 rebored to one of the slightly larger calibres adopted by various makers, the .450 .465 .470 .475 or .476 there would be but very slight risk judging from experiments a few years ago recorded in the Kynoch Journal of October-November, 1902, which I quote "An old Mannlicher barrel, (the calibre is not mentioned but I presume it was of the usual .206-bore) was turned down "to .875 inch over the chamber and chambered and rifled "to take the .450 .400 cartridge. The internal diameter "of the chamber where bulging was first observed was ".525 inch so that the thickness of the walls at the point "was .175 inch, or about half the usual thickness. A series "of charges was fired from the barrel increasing by "5 grains at a time from 50 grains to 50 grains of cordite "and a 400 grain bullet, and subsequently with 72 grains "and 80 grains of cordite and a 533 grain bullet. As "those were insufficient to cause a burst the bullet was "increased to 700 grains and the charge of 80 grains of "cordite was successfully withstood. A charge of 90 grains of cordite was required to burst the barrel."—

"Up to 70 grains with the 400 grain bullet no bulging "occurred either internally on externally. At 75 grains "a bulge having a maximum increase of diameter to 10 thousandth "of an inch appeared about half way down the chamber. "A second charge of 75 grains produced no further bulging. A "charge of 80 grains increased the diameter to. 906, but a "second charge of 80 grains produced no further effect. The "ordinary proof charge of 72 grains with 533 grain bullet produced no increase of bulge. 80 grains of cordite with a 533 "grain bullet increased the external diameter to 919—There "were still no signs of bursting and the front part of the "chamber and the bore of the barrel were practically unaffected.

I have quoted enough to show that it requireda charge enormously in excess of the service charge to bulge or burs a barrel rebored and rechambered from a smal to a comparitively large bore and that with chamber walls of only half the proper thickness, so that it ought to be safe, judging from these experiments, to rebore the 303's and 450's especially so for ammunition loaded with the improved low pressure axite.

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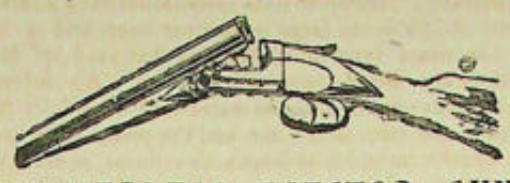

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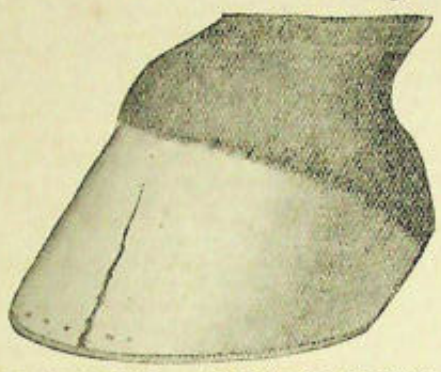

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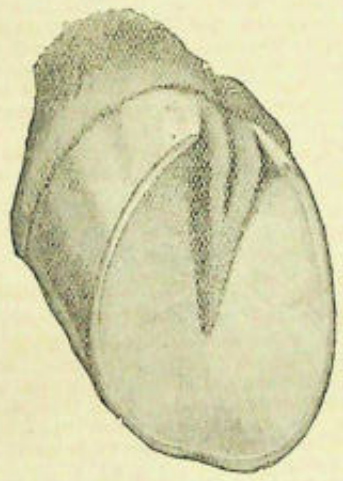

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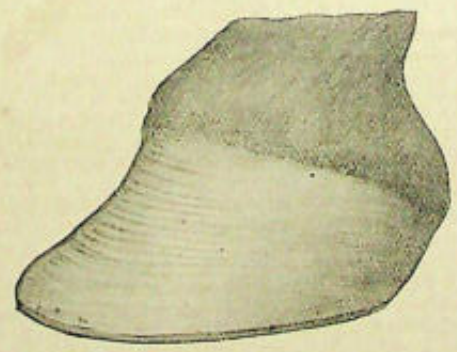

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INDIAN RACING FIXTURES

NAME OF RACES.	MONTH.	DATE.
Bombay Thirteenth	Mar.	23
,, Fourteenth	,,	30
Lahore Spring	,,	28 & 30
Rawalpindi Spring	,,	19, 21, & 23
Punjab Army Chases	,,	28 & 30
XI. K. E. O. Lancers' Jubilee Meeting ..	,,	22
Bangalore March Handicap	,,	26 & 28
Magwe Spring	,,	28 & 30
Maulmein Spring	,,	28 & 30
Karachi Spring	April	23, 25 & 27
Jubbulpore Spring	,,	2, 4 & 6
Quetta Spring	May	21, 23 & 25
Simla Summer	,,	28 & 30 June
Ootacamund	,,	7, 9 & 11
Shillong	,,	4 & 6
Mysore	June	25, 27 & 29

CLOSING DATES OF ENTRIES.

Maulmein Spring ..	..	Second ..	.. 22rd March.
		First ..	.. 8th March.
Karachi Spring ..	..	Second ..	.. 22nd March.
		Third ..	.. 9th April.
Bangalore March Handicap	..	First ..	12th March.
		Second ..	.. 21st March.
		First ..	.. 14th April.
Quetta Spring ..	—	Second ..	.. 20th April.
		Third ..	.. 10th May.
Shillong	—	Day before the Races.	
		First ..	.. 15th April
Mysore	—	Second ..	.. 15th May
		Third ..	— 15th June.

INDIAN SPORTING FIXTURES

POLO		
Beresford Tournament Simla ..	..	.. 14th June.
SHOWS.		
Great Punjab Horse Show ..	—	.. 1st, 2nd & 3rd April.
Simla Horse Show —	—	.. In June
BOXING.		
Poona Tournament ..	..	.. 22nd to 27th April.
FOOTBALL.		
Durand Tournament ..	..	.. In September.
HOCKEY.		
Belgium Cup Tournament ..	..	.. Begins 17th April.
PIGSTICKING.		
Guzerat Cup Meeting ..	..	.. Begins 24th March.

ENGLISH RACING FIXTURES.

(Principal Races in 1907.)

Liverpool Grand National (4 miles 856 yards.) ..	Friday, 22nd March.
Queen's Prize (1 mile)	Monday, 1st April.
Craven Stakes (1 mile 22 yards)	Thursday, 18th April.
Great Metropolitan Stakes (2¼ miles)	Tuesday, 23rd April.
City and Suburban (1¼ mile) .. —	Wednesday, 24th April.
Two Thousand Guineas (1 mile)	Wednesday, 1st May.
One Thousand Guineas (1 mile) ..	Friday, 3rd May.
Chester Cup (2½ miles)	Wednesday, 8th May.
Kempton Park Great Jubilee Handicap (1½ mile) ..	Saturday, 11th May.
Newmarket Stakes (1 mile 2 furlongs)	Wednesday, 15th May.
Manchester Cup (1½ mile)	Friday, 24th May.
Prix du Jockey Club (1½ mile) — ..	Saturday, 2nd June.
The Derby (1½ mile) .. — —	Wednesday, 5th June.
The Coronation Cup (1½ mile)	Thursday, 6th June.
The Oaks (1½ mile)	Friday, 7th June.
Grand Prix de Paris (1 mile 7 furlongs) .. —	Sunday, 16th June.
Ascot Stakes (2 miles)	Tuesday, 18th June.
Ascot Gold Vase (2 miles)	Tuesday, 18th June.
Royal Hunt Cup (7 furlongs 166 yards)	Wednesday, 19th June.
Gold Cup (1½ mile) .. .. —	Thursday, 20th June.
New Stakes (5 furlongs 144 yards)	Thursday, 20th June.
Hardwicke Stakes (1½ miles)	Friday 21st June.
Northumberland Plate (2 miles)	Wednesday, 26th June.
July Stakes (Newmarket) (5 furlongs 144 yards) ..	Tuesday, 2nd July.
Princess of Wales' Stakes (1 mile 4 furlongs) ..	Thursday, 4th July.
Eclipse Stakes (1¼ mile) .. — ..	Friday, 19th July.
Liverpool Cup (1 mile 3 furlongs)	Friday, 26th July.
Steward's Cup (Goodwood) (6 furlongs)	Tuesday, 30th July.
Goodwood Plate (2 miles)	Wednesday, 31st July.
Goodwood Cup (2½ miles)	Thursday, 1st August.
Brighton Cup (1½ mile)	Wednesday, 7th August.
Great Northern Leger (1 mile 5 furlongs) —	Wednesday, 21st Augus
Prince of Wales Plate (1½ furlongs)	Tuesday, 27th August.
Great Ebor Handicap (1½ mile.) — —	Wednesday, 28th Augus
Gimrack Stakes (6 furlongs)	Thursday, 29th August.
Great Yorkshire Handicap (1 mile 6furs. 133yrds.) ..	Tuesday, 10th September.
Champagne Stakes (Doncaster) (5 furs. 152 yrds.) ..	Tuesday, 10th September.
St. Leger (1 mile 6 furlongs 132 yards) . ..	Wednesday, 11th Septr.
Doncaster Cup (2 miles)	Friday, 13th September.
Prince Edward Handicap (1½ mile)	Saturday, 21st Septr.
Jockey Club Stakes (1½ mile) .. —	Thursday, 3rd October.
Prix du Conseil Municipal (Paris) 1½ mile) ..	Sunday, 6th October.
Duke of York Stakes (1¼ mile) — ..	Saturday, 12th October.
Cesarewitch Stakes (2½ miles)	Wednesday, 16th October
Middle Park Plate (6 furlongs)	Friday, 18th October.
Cambridgeshire Stakes — — ..	Wednesday, 30th Octr.
Dewhurst Plate (7 furlongs)	Thursday, 31st Octr.
Liverpool Autumn Cup (1 mile 3 furlongs) ..	Friday, 8th November.
Manchester November Handicap (1¼ mile) ..	Saturday 23rd Novr.

ENGLISH SPORTING FIXTURES.

Amateur Boxing Championship ..	27th March.
English Amateur Cup Final (Association)	30th March.
England vs. Scotland (Association) ..	6th April.
Tennis Championship, Fairs vs. Latham	6th May.
England vs. Scotland (Amateur Golf) ..	24th May.
Amateur Golf Championship ..	28th May.
Golf Open Championship	20th June.
England vs. South Africa (Cricket) ..	1st July.
Henley Regatta	3rd, 4th & 5th July.
Oxford vs. Cambridge (Cricket) ..	4th July.
Amateur Athletic Championships ..	6th July.
Eton vs. Harrow (Cricket)	12th July.
Gentlemen vs. Players (Cricket) ..	17th July.
England vs. South Africa (Cricket) ..	29th July.
Rugby vs. Marlborough (Cricket) ..	31st July.
Dublin Horse Show	27th August.

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First Day, Tuesday, 12th March 1907.

THE meeting opened with every indication of being carried through with complete success. There was a good attendance and the fields averaged well while the excellent handicapping gave us satisfactory and interesting results. Two out of the four starters in the horse chase came to grief; Pactolus fell and brought down Wales who was close behind him—no damage done. Details.

MELTON PLATE.—Value Rs. 650; Rs. 500 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second and Rs. 50 to the third. A welter handicap hurdle race for Arab and C. B. ponies 14-2 and under and othe ponies 14-1 and under. Distance, 1¼ miles, over 7 flights of hurdles.

Co'onel Morris Rifleman II., 9st 2lb C. Hoyt ... 1
Mr. Miles' Daphne, 11st 10lb Owner) ... 2
Mr. Sydney Smith's Shamrock, 8st 3lb Gulloor ... 3

Also ran: Hard Harry, 10st.

BETTING: Five to four against Daphne; twos Rifleman; fours Hard Harry; tens Shamrock. won by three lengths; ten lengths between second and third. Time, 3 min. 36 secs.

HINDUSTAN PLATE.—Value Rs. 350; Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second and Rs. 50 to the third. A welter handicap for C. B. ponies 14 2 and under that have not won flat races value Rs. 50 or over amounting in aggregate to Rs. 100 or over since 31st. March, 1904. Distance, 5 furlongs.

Sirdar Jewansingh's Ringfaulka, 9st. 13lbs. ... Bechan 1
Mr. Henry's Bob Major, 9st. 6lbs. ... C. Hoyt 2
Major Popham Young and Mr. Brandreth's Happy-go-Lucky, 7st. 13lbs. carried 7st. 13lbs. ... ... Southall 3

Also ran: Recall Silver, 10st. 8lbs.; Labby Annie, 9st. 3lbs.; Bakhtyar, 9st. carried 9st 10lbs.; K. C., 8st 10lbs.

BETTING: Twos against Ringfaulka and Happy go-Lucky; sixes Bob Major; tens the others. Won by half a length; three quarters of a length between second and third. Time—1 min. 73/5secs.

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Mr, Locke's Look Out, 12st. 3lbs. ... Mr. Tomkinson 1
Capt. Grant's Madeira, 12st. 7lbs. ... Mr. Miles 2

Also ran: Pactolus, 11st. 7lbs. fell; Wales, 11st. 7lbs. fell.

BETTING: Six to four against Look Out and Wales: five Madeira, tens Pactolus. At the mile post Paetolus fell, and Wales, rolled over him. This left Look Out with the lead from Madeira, which he kept to the end, by three lengths. Time—5min. 37 secs.

MARCH PLATE.—Value Rs. 350; Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second and Rs. to the third. A welter handicap for maiden Arab ponies 14-1 and under. Distance, 1000 yards.

The Kour Sahib of Patiala's Machine Gun, 8st. 9lbs. carried 8st. 10lbs. ... ... Taylor 1
Major Popham Young's Surkhab, 10st. C. Hoyt 2
The Kour Sahib of Patiala's Mooslat, 8st. 11lbs. ... ... Southall 3
Capt. Bennett's Pardon, 9st. 12lbs. The Hon'ble Mr. D. Bingham 4

Also ran: The Rangoon, 11st.; Wily, 10st. 5lbs.; Palmy Days, 8st. 10lbs.; Malabar, 8st. 5lbs.; Nejidi, 8st. 4lbs.

BETTING: Fours against Mooslat; fives The Rangoon, Wily, and Surkhab; sixes Machine Gun and Malabar; tens the others. Won by half a length; a length between second and third. Time—1min. 31/5secs.

PICCADILLY PLATE.—Value Rs. 350 Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second, and Rs. 50 to the third. A welter handicap for maiden Arab and C. B. ponies 14-2 and under, and other maiden ponies 14-1 and under. Distance, 4 furlongs.

The Kour Rahib of of Patiala's Sago, 9st 2lb Southall ... 1
Major Popham Young's fabius, 10st 6lb C. Hoyt ... 2
Captain Jeffrey's koorlong, 9st 11lb Shibsingh ... 3
Captain Milvain's cosy corner, 1st The Hon'able Mr. A. Annesley 4

Also ran: Lady Knight, 12st; Black Swan, 11st 3lb; Mubarakbakht, 11st 3lb; Wild Rose 10st 8lb; May Queen. 9st 6lb; Careless 9st; Esslemont. 7st. 7lb. (carried 7st 9lb); Alice, 6st. 7lb. (carried 7st. 11lb.)

Betting: Six to four against Sago; fours Mubarakhbakht; sixes Fabious and Alice; eights Black Swan; tens the others.

Won by a neck half a length between second and third, and a neck third and fourth.—Time, 54.3/5 secs.

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Messrs. Campion and White's Devil's Dance. 10st The Honbl'e Mr. D. Bingham 1
Mr. Heywood's Pylara, 9st. 8lb. Bechan 2
Mr. Reynard's Vienard, 10st. 8lb. N. C. Dibbin 3
Mr. Bryant's Reinforcemrnt, 11st. C. Hoyt 4

Also ran:—Stepma. 10st. 12lbs; M. P., 10st 8lb; Myrtle, 10st.

Won by a length; between second and third. Time. 1 min. 50s ecs.

Second Day, Thursday, 14th March 1907.

Fields were rather attenuated to-day, but the sport continued to be good. Details.—

COSMOPOLITAN PLATE.—Value Rs. 350. Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second and Rs. 50 the third. A welter handicap for maiden Arab and C.-B ponies 14-2 and other maiden ponies 14-1 and under. 6 furlongs

Capt. Toogood's Maranta, 8st. 4lbs. ... Capt. Winter 1
Sirdar Jewan Singh's Mubarabbakht, 11st. 2lbs. ... ... Bechan 2
Capt. Jeffrey's Koorlong. 9st. 11lbs. .. C. Hoyt 3

BETTING: 6 to 4 on Maranta, to against Koorlong, and 4 to 1 the other.

Won by a length and a half; four lengths between second and third. Time—1min. 3-2/5secs.

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Maj. Popham Young's Surkhab, 11st. 7lbs. C. Hoyt 1
Mr. Sydney Smith's Palmy Days, 8st. 3lbs. Capt. Winter 2
Messrs. Chapman and Charlington's Sweet William, 10st. 7lbs. ... Hon. D. Bingham 3

BETTING: 2 to 1 on Surkhab; 6 to 4 against Palmy Days; and 4 to 1 Sweet William.

Won by a head; poor third. Time—3min. 2-2/5 secs.

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Mr. Norton's Berralee, 10-2, ... Hon D Bingham 1
Mr. Turner's Stempa, 10 12 ... Capt Grand 2
Mr. Bryan's Reform, 9-9, ... Mr. Furnell 3

BETTING 2 to 1 on Birralee, 5 to 1 against Reform, and Stempa Won by 2 lengths. Time, 4 min. 23 secs.

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Maj Popham Young's and Brandret's Happy-Go-Lucky 8-9 C. ... Hoyt 1
Sirdar Jewan Sing's Ring Faulka, 11-2, ... Bechan 2
Mr. Parker's Baktyar, 8-10, ... Taylor 3

Also ran: K. C. 8-12 Nugget 8-1, and Lady Virginia 7-9

BETTING: 6 to 4 against Happy-Go-Lucky, 3 to 1 Nugget, 5 to 1 Ring Faulka, and 10 to 1 the others.

Won by three quarters of a length: half a length between second and third. Time 54 secs.

FLYING PLATE.—Value Rs. 350. Rs. 200 to the winner. Rs. 100 to the second, and Rs. 50 to the third. A welter handicap for horses that have not won a flat race value Rs. 1,500 or over since 31 March, 1904. 5. furlongs.

H. H. the Koer Sahib of Patiala's Berzak, 10-10. ... . Southall 1
Messrs Campion and White's Devil's Dance 10-4 Hon Mr. D. Bingham 3
Mr. Chaplin's Myrtle, 8-10, C. Hoyt

Also ran: Rusty 9-10. and M. P. 9-4.

BETTING: 5 to against Venard and Devil's Dance; 4 to 1 Berzak Myrtle: 8 to 8 Rusty; and 10 to 10 the others.

won by a Lead a length and a half between second and third Time 1 min. 52 secs.

PHINX PLATE.—Value Rs. 350, Rs. 200 to the winner Rs 100 to the second, and Rs. 50 to the third. A welter handicap for maiden Arab ponies 14-1 and under. 5 furlongs.

Capt Toogood's Malabar, 8st 4lbs, ... Taylor 1
Capt Marriott's Wily, 10st 4lb, ... Bechan 2
Mr. Henry's The Ranger, 10st 13lb ... C Hoyt 3

Also ran: Whirlwind 9st 9lb, and Machine gun 9st 6lb.

BETTING: 2 to 1 against Malabar, 3 to 1 Machine Gun, 4 to 1 The Ranger, and 10 to 1 the others.

Won by a length; three quarters of a length between second and third. Time 1 min- 10 2-5 secs.

Third Day Saturday 16th March 1907.

The meeting was wound up with success this afternoon. In three races the popular selections came home, but upsets were provided in the rest. The racing was of good class throughout. At the conclusion of the card an unsuccessful attempt was made to auction all the Kour Saheb of Patialas' horses; there wore no bidders. Details:—

SERVICE PLATE.—Value Rs. 350. Rs. 200 to the wiuner, Rs. 100 to the second, and Rs. 50 to the third. A welter handicap for horses *bona-fide* and unconditionally the property of British Officers in H Majesty's Army on full pay. To be ridden by the same or G. R.'s qualified under rule 681. 1¼ miles over 7 flights of hurdles.

Mr Bryant's Reinforcement, 11-5, ... Mr Tomkinson ... 1
Mr Beaumont's Wales, 12-4, Hon'ble ... D Bingham ... 2
Mr Reynard's Kennard, 11-3, ... Mr Dibben ... 3

BETTING: 5 to 4 on Reinforcement, evens Wales, and 3 to 1 Kennard. Won by four lengths, one length between the second and third. Time—3 min. 35 secs.

VISTORS" PLATE—Valce Rs. 340. Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second, and Rs. 40 to the third. A welter handicap for Arab ponies for 14-1 and under 6 furlongs.

Major William's Jeddah, 7 13, Southal 1
Mr Sydney Smith's Palmy Days, 7-11 (carried 7-12, Bisessar 2
Captain Winter's Whirlwinds, 8-8, Owner ... 3

BETTING: 6 to 4 on Jeddah, 2 to one against Whirlwind, and 5 to 1 Palmy Days won by a couple of lengths, fifteen lengths between the second and third. Time—1min. 23secs.

GRAND STAND PLATE.—Value Rs. 350. Rs. 200 to the winner Rs. 100 to the second, and Rs. 50 to the third. A welter handicap for maiden Arab C-B. ponies 14-2 and under, other maiden ponies 14-1 and under. 1,000 yards.

H. H. Kour Sahib of Patiala's Sago, 8-7, ... Southal 1
Major Popham Young Fabius 9 9, C ... ... Hoyt 2
Mr. Sydney Smith's May Queen, 8-2 (carried 8-4) ... ... Captain Winter... 3

Also ran: Lady Knight, 10-7; Mubarakbakht, 10-0; and Esslement, 7-0 (carried 7-9).

BETTING: Evens Fabius, 5 to 2 against Sago, 3 to 1 Lady Knight, and 5 to 1 the others.

Won by two lengths; a neck between second and third. Time 59 3-5 secs.

MARCH HARE PLATE,—Value Rs. 650 Rs. 500 to the winner Rs. 100 to the second, and Rs. 50 to the third. A welter handicap steeple-chase for Arab and C. B. ponies 14-2 and under, other ponies 14-1 and under. 2 miles over the steeple-chase course.

Col Morris Rifleman II, 9-4, ... C Hoyt ... 1
Mr. Miles' Daphne 11-0, ... Mr. Tomkinson ... 2

BETTING: Evens Rifleman, 5 to 4 against Daphne.

THE CHAMPION PLATE 5 furlongs

Sirdar Jewan Sing's Ringfaulka, 12-7 ... Baichan ... 1
Mr. Henry's Alice, 10 0, ... C Hoyt ... 2
Mr. Parke'r Bakhtyar, 9-10, ... Taylor ... 3

Also ran; Begum, 9-0; and Lady Virgina, 8 7.

BETTING: 6 to 4 against Alice, 3 to 1 Bakihtyar and 6 to 1 the others.

Won by three quarters of a length; half a length between the second and third. Time 8 min 9 secs.

SOUDAN PLATE.—Value Rs. 350. Rs. 200 to the winner Rs. 100 to the second, and Rs. 50 to the third A welter handicap for maiden Arab ponies 14-1 and under. 4 furlongs.

H. H. Kour Sahib of Patiala's Mooslat, 8-9 ... Southal ... 1
Captain Marriott's Wily 8-6, ... Taylor ... 2
Captain Bennets Pardon, 9-4 ... Baichan ... 3

Also ran The Sanger, 8-6 Malabar, 6-7 and Dash and Through 7-13.

BETTING: 5 to 4 against Wily 2 to 1 Mooslat, 4 to 6. The Ranger, 5 to 1 Pardon, and 8 to 1 the others.

Won by half a length one length between the second and third. 55 4-5 secs.

THE NEWMARKET PLATE.—Value Rs. 350, being Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second, Rs. 50 to the third. A Welter Handicap for Ponies. Distance 1,000 yeards.

Sirdar Jewan Sing's Parlourmaid, 9-11, ... Southall 1
Mr. Butler's the Butler, 9-10, ... C. Hoyt 2
Mr. Sydney Smith's May Queen, 8-0, ... Bisessar 3

Also ran: Beildaaba, 10-4. Blackspot, 8-8, Adelina, 6-11 (carried 7-9). and Moonshine, 6.0 (carried 9 11).

BETTING: 6 to 4 against The Butler, 2 to 1 Parlourmaid 4 to 1 Blackspot, 6 to 1 May Queen, and 10 to 1 the others.

Won by half a length, one length between the second and third. Time—60 secs.

JORHAT RACES.

Stewards: W. Hutchison, Esq., F. R. Edwards, Esq., J. Begg, Esq., C. Forbes, Esq., W. G. McKercher, Esq., C. W. Allen, Esq.,

HONORARY SECRETARIES: P. A. Sachse, Esq., I. C. S., T. E. Congdon, Esq.

First Day, Wednesday, 6th March 1907.

The Jorhat Race week opened to-day in dull and wet weather. The meet is a small one but good sport is anticipated and the class of ponies above the average.

Appended are the results of this afternoon's racing. Weather is now delightful.

FIRST EXTRA RACE. A Cup value Rs. 200 presented by W. D. Burness Esq., to the winner, Rs. 50 to the second, and Rs. 25 to the third. For ponies 13.3 and under that have not won 50. W. I. and C. Listance 6 furlong.

Fr. Langley's Feta 11.7 Mr. FcCall 1st.
Mr. Green's Bertha 11.7 Owner 2nd.
Mr. Sachse's Fancy Fe 10.9 Mr. Tayler 3rd.
Also ran Dr. Flory's Nonah.
Won comfortably by a length. A bad third.

SECOND EXTRA RACE. A cup value Rs. 250 presented by The Assam Bank to the winner, 50 to the second and 25 to the third. W. I. and C. Distance ½ mile.

Fr. Richard's Dugree 9.12 Fr. FcCall 1st.
Mr. Curti's Starlight 10.8 Mr. Andrew 2nd.
Mr. Johnson's Maori Girl 10.2 Mr. Green 3rd.
Also ran Country Boy and Honour Bright.
A slow run race. Won easily by lengths.

JORHAT CUP. Value Rs. 750 to the winner with Rs. 150 to the second. A Handicap for Ponies 13.3 and under. Distance 1 mile Entrance Rr. 32.

Mr. Holder's Topsy 10.7 Mr. McCall 1st.
Mr. Tayler's Tangerine 10.0 Owner 2nd.
Mr. Middleton's Vanity Fair 9.9 Mr. Green 3rd.
Also ran Revenue.
Vanity Fair was badly left at the post but made up a lot of ground but Topsy won easily by a length, Tangerine close up.

POLO SCURRY. Rs. 200 to the winner and Rs. 50 to the second. For bonafide polo ponies 13. 3 and under. Ponies 13. 3 to carry 11 Stone. W. I. Distance ½ imlle.

Mr. Langley's Meta 10. 7 Mr. Green 2nd.
Mr. Curti's Starlight 11. 1 Mr Andrew 1st.
Mr. McCall's Maureen 10. 8 Owner 3rd.
Also ran Fanny, Fancy Fee, Maori Girl, Berths. Won by a length. A neck between 2nd and 3rd. Time 56 secs.

MARIANI PLATE Rs. 200, the winner, Rs. 50 to the second and second. For Ponies 13. 3 and under. Ponies 13. 3 to carry 11 stone., W. I. Distance 5 furlongs.

Mr. Tayler's Playful 10 1 Owner 1st.
Mr. Middleton's Vanity Fair 9. 9 Mr. Green 2nd.
Md. Allen's Ivy 10. 12 Mr. Andrew 3rd.
Also ran Revenue. Won on the post by a nose. Time 1. 9 4-5

THE RAILWAY SCURRY. Rs. 200 to the winner with Rs. 100 to the second, and Rs. 50 to the third. A Handicap for Ponies 13. 3 and under. Distance 3 furlongs. Entrance Rs. 10. Acceptance Rs. 10.

Mr. Taylor's Tangerine 10-7 Owner 1st.
Mr. Richard's Dugree 10-5 Mr. McCall, } dead heat.
Mr. Middleton's Keepsake 10-1 Mr. Green. }
Also ran Rosedale, Venetia, Honour Bright. Won by a length. A dead heat for second place. Time 39 3-5 secs.

THE KELLNER CUP. Value Rs. 150 presented by Messrs. G. F. Kellner and Co., with Rs. 200 added by the fund to the winner and Rs. 100 to the second. A Handicap for ponies 13. 1 and under. Distance 4 furlongs. Entrance Rs. 16. Acceptance Rs. 16.

Mr. Falkiner's Hope Terry 8 9 Bloss 1st.
Mr. Sherriff's Miss Fortune 9. 12 Mr. Chamney 2nd.
Mr. Gore's Nardu 8. 12 Bogie Singh 3rd.
Also ran vision and Topsy. What happened to Topsy was not apparent the race being apparently a certainty for her. Hope Terry won easily by 2 lengths. Time 56 2-5 secs.

Second Day, Friday, 8th March 1907.

Appended are the results of the second days racing—

POLO PONY HANDICAP. Rs. 200 to the winner with Rs. 50 to the second. A Handicap for polo ponies 13. 3 and under. Distance ½ mile.

Messrs. Child and Price's Rosedale 9. 7 Dr. Flory 1st.
Mr. Langley's Meta 10. 7 Mr. McCall 2nd.
Mr. Curti's Starlight 12. 0 Mr. Andrew 3rd.
Also ran Glenavon, Lake Cakebread. Won by a length, ½ length between second and third. Time 56 1-5 seconds.

MERCHANT'S PURSE. 100 presented by the Planter's Stores and 100 from the Fund, 50 to the second, and 25 to the third. Handicap for ponies 13. 3 and under that ran and did not win a race first day. Half a mile.

Mr. H. Forbe's Venetia 9. 0 Mr. McCall 1st.
Mr. Middleton's Vanity Fair 9. 9 Mr. Green 2nd.
Mr. Gori's Nardu 7. 5 Rupchand 3rd.
Also ran Country Boy.
Won by one and a half lengths, quarter length between second and third. Time 54 2-5 secs.

THE JORHAT CIVIL SERVICE CUP. Value Rs. 600 to the winner with Rs. 100 to the second. A Handicap for ponies 13. 3 and under. Distance 1¼ miles.

Mr. Middleton's Vanity Fair 10. 0 Bloss 1st.
Mr. Taylor's Tangerine 9. 9 Owner 2nd.
Mr. Holder's Topsy III 11. 2 Mr. McCall 3rd.
Won easily by a length two lengths between second and third. Time 2. 26 2-5 secs.

OATS STAKES. 25 maunds of Oats presented by W. E. Taylor Esq., and Rs. 100 from the fund to the winner, 50 to the second, 25 to the third. A handicap for bona fide polo ponies 13. 3 and under. Distance 3 furlongs.

Mr. McCall's Maureen 9. 12 Owner 1st.
Mr. Curti's Starlight 11. 7 Mr. Andrew 2nd.
Mr. Green's Bertha 9. 7 Owner 3rd.
Also ran Meta.
Won by a head, 1 length between 2nd and 3rd. Time 40 2-5 secs.

THE SIBSAGOR PURSE. Rs. 350 to the winner with Rs. 10 to the second. A Handicap for ponies 13. 1 and under. Distance 1 mile. Entrance Rs. 16.

Mr. Gori's Nardu 8. 9 Bogie Singh 1st.
Mr. Holder's Topsy 12. 0 Mr. McCall 2nd.
Mr. Shedriff's Miss Fortune 9. 12 3rd.
Won by 2½ lengths, Miss Fortune was pulled up. Time 2. ¼ secs.

RICE PURSE. Rs. 100 presented by Mr. David and Co., and 100 from the fund to the winner, 50 to the second and 25 to the third. A Handicap for ponies 13. 3 under. Distance 6 furlongs.

Dr. Dodds Prices Fanny 8. 1 Rupchand 1st.
Mr. Borrett's Gay Lassie 10. 11 Mr. McCall 2nd.
Mr. Middleton's Vanity Fair 11. 7 Mr. Andrew 3rd.
Also ran Ivy, Playful, Jane Cakebread, Honour Bright, Hope Terry, Glenavon.
Won by a head, a nose between 2nd and 3rd. Time 1. 26 2-5 seconds.

THE LAKWA PLATE. Rs. 200 to the winner with Rs. 75 to the second. A Handicap for ponies 13. 3 and under the property of iresidents of the Sibsagor District. Distance 5 furlongs.

Mr. Forbe's Venetia 10. 7 Mr. McCall 1st.
Mr. Johnstone's Maori Girl 8. 9 Bloss 2nd.
Mr. Sheriff's Miss Fortune 10-0 3rd.
Won by 1½ lengths, a bad third. Time 1. 12 1-5 secs.

AMGURI PURSE. Rs. 200 to the winner with Rs. 100 to the second and Rs. 50 to the third. A Handicap for ponies 13.3 and under. Distance 3 furlongs.

Mr. Taylor's Tangerine 10. 2 Owner 1st.
Mr. Richard's Dugree 9. 7 Bloss 2nd.
Mr. Middleton's Keepsake 8. 12 Native 3rd.
Also ran Skipping Girl.
Won by a length, half a length between 2nd and 3rd. Time 39 4-5 secs.

BOMBAY TWELFTH EXTRA.

Saturday 16th March 1907.

FIRST NURSERY HANDICAP.—H. A. Khaderi's Meerjan, 8st. 11lbs. ... ... Foster 1
Messrs. Goculdas and Narjee's Rackhan, 8st. 12lbs. ... Ames 2
Mr. H. Jamsetjee's Harcourt, 6st. 10lbs. (car. 6st. 11lbs.) ... ... Melsom 3
Oboyedas' Rocksalt, 8st. ... ... A. Hoyt 4
Also ran: Anee, 9st. 3lbs.; Makbul, 8st. 7lbs.; Advancement, 8st. 6lbs.; Little Sanaya, 8st. 3lbs.; Turner, 8st. 3lbs.; Basheer, 7st. 12lbs. (carried 8st. 1lbs.); and Amood, 7st. 9lbs.

BETTING: 3 to 1 against Meerjan, 4 to 1 Basheer, 5 to 1 Little Sanaya, 6 to 1 Dumra, 7 to 1 Rocksalt and Rockhan, and longer odds the others.

Won by a neck; half a length between the second and third. Time—1 min. 9-3/5 secs.

SECOND NURSERY HANDICAP.

Mr. M. A. Khans' Salaanic, 9st. 2lbs. ... Heeroo 1
Mr. E. Manos' Engine, 7st. 8lbs. ... Abdoola 2
Mr. S. Ahmed's Chumchuman, 7st. 3lbs. ... Native 3
Mr. Morrison's Young Lomond, 9st. 5lbs. ... A Hoyt 4
Also ran: Thuyyar, 8 8; Fakhiri, 8-4; Meedhri 8-1; Narcissus 7-9 (carried-7—); Mufrud. 7-7; Sib, 7-5; Happyland. 7.1 (carried 7-12); Namoos, 7.0; and Scipio, 6-13.

BETTING:— 5 to 4 against Salaanic, 2 to 1 Young Lomond, 8 to 1 Scipio, 10 to 1 Thuyyar. Engine' Namoos; and any price the others.

Won by half a length; one and a quarter lengths between the second and third.—Time 1 min. 8-3/5 secs.

THE FIRST LITTLE ARAB PLATE.

Messrs. Goculdas and Nanjee's Vedas, 8-13, ... Ames 1
Mr. Readymoney's Mudlool. 8-7, ... Kaseen 2
Mr. Ameer's CARAVAN, 8.3, ... Yussuff 3
Mr. T Tejpal's Antica, 8-4, ... Vinings 4
Also ran: Multiform, 8.9; Wadi, 7 13 (carried 8-3; Florizel, 7-12; Nonplus 7.6 Sir Lawrence, 7,5, and Namdar, 6.12.

BETTING: 6 to 4 against Mudlool, 2 to 1 Vedas 5 to 1 Antica 8 to 1 Multiform 10 to 1 to 20 to 1 the others.

Won by one and a half lengths; a neck between Mudlool and Caravan. Time-1 min 20. secs.

THE GOODWOOD PLATE.

Thakur Sripal Singh's Rustile, 8-0, — 1
Mr T Tejpal's Adelaide, 8-3, ... Vining 2
Mr Green's Projecture, 8-11, ... Bradshaw 3
H H Aga Khan and Aga S Shah's Admiral Crichton, 8-0, ... Kamad 4
Also ran: Metalmaid, 9-8; Palindrome. 8-10; Vocalist, 8-2; Royalist, 7-12; Mulison, 7-5 (carried 7.6); Gunner, 7-1; and Epitome 6-13.

BETTING: Evens Projecture, 5 to 1 against Metalmaid, 4 to 1 Palindrome. 5 to 1 Epitome. 8 to 1 Royalist and Admiral Crichton, 10-1 Rustile and Mulision, and 15 to 1 the others.

Won by half a length; a neck between second and third. Time,—1 min. 2 secs.

THE LANOWLI PLATE.

Capt. Marchants King Cobweb, 7st 6lbs ... Hoyt 1
H H Aga Shah's AJAX 8-10, ... Kamed 2
Thakur Sripal Sing's Sohell, 8-13, ... Kaeson 3
Messrs Mahomed and Saifs' Mooreed", 8.3. ... Vining 4
Also ran: Egypt; Young Kohinoor. 8-13; Berlin, 8-5; Young Cardigan, 8.2; Makbool' 8-1 (carried 8-2); Nooman, 7-13: Sugger, 6 13 (carried 7-0; Panala II, 6-11 carried 6-13.

BETTING: 4 to 1 against Egypt, 5 to 1 Sohell, Berlin and King Cobweb. 6 to 1 Ajax and Mooreed, 7 to 1 Panala II, and longer odds the other.

Won by two lengths; one length between second and third Time—1 min. 22⅘ secs.

THE HUNTERS' FLAT RACE.

Lady Jenkins' Hoaxer, 12st. 4lbs. ...Captain Meynell 1
Mr. W. E. Crum's Merman, 12st. ... Owner 2
Mr. F. R. Hill's Archie, 12st. ... ... Owner 3
Mr. J. Crawford's Surrey II, 11st. ... Owner 4
Also ran: Tragedian, 12st. 4lbs.; Trumpeter, 12st. carried 12st. 4lbs.; Chorister, 12st. Goodluck, 12st.; Akbarkhan, 10st. carried 10st. 4lbs.; and Clearall, 10st.

BETTING: Evens Goodluck, 4 to 1 against Hoaxer and Surrey, 8 to 1 Chorister, 10 to 1 Akbarkhan, and longer odds the others.

Won by half a length; two length; two lengths between the second and third. Time—3mins. 17-3/5secs.

THE SELLING HANDICAP.

Aga Shah's Shotover, 9-3, ... Kamad 1
Mr Tirvedkar's Rossi 9-0, J Trenoweth 2
Messrs. Goculdas and Nanjee's Freelance 8-0, Ames 3
BETTING Evens Rossi, 5 to 4 against Shotover, and 2 to Freelance.

Won by three lengths; one length between the second and third. Time—1min. 45-2/5secs.

THE SECOND LITTLE ARAB PLATE

Mr Rascheed's Sahoon 7-0, ... Heeroo 1
Messrs Goculdas and Nanjee and Wahed's Highborn, 7-8 Ames 2
Messrs Runchordas's Ashroff, 9-12, ... Kamad 3
Mr Gassoo's Recrult, 7-12 (carried 8-0, Oomerkhan 4
Also lan: Vasco, 9-9; Mumbra, 8-11; Royal Red, 8-1; Settler, 7-11; Solicitor, 7-1; Malbook, 7-0 and Dhaman, 6-9 (carried 6-13

BATTING 2 to 1 against Highborn, 3 to 1 Ashroff, 4 to 1 Vasco 5 to 1 Mumbra, 8 to 1 Sahoon and Settier, 10 to 1 to 20 to 1 the others.

Won by half a length; a neck between the second and third. Time—1min. 21-3/5secs.

THE THIRD NURSERY.

Messrs Gany and Oomer's Maharaja, 8ist ... Oomerkhan 1
Khan Bahadur A R Karta's Saeed, 7st 13lb, ... Yussuff 2
Mr North's Mirdas, 8st 3lb ... A Hoyt 3
Mr M Abdoola's Zib, 7st 8lb, ... A Abdoola 4
Also ran: Parthiv, 8st 10lb; anchor, 7st 13lb (carried 8-2½: Fadil 7st 13lb; Sunshine, 7st 12lb; Farce, 7st 10lb; Matlik, 7st 10lb (carried 7st 11lb); and Robert Macaire, 7st 6lb.

BETTING: 2 to 1 against Maharaja and Mirdas, 4 to 1 Saeed 6 to 1 Zir, 7 to Sunshine, and longer prices the rest.

Won by a length; one and-a-half lengths between the second and third. Time—1 min. 8-3/5 secs.

Entries for Races.

JUBBULPORE RACES 1907.

SECOND ENTRIES.

First Day, 2nd April

THE EASTERN PLATE.

Mr. C. Lee's gr a h Banzai (unmeasured).

THE DESERT PLATE.

Capt. A. S. Marriot's b a h Wily 14-0.

Second Day 4th April.

MARBLE ROCKS PLATE.

Capt. A. S. Marriot's b a h Wily 14-0.

Third Day 6th April

BEDOUIN PLATE.

Capt. A. S. Marriot's b a h Wily 14-0.

CONSOLATION RACE.

Mr. C. Lee's gr a h Banzai.

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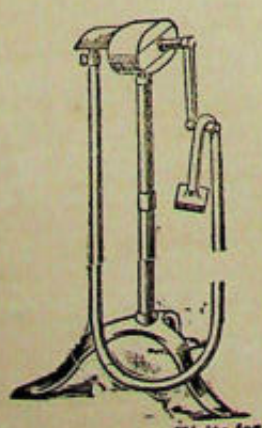

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FORM AT A GLANCE.

FLAT RACES.—Horses.

Race.	Date.	Distance.	First.	Second.	Third.	Unplaced.	Verdict.	Time.
The Ballygunge Plate ...	1-12-06	1 m.	Rustler 10-10 ...	Olynthus 10-0 ...	Bonita 10-7 ...	Colina 10-3	2 l.	1-4⅘
The Criterion Plate ...	,,	6 f.	Lady Metal 9-7 ...	Mercedes 9-10 ...	Carnival 8-10 ...	Cyril 9-10, Mulison, 9-10, Bouquet 9-10, Bon Bon 9-6, Dramatic 9-4, Foy 9-3, Jack Sheppard 9-3, Mount Dane 8-13, Windy 8-11, Eclipse 8-4 ...	1 l.	1-17⅘
The Club Plate	,,	1¼ m.	Santa Maria 9-3	Sainte Marquise 9-6	Merry Elsie 9-6...	Pendred 9-0, Lord Boyne 9-10, Applause 9-3, Child Adopted 8-9 ...	¾ l.	2-15⅘
The December Plate ...	8-12-06	1 m.	Saloon 6-12 ...	Sacristan II. 9-10	Dramatic 8-4 ...	Footprint 8-10, Lamrock 9-10, The Master 9-7, Trencherman 9-6, Clear Artist 9-0, Paddy's Darling 9-0, Nirvana 8-10, Rosanule 8-4, Beaunero 8-3	Hd.	1-43
The Maiden Horse Plate ...	,,	7 f.	Dea 7-10 ...	Carnival 8-10 ...	Meadow Saffron 9-3 / Santa Maria 9-3	Child Adopted 8-10, Mount Dane 8-9, Black Duke 8-6, Mother Goose 8-7, Craigendarrie 8-6, Pallas 7-4	1 l.	1-31⅘
The Corinthian Plate ...	,,	R. C.	Ballark 9-2 ...	Sainte Marquise 9-6	Lord Boyne 8-10	Nightingale 9-10, Riverside II. 9-6, Applause 9-3, Pennant 8-7, Roseland 7-3	2 l.	3-2⅘
The Wellesley Plate ...	15-12-06	1¼ m.	Saloon 6-10 ...	Mallard 9-10 ...	Black Duke 7-9...	The Master 9-7, Cherson 9-10, Blitzen 9-6, Our State 9-1, Clear Artist, 9-0 The Cingalee 9-0, Footprint 9-1, Trenayr 8-10, Beaunero 8-5 ...	2 l.	2-10
The Fort Plate	,,	5 f.	Airloch 9-3 ...	Manlock 9-6 ...	Killeevan 9-1 ...	Jolly Abbot 7-12, Palindrome 9-4, Lady Metal 9-1, Narwanah 8-10, Presbyterian 8-10, Nirwana 8-10, Rather Rakish 8-10, Projecture 8-7, Botha 8-7, Malinyook 8-4, Eclipse 7-8	2 l.	1-2
The Cornwallis Plate (Hcp.) ...	,,	1¼ m.	Bundook 8-10 ...	Ballark 10-4 ...	Lord Boyne 8-7...	Insurrection 8-5, Sainte Marquise 10-0, Rosanule 9-10, Leda 9-6, Applause 9-6, Riverside II. 9-4, Bouquet 9-2, Nak Our 8-13, Bon Bon 8-13, Goldstamp 8-7, Refuge Bay 8-1, Kingpin 7-8, Jolly Roger 7-4, Colina 7-1	sht. hd.	2-40⅘
The Trials	22-12-06	1 m.	Saloon 6-10 ...	Sacristan II. 9-3	Mallard 9-8 ...	Fitzgrafton 9-0, Trencherman 9-3, Footprint 9-3, Prince Lyon 9-3, Contest 9-3, The Master 9-0, Steinhage 8-7	3l.	1-41⅘
The Ellenborough Plate (Hcp)...	,,	6 f.	Meadow Saffron 8-13	Clynder 9-9 Jack Sheppard 8 8 (D. H.)	.....	Dea 8-1, Lady Metal 10-1, Dramatic 9-10, Flotsam 9-7, Leda 9-5, Cyril 9-5, Rustile 9-5, Bundah 9-3, Bouquet 9-1, Lady Anna 8-11, Carnival 8-8, Foy 8-8, Projecture 8-3, Lipscombe 8-1, Nirvana 7-13, White Heather 7-8, Pallas 6-9, Colina 6-11	2 l.	1-16⅘
The Paddock Plate (Hcp.) ...	,,	1¼ m.	Ballark 9-12 ...	Bon Bon 8-1 ...	Mother Goose 8-7	Lord Boyne 8-0, Nightingale 9-0, Squire Alfred 8-9, Riverside II 8-8, Bundook 8-6, Applause 8-4, Trenayr 8-2, Mount Dane 8-2, Massachusetts 7-8, Goldstamp 7-11	¾ l.	2-12⅘
The Dealers' Plate	22-12-06	6 f.	Mallinyook 9-11	Dramatic 9-11 ...	Musette 9-9 ...	Vinolia 9-0, Prince Moorefield 9-0, St. Michael 8-11	sht. hd.	1-16⅘
The Viceroy's Cup	,,	1¼ m.	Fitzgrafton 9-0 ...	Mallard 9-3 ...	The Master 8-13	Sacristan II 9-0, Contest 9-3, Footprint 9-3, Lamrock 9-3, Long Tom 9-3, Clear Artist 8 8, Steinhager 8-1, Saloon 7-3	2½ l.	3-3
The Calcutta Plate (Hcp.) ...	,,	7 f.	Paddy's Darling 7-	Meadow Saffron 8-1	Jolly Abbot 7-0...	Red Coral 7-4, Blitzen 9-3, Dulcimer 9-1, Martinique 8-6, Lady Metal 8-6 Palindrome 8-5, Jubilant 7-8, Trenayr 7-7, Ferndown 7-3, Child Adopted 7-3	2 l.	1-28
The Pavilion Plate (Hcp.) ...	,,	R. C.	Ballark 9-12 ...	Kipling 8-6 ...	The Cingalee 7-2	Dirty Boy 7-4, Sainte Marquise 8-4, Nightingale 7-10, Trenton 7-8, Bundook 7-2, Lord Boyne 7-0, Black Duke 6-7, Insurrection 6-13 ...	1½ l.	2-55
The Xmas Selling (Hcp.) ...	69-12-06	5 f.	Lipscombe 7-9 ...	Rustile 9-2 ...	Tycannah 8-10 ...	Swindle 8-12, Springlock 7-12, Oom Paul 7-0, Wake Up 7-1, Defendant 6-13 Manon 6-12, Queen of Gems 6-12	2 l.	1-2¾
The Sandown Park Plate (Hcp.)	,,	5 f.	Sermon 8-10 ...	Dulcimer 8-10 ...	Amyas 8-10 ...	Manlock 8-8, Airlock 9-5, Dormant 8-2, Camira 7-4...	2½ l.	1-1¾
The Cooch Behar Cup (Hcp.) ...	,,	1¼ m.	Paddy's Darling 6-13	Fitzgrafton 9-10...	Saloon 7-0 ...	The Master 8-9, Sacristan II 8-9, Footprint 8-5, Contest 8-5, Prince Lyon 8-5, Pure Gold 7-2, Clynder 6-8, Trenchirman 7-1, Leda 7-0. ...	2 l.	2 7¾
The Lawn Plate (Hcp.) ...	,,	6 f.	Killeevan 10-0 ...	Jolly Abbot 8-6...	Red Coral 8-8 ...	Lady Anna 7-12, Loyal 9-8, Lady Metal 9-8, Honest Lady 9-8, Flotsam 9-8, Presbyterian 9-6, Botha 9-5, Mercedes 9-4 Gum 9-4, Malinyook 9-3, Mulison 8-8, Dunsinane 8-4, Foy 7-11, Strathspey 7-10, White Heather 6-10, Pallas 6-11	nk.	1-15⅘
The Mistletoe Plate (Hcp.) ...	31-12-06	7 f.	Pendred 7-13 ...	Strathspey 7-12...	Nightingale 9-2	Bon Bon 8-11, Dramatic 9-4, Silphoe 9-3, Cyril 8-12, Token 8-7, Child Adopted 7-12, Goldstamp 7-12	nk.	1-30
The Chowringhee Plate (Hcp.)...	,,	6 f.	Amyas 8-8 ...	Sermon 9-10 ...	Manlock 9-8 ...	Annamullock 7-0, Airloch 9-5, Contest 8-10, Blitzen 8-10, Killeevan 8-8, Lady Avon 7-10, Clynder 7-6, Presbyterian 7-7, Flotsam 7-0, Jubilant 7-0, Jolly Abbot 6-11	¾ l.	1-15
The Macpherson Cup (Hcp.) ...	,,	1 m 6 f 132 yds.	Dirty Boy 6-6 ...	Lamrock 6-11 ...	Insurrection 6-5	Footprint 8-6, The Master 9-0, Steinhager 7-8, Trenton 7-0, Leda 6-11 ...	Hd.	3-13⅘
The Holly Plate (Hcp.) ...	,,	5 f.	Jack Sheppard 9-6 ...	Downland 8-1 ...	Rustile 9-4 ...	Swindle 7-11, Gum 9-11, Botha 9-11, Mulison 9-10, Windy 8-11, Lady Anna 8-10, Lipscombe 8-6, Vespasia 8-4, Mirvana 8-2, Projecture 8-2	1 l.	1 2 ⅗
The New Year Plate (Hcp.) ...	,,	R. C.	Our State 8-12 ...	Bundook 8-3 ...	Black Duke 7-8...	Mother Goose 8-7, Nak Our 7-9, Riverside II 9-10, Santa Maria 9-3, Beaunero 7-12, Mount Dane 7-11, Refuge Bay 7-6, Trencherman 6-10, Hande'ilian 6-10, Scamander 6.13	2 l.	2-55⅘
The Avenue Plate (Hcp.) ...	1-1-07	6 f.	Colina 7-8 ...	Miss Trenton 6-6	Defendant 7-10...	Queen of Gems 7-11, White Heather 8-11, Miss Stone 8-7, Oom Paul 8-2, Batanzos 8-2, Manon 8-2	1¼ l.	1-18
The Kiosk Plate Divided Hcp. I.	5-1-07	6 f.	Colina 7-7 ...	Springlock 7-13...	Queen of Gems 6-12 ...	Lady Viola 7-6, Honest Lady 10-3, Bonquet 8-12, Lady Bentworth 8-4, Nirvana 8-3, Bucentaur 8-0	1½ l.	1-17⅘
The Kiosk Plate Divided Hcp. II.	,,	6 f.	Defendant 7-1 ...	Miss Trenton 6-4	Vinolia 8-4 ...	Silphoe 9-11, Projecture 8-3, Token 9-3, Prince Moorefield 7-13, Manon 7-1,	2½ l.	1-17⅘
January Plate Divided Hcp. I ...	12-1-07	6 f.	Lipscombe 8-3 ...	Pendred 8-11 ...	Presbyterian 9-7	Lady Metal 10-0, Jack Sheppard 9-12, Devil's Limit 8-12, Carnival 8-11, Bundah 8-10, Windy 8-6, Strathspey 8-6, Defendant 7-10, Cadence 7-12, Nirvana 7-5	½ l.	1-16
The Metropolitan (Hcp.) ...	,,	6 f.	Sermon 9-10 ...	Annamulloch 7-3	Airloch 8-5 ...	Contest 7-11, Paddy's Darling 9-2, Amyas 8-11, Dulcimer 8-2, Blitzen 7-9, Martinique 7-0, Camira 6-8, Au Fait 6-10	1¼ l.	1-15
The King's Plate (Hcp.) ...	,,	R. C.	Fitzgraftoo 9-10	Mallard 8-13 ...	Footprint 7-3 ...	Sacristan II 7-8, Prince Lyon 7-8, Lamrock 6-10, Dirty Boy 6-1, Trenton 7-0, Bundook 6 5, Saloon 6-7	3½ l.	2-53
The January Plate Divided Hcp. II	,,	6 f.	Honest Lady 9-7	Jolly Abbot 9-2	Mercedes 9-8 ...	Downland 8-3, Clynder 9-8, Loyal 9-8 Gum 9-2, Squire Alfred 8-10, Spero 8-0, Foy 7-13, Swindle 7-9	2 l.	1-15⅘
The Kidderpore Plate (Hcp.) ...	,,	1¼ m.	Killeevan 9-0 ...	Master Charlie 6-7	Bon Bon 6-13 ...	Palindrome 7-13, Insurrection 7-4, Galley Slave 7-1, Riversids II. 6-12, Ballark 10-12 (came in first disq)	nk.	2-9³
The Sealdah Plate (Hcp.) ...	15-1-07	1 m.	Black Duke 7-12	Strathspey 7-13	Colina 7-10 ...	Presbyterian 9-2, Santa Maria 8-11, Sainte Marquise 8-11, Bundook 8-6, Carnival 8-7, Goldstamp 7-11, Bouquet 7-9	3½ l.	1-13⅗
The Howrah Plate (Hcp.) ...	,,	6 f.	Martinique 8-7 ...	Killeevan 9-8 ...	Camira 8-3 ...	Mercedes 8-7, Downland 6-13, Clynder 8-3, Trencherman 7-2	2½ l.	1-15⅗
The Prince of Wales' Plate (Hcp.)	,,	1 m.	Annamulloch 7-4	Sacristan II 8-11	Saloon 7-0 ...	Contest 7-3, Dulcimer 7-8, Blitzen 7-0, Dea 7-0	3 l.	1-41⅗
St. George's Plate (Hcp.) ...	,,	5 f.	Rustlie 8-12 ...	Lady Metal 9-10	Swindle 7-0 ...	Dunsinane 7-13, Loyal 9-1, Sweet Sound 9-0, Warstripe 8-8, Rather Rakish 8-6, Devil's Limit 8-3, Mulison 8-3, Springlock 7-13, St Michael 7-5, Nirvana 7-0, Vespasia 7-0, Golden 7-0	nk.	1-2 ⅘
The Prinsep Plate (Hcp.) ...	,	1¼ m.	Scamander 6-12...	Leda 6-7 ...	Killeevan 9-0 ...	Nak Our 6-12, Insurrection 7-4	1¼ l.	2-15

FLAT RACES—Horses—(*Contd.*)

Race.	Date.	Distance.	First.	Second.	Third.	Unplaced.	Verdict.	Time.
The Selling Handicap ...	19-1-07	6 f.	Foy 8-3 ...	Presbyterian 10-1	Master Charlie 8-10	Downland 8-9, Gum 9-4, Springlock 8-6, Woodbine 8-4, Bouquet 8-4, Thetis 8-3, Defendant 8-1, Bucentaur 7-10, Nirvana 7-5	nk.	1-16
The Merchants' Plate (Hcp.) ...	,,	1¼ m.	Mallard 9-1 ...	Footprint 7-1 ...	Prince Lyon 6-11	Kipling 7-4, The Master 6-12, Contest 6-5, Blitzen 6-2	hd.	2-35
The Hooghly Plate (Hcp.) ...	,,	5 f.	Amyas 8-3 ...	Sacristan II 9-0	Annamulloch 8-3	Dulcimer 7-8, Manlock 7-10, Martinique 7-6, Dormant 6-2	nk.	1-1
The Bhowanipur Plate (Hcp.)...	,,	5 f.	Rustile 9-4 ...	Camira 9-6 ...	Swindle 7-0 ...	Flotsam 9-6, Honest Lady 10-7, Lady Metal 10-0, Florrie 9-12, Jack Sheppard 9-11, Jolly Abbot 9-10, Pendred 9-9, Lady Anna 8-5, Bundah 8-3, Windy 8-3, Bell Dhu 8-2, Devil's Limit 7-8, Miss Trenton 6-5 ...	¾ l.	1-2⅗
The City Plate (Hcp.) ...	,,	R. C.	Beaunero 7-8 ...	Nak Our 7-13 ...	Leda 7-10 ...	Insurrection 7-13, Bundook 9-2, Riverside II 8-6, Lord Boyne 8-6, Black Duke 8-4, Bouquet 8-5, Pennant 7-11, Refuge Bay 7-9	2½ l.	2-58
The Ganges Plate (Hcp.) ...	26-1-07	5 f.	Devil's Limit 8-3	Swindle 8-2 ...	Craig 8-1 ...	Musette 8-6, Sweet Sound 9-2, Narwanah 8-7, Oom Paul 7-8, Manon 7-6 ...	2½ l.	1-3
The Bengal Plate (Hcp.) ...	,,	5 f.	Vespasia 8-5 ...	Kathleen II 7-10	St. Michael 8-7 ...	Golden 8-5, Miss Stone 9-0, Pallas 8-7, Prince Moorefield 8-7, Token 8-7, Wake Up 8-4, Hazelnut 8-4, Lily 8-2, Miss Trenton 8-0, Recoil 7-0 ...	2 l.	1-3
The Minto Fête Plate (Hcp.) ...	,,	1 m.	Beaunero 8-1 ...	Annamulloch 9-6	Clynder 7-11 ...	Footprint 9-12, Killeevan 9-12, Kipling 9-6, Blitzen 7-10, Leda 7-13 ...	1 l.	1-43
Selling Handicap	,,	7 f.	Hande'ilian 7-2 ...	Nirvana 7-1 ...	Gum 9-0 ...	Leading Lady 7-2, Springlock 8-2, Bouquet 8-0, Woodbine 7-9 ...	2 l.	1-30
The Kedleston Plate (Hcp.) ...	,,	7 f.	Bon Bon 7-12 ...	Foy 7-6 ...	Galley Slave 7-11	Pendred 9-4, Honest Lady 9-10, Elgin 9-2, Lord Barrymore 8-8, Sainte Marquise 8-1, Carnival 7-11, Bell Dhu 7-2	½ l.	1-29⅕
The Outram Plate (Hcp.) ...	9-2-07	6 f.	Botha 9-7 ...	Craig 7-13 ...	Trencherman 8-2	Sal 7-12, Peveril 9-12, Colina 8-8, Defendant 7-12, Kingpin 7-9, Lollipop 7-2	2½ l.	1-1
The Lansdown Plate (Hcp.) ...	,,	7 f.	Foy 8-2 ...	Blitzen 8-2 ...	Vespasia 7-3 ...	Loyal 8-9, Merry Elsie 10-1 Palindrome 9-10, Pure Gold 9-8, Elgin 8-12, Projecture 8-0, Lord D. 7-10, Devil's Limit 7-10	2 l.	1-30
The Spring Plate (Hcp.) ...	,,	1 m.	St. Michael 8-0 ...	Recoil 7-1 ...	Clodian 8-2 ...	Lynnwood 8-0, Fame 10-2, Child Adopted 9-2, Vinolia 8-7, Prince Moorefield 7-12, Pallas 8-5, Lily 7-7	4½	1-44
The Curzon Plate (Hcp.) ...	,,	1¼ m.	Pendred 9-10 ...	Bon Bon 9-7 ...	Nirvana 7-2 ...	Hande'ilian 7-11, Bundook 9-3, Scamander 9-0, Sainte Marquise 8-12, Coronet 7-11, Spero 7-9	3 l.	2-11⅖
The Auction Plate (Hcp.) ...	16-2-07	5 f.	Galley Slave 9-10	Musette 8-9 ...	Sal 7-13 ...	St. Michael 8-2, Springlock 8-11, Child Adopted 8-6, Bucentaur 8-1, Fame 8-2, Price Moorfield 7-3, Wake Up 7-5, Miss Trenton 7-4, Lynnwood 7-6	1½ l.	1-3
The Hunters' Flat Race (Hcp.)	,,	1¼ m.	Trilby 11-2 ...	Lady Gold 11-7 ...	Posey 8-8 ...	Sylvia 9-12, Fusilier 10-13, Tiritiri 10-11, Fred 10-7, Queen of Hearts 10-3, Ruby 10-1, Blue Bell II 11-10, Orphan Boy 9-10, Jacinth 9-7 ...	3 l.	3-18⅘
The Esplanade Plate (Hcp.) ...	,,	b f.	Botha 10-7 ...	Projecture 8-10 ...	Craig 8-3 ...	Mercedes 10-6, Cyril 9-12, Loyal 9-7, Rather Rakish 8-9, Mulison 8-6, Vespasia 8-4, Coronet 7-6, Lord D 7-4, Recoil 7-0	2¼ l.	1-16
The Valentine Plate (Hcp.) ...	,,	R. C.	Nirvana 7-5 ...	Bon Bon 9-13 ...	Insurrection 8-6...	Mount Dane 9-7, Merry Elsie 10-2, Bundook 10-1, Scamander 9-0, Blitzen 8-13, Trencherman 8-1, Vinolia 7-10	2¼ l.	2-58¼
The Rawdon Plate (Hcp.) ...	23-2-07	1¼ m.	Mount Dane 9-6	Merry Elsie 9-7 ...	Loyal 8-11 ...	Trencherman 7-11, Foy 9-8, Scamander 9-3, Bundook 9-2, Galley Slave 9-2, Leda 8-2, Lord D 8-3, Insurrection 8-1, Craig 8-2, Mulison 8-5, Nirvana 7-10	2½ l.	2-12½
The Selling Handicap ...	,,	1 m.	St. Michael 8-10	Clodian 8-2 ...	Roseland 7-0 ...	Leading Lady 8-6, Bouquet 9-2, Child Adopted 8-8, Lollipop 7-8, Prince Moore-field 7-3	hd.	1-45
The Welter Handicap for Horses	,,	5 f.	Manon 10-11 ...	Tiritiri 8-3 ...	Wake Up 10-4 ...	Ruby 7-1, Downland 12-4, Dame Fortune 11-13, Sal 11-6, Lord Harry 10-11, Recoil 9-12, Pretender 10-0, Lady Gold 9-9, Galena 7-9, Posey 6-12 ...	2 l.	1-4⅗
The Kigin Plate (Hcp.) ...	,,	6 f.	Bundah 8-9 ...	Jack Sheppard 10-10 ...	Loyal 9-1 ...	Warstripe 8-12, Dramatic 10-2, Projecture 9-5, Bell Dhu 8-12, Musette 8-3, Prince Charles 8-4, Springlock 7-11	2 l.	1-3
The Balaclava Plate (Hcp.) ...	28-2-07	6 f.	Emigrant 11-7 ...	Jorrocks 11-7 ...	Fairy 11-7 ...	Swashbuckler 11.7. The Cobbler 11.7. Myrene 11.7. Slogan 11.7. Sheila 11.7. Salad Dressing 11-7. Salute 11.7. Norma 11.7.	2 l.	1.8-⅘
The Farewell Plate (Hcp.) ...	,,	6 f.	Bundah 9-2 ...	Cyril 9-0 ...	Dramatic 9-8 ...	Neucedes 9.12 Pendred 10.10. Jack Sheppard 10.6. Colina 8.2. Manon 7.8. Dib 7.6. Solace 7.3.	2 l. 2½ l.	1.16⅘
The Second Hunter's Flat Race (Hcp.)	,,	7 f.	Jacinth 8-4 ...	Pretender 11-0 ...	Detective 10.8. ...	Ruby 9.4. Sylvia 9.10. Queen of Hearts 9.7 Posey 9.0. Orphan Boy 9.11.	2½ l.	1.3½
Horse Consolation Plate Divided Hcp. II.... ...	,,	5 f.	Mulison 10-5 ...	Craig 10.7. ...	Miss Trenton 8.6. ...	Musette 10.7. Sal 9.13. Springlock 9.10. Wake up 8.11. Queen of Gems 8.1. Roseland 7.13. Prince Moorefield 7.9.	6 l.	1-32/
Horse Consolation Plate Divided Hcp. I.	,,	5 f.	Projecture 9-1 ...	Palindeome 9-3 ...	Lady Anna 8-6 ...	Pevaril 9-2, Clynder 9-2, Gum 8-8, Warstripe 8 2, Bell Dhu 8-2, Downland 8-C, Rather Rakid 7-11	2 l.	1-2½
The Harrington Plate (Hcp.) ...	,,	7 f.	Mercedes 10-3 ...	Bundah 9-7 ...	Botha 11-7 ...	St. Michael 8-3, Pure Gold 10-1, Merry Elsie 10 0, Galley Slave 9-11, Colina 8-7, Craig 8-5, Trencherman 7-13, Leading Lady 7-4	nk.	1-295
The Minto Plate	,,	R. C.	Scamander 8-7 ...	Leda 8-0 ...	Insurrection 7-10	Clodian 6-12, Mount Dane 9-10, Bundook 9-6, Riverside 8-13, Loyal 8-5, Nirvana 7-9, Pallas 7-0	2½ l	3-0

FLAT RACES—Ponies.

Race.	Date.	Distance	First.	Second.	Third.	Unplaced.	Verdict.	Time.
The Lilliputian Plate ...	1-12-06	5 f.	Plover 8-8 ...	Matin Bell 8-5 ...	Half Price 9-5 ...	Hooded Monk 9-3, Ivanhoe II 10-0, Esmeralda 9-0	2 l.	1-6⅕
The Pony Plate	,,	5 f.	Psalm 9-10 ...	Hazelnut 9-3 ...	Silphoe 9-10 ...	Pat C. 9-5, Picture 9-3, Lucretia 9-1, Pineal 8-8	1½ l.	1-4⅘
The Dalhousie Plate ...	8-12-06	6 f.	Claribell 10-3 ...	Matin Bell 8-5 ...	First Bell 10-3 ...	Wal 9-13, Ivanhoe II 10-0, Half Price 9-5	¾ l.	1-20⅘
The Bentinck Plate ...	,,	6 f.	Psalm 9-13 ...	Pat C 9-5 ...	Silphoe 9-10 ...	Duplex II 9-10, Hazelnut 9-3, Bubble 8-2	2¼ l.	1-18⅗
The Peel Plate	15-12-06	1 m.	Silphoe 9-10 ...	Psalm 10-3 ...	Yardley 8-2 ...	....	½ l.	1-46⅘
The Harrison Plate ...	,,	7 f.	Claribell 10-3 ...	Circus Girl 8-9 ...	Wal 9-13 ...	First Bell 10-3, Ivanhoe II 10-0	2 l.	1-33⅘
The Maiden Pony Plate ...	22-12-06	5 f.	Matin Bell 8-5 ...	Plover 9-4 —	Flo 9-0 ...	Wal 9-10, Vanity Fair 8-5	sht. hd.	1-5½
The International Pony Plate ...	,,	7 f.	Lady Avon 8-12	Matalgia 9-7 ...	Minimus 9-10 ...	Psalm 9-3, Solace 9-3, Hazelnut 9-3, Duplex II 9-0	¼ l.	1-31
The Eclipse Pony Plate ...	26-12-06	7 f.	Claribell 9-10 ...	Wal 9-3 ...	Circus Girl 8-6 ...	Veera 9-13, Lorette 9-4, S. S. 9-4, Plover 9-0, Flo 9-0	nk.	1-32⅘
The Stand Plate (Hcp.) ...	29-12-06	6 f.	Claribell 9-10 ...	Wal 8-3 ...	Matin Bell 7-2 ...	First Bell 8-9, Veera 8-0, Lorette 7-2	¾ l.	1-18
The Gunny Meah Cup (Hcp.) ...	,,	R. C.	Jolly Roger 8-3 ...	Psalm 9-2 ...	Belle Cole 8-0 ...	Silphoe 9-2, Yankee Boy 8-8, Hazelnut 8-7, Duplex II 8-6, Footlight 7-7, Pineal 6-6	3 l.	3-2⅕
The Pony Handicap ...	31-12-06	1 m.	Matin Bell 6-11...	Claribell 10-0 ...	Flo 7-0 ...	....	8 l.	1-45
The Innovation Handicap ...	,,	1 m.	Jolly Roger 7-13	Minimus 8-11 ...	Matalgia 9-0 ...	Yankee Boy 7-4, Lady Grey 7-11	nk.	1-46
The Scurry Handicap ...	12-1-07	5 f.	First Bell 8-3 ...	Mademoiselle 7-0	Wal 8-0 ...	Claribell 10-0, Coin II 9-8, Plover 8-0, Flo 7-0, Hooded Monk 6-7, Esmeralda 6-13, Fortune 6-6	¾ l.	1-4⅘
The New Plate (Hcp.) ...	,,	5 f.	Silphoe 8-1 ...	Wakeful 8-10 ...	Miss Hopson 8-10	Lady Avon 8-9, Psalm 9-0, Matalgia 8-13, Minimus 8-11, Jolly Roger 8-2, Pat C. 8-2, Solace 7-8, Hazelnut 7-7, Picture 6-10	2 l. after D.H.	1-2
The Clyde Plate (Hcp.) ...	15-1-07	6 f.	Duplex II 8-3 ...	Silphoe 9-7 ...	Wakeful 9-12 ...	Psalm 9-7, Matalgia 9-6, Minimus 9-5, Hazelnut 8-0, Solace 7-12 ...	½ l.	1-17
The Pony Purse (Hcp.) ...	19-1-07	7 f.	Wal 7-8 ...	Circus Girl 7-2 ...	.....	....	3 l.	1-32⅘
The Belvedere Pony Plate (Hcp.)	,,	1 m.	Psalm 9-1 ...	Wakeful 9-4 ...	Jolly Roger 8-10	Silphoe 8-11, Matalgia 9-7, Lady Vera 8-3, Duplex II 7-12	½ l.	1-44⅕
The Club Plate (Hcp.) ...	26-1-07	6 f.	Pat C. 8-8 ...	Matalgia 9-0 ...	Duplex II. 8-8 ...	Solace 9-0, Silphoe 9-9, Jolly Roger 8-9, Picture 6-8	¾ l.	1-17⅗
Pony Hunters' Flat Race (Hcp.)	9-2-07	R. C.	Pathfinder II 10-10	Lady George 8-10	Mistlebird 11-9 ...	Geebung 9-3, Envious 10-4, Waratah 10-0, Zig Zag 9-12, Sunflower 9-4, The Pink Un 9-0	¾ l.	3-16

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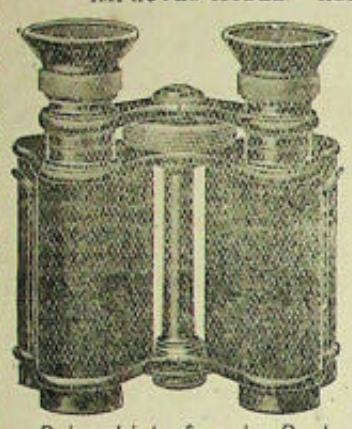

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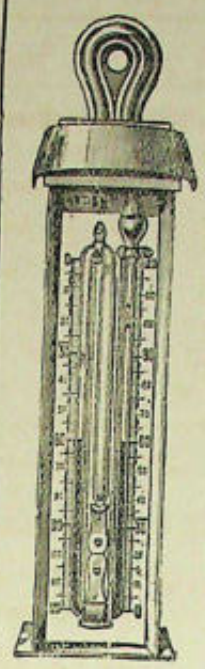

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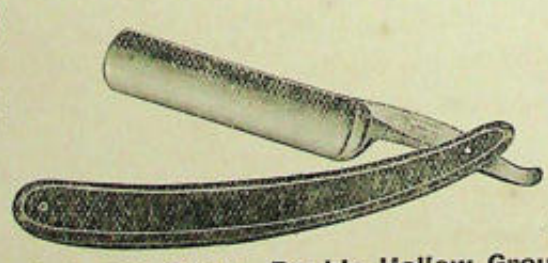

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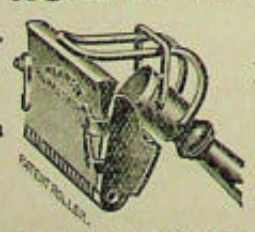

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Race.	Date.	Distance.	First.	Second.	Third.	Unplaced.	Verdict.	Time.
The Trial Chase Plate ...	1-1-07	2½ m.	Loch Lochie 10-4	Wales 10-10 ...	Senator 11-6 ...	Rustler 11-0, Lord D. 10-10, Kingpin 10-10, Craig 10-10, Coronet 10-7 ...	2 l.	5-19⅘
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The Hunters' Handicap Steeplechase	5-1-07	2½ m.	Lord Harry 13-0	Cain 9-7 ...	Orphan Boy 10-4	Lady Gold 11-10	2½ l.	5-26
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STEEPLECHASES.—Ponies.

Race	Date.	Distance	First.	Second.	Third.	Unplaced.	Verdict.	Time.
The Pony Steeplechase ..	1-1-07	2½ m.	Footlight 11-7 —	.....	.....	Olga 11-3 (fell)	...	...
The Pony Hunters' Steeplecha..	,,	2½ m.	Mistlebird 10-12	Lady George 8-7	Bellis 12-0 ...	Zig Zag 9-10, Envious 11-4, Energy 11-3, Good Chap 10-8	¾ l.	5-36⅖
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THE TURF.

FOOTBALL.

Association Rules.

Ireland *vs.* Wales.—For the twenty-sixth time representativ teams of the "distressful" country and the Principality tried conclusions, the venue of Saturday's match being Cliftonville's fine grounds at Belfast. The bay turned out fine, but bitterly cold, and notwithstanding the heavy rains of the earlier part of the week, the pitch was in fairly good order. The vistors' team underwent a series of changes, which it was understood considerably weakened the side. But, on the other hand, the substitution of Seymour, a young Cliftonville player, for McCracken (Newcastle United), who as an Anglo-Irishman had originally been selected for right back, greatly weakened the home defence.

Wales, winning the toss, took advantage of a slight breeze. Sloan kicked off, and Ireland's left wing darted away, meeting with strong resistance from Lathom and Williams. In a couple of minutes the Irish forwards were close in, and a golden opportunity presented itself, but Roose saved at the expense of a corner, Harris making a big effort to score. The visitors now took up the running, and Meredith and W. L. Jones, supported by Lathom, forced a passage well into Irish territory. McClure and McCartney, however, allowed them no opening, and they were quick y repulsed.

Kirwan and O'Hagan transferred play to the other end without result. The next feature of interest was a dashing run by Jones, whose work produced an abortive corner. The game was only nine minutes old when Ireland opened one scoring. A spirited run on the home right wing culminated in a grand centre from Blair. Roberts failed to clear, and O'Hagan nipping in, sent the ball into the corner of the net. There was great enthusiasm among the spectators, who by this time must have number close upon 14,000.

The Irish, thus, encouraged, played up with even greater spirit, but the Welshmen showed in intention of allowing their opponents to have matters all their own way, and pressed with vigour. McClartney and Seymour exhibited a fine defence and the visiting forwards were allowed little opportunity of effecting any useful combined play. The crowd were now entertained by an exhilarating run by O'Hagan and Kirwan. the inside man, when well up, passing to his partner, who directed a raemendous cross-shot towards the goal-mouth wher the ball was smartly picked up by Boose.

Once again Ireland was within an ace of acoring when a fine centre was sent in from the right wing but O' Hagan was off side. Meredith, for Wales, indulged in a pretty run, which was nipped in the by McCartney. After twenty minutes play, and when the Irishmen were undoubtedly having all the better of the game, a grand cross-shot from Meredith was converted by Morris. Pressure by Ireland produced a corner, the ball being headed away in time by Roberts. Then Kirwan took possession, and gave Roose a warm handful, but the Welsh goalkeeper was in capital form.

The Irish forwards continued to bombard the Welsh goal, and twice the hopes of Ireland were reposed in Harris, and twice they were dashed to the ground. The game now became somewhat tame, Wales pressed, but there was no cohesion in their attack. The Irish halves on the occasion neatly checkmated the opposing forwards, and bearing down the field, O'Hogan and Kirwan broke, completly nonplussing the Welsh defence. Here the Chelsea man lifted over a delightful centre to Sloon, who however, hopelessly missed a splendid chance, as did also the Shelbourne inside right. It was one of the best chances of the game, but it simply went a-begging.

Morris a moment after being off side during a period of attack by Wales, struck the crossbar. Seymour was hurt, but was able to continue. Interval:—Ireland, 1; Wales 1.

In the second half from a free kick the Irish forwards dashed away briskly. Blair placing a capital centre at Sloan's foot, who with practically an open goal in front of him, kicked obliquely towards the corner flag. Yet again Ireland's prospects rose high and once more they were dashed to the ground. Clever manipulation of the ball by McClure and Crothers led to Kirwan making a bolt for goal and a good centre he passed over was taken up by Blair, but the latter was pressed by Davies, and as a result his shot went wide.

Ireland were having the attack almost completely to themselves at this stage, and twice in rapid succession they narrowly missed scoring. Considerable roughness now characterised the game, especially when Wales took up the attack, which, however was short-lived, and the Irishman dashing boldly down caused much anxiety to the visitors' defence.

It was Ireland's game practically throughout this half, but the much sought-for goals did not seem ever likely to come. Sloan retrieved his previous failures by a really dazzling effort, putting in strongly and dangerously from a pass by Harris, but Roose cleared magnificently. Roose saved from O'Hagan after good play by Blair, and later it was only by spirited work on the part of the visitors' defence that the clever play of Blair and Harris did not materialise.

At length Sloan being well placed, was able to head in from a flag kick. Play now became lively, and after Wales had obtained two corners Jones again equalised, and scarcely a minute later the same player added the third. Ireland now worked hard to draw the game, but the equaliser did not come, although O'Hagan shot an offside point. Thus Wales won a game which could not by any means be described as an exhibition of scientific football. Result:—Wales, 3; Ireland, 2.

RUGBY RULES.

Scotland *vs* Ireland.—The weather was almost perfect for the game, the sky being clear blue, with not a cloud in it, but he

air was cold, and there was a keen bite in the north wind which blew right down the field. The edge in the wind was tempered a little by the bright sun. The crowd appeared as large as at the Welsh International, and possibly 20,000 were present when the Irishmen stepped blithely into the arena. They received a rousing reception. They had been accompanied by considerable followers, and these were reinforced by the large contingent of Irishmen studying at the Edinburgh University and the Veterinary Colleges. When the Scots turned out they did not look so athletic as the Hibernian brigade, but the bright green jerseys of the Irishmen have a tendency to drown the quieter dark blue of Scotland.

Scott started for the Scotsmen against the wind, the Irishmen having the sun in their eyes. From the opening moment the game plunged into a most enthralling state. Play opened on the touch line well inside Irish ground, Munro having put in a clever kick. With a loose, fierce rush, the Irish forwards made ground, but they only reached the centre when the Scotch pack, wheeling the scrum, carried the ball away in an almost solid phalanx. Admidst the yells of their countrymen, they kept the ball moving until ten yards from the Irish lines. The Hibernians were harassed for a momont or two until Parke picked up cleverly and went away, immdiately changiug the aspect of affairs, but scarcely had the Irishmen fairly encouced themselves in Scottish territory ere Macleod got possession, and went down the edge ot the touch line like a greyhound. It was an altogether startling opening, and the initial moments were but a prelude to still greater things.

The early indication that it was to be a Titanic struggle were all realised The Caledonian pack did not improve, for Macleod's run, and a brilliant dash by the wearears of the green, led by Allen brought about a complete transformation in the scene of operations. A decided opening was secured by Caddell, and Greaves was just going in when he missed his footing in his last dodge and Schulze tackled successfully. The play veered back to the neutral line, and with Munro kicking justly into the straw lined touch, the Scots were again pressing towards the Irish lines. A quick recovery was made by the Hibernian backs and a great punt by Caddell sent the game right down in the Scottish lines. The tacklingof furious onslaughts was tremendous. Time after time the Irish forwards banged at it with sheer force, but they met equally determined opposition, and throughithe Scottish lines they could not break. On several occasions the Irishmen wereheld outside, and no more.

In one of the numerous mêlées—Scotland were penalised right in front of their posts, and from the very easy place Parke opened the scoring for Ireland. The Irish play had been quite value for points at this time, and the Hibernians present greeted the success with deafening cheers. From the centre the Scotts were the aggressors. The excitement attending a burst by McGregor and Macleod was fully justified, so well did the Cantab dart along. Scrummaging in the Irish half was the order for some time, and then Parke and Macleod gave dashing displays of speed. Anything might have attended these efforts. Then Thrift had a mighty run, and although he slipped when rounding Schulze his effort put Ireland completely on the aggressive. Basil McLear tried to force himself through by sheer strength, but numbers over-powered him. The home lines were seriously menaced, and Sivright was laid out with a kick in the face. He was quite dazed, but it took two players to drag him off the field, and even when sitting in the straw with a rug round him he evinced desperate anxiety to get back into the thick of the battle. The spectators cheered the plucky Scot as he sat eyeing wistfully every movement with a handkerchief pressed to his face. To the interval the game was fought in the Scottish territory, but nothing came of a succes sion of exciting incedents.

Half-time sounded with the score :—

Ireland	(1 penalty goal)	...	3 points.
Scotland	... ...	...	nil.

The game was resumed without Sivright. Ireland pressed from the kick-off, and in a few minutes the eager Sivright was allowed to take the field again. As he bounded down the pitch, the crowd cheered again and again. The best combination of the day was shown in the succeeding minutes, when Macleod got under way, and the ball went right along the line to Purves. Scotland made much ground thereby, and all the advantage now lay with the Thistle. Schulze nearly dropped a goal, and shortly afterwards Simson made his mark, but the kick fell short.

The Scots were making a desperate onslaught—an onslaught of equal merit to that of Ireland in the latter stages of the first half Sivright Monteith, Geddes, and Sanderson were each in turn, all but in, and then, headed by Allen and Tedford, the Irish pack made off in magnificent style. Schulze saved daringly, and soon the Scots were on the aggressive. Basil McLear served his side excellently in defence, and on one occasion he was impartially cheered for a superb tackle the took one Scot by the waist and another by the leg and dragged them with the ball into touch. Scotland, however, were bound to score at the rate they were going, and Sanderson romped across between the posts. Geddes completed the effort with a goal from an easy place, giving Scotland the lead.

This in no way diminished the Irish courage, and Jack was as good as his Master, and rush and counter rush were the order. Thrice Thrift made magnificent single-banded runs, but McLear was singularly badly served with the ball. The match was in a most interesting condition with five minutes to go, when the Scottish forwards made a combined assault. Purves eventually got a clear opening; and grounded between the posts, Geddes converting.

Only a minute or two remained, but there was something akin to an Irish *debacle*. Scotland had a commanding hold on the game, and from a mêlée Frew got over at the post, and Geddes kicked an easy goal. From the centre Walter came away, and ran almost half the length of the field. Another Scottish score looked inevitable when McLear tracked down his man. Immediately some infringement drew up another Scot as he was crossing the line. The change in the last minutes was extraordinary, the Irishmen clearly being out of the picture, and the Scots had risen to one great height of supreme effort. The whistle sounded with the result :—

Scotland (3 goals)	—	...	15 points.
Ireland (1 penalty goal)		...	3 "

BOXING.

THE HEAVY WEIGHT CHAMPIONSHIP.—When Gunner Moir, who had very justly laid claim to the title of Heavy-weight Champion of England by defeating Jack Palmer (Newcastle) resolved to defer his meeting with Philadelphia Jack O'Brien until he had satisfied the claims of the aspirants to his title in the Old Country, his *fiat* was received by all fair-minded sportsmen in England as an action not only honourable, but just.

Without doubt the inducement held out for Gunner Moir to travel over the seas would have been considered had there been no prospect of a match in this country, but about that time the ex-Hussar, "Tiger" Smith, returned home from India after an absence of ten years; and by defeating Seaman Kelly in less than a round, the "Tiger" was able to secure backing to the extent of a "monkey" to meet the Gunner. It mayl be interesting to know that each receives his financial support from well-known members at headquarters, and consequently it was only in the right order of affairs that the contest should be decided in the historical theatre of the club premises. Consequently, after a considerable amount of paper warfare, the men met in the strangers' room, and appended their signatures to articles of agreement which called for a twenty rounds contest for £500 a side and a purse of £350 given by the club, while each was to receive a certain percentage of the profits accruing from the pictures taken of the encounter.

To say that the meeting evoked considerable interest only expresses the state of affairs in a mild manner. For within a few days after articles were signed half the seats were disposed of, and during the last week the theatre could have been bought two or three times over. The betting had also fluctuated considerably, for while Moir's partisans declared that the "Tiger" would not be able to concede the weight and height, the ex-Hussar's supporters, on the other hand, contended that their man's style of attack would nonplus his adversary, and that he would also beat him for speed. Consequently a deal of money changed hands and neither could claim to be much of a favourite.

Smith was the first to enter the ring, being esquired by Bill Whalley, Tom Burrows, Staff-Sergt. Dont, and Tom Davis, his trainer. Moir quickly followed, having for his attendants side Grumley, Steve Butler, Arthur Gutteridge, and H. Williams. On the gloves being adjusted, and the men receiving a caution by the referee, the gong sounded for.—

Round 1 and last.—When the men faced each other Moir looked quite a giant against the ex-Hussar. After a brief spar, Smith, upon getting within measurable distance, swung his right, which landed rather too high on the head. Moir quickly responded, and with a straigh left-hand jab smashed the left on the face. This led up to some fast exchanges, in which Smith rapped his man on the jaw, which for a moment steadied Moir. Quickly shaking off the effects of this visitation. Moir shot out his dexter hand, and sent Smith down flat on his back. Although Smith rose quickly, Moir gave him no rest, and, working him into a neutral corner, banged away with both hands on the body and Smith dropped to the ground. Standing back in a perfectly fair manner, Moir allowed his antagonist to rise, and upon coming again together each reached the head with the right. It was now apparent that the Gunner's superior weight was beginning to tell. Smith, however, continued to make a plucky effort, until Moir again fought him on to the ropes, and he went down. Bravely he tried to rise, but he was quite beaten, and Moir won a sensational battle, which lasted exactly 2mins. 49secs.

COURSING.

WATERLOO CUP.—It was under the pleasantest of surroundings that the final stages of the great coursing event of the year were brought off. It often occurs that the finals are marred by disparity in the length of the trials, thereby reducing the actual final to a question of which of the two competitiors has got off the lighter, but on this occasion the hares that were slipped on the last day were all good ones, and although the winner had a far shorter course in the semi-final than Glenbridge, this was not the result of a week hare against a strong one, but the brevity was brought about by the superiorityof the dogs behind it.

With no representative from the North of England left in the cup overnight, the opposition to the Scottish and Irish cracks devolved upon two puppies owned and trained in the South. Of these Platonic made a great effort against the favourite; in fact, so well was he going with his hare after Long Span had lost his position that he had just equalised matters when he lost his legs and it is just possible that this misfortune cost him the course, for he had no sooner faltered than Long Span dashed up to kill, which landed Sir Robert Jardine's dog a decided winner.

Glenbridge, who had been going in a fine form all through the stake, qualified for the final with another brilliant performance in his defeat of Such a Mark; indeed, well as he had run all his other courses, perhaps this was the best display of all, and strong hopes were raised among the Irish division that the Cup would go over the water. The course, however, was the whole length of the Withins, and decidedly a stiffish one, and with only half an hour's interval before the final it was asking such a big dog as Glenbridge a very serious question to come again in so short a time. This proved to be the case, for he could make no show against Long Span in the final, and I can never remember a final course in the great event having been won in such a decided manner. Long Span has proved himself by his running this week, with perhaps the exception of his first course on Wednesday, to be everything that his warmest admirer had painted him.

Hunting.

KARACHI HUNT.

On 24th February.—The hounds met at Alladad. A good field, including the Commissioner and Mr. Lucas, turned out; Mrs. Graham and Mrs. Travers representing the fair sex. After drawing the Mango Tope blank the hounds picked up a line at the edge of the plough, and ran fast for a few minutes—and then, as apparently the jack had run in a ring, were at fault, and could make nothing further of it. The Master lifted them back—and they worked out the line slowly through the scrub, until getting into the open again, with an improving scent, they began to move fast. Shouts and yells and a waving of sticks on the part of the villagers near the Masjid showed us clearly which way our jack had gone. Fortunately he had got well away, and the hostile demonstration, going on near the Masjid, did not worry him in the slightest. We ran him over the hill, and through the valley beyond, killing him near the sea—after a run lasting about 40 minutes. A feature in the run was the sight of the hounds swimming across a large pond the result of the recent rains. The Master then took the hounds off to draw the Subadar's Khêt. We got a brisk run of 15 minutes or so on the way. Three jacks broke covert from the Subadar's Khet. The hounds were soon laid on to one, who gave us a capital 30 minutes, when we lost him in the thick lye bush. It was a good morning's sport—though dreadfully hot—which was hard on horses and hounds.

On 28th February.—The hounds met at Rai Singh's well at 7-15 A.M., when a fair field turned out. Finding in Rai Singh's Khet, the hounds ran a nice line across the Maggur Pir Road, through Moosa's Bunds—and right through the Long Bund—finally losing on the far side of the One Tree Bund, after a run of 30 minutes. It was a very hot morning—and as soon as the sun came out, the scent was gone, so we made our way homewards, without drawing again.

3rd March.—Those who met the hounds at the Hunt Camp, Landhi, at 7 A.M., were rewarded with as good a morning's sport as we have ever had. Mrs. Graham was the only lady out—but the riding talent of Karachi was well represented otherwise. Finding in Parker's Covert, we ran straight across The Common, with the jack in view most of the way and killed in the cover near Rabu's Khet after a glorious gallop of 25 minutes over turf. We then went across to the Hill Farm, where the Sugar cane Khets provided another stout jack who gave us a clinking good run across the Temple Hills. We lost him somewhat unaccountably after running nearly 40 minutes. As we were making our way homewards, we found again and had a brisk little run, after a jack who got into thick covert with the hounds close behind him—and so saved his brush. It was nice and cool, and we did not get back to the Hunt Camp till past eleven. The going was excellent, the scent was good, and the hounds hunted grandly.

On 7th March.—The hounds met at the Bunnia's Crossing at 7. A.M. The Master commenced by drawing the orchards. A touch of scent in Alli Karim's Khet was all the hounds could find—but after leaving the cultivation, we picked up the line of a traveller, who gave us a nice spin towards the Ruined Cottage. Here, he must have been turned, as he "slunk" away down wind, and the hounds found it very difficult to work out the line. After a slow ringing run, the Master gave it up—and lifting the hounds trotted off towards the Long Bund. After drawing the scrub along the edge of the Bund a jack was viewed away by Alli Karim, who was out on his stout little pony. The hounds were soon laid on to the line, and we killed after a good gallop near the ruined cottage.

SINDHI.

Polo.

THE SUBALTERNS' TOURNAMENT.

FIRST ROUND.

15TH HUSSARS *vs.* 17TH LANCERS.—The tournament opened at Umballa with this game on the 12th instant. The rain on the day before had made the going just right and the ground was in splendid condition. It was of little interest, for the Hussars did pretty much as they pleased and won by the overwhelming margin of 11 goals and 7 subsidiaries to 1 goal. Teams :—

15TH HUSSARS.	17TH LANCERS.
1 Mr. R. Barry.	1 Mr. H. F. Parbury.
2 Mr. P. P. Curtis.	2 Mr. G. H. Rhodes.
3 Mr. S. H. Charrington.	3 T. S. M. A. H. Lyne—Evans.
Back—Hon. Mr. D. Bingham.	*Back*—Mr. V. N. Locket.

Umpires—Majors Clifton-Brown and Lecky.

10TH HUSSARS *vs.* 12TH LANCERS, "B."—This was another runaway affair. The Lancers were outplayed and outridden, they offered a stubborn resistance and Ollivant, their back, played with pluck and brilliance throughout; but in the event they were defeated by 7 goals and 2 subsidiaries to 1 subsidiary. Teams :—

10ST ROYAL HUSSARS.	12TH LANCERS, "B."
1. Hon. Mr. A. A. Annesley.	1. Mr. V. L. C. Manning.
2. Mr. E. W. E. Palmer.	2. Mr. C. E. Bryant.
3. Mr. W. L. Palmer.	3. Mr. H. C. Maydon.
Back—Mr. H. P. Chaplin.	*Back* Mr. G. B. Ollivant.

Umpires—Majors Clifton-Brown and Lecky.

3RD HUSSARS *vs.* R. H. A.—Here we saw a really good and closely contested game, there being little difference in their form. The backs were conspicuous and the scoring was kept down to 1 goal and 3 subsidiaries to 1 goal by which margin the Hussars won. Teams:—

3RD HUSSARS.	R. H. A.
1. Mr. R. R. de C. Grubb.	1. Mr. J. A. Scarlett.
2. Mr. J. J. Dobie.	2. Mr. I. C. Usher.
3. Mr. H. Leney	3. Mr. W. Roberts.
Back—Mr. M Burge.	*Back*—Mr. B. H. Lascelles.

Umpires—Colonel Rivett-Carnac and Major Hobson.

12th LANCERS "A." *vs.* THE CARABINIERS.—In the first half of the game the Carabiniers had rather the better of the argument and it was not till the third period that the Lancers seemed able to get into their stride. From this point they went away and run out winners by 3 goals and 2 subsidiaries to 1 goal and 2 subsidiaries. Teams :—

12TH LANCERS "A"	THE CARABINIERS.
1 Mr. T. R. Badger.	1 Mr. S. W. Webster.
2 Mr. R. B. Wood.	2 Mr. J. N. Kidd.
3 Mr. C. E. Reynard.	3 Mr. M. N. Kennard.
Back—Mr. C. M. Truman.	*Back*—Mr. A. G. Gwyer.

Umpires—Majors Campbell and Lecky.

THE SEMI-FINALS.

10TH HUSSARS *vs.* 15TH HUSSARS.—On the 13th instant the meeting of these teams brought out a large number of onlookers and they were rewarded by seeing a really well contested game The 10th were far and away the more experienced team, yet the 15th, with two men, who are practically recruits, gave them a fine game and were constantly conspicuous for good combination and individual brilliance.

The 15th got a subsidiary early in the first chukker, and in the second the 10th had two runs to the 15th's flags, but scoring was averted. Both these chukkers witnessed very sticky play. The character of the game improved in the third chukker, when there was more free hitting and galloping, and the 10th got two goals in quick succession. The fourth chukker witnessed equally animated play, the 15th scoring a goal and also adding two minor points to their score. The fifth chukker was a very hotly contested, but distinguished for repeated scrimmages in various parts of the ground, and at the close the 10th scored their third subsidiary. Then in the brief time left for the last chukker the 15th got a subsidiary, and on the call of time the 10th Hussars were left winners by 2 goals 3 subsidiaries to 1 goal 2 subsidaries. Teams as before. Umpires Major's Lecky and Hobson.

12TH ROYAL LANCERS "A" *vs.* 3rd Hussars.—A most unfortunate accident brought this game to an end before it had been going a minute. Mr. Burge, the Hussars' back was thrown heavily when his pony came down and carried off to hospital with concussion of the brain. His team, having no waiting men present, were obliged to scratch—a very regrettable termination to what promised to be a good game. Teams as before.

THE FINAL.

10TH HUSSARS *vs.* 12TH LANCERS.—This meeting was productive of as good an exhibition as any one could wish to see The Lancers were the first to score and put up 2 subsidiaries early. Then there was a blank period, after which the Hussars notched 2 subsidiaries and the game continued level without any score till very close upon its close when the Hussars scored a goal. When it wanted but three seconds for full time the Lancers again equalised and an extra four minutes had to be played, but with no result. Another extra period was started when the Lancers nearly scored and the Hussars relieving the pressure ran the ball to the opposite end and scored a goal, the game thus ending in a win for the 10th Hussars by 2 goals and 2 subsidiaries to 1 goal and 1 subsidiary. Teams as before. The Cup was presented to the winners by General Clements.

He wrote a graphic description of the race, which he wound up by saying that "the favourite was beaten by a head on the post." But his feelings may more easily be imagined than described when he found it next morning in the paper: "The favourite was beaten on the head by a post."

"God helps the man who helps himself, but God help the man caught helping himself here," is a notice posted up behind the counter of a jeweller in the Strand. A double-barrelled gun hangs near the notice.

Cricket.

THE CALCUTTA CRICKET CLUB.

The cricket season at the Eden Gardens concluded with the interesting fixture the English Schools *vs.* Indian Schools. The record of matches is as follows :—

Played 18; won 11; lost 2; and 5 have been drawn. The noticeable feature of the season has been the consistent high-scoring both by individual players and by elevens representing the different clubs that have played.

No less than 14 centuries have been scored and on nine occasions 350 runs have been scored in a single innings.

The centuries scored this season were—

120*	T. Curtis-Hayward for C.C.C.	*vs.* Telegraph C.C.C.
101	R. A. White for Ballyganj C.C.	*vs.* C.C.C.
104	Major H. S. Ainslie for C.C.C.	*vs.* Aryan Club.
189*	J. D. Guise for C.C.C.	*vs.* Town Club.
102	B. E. G. Eddis for C.C.C.	*vs* Hornets A.C.
101	R. E. G. Eddis for C.C.C.	*vs.* Behar Wanderers.
101	A. W. Bentinck for Behar Wanderers	*vs.* C.C.C.
160	Capt. J. G. Greig for Bombay	*vs.* C.C.C.
129	G. H. Walker for the Military	*vs.* C.C.C.
155*	G. Turnbull for C.C.C.	*vs.* Ballyganj C.C.
103	G. Turnbull for C.C.C.	*vs.* Rangers C.C.
119	J. D. Guise for C.C.C.	*vs.* Customs A.C.
112	A. B. Rosser for Indian Schools	*vs.* English Schools.
131	J. D Quise for English Schools	*vs.* Indian Schools.

*Signifies not out.

Innings in which 350 runs and over have been scored :—

393	C. C. C.	*vs.*	Ballyganj C. C.
353	C. C. C.	*vs.*	Town Club.
375	Bombay	*vs.*	C. C. C.
354	Military	*vs.*	C. C. C.
355*	C.C.C.	*vs.*	Military.
379	C. C. C.	*vs.*	Ballyganj C. C.
393	C. C. C.	*vs.*	Rangers C. C.
366	C. C. C.	*vs.*	Customs A. C.
351†	C. C. C.	*vs.*	Caledonians A. C.

* 5 wkts. † 9 wkts.

The batting of the Club has been unusually good this year, more especially the form displayed by Messrs. Eddis, Guise and Turnbull, all of whom have scored consistently. J. D. Guise has scored over 1,100 runs, his record for 22 innings, total 1,146 runs for an average of 54·57 runs per innings He has also largely shared in the bowling, and has taken the highest number of wickets.

The fielding too has much improved, and Messrs. Eddis, Guise and Bartholomew being particularly good in this respect.

BATTING AVERAGES.

The following batted in at least three innings :—

	No. of Runs.	Times Not Out.	Highest Score.	Total Runs.	Average.
B. E. G. Eddis ...	10	1	102	592	65·77
J. D. Guise ...	22	1	189*	1,146	54·57
G. Turnbull ...	15	2	155*	631	48·53
J. E. Jackson ...	7	4	67*	144	48·00
E. H. White ...	8	2	93	234	39·00
J. G. Ballantyne ...	7	...	64	241	34 42
C. P. Beachcroft ...	12	2	63	326	32·60
T. Curtis-Hayward ...	10	2	120*	250	31·25
C. B. Nicholls ...	5	...	56	144	28 00
C. P. Bartholomew ...	16	3	71	310	23·84
T. C. Manders ...	4	...	53	91	22·75
M. R. Quin ...	12	2	71	218	21·80
C. M. Pope ...	9	1	73	154	19·25
E. Horncastle ...	5	1	65	75	18·75
J. N. Warden ...	4	2	15*	34	17·00
R. C. R. Hill ...	3	1	31	32	16·00
H. V. Low ...	8	...	35	115	14·37
F. H. Stewart ...	3	...	26	41	13 66
S. C. B. Lee ...	6	...	50	75	12·50
S. E. A. Whiteaway ...	5	1	27*	37	9·25
H. R. Stockley ...	7	1	20	50	8·33
H. F. Yeoman ...	4	1	22	25	8·33
G. Pickford ...	3	1	8	9	4·50
J. G. Tredaway ...	5	...	11	21	4·20
A. Simson ...	7	...	10	28	4·00
A. Lethbridge ...	3	...	8	11	3·66

* Signifies not out.

The following batted twice :—

H. G. Pearson 1 and 24, W. Burlton 9 and 28, H. G. Miller 6* and 6, C. P. Lomax 0* and 5, H. Claughton 2 and 0.

The following batted once :—

E. W. Collin 1, H. S. Ainslie 104, E. L. Salier 83, R. R. Pope 69, A. C. Von Ernsthausen 52*, G. Gordon 20, E. A. Breithaupt 16, F. J. Conner 10, J. L. Lecocq 0 J. N. Turner 0 and W. G. Bayley 0.

BOWLING AVERAGES.

The following bowled in three innings :—

	Overs.	Runs.	Mdns.	Wkts.	Average.
J. H. Stewart ...	62·4	196	17	22	8·90
C. M. Pope ...	38	136	4	12	11·33
H. R Stockley ...	65·5	190	12	14	13·57
J. G. Ballantyne ...	51·5	180	8	13	13·84
C. B. Nicholls ...	47·5	208	5	14	14 85
B. E. G. Eddis ...	65·2	254	6	16	15·87
M. R. Quin ...	119·3	380	10	22	17·27
A. Simson ...	62	248	7	14	17·71
T. Curtis-Hayward ...	160·4	475	28	26	18·26
G. Turnbull ...	83·3	306	12	15	20·40
C. P. Beacheroft ...	137·1	418	21	17	24·58
T. C. Manders ...	24	104	1	4	26·00
J. D. Quise ...	199	751	27	28	26·82
H. F. Yeoman ...	21	115	1	4	28·75
A. Lethbridge ...	24·5	93	6	3	31·00
H. V. Low ...	13	72	...	2	36·

The following also bowled :—

	Overs.	Runs.	Mdns.	Wkts.	Average.
F. J. Connor ...	11	49	1	3	16 30
A. C. Von Ernsthausen ...	27	68	4	3	22·66
E. L. Salier ...	18	73	...	2	36·50
H. Claughton ...	11	40	2	...	...
H. G. Miller ...	1·2	7	...	...	...
H. P. Ainslie ...	2	2	1	...	...
S. C. B. Lee ...	6	36	...	...	...

THE Y. M. C. A.

The Y.M.C.A. cricket fixtures have just closed after a very successful season. In all 22 matches were played, of which 7 were won and 2 lost. Victories were gained over Dalhousie (twice) the Olympians, 5th Northumberland Fusiliers, Caledonians, Old Xavierians and City Athletic Club. The defeats were sustained at the hands of the Caledonians and Customs. The unsatisfactory feature about the season was the large number of unfinished matches, the majority of which were drawn very much in the Club's favour. On several occasions a few minutes longer would have given them the victory. On the other hand, three times time saved the Y.M.C.A. from almost certain defeat.

The Captain and A. M. Price head the batting averages and the same two men in the reverse order top the bowling.

In spite of the loss of players such as H. J. Clark, H. G. Reaks, F.P. Linsell and C. Rayneau, the batting strength has been maintained,—Pooler, Dyer and Grant making creditable substitutes. The highest score throughout the season was 77, three men reaching that figure.

The matches being played on Saturdays only, often rendered it necessary to force the game in order to attempt to pull off a win, but while this necessitated taking extra risks it increased the attractiveness of the games. The bowling as a whole has been weak, and variety of style has been lacking. At times there was a tendency to become slack in the field.

BATTING AVERAGES.

Name of batsman.	No. of innings.	Runs.	Highest individual score.	Not out.	Average.
F. H. Reynolds	22	656	77	3	34·5
A. M. Price	17	424	77	3	30·2
F. Knolles	8	136	37	1	29·4
H. G. Pooler	9	134	28	1	16·7
W. Dyer	16	261	77	...	16·3
T. Shuldham	10	131	37	1	14·5
J. Grant	17	174	29	4	13·3
P. Vanspall	14	145	37	1	10·3
W. A. Price	21	187	27	1	9·3
J. Maclean	16	129	32	2	9·2
J. Winter	6	26	13	2	6·5
B. Thurlow	7	26	8	1	4·3
L. Foucar	9	18	7	3	3
R. J. M. Horne	8	10	6	2	1·6

BOWLING AVERAGES.

Name of Bowler.	Overs.	Maidens	No balls.	Wide balls.	Runs.	Wickets.	Av.
A. M. Price	107	13	2	...	321	33	9·8
F. H. Reynolds	219	44	1	...	669	52	12·8
W. Dyer	97	7	...	1	389	29	13·4
P. Vanspall	95	10	1	...	424	23	18·4
J. Maclean	12	2	...	...	52	2	26
L. Foucar	12	...	...	..	78	2	39

CRICKET IN BOMBAY.

THE PRESIDENCY *vs.* HINDUS.—This three days' match ended on Saturday, the 2nd instant, in an overwhelming victory for the Hindus by 288 runs The Presidency made a miserable show. We deal with the features of the match in our notes. Appended is the score and analysis :—

HINDUS.

1st Innings.		2nd Innings.	
Mr. S. K. Divekar, b Wigram ...	29	st Priestly, b Hoare	31
Mr. P. K. Telang, b Hoare ...	5	c Hoare, b Faviell	18
Mr. M. D. Pai, b Faviell ...	107	b Turner ...	44
Mr. S. G. Mehendale, c Priestley, b Faviell ...	5	l-b-w, Wigram ...	22
Mr. K. A. Date, c Wigram, b Crump ...	15	c Coombs, b Hoare	13
Mr. C. V. Mehta (Captain), c Priestley, b Crump ...	3	l-b-w, Turner ...	23
Mr. Oghad Sunker, c Faviell, b Crump ...	2	b Turner ...	0
Mr. P. Baloo, not out ...	11	b Hoare ...	53
Mr. P. Shivram, b Faviell ...	0	b Hoare ...	11
Mr. K. A. Seshachari, c Rutter, b Crump ...	9	b Hoare ...	14
Mr. P. Erasha, b Crump ...	0	not out ...	1
Extra ...	8	Extras ...	33
Total ...	194	Total ...	263

PRESIDENCY.

1st Innings.		2nd Innings.	
Capt. J. G. Greig (Captain) c Pai b Baloo ...	3	b Baloo ...	0
Mr. Cheetham, b Baloo ...	53	c Shanker, b Baloo ...	2
Mr. W. F. O. Faviell, l-b-w, Baloo ...	14	st Seshachari, b Baloo ...	6
Major Wigram, c Mehta, b Baloo ...	17	b Erasha ...	3
Mr. J. O. Airy, b Erasha ...	10	st Seshachari, b Baloo ...	7
Capt. Rutter, st. Seshachari, b Baloo ...	21	b Baloo ...	20
Mr. J. T. Turner, c and b Erasha ...	3	b Mehendale ...	12
Mr. E. E. Coombs, b Erasha...	0	c Mehendale, b Frasha ...	4
Mr. F. Priestly, l-b-w, Baloo...	5	c Mehendale, b Baloo ...	5
Mr. F. T. Crump, b Baloo ...	4	b Erasha ...	2
Mr. H. J. Hoare, not out ...	1	not out ...	13
Extras ...	7	Extras. ...	7
Total ...	138	Total ...	81

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

HINDUS.

	1st Innings. O.	M.	R.	W.	2nd Innings O.	M.	R.	W.
Mr F T Crump ...	15-3	3	36	5	15	3	54	0
Mr H J Hoare ...	11	0	49	1	17	2	55	5
Mr E E Coombs ...	6	0	32	0	7	0	19	5
Mr W F O Faviel	12	2	40	3	16	5	46	1
Major Wigram ...	5	0	15	1	3	0	29	1
Mr J T Turner ...	...	...	...	...	9	3	11	3
Mr H Cheetham ...	3	0	14	0	3	0	16	0

Turner bowled two no-balls.

PRESIDENCY.

	1st Innings. O.	M.	R.	W.	2nd Innings. O.	M.	R.	W.
Mr P Baloo ...	31-3	2	57	7	19	3	44	6
Mr P Erasha ...	4	10	53	3	14-1	3	27	6
Mr S G Mehendale ...	10	3	21	0	4	2	3	1

Umpires : Mr G Stileman and Mr N G Prabhakar.

Football.

MURRAY FOOTBALL TOURNAMENT

THE FINAL

CARABINIERS *vs.* ROYAL WELSH FUSILIERS.—The above teams again met in the final tie of the Murray Cup Tournament on the ground of the Oxfordshire Light Infantry on Monday afternoon the 11th instant., the game ending in favour of the Carabiniers by two goals to one. There was no score until a few minutes to half time, when the ball was deftly centred by the Welsh right wing and shot swiftly into goal. This put the Carabiniers on their mettle and resuming after the interval their forward division pressed. Later from a neat pass from, the right, their centre-forward obtained the ball, and registered their first goal, amid much applause. The Carabiniers continued their exertions and a few minutes later, from another fortunate pass. the centre secured the ball, and shot it just under the bar. The Welshmen endeavoured to equalize, but without success, the Carabiniers winning the Tournament by the best of three goals.

General Sir E. Locke Elliot presented the cup and medals to the winning team, and medals to the runners-up. The General complimented the teams on the spirited contest for the trophy, and alluded to the excellent form showed by the Durham Light Infantry in the simi—final round. He stated that the competition was inaugurated in 1896, the Second Battalion, Oxford Light Infantry being the first winners of the Cup. It was subsequently won out right by the Highland Light Infantry, who complied with the condition of winning the Cup three years running. The East Lancashires were the holders in 1900, the Somersents the following year, the Yorkshire Regiment in 1902, the second Battalion, the Black watch, in 1903 and 1095, the 1st Battalion, the Royal Irish Rifles in 1904, while last year the Cup fell to the Cavalry, the 12th Lancers, as this year to the Carabiniers.

The General also alluded to the services rendered by the Committee, consisting of Mr. R. Houston, of the Royal Dragoons R. F. A. Mr. R. V. Simpson, of the Oxfordshire Regiment, and Mr. W. H. Greenwell, of the Durham Light Infantry, in ensuring the success of the Tournament, and to the labour of Mr R. P Miles, of the 85th K. L. I., the Station Staff officer, as Honorary Secretary. The proceedings terminated with cheers for the Committee and the respective team, and for General Locke Elliot.

Golf.

THE TOLLYGUNGE CLUB.

CHALLENGE SILVER BOWL.

G. H Walker	87 – 4 = 83
Col Kenny-Tailyour	87 – 3 = 84
B E G Eddis	90 – 6 = 84
Norman Mitchell Innes	85 – scr = 85
P H Browne	90 – 5 = 85
J Manson	104 – 18 = 86
E A Wild	91 – 4 = 87
E A Lyon	91 – 4 = 87
A F Bruce	101 – 14 = 87
G H Sutherland	95 – 7 = 88
Hon'ble W A Inglis	93 – 4 = 89
C L Douetil	101 – 12 = 89
Lt-Col J M Fleming	96 – 7 = 89
D Pym	92 – 3 = 89
A Wolferstan	98 – 9 = 89
Hon'ble R W Carlyle	101 – 10 = 90
F H Stewart	91 – scr = 91
Dr W Forsyth	97 – 6 = 91
A W Digby	101 – 10 = 91
E A Woodhouse	101 – 10 = 91
M H Beattie	106 – 14 = 92
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R Jardine Paterson	104 – 10 = 94
L Walker	103 – 8 = 95

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Mr. F. H. Stewart (scr) beat Mr. Geo. B. Merry (4) scratched

Mr. John Davenport (8) beat Mr. O. J. Barnes (5) by 3 up and 1.

Mr. Geo. K. Stein (8) beat Mr. G. Turnbull (5) by 4 up and 3.

Mr. Geo. W. Walker (scr) beat Mr. L. T. Carmichael (5) by 1 up.

Mr. N. Birrell (8) beat Mr. A. J. Ferguson (scr) by 3 up and 2

Lt.-Col. J. M. Fleming (4) beat Lt. W. L. Kidner (8) by 5 up and 4.

Mr. W. E. D. Fyfe (3) beat Mr. C. D. H. Dunlop (4) by 1 up

Mr. T. H. Ambrose (8) beat Mr. J. H. Fyfe (11) by 2 up

Mr. C. T. Beath (6) beat Mr. J. A. Tassie (7) by 3 up and 2

Mr. Alex Mann (scr) beat Mr. M. Innes Ker (3) by 5 up and 2

Col. R. Macrae (6) beat Mr. Robt. Graham (11) scratched

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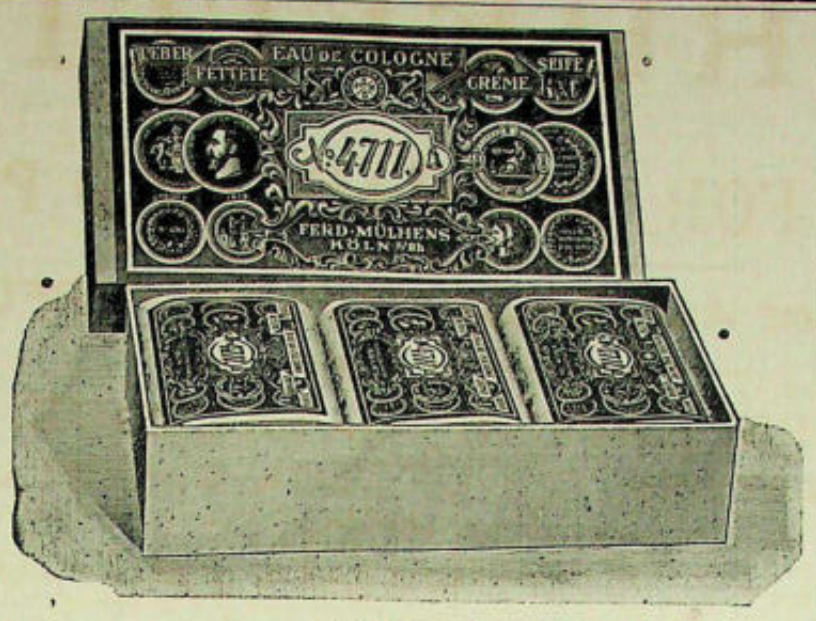

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SECOND ROUND.

Mr. J. B. Kay (4) beat Mr. E. H. Townsend (scr) by 1 up.
Mr. C. L. Sandes (11) beat Mr. A. McVicar Smith (4) by 2 up.
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Mr. C. T. Beath (6) beat Mr. A. Mann (scr) by 6 up and 5.
Col. R. Macrae (6) beat Captain D. McCay (4) by 1 up.
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Mr. E. A. Lyon (3) best Mr. E. G. Venn (11) by 2 up ann 1.
Mr. J. W. Taylor (6) beat Mr. H. E. Holden (9) by 3 up and 2.
Mr. J. Hampson (8) beat Mr. K.B. Dunlop (scr) by 4 up and 2.

THIRD ROUND

Mr. J. R. Kay (4) beat Mr. C. L. Sandes (4) by 2 up.
Dr. W. Forsyth (2) beat mr. J. O.'B. Saunders (8) by 2 up and 1.
Mr. F. H. Stewart (scr) beat M. D. H. Brakenridge (8) by 4 up and 2.
Mr. Geo. W. Walker (scr) beat Lt.-Col. J. M. Fleming (4) by 3 up and 1.
Mr. T. H. Ambrose (8) beat Mr. C. T. Beath 6 by 1 up.
Col. R. Macrae 6 beat Mr. A. J. W. Christie 11 by 4 up and 3.
Lt.-Col. F. J. Drury 4 beat Mr. E. A. Lyon. 3 by 3 up and 2.
Mr. J. Hampson 8 beat Mr. J. W. Taylor 6 by 1 up.

FOURTH ROUND

Dr. W. Forsyth (2) beat Mr. J. R. Kay (4) by 1 up.
Mr. F. H. Stewart (scr) beat Mr. Geo. W. Walker (scr) by 1 up.
Mr. T. H. Ambrose (8) beat Col. R. Macrae (6) by 1 up.
Mr. J. Hampson (8) beat Lt.-Col. F. J. Drury (4) by 2 up and 1.

SEMI FINALS

Mr. F. H. Stewart (scr) beat Dr. W. Forsyth (2) by 7 up and 5.
Mr. T. H. Ambrose (8) beat Mr. J. Hampson (8) by 2 up and 1.

FINAL

Mr. T. H. Ambrose (8) beat Mr. F. H. Stewart (scr) by 3 up and 2.

GOLF IN THE BRITISH ISLES.

February, 22nd 1907.

Looking at the Fixture Lists for the next four months there is apparently and not unnaturally more congestion than there as ever been before, it will be a very difficult task for the man with Pot-hunting proclivities to decide which green to honour with his presence, the match-maker will not find it easy to promise his valuable services to any special club of the many to which he belongs, when he is notified that 2 or 3 all equally interesting are to take place on the same day. May is undoubtedly the most popular golfing month, and already in most of the papers one can count quite 50 events advertised and these by no means small or uninteresting, including the Doyal and ancient Spring Meeting, the Professional Inter-national Match between Ireland and Scotland, etc., etc.

To judge by the amount of advertising and also by the large staff of ground men and by the Balance Sheet issued by the Bournemouth Corporation there is no possible probable shadow of doubt "that Municipal golf is a huge success. There are now two really good 18 hole courses at this fashionable Seaside resort the older of the twain. Meyrick Park has been established some years and in 1906. the income was £1.755. whilst the expenses amounted only to £983. a most encouraging state of affairs.

The younger course at Queen's Park, does not, of course, owing to its youth enjoy so much prosperity or popularity but the Corporation have already spent between £3,000 and £4 000 on the course, and about the same amount on a very fine Pavilion and doubtless as the year roll on Queen's Park will and posibly outshine Meyrich Park; for there is distinctly rival increased tendency towards Municipal golf or rather shall we say democratising this Royal Game, but at present the entrance fees and subscriptions as well as the limited Membership of Clubs in th vicinity of the great Citeis, are quite excluding many hundreds of would-be-golfers, who would benefit considerably should more Municipal Courses be opened and greater ficilities for membership be given.

A very surprising result in the second round of the Cricketers inter-county tournament, was the defeat of Devonshire by Bucks on the Maidenhead Course. The two brothers the Hon'bles Osmund and Denys Scott representing Devonshire stalwarts, 1st favourite not only for thi round, but for the Final stage of the Tournament and their defeat by 4 up and 2 to go at the hands of Messrs. W. H. Lunnon and G. B. Greaves came as a great surprise or would have done had the contest been in any game but golf.

It is an age of advertisement, each firm naturally vaunts its own productions as immeasureably superior to all others, balls, clubs, boots, grips, bats what not. Then too buyers of any of these articles, get accustomed to one special sort and feel a sort of pleasure in boasting like users of Pears' Soap "since then I have used no other." But have many people in India tried "the Colonel" Ball—this is no mushroom sphere—it has been played out for quite a long time now, and has won many championships—in 1905 alone it enabled 9 players to become Champions—or Runners up. It is of course Rubber-cored, and the St. Mungo Manufacturing Company who turn it out by the thousand justly claim for it that it outdistances all rivals, that it is steadiness and reliability exemplified, that as regards durability it is unapproached: and that it is the best ball in the world!—with all these recommendations surely on would feel inclined to try a "Colonel" and once given a proof of its excellence by personal experience one will of a certainty "try, try, try again!"

Among comparatively young Clubs the North Surrey is in a very flourishing condition, its Annual General Meeting was held quite recently and the report showed a membership of 579 (included in which number are 60 ladies,) and the balance sheet showed a profit of £470 on the years working. Mr. A. E. Rowarth was unanimously elected Captain for the ensuing year.

The two Universities as usual, at this time of the year are very busy. On Saturday, 16th February, Oxford journeyed to Woking to play their Annual Match against that Club, Oxford invariably decides its matches by the number of holes up. Whereas Cambridge plays them by Matches. The Intervarsity Match is played by *holes* too, so that even after the actual match is won the policy of the defeated one is to try and retrieve some of his lost holes, and of the victor to still further add to his advantage. Now we must go back to Oxford and Woking and give a list of players with results:—

OXFORD UNIVERSITY.

Hon'ble C. N. Bruce	0
Mr. J. A. Robertson-Durham	0
,, "R. A. Bit"	0
Lord Maidstone	2
Mr. C. L. Hooman	0
Hon'ble D. Finch-Hatton	0
Mr. C. E. Clements	4
,, Mr. R. A. Gidney	1
Hon'ble H. Charteris	0
Mr. P de Putron	0
,, W. R. Wilkinson	0
,, C. F. Younger	0
TOTAL ...	10

WOKING.

Mr. F. H. Mitchell	3
,, B. Darwin	2
,, R. H. Mitchell	6
,, H. D. Gilhis	0
,, P. W. Leathart	3
,, J. Crabb-Watt	7
,, Walter Carr	0
,, J. E. Tomkinson	0
,, L. E. Keller	2
,, J. S. Paton	3
,, H. E Pilkington	0
,, G. A. W. Booth	0
TOTAL ...	26

One sees a lot of new names in the Oxford team many more than amongt the Light Blues selection in the match *vs.* Sunningdale on the same day, which also resulted in the defeat of the 'Varsity. There were 10 players aside in this, whereas the match alone recorded had a dozen. Of course, the Sunningdale Club is immensely strong with the brothers Scott, the Hon. Evan Charteris, Messrs. Sunike, H. S. Colt, etc., but a full list with results will be much more interesting than my wayward comments *anisi*.

SUNINGDALE CLUB.

Hon'ble Osmund Scott (1 hole up)	1
Mr. A. C. M. Croome (2 and 1)	1
,, H. S. Colt (5 and 3)	1
,, E. A. Sunike (2 and 1)	1
,, Guy Campbell	0
Hon'ble D. Scott	0
Mr. M. W. Missop (2 up)	1
Hon'ble Evan Charteris	0
Mr. H. J. Ross	1
Mr. J. Tindal Atkinson	1

CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY.

Mr. J. Martin Smith	0
,, M. T. Allen	0
,, W. N. Potter	0
Lord Gerawly	0
Mr. B. Meakin (715)	1
,, V. C. Longstaffe (1 up)	1
,, C. B. Barry	0
,, R. G. Gardner	0
,, E. S. Ulyatt (33 and 2)	1
,, C. Macdona	0
TOTAL ...	3

The Inter-'Varsity Match will be played at Haylake on Wednesday, 17th April Cambridge are favourites so far but "you never can tell."

Most of the great Pros. are just now over in the Sunny South or rather are leaving for those delightful sun spots, while these lines are being penned—(would that I were !) the idea of the Professional Tournament at Cannes was conceived by that ardent upholder and supporter of the Royal and Ancient Game the Grand Duke Michael. Next week I hope to give a short account of the play—but for the nonce must hold my peace. The Course is, I hear, in first class order, and all those engaged to take part are in fine form. So some good golf should result—new records be made, etc., etc.

M. E. S.

Hockey.

NOTES AND COMMENTS.

THE League is now nearly half way through completion, and the result of the matches played show Calcutta and the Rangers at the head of the table with an equal number of points, the former having the advantage on a better goal average. Neither side have so far lost a game, and the final issue appears to be between them. Great interest therefore will be taken by their respective supporters right up to the finish. Both clubs have yet to meet Dalhousie and the Hornets, who are capable of taking their numbers down. It should be a great fight, but I give my vote to Calcutta on the strength of their superior attack. Calcutta, if I am not very much mistaken, have so far never yet come out on top of either the League or Beighton Cup Competition, and they now appear to have the chance of a life time. They are playing in splendid form just now and have done exceptionally well in their last few engagements. The goal average of 25 for to 4 against, shows them to be capable of both attack and defence.

Manders, who will assist the premier club this year the would either strengthen the attack or defence. but he will in all probability be played in the back division with McCaw. Heilgers' change of place to half-back for outside left appears to be a judicious one, and Oldfield, a new member, is being given a trial in the former position. Playing a very fair game indeed, he is weak in centering and must learn to centre harder to his forwards and not in the direction of the goal-keeper.

The Fort team are learning the game, but have a distinctly useful and hard-working centre half-back in Lieutenant Selby. He is streets above the rest of them and under his tuition the team should certainly soon be able to give a better account of themselves.

The Rovers undoubtedly the best of the native combinations should certainly win more matches than they do: against Calcutta they had the better of the first half, but could not owing to in decision and dilatoriness in front of goal, get in a shot. Time after time they appeared to be in a dangerous position just outside the shooting circle, but could never put the finishing touch to their efforts. They have some very nippy players, one or two of whom give one the idea of having hailed from Ranchi and to be of the famous Ratchi combination.

The Rangers I have already spoken of, and they manage to win their games by narrow margins, the nomadic Templeton being on the spot to do the needful when required. He has practically no one to assist him and all the more credit is due him for the way he gets through the opposition. He is one of the best centre forwards at present playing.

Dalhousie are doing better than they have done for some seasons past and with Prike in the forward line they have someone who can keep them going, while Holley at back is very safe. They are sure to be well up at the finish.

One hears very little of Ballygunge and it appears as if the Suburban Club are experiencing more difficulty than even in getting together a side. The playground at Ballygunge has been voted too far out of Calcutta, and although this is probably the case for midweek matches, surely Saturday games could have been played there. It is without doubt the best field in Calcutta and it seems a pity it should not be utilized. It may be the fact of not being to play any house matches that is disorganising the ranks of this hitherto excellent and ably managed suburban hockey club.

Surely the proposition to arrange a Civil *vs.* Military Charity match is unfounded. Nothing could be more absurd. The Military cannot boast of an XI as strong as they were able to put into the field last year, when the game was voted an utter *fiasco*. The occasion of the final of the Beighton Cup should be sufficient for a charity match, but if other was wanted, why not a English *vs.* Indian Schools encounter. Two very good and even sides could be got together and the Match Elicit more interest than a one-sided Civil on Military one.

It is regrettable that one or two instances of rather strenuous play have been apparent and one team in particular seems to have had a lot of nasty things said about it, which I understand is not without cause. Their conduct has been brought to the notice of the Referees' Association, and it now only remains for that body to place referees in the matches in which this particular team participate, who will have, shall I say, the courage to enforce the rules of the game. It seems disgraceful that this state of things should be allowed to continue and it would be advisable for a member or two of the hockey committee to be on the spot to see what actually does take place. With regard to refereeing in itself, from what I have recently seen it has been more satisfactory than not, but with only, I think I may safely say, two exceptions, have any but players been known to supervise the game. Their competency may be unquestionable, but it is too much to hope that the majority of them can be expected to continue to do duty for weeks together. The average player as a rule finds it difficult to leave his office at 5 two days during the week, and to be asked to referee a further couple of days is really too much. The non-player is not coming forward as he might do which is all the more regrettable as there are several amongst them who have played the game in Calcutta in the past and are certainly capable of directing the younger generation, and teaching them, thereby, how to play the game.

WHY NOT.

The Kennel.

FOX-TERRIER'S AT THE LATE CALCUTTA K.C. SHOW.

(BY A CORRESPONDENT.)

TO any old lover of the breed, who no longer exhibits, the fox-terriers at the recent Calcutta Show were most interesting classes, in quality beyond anything I was led to expect, and it seems to me that Mr. Hood Wright judged them with much circumspection. It is true I was unable to see eye to eye with him in all his awards, but that does not necessarily mean that he was wrong, the mere onlooker of the ring side allowing his vision to roam at random over the exhibits is not in the position of a judge who is judging and utilising every second of his time in making his comparisons There is the difference between them as between the man who reads a book as recreation and him who is studying it for a set purpose, the former may allow much to escape him which is impressed on the mind of the latter. A judge once remarked that he found his opinions as a judge often differed so substantially from those formed by seeing the dogs concerned in an ordinary way that his judgments frequently surprised himself.

In the open Smooth Dogs, I suppose three of the exhibits must, to all knowledgeable people, have at once been conspicuous. The award of Indigo, who was first over Induna, has, I believe, been severely criticised, but I am not at all satisfied that these criticisms were just. Induna is a very high-class terrier, a dog of nice size whom one likes the better the more one looks at him, but I must confess my attention would have wandered from him had his merits not been called prominently to my notice. He was not showing himself very smartly, and a low carriage of head and neck detracted from his appearance. Indigo, with his extraordinary heavy markings, was bound to make himself observed; but far too heavily marked for beauty, and with a black head unrelieved by white blaze or tan muzzle, he was handicapped by his colour. Nevertheless I think, Mr. Hood Wright was correct in his placings *on the day*, another day may be another affair, the same dog may appear a different creature on a subsequent occasion. On the 6th February last, he won by virtue of his style and carriage in the ring. Raby Huntsman, a very quality-like terrier, will not now bear scrutiny, his class carried him rightly into the third place, but he can no longer compete with youth accompanied by any pretensions to form.

Hardwick Shacabac falls short of first-rate quality, but is a good useful terrier likely to be there or thereabouts when the cracks are about. He followed Indigo in the Limit and Novice Classes and won in Puppies. Clumber Dark Blue has much to recommend him. Only he fails in character, still he might have been among the V. H. C's Dictator, third in Puppies, I would have cast for size; he is far too large at the present time and bids fair to be a giant. He showed the most quality in the Puppy Class and should have been first or nowhere, in my opinion the latter would have met his deserts.

The Open Bitches were difficult to judge. In quality Delberta at once caught the eye, her style was very attractive, but I did not like her feet nor her elbows, and it was difficult to understand how a bitch of her home pretensions could have fallen off in these particulars at her time of life. She is no longer a first-class bitch. In Philippa, the judge was possibly attracted by her size, he favoured the little ones, and Philippa is about perfect in size. She is, moreover, neat and well put together, a nice trim little terrier but common, a grisette as compared with a Vere de Vere. I preferred Donna Philippa and Infanta to both. Infanta bears a deal of pulling to pieces, she is full in size, her head is not tip-top, her ears a trifle large, it is possible she may grow too cloddy, but her legs and feet and coone were splendid, and she only reached the Reserve award when I think many judges would have placed her first. The order of the first four might easily be reversed on another occasion, though the contest would always be close and the issue a matter of doubt.

In the Open Wire Dogs, Corney Grain from the moment he entered the ring stood out an undoubted winner. With great bone, deep ribs, and strong quarters, his style and carriage of neck and stern, his beautifully placed shoulders, and liberty of movement save him from cloddiness. He is by no means a perfect dog, but he will always be very hard to beat, you can pick a number of faults, by you can't help the attraction of certain superlative merits. Sherbrook Vanguard was correctly second and won in Novice; he possesses many of the best characteristics of the Dorsington; his best point is perhaps his jacket, but even there he could not defeat Corney Grain, whose coat was just as bristly and in better trim, still he is a good one and in better condition will have to be reckoned with. A nice puppy, Rex Crumpet, was third. Jind Don't Hit Hard is very bad in coat, and Wellingboro' Ben is one of the "has beens."

In Open Bitches, the judgements were disturbing. When Norfolk Venus entered the ring, I thought she was the winner. but followed by the three littles ones to contest the honours with her, she looked enormous. She would be very full in size for a dog, as a bitch she was certainly oversize and was no doubt thrown out for this reason. Dusky Gleaner, who won, is now no longer a show terrier. She is a home champion, but won her honours hardly, at a time when conspicuously good wire bitches were few and far between and the little ones were beginning to be recognised. She was never, at her best, a flyer, her head was always poor and has greatly deteriorated, her coat was always difficult and is now impossible. She would never have won had such bitches as Dusky Siren, or even Dusky Peri, been around at the time, and at the present time hardly deserves a commendation card. She was followed in the awards by her daughter Jind Glory and Dil Pasand and both might well have beaten her. Of these two, Dil Pasand showed higher quality of carriage and outline, but she was a puppy and was shedding her puppy coat. Glory is a very taking little bitch, better in head than her dam, far better in jacket, equally good in legs and feet. Her coat is full and may give trouble later, and she may prove too cloddy with age. On the day she beat Dil Pasand, but the puppy is of the improving, lasting sort and may easily turn the tables on a future occasion. Dil Pasand won in Limit and Novice, but was placed second in Puppies, the Dog and Bitch Puppy Classes being amalgamated. With any sort of bitch allowance, she might have won in Puppies also. Rex Crumpet is quite a good one in shape, but singularly deficient in fire and go, points in which the little bitch was remarkable.

Good as they were, the fox-terriers—with the sole exception of Corney Grain, who annexed the cup for the Best Dog in Show, and the Cup for the Best Wire Terrier—did not come to the front in the Specials. Their merits appeared to me to entitle them to a higher position.

The Horse.

HORSES' NAMES.

MUCH of one's recollections of racing and turf matters may be associated with the names of horses; an apt or a quaint name somehow sticks in the memory and serves as the connecting link to bring back to one's mind events, animals and persons which, but for some such simple means of association, would probably be irretrievably lost. For instance, glancing through an old Ruff's Guide, years ago, my eye caught the strange name of Hook'em Snivey, and I found that he was a colt belonging to Sir R. Bulkeley, and ran third to Newminster in the St. Leger of 1851, Sir Joseph Hawley's Aphrodite being second; and ever since then, if anything connected with Newminster this year his breeding, his performances, or what not, needs to be called to mind, I have but to think of Hook'em Snivey and immediately I have hold of a thread which, it may be slowly but nevertheless surely, leads me to the proper tablets of memory to supply the facts or information wanted. So, too, all my recollections of the famous Doncaster, his victory at Epsom in 1873. his sensational defeat in the St. Leger by his stable companion Marie Stuart, the main outlines of the turf life of his owner, Mr. Merry, the dispute as to who was the dam of his son Bend Or, and a hundred and one other matters, many perhaps perfectly trivial, all will flow, if memory is let to work at its own sweet will, from the one never forgotten fact that originally Doncaster was burdened with the terrible name of "All Heart and no Peel."

It is, of course, all a matter of association: some quite minor recollection serving as the key to unlock the storehouse of the mind, wherein is stored all that was ever heard or seen or read—as Browning says.

"A sunset touch,
A fancy from a flower-bell, some one's death,
A chorus ending from Euripides"

is enough to set the brain hard at work, recalling vividly to mind events and persons and scenes of the long ago. I remember once surprising a friend by interjecting in an ordinary conversation with regard to the weather, "Talking of snow-drifts, that reminds me of a girl I was very sweet on as a boy. Her people used to live in an old country house, ten miles from a railway station; and her old grandfather, who died five and twenty years ago as a nonagenarian, used to repeat to himself, or to anyone who would listen, a hundred times a day, 'She looked up at me and winked her black eye; says I to myself, I will be with you 'bymbye'" My friend, of course, could trace no connection between snow-drifts and the garrulous old country squire or a schoolboy's love, but to me there was a very direct association, because the thought of snow-drifts loosed the taut chords of memory and set them vibrating.

To come back to our horses and their names. For the last two seasons an animal named Cyclops Too has frequently raced in England, and indeed he won several of his races in his first season. The story of his name is that his owner (Lord Londonderry, I think) intended to name him Cyclops, being by Cyllene out of Cock Eye, but it was pointed out to him that a few years ago there was a well-known racehorse of that name, whereupon Lord Londonderry said, "Well, I will have a Cyclops Too," and down he went in the Burlington Gardens register as Cyclops Too.

Delaunay, who was sold to France a year or so ago, was originally named Lucky Dog, which was not at all a bad selection on his parentage, being the son of Fortunio and Pet; but when he proved to be one of the "top sawyers" of his year, it was felt he deserved something more refined as a cognomen, and he was accordingly renamed Delaunay; his change of name, however, was not followed by any change in his ability, and he was eventually sold to France for 7,500 guineas. It will be remembered too that uncle Mac, who won the Chester Cup in 1889, had formerly run under the name of Northallerton, and had won many races under his original name, though none of the distinction of a Chester Cup. Only this very last season in England there was a gelding by Ladas out of Aziola who ran under three different names: first as Diagoras; then he won a small selling plate at an out-of-the-way little meeting; then he was renamed I'm His Daisy, which effectually prevented him from catching the Judge's eye; but eventually this terrible name was dropped, and as Ladiola he won another selling plate in the last days of the season. He could do something as Diagoras and as Ladiola, but with the awful I'm His Daisy he evidently felt so ashamed of himself that he was not capable of any real effort.

Some sires and dams names, of course, lend themselves very readily as suggestions for the nomenclature of their progeny, as, for instance, Carbine, whence we have Carabine and Pistol, and, when coupled with the dams names, Powder Puff from Lady Frivoles and Spearmint out of Queen of the Mint. So too, Gallinule gives us game Chick, Dying Duck, Galentine and Pretty Polly, to name only a few; while to go further back into history, Sweetmeat suggested Parmesan, Macaroni and Plum Pudding. In all these the association is very pronounced, but sometimes there is just as great an association though it lies a little deeper beneath the surface, as in the case of a colt belonging to Lord Carnarvon named, Enfant de Miracle, the son of St. Simon and Cymbaline for Cymbeline of course was King of Britain and not a lady; and, to take another example, Storm Jack by Jaquemart out of Lightning Flash and the latter instance is surely a very ingenious invention almost on a par with Rising Glass, who was by Isinglass out of Hautesse, and You Go Off, a son of Sir Hugo and Fuse.

But however ingenious or apt may be the name of a horse, it is frequently terribly mutilated by the raucous voices in the ring, and in this connection many who read these lines will at once think of L'Abbesse de Jouare, the Oaks Winner of 1889, who was generally known to the bookmakers and quoted by them as Abscess on the Jaw; and perhaps too of Rayon d'Or, who became Rainy de Ore to the pencillers. Names such as Hymenaeus or Kladeradatsch of course are hopeless with the uneducated, who never seem able to pronounce a name of several syllables, especially when vowels are particularly numerous. The veteran owner and bookmaker, George Hodgman, always gave his horses names beginning with a V, such as Victorious, Virago, Vixen, Vestminster, etc., and when asked the reason for this peculiarity, and whether it was due to his being a great admirer of Sam Weller, he replied, Sam Weller be bothered! I always name with a V, because they are so easy to find in the Index when I want to look up their form.

P. F. B.

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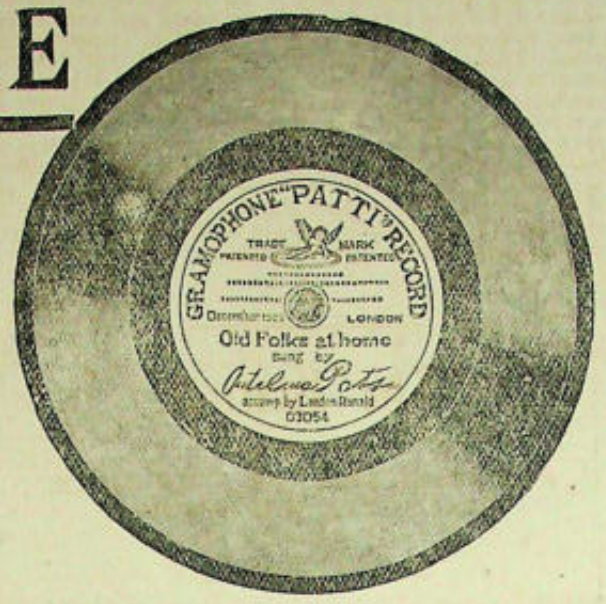





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An excellently arranged and most successfully carried out tournament, supported by record entries, splendid "gates" and a keen and sustained interest by the public. What more would you, my masters? We deplore the fact that the difficulties under which we are struggling as a sequel to the recent printers' strike and the necessity that exists for avoiding the overcrowding of new hands with work prevents us from commenting on the play. The fight in the singles final between Warden and Atkinson was indeed a great one and the spectators were madly interested. For a man to be 2 sets down to nil and then win the next 3, shows great pluck and Atkinson's win, therefore was deservedly popular and will earned. The doubles final between Atkinson and Roe and Gtsson and Jackson was not good, the latter were swamped, not getreing a look in against their opponents who were much stonger and decidedly better class players. Appended are results. –

DOUBLES.

FIRST ROUND.

C N Hutchinson, R F Kalberer beat G L Anderson, R J Pearson. 4-6, 6-2, 7-5.

Major Muspratt Williams, J B Wood beat E L Sanderson and J R Lovell. 6-8, 6-2, 6-3.

R H A Gresson, J E Jackson beat E W Zimmerman, Warwick Smith. 6-0, 6-0.

Major Burlton, A F Grimley beat D Pym, J R Ward. 6-4, 6-0.

Beachcroft and Cobbold beat Hewlett and Hutchinson. 6-4, 6-4.

Baumgartner and Wilson beat Serger and Ernsthausen. 2-6, 6-2; 6-0.

Carr and Shallow beat Sen and Dey. 2-6, 6-2, 7-5.

Morgan and Oakley beat Capt. Knowles and J. Knowles. 8-6, 6-2.

Atkinson and Roe beat Warden and Davies. 6-3, 7-5.

SECOND ROUND.

Atkinson and Roe beat Muspratt-Williams and Wood. 6-0, 6-2.

Burlton and Grimley beat Morgan and Oakley. 6-1, 6-4.

Kalberer and Hutchinson beat Baldwin and Wilson. 6-2, 1-6, 6-2.

Gresson and Jackson beat Baumgartner and Wilson. 10-8, 6-4.

Beachcroft and Cobbold beat Halliday and Colville. 10-8, 6-4.

Grimley and Burlton beat Shallow and Carr. 2-6, 7-5 and 6-2

Atkinson and Roe beat Kalberer and Hutchinson. 8-6 and 6-0.

SEMI-FINALS.

Atkinson and Roe beat Beachcroft and Cobbold. 6-4 and 6-3.

Gresson and Jackson beat Burlton and Grimley. 6-4 and 6-3.

FINAL.

Atkinson and Capt. B. O. Roe beat R. H. A. Gresson and J. E. Jackson. 6-1, 6-2, 6-3.

SINGLES.

FIRST ROUND.

(1) S. N. Mittra beat Major Burlton 6 3, 3-6, 6 2.
(2) F. C. T. Halliday beat C. C. Morgan 6 1, 6-3.
(3) R. H. A. Gresson beat D. Pym 6-2. 6-3.
(4) F. G. Marshall beat D. S. Shallow 7-5, 6-3.
(5) E. M. Atkinson beat R. J. Pearson 6-0, 6-1.
(6) Captain H. W. Davis beat C. A. Carr 6 3, 6.3.
(7) H. N. Hutchinson beat C. P. Beachcroft. 7.5, 6.2.
(8) Captain B. O. Roe beat P. N. Hewlett 6-2, 9.7.

SECOND ROUND.

Baumgartner beat Von Ernsthausen 2-6, 6 0, 6 2.
Warden beat Elliot 6,1, 6 2.
Mittra beat Halliday 6 1, 7 5.
Gresson beat Marshall 8 6. 6 3.
Roe beat Hutchinson 6.2, 6 1.
Zorab beat Ward 9 7. 3 6, 6 4.
Davies v. Atkinson (unfinished).
Kalberer, a walk over, Newton having scratched.

THIRD ROUND.

Warden beat Von Ernsthausen 6 0, 6-2.
Gresson beat S. N. Mittra 7 5, 6 3.
Kalberer beat Zorab 6 0 6 3.
Atkinson beat Davies 6 2, 6 3.
Atkinson beat Capt, Roe 6.-3. 6 0.

SEMI-FINAL.

Warden beat Gresson 6 4, 6 1.
Atkinson beat Kalberer, 8 6, 6 1.

FINAL.

Atkinson beat Warden by 3 sets to 2.
4-6, 1-6, 6-3, 7-5, 6 3.

The Naturalist.

STRAY NOTES.

SOME years ago an experiment was made by Sir John Richardson to discover how animals changed colour from brown to white when winter approached. He obtained an Arctic lemming, which habitually turns white in winter, although dark-coloured in summer. The little animal was kept in a comparatively warm room till winter was well advanced' when it was suddenly exposed to a temperature of 30deg below zero. In consequence of the conditions under which it had been kept, this lemming was still brown in mid-winter, when it ought to have been white. As the result of its first night's exposure, the fur on the cheeks and a patch on each shoulder became completely white, and by the end of the first week the whole coat had turned white. In the third week the animal died. On examination it was found that only the tips of the hairs had become blanched, and that if these tips were cut off, the animal was restored to its original brown condition. This does not happen under ordinary conditions, as it is now well known that the change. from brown to white in the case of the mountain hare is really due to a change of coat, and not to blanching. Instances are known in which variable hares transported from Scotland and from Irish mountains to southern and low-lying regions continued to appear for some seasons in snowy coats, and then change to brown permanently.

A mole's life is by no means a gentlemanly sinecure. His whole existence is spent in perpetually raising and removing large piles of earth by sheer force of muscle. In order to sustain such constant toil, and to replace and repair the used-up tissue, the mole requires to be always eating. His appettrse jis voracious. He works like a horse and eats l like an elephant. Throughout his working hours he is engaged in pushing aside earth and scurrying after worms in all his galleries and tunnels with great deligence. Such ceaseless activity can only be kept up by equally ceaseless feeding, and so the mole's existence is one of long, savage alternations of labour and banqueting. His heart, lungs, and muscles are working at such a rate that if he goes without food for half a day he starves and dies of inanition. His drinking is like eating ; he must have his liquor much and often ; so he digs many pits in his tunnelled ground and catches water in them to supply his need at frequent intervals. Day and night alike he drinks every few hours, for day and night are alike to him ; he works and rests by turns.

An experiment was recently tried to determine the combativeness of birds. A mirror was placed in an aviary containing thirty or forty birds. The smaller birds were alarmed and flew away; the love-birds did their best to climb with beaks and claws up the glass. All gave it up except a couple of cardinals. These batted and pecked and clawed and fluttered at the glass, and when another inspection was made an hour later, the two birds were still fighting their reflections. The floor in front of the glass had been worn bare of sand, the glass was smothered, and the birds had kept up the fight so eagerly that they were now exhausted, and l hardly able to raise a pipe of defiance.

It is still a common belief that the upas is "deadly," and that birds flying over it are poisoned, and men and beasts resting beneath it are killed by its odours. The real facts are that the tree emits a volatile substance, which effects people with very sensitive skins. From the sap, the Dyaks of Borneo get the poison for their arrows. To obtain it, the bark of the tree is cut, and

the milky juice collected on a palm-leaf. It is first of all dried in the sun, and then over the fire, when it becomes a thick brown mass. In this state it keeps a long time. When required for use, it is made into a thin paste with the juice of the "tuba" root, or with, tobacco or lemon-juice The arrows are made of the middle stem of the palm-leaf, and are from 6 in. to 8 in. long, and of the thickness of a knitting needle. These being tipped with the poison are shot from a wooden blowpipe known as a sumpitan. This is 7ft. or 8ft. long, and a quarter of an inch in diameter. A bird hit with a poisoned arrow is killed instantly, and pig dies in 20 minutes. Mr. M. Pelletier and Caventon issolated and active principle from the upas poison, which they named antiarin. Another species, upas tiente, a climbing plant, furnishes an arrow poison even more effective than the ordinary upas tree. Borneo and the islands of the East Indies are the native country of the upas. The first-named upas belongs to the section of the great nettle order.

The green hair of the sloth has long been a subject of interest among naturalists. The *Quarterly Journal of Microscopical Science* contains an interesting study of the hair of the sloth by Dr. W. G. Ridewood. The hair of the three-toed sloths consists of a central core, or medulla, with an outer layer, or cortex. Outside this, again is an extra layer, which develops transverse cracks or fissures. In these grow single-celled green algae. In the warm moist climate of Brazil these little plants grow luxuriantly, and give the sloth its characteristic green coat. And in its green surroundings its green hair throws over it the garment of invisibility. In captivity in this country the hair of the sloth losses its green colour.

A correspondent of the *Outlook* writing on the subject of eels, mentions a rather peculiar fact. He says: "Perhaps your readers are not aware of a very interesting fact, namely, that in Europe there are no eels in the rivers flowing east, such as the Denube, etc, and in South Africa there are no eels in the rivers flowing west, such as the Orange River. I have lived many years in Hungary, and that is how I came to know about this curious fact. It would be interesting to know about other parts of the world."

Blackbirds, it is known, will do many things; but the following story of a fight with a cat may be worth recording. The clerk and sexton at the Beckenham Parish Church found two young blackbirds in the churchyard. He placed these in a cage outside his house, where the old birds found them. They used to feed them, starting sometimes at three o'clock in the morning. One morning whilst engaged in his work, the hen bird was seized by a cat, whereupon the cock attacked it furiously, and with such a commotion as to attract an attendant in the churchyard, with the result that the hen was rescued.

Red will annoy a turkey cock as much as a bull; but a sparrow will not let it disturb its mind. But if one shakes a blue rag in front of a caged sparrow's eyes he will go frantic with disgust. Sparrows and linnets, too, will refuse food offered them on a piece of blue paper, and dislike the appearance of anyone wearing a blue dress. Medium light blue affects them most, but blue serge they scarcely mind at all. Thrushes and blackbirds object to yellow, but will use red or blue dried grasses left about their haunts to build the outer layers of their nests. Yellow grasses they will not use.

An African thumbless monkey is among the recent additions to the London "Zoo." The monkeys of the genus Colobos differ from the rest of the African monkeys in having uniformly coloured fur. In the present species the body is clothed with moderately long jet-black hair; the head and shoulders are ornamented with long grey hair, and the long tail is white. A curious thing about these monkeys is the entire absence of thumbs. In this they resemble the sacred monkeys of India, in which the thumbs, if present at all, are in a very rudimentary condition. From this we may suppose that the thumb would not be of much use in climbing. The American spider monkeys have no thumbs; but they have what no old world monkeys possess, perfectly prehensile tails. The tail of the Colobus monkey—long, white, and often ending in a large turf—is distinctly an ornament though it would seem to be of very little use to its owner.

The use and significance of the "saw" of the saw-fish is discussed in a German natural history periodical. The author points out that the few observers who have seen the animal living have not, apparently, noticed the real use of the saw. A study of the cotnents of the stomach of the saw-fish, and the peculiar articulation of the skull with the vertebral column, leads to the conclusion that the saw is used primarily for rapid grubbing and burrowing in the mud and gravel. A secondary use may be protective, but there is no evidence that the saw is used as a weapon for ramming. Albert Gunther, in an article on the Rays, to which group the saw-fish belong, says: "The saw is a most formidable weapon of offence, by means of which the fish tears pieces of flesh off the body of its victim, or rips open its abdomen, to feed on the protruding intestines." "Saws," 6ft. long and 1ft. bread at the base are of comman occurrence.

Cormorants, as it is well known, are most destructive to fish, and, as they are extremely wary birds, they are exceedingly difficult to approach and destroy. A lessee of a Scottish loch some time ago inquired, through the *Fishing Gazette* what could be done to destroy a colony of cormorants which frequented a tiny rocky island in the centre of the loch, and from their stronghold made depredations in the surrounding waters. Various remedies were suggested, but the most practical is one we subjoin, as we think that it is a capital idea, and the hint may be useful to some of our readers who desire to destroy obnoxious birds. Here is the suggestion of the Vicomte de Poncins:—If the birds are usually coming to a small island of about five square yards, it ought to be possible to destroy them by putting some glue on the rocks. To make a good glue, lasting a good long time without getting hard, and not spoilt by rain or water, take about a gallon of "huile de lin," or linseed oil, set fire to it until about one-half of the whole lot is burnt, them put the fire out and let it cool. It will be easy to bring it down to a proper consistency by setting it on fire again if too liquid, but one has to remember that as long as it is hot it keeps more fluid than when it is cold. It will be right when in a sort of jelly. A few hints to make it: Take an old pail to burn it in, as it will be ruined for good and ever; to set fire to the oil, warm it up on a fire before, or take a spoonful of it and when on the fire throw it in the pail: do it outside, as the smoke and smell are most offensive; have a large piece of wet cloth to throw over the burning pail to put the fire out, as nothing will stop it but that. Now to use it: Cut a few twigs about fifteen inches long, perfectly clean and pliant, about the size of a knitting-needle, cover them over with the glue and stick them in every place on the rocks—they must be standing on end and closely fixed, so as to stick to the bird touching them—then cover the rocks with glue and watch a cormorant coming. If things are well prepared, he will never fly again, but get hopelessly glued.

An Australian has been timing the motions of an ant. The little creature was three-sixteenths of an inch long, and the observer found that he travelled at the rate of about 250 yards in an hour, or a mile in seven hours two minutes. Comparing his length with that of a horse, the latter should, if his locomotive power were in proportion to his length, be able to travel fifty-four miles per hour. This comparison is, however, unfair to the horse. Powers of locomotion, of leaping, of flight, and so forth are not, and cannot conceivably be, proportioned to dimensions A horse twice as bulky as another may have twice the muscular force, but he has also twice the weight to carry. Moreover, the energy varies as the square of the velocity, and a body moving twice as fast as another will require the expenditure of four times the energy. In all problems concerning the running, leaping, or flying powers of animals, questions arise not only of mass, but of anatomical and physiological construction, which defy numerical computation.

We have all of us heard of skunk fur, and those of us who possess it know that it retains its peculiar odour to the very last. But that there is an oil of commercial value derived from this animal is news to us. Official returns from Augusta, the capital of the State of Maine, tell us that that State produces this oil to the value of thirty thousand dollars annually. The oil is said to possess great curative properties, especially in cases of asthma, and is worth two dollars the gallon. The malodorous secretion which has gained for this little animal its unenviable reputation is contained in a highly developed pair of perineal glands placed near the base of the tail. This secretion it is able to eject to the distance of eight or ten feet, and it is stated that the large banner-like tail is carried aloft as a warning to its foes. The skunk is found all over the North American continent, from Hudson Bay to Guatemala. According to Dr. Merriam, it is the invaluable friend of the farmer, as it destroys innumerable insects of all kinds, and vast numbers of mice. Strangley, perhaps, it has not died out before civilisation, but easily holds its own. If the glands are removed, the flesh is very edible, and is eaten not only by Indians, but by whites also.

One of the members of a surveying expedition to the High Andes of Quito, Ecuador, has discovered a new species of Bush-dog. Two skins and skulls have been sent to Paris, and are described in a recent number of the *Comptes Rendus* by Dr. E. L. Trouessart. Hitherto only one species of this remarkable genus of dogs has been known. This is the *Speothos venaticus*, a native of Guiana and Brazil, until within the last few years one of the rarest of mammals in our museums. The remarkable point about the bush-dog is that though undoubtedly belonging to the dog family, *Canidae*, it is outwardly more like a badger, or marten. The new species has been named *Speothos Rivetí*, after its discoverer. With short, close, woolly fur of a mouse grey colour, it is so like a badger that it is difficult to realise that it belongs to the *Canidae*. On the back and tail are a number of longer white-tipped black hairs, while the tail itself is curiously flattened with a vane of elongated hairs on each side, and a terminal tuft of black. The Brazilian bush-dog, it may be noted, was formerly placed by zoologists in the marten family, the *Mustelidae* while the old generic name Icticyon means marten-dog. In renaming the genus *Speothos* that is, cave-jackal, its true position in the dog family is recognised.

The Story Teller.

AN ALL-ROUND SPORTSMAN.

SOME years ago, in fact rather more than I care to remember, I made one of a party invited to dine with Sir John——, then Master of the—— hounds. It was in an out-of-the-way country and, at the period of which I write, far from any railway. Being a stranger to those parts, I was not a little surprised when the friend who drove me pulled up before a low thatched cottage. "Not a very grand habitation for a M. F. H.," said my friend; "but you will find every comfort within, and a welcome such as is not every day met with."

"Walk in please, gentlemen; Master is dressing, and will be down directly," said Will, who was whip in the field and butler in the house and we were shown into a low-pitched room that at once indicated the habits of the owner. On either side of the wood fire burning brightly on the hearth was a large easychair covered with the skin of a favourite hunter, which having borne its Master safely and well whilst alive, still in a way contributed to his comfort. Around the walls hung portraits of favourite horses and hounds. On an easel was an unfinished picture of Sir John himself, his men, and hounds at a favourite fixture. On a side table littered with books was a flute and violin. One side of the room was covered entirely with bookshelves filled with the choicest authors. Guns, rods, cricket bats, racing whips, hunting crops, and spurs seemed to be indiscriminately scattered over the whole room.

The living occupants of this single apartment were almost as curious; for on one easy chair lay a small fox-terrier nursing a litter of pups; on the other was a large rough-coated tortoiseshell cat with a tail much resembling the brush of a fox; whilst on the hearth-rug snored a black and tan-terrier, and curled up in the circle of his legs, and using his body for a pillow, lay a mite of a toy terrier of the same colour, and hardly to be distinguished from his aristocratic friend.

"You can judge of the man from his surrounding," said my friend, looking round: "painter and musician, but possessing therewith as strong a love of sport of every description, from rat catching upwards. Here he comes to answer for himself."

"You must take things in the rough at a bachelor's crib," said Sir John, extending his hand. "I hope you are none the worse for the gallop yesterday."

"On the contrary, I was delighted to witness such a splendid run, and to see the way in which your hounds did their work."

"They are steady," replied Sir John; "we breed them to hunt. It is no use if they won't put their heads down in this country; but here is the dinner, so let us discuss that first and the merits of the pack afterwards."

Small as was Sir John's establishment, and also his income, he was far too good a judge to keep either a bad cook or bad liquor, so the meal passed off perhaps better than a more elaborate affair would have done, and as we drew our chairs to the fire the conversation once more turned on sport.

"I have been admiring that fox-terrier of yours," exclaimed.

"Yes, she is very handsome, and a good bred one," remarked our host, taking up the terrier by one ear and holding her at arm's length. "Would you like to see what she can do in the way of rat killing?"

"Indeed I should," I replied; "but have you a rat p here?"

"Don't trouble about a pit, but just touch that bell on your right, and we will see how Will is off for rats." "Now Will," said he, as that factotum appeared to answer the summons, "what rats have you on hand, these gantlemen are anxious to see how Nell performs."

"Well, sir, there is a couple of score old Sid brought yesterday, and over thirty we caught the other day in Hayloft's barn, all fresh and lively as ever.

"That will do; catch a score and bring them in."

"Yes, sir," and away went Will

"Hi! here, take Tiny, Twinkle, and the cat out of the way."

"Yes sir," again replied the whip, touching his forelock, as he removed the animals. He soon returned with a sack on his back, out of which he shook a score of old grey rats on the floor greatly to the amusement of my friend and myself.

"You keep time G——," said the Master, as he let the bitch slip from his knee.

In an instant she was at work amongst them. In all directions scattered the rats, but calm and collected, her attention was not to be divided: one rat she settled on pursued and killed, then took the next that came to hand, occasionally doing for two at a time when she caught them in a corner; and despite a little chasing about the room, in a very few minutes not a rat was alive.

"The time?" said Sir John.

"Five minutes and a half," replied G—: "by no mean bad under the conditions; this is very different from a pit."

"Yes," I exclaimed, "it's certainly the first time I ever saw ratting carried on in a dining-room."

"So I expect," replied Sir John; "but we do things in a strange way in this outlandish place. That large cat you saw is far from a despicable ratter, I can assure you, and can dispose of a dozen or so in very reasonable time. But what amusement are you on for now? Will you see some of my fellows take a turn with the gloves, or if you like it better we can set a cock or two, with muffled spurs, for your amusement."

"Oh! the gloves by all means," said my friend who was no mean athlete himself.

"Then I think we can show you such a treat that you will scarcely see out of London or Birmingham, or at any rate amongst the fancy, light your pipe and let us go into the hall."

No sooner were we comfortably settled then Will the whip and Joe the stableman made their appearance, and having donned the gloves, shook hands, and put themselves into position. Both fine men in the prime of life, lithe and active there they stood watching each other's movements, ready to advance or retire, as needful. Will was rather the heaviest, but Joe had all the advantage of length and reach, and as they feinted and reached towards each other, many an attitude was assumed, graceful in its pose as that of a Grecian statue. Then came the rally lightning-like blows and returns delivered so quickly that the eye could scarcely follow the movement of the arm, slinging hits avoided by a turn of the head, or a slight step on one side or the other, in fact, all that facility of avoiding danger was manifested that only practice can give. At length, after a sharp rally, the Master called a halt, and they dropped their hands each flushed with the exertion, but smiling and unruffled as when they began.

Then, when they had been dismissed to get some ale in the kitchen, and we had shown our appreciation of the performance by a *douceur*, my friend would in no ways be satisfied without a trial of strength with our host, but found to his astonishment that good as he was allowed to be amongst the men of his college the fox-hunter, though older by some fifteen summers, was more than his match in quickness of eye and freedom of limb. So he learnt that a man may be painter, poet, and musician without becoming effeminate, and also possess the deepest love of sport and the frame of the athlete without despising the arts and refinements of life. This was the more impressed on us when Sir John sang us some songs of his own composing in a clear deep voice that seemed to rouse his soul like a trumpet or accompanied himself with such exquisite feeling on the violin to some mournful ditty that he almost brought tears into the eyes of his listeners.

"A fine fellow that," said I as we were on our homeward journey.

"Yes," returned my friend. "You would not suspect that he had taken orders."

"Indeed I should not."

"Such is the case," howeveer. He stood very high in his college, and could he have made up his mind to stick to the Church, its most tempting prizes would have been open to him. But the love of sport was too strong, and he preferred freedom, and a scanty income to placing himself in a situation uncongenial to his tastes.

Poetry.

THE WEARING OF THE BREEKS.

Now where on earth we're coming to
Is very hard to know,
And whether things are better now
Than they were long ago.
But 'tisn't good that woman should
Get everything she seeks,
And gain a shameless victory
By wearing of the breeks.
She can't at all unsex herself
By showing how to teach,
A sermon or a lecture even
Is not beyond her reach.
But soon some other point is reached,
When out her husband speaks
And says; "na! na! this winna do,
She shanna wear the breeks."

She first began with doctoring
Until she got M. D.
Then nothing else would please her
But the male M. A degree.
Then comes a taste for toddy eeks
And stealthy cigarettes,
The next will be fishwifies' pipes
For these bold suffragettes.
Her rank as schoolboard member men
Are not disposad to grudge;
Of sewing, knitting, cookery
She's a most efficient judge.
But with these she's not content,
And earnestly she seeks
To deal with matters masculine
And claims to wear the breeks.

Then if she got her heart's desire
And leave to give her vote
For politicians I'd advise
You carefully to note;
Herself would be M.P. and doff
The skirt of graceful Greeks
And don the kilt and sporran
Or dowdy lowland breeks.
Nor stops she there, she'll read up law
And come to plead in court,
In cases of adultery,
Divorce, and all that sort.
Then mount the bench and as "My Lord"
Bring blushes to the cheeks
Of young and modest advocates
And all who wear the breeks.

If once a woman gets an inch
She fain would take an ell,
And in some certain cases this
Might all be very well.
But there are others into which
Too curiously she keeks,
And makes her douce gudeman cry out
"Na! faith, I'll wear the breeks,
"Just keep", says he, "to visiting,
To gossiping, and teas,
And teach the bairnies to behave
With mensefuness and ease;
But pullets should an craw like cocks,
Nor girls try mannish freaks
For womon's noblest work is done
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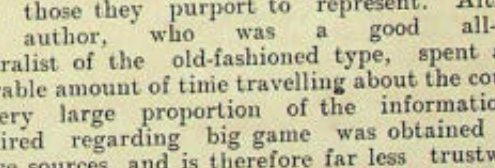

THE INDIAN FIELD.

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THURSDAY, 28th March 1907.

A NEGLECTED HUNTING-FIELD.

Of few countries lying hard by the great ocean trade routes in the big game fauna so little known to the sporting and scientific world or in that of Palestine and Syria, Arabia, it is true, stands in this respect on much the same footing; but with the difference that the greater part of it at any rate is more or less completely closed to Europeans, while there is little or no difficulty in regard to access to Palestine and a considerable portion of Syria, special arrangements would, no doubt, have to be made if a long trip into the heart of the Syrian desert were contemplated, but the difficulties connected with such an excursion ought not to be greater than those which are successfully overcome by sportsmen and travellers in similar districts in other parts of the world. The greater portion of the little we know with regard to the big game animals of Palestine and Syria is embodied in a little work by the late Canon H. B. Tristram published so long ago as the year 1907 under the title of the "Natural History of the Bible;—a work unfortunately marred from the fact that the illustrations include a considerable number of trade woodcuts depicting species other than those they purport to represent. Although the author, who was a good all-round naturalist of the old-fashioned type, spent a considerable amount of time travelling about the country, a very large proportion of the information he acquired regarding big game was obtained from native sources, and is therefore far less trustworthy than is desirable, while in some cases it appears to rest solely on mere rumour. In all these doubtful cases authentic information, accompanied if possible by actual spoils of the animals referred to, is most urgently required, so that we may be enabled to say definitely once for all whether or no they really are denizens of the country.

From the fact that Palestine and Syria form the connecting link, both geographically and zoologically, between Africa and the mainland of the Asiatic Continent, the area is one of more than ordinary interest to the students of the geographical distribution of animals, so that there is a special reason why the present state of ignorance with regard to its mammal fauna should not be suffered to continue.

As regards of carnivora of the country, it appears that the larger species include the lion, the leopard, the hunting leopard or chita, the lynx, perhaps the caracal, and the Syrian race of the brown bear, together with wolves, hyænas, and jackals. For a long period the lion has been scarce, and exact information is required with regard to its present distribution, and also whether the Syrian representative of the species comes nearest to the Indian and Persian or to the North African race. Much the same may be said with regard to the leopard, which in Tristram's time was stated to be still fairly common in the wooded districts of Gilead; these also apparently being the chief haunts of the hunting leopard. Skins of all these three species from Palestine or Syria would be most acceptable for the purposes of study and comparison at the British Museaum.

Greater interest and more important problems attach to the hoofed mammals of these countries,

which form the main subject of the present article. The Sinaitic peninsula is the home of a race of the African ibex, or bedin (*Capra Nubiana*) apparently differing from the typical Nubian representative of the species by the sharper and less boldly knotted front ridge of its horns. In this respect it seems to make an approximation to the pasang or wild goat (*Capra nircus oegagrus* of the mountains of Armenia and Persia; and it would be of the greatest interest to asscertain whether there are any indications of a transition between the two species to the northward of Damascus. According to Canon Tristram, the bedin is (or was) comparatively common in several parts of Palestine, especially in the neighbourhood of the Dead Sea. Great interest attaches to the fact that in the Bible there are two Hebrew words which are translated "wild goat"; and it has been suggested that while one of these indicates the bedin, the other refers to the passang. Tristram indeed considers it probable that the latter formerly extended into Palestine, although he was unable to state anything definite with regard to this point, which is one concerning which any authentic information would be of the greatest interest.

As regards wild sheep, we are in a state of absolute ignorance. Tristram suggested that the Hebrew word *zemer*, translated chamois in our version of the Bible, may be the Barbary sheep, or udad, and that the species may inhabit the mountains of Arabia Petræa. On the other hand, he was of opinion that the wild sheep now known as the Armenian muflon *(Civis gmelini)* may also be found in Palestine or Syria. Both suggestions are quite within the bounds of probability, although at present there seems no tangible evidence by which they can be supported.

Turning to antelopes, we have just to mention the dorcas gazelle *(Gazella dorcas)* as by far the most abundant of the big game animals of Palestine. It appears to be the species referred to in our version of the Bible as the roe. That the bubal hartebrest *(Bubalis boselaphus)* of North Africa ranges into Palestine, is definitely admitted by Tristram, although the evidence might well be more decisive. "It lives," he writes "in small herds. I never myself found it in Palestine, but the Jehalin Arabs knew it well by its North African name *Vekk'r el-wash*=wild cow), and assured me they often obtained it when it came to drink at the streams on the east side of the Dead Sea." Much more unsatisfactory is the evidence with regard to the occurrence in this part of Asia of the addax antelope *(Addax nasomaculatus)*, which is likewise typically a denizen of the North African deserts. Dr. Tristram, who believes it to be the animal designated "pygarg" in the Bible, states that "the addax has a wide range, being found rather commonly, but not in large herds, in the Sahara, Nubia, Egypt, and Arabia. I never obtained it, but have b en near enough to identify it by its horns, on the Arabah, to the south of the Dead Sea, where it is well known to the Bedouin." So far as we are aware, there is no evidence, beyond reports and "shap-shots" of this nature to show that the addax exists anywhere in Asia, although there is not the slightest reason why it should not.

As regards the reputed occurrences of the white or scimitar-horned (oryx *(Oryx leucoryx)* in the country Canon Tristram writes as follows:—"The oryx is still found on the confines of the Holy Land, though strictly an inhabtant of the deserts, and, although I never obtained it, I have been quite near enough to it to identify it by the shape of its horns. They are frequently to be purchased in the bazaar of Damascus." The last sentence affords strong testimony in favour of the occurrence of this antelope, as its horns are scarcely likely to be imported. The existence of the smaller Beatrix *(O. beatrix)* in Southern Arabia is also in favour of the occurrence of this species in the country.

As regards deer, it seems certain that the roebuck of the Bible refers, as already mentioned, to the gazelle or some other antelope. There is, however, the Hebrew word *ayyal*, translated hart in our Bible, which appears to refer undoubtedly to the deer tribe. "What species of deer," writes Canon Tristram, "intended by *ayyal* is not clear." Unless the term be general, it must be either the fallow deer, or the red deer. The former is a native of Persia. and was probably common in the more wooded and fertile parts of the country - but it is now all but extinct in Palestine. Hasselquist met with it on mount Tabor, where we were told it is still to be found, as well as in the woods between that mountain and the gorge of the Litany River. We ourselves only met with a single animal in an open glade about ten miles west of the Sea of Galilee.

"Though no red deer is now found in Egypt, yet we find it depicted in the temples, and a race still lives in Morocco, Algeria, and Tunis, and probably, in ancient times, extended right across North Africa. The Syrian deer may very possibly have been the same in the south, while the European red deer may have extended from the Caucasus through Taurus to the Lebanon."

The existence of any form of red deer, during historical times, in Palestine and Syria is thus purely hypothetical. As regards the fallow deer, Canon Tristram was unaware that the fallow deer of the Luristan Province of Persia is a species (*Cervus mesopotamicus*) quite distinct from the European *C. dama*. If any fallow deer still linges in the Tabor district, it remains to prove if they agree with the former or the latter, or if they form a connecting link between the two.

The gist of the foregoing observations is to show that although a sportsman is not likely to make a big bag in the country, there is a grand opportunity for him to do an important service to zoology by ascertaining what species of big game ruminants really do inhabit Syria and Palestine, and in what districts they are to be found. We believe that one gentleman, well known as a big game hunter in all the four quarters of the globe, is making a trip into the country during the present season, but he is scarcely likely to exhaust all that is known about its fauna It may be added that skins and skulls of the Syrian wild ass would be most acceptable to the national collection.

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Three Miles.

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One Mile.

S. P. Lloyd, Oxford. Time—4mins. 28secs.

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Hon. Mr. A. A. Apcar's b g AUBER, by Islington—Umbrosa, L. Lyne 1
Lord Wolverton's b c PRINCE OF ORANGE, by Florizel II.—Marsh Marigold 2
Sir E. Cassel's b c FREEBORN, by St. Serf—Mother Seigel 3
Lord Derby's ch c GLACIS, by Carbine—Glasalt... 0

BETTING: 5 to 2 agst. Glacis, 3 to 1 Freeborn, 100 to 12 Prince of Orange, 100 to 8 Auber.

Won by two lengths; head between second and third Seven ran.

Sporting Notes.

THE Annual General Meeting of the Calcutta Turf Club was held last Friday evening, and the following gentlemen were elected Stewards for the ensuing year: Messrs. A. A. Apcar, W. Garth, J. G. Dickson, J. G. West, and G. B. Deakin.

THE addition to the lists of Stewards of Mr. Deakin will give general satisfaction because he has practical experience of the executive work as also of the art of race riding. In other respects too, which it would be superflous to enumerate, he is eminently fitted for the post which every year increases in responsibility.

FORTUNE has been swift to reward Mr. Apcar for his bold purchase of Auber, as the colt has already won him a stake of £1,000. Having regard to his heavy list of engagements in England and also to the overpowering strength of Watson's present string in India, it seems quite possible that his voyage to India will be deferred. Great Scot is in strong training and is, it is said, to be let go once more in the Spring Handicaps.

MOST of the horses in Mr. Charles' stable have changed hands, but Steinhager is summering at Bangalore and will have to be reckoned with in all calculations for next year's Viceroy's Cup. Mr. Bell Irving is not expected out next cold weather and will no doubt have a good season's hunting instead, a complaint from which most of us in India would like to suffer!

THE third Stand on the Calcutta course will soon be on its way up as work has already begun on the foundations. The appearance and form of this Stand will be very similar to those of the Members' Stand and will provide almost perfect accommodation for the public as measured by the past season's attendances. It is expected that the additional space available in the Members' Stand will be required for the new "Stand" Members of the Turf Club. There are a considerable number of names ready to place on the ballot boxes, but no one seems anxious to give a lead and so far no candidates are reported to have appeared. On the number of these elections will depend the future arrangement of the Members' Stand. The splendid seats on the second storey are not likely to be much patronized by Members so long as there is sufficient accommodation lower down and a row of boxes may be placed here to attract people up the extra flight of steps or that part of the Stand may be thrown open to the public who would appreciate its proximity to the Paddock and might be counted upon to use it extensively.

DRAINAGE operations in the Calcutta Monsoon course are still progressing and the latest attempt is being directed to clear the big hollow inside the hospital opening. The new idea, judging from the nature of the excavations, appears to comprise an underground pipe leading from the culvert at the lower end of the big moat alongside the riding track to the jail tank. It is evident that some improvement is necessary at this point which will be a most important one on the new Monsoon course. It would be nice to see a start made on the lengthening of the culvert on the Ellenborough side of the Hurdle course, but no doubt this much discussed improvement is not being forgotten by the Executive. The new alignment of the Hurdle Race course, necessitated by the change of the winning post to a point opposite the New Stand, will be awaited with much interest. A peculiar feature of the old course was the close proximity of the last two flights to the finish and the shortness of the run in by reason of which many a race has been lost and won. This may or may not be reproduced on the new course, but there seems to be space for one flight only and a fair run in unless the winning flags are to be placed so far past the stand as to spoil the racing from a spectacular point of view. Probably the flights will be placed as far as possible in the old positions, but it would perhaps be better to plan out an entirely fresh arrangement.

THE programme for the Poona Races for next September is out. The First Day is fixed for Saturday, September 7th, and there will be racing every Wednesday and Saturday following until Saturday, the 28th. In all there will be seven meetings. The Poona Plate and Poona Derby are down for the Second Day, Wednesday, the 11th; and on Saturday, the 14th, will be decided the Aga Khan's Cup which is of the value of £100, the winner to receive also Rs. 5,700. The Western India Stakes (Rs. 10,000) will be run on the Fifth Day, Saturday, the 21st.

WE have to acknowledge receipt of a complimentary copy of Vol. XXIII of that indispensable turf guide *The Australian Racing Chronicle*. It can be obtained of Messrs. Thacker Spink and Co., Calcutta.

MUSSOORIE is beginning to fill with its hot weather visitors and pleasure or health seekers. The races are fixed for the 16th and 18th proximo and the Polo Tournament is to begin on the 6th idem.

AFTER a good trial of a dog-food recently submitted to us for opinion we were inclined to exclaim with Archimedes of old—"Eureka." We refer to the meat and vegetable biscuits, and the dog-bread made by Messrs. Swallow and Ariell, the Australian biscuit makers whose special delicacies for humans already enjoy a wide popularity in India. Thirty years' experience of keeping dogs in this country convinced us that most of the patent preparations designed to replace the natural food of our canine friend fell more or less short of the mark; as a matter of fact, tired of the struggle against mustiness, mould, and weevil, we had long since given them up as unsuitable. Thus it was a surprise to find that close at hand was to be had the very thing we had given up as unobtainable. These meat and vegetable cakes are put up in attractive form and handy size, are packed in 14-lb. tins, are not only nourishing, but distinctly helpful in preparing a dog for show or getting him quickly into condition, while they are so palatable that dogs take to them readily. They require to be merely soaked in water or may be given dry. The "dog-bread" is also excellent; if used as a whole food it would need the addition of broth. We had some success at the recent C. K. C. show and received the compliments of one of the judges on the condition of our exhibits; it is only fair to say that during their preparation for the show, these dog cakes and bread figured prominently in their dietary scale. Any of our dog-owning readers desirous of further particulars may have them of Messrs. G. Knowles and Co. of Calcutta who represent the manufacturers.

THE Mysore Birthday Polo Tournament begins on Monday, 24th June; it is open to teams (ponies limited to 18 each) representing any regiment, depot or battery and members of any gymkhana or club. Entries close on the 10th June.

"WHY will so many people cling to the idea that chloroforming is the most merciful means of death possible for dumb animals?" asked a veterinarian recently. "Only the other day I was called upon to perform the trying and almost impossible task of killing an old horse in this way.

"The horse, it seems, had been the pet of a wealthy woman who left provision for him in her will and decreed that if ever the family to whose care she intrusted him should deem it necessary to end his life this should be done with cholroform, so that he might be assured a painless death. Then the horse became blind and otherwise disabled, and the family decided that death would be a mercy.

"Of course, the provision of the will had to be carried out, but no greater case of mistaken kindness could have been possible. It is impossible to administer sufficient chloroform at one time to kill an animal the size of a horse, so dose after dose had to be given, the poor brute slowly and painfully smothering to death.

"Chloroform is all right for cats or dogs, but for larger animals it is a positive cruelty, whereas a pistol, well aimed at the head of any beast, will send it out of life so quickly that it has not time to feel the shot or realize what has happened."

NEWS reaches us of the good sport being had by the Maharajah of Cooch Behar's shooting party. A week's driving produced a bag of four tigers, two leopards, four bears, and the usual miscellaneous items of deer, pig etc.

IT seems strange that, considering the number of experiments that are made in introducing new birds and animals into the British Isles, the chamois has never been tried in Scotland. In the days of William I. we believe the Duke of Fife obtained five chamois from Switzerland, with the view of turning them out in Mar Forest. The animals safely reached England; but the King, hearing of their arrival, expressed a wish to have them, and they were sent to Windsor, where they appeared to thrive, and produced several young ones. Unfortunately, the whole lot suddenly died, poisoned, it is supposed, by some herb that they had eaten. Experiments in introducing chamois into various parts of Europe prove that they soon become acclimatised, and, as a rule, do very well; so there does not appear any reason why they should not succeed in Scotland.

SOME instances of the voracity of the eel have reached us from New Zealand. A Maori recently caught an eel weighing 10lb. in the Maungatarera,

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not a very notable circumstance; but when it was opened it was found to contain two trout, one 10in. and the other 6in. in length. The eel was so distended after this meal that it was unable to move sufficiently fast to escape capture. Another New Zealander caught an eel which yielded up a small gosling when disembowelled. The resident had lost a number of young ducks and goslings, and was watching the pond one day when he saw a duckling disappear, and further investigation revealed a bloated eel making frantic efforts to swallow the web feet of its victim, which were the only parts visible. The eel's skin was hanging on an adjoining fence fifteen minutes later.

Two remarkably fine specimens of Lammergeyers or Bearded Vultures have lately been added to the collection of the Calcutta Zoological Garden. It is perhaps not generally known that the Lammergeyer is intermediate between the vultures and the eagles.

The Committee of the Northern India Kennel Association have granted the following Championship Certificates for the Calcutta Kennel Club Show:—

Greyhounds.—Black Prince; owner Mrs. W. H. Pilgrim.
Spaniels—Smut; owner Mr. P. Kinnear Wise.
Bull-dogs.—Big Jim; owner Mr. R. Sheepshanks.
Fox Terriers (Smooth).—Indigo; owner Major Impey.
Fox Terriers (Wire).—Corney Grain; owner Mr. L. Jacob.
Dachshunds.—Pilgrim; owner The Maharaja of Jind.
Scottish Terriers.—Wee MacGregor; owner Mr. W. S. Burke.
Airedale Terriers.—Jind Marquis; owner The Maharaja of Jind.
Pekinese.—Mung; owner, Mr. A. Priestley.

The Mick, while in South Africa during the Boer war, wrote home to his mother: "I would have written to you months ago, but I wasn't sure you would get the letter, as they are very often captured by the Boers. Now I am making a shift for Ladysmith, and expect to be confined there for some time." When the old lady got the letter, she showed it to some friends, and said, "When my boy, Mick, was at home, he wouldn't sew a button on his coat, and now, see, he's making shifts for Lady Smith."

One result of the new English Act requiring every dog to wear a collar with its owner's name and address seems to be a promise of a great increase in the number of the lost dogs which find their way to the Battersea Home. More than 6,000 dogs had been admitted to the Home up to the middle of February, a number greatly in excess of the usual figure, and it seems probable that, with the penalties of the new Act before their eyes as well as the ordinary payment for a dog license, a large number of unworthy dog-owners have preferred to "loose" their dogs at the beginning of the present year. As a similar order was enforced last year by the London County Council within the boundaries of its jurisdiction, this determination on the part of the people of London ought perhaps to be rather ascribed to experience of the past than pure anticipation for the future; but the effect is the same.

The same depressing influences in the dog world may also be responsible for the fact that many fewer people have lately called at the Battersea Dogs' Home to choose a pet from those otherwise destined for the chamber of painless extinction. The dogs which can be bought there for a few shillings are not, as a rule, of the purest breeding—well-bred dogs astray in the London streets are generally "found" by somebody—but they are often among the most intelligent and affectionate of their race. It is certainly sad to hear that the lethal chamber is claiming such a largely increased number of dogs who might be the idols and ornaments of so many appreciative homes.

We see that Mr. P. R. Butler, of the Royal Irish, Rawalpindi, has sold his fine racing pony The Butler. This pony has won nine races out of twelve starts this year: it is believed he will next be heard of in Burma.

In the course of some kindly comments on the dog show held in the Minto Fete, a correspondent of the *Indian Kennel Gazette* writes: "In all respects, the first Calcutta Kennel Club Show was a very successful one; it has, at a bound, assumed a remarkable prominence as one of the best kennel exhibitions in this country; and if as the Management believe they will greatly improve on it next year, they will no doubt attract up-country owners to it in still greater numbers, and the competition, keen as it was on this occasion, is likely to be still more pronounced."

Though advocates for the accomplishment of ambidexterity, in writing on the subject a year or so back we dwelt on the necessity of its being taught from infancy, ere the left limb had acquired the comparative clumsiness which distinguishes it in most people—at least among civilised nations. Dr. Lyttleton, the headmaster of Eton, appears to think otherwise, as he has recently decreed that impositions are in future to be written with the left hand. The intentions of the worthy Canon are no doubt influenced by the worthiest motives, but from all accounts do not meet with the approval of the peccant youngsters under his charge, for enforcing this laborious penalty will make sad inroads on their hours of recreation and, according to a home paper, the majority of the scions of the upper classes who are consigned to that time-honored seat of learning for rudimentary education, have expressed the opinion that a return to the "swishing block" of the renowned Dr. Keates would be preferable. Should however other schoolmasters adopt the innovation parents and guardians will have forced upon them the necessity of inculcating the equal use of both limbs from infancy; the advantages of which are too obvious to be questioned.

Another matter we wrote about is being ventilated; this was alternately changing the seat in the side saddle. Those at home, however, go further, insisting on the abolition of the side saddle altogether; eminent medical men giving it as their opinion that adoption of the male seat on horseback is attended with no more physical drawbacks than biking and that the use of the present rather cumbersome apparatus is apt, among young riders of the softer sex, to set up spinal troubles, in after life. Since initiation of the controversy, letters from our colonies and other countries, in which the chief means of getting about is on horseback, have poured in in favor of the change.

Our Bombay correspondent writes:—We have had a busy time this week, but neither of the race days was favourable to punters as on Thursday one absolute favourite and an equal favourite only came in. The Little Consolation Plate saw a run on Advocate-General who was known to have run Calcutta to a head at a stone difference. He was only giving away a pound now and being unable to keep with his field at the start only began to gallop on warming up. Ariff, a young grey, was said to have done even time outside but once Calcutta came up it was all over. Another good thing went wrong in the New Arab Race when, on his running behind Spearmint, Express was reasonably expected to win. After getting away with the front batch Heeroo allowed himself to be passed and drop back with the result that the effort of catching his field again was too much and a place was all he could get.

After being scratched from the first race, Gaucho was palpably thrown into the Losers' Plate and won very easily. Emir, who has been "dicky" till recently, ran a game pony in front but was easily passed and, the finish was a procession. In the Horse Consolation there was again a run on Epitome and Blue Blood when at the last moment Virballa was the order and made equal favourite. This pony early went ahead and Melsom keeping a nice hold, stayed out very comfortably.

Scarlet's game finish when he came up to dead-heat with Gladiator over six furlongs was enough to suggest his getting an extra ufrlong, but punters preferred Hadhur who had made the pace so hot over nine furlongs in the Tenth Extra, though now he had two stone five pounds more to carry. Weight told and Scarlet came away nicely after lying handy. This was the beginning of another series of upsets, the next being in the second New Arab Race, when Basheer was made a very warm favourite. Romance and the favourito were in front at the bend, the latter going rather the better when he ran across Bradshaw on the former and both lost any chance they may have had. Heeroo took advantage of this and won with something to spare from the unknown Ariel and the Barb who had cut out the pace in the early stages. Strained tendon and all, Asad was a steady favourite in a field of three for the Selling Plate but, to put in briefly, he was six lengths behind Greylock at the finish, the latter barely making Canter keep out of a walk. This led up to the upset of the day when Scipio was made favourite and, running out at the bend, let in Jalmood who was passed by Jubbulpore on the post before the favourite could be got on his legs again.

The Thirteenth Extra brought out another Saturday crowd. In the opening event, the New Pony Selling Plate, Jalmood after numerous scratchings, was the only one to have shown any sort of form over more than half a mile, and that only a second in the poor time of 1·10 2/5. He was made a strong favourite from Glass who seems to be running on now. As expected, Glass early came in front, but instead of coming back to Jalmood, these being the only two in it, be stayed on and won after an exciting chase. A terrible upset followed in the Small Arab Consolation for which Young Gazelle was thought a "cert" with Musket and Little Joker to fight out the one place. Engine jumped away, but instead of stopping, stuck gamely to his guns and a desperate finish ensued, Little Joker inside and Young Gazelle outside, joined in the hunt at the bend with the leader and Musket and the result was in doubt till the numbers went up; not more than a length dividing the first four and, with a better run, the favourite should have won.

First of two stylish wins by Vining came next in the Verar Plate when, in a very open betting race, Hermit was better fancied than Zurriff, Antica, Mint, and False Start. The first of these had shot his bolt at the bend, but the favourite and tne other three with Sir Jamal leading were in a line at the distance. Sir Jamal stuck finely to his guns, but Vining sat down to work on Hermit drove him along on the outside to win by a mere head. Mint dashed in between Antica and False Start and just scraped home half a length behind—not more than a length and a quarter separating the first and fifth.

The Consolation Plate for Horses followed and was won cleverly by Vocalist. The Arab Consolation resulted in another magnificent finish. Considering he had already run a seven furlongs, Antica in this mile race ran extraordinarily well after making all the running. He held this till well into the straight when Vining came up handling Nooman nicely into a gap he found on the rails. He led at the distance but, with Antica still hanging on, only got home by a head.

The Pony Hunters' Flat promised an interesting race with Akbar Khan an acknowledged stayer always a good favourite from Khurdie with Mr. Owen Symous and Captain Meynell up respectively. This resulted in an absolute procession as going clean away, Akbar Khan won cantering by twenty lengths.

Last was the Selling Plate when, after a run on Court Martial, money came to make Canter favourite. He looked a certain winner at the bend and had Hoyt made sure by going away he would probably have won. As it was, Court Martial answered the whip gamely and, catching the favourite, won a great race by a length.

Athletic Notes.

Mr. T. Barton will be remembered by many people in Calcutta as the smart high-jumper who came up from Rangoon in 1905, and cleared 5ft. 10in. at the B. P. A. A. A. sports. His record, made at the Burma A. A. Meeting the same year was 5ft 11¼; this he has now beaten. At the Toungoo Police School Sports, Burma, held last week, he cleared 6ft. 2in., a really remarkable performance seeing that the World's record is 6ft. 5⅝. At the A. A. A. Championship in England, 6ft. has only once been exceeded since 1866, that was in 1883 when J. W. Parsons cleared 6ft. 0¼in. at the 'Varsities 5ft. 8in. is considered a good jump; at most of the big athletic meetings at Home the average is 5ft. 7in., while only once last year was Barton's record approached, *viz.* when Con. Leahy jumped 6ft. 0¼in. at the Irish International meeting held at Dublin in June.

Probably certain Calcutta golfers will be attracted to the new links at Frasergunge where, during Easter, arrangements have been made for a competition over nine holes. The only thing that will make Frasergunge a really popular holiday resort is the provision of facilities for outdoor recreation—golf, tennis, shooting, sea-bathing, fishing and boat sailing—we note with pleasure the "thin end of the wedge."

According to what one reads and hears the recent boxing match in Rangoon between Sam Newman and Sergeant Smith of the Devons, was remarkable for some unique refereeing and judging. Our contemporary *The Rangoon Times* expresses itself thus:—Judging and refereeing in Rangoon—according to the "result" of the Newman-Smith contest—is about as dependable as the tossing of a coin. The verdict was ridiculously improper. There was not the slightest justification for according a draw on form alone. Smith had no comparison with his opponent. We regard Smith as a clever pugilist, but he is no match for Newman, and a fight to the finish with three-minute rounds would decide matters. Smith made a fine stand, but Newman obviously held himself back through the first dozen rounds and missed several easy opportunities. At the conclusion of the fifteenth round Newman appeared fit for another half dozen and in spite of the disgraceful show of partisanship

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which uninformed occupants of the gallery maintained throughout the contest. Newman kept his temper and fought a clean, strictly honourable battle. It is really surprising that professional pugilists should risk a visit to Rangoon when they know what to expect from irresponsible and over-enthusiatic soldiers in the gallery. The remarkable feature of the contest is that no effort was made by the officials to check disquieting interpolations and applause. We do not suggest that they had not the moral courage to do so or to give a victory to the better man. But we would very much prefer that in public exhibitions of the kind judgment should be left to officials who are acknowledged as authorities, or at all events who are competent to give not only their decisions but their reasons for them. There is no justification whatever for the verdict of a drawn match. As we have said Smith fought a highly praise-worthy battle — though he looked more than his weight; but Newman—despite the combined decision of the judges and referee—was the better man and fairly won the fight. In future matches it would be well for officials to study points and not rely upon mere memory. We do not think any one of the officials could fully describe one single round of the whole fifteen, yet the professional visitor is compelled to accept their hurried and perfunctory decision.

From our exchanges we learn that an enormous crowd witnessed the race for the World's Sculling Chamionship between Towns and Durnan on the Nepean River. Towns started favourite at 2 to 1 on. At the quarter-mile Durnan led by half a length, but at half a mile (3 min. 9 sec.) Towns was half a length to the good. At a mile and a half (9 min. 49 sec.) he was three lengths ahead, and led by the same margin at two miles (13 min. 45 sec.). The same order was maintained to the finish, Towns winning by three lengths in 22 min. 27 sec.

We have received a copy of a high class gravure, issued by Bovril Limited, London, entitled "A Tempting Bait," which is a reproduction of the charming oil painting that was exhibited in the Royal Academy in 1906 by Arthur J. Elsley. This gravure is given free in exchange for coupons found round all bottles and jars of Bovril. Full particulars as to conditions of obtaining these pictures are given on the leaflets wrapped round the bottles and jars.

The Sirhind Open Boxing Tournament for the All-India Inter-Regimental Championship Trophy, is fixed to take place at the Simla Town Hill between the 11th and 17th June.

On page V, among our advertisements will be found an announcement by Mudies Library which ought to be of special interest to all Secretaries of Clubs, Messes and Libraries throughout India. The books offered in their extensive catalogue carry a reduction of from 30 to 80 per cent. under published prices. If this doesn't tempt book buyers we cannot imagine what will.

The European Amateur Billiard Championship at Pyrke's Saloon has at last been decided after a tremendous amount of enthusiasm which led to the room being packed both for the final of the eliminating round on Monday and the actual final on Thursday. Mr. C. Louth has come out victorious and on the form he has shown throughout thoroughly merits it. Neither of the games can be said to have been very good or exciting as, steady as steel, the winner had both Mr. Avery and then Mr. Pyrke beat soon after the start.

Avery struck me as having an attack of nerves and missed the most ridiculously easy shots, breaking down after going well whenever the balls ran for him. Louth on the other hand gave a most finished exhibition, though he too broke down frequently at very easy shots and made no breaks to speak of. With a lead of a hundred on reaching the fourth century he eventually ran out with a pretty 2+; his best were 31,30,26,24 incomplete, 21 and 20. Avery, 24 and 23 twice and the final scores, 500 to 374.

On Thursday he found Pyrke in very bad form and unable to get going at all. Louth continued in great form, bringing off with admirable execution the most difficult shots and playing to leave with the nicest accuracy and strength. To cut the story of the game short, Louth led by a hundred before the third century and at the fourth by an extra fifty; eventually going out 175 ahead with the following breaks to his credit: 41,29,26 and 24, and Pyrke 26,23 and 22. Final scores: Louth 500 to 325.

After a few well-chosen words, Mr. Spencer presented the winner with the handsome Cup and gold medal given by the Endolithic Co., makers of Crystalate balls and expressed the sympathy so many felt with last year's holder. Mr. Pyrke presented a gold medal for the runner up which goes to Mr. Avery as, of course, Mr. Pyrke will not take his own prize.

A gentleman on horseback, seeing a crowd, reined up, and exclaimed, "What's afoot here?" To which a wag immediately replied, "Twelve inches, the same as everywhere else." The gentleman galloped away.

Will: "In Turkey a girl never sees her husband until she is married."

Belle: "How funny! In this country she seldom sees him afterwards."

In London Town.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

Friday, 8th March 1907.

Never even during the most days of the South African war, have the Sunday newspapers had such a harvest as they enjoyed last Sunday. It was known that the L. C. C. election would produce a stiff fight and the majority were sanguine as to the results: but the most sanguine never anticipated the magnitude of the smash in store for the extravagants. Even Battersea returned a Reformer! The defeated party scream about "money and mendacity:" but the elemental fact I take it, is that the tradespeople all over London had taken alarm at the spread of municipal trading under the socialist regime and that the apathetic rate-payer had been at last shaken out of his lethargy. The "progressive" vote shows some increase over that of 1904, to wit 195,558 against 173,660: but the Reform vote on Saturday was 240,846 against 143,863 in 1904: which latter seems to bear out the view expressed above—that the rate-payers have been worked up: and high time too.

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Lord Rosebery seized the occasion to publish the correspondence which has passed between the leading residents of Epsom and the defunct L. C. C. Epsom, during the last twenty years, has been made the place of abode for half the lunatics of London: since the L. C. C. bought the Horton Estate one lunatic asylum after another has been erected, and now there are over 5,400 lunatics housed there with 1,000 attendants: and Epsom thinks it has got its full share of London lunacy. It is impossible now, says the lord of Durdans, to walk in the Epsom country lanes without encountering droves of lunatics in charge of a warder or two; and Epsom as a residental place for the sane is becoming impossible. Few Londoners know Epsom save as it appeareth on Derby Day: knowing it as it is on 364 days in the year I can sympathise with the 10,000 inhabitants of that so recently old world country town.

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Sir Alexander Swettenham's retirement from the Governorship of Jamaica is announced. Comparison of dates shows that he "applied for permission to retire on the ground of age,"—(*vide* Mr. Churchill's reply to a question) two days after Sir E. Grey telegraphed to America disclaiming the Governor's action in the matter of that unfortunate letter to Admiral Davic. Sir Alexander was offered the opportunity to retain his post, but—not having the hide of a politician—adhered to his request that he may be relieved. When the papers relating to the resignation are complete, the Secretary for the Colonies will decide what may be published without injury to the public interest. "Public interest" in this case I conceive means Radical party interest. There is very general agreement that Whitehall showed itself in much too great a hurry over the business, and threw over its own servant in unnecessary eagerness to soothe American susceptibilities.

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Mr. Haldane's Army Bill continues to be the principal topic of discusion, sharing honours with the route of the progressives, or extravagants, at the L. C. C. elections on Saturday. Nothing could better demonstrate the fitness of the present Parliament to conduct the affairs of the Empire than the attendance during his speech: granted it was long and something prosy: but ere it was an hour old the benches were vacated and between thirty and forty members only, nearly all of the opposition, were sufficiently interested to hear it out! Opinions of course are much divided on the merits of the scheme: the volunteer enthusiasts think well of it but foresee difficulties in getting their men to do that 8 to 15 days training without adequate pay; they think there will be less difficulty about the four years engagement. On all hands it is acknowledged that this is the last word for the voluntary system—in fact the Haldane proposition cuts away the voluntary principle: we will cheerfully dispense with that if the scheme proves workable. By the way, Haldane economics are giving acute dissatisfaction among soldiers in charge of defence works and the like: they say that the retrenchments they are called upon to make render efficient work and supervision perfectly impracticable.

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Sir Henry C. B.'s remarkable contribution to the new radical journal the *Nation* (which has absorbed the old *Speaker*) must have given that not very wise old gentleman food for regret. Taken in conjunction with his spoken remarks we are irresistibly reminded of *Punch's* cartoon of afore time and are puzzled to know which is Campbell's opinion and which Bannerman's. One audience is assured that the Government is keeping down the naval estimates with the view of economy and furthering the cause of eternal peace in conformity with dreams to be dreamed at the Hague: the other is assured that the navy is being, and will be, kept up to the two power standard. The French criticism of the *Nation* article strikes one as distinctly good: "where facts do not contradict the English Prime Minister, he contradicts them himself." Meantime the rads have found it desirable to postpone their attack on the Upper House.

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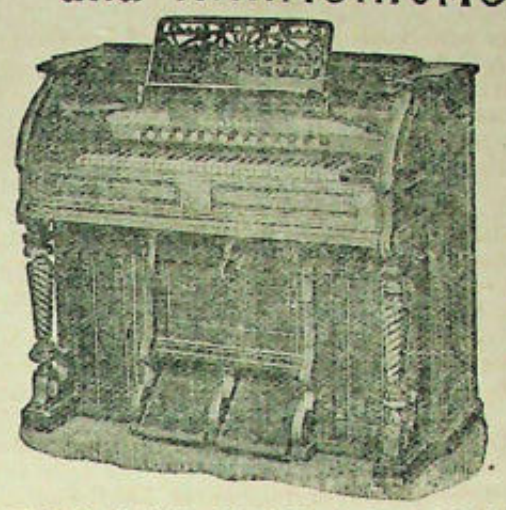

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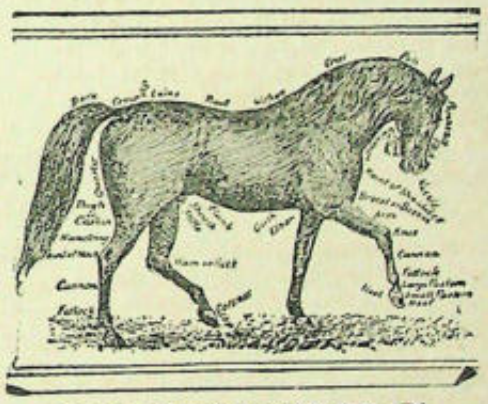

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The proposed enquiry into the Edalji case will not come off: at all events on the lines Mr. Gladstone proposed. Sir R. Romer objected to presiding over an enquiry held *in camera* at which those conducting it would have no power to call witnesses nor examine anyone upon oath: and he writes through the Home Secretary that he is "not willing to undertake" an enquiry which ought to be conducted "according to the ordinary rules of procedure governing a criminal trial." Sir Robert's colleagues entirely concur with him; and Mr. Gladstone has now accepted their offer to examine the material in possession of the Home Office and give their advice upon it. The inevitable inference is that "someone has blundered" and that the Home Secretary is unwilling to admit the light of day upon official mistakes.

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The Lord Mayor is displaying magnificent energy in collecting money for his proposed home for crippled children. There was a matinee in support of the scheme at Drury Lane on Tuesday afternoon, with a perfectly gigantic programme. If began at half past one, and when the curtain shut off the stage from an un-exhausted house it was quarter past six: and then the end had only been reached by cutting out "turns." Selections from plays and pantomimes, songs, dances, recitations, spectacles and romps. Never was such an afternoon. The programme itself was a work of art, the frontispiece being a portrait of the Lord Mayor garbed as the Pied Piper, leading the crippled children. Over £1,000 was taken at the doors and other donations were given in the theatre.

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It has been a busy week so far as theatres are concerned, though I cannot say that any of the pieces produced are to be described as spoch making. Shavian drama at the Court has been interrupted by Hedda Gabler with Mrs. Patrick Campbell in the name part. Mr. Laurence Irving at Eilert bore away the honours: Mrs. Campbell failed to rise to the height of passion and intensity required by Ibsen's heroine. I hear, by the way, that a Norwegian Company will appear soon in London to play Ibsen's plays in the Norsk. I fear me the houses will be small, for Norwegians in London are not many and English who speak Norsk very few.

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Nelly Neil reached her 50th performance on Tuesday and celebrated the occasion by adding new turns. Two American actresses, Miss Flossie Hope and Miss Carrie Bowman sing and dance and Messrs. Coyne and F. Wright have new topical songs, which have neither more nor less connection with the play than usual.

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They say that musical comedy is on the wane, but evidently "they" do not think so at the Hicks Theatre. There, on Satudray night was produced "My Darling," by Messrs. Seymour Hicks and E. Haines, Lyrics by C. H. Taylor and P. E. Wodehouse and additional members by Evelyn Baker. There is hardly any pretence of plot: we gathered that Jack Hylton was masquerading as his friend Maurice Le Blanc to the extent of making love on his account, but the proceeding did not lead to anything so far as I could discover. Sir Henry Heldon (Mr. McArale) was a middle aged *roue* who runs off to Paris to amuse himself and flirts accordingly. Mr. Cyril Clensy and Miss Gladys Marsden gave some uncommonly good imitations of various well known actors and actress, and there are many good songs which were well sung, Mr. Hylton having the lion's share. Miss Marie Studholme has a song "Little Glowworm" which caught the fancy of the house and twelve Butterfly Girls have as much to do with the play as a pretty chorus can contrive. Much music and little comedy distinguish "My Darling" in which neither Mr. Seymour Hicks nor Mrs. Seymour Hicks have part.

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Miss Ryley's adaptation of Pierre Breton's play was produced on Monday at the Duke of York's as "The Great Conspiracy." It is chiefly remarkable for Mr. John Hare's reading of the part of Napolean and a fine and finished performance it is. The play itself is not a good one. Napolean has got an inkling of the Royalist conspiracy engineered by the Marquis de Tallemont (Mr. Aubrey Smith) who is supposed to have been killed: and he resolves to bully the truth out of Jeanne the wife, supposed widow, of the Marquis. Jeanne (Miss Irene Vanburgh) resolutely adheres to her statement that she is a widow, whereupon the Emperor declares she shall marry Captain Crisenoy (Mr. Henry Amley) this same night. The sentence is not wholly disagreeable to the Marquise as she has long been in love with Crisenoy: and the Imperial command furnishes the keystone of the plot. Jeanne must marry the man she loves in order to save her husband, who, as Lacaussade, is passing as an innkeeper. She goes to Crisenoy and confesses that Lacaussade is her husband: that the man with whom he changed coats and who was blown up by the bomb is some conspirator of no account. Napolean overhears enough to intensify his suspicions and cross-examines Crisenoy who refuses to be "drawn" and is put under arrest. Meantime the Marquis de Tallemont, otherwise Lacaussade is busy: masquerading as servant to the Minister of Justice he contrives to substitute a box of poisoned snuff for Napolean's own and the attempt is frustrated by Jeanne who wheedles it out of the Imperial hand. Eventually complications are cut by fixing up—I use the expression advisedly—a duel between the Marquis and a Colonel Rapp in which the former is killed.

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The story is much more complicated than the bald sketch given above conveys: and we could despense with some complications to the advantage of the play: they befog the story needlessly and it is not a very convincing story at best. Mr. Hare carries the thing through: he is a little too much the polished gentleman but apart from that an admirable Napolean, sarcastic and dry, coolly amorous and bullying by turns. Miss Vanburgh has opportunities as Jeanne and makes the best of them, showing power as an actress and a pretty scene of humour on occasion. It cannot be said there is much for the others to do; Mr. Amley's part as Crisenoy is slight, so is Mr. Aubrey Smith's as de Tallemont and Mr. Robertshaw's as Fouche. The piece is beautifully put on the stage and the explosion which was to have killed Napolean in Act I was the best stage explosion I can remember. The setting of the 3rd Act "The Chatean of St. Cloud" is very beautiful.

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It is not very easy to discover why Mrs., or Miss, Unger calls the play produced at the Garrick on Wednesday "Mr. Sheridan." When a playwright uses the name of an historical character we are entitled to expect some attempt to reproduce the individual. Richard Brinsley Sheridan *may* have been as sober as Mrs. Unger's conception: he may have been as profoundly, lugubriously in love with the memory of his wife: and he may have been as ardent an advocate for marriage as the Garrick Sheridan declares himself to be. History, it is admitted, has distorted R. B. Sheridan's character and methods, but I cannot think Mrs. Unger does much to set history right. Much talk and little else makes "Mr. Sheridan." Mr. Sheridan, who spends much of his time gazing at his late wife's portrait, wants his son Tom to marry Miss Ogle: but Tom is unwilling: has other views: and tells his father that Miss Ogle would like to be his step-mother. Mr. Sheridan would never have discovered this, but for some wholly inadequate reason he is about to fight a duel with a comparative stranger at 3 o'clock in the morning in her own hall, when Miss Ogle rushes in to separate the duellists and betrays her feelings in her agitation.

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The play is a poor piece of work on the whole but there is some good dialogue: Mrs. Unger's strong suit is indubitably dialogue and she puts some clever things into Sheridan's mouth. Mr. Bourchier plays the title role adopting a Dublin jarvey's brogue for the occasion: and to his liberal reading of the part the play owes much of its success. Miss Ogle too was in particularly capable hands: Miss Alexandra Carlisle has made her mark and she certainly cut it deeper as Miss Ogle.

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Miss Rosina Brandram's death at Southend on Thursday night last week was not unexpected: she had been ill with some chest complaint for several weeks and her recovery was regarded as more than doubtful. With Miss Brandram we lose one of the links with original Savoy Opera: and what a pillar of strength she was even in the strong companies selected by Mr. D'Oyly Carte! My own first recollection of Miss Brandram is as Buttercup in *Pinafore* in the late seventies: my last as the Fairy Queen in the *Iolanthe* revival of a season or two ago. She kept her beautiful voice to the end, and it seems now impossible to believe that the singer of "Oh Captain Shaw!" was much nearer 60 than 55, when last heard. She was a true actress and had a sense of humour which peculiarly fitted her to interpret Mr. Gilbert. It was a revelation to us to learn that she was 61 when she died.

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The Hippodrome has a new trick cyclist, certainly the most astonishing performer of the many trick cyclists I have seen. Mr. Bud Snyder rides his machine up a flight of stairs over a man lying prostrate on each alternate step, and reaching a platform twenty feet above the stage, goes through various amazing evolutions on tables: his control over his machine is positively uncanny: I had never suspected such remarkable jumping powers in a bicycle.

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Business at the Tivoli is brisk, Cinquevalli, the cleverest of equilibrists is there, and Mr. Harry Lauder has made a great hit with a new song in which he explains why, cold though it is, he always wears a kilt—because his wife could not be prevented from ransacking the pockets of his trousers when he went to bed at night. Mr. Lauder was not designed by nature to wear a kilt and is a sufficiently comical spectacle as he shivers on the stage.

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As the Empire the Misses May and Florence Hengles have re-appeared to sing and dance as of old—more particularly to dance, for to say truth their singing is not very remarkable. They look pretty, dress prettily and dance charmingly, so vocal shortcomings are readily condoned. Another new turn is that of Miss Marquis who directs the proceedings of six cleverly trained ponies and a couple of performing dogs. Middle. Genie is there of course, very much there: she has long been an institution at the Empire.

ONLOOKER.

Review.

THE MANNERS AND CUSTOMS OF THE TODAS.*

THE publication of this elaborate and comprehensive work may be taken, we think, as a healthy sign of the great revival of interest in the anthropology of India which has been very noticeable during the last few years;—a revival largely due to the labours and enthusiasm of Mr Edgar Thurston, Director of the Madras Museum, to whom the author in his preface expresses his personal indebtedness. That the manners and customs of all the more important and interesting of the indigenous tribes of India should be described in the thorough-going manner distinctive of the volume before us, is a matter in regard to which there cannot be two opinions; and now that such an excellent commencement has been made, it is perhaps not too much to hope that we may ere long have the pleasure of welcoming other volumes cast in the same mould. Possibly the author may have had some idea of this sort in his mind, for in the first lines of his preface he especially emphasizes the fact that his volume is to be regarded not merely as a record of the customs and beliefs of a particular people or nationality, but that it should be looked up as a model of the methods of modern anthropological investigation.

As Mr. Rivers very truly hints, we have enough and to spare of the ordinary traveller's accounts of jungle tribes, but the crying need of the present day is for more exact method, not only in collecting material, but in the manner of recording anthropological data, so that readers may be enabled to decide for themselves as to the value to be attached to statements and the evidence by which they are supported. In every case where investigations have once been conducted and recorded on this sure basis, we shall have accounts of the primitive nationalities of the world which will be of permanent and priceless value for all time. In many instances, unhappily, such investigations have been postponed till it has become too late; and in all cases with the steady advance of civilisation, aided as it now undoubtedly is by the motor-car, there is no time to be lost in the matter of undertakings of this nature. All honour and praise therefore to the author of this invaluable work, who has carried his investigations of an unusually interesting people to such a complete and successful conclusion.

If we were penning a notice of the book before us for readers in England, we should probably feel it incumbent to refer in some detail to the country inhabited by the Todas, but as we presume every reader of the *Indian Field* is familiar with the fact that Todaland is situated in the heart of the Nilgris, it will be perfectly unnecessary to dwell upon this part of our subject.

That a nationality of so interesting and unique type as the Todas should have attracted a large amount of attention on the part of anthropologists, and consequently forms the subject of a voluminous literature, goes without saying.

Indeed, before undertaking his investigations the author was solemnly warned that every thing worth knowing about the Todas was already known and that such observations as he might make would be merely duplicating those of his predecessors in this line of research. Nothing daunted, Mr. Rivers felt however, sure that there was still much to be learnt about the social organisation of this peculiar people; and the result of his investigation has been to fully demonstrate the truth of his surmise.

Even, however, if the volume contained little or nothing in the way of novelty, it would obviously be a great advantage to have a full and complete digest of all that is known about the Todas from the pen of a professed and competent modern anthropologist who has studied them and their ways on the spot; so that even from this lower point of view the volume before us has a great value of its own.

The one matter for regret we find in connection with the work is that the author has not seen his way to make it an absolutely complete account of the people to which it is devoted. The one great omission is the physical anthropology of the Todas, for which Mr. Rivers refers his readers to a paper by Mr. Thurston. As this paper is by no means easy of access to the general reader, we cannot but regard the omission as a serious defect in the book, and one which ought to have been remedied, if necessary, by cutting down some other part of the text, in order to afford the required space.

Good illustrations are given of the physiognomy of the Todas and likewise of their remarkable and characteristic dwellings; but of some of the reproductions from photographers later on in the volume, perhaps the less said the better.

The buffalo and its milk (which form the chief food of the race) loom very large in the life of the Todas, the cult of the dairy being to a great extent a semi-sacred institution. Mr. Rivers has, of course, a great deal to tell us about Toda classics and the ceremonies connected therewith and likewise of the ceremonies connected with birth, marriage and death—the three great events in savage or semi-savage life, if not indeed also among people of a higher grade of civilisation.

To refer to any of these, even cursorily, would, however, occupy far more space than is at our disposal; and we must therefore be content with mentioning the singular fact that while, except ceremonially, the flesh of all other animals is forbidden to them, Todas are at liberty to eat sambar meat to their hearts' content. In explanation of this peculiarity it has been suggested that in their original home there were totemic restrictions on animal food; and that in this ancient fatherland the sambar was unknown.

"Consequently, when they came to the Nilgiris, they would have found there an animal on the eating of the flesh of which there were no restrictions, and the absence of restriction would, on this hypothesis, have continued to the present day." The author thinks, however, that the fact of the Todas having no weapon with which to slay sambar may be an element in the case.

"If this animal," he writes," is ever killed by Kotas or Kurumbas, the mere fact that it had been killed by these people would probably be a sufficient reason why the Todas should not eat its flesh.

"It is possible that it is only since the advent of Europeans in the Nilgiris that the Todas have thought of eating the flesh of this animal, and as no prohibition against this has been handed down to them, they have no reluctance in satisfying in this way the liking for animal food which one of these ceremonies keeps in existence, if it does not actually stimulate.

With this we must reluctantly take leave of a most valuable if (and necessarily so) somewhat abstruse, contribution to the anthropology of the Indian Empire

**The Todas.* By W. H. R. Rivers. London: Macmillan and Co, Ld. 1906. pp. XVIII×755. Illustrated.

Lady: "My housemaid has got one of her eyes red and inflamed. What do you advise her to do?"

Doctor: "Oh tell her to stop looking through keyholes."

Few proverbs will bear inspection, but of all the ridiculous ones foisted on an unsuspecting public is "To the pure all things are pure." For, if this be so, how is it that such pure and good men as we are can seldom get pure and good whisky?

Shikar.

TWO IBEX IN SPITI.

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We left Chini on the 25th May. Pangi, our next stage was only 7 miles distant. Pleasant forests and shady road favoured us all the way. The forest bania's shop is just over the stream whence the road ascends to the road bangalow. We paid it a visit and got supplies. The P. W. bangalow at Pangi is a capacious and most comfortable structure—the largest on the road. A little garden is attached to it which lacked care. Apricot trees are plentiful, but the fruit was not yet ripe; we had our share on our return journey. There is a curiosity in this bangalow in the shape of an old table kept in the verandah. On its flat surface are carved the names of travellers who have been up here since the year 1870. The face of the table is now so covered with names that no space is left for further entries. My friend managed to put his name on record on the only available blank bit left. He took a photo of the table which brings out the names distinctly and they can be easily read.

Our next stage was Jangi. We had trouble about coolies in this march. It is the custom to change carriers along this road at each village passed and the wage due for the whole march is divided accordingly. To-day we had *two* changes and the delay was considerable. Fine forests all the way which sheltered the road for long distances. The going was fairly level and the walking pleasant, 14 miles in all. The Sutlej makes a right angled turn, beyond Akpa village and the road, hundreds, of feet higher up, also takes a bend about 5 miles before reaching Jangi. The river comes straight down from the north and the road goes straight up in the same direction—hitherto our course has been almost from west to east, Jangi is quite concealed among apricot gardens and is a green pleasant spot but the bangalow is small and stuffy. The atmosphere at this elevation is extraordinarily clear, and dry—the absence of moisture is evident in every thing. This condition indicates that the country is beyond the influence of the envious. There are no heavy and continuous rainfalls in Kunawar as is the case in the lower ranges. The region of excessive rain ends, I should say at the Wangtu bridge. By coming up at this season we have escaped that depressing time of wet and damp which closes down in all hill stations for four months of every year. This circumstance of itself should recommend these mountain slopes for European Sanitaria—in preference to the lower ranges. As a matter of fact we had no rain whatever during our tramp till we got back to Naihar that is from the 1st of May to the 18th of August. The road from Jangi slopes down gradually to the Asrang or Lippi stream, when, at the bridge, the great Hindustan and Tibet road comes to an end. After crossing we came to a very rough path and our lot was very rough paths indeed till we recrossed this same bridge on the 4th of August. The path turns back towards the Sutlej and gradually ascends the spur running down to the Sutlej that river, and with a gradual course descends again through the cultivated lands of Kano and Labrang to Kanam stream, half a mile beyond where is the village itself. On the map this march appears but a short one if the Lippe bridge is overlooked; but in reality it is a good 12 miles, caused by the immense loop which the road makes up and down the Asrang stream. Kanam is a very large and flourishing village pleasantly situated and smothered in greenery at this season. There is not a spot of ground vacant for pitching even a small tent. We had to make camp under the walls of a small monastery between which and the fields we found a narrow strip of unoccupied ground.

The next march to Sungnam was a most trying one, though only 12 miles. We left the regular roads or rather path to Shipki after about 3 miles and ascended the Benang pass (13,400 feet); then down to the Sungnam stream by a very rough and steep descent, most trying to every one as the Sun played on us with terrific force. The usual route is along the Shipki path over the Sungnam stream to the village of Shaso whence a path leadsup to the village along the left bank; but this would have entailed an extra march. We were tempted to take this short cut over the Benang because there was a snow bridge on the Sungnam stream which saved us the round by Shaso. But we had, a bad time, doing the 12 miles in 12 hours! We had to remain with the coolies as they attempted to abandon our baggage being reluctant to cross the pass and the snow bridge which was certainly a very shaky structure and very near the end of its short life. It was cracked across in several places when pieces of drift wood had to be used to negotiate the gaps which could not be jumped. The Asrang and Ropa valleys are the only two places in Kunawar where steep are found.

We intended spending a couple of weeks here to do some shooting and thus make a pleasant break in our rather monotonous journey. For this purpose we obtained permits from the Simla authorities to shoot a couple of ibex. We were a good deal surprised to find, when the licenses arrived, that these two particular shooting ground (the only ibex valleys in the district) were specially closed and that we could not shoot the game we were permitted to shoot! We were a good deal more than surprised to find, when we reached this part of the country, that these *closed* sporting grounds were already occupied by a gentleman who had shot two ibex and a bear in the Asrang and was now in the Ropa valley a few miles above Sungnam! From our permit it would appear that these ibex grounds are permanently closed to all sportsmen: such certainly was not the case this year. It is difficult to understand why one sportsman should be allowed within protected grounds and others excluded. Either the man in possession was favoured by the permit granted, or he was on the forbidden ground without leave. From inquiries we made it was clear that these valleys were shot yearly by any one coming up this way who cared to do so. The local authorities have no knowledge of the orders closing these shooting grounds and the inhabitants offered no objection and gave us no warning. We wrote to the gentleman who was shooting above Ropa and he was good enough to offer the ground to us. As a matter of fact he cleared out a couple of days after. The ibex in these valleys are certainly not numerous. They frequent the range dividing Kunawar from Spiti if they, are too much molested in one slope they go over to the other. So that protecting them on the Kunawar side and not in Spiti (where there is no protection) is not of much use. These two valleys (Asrang and Ropa) are the extreme limits of ibex in the East; they are found nowhere beyond the Sutlej.

Sungnam is a large village on the left bank of the stream of that name. The country around is very fertile and crops are grown on every patch of ground to which water can be led. Green fields were visible on all sides and as before, we could not find a place for our camp. We pitched our tents in a bare stony spot on the left edge of a deep gorge, all the village being on the right side of it. The gorge was level at the bottom and was crammed with cultivation every drop of which came down the small stream being used for irrigation. The bare bit of ground we occupied was exposed to a cold cutting wind blowing along the valley which added much to our discomfort. The cold at night too made itself felt and we were disagreeably reminded that we had reached colder regions—though it was the end of May. We crossed the Hangrang pass (14,500 feet) in the next march. The ascent was a trying one and the cold and wind most disagreeable. When we got to the crest we unpacked our tea basket and tried to boil the tea over a spirit lamp. It was a long and tedious operation. Though we were in a hollow and somewhat protected, the temperature and wind were entirely against us and the water took a long time, to babble. My friend undertook the operation, but he did not succeed till we had covered him up with waterproofs and all the spare warm things available. His bulky form crouched on hands and knees with the tea-basket almost in his bosom smothered in clothes was a quaint spectacle but we had our tea and his indomitable determination to make the blessed thing boil was rewarded. This was his first experience in boiling water on a high mountain. It took us four hours to get to the crest and another four hours to descend to Hango our camping place. We started in a slight snow storm next morning but it soon cleared off. It was a cool cloudy windy day—*no rain*.After some easy going the path winds round the spur of a bare black mountain from which the first glimpse of the Spiti now is obtained entering through a narrow gorge with perpendicular sides. We then came to a very rough track along rocky bare ground which descends very abruptly for nearly two miles to the village of Lio—a very trying walk for knees and calves. The village lies in a flat plain in the angle formed by the junction of the Lipak stream with Spiti river. Every bit of ground is covered with green fields dotted with apricot trees of great age and girth—now laden with green fruit concealed in dense foliage. The village fields are a perfect gem set in the midst of most savage and forbidding mountains. It was delightfully refreshing to come on it suddenly after staring at ugly mountains for hours. This is the general aspect of this part of the world and such were our feelings at the end of every almost every march we now made. There are long stretches of desolation through which we tramped wearily—to be suddenly refreshed at the end by the sight of a gren spot in utter contrast with its surrounding.

Wearied with monotonous marching we determined to have a shoot, so left the beaten track, went up a steep mountain and down an awful zigzag path to the Yalung stream above which we pitched our Camp. Burhel were said to be plentiful a little further in and we were going for them. We *rode* up the ascent from Lio on Yaks. My friend is a horseman first and many things afterward—so he rides on principle when there is an inch of rideable ground. In this country the only rideable animal is the yak, or jobo, a cross between the lowland cow and highland yak. He is slow and surefooted taking more after his male progenitor than his mother. Even the hill pony is impossible in these mountain tracks so this awkward animal is generally used for riding purposes. Our progress was very slow and trying and I was forced to dismount half way up the slope; my mount also showed such signs of distress with my weight on his back so that I had not the heart to burden him any longer. He was the most comical looking beast, even in the yak line, that I ever saw—quite a Gilbert and Sullivan creation. There is nothing in the present animal kingdom, comparable to him. He struck one as being the only flesh and blood survivor from the age of the heavy mammoth. He was shaped like a bull yak but on a much smaller scale, his hair was the exact colour of the brown snow bear, long, shaggy and hanging down below his sides exactly like that wild beast's coat. His head was broad and massive, covered with long hair surmounted by a fine pair of horns. He gave me the idea of a cross between the Himalayan brown bear and the yak, if such a combination is possible in nature. My friend's mount was the usual beast of the plebald pattern. We spent three days after bunhel but were not successful, my companion getting only one with a small head.

We came down to Shalkar in one march. The village is surrounded by high mountains with clay hills in the immediate neighbourhood of the cultivated country. A small mud hut, in a ruinous condition occupies the centre of the village. Shalkar seems to be in a well—it took us several hours to descend into it and we had a good climb again to get out of it. The map gives one the impression that this is an important place, but we found it a miserable hole shut in all round by ugly mountain's a God forsaken part of His creation. In ancient times no doubt it served its purpose of a watch tower on the frontiers of Tibet now it is only a landmark. There is a shaky wooden bridge across the Spiti river below the village across which is taken a good portion of the trade belonging to the Shipki route. This diversion has been caused by the destruction of the bridge over the Sutlej below Spuch. Traders complained a good deal about the great round they had to make to reach Gartok by coming this way. The Tibetan frontier is a march beyond Shalkar at Churi (Kuri on the map). From this point traders take a sharp turn eastwards, cross a pass and travel through the Chamurti district to Gartok, an extra journey of sevral marches which they are obliged to undertake for the want of a single wooden bridge on the direct route. No wonder the trade languishes owing to this neglect on the part of the authorities.

From Shalkar we crossed, a low passe (Lepcha.ghat, 13,628 feet, in the map, but not known by that name locally) and reached the village of Sumra in two marches—it can be done in one. This is a short cut into Spiti and saved us, four miles by the regular route via Chuni and Jangsam Sumra is the last village in Basahar—our next stage brought us into Spiti. Though we saved some shoe leather by coming this way we were faced by an obstacle which barred our further progress very effectually. To get on to the regular route again, on the left bank of the river, we had, at this village, to cross over in one of those nerve shaking contrivances a "rope bridge"! When we arrived it was not in existence so we had to halt for a day to build it, the materials being collected from villages on both sides of the river. This was effected after several hours shouting and loud talk across the roaring waters. Early next morning I went down to the river to hurry on the construction which required a good expenditure of energy. The first difficulty was to effect communication between the two banks. This was ingeniously contrived. The river, along the left bank flowed at the foot of the range Several feet above the level of the stream, on that side, was the butress and poles on a huge jutting rock, for the ropes; on our side, the right bank, the ground was level where the other butress stood. Two men with long ropes, to the ends of which stones were attached, stood on either bank. The stones were flung simultaneously to be entangled in mid-stream two attempts failed but the third was successful. The man in the left bank then pulled the joined ropes to his side and connection was effected. Other ropes were pulled across and there were soon enough strands to be twisted ino stout cable. To be exact these were seven ropes from the "bridge" and two detached ones for runners by which passengers were pulled across. There was an impression among the builders that there were not enough strands in the cable, but no more could to procured and the verdict was that the bridge was strong enough. Over the cable was adjusted a smooth well—worn piece of wood in the shape of a fowl's breast bone. The angle was placed over the cable and the two lower ends of the triangle lashed firmly together. This "cradle" suspended below the cable and the running ropes attached completed the "bridge which was ready for the passenger who was firmly lashed to the triangle and hung suspended below during his aerial journey. But long before any of our party crossed young men had scrambled over the cable, grasping with hands and feet and pulling themselves along in the most agile manner. The building of the 'bridge' was completed in less than three hours. Thirty loads and eight men had to be passed over this airy construction and it seemed to me that there was a big job before us. Three loads had been sent over, and my bearer, a small wiry man, had effected the passage also when my friend arrived in the scene. He had been on the river bank some distance below us very much interested in the funeral cermonies of a woman who had died in the village. He had taken several photos, but was somewhat disappointed, as the corpse, instead of being carved and the pieces thrown to dogs and vultures, according to the Tibetan Buddhist custom, had been simply tied into a bundle and thrown into the river. He eyed my "bridge" long and earnestly and then delivered his decisions in a few words: "I am fully 2½ maunds in weight and I am not going to cross on that rope"! This was addressed in solemn fashion to the surrounding bridge—builders who seemed well satisfied with their work and were standing around in bakshiish—expectant attitude. At this critical moment, when I thought my persuations were having some effect, the fourth load of our baggage was in mid air and half way across, when one of the strands of the cable, frayed by the function, gave way and hung below swinging in the breeze! my imperturbable friend gazed at the rope fixedly and, again informing us if his exact bodily weight said "I am not going," That was the end of it. The loads and my bearer had to be swung back and we returned to Sumra, accompanied by the smiles of the assembled villagers, to repitch our camp. Writing in cold blood now, six months after this fiasco, I think my friend was right, prudent at any rate, but at the moment I was disappointed as our failure to cross here wrecked the plans we had formed for our further journey.

Another misfortune overtook us now. My friends cook, a weakly stunted looking musalman, collapsed here

entirely and had to be sent back to the plains. He had chronic asthma and suffered intensely when crossing the passes. We thought it advisable to send him back before anything serious happened to him: this mishap crippled us seriously as there was only one man, my servant, left for the important business of cooking. We could not now take different directions when we came to our shooting grounds and had to divide our camp to get at the game. We would be bound to remain together and be probably in each others way. And there was always the contingency of my man also falling sick and placing us in a most awkward situation. As the river had baffled us we had to choose between two courses: continue our journey along the right bank to the next "bridge" and hope for better things or return ignominiously the way we had come! We chose the former. We divided our camp things, most we sent across my "bridge" with my bearer to meet us again at the next crossing place, 20 miles further up the river at Pokhto (Po on the map). We had a frightful time. It took us four days to do this distance, but one we spent trying unsuccessfully for burhel. There was not even a path and for many hundreds of yards at a time holes had to be cut in the steep hill sides to prevent us from rolling over precipices. When we were not crawling along these holes we were slithering down steep slopes which, of the two modes of progression was the most trying. The biggest trial, however, was the easy and well beaten track within plain view of us, sometimes not a quarter, of a mile distant—across the river! Over this road most of our baggage had gone and over it we also should have travelled. My servant with the things reached Pokhto two days before us and was camped on one side of the river across the rope bridge and received us smilingly. We had few smiles to spare when we arrived after our rough and terrible journey. Next morning we went into the large village of Mani, 5 miles further up the river as no supplies could be procured at the bridge. We rode of course as the path was ridable for yaks—and I had the pleasure of a pip from my animal who bolted with me over rocky ground at his best pace! No damage was done. We reached Mani on the 15th of June and made a long halt there.

S. J. S.

Fishing.

A HUGE TURTLE.

At the end of last December I was fishing from a small jolly boat off the coast of Kathiawar, opposite a place called Shil, in six fathoms of water and about half a mile from the beach. Being after a species of rock cod, plentiful thereabout, I was fishing on the bottom with a heavy bonita line and large hook.

I was enjoying quite good sport as I had ten nice fish in the boat ranging from 2½ lbs. to 12 lbs.; when I felt a more than usual heavy pull at my line, and found that whatever I had hooked was something much beyond an ordinary rock god. I soon found I should never do much good at anchor as the boat was being pulled all over the place; so I had the anchor got up and a few minutes after, to my great surprise, a huge turtle came to the surface with a rush, which was the first idea I had of what I had hooked.

For an hour and a half we were towed all over the place eventually getting about two and a half miles from land by which time the turtle had been conquered and made fast alongside the boat, and was towed back like that for about four miles to the ship at anchor that I was commanding and hoisted on board where it turned the scale at 325 lbs.

The curious part of the whole thing is that the turtle was hooked under the left fore flipper, so he must have crawled over my bait when it was lying on the rocks at the bottom.

I might mention also in case of any of your readers having the same experience, the way in which he was finally mastered as it is easy to realize the tremendous power a turtle of that size has in the water with only an ordinary fishing line and hook to check him.

I had been towed about by the animal for an hour or so and came to the conclusion that it might go on for ever unless something else was done, so my device was to run another big fishing line with a loop and piece of lead down the line the turtle was fast to with the idea that by keeping it slack the turtle would eventually get his flippers entangled in the loose line during his frantic efforts to escape, which eventually happened in about half an hour; so with the two lines fast to him we were able to drag him to the boat's side and get a rope round his flippers and so secured him.

S. D. V.

OBSERVATIONS, ORIGINAL AND OTHERWISE.

Fancy Flies.

When anglers meet together by the trout stream for lunch or in the ingle-nook on the happy winter evenings few subjects are more frequently wrangled over in the amiable manner, however, common to all good fishermen, than the claims of fancy flies and their values. People obstinately cling to one side or the other of the question. It is seldom an angler can be found who is indifferent and uses fancy flies or not as happens best to suit his convenience. And yet the truth seems to lie half-way between the two contestants. Like Sir Roger de Coverly's celebrated decision on the double-faced sign board, a good deal can be said on both sides of the question. With regard to salmon and sea trout there can be no controversy. These two fish confessedly take fancy lures like nothing else in earth, sky or water. Indeed, the best authorities suppose that salmon and sea trout take those gorgeous creations of feather and silk and tinsel for shrimps or other small crustaceans and do not at all regard them as flies. No one can fathom the consciousness of the salmon, but the effect of using fancy flies when attempting to catch it certainly looks as if it were so. The earliest mention of artificial flies in the annals of fishing shows that originally some idea of exact imitation was attached to fly-making. The Macedonians, who employed this device, endeavoured to make their fly resemble the hippurus, a kind of fly like the hornet, and this was effected by means of scarlet wool for bodies, and hackles from the cock's neck for wings. This primitive fly must have resembled a glorified red hackle fly rather than the insect which they intended it to portray. Here again the advocates for and against fancy flies can find arguments.

Fancy flies would have found no favor with Plato had that philosopher been an angler. The keystone of his system of ideas was that perfect and glorified ideals of everything existed in heaven. Everything on earth below was better or worse according as it approximated or was divergent from that type. A fancy fly is as far as possible removed from even any perfect insect here below. It arises from the fly-dresser working on some generally received lines, traditionally supposed to represent some kind of fly. Gradually this passes from the type itself so imperfect. Then a customer suggests that a blue or red body be given to the fly. Another wishes teal wings instead of starling or the like, because he thinks that in this form it will be more attractive to the fish. Then by a brilliant stroke of business fervour the manufacturer of this marvellous creature, which like the Alexandra fly resembles nothing in creation, being compounded of silver tinsel, white hackle and the curled fibres of the peacock tail feather, gives it a telling name and then, presto! the fly's fortune is made. It becomes the Blue Jumbo, the Boycotter, or the like. Such is the genesis of many fancy flies. Others are evolved from some celebrated angler's intuition. Thus Professor John Wilson ("Christopher North") was quite of the opinion that fancy flies were the right thing and ordered gross after gross of nameless flies. And no doubt a great many of these flies became famous. A legend runs that on one occasion when on a tour of the Highlands of Scotland with his wife, the professor having exhausted his supply of flies was reduced to fastening the petals of buttercups on hooks with scraps of grass or leaves to imitate legs and wings. How these were retained on the hooks is not stated, but the result was so satisfactory that it led to the fashioning with yellow silk body the far-famed Professor fly.

A Home-Made Hook.

Select any pattern of hook that may be suitable for the purpose required, whether it be O'Shaughnessy, Pennell, Sproat, Limerick or Sneck and before you go outdoors sit down in the house with a pair of lock-spring pliers or a jeweler's vise and a fine flat file. Fasten your hook and go to filing from just below the barb towards and to the point, making it a four-sided and four-angled tapering needle. In making the inner facet file away two-thirds of that barbarous barb; reduce the size of hook at the barb from one-quarter to one-half. Do not file the taper round; let it remain four-sided. Now take a jeweler's eye-glass magnifying two and a half times and look at your hook. What a beauty! She will go in now and will not slip nor linger. She is no longer a toy; she is a tool, a mechanical instrument that will do duty at a moment's notice. Do you doubt? Put your glass on an unfiled hook, with all its asperities of Japan and coarse finish, and your eyes will see; you will have a revelation you will never forget, and the fish will answer your stroke. That is the chief end of fishing.

The reason why the ordinary make of hook is of too large barb and comparatively blunt point, which enters the fish with a round point, is due to the defects in manufacture. The wire is at first straight and it is then cut a certain length, passed on to a machine which by means of sharp knife cuts the barb. This straight barbed wire is sharpened and then passed on to a boy or girl operative, who, taking the wire in a pair of tweezers, hooks the barb round a mould fixed in the end of a metal tool, and turns the wire into the shape of the mould which is of any of the aforesaid makes. This is the hook in its soft state. The next process is a heating in a sort of frying pan to a certain heat over a charcoal fire, and when a color of the right kind is reached, which the practiced eye of the temperer determines, the pan of hooks are cast into a bath of oil which cools and hardens the steel. This is the process of hook making and as a rule suffices for the wants of the average angler; but it is evident that as these hooks are made chiefly by boy and girl labour, except in the very highest grades, the pointing of the hook and its outset of the barb is likely to be imperfect. Hence the necessity for refiling and the carrying of a file whenever one goes fishing to improve the keenness of the weapon which is sure to become dull on wear and tear unless sharpened as directed.

Flying Fishes' Habits and Manners.

The habits and manner of flight of the flying fish have been a matter of investigation which is interesting, but I have received only limited notice from writers on this mysterious fish. A voyager whose name is not given by the Biological Society of Washington, to which he reported, appears to have had peculiar and exact opportunities for observation, and his record is as follows: An excellent opportunity for observing how flying fish fly, was afforded me during six days' calm, lately passing over the Bay of Bengal. I watched day by day some hundreds passing under the bow of the ship. The water surface was glassy calm. As each fish rose it spread its wings, apparently beating the surface with them with two or three strokes before they steadied out. I say apparently, for it was not so much a definite beat as a struggle to rise. The tail, which of course under water was in rapid motion to escape from the ship, now gave ten or a dozen rapid beats which could be counted by the ripples on the still surface, and the fish was off in aerial flight. As each fish lost the inpetus of the first rise, which generally happened at about forty yards, the binocular showed us the anal fins, which had till now been fully extended, drooping to feel the water. As soon as the surface was felt the tail was introduced, and five or six smart strokes, also indicated by riples, brought the impetus up again and carried the fish about another thirty yards, when another droop sent it on again and so forth, some of the older fish travelling in this way 400 or 500 yards. The younger fish frequently fell awkwardly in this attempt to regain impetus. When the waves are running it requiries a clever fish to gain impetus on the crest of a wave, and many a fish tumbles back in the water again in the attempt.

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MANGE IN DOGS.

TO THE EDITOR OF "THE INDIAN FIELD."

Sir,—Could you recommend me a good cure for red mange in dogs? One of my terriers is very bad with it and has been so for some time. I have tried several remedies to no effect. The extraordinary part of the thing is, that it does not seen to be contagious as none of my other dogs are a whit affected.

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VARIOUS NOTES.

TO THE EDITOR OF "THE INDIAN FIELD."

Sir,—Naturalists recognise six local races of African Elephants.—Generally speaking these are distinguished from are another by the size and shape of ear. In the dwarf elephants of the Congo, small size is the predominating characteristic; while another race from the South Cameroons are noticeably different in colour to other African Elephants. These six provincial varieties are as follows:—

1. The South African race—*Elephas Africanus. Capensis.*

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2. The West African Elephant—*E. A. Cyclotis.* Found in the West Cameroons. Has large oval shaped ears. The skin is mosaic like in texture, and of a paler grey than that of other elephants.

3. The Soudan Elephant—*E. A. oxyotis.*

The ears of this race are smaller, and semi circular in shape.

4. The East African Elephant—*E. A. Knechenhauer.*

Found in German East Africa. Its ears are still smaller, and triangular in shape. A specimen 11 feet 4 inches high, now set up in the South Kensington Museum, has ears 4 feet 2½ inches long by 3 feet 5 inches broad.

5. The Dwarf Elephant of the Congo.—*E. A. Pumilio.*

The height of this race very probably does not exceed 7 feet.

6. The Albert Nyanza Elephant—*E. A. Albertensis.*

This variety has a very broad short skull.

The fine specimen of the East African race now set up in the South Kensington Museum is a recent addition to the collection. This elephant is 11 feet 4 inches in height at the top of the back, and stands in a most life like attitude with its trunk extended, in the central hall of the building. Being raised on a platform some 15 inches above the floor of the hall, the great bull looke even more imposing than nature intended, The tusks of this specmen are models of a very fine pair, taken from another elephant killed in East Africa. The Museum Elephant's own skull and tusks are shown separately, close to.

Another recent addition is a fine specimen of the Alaskan Moose. *Alces machlis gigas*, or *Alces Alces gigas*. This like the elephant is set up complete. It stands 6 feet 4 inches at the shoulder, and the width of the horn span is 4 feet 11½ inches.

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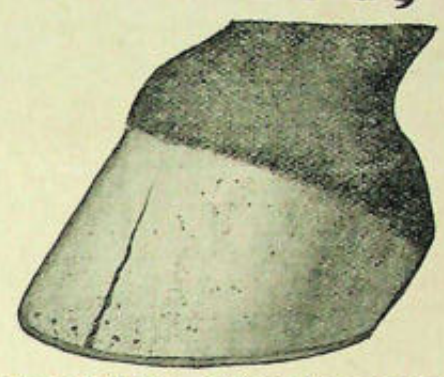

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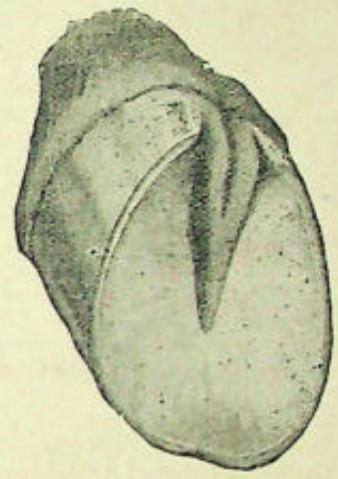

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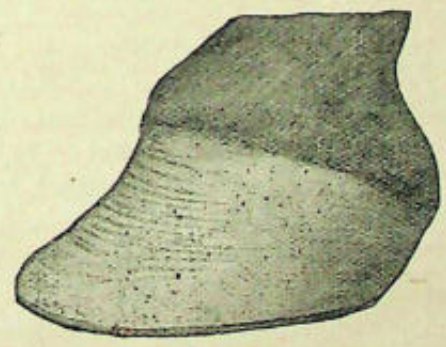

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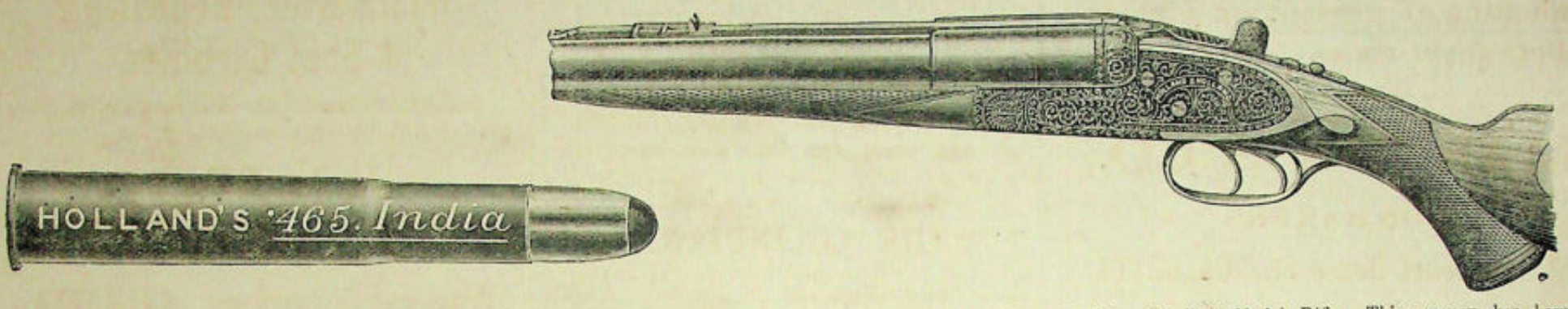

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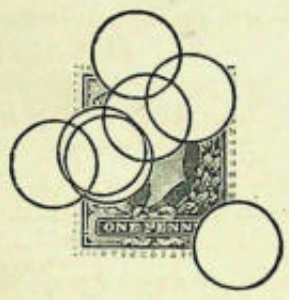

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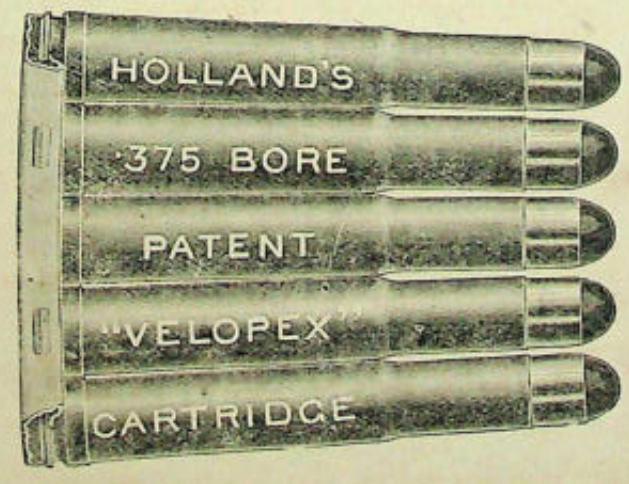

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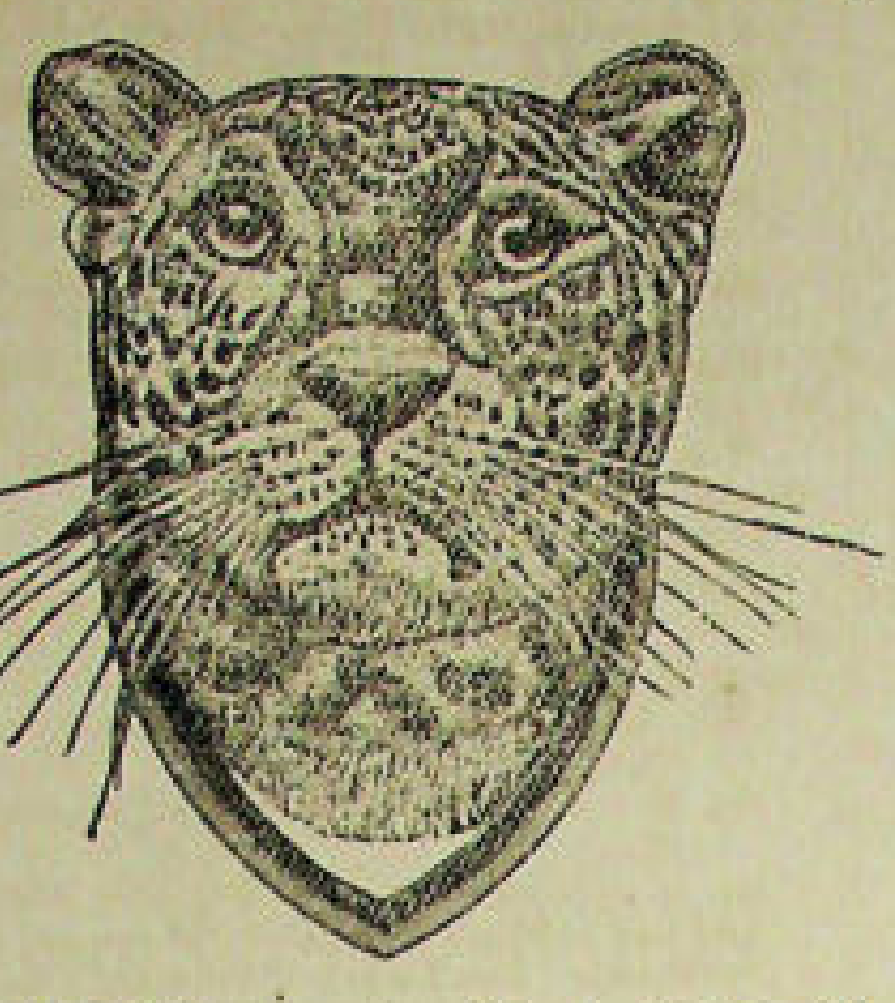

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INDIAN RACING FIXTURES

Name of Races.	Month.	Date
Bombay Fourteenth Extra — ..	Mar.	30
Lahore Spring .. — ..	"	2? & 30
Punjab Army Chases .. — ..	"	28 & 30
Bangalore March Handicap — ..	"	26 & 28
Magwe Spring	"	28 & 30
Maulmein Spring —	"	28 & 30
Karachi Spring	April	23, 25 & 27
Jubbulpore Spring —	"	2, 4 & 6
Quetta Spring .. .. —	May	21, ?? & 26
Simla Summer .. — ..		18 & 20 June
Ootacamund	"	7, 9 & 11
Shillong .. —	"	4 & 6
Mussoorie .. — — ..	"	6 & 18
Mysore .. — — —	June	25, 27 & 29
Poona Races —	Sep.	7, 11, 14, 18, 21, 2? & 22

CLOSING DATES OF ENTRIES.

Karachi Spring .. —	Third ..	.. 9th April.
Quetta Spring .. —	First ..	.. 14th April.
	Second ..	.. 30th April.
	Third ..	.. 10th May.
Shillong .. .. —	Day before the Races.	
Mysore	First ..	.. 15th April
	Second ..	.. 1?th May
	Third ..	— 15th June.

INDIAN SPORTING FIXTURES

POLO.

Beresford Tournament, Simla ..	.. 10th June.
Mussoorie Tournament ..	.. 6th May.
Mysore Birthday Tournament ..	.. 24th June

SHOWS.

Great Punjab Horse Show	.. 1st, 2nd & 3rd April.
Simla Horse Show — —	— In June

BOXING.

Poona Tournament	.. 22nd to 27th April.
Sirhind Tournament, Simla ..	.. 11th to ?7th July.

FOOTBALL.

Durand Tournament — ..	— In September.

HOCKEY.

Beighton Cup Tournament — —	— Begins 17th April.

ENGLISH RACING FIXTURES.

(Principal Races in 1907.)

Queen's Prize (1 mile)	Monday, 1st April.
Craven Stakes (1 mile 22½yards.)	Thursday, 8th April.
Great Metropolitan Stakes (2¼ miles)	Tuesday, 23rd April.
City and Suburban (1¼ mile) ..	Wednesday, 24th April.
Two Thousand Guineas (1 mile)	Wednesday, ?st May.
One Thousand Guineas (1 mile)	Friday, 3rd May.
Chester Cup (2¼ miles)	Wednesday, 8th May.
Kempton Park Great Jubilee Handicap (1¼ mile) ..	Saturday, 11th May.
Newmarket Stakes (1 mile 2 furlongs)	Wednesday, 15th May.
Manchester Cup (1½ mile) .. — ..	Friday, 24th May.
Prix du Jockey Club (1½ mile) — ..	Saturday, 2nd June.
The Derby (1½ mile) .. — —	Wednesday, 5th June.
The Coronation Cup (1½ mile)	Thursday, ?th June.
The Oaks (1½ mile)	Friday, 7th June.
Grand Prix de Paris (1 mile 7 furlongs) ..	Sunday, 16th June.
Ascot Stakes (2 miles)	Tuesday, 18th June.
Ascot Gold Vase (2 miles)	Tuesday, 18th June.
Royal Hunt Cup (7 furlongs 166 yards)	Wednesday, 19th June.
Gold Cup (1½ mile) .. .. —	Thursday, 20th June.
New Stakes (5 furlongs 144 yards) .. —	Thursday, 20th June.
Hardwicke Stakes (1½ miles) .. —	Friday 21st June.
Northumberland Plate (2 miles)	Wednesday, 26th June.
July Stakes (Newmarket) (5 furlongs 144 yards) —	Tuesday, 2nd July.
Princess of Wales' stakes (1 mile 4 furlongs) ..	Thursday, 4th July.
Eclipse Stakes (1¼ mile)	Friday, 19th July.
Liverpool Cup (1 mile 3 furlongs) ..	Friday, 26th July.
Steward's Cup (Goodwood) (6 furlongs)	Tuesday, 30th July.
Goodwood Plate (2 miles)	Wednesday 31st July.
Goodwood Cup (2⅝ miles)	Thursday, 1st August.
Brighton Cup (1¼ mile)	Wednesday, 7th August.
Great Northern Leger (1 mile 5 furlongs) ..	Wednesday, 21st August
Prince of Wales Plate (5 furlongs)	Tuesday, 2?th August.
Great Ebor Handicap (1¾ mile.) — —	Wednesday, 28th August
Gimcrack Stakes (6 furlongs)	Thursday, 29th August.
Great Yorkshire Handicap (1 mile 6furs. 132yrds.) ..	Tuesday, 1?th September.
Champagne Stakes (Doncaster) (5 furs. 152 yrds.) ..	Tuesday, 10th September.
St. Leger (1 mile 6 furlongs 132 yards) . ..	Wednesday, 11th Septr.
Doncaster Cup (2 miles)	Friday, 13th September.
Prince Edward Handicap (1¼ mile) — ..	Saturday, 21st Septr.
Jockey Club Stakes (1¾ mile) .. —	Thursday, 3rd October.
Prix du Conseil Municipal (Paris) 1½ mile) ..	Sunday, 6th October.
Duke of York stakes (1¼ mile) — ..	Saturday, 12th October.
Cesarewitch Stakes (2¼ miles) .. —	Wednesday, 16th October
Middle Park Plate (6 furlongs)	Friday, 1?th October.
Cambridgeshire Stakes — — ..	Wednesday, 30th Octr.
Dewhurst Plate (7 furlongs)	Thursday, 31st Octr.
Liverpool Autumn Cup (1 mile 3 furlongs) ..	Friday, 8th November.
Manchester November Handicap (1½ mile) ..	Saturday 23rd Novr.

ENGLISH SPORTING FIXTURES.

English Amateur Cup Final (Association) —	30th March.
England vs. Scotland (Association)	6th April.
Tennis Championship, Fairs vs. Latham ..	6th May.
England vs. Scotland (Amateur Golf)	25th May.
Amateur Golf Championship .. —	28th May.
Golf Open Championship	20th June.
England vs. South Africa (Cricket)	1st July.
Henley Regatta .. .. .. —	3rd, 4th & 5th July.
Oxford vs. Cambridge (Cricket)	4th July.
Amateur Athletic Championships . ..	6th July.
Eton vs. Harrow (Cricket)	12th July.
Gentlemen vs. Players (Cricket) .. —	17th July.
England vs. South Africa (Cricket) —	29th July.
Rugby vs. Marlborough (Cricket) .. .	31st July.
Dublin Horse Show —	27th August.

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Mr. Artin Essayie's Express, 7st. 12lbs. ...	Heeroo	3
Mr. A. Sabeah's Deenar, 8st. 11lbs.	C. B. Mahomed	0

Also ran: Boonian, 8-6; Kawakib, 8-3; Petroleum, 8-3; Joker, 7-13; Manchester, 8-3.

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Mr. A. Andria's Emir, 8st. 1?lbs. ...	Melsom	2
Mr. N. Aodoola's Abdulla, 8st. 4lbs. ...	Native	3
Mr Alibintalib's Dhaman, 8st 7lbs.	C. B. Mahomed	0

Also ran: Rackham, 8-7; Engine, 8-1; Silver Stream, 8-1; Stamboul, 8-9; Tuticorin, 7-1

Betting: 5 to 4 on Gaucho, 6 to 1 agst. Emir, 7 to 1 Rackham, 8 to 1 Dhaman and Engine, larger odds the others.

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Mr. Meredith's Epitome, 8st. 4lbs. ...	Bradshaw	2
Mr. S. D. Mehta's Blue Blood, 8st ...	A. Hoyt	3
Mr. B. P. R. Chowdury's Belle Cole, 8st. ... 6lbs.	Yining	0

Also ran: Greenstone, 9 5 Gunner, 8-9.

Betting: 2 to 1 agst. Epitome and Virbalia, 5 to 1 Blue Blood, 6 to 1 Greenstone and Gunner, 7 to 1 Belle Cole.

Won by a length; half a length between second and third. Time—1min. 3secs.

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Mr. D. L. Khimjee's Remembrance, 8st. 7lbs.	Melsom	2
Mr. Alibin Talib's Hodhar, 9st. 12lbs.	C. B. Mahomed	3
Mr. R. R. S.'s. Multiform, 9st. ...	Heeroo	0

Also ran: Swordsman, 9-3; Wadi, 9-3; Monsoon, 8-12; Spearmint, 8-6.

Betting: 5 to 2 agst. Hard, 4 to 1 Spearmint and Remembrance, 5 to 1 Scarlet, 6 to 1 Monsoon and Multiform, 12 to 1 and 1? to 1 the others.

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Mr. A. M. Ameer's The Barb, 8st. 3lbs. ... Gyssuff 3
Mr. H. Dawood's Thuvvar, 8-t. 6lbs. ... Ames 0

Also ran: Basheer, 8-6; Romance, 8-6; Rock Salt, 8-6; Talal, 8 3; Rabliss, 8-3.

BETTING: 6 to 4 on Basheer 5 to 1 agst. Thuvvar and Talal; 7 to 1 Rock Salt and Dumra; any price the others.

Won by a length and a quarter; a head between second and third. Time 1min. 25⅘secs.

CONSOLATION SELLING PLATE.—Winner, Rs. 200; second, Rs. 100, third, s. 50 6 furlongs.

Mr. J. A. Andrias' Canter, 8st. 8lbs ... Heeroo 1
Mr. Buttonshaw's Greylock 9st. 2lb. C. B. Mahomed 2
Mr. N. J. Jacob's Asad, 8st. 10lbs. ... Kamad 3

BETTING: 6 to 4 on Asad, 5 to 4 agst. Canter, 6 to 1 Greylock.

Won by a length and a half; six lengths between second and third. Time—1min 25⅘secs.

IMPORTERS' SELLING PLATE—Winner, Rs. 200; second Rs. 100; third, Rs 50. furlongs.

Mr. A. K Dakaree's Jubbulpore ... Yussuff 1
Mr. L. Abdulamana's Jalmond, 7st. 13lbs. ... Abdoola 2
Messrs. Hossein and Shashtary's Scipio, 7-t. 7lbs. .. .. Kamal 3
Mr. M. Binbaker's Young Kolah, 7st. 10lbs. ... ... Hazza 0

Also ran: Boonian, 8-11 (car. 8 12), Namoos, 8-8; Liboral, 8-5; Narcissus, 8 2; Happy Land, 7 10 (car. 7-13).

BETTING: 2 to 1 agst. Scipio, 3 to 1 Liberal and Narcissus, 6 to 1, Happy Land, 8 to 1, Jalmond, and any prices against the rest.

Won by half a length; a length and a half between second and third. Time.—1 min. 10⅘secs.

BOMBAY THIRTEENTH EXTRA MEETING.

Saturday, 23rd March 1907.

THE NEW ARAB PONY SELLING PLATE.—Winner, Rs. 200 second, Rs. 100; third, 50. For Maiden Arabs 14 hands and under, landed since 1st July 1906. 5 furlongs.

Mr. Vaid's Glass (Rs. 400), 7st. 6lbs., ... Melsom 1
Mr. Abdullamana's Jalmond (Rs. 800), 7st. 12lbs. .. .. Heeroo 2
Mr. Barton Coulson's Narcissus (800), 8st. 1lb. (car. 8st 2lbs.), ... Oomerkhan 3
Mr. H. Binobayed's Mashan (Rs. 600), 7st. ... ... Abdoola 0

Also ran: Young Kolah (Rs. 700), 7-6 (car. 7-7); and Sheshah (Rs. 600); 7-8.

BETTING: Evens Jalmond, 2 to 1 agst. Glass, 6 to 1 Narcissus, and longer odds the others.

Won easily by one and quarter lengths; two and a half lengths between second and third. Time.—1min. 10⅘secs.

Winner bought in for Rs. 2,100. Jalmond sold to Jaffar Mistry for Rs. 1,900.

THE SMALL ARAB CONSOLATION PLATE.—Winner, Rs. 500; second, Rs. 200; third, Rs. 100. A High Weight Handicap for Arabs 13 3 and under, which have not won a race value Rs. 150 or over since 31st March 1906. 5 furlongs.

Mr. Runcordass' Engine, 8st. ... Kamad 1
Mr. Artin Esayie's Little Joker, 9st. ... Heeroo 2
Colonel Abad's Musket X., 8st. 5lbs. . A. Hyot 3
Mr. Kelso's Young Gazelle, 9st. 9lbs. ... Vining 0

Also ran: Burbon, 7-11; and Silverstream, 7-3.

BETTING: 5 to 4 on Young Gazelle, 3 to 1 agst. Musket, 4 to 1 Little Joker, 6 to 1 Bourbon, 12 to 1 Engine, and 20 to 1 Silverstream.

Won by a head; three quarters of a length between second and third. Time—1min 9secs.

THE VEHAR PLATE.—Winner, Rs. 500; second, Rs. 200; third, Rs 100. A High Weight Handicap for Arabs 14 hands and under. 7 furlongs.

Mr. Kelso's Hermit, 9st. 3lbs.... ... Vining 1
Mr. Desouza's Sirjamal, 7st. 13lbs. ... A. Hoyt 2
Mr. R. R. S's Mint, 8st. 12lbs. ... Heeroo 3
Mr. T. Tejpal's Antica, 7st. 11lbs. (car. 8st 3lb). .. .. Foster 0

Also ran: Oriental, 9-7; Eed, 9 0; Falsestart, 8-8; Osborne, 8-6; Zurriff, 7-10; Caravan, 7-8; and Lomond, 7-10.

BETTING: 5 to 2 agst. Hermit, 3 to 1 Zurriff, 4 to 1 Antica and Eed, 6 to 1 Oriental, and Falsestart, and any price the others.

Won by a head; half a length between the second and third. Time—1 min 37⅘secs

ARAB CONSOLATION PLATE.—Winner, Rs. 500; second, Rs. 200; third, Rs. 100. A High Weight Handicap for Arabs which have not won race value Rs. or over since 31st March 1906. 1 mile.

Mr. W. J Hutchin's Vocalist, 9st. 4lbs. ... Ames 1
Mr. R. R S's. Come Back, 9st 8lbs. ... Vining 2
Mr. Vaids' Mandeville. 6st. 12lbs. ... Melsom 3
Mr. W. J Hutchin's Baritone, 9st. 12lbs., ... Fisher 0

Also ran: Shotover, 9-10; Ceres, 8-0; and Maraschino, 7-6.

BETTING: 5 to 2 agst. Come Back and Mandeville, 4 to 1 Baritone and Ceres, 10 to 1 Shotover, and 20 to 1 Vocalist and Maraschino.

Won by a length; a neck between second and third. Time—1min. 5secs.

ARAB CONSOLATION PLATE.—Winner, Rs. 500; second, Rs 200; third, Rs. 100. A High Weight Handicap for Horses which have not won a race value Rs. 500 or over, since 31st March 1906. 6 furlongs.

Mr. M. A Khan's Nooman, 8st. 5lbs. ... Vining 1
Mr T Tejpal's Antica, 7st. 12lbs. ... Kanoo 2
Mr. R R S's Vasco, 8st 12lbs. ... Heeroo 3
Messrs Gocaldas, Nanjee's and Waheed's Highborn, 7st. 5lbs. ... ... A. Hoyt 0

Also ran: Ashroff, 9-3; Hadhur, 9-3; Moorsel, 8-10; Berlin, 8 9; Scarlet, 8-0; car. 8-3); Whitewhile, 7-13; Royal Red, 7-10; Whiteface, 7-6; and Panala II., 7-2.

BETTING: 4 to 1 agst Vasco and Berlin, 5 to 1 Hadhur, 6 to 1 Highborn, 7 to 1 Nooman, Scarlet and Panala II. 8 to 1 Ashroff, and any price the others.

Won by a head; a neck between the second and third; a good fourth. Time—1min 5 secs.

THE PONY HUNTERS' PLATE—Winner, Rs. 200; second, Rs. 100; third, Rs. 50. For Arabs and C.-B. Ponies 14-3 and under and Ponies other classes 14 1 and under which have never won flat race value Rs. 50 or over. 1 mile 5 furlongs.

Mr. T. D. Moore's Akbarkhan, 10st. (carried 10 t. 4lbs) .. Mr. O. Symmons 1
Mr. Morrison's Khurdie, 10st. (carried 10st. 4lbs.), ...Capt. Meynell 2
Mr. A T Laing's Bill Bailey, 11st. (car. 11st. 4lbs) .. .. Mr. Griffin 3
Cant Cross' Ladyboy, 12st. ... ... Owner 0

Also ran: Chitchat, 10-0; (car. 10-4); and Sally, 12 0; (car 12-4).

BETTING: Evens Akbarkhan, 5 to 2 agst. Khurdie, 7 to 1 Ladyboy, 8 to 1 Bill Bailey, and 10 to 1 the others.

Won by about twenty lengths; one length between the second and third. Time not taken.

THE SELLING PLATE.—Winner, Rs. 200; second, Rs. 100; third Rs. 50. For Maiden Arabs or ponies 14-2 hands and under. 6 furlongs.

Mr. A. S. Oomer's Courtmartial, (Rs. 1,000) 8st. 4lbs. ... ... Oomerkhan 1
Mr. Morrison's Canter (Rs. 700), 7st. 4lbs. (car. 7st. 9lbs) ... ... A. Hoyt 2
Mr. Shahabahmed's Chumchuman (Rs. 600), 7st. 11b. (car. 7st. 3lbs.) ... Native 3
Buderbunaiwa's Namoos, (Rs. 600), 7st. 11b. (car. 7st. 6lbs) ... ... Yussuff 0

BETTING: 6 to 4 on Canter, 5 to 2 agst. Courtmartial, 6 to 1 each Namoos and Chumchuman

Won by a length, two lengths between the second and third. Time—1min. 23secs.

Winner bought by Mr. Rammol for Rs. 1,900.

MADRAS WINTER MEETING.

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Honorary Secretary—A. P. SYMONDS, ESQ.

First Day, Tuesday, 12th March 1907.

THE meeting opened under dispiriting conditions: the attendance was poor and the fields small, though in one or two instances the racing was not devoid of a certain interest. Details:—

THE MYSORE PLATE.—Rs. 200 to the winner. A hurdle race for horses. Weights—W. A. and C. raised 2st. 1½ miles, over 6 flights.

Mr. P. Hannyngton's b aus g Advance, 11st. 7lbs. ... ... Owner 1
Mr. Syed Nazir's b aus g Banazier, 10st. 7lbs. ... ... W. Alford 2
Mr. Guy Liddell's ch aus g Sunny Jim, 10st. 7lbs., declared 10lbs. ... Mr. A.H. Steele 3

BETTING: 3 to 1 on Advance, 2 to 1 agst Sunny Jim, and 4 to 1 Banazier.

Won easily by eight lengths; three lengths between second and third. Time—3mins. 11⅕secs.

The totalisator paid Rs. 2-8.

H. H. THE KUMARICA SAHEBA OF VIZIANAGRAM PLATE. Rs. 200 to the winner and Rs. 100 to the second. For ponies 14-2 and under which have not won flat races of the value of Rs. 200 or over, amounting in the aggregate to Rs. 500 or over, since 1st April 1905. Weights—14-2 to carry 11-7. W. I. ½ mile.

Mr. L. Joyce's b aus g Fortunatus, 11st. 11lbs. ... ... W. Alford 1
Mr. C. E. Tayleur's b e m Marechale Niel, 8sts. 3lbs., declared 11b. ... ... Robertson 2
Mr. A. P. Symonds's bk aus m Cleopatra II., 12st. ... ... Capt. T. H. Symons 3

Also ran: Pompadour, 10-8; Blazes, 9-12, declared 13lbs.; Heather, 9 5.

BETTING: 4 to 1 agst. Cleopatra II., 6 to 1 each Fortunatus, Pompadour and Heather, 7 to 1 Blazes, and evens Marèchale Niel.

Won by four lengths; three lengths between second and third. Time—53⅘secs.

The Totalisator paid Rs. 16-4.

THE SHEE GODAVERY PLATE.—Rs. 200 to the winner. For maiden horses which have not won flat races of the value of Rs. 50 or over, amounting in the aggregate to Rs. 800 or over, since 1st April 1905. Weight—W. A. and C. raised 21lbs. 5 furlongs.

Mr. P. Hannyngton's bk aus g Black Knight, 10st. 6lbs. ... ... Thomnson 1
Rajah Rajagopaul Bahadur's ch aus g Rapid Prince, 10st. 2lbs. ... W. Alford 2
Major R. H. Elliot's ch aus g The Red Knight, 9st. 9lbs. ... ... H. McQuade 3

BETTING: 4 to 1 on Black Knight, 5 to 4 agst. Rapid Prince, 8 to 1 The Red Knight.

Won by four lengths; three lengths between second and third. Time—1min. 10⅘secs.

The Totalisator paid Rs. 3 4.

THE SUBSTITUTED LEONIDAS PLATE.—Rs. 125 to the winner, Rs. 50 to the second, and Rs. 25 to the third. For *bona fide* polo ponies. 2 furlongs.

Capt. G. Jackson's b a g Hailfellow, 10st. 7lbs. ... ... Robertson 1
Mr. W H. Oakes's br aus m Mascotte, 12st. ... ... Mr. A. H. Steele 2
Mr. A. J. Yorke's gr aus g Ninepins, 12st. W. Alford 3

Also ran: White Legs, 10 7; Harefoot, 10-7; Afridi, 10 7.

BETTING: 3 to 1 agst. Mascottee, 3 to 1 Ninepins, 2 to 1 on Hailfellow, 6 to 1 each White Legs and Harefoot, and 10 to 1 Afridi.

Won by two and a half lengths; one and a half lengths between second and third. Time—27⅘secs.

The Totalisator paid Rs. 3-4.

THE DHARAKOTTA PLATE.—Rs 200 to the winner. For ponies 14-1 and under. Weights—14-1 to carry 11-7. W. I. 5 furlongs.

Mr C. E. Tayleur's b e m Marèchale Niel, 9st. 11b. ... ... Robertson 1
Major R H. Hayes's ch aus g K.C.S.I., 10st. 11lbs. ... ... Thompson 2
Mr. W. H Oakes's b aus m Tulip, 10st. 6lbs., declared 4lbs. ... ...Mr. A. H. Steele 3

BETTING: 6 to 4 agst. K.C.S.I., 6 to 1 Tulip, 2 to 1 on Marèchale Niel.

Won by two lengths; bad third. Time—1min 10⅘secs.

Second Day, Thursday, 14th March 1907.

There was a sparse attendance to-day and the fields were completely dispiriting; the sport was, as a natural consequence, hardly worth looking at. Details:—

THE JEYPORE PLATE.—Rs. 200 to the winner. A hurdle race for ponies 14-2 and under. Weights—14-2 to carry 11st. 7lbs. W. I. Penalties—Winners of a hurdle race value Rs 140 or over, once 4lbs.; twice 7lbs.; thrice or oftener 10lbs. Allowances—Ponies, which have never won a hurdle race value Rs. 50 or over, 7lbs. 1¼ miles, over six flights.

Major R. H. Hayes's ch aus g K.C.S.I., 9st. 13lbs. ... ... Ferguson 1
Mr. W. H. Oakes's b aus m Tulip, 9st. 13lbs. ... ... Reys 2
Mr. G. H. Lyle's br aus m Heather, 9st., declared 8lbs. ... ... W. Alford 3

BETTING: Even K.C.S.I., 2 to 1 agst Tulin, 2 to 1 on Heather.

Won by many lengths; bad third. Time—3mins. 8⅕secs.

The Totalisator paid Rs. 3-8.

THE MERCHANTS' PLATE.—Rs. 200 to the winner and Rs. 100 to the second. A handicap for Arab and C.-B. ponies 14-1 and under. 5 furlongs.

Kumara Rajah of Pittapore's g a g Claude Duval, 7st. 7lbs. declared 7lbs. ... Meah Jan 1
Capt. G. Jackson's b a g Hailfellow, 11st. 7lbs. ... .. Mr. P. Hannyngton 2
Mr. C. E. Tayleur's b a h Charles Edward, 10lbs. 6lbs. ... ... Robertson 3

Also ran: Surhid, 11-1.

BETTING:—Evens Hailfellow, 3 to 1 agst. the rest.

Won by a neck; three lengths between second and third. Time—1min. 12secs.

The Totalisator paid Rs 9-8.

THE GOVERNOR'S CUP.—A Cup, value Rs. 500, presented by H. E. the Governor of Madras, with Rs. 200 to the winner. A handicap for horses. Round Course.

Mr. P. Hannyngton's ch aus g King's Mirror, 1 st. 3lbs. ... ... Thompson 1
Mr. Ahmed Sait's ch cb g Philcourage, 10st. 7lbs. ... ... Meah Jan 2
Mr. Guy Liddell's ch aus g Sunny Jim, 9st. 7lbs. ... ... Reyes 3

BETTING: 6 to 4 agst. Philcourage, 3 to 1 on King's Mirror, and 6 to 1 Sunny Jim.

Won by six lengths; bad third. Time—2mins. 19⅕secs.

The Totalisator paid Rs. 2-12.

THE PUDUKOTTAH PLATE—Rs. 200 to the winner and Rs 100 to the second. A handicap for ponies 14-2 and under 6 furlongs.

Mr. L. Joyce's b aus g Fortunatus, 11st. 7lbs. ... ... W. Alford 1
Mr. A. P. Symonds' bk aus m Cleopatra II. 10st. 10lbs. ... ... Capt. T. H. Symons 2
Mr. C. E. Tayleur's b e m Marèchale Niel, 8st. 9lbs. ... ... Robertson 3

Also ran: Pompadour, 9-4; Blazes, 8-7.

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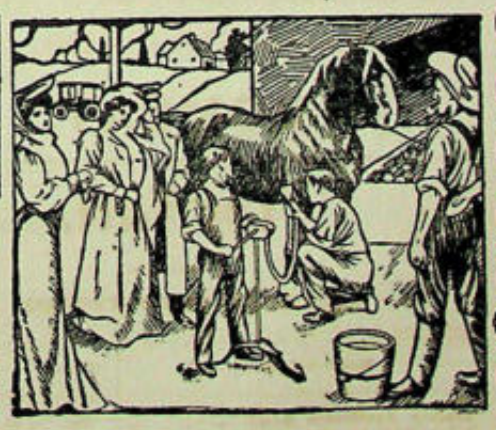

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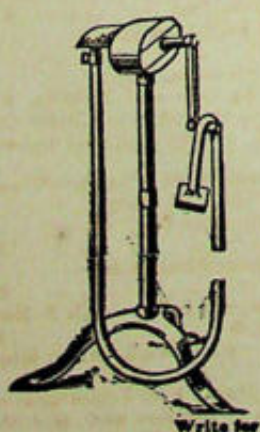

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Won by three lengths; half a length between second and third. Time 1min. 7secs.

The Totalisator paid Rs. 6.

THE ETTIYAPURAM LATE.—Rs. 200 to the winner. A handicap for horses. 6 furlongs.

Mr. P. Hannyngton's bk aus g Black Knight, 12st.	... ...	Owner w.o.

Third Day, Saturday, 16th March 1907.

To-day saw a slightly larger gallery, which included H. E. the Governor; but the racing was again a farce. Four out of eight races were reduced to two runners each and the others were wretchedly filled. There were, however, a couple of accidents to relieve the deadly dullness of the proceedings: Hailfellow fell in the C. T. C Plate and rolled over his jockey, Robinson, Mistake got rid of Mullan in the Substituted Cochin Plate. Details:—

THE VENCATAGIRI PLATE.—Rs. 200 to the winner. A handicap hurdle race for ponies. 1½ miles, over six flights.

Mr. G. H. Lyle's br aus m Heather, 9st. 4lbs.	... ...	W. Alford 1
Mr. W. H. Oakes's b aus m Tulip, 9st.	... ...	Ferguson 2

BETTING: 2 to 1 on Heather and evens Tulip.

Won by three lengths. Time—4mins. 17⅘secs.

The Totalisator paid Rs. 2 12.

THE TRADES' PLATE.—Rs 200 to the winner. A handicap hurdle race for horses. 1¼ miles, over six flights.

Mr. Guy Liddell's ch aus g Sunny Jim, 9st. 7lbs.	... ...	Reyes 1
Mr. Syed Nazir's b aus g Banazier, 10st. 6lbs.	... .	W. Alford 2

BETTING: 2 to 1 on Banazier and 6 to 4 agst. Sunney Jim.

Won by ten lengths. Time 3mins. 8⅖secs.

The totalisator paid Rs. 4-8.

MR. HAJEE ISMAIL SAIT'S PLATE.—Rs. 200 to the winner. A handicap for horses. 1 mile.

Mr. P. Hannyngton's bk aus g Black Knight, 1 st.	... ...	Thompson 1
Major R. H. Elliot's ch aus g The Red Knight, 8st. 7lbs. declared 3lbs.		Mr. D. Stephens 2

BETTING: 4 to 1 on Black Knight. 2 to 1 agst. Red Knight.

Won by four lengths. Time—1min. 58⅖secs.

The Totalisator paid Rs. 2 4.

THE STEWARDS' PLATE.—Rs. 100 to the winner and Rs. 25 to the second. For ponies. Weight—Rs. 1,000 12st. and for every Rs. 1 07lbs less up to Rs. 500. Entries—Rs. 5, to constitute starting declaration ½ mile.

Mr. G. H. Lyle's gr aus m Heather, 11st.		W. Alford 1
Mr. J. J O'Reilly's b aus m Pampadour, 9st. 7lbs.	... ...	McQuade 2
Mr. C. E. Tayleur's b a h Charles Edward, 9st. 7lbs.	... ...	Robertson 3

Also ran: Tulip 10-7; declared 9lbs.

BETTING: 6 to 4 on Heather, evens Charles Edward, 3 to 1 agst. Pompadour, and 4 to 1 Tulip.

Won by three lengths. Time 54½secs.

The Totalisator paid Rs. 4-12

THE BEBBILI PLATE.—Rs. 200 to the winner. A handicap for ponies 14-2 and under. Round Course.

Major R. H. Hayes' ch aus g K.C.S.I., 9st. 3lbs.	... ...	Thomson 1
Mr. L. Joyce's b aus g Fortunatus, 12st. 7lbs.	... ...	W. Alford 2

BETTING: 2 to 1 on Fortunatus and 3 to 2 agst. K.C.S.I.

Won by three lengths. Time—2mins. 25secs.

The Totalisaion paid Rs 4-12.

THE RACE CLUB PLATE.—Rs. 100 to the winner. For horses. Weights—Rs. 1,000 12st., and for every Rs. 100 7lbs. less up to Rs. 500. Entries—Rs. 5, to consitute starting declaration. ½ mile.

Rajah Venugopaul's ch a h Chokra, 12st.	... ...	Meah Jan 1
Rajah Chalikani Jagannatha Row Garu's ch aus g Hunter, 10st. 7lbs.	...	Mullan 2
Rajah Rajagopaul Bahadur's ch aus g Rapid Prince, 9st. 7 lbs.		Shaik Ismael (disqualified 0

BETTING: 6 to 4 agst. Chokra, 3 to 1 Hunter, and 2 to 1 on Rapid Prince.

Rapid Prince won by two and a half lengths, but was disqualified for not being able to draw the weight and Chokra was given the race. Time—55½secs.

The Totalisator paid Rs. 5.

THE C. T. C. PLATE.—Rs. 200 to the winner and Rs. 100 to the second. A handicap for Arab and C.-B. ponies 14-1 and under. 6 furlongs.

Kumara Rajah of Pittapore's gr a h Claude Duval, 8st 12 lbs.	... ...	Meah Jan 1
Mr. J. O. Sherrad's b a h Surhid, 9st., declared 6lbs.	...	W. Alford 2
Mr. C. E Tayleur's b a h Charles Edward, 9st. 7lbs.	... ...	Reyes 3

Also ran: Hailfellow, 11-7.

BETTING: 6 to 4 agst. Hailfellow, 2 to 1 Claude Duval, 8 to 1 Surhid, and 10 to 1 Charles Edward.

Won by a length; three lengths between second and third. Time—1min. 27⅖secs.

The Totalisator paid Rs.4.

THE SUBSTITUTED COCHIN PLATE.—Rs. 100 to the winner A handicap for polo ponies. Entrance—Rs. 5. If six entries in *bonâ fide* separate interests place money—Rs. 50 to the second and Rs. 25 to the third. ½ mile.

Mr. W. H. Oakes's br aus m Mascotte, 10st. 4lbs.	...	Reyes 1
Mr. A. J. Yorke's gr aus g Ninepins, 10st 7 lbs.	... ...	Owner 2
Mr. W. H. Oakes's ch aus m Blazes, 12st....		Mr. Steele 3

Also ran: Mistake, 12-0; Hilda, 10-0.

BETTING: 2 to 1 on Mascotte, 2 to 1 agst. Mistake, 3 to 1 Ninepins 5 to 1 Blazes, and 10 to 1 Hilda.

Won by a length; two lengths between second and third. Time—57secs.

The Totalisator paid Rs. 4.

RANGOON SPRING MEETING.

First Day, Saturday, 9th March 1907.

THE MIXED PLATE.—Rs. 800 to the winner and Rs. 50 to the second pony. A flat race for English and Australasian ponies 12 3 and under. Country-breds and Arabs, 13-0 and under and Burma-bred ponies, 13-1 and under. W. I. About 5 furlongs.

Mr. B. Burjoree's b aus m Queenie, 10st. 4lbs.	... ...	Clarke 1
Mr. Ariff's ch aus g Dudley, 9st. 11lbs.	...	Owner 2

BETTING: 7 to 2 on Dudley; 3 to, agst. Queenie.

Won by ten lengths. Time—1min. 1sec.

Tote Rs. 11.

THE DWARF PLATE.—Rs 500 to the winner and Rs. 100 to the second pony. A flat race for Burma-bred ponies 12-2½ and under. 12 2½ hands to carry 9-0. W. I. About 7 furlongs.

Mg. Shwe Wah's b bl m Hla Win, 8st 6lbs.		Mg. Gla 1
Mr. I. Tilly's gr bb g Myadaung, 8st. 4lbs.	... ...	Elliot 2
Mr. O. Ariff's ch bb m Khoorshed, 7st. 9lbs. (car. 7st. 10 lbs.)	... ...	Mg. Nge 3
Mg. Ba Kyine's ch bb p Raja Ram, 7st. 6lbs.		Po Youck 4
Mr. George's b bb m Pauck Maying 8st 5 lbs		Chit Pe 0
Mr. Henderson's g bl m Violet 6st. 13 lbs.		Po Hoon, 0

BETTING: 5 to 2 on Raja Ram; 4 to 1 agst. Myadaung; 7 to 1 Hla Min, 12 to 1 Khoorshed, 15 to 1 Pauk Maying, 20 to 1 Violet.

Won by half a length; ten separating second and third. Time—1min. 49½secs.

Tote paid Rs. 23 on the winner, and Rs. 7 and Rs. 8 for places.

THE COOMBES' CHAMPION CUP.—A cup value Rs. 300, presented by Messrs S. C. Coombes, Ltd., and Rs. 2,000 to the winner, Rs. 300 to the second, and Rs. 200 to the third pony. A flat race for English and Australasian ponies 13-2 and under, and country-breds and Arabs, 13-3 and under. W. I. About 1¼ miles.

Mr. Ching Tsong's br aus m The Bride, 9st. 4lbs.	... ...	Kyaw Zan Oo 1
Mr. B. N. Burjorjee's ch aus m Satina, 8st 4lbs.	... ...	Clarke 2
Mr. Mills's ch m Vibrona, 8st. 11b.	...	Elliott 3
Mr. George's b aus m Celia, 9st 4lbs.	...	Torney 0
Mr. H. Smith's br aus g Native, 7st. 9lbs.	...	Bennett 0
Mr. Aldworth's br aus m Bob, 8st. 4lbs. (car. 8st 7lbs.)	... ...	Owner 0

BETTING: 6 to 4 on The Bride 4 to 1 agst. Celia, 6 to 1 each Bob and Native, 10 to 1 Satina, 15 to 1 Vibrona

Won by ten lengths; a length between second and third. Time—2mins. 55secs.

Tote paid Rs. 9, on the winner, and Rs. 6 and Rs. 25 for places.

THE GRIFFIN PLATE.—Rs. 600 to the winner, Rs. 150 to the second, and Rs. 50 to the third pony. For Griffin ponies, 14-0 and under, imported and drawn for in January 1907. 14-0 hands to carry 9st. 7lbs. W. I. ½ mile.

Yeo Eng Pwa's ch aus g Carbine, 9st. 11b.		Kyaw Zan Oo 1
Mr. R. C. Beville's ch aus m Ophelia, 8st. 9lbs.		Owner 2
Mr. Burjorjee's br aus m Mab, 8st. 6lbs. ..		Clarke 3
Mg. Hla Maung's b aus m Princess, 9st. 4lbs.	... ...	Mg. Glay 4
Mg. Thin's b aus g Thain Han, 9st. 7lbs. (car. 9st. 8lbs.)	... ...	Bah Thin 0
Mr. Aldworth's b aus m Jemima, 9st. 11b.		Owner 0
Yeo Boon Hong's ch aus g Rifle, 9st. 11b.		Mg. Gyi 0
Ca sim Jewa's b aus g Aye Myah Sein, 9st. 11b.	... ...	Po Hai 0
Mg. Ba Gyaw's br aus m Pretty Polly, 9st. 11b. (car. 9st. 6lbs.)	... ...	Hyder 0
Dr. Charan's br aus m Vi, 18st. 9lbs.	...	Lansdowne 0
Mr. Cheong Taik's br aus m Bronze Wing, 8st. 6lbs.	.. ..	Ba. Shin 0
Mr. Villa's br aus g Surprise, 8st. (car. 8st. 2lbs.)	... ...	Elliott 0
Mr. Seeley's b aus m Graceless, 7st. 8lbs. (car. 8st. 10lbs.)	... ..	MacMillan 0
Mg. Po Min's b aus m Up Creek, 7st. 5lbs.		Po. Khai 0
Mr. Turen's ch aus m Mona, 7st. 9lbs.		Mahomed 0

BETTING: 6 to 4 agst. Pretty, Polly, 4 to 1 Ophelia, 6 to 1 Princess, 8 to 1 each Vi and Mab, 10 to 1 each Jemima and Carbine, 12 to 1 Thain Han and Mona, 15 to 1 the rest.

Won by five lengths; a length between second and third. Time—54⅖secs.

Tote paid Rs. 163 on the winner; Rs. 37, Rs. 5 and Rs. 53 for places.

THE TRIAL PLATE.—Rs. 1,000 to the winner, Rs. 150 to the second, and Rs. 50 to the third pony. A flat race for Burma-bred ponies 13-0½ and under, 13-1½ hands to carry 9-4. W. I. About 5 furlongs.

Mg. Nwai's b bh g Kya Bwa, 8st. 5lbs.	...	Po Youke 1
Mr. B. N. Burjorjee's b bb m Juno, 8st. 5 lbs.	... ...	Clarke 2
Mg. Thin's b bb m Manigat (late Ruby) 8st. 5 lbs.	... ...	Po Khai 3
Mg. Po Yee's b bh g Aung Pan, 10st. 5lbs.		Mg. Glay 0
Mr. George's b bb m Tsain Chai, 9st. 9lbs.		Mr. Cullen 0
Mg. Ba Yin's b bh g Myin Yin, 8st. 11lbs.		Mr. Farr 0
Md. Hashim's b bh g Dul Dul II., 9st. 7lbs.		Po Shoay 0
Mr. Foy's g bl m Velvet, 9st. 2 lbs.		Torney 0
U. Hmin's br bh p Sein Pe, 8st. 3lbs.		Maung Gyi 0
C. Soon Thin's d bb m Ohn Sein 7st. ... 7lbs. (car. 7st. 9lbs.)	... ...	Mg Ni 0
Mr. George's ch bb m Lassie, 7st. 3lbs.	...	Mg. Nge 0

BETTING: 2 to 1 on Aung Ban, 6 to 1 each Dul Dul II. and Juno, 10 to 1 each Manigat and Kay Bwa, 20 to 1 each Tsain Chai and Myin Yin, any price the rest,

Won by a neck; half a length between second and third. Time—1min. 14-1/ secs.

Tote paid Rs. 65 to win and Rs. 12, Rs. 6, Rs. 33 for places. An objection against the winner has been referred to the C. T.C.

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Mr. Burjorjee's b aus m Curlew, 7st. 6lbs.		Fraser 1
Mr. Beville's b aus m Wattle Blossom, 9st. 4lbs.	... ...	Mr. Cullen 2
Yeo Eng Bean's bl ro aus h This One, 7st. 8lbs.	... ...	Po Youk 3
Mr. Burjorjee's b aus m Gyrtle (late Lady Gyrtle), 8st 11o (car 8st. 3lbs.)	...	Clarke 0
Mr. Foster's b aus m Jiffy, 8st. 12 lbs.	...	Po Mut 0
Major Penny's br aus g Rex. 8st.	...	Elliott 0
Mr. George's br aus m Mascotte, 8st. (car. 8st. 4lbs.)	... ...	Turpey 0

BETTING: 6 to 4 agst. Curlew, 4 to 1 This One. 10 to 1 Mascotte, 12 to 1 Rex, 15 to 1 each Wattle Blossom and Jiffy, 20 to 30 to 1 the rest.

Won by three lengths; head between second and third. Gyrtle was fourth. Time—2min. 4⅖ secs.

Tote paid Rs. 17 to win and Rs. 8, Rs. 17 for places.

THE VETERAN PLATE.—Rs. 1,000 to the winner, Rs. 150 to the second, and Rs. 50 to the third pony. A flat race for ponies 14-0 and under, imported by the Stewards under the Griffin Scheme. 14-0 hands to carry 9st. 7lbs. W. I. About ¾ mile.

Mg. Ba Thaung's b aus m Tsain Oo, 8st. 2lbs.	... ...	Mg. Glay 1
Mr. Beville's ch aus g Tip Top, 9st. 8lbs.	...	Owner 2
Mr. I. Tilly's ch aus g Rownuck II., 9st. 2lbs.	... ...	Mr. Cullen 3
Mr. George's b aus m Josephine, 9st. 5lbs.	... ...	Turpey 0
Mr. E. A. Villa's dn aus g Chieftain, 10st.		Elliott 0
Mg Tsin's b aus m Fortunatus, 9st. 11lbs.	... ...	Ba Thwin 0
Mr. Bennett's ch aus m Volga, 9st.	...	Mahomed 0
Mr. George's br aus m Necklace, 9st.	...	Mr Farr 0
Miss Adamson's b aus m Planet, 9st.	...	Morrison 0
Major Penny's ch aus g Spearmint 8st. 11lbs.	... ...	Po Mut 0
Mg. Nyo's b aus g Aung Kyu, 7st. 9lbs.		Po Khai 0
Mr. M. E. Meyer's b aus m Eva, 7st 4lb.		Fraser 0

BETTING: 6 to 4 on Tsain Oo. 5 to 1 each Tip Top and Aung Kyu, 12 to 1 Eva, 15 to 1 Spearmint; 20 to 1 each the rest.

Won by a neck; a length between second and third. Time—1min. 23⅖secs.

Tote. paid Rs. 11 on the winner; Rs. 9, Rs. 7 and Rs. 15 for places.

Second Day, Tuesday, 12th March 1907.

THE BURMA PLATE.—Rs 500 to the winner and Rs. 100 to the second pony. A flat race for Burma-bred ponies, 12 2½ and under, 12-2½ to carry 9-0. W. I. About 5 furlongs.

Mg. Thin's ch bb m Hla Nyun 7st 7lbs.		Po Khai 1
Mr. I. Tilly's gr bb g Myadaung, 8st. 4lbs ...		Mg Henry 2
Mr. Ariff's ch bb m Khoorshed, 7st 9lbs. ...		Fraser 3
Mah Thain's dn bb m Sein Nyun, 6st. 9lbs. (car. 7st. 2 lbs.)	... ...	Ba Nyun 0
Mg. Ba Yin's b bb m Mee Mee Gyee, 8st. 7lbs	... ...	Po Shoay 0
Mr. George's b bb m Pauk Myaing, 8st. 5lbs.	... .	Chit Pe 0
Mg Cheong Taik's g bb m Aye Hla, 8st. 11b.	... .	Ba Thin 0
Mr. L. Taik Kee's ch bb m Nick Name, 7-t. 5lbs. (car. 8st. 5lbs.)	...	Ba Shin 0
Mr. Seymour's g bb g Aye Kyee, 6st. 9lbs. (car. 8st. 11b.)	... ...	Mg. Glay 0
Mr. Torren's g bb m Sein Pu, 6st. 7lbs. (car. 7st. 11b.)	.. ...	Po Thin 0

BETTING: 5 to 2 on Hla Nyun, 6 to 1 agst. Myadaung; 10 to 1 each Aye Hla, Khoorshed, and Sein Pu, 20 to 1 the rest.

Won by a couple of lengths; a length between second and third. Time—1 min. 15½secs.

Tote. paid Rs. 8 on the winner; Rs. 7, Rs. 6 and Rs. 7 over places.

THE STEWARDS' PLATE.—Rs. 1,000 to the winner, Rs. 150 to the second, and Rs. 50 to the third pony A flat race for English and Australasian ponies, 13 2 and under, and Country-breds and Arabs 13-3 and under. W. I. About ¾ mile.

Mr. Ching Tsong's br aus m The Bride, 10st.	... ...	Kyaw Zan Oo 1
Mr. A. Major's ch aus m Red Rose 8st. 6lb.		Mg Glay 2
Mr. George's br aus m Celia, 9st 4 lbs. ...		Mr Cullen 3
Mr. H. Smith's b aus g Native, 7st. 9lbs. ...		Bennett 0
Mr. G. H. Bell's ch e m Money Box, 8st. 7lbs.	... ...	Po Mut 0
Mr. B. N. Burjorjee's ch aus m Satina, 8st. 4lbs. (car. 8st. 6lbs.)	... ...	Clarke 0
Mr. George's b aus m Mascotte, 10st. 6lbs.		Chaw Paw 0

BETTING: 2 to 1 on Celia, 4 to 1 agst. The Bride 10 to 1 each Red Rose and Satina, 20 to 1 the rest.

Won by a length; three lengths between second and third. Time—1min. 2secs.

Tote. paid Rs. 23 on the winner; Rs. 8 and Rs. 13 for places.

THE IMPORTERS' PLATE.—Rs. 600 to the winner, Rs. 150 to second, and Rs. 50 to the third. A flat race for Griffins, 14-0 and under, imported by the Stewards and drawn for in January 1907, 14-0 hands to carry 9st. 7lbs. W. I. About 6 furlongs.

Yeo Eng Pwa's b aus g Carbine, 10st. 11b.		Kyaw Zan Oo 1
Dr. Charan's br aus m Vi, 8st. 9lbs.		Lansdowne 2
Mg. Po Min's b aus m Up Creek, 7st. 5lbs. (car. 8st.)	... ...	Mg. Glay 3
Mr. Burjorjee's br aus m Mab 8st. 6lbs. ..		Clarke 4
Mg. Hla Maung's b aus m Princess, 9st. 4lbs.	... ...	Po Thwin 0
Mr. Aldworth's b aus m Jemima, 9st. 11b.		Owner 0
Mr. Turen's ch aus m Mona, 7st. 2lbs. (car. 7st. 11bs.)	... ...	Po Khai 0
Mg. Ba Gyaw's b aus m Pretty Polly, 9st. 11b.	... ...	Po Shoay disq.

BETTING: 6 to 4 agst. Carbine, 6 to 1 Princess, 10 to 1 the rest.

Won by a head; two lengths between second and third. Pretty Polly disqualified for jostling. Time—1min. 27⅖secs.

Tote. paid Rs. 43 on the winner; Rs. 13, Rs. 7 and Rs. 21 for places.

THE MELBOURNE PLATE.—Rs. 1,000 to the winner, Rs. 150 to the second, and Rs. 50 to the third pony. A flat race for ponies, 14-0 and under, imported by the Stewards under the Griffin Scheme. 14-0 to carry 9st. 7lbs. W. I. About 1¼ mile.

Mg. Ba Thaung's b aus m Tsain Oo, 8st. 9lbs.	... ...	Mg. Glay 1
Mr. A. Rahman's bl aus m Kemmendine, 9st. 2lbs.	... ...	Kyaw Zan Oo 2
Mr. I. Tilly's ch aus g Rownuck II., 8st. 6lbs. (car. 8st. 9lbs.)	... ...	Po Mut 3
Mr. Beville's ch aus g Tip Top, 9st. 11lbs.		Owner 0
Major Penny's br aus g Rex. 11st.	...	Elliott 0
Mr. E. A. Villa's dn aus g Chieftain, 9st. 4lbs.	... ...	Morrison 0
Miss Adamson's b aus g Planet, 8st. 11lbs. (car. 8st. 12lbs.)	... ...	Mr. Cullen 0
Mg. Thin's b aus g Troutbeck, 7st. 9lbs.		Po Khai 0
Mg. Pyo's b aus g Aung Kyu, 7st. 9lbs. (car. 8st.)	...	Ba Thwin 0
Mr. I. Tilly's b aus g Pehlwan, 7st. 3 lbs.		Po Youk 0

BETTING: 5 to 2 agst. Kemmendine, 4 to 1 Tip Top, 6 to 1 Troutbeck, 10 to 1 each Planet, Tsain Oo, Rownuck II. and Aung Kyu, 20 to 1 the rest.

Won by two lengths; same between second and third.

Tote. paid Rs. 76 on the winner; Rs. 20, Rs. 6 and Rs.11 for places.

THE RANGOON DERBY.—A cup value Rs. 500, and Rs 2,000 to the winner, Rs. 300 to the second, and Rs. 200 to the third pony. A flat race for Burma-bred ponies 13-0½ hands to carry 9-0. W. I. About 1¼ mile.

Mr. Mill's b bb m Dawdling Jane, 8st. 11b. (car. 8st. 3lbs.)	... ...	Elliott 1
Yeo Eng Pwa's dn bb m Aye Sein, 8st. 9lbs.	... ...	Kyaw Zan Oo 2
Md. Hashim's b bb g Dul Dul II., 9st.		Mr. Cullen 3
Mg Tsin's b bb m Maniget, 7st. 11lbs. ...		Po Khai 0
Mr. George's b bb m Tsain Chai, 9st 5lbs.		Mr. Farr 0
Mg. Po Yee's b bb g Aung Ban, 9st. 5lbs.	.. ..	Mg. Henry 0
Mr. B. N. Burjorjee's b bb m Juno, 8st. 12lbs	... ...	Clarke 0
Mg. Nwai's b bb g Kya Bwa, 8st. 12lbs. ...		Po Youk 0
Mg. Ba Yin's g bb g Myin Yin, 8st. 7lbs. ...		Po Shoay 0
Mg. Ba Kyine's ch bb g Raja Ram, 6st. (car. 6st. 10lbs.)	... ...	Po Hoon 0

BETTING: 2 to 1 each agst. Aung Ban and Aye Sein, 6 to 1 Maniget, 8 to 1 each Dul Dul II. and Kya Bwa, 10 to 1 Dawdling Jane, 20 to 1 the rest.

Won by two lengths; two between second and third. Time—2min. 35secs.

Tote paid Rs 42 on the winner; Rs 12 8 and 17 over places.

THE GIANT PLATE.—Rs. 1,300 to the winner, Rs. 200 to the second, and Rs. 100 to the third pony. A flat race for English and Australasian ponies, 14 0 and under, Country-breds 14-1 and under, and Arabs 14-2 and under. About 6 furlongs.

Mr. Burjorjee's b aus m Curlew, 9st. 3lbs.		Clarke 1
Yeo Eng Byan's bl ro aus h Tuis One, 8st. 8 lbs. (car. 8st. 9lbs.),	... ...	Lansdowne 2
Mr W B Green's bl aus m Fly, 8st. 8lbs.		Morrison 3
Mr. Beville's br aus m Wattle Blossom, 9st. 8lbs.	... ...	Mr. Cullen 0
Mr. Burjorjee's b aus m Gyrtle, 8st. 5 lbs.		Fraser 0
Mr. Mill's br e g Golconda, 8st. 4lbs.	...	Elliott 0

BETTING: 2 to 1 on Curlew, 6 to 1 each agst. This One and Gyrtle, 10 to 1 any other.

Won by two lengths; one between second and third. Time—1min. 21secs.

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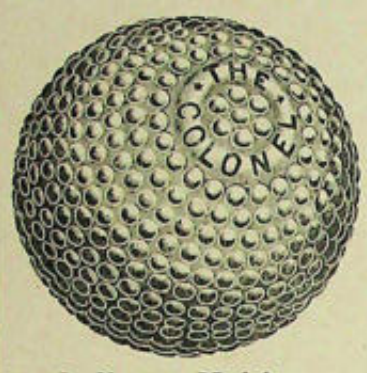

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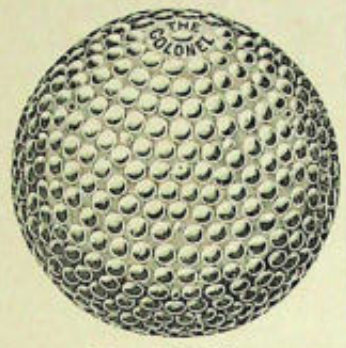

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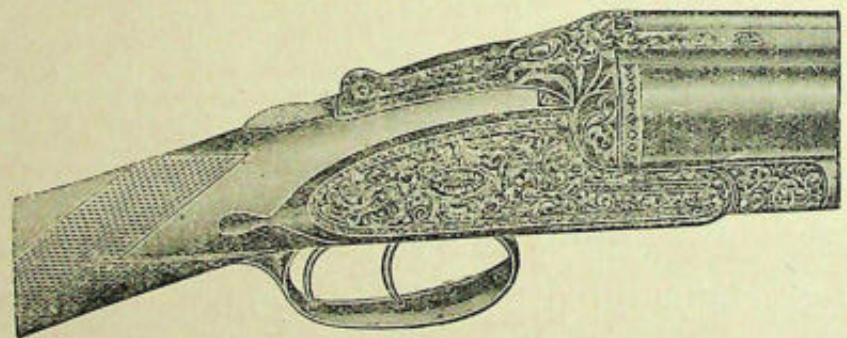

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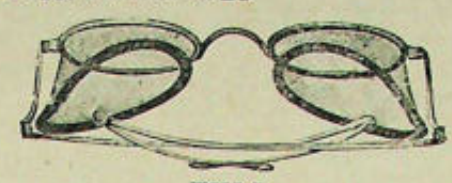

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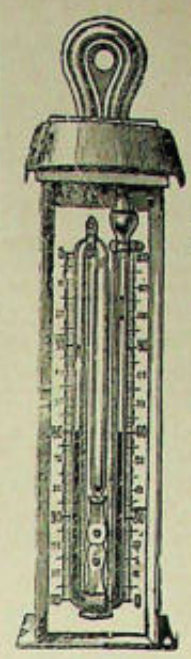

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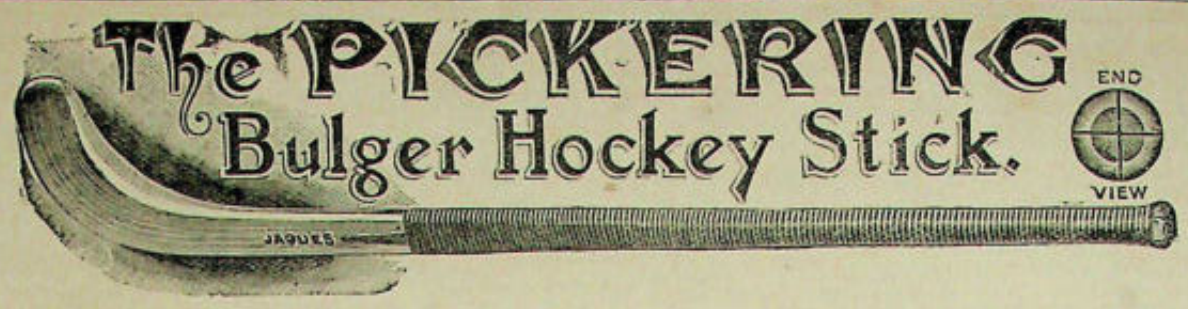

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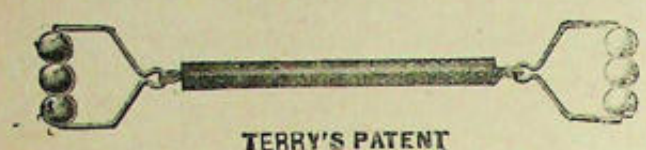

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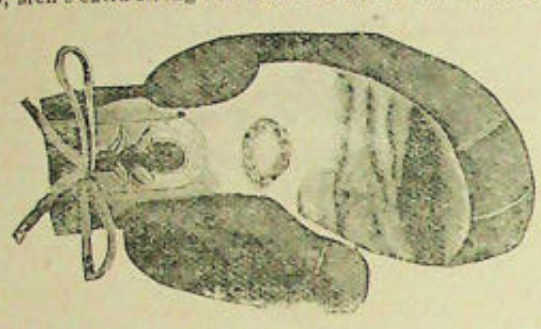

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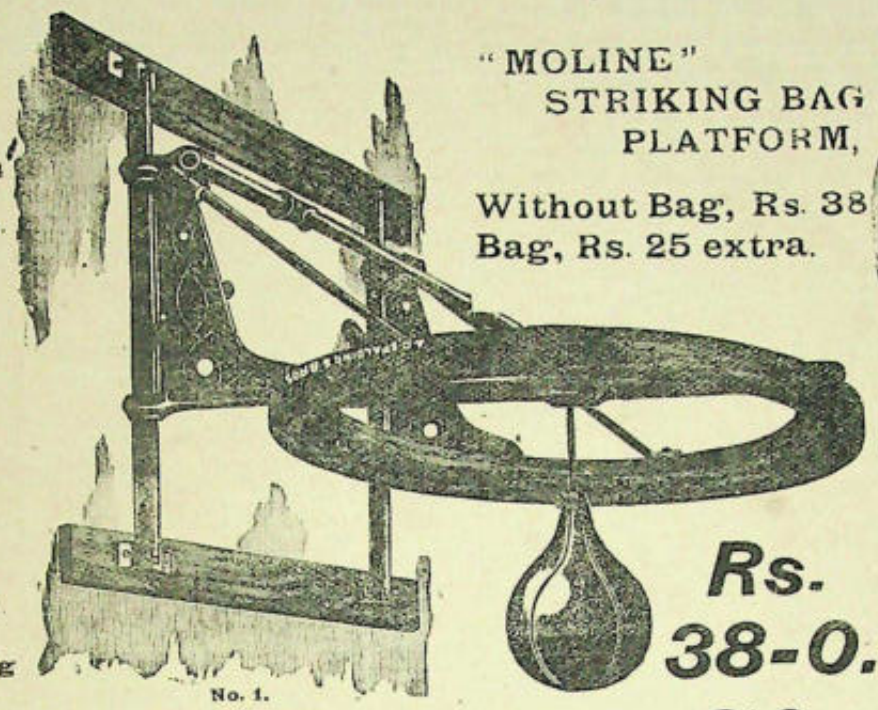

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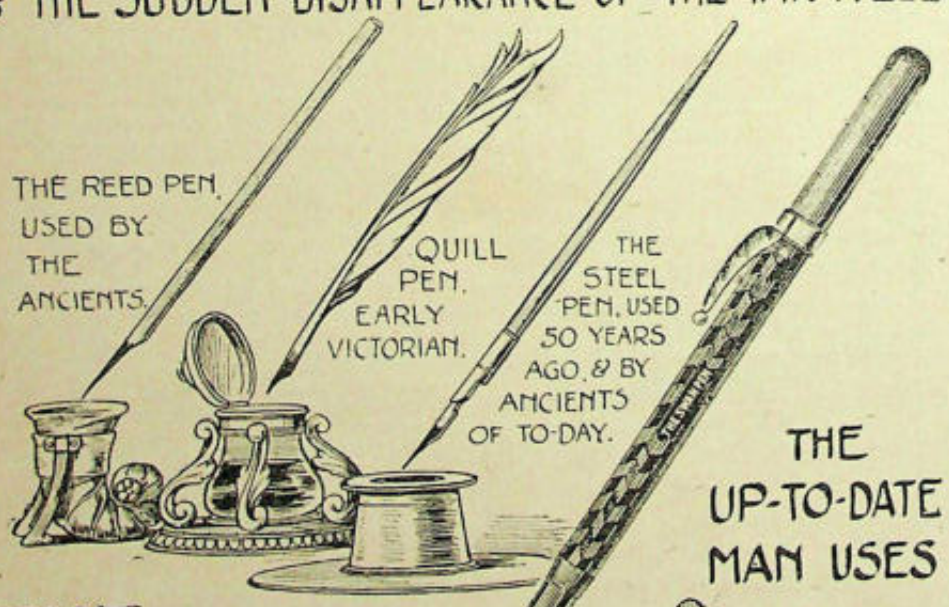

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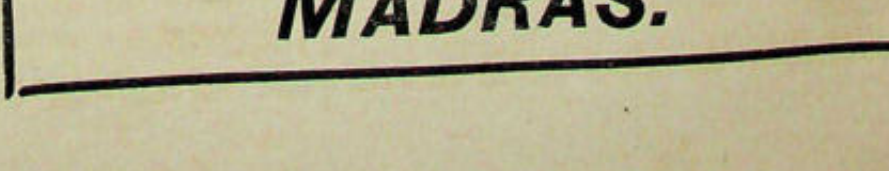

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Third Day, Thursday, 14th March 1907.

THE MIXED HANDICAP.—Rs. 300 to the winner, and Rs. 50 to the second pony. A handicap for English and Australasians, 12-3 and under, Country-breds and Arabs 13-0 and under, and Burma-breds 13-1 and under. About 1 mile.

Mr. Burjorjee's b aus m Queenie, 9st. 7lbs.	Fraser 1
Mr. Y. C. Ariff's ch aus g Dudley, 8st. 10lbs.	Oomer 2

(Winner trained by Owner.)

BETTING: 2 to 1 on Queenie, 6 to 4 agst. Dudley.
Totalisator: Win Rs. 8.
Won by four lengths. Time—1min. 57 secs.

THE BURMA-BRED HANDICAP.—Rs. 500 to the winner, and Rs. 100 to the second pony. A handicap for Burma-bred ponies 12-2½ and under. 6 furlongs.

L. Shwe Wah's b bb m Hla Min, 9st. 4lbs.	Mg. Glay 1
Mr. Torrens' g bb m Sein Pu, 7st. 4lbs. ...	Po Kai 2
Mg. Ba Kyine's ch bb g Raja Ram, 7st. 2lbs.	Po Chin 3
Mah Thain's dn bb m Sein Nyun, 7st. 4lbs.	Po Youk 0
Mr. Mg. Thin's ch bb m Hla Nyun, 8st. 12lbs.	Ba Thwin 0
Mg. Bah Yin's b bb m Mee Mee Gyee, 8st. 9lbs.	Po Kin 0
Mr George's b bb m Pauk Myaing, 8st. 6lbs.	Mg. Nge 0
Mr. Georg's ch bb m Lassie, 8st 2lbs ...	Chit Pe 0
Mr. L. Taik Kee's ch bb m Nick Name, 8st. 4lbs.	Ba Shin 0
Mg. Tun Myaing's g bb m Blue Bell, 7st. 4lbs.	Ba Nyun 0
Mr. Henderson's g bb m Violet 7st. 2lbs....	Po Hytoon 0

(Winner trained by Mg. Glay.)

BETTING: 2 to 1 agst Sein Pu, 5 to 1 each agst Hla Min and Raja Ram, 6 to 1 Hla Nyun, 15 to 1 Lassie, 25 to 1 others.
Totalisator: Rs. 20, Places, Rs. 7, 6, 10.
Won by two lengths; two lengths between second and third. Time—1min. 31secs.

THE GRIFFIN HANDICAP.—Rs. 500 to the winner, and Rs. 100 to the second pony. A handicap for Griffins, 14-0 and under, imported by the Stewards and drawn for in January 1907, that have run at this meeting. About 5 furlongs.

Mr. Aldworth's b aus m Jemima, 8st. 2lbs.	Mg. Henry 1
Yeo Eng Pwa's ch aus g Carbine, 10st ...	Kya Zan Oo 2
Mr. Beville's ch aus m Ophelia, 8st. 9lbs.	Oomer 3
Mr. Torrens' ch aus m Mona, 7st. 4lbs. ...	Po Kai 0
Mg. Bah Gyaw's b aus m Pretty Polly, 9st. 3lbs.	Po Mut 0
Mg. Hla Maung's b aus m Princess, 8st. 9lbs.	Mg. Glay 0
Dr. Charan's br aus m Vi, 8st. 4lbs	Lansdown 0
Cassim Jewa's b aus g Aye Myah Sein, 8st. 11b.	Mg. Nge 0
Mr. Burjorjee's br aus m Mab, 7st. 12lbs.	Fraser 0
Mg. Po min's b aus m Up Creek, 7st. 12lbs.	Chit Fe 0

(Winner trained by Owner.)

BETTING: 2 to 1 agst. Carbine, 4 to 1 Mona, 6 to 1 each Pretty Polly, Ophelia and Up Creek, 8 to 1 each Princess and Mab; 10 to 1 Vi, 20 to 1 others.
Totalisator: Win, Rs. 414; places Rs. 158, 10, 8.
Won by a length; two lengths between second and third. Time—1min. 11½secs.

THE CHAMPIONSHIP HANDICAP.—Rs 500 to the winner, and Rs. 100 to the second pony. A Handicap for English and Australasian ponies 13-2 and under, and Country-breds and Arabs 13-3 and under. About 1 mile.

Mr. B. N. Burjorjee's b aus m Satina, 8st. 12lbs	Fraser 1
Yeo Eng Ryan's blro aus h This One, 10st.	Lansdowne 2
A. Majoo's ch aus m Red Rose, 8st. 2lbs.	Mg. Glay 3
Mr. Mill's ch e m Vibrona, 8st. 3lbs.	Elliott 0
Mr. George's b aus m Mascotte, 9st. 8lbs.	Thaw Paw 0

(Winner trained by Owner.)

BETTING: 6 to 4 agst. Satina, 2 to 1 This One, 6 to 1 Red Rose, 10 to 1 the others.
Totalisator: Win, Rs. 12; Places, Rs. 7.
Won by a couple of lengths; half a length between second and third. Time.—1min. 52½secs.

THE BURMA HANDICAP.—Rs. 500 to the Winner, and Rs. 100 to the second pony. A handicap for Burma-bred ponies 13 0½ and under. About 7 furlongs.

Mr. Mill's b bb m Dawdling Jane, 9st. ...	Elliott 1
Md. Hashim's b bb g Dul Dul II, 8st. 12lbs.	Mg. Glay 2
Mg. Ba Yin's gr bb g Myin Yin, 7st. 11lbs. ...	Po Kin 3
Mg. Thin's b bb m Maniget, 7st. 9lbs.	Po Kai 4 0
Mg. Nwai's b bb g Kya Bwa, 8st. 4lbs. ...	Po Youk 0
Mr. Burjorjee's b bb m Juno, 8st. 4lbs. ...	Fraser 0
Mr. George's bb m Tsain Chai, 8st. ...	Mg. Ne 0
Mr. George's gr bb g Sein Myet Lone, 7st. 3lbs.	Chit Pie 0
M. A. Wahab's ch bb g Sein Ban II, 7st. 8lbs.	Oomer 0

(Winner trained by owner.)

BETTING: Evens Dawdling Jane. 5 to 1 Dul Dul II. 6 to 1 Kya Bwe, Maniget and Sein Ban II.; 10 to 1 Myin Yin; 15 to 1 others.
Totalisator: Win Rs. 10 Places Rs. 8 5 30.
Won by two lengths; two lengths between second and third. Time, 1min 44⅘secs.

THE MELBOURNE HANDICAP.—Rs. 500 to the Winner, and Rs. 100 to the 2nd pony. A handicap for ponies imported by the Stewards under the Griffin Scheme. 14 hands and under. Distance about 7 furlongs.

Mr. Beville's ch aus g Tip Top, 9st. 7lbs	Oomer 1
Mr. George's br aus m Necklace, 8st. 2lbs.	Chit Pe 2
Major Penny's br aus g Rex, 10st. 7lbs ...	Elliott 3
Miss Adamson's b aus m Planet, 8st. 4lbs	Lansdown 0
Mr. Ba Thaing's b aus g Tsain Oo, 9st. 4lbs....	Mg. Glay 0
Mr. A. Rahman's bl aus m Kemmendine, 9st. 2lbs.	Kyaw Zan Oo 0
Mr. George's b aus m Josephine, 8st. 13lbs....	Torpey 0
Mr. J. Moment's ro aus g Kya Net, 8st. 11lbs.	Fraser 0
Mr. Mg. Thin's b aus g Troutbeck, 7st. 7lbs.	Po Kai 0

(Winner trained by owner.)

BETTING: 6 to 4 agst. Rex, 5 to 1 Tip Top, 6 to 1 Kemmendine, 10 to 1 each Tsain Oo, Planet, Necklace and Troutbeck, 15 to 1 others.
Totalisator: Win, Rs. 91; Places, Rs. 13, 66, 9.
Won by a length; a head between second and third. Time—1 min 37secs.

THE GRAND HANDICAP.—Rs. 500 to the winner, and Rs. 100 to the second pony.— A handicap for English and Australasian ponies 14-0 and under, Country-breds 14-1 and under, and Arabs 14-2 and under. About 9 furlongs.

Mr. Beville' br aus m Wattle Blossom, 8st. 4lbs.	Oomer 1
Mr. W. B. Green's bl aus m Flo, 8st. 2lbs.	Morrison 2
Mr. Burjorjee's br aus m Lorette, 10st.	Clarke 3
Yeo Eng Byan's bl ro aus h This One, 8st. 11b.	Lansdown 0
Mr. Burjorjee's b aus m Gyrtle, 8st. 0lb. ...	Fraser 0

(Winner trained by owner.)

BETTING: Evens Flo, 6 to 4 Lorette, 5 to 1 Wattle Blossom, 10 to 1 the others.
Totalisator: Win, Rs. 32, Places, Rs. 8 and 7.
Won by three lengths; two lengths between second and third. Time—2mins 25secs.

RANGOON SEVENTH EXTRA MEETING.

Saturday, 16th March 1907.

THE THARRAWADDY HANDICAP.—Rs. 199 to the winner, and Rs. 50 to the second pony. A handicap for ponies 14 hand and under. About 7 furlongs.

Mr. G. Mill's br e g Golconda, 8st. 2lbs..	Elliott 1
Mr. Foster's baus m Jiffy, 8st. 7lbs. ...	Po Mut, 2
Mr. Beville's br aus m Wattle Blossom, 9 st. 11lbs	Oomer 3
Mr. Burjorjee's b aus m Curlew, 10st. ...	P. Morrison 0
Mr. W. B. Green's b aus m Flo, 8st. 11lbs.	R. Morrison, disq 0
Mr. Burjorjee's b aus m Gyrtle, 8st. ...	Fraser 0

(Winner trained by owner).

BETTING: 6 to 4 on Golconda; 2 to 1 agst. Flo, 6 to 1 Wattle Blossom 10 to 1 others.
Golconda won, from Flo by a length; but Flo was disqualified for crossing Jiffy and an enquiry into her running was subsequently held. Time—1 min. 37⅘secs.

THE TOM-THUMB HANDICAP.—Rs. 199 to the winner, and Rs. 50 to the second pony. A handicap for ponies 12-2½ and under. ½ mile.

L. Shwe Wah's b bb Hla Min, 10st. ...	Mg. Glay 1
Mg. Thin's ch bb m Hla Nyun, 9st. ...	Kyaw Zan Oo 2
Mr. Torrens' g bb m Sein Pu, 7st. 4lbs. ...	Fraser 3
Mg. Bah Yin's b bb m Mee Mee Gyee, 8st.	Po Shoay 0
Mg. Aung Gyaw's b bb g Nat Hmyah, 8st. 10lbs.	Mg Henry 0
Mr. Y. C. Ariff's ch bb m Khoorshed 8st. 6lbs.	Oomer 0
Mr. Seymour's g bb g Aye Kyee, 8st 4lbs ...	Po Kin 0
Mg. Ba Kyine's ch bb g Raja Ram, 7st. 13lbs.	Po Youk 0
Mr. George's b bb m Pauk Myaing, 7st. 13lbs.	Mg. Nge 0
Mah Thein's dn bb m Sein Nyun, 7st. 11b.	Ba Nyun 0
Mr. George's ch bb m Lassie 7st. 12lbs. ...	Chit Pe 0
Mg. Tun Myaing's g bb m Blue Bell, 7st. ...	Po Hytoon 0
Mr. Henderson's g bb m Violet, 7st. 11bs. ...	Po. Nway 0

BETTING: 3 to 1 early agst. Hla Min and Hla Nyun, 4to 1 Mee Mee Gyee, 5 to 1 Raja Ram and Sein Pu, 15 to 1, Aye Kyee, 20 to 1 others.
Won by a head; two lengths between second and third. Time—1 min.

THE THAYETMYO HANDICAP.—Rs. 199 to the winner, and Rs. 50 to the second pony. A handicap for ponies imported by the Steward under the Griffin scheme, 14-0 hands and under. About ½ mile.

Miss7 Adamson's b aus m Planet, 8st. ... 1bs.	Lansdowne 1
Mg. Pyo's b aus g Aung Kyu, 7st. 10lbs...	Po Kai, 2
Mr. Beville's ch aus g Tip Top, 10st. 3lbs ...	Oomer 3
Mr. George's b aus m Necklace, 8st 6lbs ...	Chit Pe 0
Mr. I Tilly's ch aus g Rownuck II, 8st. 6lbs.	Mg. Henry 0
Mr, Meyer's b aus m Eva, 7st. 5lbs. ...	Fraser 0

BETTING: 6 to 4 agst. Planet, 3 to 1 Aung Kyu, 5 to 1 each Tip Top, and Rownick II, 10 to 1 others.
Won by two lengths; a length between second and third. Time—53⅘secs.
Rownuck's saddle slipped coming up the straight and his jockey was thrown but uninjured.

THE THATON HANDICAP.—Rs. 199 to the Winner, and Rs. 50 to the second pony. A handicap for ponies 13-2 and under. About 7 furlongs.

Mr. George's br aus m Celia 8st. 5lbs. ...	Torpey 1
Mr. B. N. Burjorjee's ch aus m Satinal 9st. 6lbs.	Fraser } D.H
Yeo Eng Byan's bl ro aus h This One 10st.	Kyaw Zan Oo } D.H
Mr. I. Tilly's ch aus m Red Rose, 8st. 3lbs.	Mg. Glay 3
Mr. Mill's ch e m Vibrona, 7st. 6lbs. ...	Po Kai 0
Mr. Y. C. Ariff's br aus m Edith, 8st. 6lbs.	Lansdown 0

BETTING, 6 to 4 on Satina; 6 to 1 agst. This One and Red Rose, 8 to 1 Celia, 10 to 1 Vibrona, 20 to 1 Edith.
Won by six lengths; dead heat for third place. Time—1 min. 31secs.

THE BURMA SELLING PLATE.—Rs. 400 to the winner, and Rs. 100 to the second pony. A selling race for Burma-bred ponies 13-0½ and under. Entered to be sold for Rs. 600. About ½ mile.

Mg. Bin Yin's gr bb g Myin Yin, 9st. (Rs. 600)	Mg. Glay 1
Md. Wahab's ch bb g Sein Ban II, 8st. 5lbs. (Rs. 400)	Oomer 2
Mr. George's b bb m tsain Chai, 9st. 11b. (Rs. 500)	Elliot 3
Mr. Foy's gr bb m Velvet, 8st. 7lbs. (Rs. 400)	Torpey 4

BETTING: Evens Myin Yin, 3 to 1 Velvet, 5 to 1 Tsain Chai 10 to 1 Sein Ban II.
Won by two lengths; a length between second and third. Time—57⅘secs.

THE GRIFFIN SELLING PLATE.—Rs. 400 to the winner, and, Rs. 100 to the second pony. A. Selling race for griffin ponies 14-0 and under. Entered to be sold for Rs. 600. About 5 furlongs.

Mr. E. A. Villas's br aus g Chieftain, 9st. Rs. 300	Elliott 1
Mr. George,s br aus m Necklace, 9st. Rs. 400	Chit Pe 2
Mr. George's b aus m Josephine, 9st. 11b. (Rs. 400)	Torpey 3
Mr. Md. Allaudden's b aus g Estamboul, 9st. 7lbs. (Rs. 500)	Md. Ibrahim 0
Dr. Charan's b aus m Vi, 9st. 2lbs. (Rs. 600)	Lansdown 0
Mr. Mg. Thin's b aus g Troutbeck, 8st. 3lbs. (Rs. 300)	Ba Thwin 0

BETTING:—2 to 1 agst Chieftain, 6 to 1 Troutbeck, 10 to 1 others.
Won by three lengths; half a length between second and third. Time—1min 8⅘ secs.

LUCKNOW GYMKHANA MEETING.

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Clerk of the Scales:—MAJOR J. H. ENSOR.
Starter:—CAPT. A. C. STEELE, A.V.C.
Veterinary Surgeon:—CAPT. A. C. STEELE, A.V.C.
Clerk of the Course:—MAJOR EVELYN WOOD.
Secretary:—MAJOR J. H. ENSOR.

Thursday, 21st March 1907.

A VERY successful Gymkhana meeting was held on the Lucknow racecourse on Thursday afternoon, the 21st instant. There was an attractive card of seven events, and some interesting racing was witnessed, in which the favourites frequently got home. The Mahomed Bagh Club was "at home," and there was a fair attendance on the course, in which the military element predominated. The support received should encourage the executive to give us yet another afternoon's racing before the advent of the hot season.

THE PONY HURDLES.—Rs. 49 to the winner, Rs. 20 to the second, and Rs. 10 to the third. A handicap for Arab ponies 11-2, C.-B., English and Australian ponies 11-1 and under. 1 mile over 5 flights.

Thakur Sripal Singh's ch aus m Elsie, 10st. (car. 10st. 11b)... ...	...Mr. Charrington 1
Mr. W. T. Miles' br aus m Polly Hall, 9st. 13lbs.	Owner 2
Mr. H. H. Sandbach's ch aus m Double Keys, 11st. 9lbs.	Owner 3

BETTING: 3 to 1 each agst. Elsie and Double Keys, and 2 to 1 Polly Hall.
Won by one lengths; six lengths divided second and third.

THE DUFFER PLATE.—Rs. 49 to the winner, Rs. 20 to the second, and Rs. 10 to the third. For ponies 14-1 and under that have never been placed in any race of any value or description either on the Flat Chase or Hurdles. English and Australian ponies 14-1 to carry 12st, C.-B. ponies 14-1 to carry 11st, Arab ponies 14-1 to carry 9st. W. I. 4 furlongs.

Capt. W.D. Grant's b aus m Audrey, 10st. 13lbs.	Owner 1
Capt. J. W. Jeffreys' ch aus m Yellow Aster, 11st. 11lbs.	Owner 2
Thakur Sripal Singh's gr aus h Grey Wolf, 6st. 12lbs.	Bahari 3
Mr. G. Leslie Smith's ch aus g The Kid, 11st. 8lbs.	Owner 0
Mr. C. W. Turner's br aus m Gracie, 11st, 8lbs.	Owner 0
Mr. P. D. C. Johnston's b aus g Bushman, 11st. 2lbs.	Major Climo 0
Capt. A. England's gr aus m Merry Girl, 11st. 2lbs.	Mr. Hudson 0
Mr. T. S. Irwin's ch cb m Sunshine, 11st.	Owner 0
Miss Massy's ch cb m Mary, 9st. 10lbs.	...Mr. Charrington 0

BETTING; Evens Audrey, 6 to 4 agst. Bushman, 2 to 1 Sunshine, 3 to 1 Grey Wolf, 4 to 1 each Gracie and Mary, and 5 to 1 the others.
Won by one and a half lengths; three lengths between second and third.

THE 43rd (O.L.I.) REGIMENTAL RACE.—Under Regimental conditions. Waters 13st. 7lbs, C.-B.'s 12st., and Arabs 10-7. Catchweights. 3 furlongs.

Mr. C. G. Higgin's ch a g Saladin ...	Owner 1
Mr. F. H. Beaufort's b a g Royal Scott ...	Capt. Bailey 2
Mr. Guy Blewitt's br aus g Benjamin ...	Mr. Stevens 3
Capt. C. F. Henley's b a g Bubbles ...	Owner 0
Mr. C. B. Parr's b ch m Jezebel ...	Owner 0
Mr. A. E. Sanderson's gr a g Piggy ...	Owner 0

BETTING: Evens each Saladin and Benjamin, 3 to 1 each Royal Scott and Jezebel, and 4 to 1 the others.
Won by one length; one and a half lengths separated second and third, and a short head third and fourth.

THE PONY PLATE.—Rs. 49 to the winner, Rs. 20 to the second, and Rs. 10 to the third. For English and Australian ponies 14-2 and under that have never won a Flat Race value Rs. 50 or over. 14-2 to carry 12-7. W. I. 5 furlongs.

Thakur Sripal Singh's b e m Silver II., 10st. 5lbs.	Rahim 1
Thakur Sripal Singh's br aust m Exchange II., 10st. 5lbs.	...Mr.Charrington 2
Mr. G. Blewitt's ch aust g Corbett, 11st. 6lbs.	Mr. Higgins 3
Mr. H. H. Sandbach's br aust m Ruby, 11st. 6lbs.	Owner 0
Mr. C. W. Turner's br aust g None Such II., 11st.	Owner 0
Major Evelyn Wood's ch aust g Afrit, 12st. 4lbs.	Owner 0
Mr. T. S. Irwin's b s a g Pom Pom, 10st. 11lbs.	Owner 0

BETTING: 2 to 1 on Exchange II. evens each Pom Pom and Silver II., 3 to 1 agst Corbett, 4 to 1 Afrit, and 5 to 1 the others.
Won by two lengths; three lengths divided second and third, a neck third and fourth.

THE NOVICE ARAB PLATE.—Rs. 49 to the winner, Rs. 20 to the second, and Rs. 10 to the third. For Arab ponies 14-2 and under that have never won a Flat Race value Rs. 50 or over. 14-2 to carry 12-7. W. I. 5 furlongs.

Capt. J. S. Unthank's gr a g Grey Knave 10st. 8lbs.	Mr. Charrington 1
Capt. W. D. Grant's ch a g Little Exile, 11st. 6lbs.	Owner 2
Major Pratt's b a g Cossack, 11st. 3lbs.	... Capt. McNeill 3
Polo Club, 1st. D. L. I. gr a g Joe, 11st. 3lbs.	Capt. Jeffreys 0
Mr. W. T. Miles' b a g Sir Pertab, 11st. 12lbs.	Owner 0
Col. Leake's b a h Japan 10st. 2lbs. ...	Owner 0
Thakur Sripal Singh's gr a h Leave Refused, 9st. 7lbs.	Bahari 0

BETTING: 2 to 1 on Little Exile, 3 to 2 each agst. Grey Knave and Japan, 3 to 1 Leave Refused, and 4 to 1 the others.
Won by two lengths; a head divided second and third, and three lengths third and fourth.

THE CAVALRY CHARGER PLATE.—Rs. 49 to the winner, Rs. 20 to the second, and Rs. 10 to the third. For *bona fide* chargers the property of Officers in any Mounted Branch of H. M.'s Service. Catchweights over 11st, *Gentleman riders only.* 6 furlongs.

Mr. C. W. Turner's b e m Stepma	Capt. Grant 1 Owner } Dead- Owner } heat.
Mr. H. H. Sandbach's br aust g Wallace	
Mr. T. S. Irwin's b aus g Wandering Willie	Owner 3
Cap. H. D. McNeill's b ch g Lowis, ...	Owner 0
Major Evelyn Wood's b aus m Kataroola...	0
Mr. C. Eliot's b aust g V. B.	Owner 0
Mr. W. T. Miles' ch aus g Cocos, ...	Owner 0

BETTING: 5 to 2 on Stepma, 3 to 2 each agst Wallace and Lowis, 3 to 1 V. B., and 5 to 1 the others.
Won by four lengths; a dead heat for second place; three lengths separated the dead heaters and the fourth horse.

THE INFANTRY CHARGER RACE.—Rs. 40 to the winner, Rs. 20 to the second, and Rs. 10 to the third. For *bona fide* chargers the property of Officers in any Dismounted Branch of H. M.'s Service. Catchweights over 11st. Gentleman riders only. 5 furlongs.

Major Pratt's b aus m Two Step ... Capt. Jeffreys 1
Mr. Leslie Smith's ch aus g The Kid ... Owner 2
Mr. P. D. C. Johnston's b aus g Bushman ... Owner 3

BETTING: 4 to 1 on Two Step, and 2 to 1 each agst. The Kid and Bushman.

Won by two lengths; five lengths divided second and third.

Entries for Races.

BANGALORE RACES.

MARCH HANDICAP MEETING, 1907.

ENTRIES FOR 15TH MARCH.

First Day, Tuesday, 26th March 1907.

THE HORSE CHASE.—About 2 miles.

1. Mr. P. Hannyington's ... ch aus g ... Advance.
2. Mr. L. C. Trelawny's ... ch aus m ... Crenia.

THE STEWARDS' PURSE.—6 furlongs.

1. Mr. H. Wishart's ... br aus g ... Warstripe.
2. Mr. A. Hameed Sait's ... b aus g ... Solent.
3. Mr. P. Hannyington's ... ch aus g ... King's Mirror.
4. Mr. P. Hannyington's ... br aus g ... Black Knight.
5. Mr. O. M. D. Bell's ... br aus g ... Bell Dhu.

THE TRIAL PLATE.—1 mile.

1. Mr. M. K. Hodgson's ... g a g ... Seamew.
2. Mr. A. Sattar's ... b aus g ... Fisherman, 14-1½.
3. Major R. H. Hayes' ... ch aus g ... K.C.S.I., 14-1.
4. Mr. E. J. Bridges' ... b aus m ... Lady Aged.
5. Capt. Hayland's ... ch ir m ... Sharavogue.
6. Mr. C. E. Tayleur's ... b e m ... Marchal Neil, 13-3,
7. Capt. G. Jackson's ... b a g ... Hailfellow,

THE DESERT PLATE.—½ mile.

1. Mr. J. Douglas' ... b a h ... Slug.
2. Capt. G. Jackson's ... b a g ... Hailfellow, 14
3. Mr. E. C. Ramshaw's ... g a h ... Girgistan, 13 3½,
4. Mr. L. Phillips' ... g a h ... Once More, 13-3½,
5. Messrs. Wood and Badger's ... ch a h ... William Rufus.
6. Mr. C. E. Tayleur's ... b a h ... Charles Edward,

THE PADDOCK PLATE—5 furlongs.

1. Mr. E. J. Bridge's ... br aus g ... Beresford, aged.
2. Mr. C. E. Tayleur's ... b e m ... Marchal Neil,

THE FARM PLATE.—½ miles.

1. Col. J. P. Grant's ... ch cb h ... Philistine.
2. Mr. A. Sattar's ... b ch g ... Leadon, Leadowaivern 5 yrs.
3. Mr. J. B.'s ... b ch g ... Nobleman,
4. Mr. J. B.'s ... ch cb g ... Sir Trenton 5 yrs.
5. Mr. Ahmed Sait's ... ch cb g ... Phil Courage, 4 yrs.

Second Day Thursday, 28th March 1907.

THE CURZON PLATE.—7 furlongs.

1. Mr. H. Wishart's ... br aus g ... Warstripe.
2. Mr. A. Hameed Sait's ... b aus g ... Solent.
3. Mr. P. Hannyington's ... ch aus g ... King's Mirror.
4. Mr. P. Hannyington's ... bk aus g ... Black Knight.
5. Mr. O. M. D. Bell's ... br aus g ... Bell Dhu.

THE BEDOUIN PLATE.—7 furlongs.

1. Mr. J. Douglas' ... b a h ... Slug.
2. Capt. G. Jackson's ... b a g ... Hailfellow, 14
3. Mr. E. C. Ramshaw's ... g a h ... Girgistan, 13-3½,
4. Mr. L. Phillips' ... g a h ... Once More, 13-3½,
5. Messrs. Wood and Badger's ... ch a h ... William Rufus.
6. Mr. C. E. Tayleur's ... b a h ... Charles Edward,

THE BANGALORE PLATE.—7 furlongs.

1. Major R. H. Hayes' ... ch aus g ... K.C.S.I., 14-1.
2. Mr. E. J. Bridge's ... h aus m ... Lady, aged.

THE ULSOOR PLATE.—5 furlongs.

1. Mr. M. K. Hodgson's ... g a g ... Seamew.
2. Mr. A. Sattar's ... b aus g ... Fisherman, 14-1.
3. Mr. E. J. Bridge's ... b aus m ... Lady, aged.
4. Mr. E. J. Bridge's ... br aus g ... Beresford, aged.
5. Capt. Hayland's ... ch ir m ... Sharavogue.
6. Mr. C. E. Tayleur's ... b e m ... Marchal Neil, 13-3.

THE POLO SCURRY.—3 furlongs.

1. Capt. G. Jackson's ... b a g ... Hailfellow, 14 hands,

H. DONNE,
Secy, Bangalore Race.

BANGALORE, 16th *March* 1907.

Ponies.

W. I. T. C. Measurements.

BOMBAY.

The following ponies were classed, aged and measured, by the Official Measurer, W. I. T. Club, at Bombay, on the 14th March 1907.

Horse's Name. Description.	*Owner's Name.*	*Age.*	*Height.*	*Period.*
Ariel ... b a h ...	Mr. Yussuff Dakayel	4	14-0	31st March 1907.
Southern Pearl ... ch aus m	Col. Ducat ...	6	14-1	For life.

The following horses were classed and aged by the Official Measurer, W. I. T. Club, at Bombay, on the 14th March, 1907.

Behlan ... b a h ...	Mr. Ali bin Talib...	5	.....	31st March 1907.
Bhalul ... g a h ...	Mr. Ali bin Talib...	5	.....	31st Dec. 1907.
Dhafer ... ch a h...	Mr. Hoosain Obayed	4	.....	31st Dec. 1907.
Marseilles b a h ...	Mr. Ali bin Talib...	4	.....	31st Dec. 1907.
Matuk ... b a h ...	Mr. Ali bin Talib...	4	.....	31st Dec. 1907.

Sport in England.

(FROM THE HOME PAPERS.)

LONDON, *Friday, 8th March 1907.*

THE TURF.

SANDOWN PARK.

EARLY on the morning of the 1st instant, the outlook was almost as unpromising as on Thursday, the white mist extending further afield, but more speedily beginning to feel the influence of the sun. Fortune was, after all, kind to the gratification of a vast company from all parts that intended attending the soldiers' meeting. Such weather as prevailed on the open all, kind to the gratification of a vast company but earnest of brighter skies was given by the clearer vista obtained down the Waterloo platforms, and but little outlying fog was left in the Lambeth and Clapham Junction districts, which had previously been its strongholds. It was hoped that the King would put the seal of Royal approval on the meeting, but sometime before proceedings opened it became generally known that His Majesty would be unable to be present to see Flaxman run. A brilliant attendance filled the members' enclosure and paddock. Better going could not have been desired. The feature of the afternoon was the success of Mr. C. Bewicke on two of his own and one of Mr. Fitzgerald's while he looked once like making his score up to four on Heroine. Details of the principal races:—

GRAND MILITARY GOLD CUP—Of 500sovs. (a piece of plate value 100sovs. and 400sovs. in specie); second receives 10sovs., and the third 10sovs. 3 miles, over the Steeplechase Course.

Mr. C. Bewicke's b or br c Old Fairyhouse, by Hackler—Circe, 5yrs., 12st. ... Owner 1
Mr. C. Bewicke's br g Bonar, 5yrs., 11st. Capt. Stacpoole 2
Mr. T. G. Paget's ch m Alert III., aged, 12st. ... ... Capt. Rasbotham 3
Lord N. Crichton Stuart's Clean Linen, 5yrs., 11st. 10lbs. ... Capt. R. de Crespigny 0
Lord H. Grosvenor's Brankelow, aged, 12st. ... ... Mr. C. N. Newton 0
His Majesty's Flaxman, aged, 12st. ...Hon. R. Bruce 0
Mr. C. E. Reynard's Baron Athel, 6yrs., 11st. 9lbs. ... ... Owner 0
Mr. R. K. McGillycuddy's Irish Wisdom, 5yrs., 11st. (car. 11st. 4lbs.) ... Owner 0
Mr. A. Underhill's Despatch, 6yrs., 11st. Owner 0

(*Winner trained by J. J. Maher.*)

BETTING: 13 to 8 agst. Alert III., 3 to 1 Old Fairyhouse, 7 to 2 Bonar, 10 to 1 Clean Linen, 100 to 8 Flaxman, and 20 to 1 each others (offered).

Won by four lengths; a bad third. Time—6min. 38⅕secs.

PAST AND PRESENT STEEPLECHASE—Of 150sovs.; second receives 15sovs.; and the third 5sovs. out of the plate. 2½ miles.

Col. Sir P. Walker's b g Allaboard by. Cruiser—Hall In, 5yrs., 11st. 10lbs. Mr. A. Fitzgerald 1
Capt. L. S. Denny's b g Savanaka, 6yrs., 12st. 8lbs. ... ... Owner 2
Mr. C. Bewicke's b m Heroine, 5yrs., 11st. 10lbs. ... ... Owner 3
Capt. W. Murray's Whole Truth, 5yrs., 11st. 10lbs. ... ... Mr. Tabor 0
Mr. C. A. Newton's Downpatrick, aged, 12st. 8lbs. ... ... Owner 0
Mr. F. Bibby's Petar, aged, 12st. 3lbs. Capt. Rasbotham 0
Col. A. E. Whitaker's Relenta, aged, 12st. 12lbs. ... ...Mr. Burnyeats 0
Capt. C. Rankin's Grahamstown, aged, 12st. 8lbs. ... ... Owner 0
Mr. F. C. Stern's Clorane's Pride, aged, 11st. 12lbs. ... ... Owner 0
Mr. E. Hill's Bellax, 6yrs., 11st. 12lbs. ... Owner 0
Capt. C. R. Terrot's Banzai II., aged, 12st. 3lbs. ... ... Owner 0

(*Winner trained by Latham.*)

BETTING: 100 to 30 agst. Savanaka, 7 to 2 Allaboard, 4 to 1 each Whole Truth and Heroine, 6 to 1 Petar, and 100 to 8 each others (offered).

Won by two lengths; four lengths between second and third. Time—5mins. 36⅕secs.

SANDOWN MAIDEN OPEN HURDLE RACE—Of 200sovs.; second receives 20sovs. 2 miles.

Mr. J. M. Kerne's b c Sancho, by Orvieto—Navaretta, 4yrs., 11st. ... ... F. Freemantle 1
Mr. G. Gunter's b h Fincastle, 5yrs., 10st. 12lbs. ... ... Owner 2
Mr. A. Fitzgerald's ch c Mid Air, 5yrs. 10st. 12lbs. ... ... F. Morgan 3
Mr. S. Goellan's Ethel Macarthy, 5yrs., 10st. 12lbs. ... ... J. O'Brien 0
Mr. W. Bass' Terek, 4yrs., 10st. 7lbs. ... E. Driscoll 0
Lord Sefton's Pretty Dick, 5yrs., 11st. 8lbs. Mr. Fergusson 0
Miss E. Clinton's Snow Glory, 4yrs., 10st. 7lbs. ... ... F. Mason 0
Lord Rosebery's Alcanzor, 4yrs., 10st. 7lbs. J. Nightingall 0

(*Winner trained by H. Persse.*)

BETTING: 2 to 1 agst. Sancho, 5 to 2 Snow Glory, 3 to 1 Alcanzor, 6 to 1 Pretty Dick, and 10 to 1 each others (offered).

Won by a length; six lengths between second and third. Time—4min. 9⅘secs.

Saturday, the 2nd instant, wound up a most successful soldiers' meeting, Sunny Sandown sustaining its soubriquet, and the glorious weather on both days materially conduced to such satisfactory results. The brilliant attendence was pretty much on a par on both days, and included the same assemblage of rank and fashion, the crowded members' enclosure presenting a pretty picture, thanks to the tasty toilettes of the fair sex. Notabilities of the senate, the law, the sister services, music, art, and the drama were to be met at every turn, and the new big public enclosures were packed. It was a glorious day for motoring, and pedestrians between Surbiton and Sandown had a dusty journey. Several drags were in the carriage enclosure, lending a sporting air to the scene. The racing was excellent, but not so appreciable to backers, as by the defeat of every favourite the ring got back some of their previous day's losses. Details of the principal races:—

GRAND MILITARY HANDICAP STEEPLECHASE.—Of 200sovs.; second receives 20sovs. and the third 5sovs. 2½ miles.

Mr. L. E. G. Oates' br g Gabriel II., by New Grange—Fallen Angel, aged, 10st. 13lbs. ... ... Capt. C. de Crespigny 1
Mr. C. Bewicke's br g Bonar, 5yrs., 11st. 2lbs. ... ...Capt. Stacpoole 2
Capt. C. Rankin's b g Chilumchee, aged, 10st. 5lbs. ... ... Capt. Straubenzee 3
Mr. E. Christie Miller's Chiretta, aged, 11st. 9lbs. ... ... Mr. R. de Crespigny 0
Mr. T. G. Paget's Alert III., aged, 12st. 7lbs. ... ... Mr. C. N. Newton 0
Mr. R. F. Eyre's Royal Blaze, aged, 12st. 4lbs. ... ... Capt. Rasbotham 0

(*Winner trained by Hallick, at Lambourn.*)

BETTING: Evens Bonar, 6 to 4 agst. Royal Blaze, 8 to 1 Alert III., 10 to 1 Chiretta, and 100 to 8 each others (offered).

Won by three lengths; three quarters of a length between second and third. Time—5min. 25⅘secs.

IMPERIAL HURDLE RACE (Open Handicap)—of 1,000sovs; second receives 100sovs. and the third 50sovs. 2 miles.

Lord Carnarvon's ch g Carnegie, by Fortunio—Blue Riband, 6yrs., 11st. 4lbs. ... ... J. O'Brien 1
Mr. H. Heasman's b g The Clown II, aged, 10st. 7lbs. ... ... T. Fitton 2
Mr. A. Stedall's ch c Simonson, 4yrs, 11st. 7lbs. ... ... J. Dillon 3
Mr. S. Joel's Whitechapel, aged, 11st. 8lbs. ... ...F. Freemantle 0
Lord Sefton's Mr. Whistler, 5yrs., 10st. 6lbs. ... ... E. Driscoll 0
Mr. G. Walmsley's Wild Aster, 6yrs., 12st. 10lbs. ... ... G. Goswell 0
Mr. J. Muddimer's Lancashire, 6yrs., 11st. 9lbs. ... ... Mr. H. Hunt 0
Mr. G. H. Browne's John M.P., aged, 12st. 9lbs. ... ... R. Morgan 0
Sir J. E. Backhouse's Iman, 5yrs, 11st 6lbs... T. Thatcher 0
Mr. O. Backhouse's Glen Mazarin, 4yrs., 10st. ... ... E. Dolson 0
Mr. C. Hibert's Savernake, 5yrs., 11st. 11lbs. ... ... J. Nightingall 0
Mr. R. C. Thompson's Leviathan, aged, 11st. 13 lbs. ... ... G. Wilson 0
Col. R. L. Birkin's Lawrence, aged, 11st. 2lbs. ... ... Mr. R. Payne 0
Mr. T. McMahon's Mistral Boy, 5yrs., 10st. 5lbs. ... ... F. Mason 0
Mr. S. Gollan's Julie Tottot, 4yrs., 10st. ... A. Newey 0

(*Winner trained by Westlake.*)

BETTING: 7 to 2 Savernake, 6 to 1 The Clown II., 7 to 1 Simonson, 8 to 1 each Wild Aster, John M.P., and Lancashire, 10 to 1 each Whitechapel, Iman, and Mistral Boy, 100 to 8 Mr. Whistler, and 20 to 1 each others (offered).

Won by three lengths; half a length between second and third. Time—4mins. 4⅗ secs.

UNITED SERVICE STEEPLECHASE—Of 150sovs; second receives 15sovs. and the third 5sovs. 2 miles.

Mr. V. T. J. Eyres' bl g Geoff, by Le Noir—Irish Pansy, aged, 12st. 10lbs. .... Capt. Rasbotham 1
Mr. C. Bewicke's ch g Enceladus, 5yrs, 12st. ... ...Capt. Stacpoole 2
Mr. E. Christie Miller's b c H. T., 5yrs, 12st. 3lbs. ... ...Capt. de Crespigny 3
Capt. C. R. Terrot's Osman, aged, 12st. 3lbs. ... ...Mr. Thorneycroft 0

(*Winner trained by Costello.*)

BETTING: 6 to 5 on Enceladus, 2 to 1 agst. Geoff, 5 to 1 H. T., and 20 to 1 Osman (offered).

Won by eight lengths; a bad third. Time—4mins. 28⅕secs.

FOOTBALL.

ASSOCIATION RULES.

Scotland is doing remarkably well in International and representative fixtures this season in football. She has a splendid series of Rugby successes to her credit, and on Saturday a most auspicious beginning was made in her Association programme at Ibrox Park, where the Scottish League side played the powerful Football League team to a draw. Accounts to hand show that luck was on the side of the home eleven, whose goal at times was submitted to a fierce bombardment, but it was never captured, and for the first time since this series of games was instituted in 1902, there was no scoring. It was largely a struggle between the English forwards and the Scottish defence, and the players forming the latter are to be highly congratulated on their dogged determination and skill. The match emphasises in unmistakable fashion that England must make radical changes in her forward line if she intends to win her remaining international engagements. When Scotland meets Wales, the latter should at least manage to draw.

The home clubs in the Southern League games on Saturday did not have a rosy time. The most dramatic result was Millwall's triumph at Swindon. For six months the railway men had successfully defied on their own ground the efforts of the various S. L. teams, and now their untarnished record has gone. It is not altogether a surprise to me that the Dockers won, for I made the suggestion in my Saturday's notes that they would probably succeed where all others had failed. Brighton and Hove continue to win matches, but I hardly gave them credit for sufficient ability to beat Queen's Park Rangers by two clear goals at Park Royal. The Rangers are the great disappointment of the season, and now that they are down on their luck nothing seems to shape well for them. Tottenham Hotspur had an unfamiliar team out on their own ground against Leyton, and the Essex men, playing a hard, resolute game did much better than was expected by dividing the spoils in a game that was not particularly thrilling. Norwich City were not able to do better at Newmarket-road against Brentford than in the corresponding game last season, when the points were divided, and Southampton found New Brompton such tough opponents that they had to be content with a single point. Reading's win at Northampton provided the Biscuiteers with a couple of priceless points and Watford's draw at Bristol, against the Rovers, is excellent testimony to the striking advance made of late by the Herts team.

Fulham's chances of retaining the championship are better than for several months past. There was no question as to their superiority over Plymouth Argyle, and the Cottagers with a four points' lead, will now hold tenaciously to the topmost rung of the League ladder. They have only to reproduce their November form in away games, and their retention of the shield would then be a certainty, but since the New Year came in Fulham have not done anything on foreign soil to enthuse over. Portsmouth, their most dangerous rivals at present, although Tottenham may yet have to be reckoned with, have had a sorry time of late. Their last four games have provided them with one point, and they have given nine goals away. West Ham were merciless on Saturday, and by scoring a trio of goals they brought their bag for the season against Pompey to a half-dozen, while the two games in the Western League have also yielded six. In the four engagements between these teams the United have twice won, lost one, and drawn the fourth. The Crystal Palace go from bad to worse in their southern League engagement, and they occupy the unenviable position of nineteenth on the list. Luton, who were successful when at the Palace in October, got the better of an interesting struggle on their own ground, and thus took four points from the Glaziers, who reserve all their best efforts for Cup ties. The S. L. table to date is appended:—

	P.	W.	L.	D.	Goals For.	Goals Agst.	Pts.
Fulham ...	28	13	4	11	40	26	37
Tottenham Hotspur	27	13	7	7	52	34	33
Portsmouth	26	14	7	5	42	27	33
West Ham United	28	11	6	11	46	31	33
Brighton and Hove	28	13	8	7	37	29	33
Norwich City	27	10	7	10	46	35	30
Watford	27	10	7	10	31	35	30
Brentford	25	11	8	6	35	31	28
Southampton	27	10	9	1	35	34	28
Bristol Rovers	26	10	9	7	38	32	27

	P.	W.	L.	D.	Goals For	Goals Agst.	Pts.
Luton Town ...	25	11	10	4	34	42	26
Millwall ...	27	11	12	4	53	43	26
Swindon Town ...	27	9	10	8	31	33	26
Plymouth Argyle ...	28	8	11	9	35	41	25
Leyton ...	28	8	11	9	31	49	25
Reading ...	27	10	14	3	41	35	23
Queen's Park Rangers ...	27	7	13	7	32	44	21
New Brompton ...	27	7	15	5	27	47	19
Crystal Palace ...	25	7	14	4	34	37	18
Northampton ...	26	4	16	7	22	56	15

The Arsenal were well below full strength at Plumstead on Saturday in their game with Sheffield United, who lost by a big margin when they last were down in the district where the big guns are made. The Reds had to pay the penalty for taking the field without such stalwarts as Sharp, whom they were considerately resting in view of the International—Scotland *vs.* Wales—Coleman who was in the English League *vs* Scottish League team, and Garbutt, who was not fit. The early stages were of the lifeless order, but movements became more brisk, and therewas subsequently plenty to interest onlookers. Each goal had narrow escapes, but the exchanges were in favour of the Gunners, who deserved the lead when the interval arrived. There was not much to choose between the teams in the closing half, but Bluff, the ex-Southampton player, found the net for the United, who won by a goal to love. The result is not an index of the game, but the home team were once more unable to snap up chances, and that is the full explanation for their defeat—their fourth in succession in the League. Bristol City, the other Southern club in the First Divison, are showing wonderful consistency, and they must finish very high up in the table if they maintain their present form.

League 1

In the First Division of the League on Saturday home teams did not loom so large on the horizon as usual. Reference has been made to the Sheffield United and Bristol successes, and an examination of the complete results reveals that Blackburn Rovers repeated history by accomplishing the overthrow of Derby County at the baseball grounds, the County having provided the Lancastrians with eight goals and four points this season. Sheffield Wednesday may be lying low in view of Cup tie engagements, but their reputation is not enhanced by the defeat at Owlerton by Notts County who may yet compel Derby to accompany Stoke to the lower division. The Wednesday have not won a League match at home since 1st December Three teams halve the points with their opponents on Saturday, and the best performance was that of Manchester United, who compelled Birmingham to yield up half the spoils. Newcastle United, who appear to be walking away with the championship, could not do better than avert defeat at Preston, where the Proud Men made a tremendous effort to take revenge for their defeat in the far North in October. Middlesbrough reversed the result of the 1905-6 game at Ayresome Park when the Villa provided the opposition, the latter then winning 2—1, but on Saturday the Ironopolis team scored the only goal of the match, and as they eat the Villans at Aston in the first half of the season, they have taken four points from the Midlanders, instead of losing four, as last season. Sunderland did not show any mercy to Stoke, and the Potters must now be resigned to their apparently inevitable fate. The narrow win of Manchester City over Liverpool gave great satisfaction to the supporters of the Hyde-road men, and Everton's win over Bolton Wanderers was a repetition of their Cup tie victory, except that the margin was much less pronounced. The results table to date is as follows :—

	P.	W.	L.	D.	Goals For	Goals Agst.	Pts.
Newcastle United ...	29	18	5	6	61	32	42
Everton ...	28	17	8	3	56	28	36
Aston Villa ...	30	16	10	4	65	42	36
Sheffield United ...	28	14	7	7	45	40	35
Bristol City ...	27	13	6	8	48	33	34
Bolton Wanderers ...	28	12	9	7	42	36	31
Manchester United ...	30	12	11	7	39	48	31
Woolwich Arsenal ...	27	13	10	4	46	42	30
Birmingham	28	11	11	6	34	38	28
Sheffield Wednesday ...	27	9	9	9	40	45	27
Middlesbrough ...	29	11	13	5	41	52	27
Preston North End ...	31	11	15	5	36	51	27
Sunderland	25	9	8	8	40	34	26
Liverpool	27	11	12	4	50	48	26
Blackburn Rovers ...	28	10	13	5	45	47	25
Manchester City ...	29	8	12	9	41	48	25
Derby County ...	28	7	14	7	30	40	21
Bury	29	8	16	5	41	57	21
Notts County ...	26	3	11	12	26	39	18
Stoke	28	4	17	7	27	52	15

Chelsea cannot afford to drop points at Grimsby or anywhere else, with Nottingham Forest coming along in such great style and West Bromwich only four points behind with a game in hand Last year at Grimsby Chelsea divided the points, but they fell short of this on Saturday, the Fishermen gaining the verdict by the odd goal in three. The visitors loudly appealed against Grimsby's second goal, and the referee was so doubtful about the matter that he consulted a linesman before deciding Burnett was not offside when he received the ball. The pensioners are very sore about the decision, but it is best to accept these things with philosophic calm, and trust to matters being evened up, as they certainly will be, ere the season closes. This was Chelsea's first loss away from home since 3rd November when they went down at Burslem by two goals to love. The win by the Forest over Gainsborough was their sixth successive victory, and West Bromwich cantered home against Hull City. There were one or two surprises, the most emphatic being the defeat of Burnly, at Turf Moor by Leeds City, who had not done anything recently to suggest that they would succeed where stronger teams had failed. Chesterfield lost two points on their own ground they could ill spare Blackpool being their conquerors, and Wolverhampton Wanderers were worsted in drastic fashion at Burton by the United. Barnsley were not able to do more than draw at Burselem, and Clapton Orient maintained their unenviable reputation for inability to put up a good fight away from Homerton by a 8—0 defeat at Lincol. The other games do not require comment.

	P.	W.	L.	D.	Goals For	Goals Agst.	Pts.
Chelsea	27	18	5	4	50	21	40
Notts Forest ...	27	19	6	2	58	30	40
Leicester Fosse ...	28	16	7	5	51	29	37
West Bromwich Albion ...	26	17	7	2	69	28	36
Bradford City ...	27	14	8	5	41	34	33
Wolverhampton Wands....	29	14	11	4	50	42	32
Burnley	29	14	12	3	51	34	31
Gainsborough Trinity ...	30	13	14	3	40	36	29
Hull City	27	12	11	4	48	37	28
Stockport County ...	27	10	9	8	32	35	28
Barnsley	26	11	10	5	54	37	27
Grimsby Town ...	27	12	13	2	41	40	26
Leeds City	29	9	13	7	40	51	25
Burslem Port Vale ...	28	9	14	5	51	66	23
Glossop	28	10	16	2	36	66	22
Blackpool	29	6	13	10	22	38	22
Lincoln City	27	9	15	3	33	51	21
Clapton Orient	28	7	15	6	33	52	20
Chesterfield	29	7	16	6	35	46	20
Burton United ...	28	6	18	4	25	55	16

INTER-LEAGUE MATCH.

Scotland *vs.* England.—The sixteenth encounter on the 2nd instant Scotland and England under League auspices took place at Ibrox Park, Glasgow, before about 50,000 spectators the drawings amounting to about £1,600. Unfortunately, the teams as originally selected were unable to take the field, owing to injuries. The substitutes in each case, if not quite the popular fancy, proved capable players, and in no way materially affected the strength of either side. The weather was fine, brilliant sunshine prevailing. The turf was on the slow side, thus helping to establish an equality between two teams built on very different principles, the one of the fast acting order, and the other of the solid and slower type.

Losing the toss, Scotland kicked off against what wind there was and after some opening manœuvres Smith shot past. A foul against England let Scotland in, only to be brought up through May fouling Coleman Offside drew up England after some clever play on the right wing, and from the kick Scotland made some progress.

At this stage England were pressing persistently, but a sound defence kept them safe. A corner for England looked very dangerous, and after another Scotland had relief through the ball going over. Two more corners in quick succession for England looked like materialising, but again Scotland through her defence cleared. Some open play ensued, and thereafter England were drawn up for offside. Thornley had a grand try, which luckily for Scotland hit the post, and Hall immediately after mulled a chance of a lifetime by shooting high over the bar from a few yards out with no one to beat.

A grand run by Scotland on the right looked dangerous, but England's defence cleared. Maxwell for Scotland spoiled a clever piece of play through fouling Crompton, and let England in again, only to be brought up by Stewart. Scotland pressing on the right, forced Pennington to kick out. A foul against Scotland was the beginning of some clever mid-field play, from which England, pressing home on the left, had a grand try through Hall. Another shot from Bache showed Scotland's goalkeeper at his best, and yet another hard drive by Robert was cleverly saved by Muir.

The English halves were playing a sterling game, and being ably assisted by a pack of clever forwards, were beating Scotland pointless. A corner for Scotland resulted in England getting away on a likely run, only to be hauled up by Young. A corner for England was put past, and Scotland opening out had for a time as much of the play as their opponents. Scotland now pressing once or twice looked dangerous, but the same perfect understanding did not exist among their players as it did in the camp of the visitors. Half—time :—

Scotland	0
England	0

The second half opened with some good exchanges, and A Smith, for Scotland, had hard lines in not getting through on the run, being just beaten by a fast travelling ball. Young, from three-quarters, had a shot which just missed by inches. Scotland at this stage were more dangerous than they had been in the first half, and almost scored, forcing Robinson to run for the ball and concede a corner, which Young put past. Some grand open play now ensued, and Scotland pressing keenly were brought up through Smith fouling Crompton.

A grand shot by Stokes, and another by Warren, again gave Muir a chance to show his value to Scotland. Some exciting play around the English goal followed, but the ball was put past. At this stage Scotland were showing to advantage in attack, and were having some hard luck, and only by the good luck of England did their goal escape, as the ball from Smith ran right across the goalmouth and just beat Maxwell to reach it. The game was then stopped for a few minutes owing to Pennington receiving a bad knock, but he was able to continue. A grand piece of left-wing play for Scotland terminated in Stark shooting hard at Robinson who cleverly saved.

England pressing hard were outwitting the Scottish halves, but they in their turn stuck to their guns, and after some lively exchanges the defence ultimately prevailed. The game was stubbornly contested, neither side giving much away, Scotland pressing through McTavish and Maxwell all but scored. The Scottish goal was then besieged, and escaped once or twice marvellously.

The English forwards, led by Thornley, Bache, and Hall, towards the close gave the Scottish back division a hard time of it and the defence, which came in for some severe criticism during the week came out with flying colours, keeping the Englishmen at bay till the whistle blew, the game ending—

Scotland	0
England	0

Wales *vs.* Scotland.—Wales has at length succeeded in performing the "hat trick" in her international engagements with Scotland, after a series of defeats, with a drawn game at irregular intervals. The Principality gained a well merited victory at Wrexham in 1905, followed by an even more brilliant win at Edinburgh last year. Yesterday's match was therefore looked forward to with more than usual interest.

When it became necessary to make two alterations in the Welsh team, which appeared to weaken it, there was great disappointment on the part of Welsh enthusiasts. Both the newcomers, however, played a fair game; in fact, the only weak spot was at centre-forward, Morgan Owen being distinctly off colour. The weather was fine, and a crowd of 8,000 was attracted to Wrexham racecourse, where the game was played.

The Scotsmen were the first to become dangerous, and the Welsh defence was severely tested. Two or three free-kicks greatly assisted the visitors. Corners fell to both teams, but none of them were improved upon, Roose and Mc Bride being on the alert. Half time :—

Wales	0
Scotland	0

After the interval play became even more exciting, and quite as fast as in the first half. Wales certainly gave a much better exhibition, and two corners were conceded them in quick succession, but no score followed. Meredith got in a good shot, but McBride cleared in grand style, and Roose was called upon at the other end, but was equal to the occasion. Play was now going in the Welshmen's favour, and the Scottish defence was frequently called up, but was not pierced. Both teams were now exerting themselves to obtain a lead, but without avail until the last minute, when from a pass by Meredith, Gordon Jones shot into goal, and from McBride's clearance Grenville Morris got possession, and scored with a warm shot. The visitors played pluckily, but they failed to equalise. Result :—

Wales	— 1
Scotland	0

CROSS-COUNTRY RUNNING.

The National Championship.—If the National C.C.U. had arranged for the weather, they could scarcely have had a more brilliant day than Saturday. The venue for the thirty first annual championship was Colwall Park, Great Malvern, a delightful spot, and thanks to the energy of the G. W. Railway Company, easily accessible from all parts. The South were favoured by a fast special which performed the journey in three hours, while too much praise can hardly be given to the company's officials for the manner in which they catered both for competitors and pleasure seekers. The course selected was a very trying one, and would have delighted those old stagers who so frequently declaim against our present championship courses. A spur of the Malvern Hills had to be ascended in each of the three laps of the country, and it may safely be said that, though the course was obviously short of the full ten miles, it was a thoroughly satisfactory test of stamina. It soon found out the weak spots of those who were short of training. From a spectators' point of view the race could not have been beaten, yet the gate was somewhat disappointing; but thanks to the fine entry of twenty clubs, financial success is assured. Those who were urging that the severe course tended to upset public form found the result a stumbling-block, for on the whole the running was just what we were led to expect. Birchfield once again took the honours, and they run a very fine team indeed, the accession of Underwood and Green making their victory secure at an early stage, and at half distance they had ten men in the first thirty-seven. Such running put the other clubs out of the hunt. Highgate lamented the breakdown of A. G. Horne, J. Woolley, and J. G. Coughlin, but they never flattered their supporters. Hallamshire ran a sound team, and might have troubled our Southern champions more had they not made such hard running in the first mile. Much regret was expressed at the absence of the Haddington Harriers, who scratched, thus leaving nineteen teams in the field, of whom sixteen finished the course, the non-stayers being Derby, Worcester and the Godiva, the latter only finishing one man—Arthur Ashby, the Midland Junior champion. The Polytechnic, true to their traditions, finished their complete twelve, and in the proportion of finishers to starters, the Southern came out well ahead of the other divisions.

Individual honours fell to a worthy athlete in George Pearce, who has now gained an honour for which he has striven for some years, and he will be hard to beat in the "International." Joe Deakin was an excellent second, notwithstanding a fall which lost him much ground, and shook him up so severely that at five miles he looked like being beaten both by Dunkley and Underwood, who made up quite seventy yards on the racecourse. But it turned out that Deakin had wisely reserved his energies over the light going so as to recover fully from his mishape, and up the hill he went right away again, and was never afterwards approached. A. Underwood beat Dunkley over the last mile or so. In the foremost positions Midlanders were well represented principally because they were running nearly all the leading men in their district race, while from the South the race was scarcely as well supported as had been expected. In club placings they had five in the first eleven, however, Polytechnic proving themselves a fine team, and closing in fourth—a long way behind the placed clubs.

ATHLETICS.

Cambridge University Sports.—More genial weather for the concluding day of the University Trials could not have prevailed and some grand performances were recorded. Kenneth Powell followed up his fine showing in the Hurdles of Monday by winning the final in 15¼ sec., while a well-known timekeeper in Mr. J. E. Dixon made it a fifth faster. This was not the only Fenner's record put up, as R. H. Lindsay-Watson hurled the hammer 131ft. 2in., and afterwards in an exhibition throw reached 134ft. 6in.—the best throw at Cambridge. Another fine performance was Kenneth Macleod's win in the Hundred inside 10½ sec. Considering this was the first event he has competed in since winning the Inter-Varsity sprint last spring, the showing is exceptionally meritorious. In the Long Jump, R. P. Frankyn was seen to great advantage, and, jumping most consistently landed 22ft. 2in. The three previous best efforts at these sports were:—H. A. Jones 22ft. 5¾in., E. Baddeley 22ft. 4¾in., and R. J. Leakey 22ft. 4in. In the Quarter-mile, E. H. Ryle scored his third victory and when extended will accomplish better time. The Mile was always at the mercy of H. G. Weber the most improved of long-distance runners in residence, who, while doing nothing brilliant in the way of time, is to be congratulated on his strong and sound running.

Officials :—Judges, K. Powell (King's) and A. B. Welsh (Trinity); referee Rev. J. H. Gray (Queens'); starter, W. M. Fletcher; timekeeper, J. Newton Digby. Details :—

100 Yards (*Final*).—K. G. Macleod (Fettes and Pembroke) 1, A. E. D. Anderson (Eton and Trinity) 2, W. Brass (Eton and Trinity) 3, C. C. G. Wright (Tonbridge and Pembroke) 4. This is Macleod's second win, he having been successful as a "Fresher." Getting away smartly, he was soon going along in fine style, and won by a good three yards; Anderson beat Brass in the last few yards, and obtained second place by half a yard. Time—10½secs. (inside).

Hurdles (*Final*).—K. Powell (Rugby and King's) 1, R. T. Gladstone (Uppingham and Trinity) 2, C. R. Grace (University College School and Clare.) 3. The Blue tied with F. H. Teall as a Freshman, and could not compete twelve months ago. Yesterday he showed increased pace. From the first hurdle he was ahead, and moved in brilliant style, but over the last hurdle he seemed to stumble and lost some yards, but finishing strongly, he won by half a dozen yards in 15⅘ sec.

Quarter-mile.—E. H. Ryle (Eton and Trinity) 1, A. E. D. Anderson (Eton and Trinity) 2, W. H. Pelham (Eton and Trinity) 3. Ryle cut out his own work, and experienced no difficulty in winning by fifteen yards; three yards. Time, 51¼ sec.

Long Jump.—R. P. Frankland (St. Paul's and Pembroke). 22ft. 2in., 1, C. H. Williams (South-Eastern College and Emmanuel), 21ft., 2, K. G. Macleod (Fettes and Pembroke), 20ft. 11¼in., 3. Frankland got grandly off the board each time, clearing 21.5, 21.3¾, 21.5, and 22.2.

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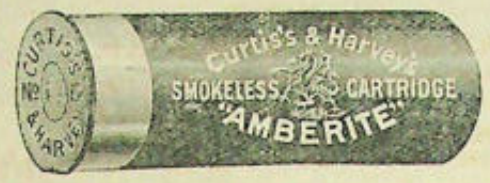

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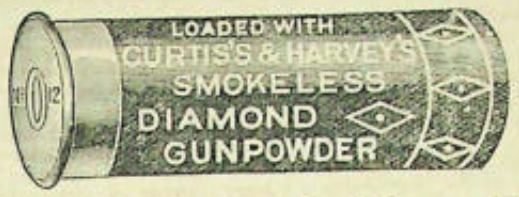

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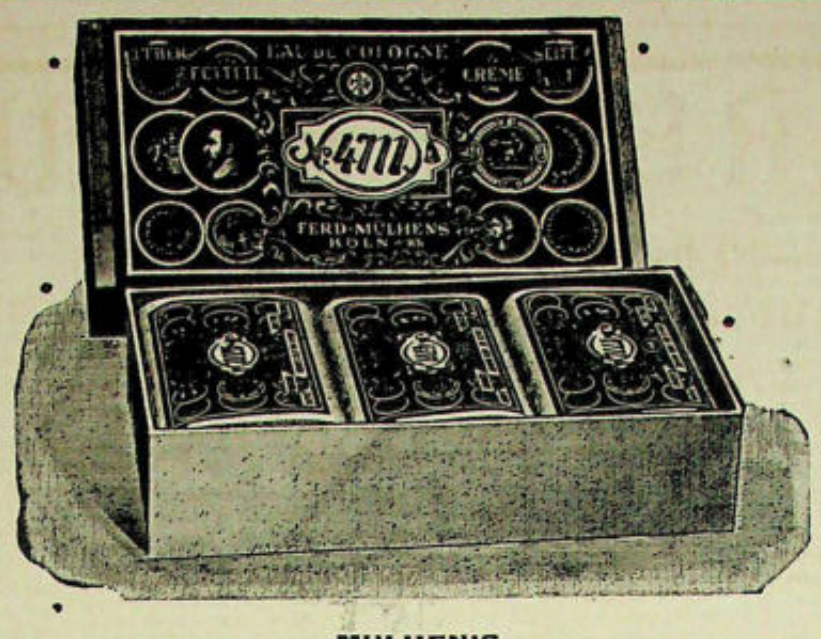

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CALCUTTA.

THROWING THE HAMMER.—R. H. Lindsay-Watson (Glencalmond and Trinity), 181ft. 2in., 1, P. G. Masters (Private and Selwyn), 117ft. 4in., 2, Lindsay-Waston, who is a second year man, won at 131ft. 2in., a record for these sports, and then an exhibition effort reached 134ft. 6in., which is even further than G. H. Hales did under old conditions, or G. E. B. May did for the L.A.C. three years ago.

ONE MILE (*Final*).—H. G. Weber (Rugby and Clare), 1, E. S. Dougall (Tonbridge and Pembroke), 2, W. Hope-Jones (Eton and King's), 3. T. H. Just led for 400 yards, when Hope-Jones went ahead, and completed the first circuit in 1min. 23⅕ sec. At the pavilion in the second lap Weber took up the pace-making, and finished off the second lap in 3 min. Hope-Jones was second and Dougall third, and except that the last two exchanged places in the straight this was the order at the finish. Weber winning by fourteen yards in 4min. 31⅕sec.; Dougall, who occupied 4min. 33⅕sec., led Hope-Jones for second place by a dozen yards.

Three miles is held over till to-day.

BILLIARDS.

REECE v. INMAN.—When Lovejoy's cannon became public property, all eyes turned towards perhaps the finest nursery cannon player in the whole ranks of the profession. "Let Reece once get this stroke in, and it will soon be all over with the record" appeared to be the prevailing opinion among these best qualified to judge. Subsequent events have proved the correctness of this estimate, for at Thurston's Grand Hall yesterday afternoon and evening, Reece compiled a sequence of 521 cannons in a mammoth break of 1,269. Contrast Stevenson's hitherto world's record of 802, with Lovejoy's official record of 284 cannons, with these figures of Reece, and you at once see where the justice of the barring demand comes in. Reference has been made elsewhere to the remarkable performance of the Oldham player, but I should like to point out that Reece compiled the break *across* the table and near the right top pocket in contra-distinction to Lovejoy's method *up and down* the table. We have thus had the stroke exploited at three different parts of a table. First, left top pocket, second, right bottom pocket, and third, right top pocket. Moreover, Reece played the stroke with both white balls dead level with each other, whereas in Lovejoy's case, the cue ball was a little to the rear of the object white. Apart from this slight deviation, the position of the balls in each of the three instances was practically the same.

Now that Reece has shown how easy the stroke is to a master of touch and strength—and the Oldham man possesses both to an unusual degree—something must be done at once to either bar it altogether or limit its use. It is on the latter lines, I believe, the B. A. will move, and move very quickly, from all I hear. Meantime, thoughts will revert to the position as record-holder held by that prince of billiardists, H. W. Stevenson. Everyone fully recognises that between the breaks there is no comparison. Will the B. A. adopt a classification mode of dealing with them? In common fairness to Stevenson they ought to do so, and somehow I believe they will. Whether they do so or not the public—who are excellent judges in a matter of this kind—will no doubt continue to consider the Stevenson effort as the break of breaks. That marvellous 1,269 by Reece, cannot possibly dim or tarnish the glory of that ever memorable 892 compiled in February, 1905—also at Thurston's Grand Hall, by the way—by Harry William Stevenson.

In view of Reece's colossal break, the appended list of players who have broken their records this season will be perused with interest:

(a) 1,269 by T. Reece, at Thurston's 5th March.
†673 by E. Diggle, at Burroughes and Watts', 2nd Feb.
†628 by E. Diggle, at Burroughes and Watts', 20th Dec.
†627 by T. Reece, at Burroughes and Watts', 19th Jan.
†*604 by W. A. Lovejoy, at Newcastle-on-Tyne, 12th Feb.
†603 by W. A. Lovejoy, at Cox and Yeman's, 19th Jan.
501 by T. Reece, at Sheffield, 12th Jan.
‡484 by M. Inman, at Burroughes and Watts', 4th Jan.
477 by C. Harverson, at Thurston's, 18th Feb.
‡463 by W. A. Lovejoy, at Oldham 5th Oct.
450 by C. Harverson, at Cox and Yeman's, 28th Nov.
441 by T. Aiken, at Glasgow, 13th Feb.
429 by M. Inman, at Thurston's, 16th Oct.
364 by T. Aiken, at Thurston's, 28th Jan.
343 by B. Elphick, at Clapham, 5th Feb.
334 by A. E. Williams, at Manchester, 25th Jan.
330 by J. Harris, at Manchester, 6th Feb.
320 by J. Duncan, at Glasgow, 21st Feb.

*Record sequence of 302 cannons.
†Including 284 cannons.
‡Bimington-Wilson rules.

Inman also compiled 300 off the red ball (a World's record) on 12th Oct. at Thurston's.

(a) Record sequence of 521 cannons.

RACKETS.

THE MILITARY CHAMPIONSHIP.
Final Round.

The defeat of the King's Royal Rifles by the Life Guards, at Prince's Club, yesterday, came as a surprise, as it was confidently expected that the former would prove victorious. The want of form shown in the preliminary matches this week by Capt. Guest made the victory of the Rifles still more probable, but the Guardsman upset these calculations by playing yesterday at the top of his form. He made few of the mistakes in the court which on Tuesday and Wednesday detracted so much from the merit of his game while his service was almost invariably good. Mr. Astor, too showed at his best, and his improvement since last year is very pronounced. He served very effectively, and he is unboubtedly the hardest hitter seen in the preliminary competion. Major Mott and Mr. Lee played with their customary steadiness, but they were beaten by the superior power of their opponents in the rallies.

The match was witnessed by Lord and Lady Denman, and a large number of army officers, the latter including General Hennikey, C.B., Col. F. I. Maxse, C.B., D.S.O, Col. Leach, Col. Kennard, Lieut.-Col. G. F. Milner, D.S.O., Capt. P. A. Macgregor, D.S.O., and Capt. J. S. Cavendish, D.S.O. Details:—

THE MILITARY CHAMPIONSHIP (Doubles).
Final Round

1st Life Guards (Capt. Hon Mr. F. E. Guest and J. J Astor) beat 4th Batt. King's Royal Rifles (Major S. F. Mott and Mr. G. T. Lee) by 4 games to love, 63 aces to 48. Score: 15—11, 18—16 15—11 15—10.

First Game.—Lee won the spin for the service, and ran up three aces. Guest followed with two. Astor with a single, and Lee a couple before putting himself out by serving on to the board. So far the aces had all been made by service, but in the next two hands, which produced two to Mott and three to Guest, brought out some spirited rallies, Guest taking his part splendidly. Astor, took the lead at 8—7, but after Lee had failed, Mott, with four aces by service, went to 11—8. The Rifles scored nothing further, as Guest with five, and Astor with two, ran out.

Second Game.—Continuing his hand, Astor added five, but the two following essays of the Guardsmen were unproductive, while their opponents gained a lead of 6—5. Then Astor with five, and his partner with a single, went to 11—6, but Lee in the innings following equalised. Small contributions ensued until the game at 13 all was "set 5," Mott then being in possession. He added only a single while Astor was put out after he had scored a point. Three to Guest made the Guardsmen "game-ball"—1, and after Lee had failed and Mott had scored two, Astor obtained the winning ace.

Third Game—Astor continued in possession until "5—love" was called, Lee with a couple and Mott with three getting on terms at their following hands. After small innings. Lee, with a sequence of six, obtained an advantage of 11—8, but Mott as second hand did nothing, and the Life Guards then went to "game."

Fourth Game—Guest opened with three aces, and so made his full sequence seven and then level play and small scores were the order for a dozen hands. At 8—6 Astor put on two, and the same number after Lee, Mott, and Guest had each failed. Lee with three and Mott with a single drew close but after Guest had failed to score, Astor with three won the game, and the rubber.

The 1st Life Guards meet the holders the 2nd Batt. Highland Light Infantry (Mr. H. Balfour Bryant, M.V.O., and Mr. P. Bramwell Davis), to-morrow, at 2-30.

THE SINGLES CHAMPIONSHIP.

The Military Singles Championship begins on Monday, the draw being as follows:—

Capt. A. Berger (A. S. C.), Capt. C. M. Grogan (4th Dragoon Guards), and Capt. the Hon. F. E. Guest (1st Life Guards) byes.

Mr. H. Balfour Bryant, M. V. O. (2nd Batt H. L. I.) *vs.* Mr. P. Bramwell Davis (2nd Batt H. L. I.), Monday, 12 o'clock.

Mr. J. J. Astor (1st Life Guards) *vs.* Capt. M. O. Clarke (2nd Batt. R. Fusiliers), Monday 1 o'clock.

Mr. G. T. Lee (4th Batt. K. R. R.) *vs.* Capt. E. F. Hausburg (2nd Batt. King's Own, R. Lancaster Regt.) Monday 2-30.

Capt. M. D. Wood (2nd Batt. Prince of Wales' Own, W. Yorks Regt.) *vs.* Capt. A. C. G. Luther (1st Batt. King's Own, Yorkshire Light Infantry).

Major S. F. Mott (4th Batt. K. R. R.) *vs.* Capt. W. L. Foster, D. S. O. (R. H. A.).

Polo.

THE MURREE BREWERY CUP.

11TH PROBYN'S LANCERS *vs.* THE NEWCOMERS.—The tournament opened with this game on the 20th instant. It was a completely one-sided affair, the Lancers keeping their opponents entirely on the defensive all the time and running out winners by 6 goals and 5 subsidiaries to *nil*. Teams:—

11TH LANCERS.		NEWCOMERS.	
Capt. C. T. R. Price	1	Major E. R. A. Shearman	1
Major R. A. Carruthers	2	Mr. T. B. Vandeleur	2
Capt. G. M. Orr	3	Mr. C. P. Marten	3
Mr. E. L. Maxwell	(*back*)	Mr. W. Goman	(*back*)

Umpires:—Col. Kavanagh and Major Vaughan.

23RD CAVALRY *vs.* KADIR TEAM.—The Kadir Team comprised four young officers of the 16th Hussars who have entered for the annual Kadir Cup Meeting near Meerut. Through the first half of the game the 23rd were in the ascendant, yet had hard work in building up their score. Then in the latter stages of the game the Kadir Team held the ball in the Cavalry's ground. Though scoring two minor points, that they did not get more substantial results out of their raids on the 23rd's flags was due to the fine defence of the latter. The game all through was a very good one. At the conclusion the score was 23rd Cavalry 2 goals 3 subsidiaries to 2 subsidiaries.

23RD CAVALRY.		KADIR TEAM.	
Mrs. C. A. M. Paske	1	Mr. T. G. Bouch	1
,, C. B. D. Strettell	2	,, W. O. Gibbs	2
,, J. B. Egerton	3	,, C. H. Peto	3
,, C. H. K. Kirkwood	(*back*)	,, E. A. Fielden	(*back*)

Umpires:—Col. Delamain and Major Vaughan.

Cricket.

THE HORNETS' C. C.

THE Honorary Secretary of the above Club has kindly placed at our disposal the following figures which show the doings of the club during the season just closed. Twenty-seven matches were arranged, but eleven of these had to be cancelled—5 by the Hornets and 6 by their opponents. Out of the remaining sixteen matches ten were won, one lost and five drawn, and of the latter four were decidedly in the Hornets' favour. The general form displayed was good though on two occasions the Club fairly fell to pieces.—

BATTING AVERAGES.

Name.	No. of Innings played.	Times not out.	Highest score.	Total No. of runs scored.	Average.
A. B. Rosser ...	15	4	112	662	60·18
A. A. Browne ...	12	2	121	353	35·3
S. S. Boo ...	4	..	99	138	34·5
L. Rosser ...	3	1	41*	54	27·0
A. E. Cooper ..	10	1	45*	180	20·0
H. A. Bayley ...	10	2	32*	160	20·0
G. W. Russell ...	4	...	42	69	17·25
B. A. Hollow ...	6	2	35	52	13·0
B. H. Peake ...	5	...	38	65	13·0
N. E. Hudson ...	8	...	57	97	12·12
C. Simpson ...	5	...	14	45	9·0
F. Hoff ...	3	...	16	25	8·33
E. H. Ducasse ...	10	2	15	45	5·62
E. S. Mabert ...	9	1	15	37	4·62

*—Not out.

BOWLING AVERAGES.

Name.	Total Balls.	Total runs.	Total maiden overs.	Total wickets.	Average.
B. H. Peake ..	168	72	12	20	3·6
N. E. Hudson ...	144	67	6	11	6·09
E. S. Mabert ...	529	235	18	38	6·18
H. A. Bayley ...	469	274	12	30	9·13
A. B. Rosser ...	251	148	9	10	14·8

Won—10; Drawn—5; Lost—1.

Aggregate Scores.—
Hornets—2,464 runs for 119 wickets, average 20·7 per wkt.
Opponents—1,531 runs for 155 ,, ,, 9·87 ,,

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Mrs. Kindart: "Here, take this sixpence; and so you are a miner, eh?"

Weary Wiggles: "No, ma'am. I make a speciality o' fallin' down open coalholes an' suin' fer damages."

They were passing by a house even with the street, when she was heard to plead, "Don't take off your flannels yet, darling; it's too early. don't do it." What he said was not heard, but as far as could be observed in the gloom, he did not do it.

Parson (to yokel at the altar): "Wilt thou take this woman to be thy wedded wife?"

Yokel: "Why, I coomed a-purpose."

Golf.

CALCUTTA GOLF CLUB.

BLACKHEATH MEDAL.—The cards handed in were disappointing, a result probably due in a great measure to the recent ...ious weather which entirely altered the ground conditions ...ally prevailing on the Calcutta *maidan* at this time of year. ...e result was a tie, as will be seen by the appended scores, and ...ssrs. Gordon and Crawford will play it off. Here are the ...ds sent in:—

John Crawford	96	12	84
J. H. Gordon	98	14	84
D. H. Brakenridge	95	10	85
A. Mann	87	scr.	87
R. W. Williamson	94	6	88
H. R. D. Munn	97	9	88
G. W. Walker	89	scr.	89
J. Hampson	99	10	89
M. R. Quin	98	8	90
Capt. D. McCoy	96	5	91
E. A. Lyon	97	4	93
N. McLeod	98	scr.	98
J. Macfadyan	100	scr.	100

GOLF IN THE BRITISH ISLES.

8th March 1907.

HAVE people in far away India any ken of an event which has lately been engrossing the time and thought of all the Professionals within a given radius of the metropolis? Every thing in the tournament—the London Professionals' Foursome Tournament—was going very smoothly when suddenly an extremely awkward situation was created. Some time before this event began the leading Professionals engaged to take part in the competition arranged by the Grand Duke Michael at Cannes; this invitation was, of course, an honour and would in all probability result in considerable pecuniary benefit therefore naturally the invited ones accepted with alacrity. Among those who entered for the Foursome Tournament and also took advantage of the Grand Duke's invitation was Rowland Jones' partnered in the former contest with A. H. Toogood. It was originally arranged that the finals of this should take place on Wednesday, 27th February. Nobody dreamt that the two events would in any way clash with each other, but assuredly at Golf the unexpected, the unwished for, the unlegislated for always does happen, and so in this case, for Jones and Toogood survived all their heats and were booked to play the final on the very day that all the invites were to be on the other side of the channel far away in the Sunny Riviera. What *was* to be done, those in authority took upon themselves to postpone the date of the finals to a day when Jones was back again in England, but evidently this arrangement did not meet with the approval of the other competitors (Ralph Smith and A Tingey) who claimed a walk over alleging excellent reasons in a letter to the Editor of the *World of Golf*, one of which was that on the date fixed for a match in this very same competition, between Jones and Toogood and the two brothers Gaudin the latter were unable to play and Jones and Toogood scored a walk over. With the exception of the final the tournament has been a tremendous success, the handsome challenge shields were presented by Sir Thomas Dewar and are said to be the most valuable trophies ever offered for competition. And now a word or two, may be a hundred words or so, on the Rival Competition which attracted Jones away from his native shores when duty—certainly a duty, he owed to his partner—bad him remain. In brilliant weather at Cannes the Professional Tournament, promoted by that ardent supporter of Golf—the Grand Duke Michael of Russia, was begun. There were only 12 competitors but such a dozen! Seven of these were Englishmen, four were Scotsmen, and only one who was not British born this was Arnaud Massey, a native of Biarritz, who holds the Championship of France and who has distinguished himself greatly in more than one open Championship. With customary insular prejudice the John Bulls and their womenfolk assembled to watch the play fully expected that premier honours would fall to one or other of the great quartette, Alas! Pride which goeth before a fall was bound to rumble some one from his exalted height in this as in other matters; In two brilliant rounds of 75+74=149, the non-British competitor stood head of the list at the conclusion of the play. Appended are the scores in order:—

Arnaud Massey	75+74=149
Edward Ray	75+75=150
J. H. Taylor	72+80=152
Rowland Jones	82+72=154
Tom Vardon	78+77=155
Alexander Herd	81+74=155
Harrey Vardon	79+78=157
James Braid	81+76=157

A noteworthy incident happened to James Braid in his first round. His the shot landed the ball in a tree; there happens, as it so often happens, to be no local rule to legislate for such a contingency, and a question naturally arose as to whether he should play the ball (as is enjoined in the R. and A. rules and in the true spirit of medal play) where it lay or incur a penalty by dropping. Now Jamie did not want to climb a mimosa tree, nor did he think that a stroke with a niblick would dislodge the ball satisfactorily, so he dropped another ball and counted one stroke; eventually the committee on being referred to decided he must count two strokes, but this penalty did not materially affect the result of the champion place in the competition. The great meeting of Pros. was brought to a conclusion at Cannes with a 3 holes four-ball foursome competition by strokes, the best ball at each hole counting for the side. This partook somewhat of the nature of the now popular eclectic competition but want of space compels me to curtail my remarks and so with the bare results of this competition the account of the some day historic gathering of Pros. at Cannes must be brought to an end.

Roland Jones and Arnaud Massey ...	66+71=137
Ben Sayers and T Vardon	70+71=141
James Braid and Harry Vardon	71+72=143
Edward Ray and B. Callaway	72+71=143
J. H. Taylor and T Callaway	73+74=147
Alex Herd and J White	74+75=149

Before, however, really concluding the remarkable score of Jones and Massey is worthy of consideration in detail. One or other was continually doing a hole brilliantly and the only two 5.'s on their card were at the 2nd and 18th holes and a 2 at the 16th hole which measures 252 yards was a remarkable performance.

Jones and Massey Out 3, 5, 4, 3, 4, 4, 3, 4, 4=34 } =66.
Jones and Horne 4, 4, 4, 4, 3, 2, 2, 4, 5=32 }

The best outward round was accomplished by little Ben Sayes, (the King-Maker) and Tom Vardon thus: Out—3, 5, 3, 2, 4, 4, 4, 4=33.

It is understood that the Professional Tournament instituted this year is likely to be an annual event and for this the thanks of all concerned, players, lookers-on, organisers are due to the Grand Duke Michael, I now find that the incident in Braid's round referred to above took place in the four-ball Four some Tournament, and not in the singles—it is never too late to make amends. The conditions under which the London Amateur Foursome Competition are played are giving rise to some adverse criticism chiefly from clubs north of London; for in the rules it is enjoined that all matches in this competition are to take place either at Wooking, Sunningdale Walton Heath or By first, a stupid rather shortsighted proviso which has had the undesirable effect of keeping some of the clubs north of London from entering for the competition for these contend and justly too—"why, oh! why should we trouble to go to some unknown course south of the Thames to play two members of a very adjacent club?

A very sad and gloomy event occurred at Ilfracombe last week, when after playing a round in his usual health in the morning Captain Wylie suddenly expired from heart failure in the afternoon. In my last letter I dilated on the merits of the Colonel ball—since then this well known justly appreciated sphere has accomplished (not altogether on its own initiative must one confess) fresh triumphs on the green in that Arnaud Massey, Edward Ray, and J. H. Taylor, all seemed to prefer this to any other ball and played their rounds with the Colonels assistance and co-operation at Cannes; but another ball bids fair to rival this same all-conquering rubber core above mentioned—this is Spalding's famous. Red and Blue Dot." The name of Spalding is too well known to necessitate my giving their biography or even a sketch of the great boon and blessing their clubs, balls and golfing accoutrements have been, and are likely for sometime to be to the world of golf but these balls like Caesar's wife are undoubtedly "above suspicion": try them and like Pears' Soap you will henceforth use no other. Every golfer has his or her favourite club maker, and every player swears by the ball with which he has accomplished his best round, and of course each has his or her own particular green, preferable in his eyes to all others, but golfers are broad minded animals and are never averse to giving a fair trial to novelties therefore a word to them who have not tried Spalding's production.

There is very little space to devote this week to the doings of the two varsities on the Links, though every Saturday both are busy trying conclusions with the biggest and strongest clubs round London. On Saturday, 2nd instant, a very close match decided by holes up went in favour of Walton Heath over Oxford. Chiefly responsible for the victory was Mr. W. P. Henderson's 7 up to Mr. C. F. Younger, while towards the 16 points scored by the Dark Blue side was 5 up to the credit of the Hon. D. Finch-Halton, who did the first 8 holes in 32 strokes.

On the same day scoring according to their custom by matches only the Light Blue team played the Oxford and Cambridge Golfing Society.

On the Royal Worbington and Newmarket Club's course the sides and scores were as appended:—

Oxford and Cambridge Golfing Society.		Cambridge University.	
Mr. H. W. Beveridge ...	1	Mr. A. G. Barry ...	0
„ H. Jeffreys ...	0	„ J. Martin Smith ...	1
„ E. C. Lee ...	0	„ M. T. Allen ...	1
„ C. R. Girdlestone ...	1	„ W. N. Potter ...	0
„ D. F. Ranson ...	1	„ B. Meakin	0
„ D. F. Ranson ...	1	Lord Glerawly ...	0
„ H. D. Gillies ...	1	Mr. V. C. Langstaff —	0
„ B. Darwin ...	1	„ B. Hammond Chambers	0
„ E. H. Manette ...	1	„ W. A. Powell ...	0
„ C. S. Everard ...	1	„ W. H. Pilcher ...	0
„ L. G. Hoare ...	1	„ E. S. Ulyatt ...	0
„ H. C. B. Underdown	0	„ T. McNeil ...	1
	9		3

In the afternoon foursomes resulted in a halved contest.

M. E. S.

Hockey.

NOTES AND COMMENTS

THE public have at last been presented with the League status, which owing to numerous scratchings and withdrawls, it has been nigh impossible to draw up. There has been very little change in the position of the clubs engaged since my last notes were written. The Rangers, however, who then tied with Calcutta for the leading position have only been able to draw with the B.-N. R. and Y. M. C. A and are now virtually "out of the hunt." On the other hand Caledonia are only one point below Calcutta and Dalhousie two, and these two teams are the only serious opponents Calcutta have to contend with. There are still several good games to be played, notably Calcutta *vs.* Hornets on the 27th instant, Calcutta *vs.* Dalhousie on 6th April, and Dalhousie *vs.* Rangers, all of which should result in good contests.

It is with the greatest regret one learns that Ballygunge have decided to withdraw from the League altogether and for some time past the decision has been inevitable. The club have, as it is, a very few hockey playing members and when a few of that number are unable to play from one cause or another, it is impossible to raise a side. Ballygunge's loss has been Calcutta's gain, as both Groves and Manders will be assisting the premier club in their future engagements. Groves has been unquestionably one of the mainstays of the Suburban Club for several years, and it is only that his old club are absolutely incapable of producing a team, that prompts him to offer his services to Calcutta.

Calcutta have only been called upon to play once during the week and the meeting with Mohun Bagan (whom they have every cause to remember in connection with the Minto Football Cup Competition) resulted in the defeat of the babus by 2 goals to 1. The score, however, does not in the least bit indicate the play, as Calcutta were all over their opponents, who it must be said put up a great defence. The babus after having scored a rather lucky goal, acted entirely on the defensive and simply crowded round the goal, insomuch that several hard and well directed shots never got within yards of the goal-keeper. The burly Bose in particular played a great game and his weight stood him in good stead. Half way through the first half Oldfield equalised for Calcutta as the result of a nice dribble and shot, but it was only a few minutes from the close that Calcutta took the lead through Sherman, who was backing up Manders. The result of bringing Manders from back to forward proved successful, and I am inclined to think he would be of more service in the attack. The half back line with Groves at left half did all that was required of them and Studd at centre improves with every game he plays.

Caledonia are going very strong and their last victory of 4 goals to nil over the Y.M.C.A. was as decisive as the score would indicate. They have, however, lost one or two of their regular players and this may affect them when meeting teams of greater strength than those they have so far had to contend with.

The Rangers, to whom I have already referred, have had to be content with two drawn games, and indeed at one stage were lucky to avoid defeat by the B.-N. R. The Rangers had some excellent opportunities of scoring, but failed through erratic shooting. Clark for the Railway team put up an excellent defence, while Tripp and Douglas at forward, tried all they knew to score, but at times luck was dead against them, and the two goals that were netted were rightly adjudged offside.

The Customs appear to be waking up again: their defeat of the Town Club by 6 goals to 1 should put fresh life into them. The game against the Rovers was not of a very high order. The Customs were admittedly without one or two of their regular players, but for all that they should have won. McCready when he liked played well but he struck me as not always being a "trier." Edwards was the pick of the halves and Adams at back played soundly. The Rovers with one or two exceptions have the making of a first-class team, but these with one or two exceptions might very favourably be weeded out altogether for all the good they are. The inside left in particular appears to have no other mission in the field, than to hack at his opponent's sticks in his attempt to get the ball. Now although there appears to be no very plain ruling with regard to this, I think the rule is meant to indicate that a player may *hook* his opponent's stick at the time either one or the other are playing the ball, but is barred from making deliberate cuts at it, and thus in some measure imperiling his opponent.

Another thing which is so often seen, now that the rule allowing a player to use his stick reversed, has come into force. For instance the outside right forward, after dodging his opposing half, gets down the wing with the ball, and the beaten half promptly starts in hot pursuit, and when, in *his opinion* is within striking distance, makes violent lunges with his stick across his opponent in his attempt to check the career of the ball. He may be successful, but the chances are greatly in favour of his checking his opponent, and if not tripping him up altogether, bark his shins to some tune. The Umpire gives a foul if he sees you are the first to be hit, which, of course, having only human eyes he cannot, and the ill-used one retires without a single compensating advantage. Of course when the shot in question comes off and is not dangerously played it is both effective and clever, but it so often is not, and should the injured one be of a somewhat fiery disposition the result is usually a quiet battle with the aggressor until the game is ended.

Sibpur who are now appearing again, are doing exceedingly well in spite of having lost several of their best men, including Lawton, Brown and Ansell, whose places it would be difficult to fill on any hockey field. But like school and college combinations the team plays so well together, that they make up almost for this individual deficiency. The victory of 6—1 over the Hornets, one hears was not a true index of the game, and I should quite believe not. The goal-keeper who delights in the nom-de-plume of "Johanson" being credited with the overwhelming defeat. Poor "Johanson" he was possibly persuaded much against his will, to play at the last moment, and in spite of his protests, disclaiming any connection whatever with the game, he was forced to don the pads. He tries his best and gets severely slated for it; you have my sympathy "Johanson," for was not I once such another! This goes to prove the great importance of a goal-keeper, and although it is no enviable position, and runs the risk of being severely potted at, yet it is certainly one of the most necessary positions on the field to ably fill and requires more nerve and judgment than science.

WHY NOT.

Boxing.

THE 14TH HUSSARS' TOURNAMENT.

HELD at Bangalore on the 13th instant, this tournament was successful and interesting in every respect. There was quite an array of good boxing talent and a big gallery to look on. O. Dignum referee and Sergt. Purney, R.F. A. and Color-Sergt. Pepper of the Sherwoods judged, and the prizes were distributed by Col.-Atkinson. Details:—

Six Round Contest.

Pte. Mitchell (14th Hussars) beat Pte. Edwards (14th Hussars).

Edwards was counted out at the end of a minute.

Boys' Competition.

Boy Long (14th Hussars) beat Boy Thompson (14th Hussars).

Knocked out in the final round.

Feather Weights.

Drummer Pulham (R. H. A.) beat Pte. Bull (Sherwoods).

Final.

Drummer Pulham (R. H. A.) beat Col.-Sergt Walker (Sherwoods).

Light Weights.

Private Day (Sherwoods) beat Private Barkey (Sherwoods).

Drummer Baxter (R. H. A.) beat Private Sloman (Sherwoods).

Gunner Gee (R. H. A.) beat Drummer Sweeny (R. H. A.)

Drummer Atkins (R. H. A.) beat Private Ainthorpe (14th Hussars).

Semi-Finals.

Drummer Baxter (R. H. A.) beat Private Day (Sherwoods).

Drummer Atkins (R. H. A.) beat Gunner Gee (R. H. A.)

Final.

Drummer Baxter (R. H. A.) beat Drummer Atkins (R. H. A.)

Middle Weights.

Shoeing Smith Hayward (14th Hussars) beat Lce., Corpl. Smith (14th Hussars).

Private Strickland (14th Hussars). beat Drummer Cook (R. H. A.)

Lce.-Corpl. MacCalla (Sherwoods) beat Corpl. Perkin (Sherwoods).

Final.

Lce.-Corpl. MacCalla (Sherwoods) beat. Shoeing Smith Hayward (14th Hussars).

Strickland scratched.

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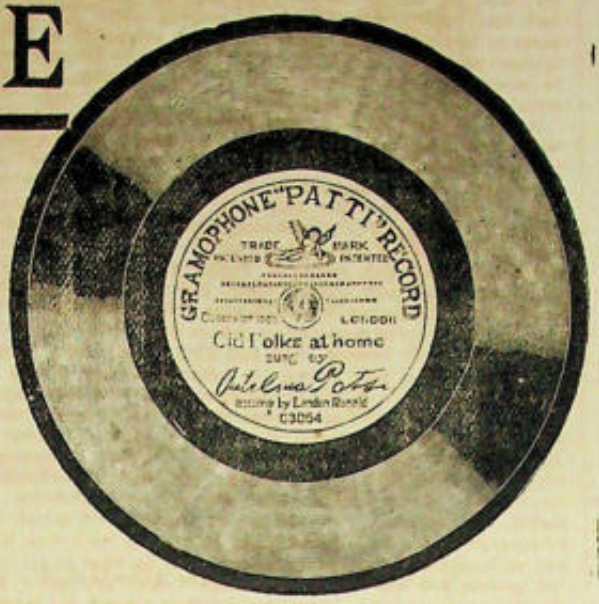





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Harness Classes.—Col. H. P. Leader, Carabineers; and Capt. G. Heseltine, Carabineers.

Jumping Competitions.—Major C. F. Murrary, S. and T. Corps; Capt. W. F. Basset, the Rifle Brigade and Mr. F. Fail, A.V.D.

Honorary Secretary.—MR. BRYANT, R.H.A.

Appended is the list of prize winners at this important and well-organised show. Entries were uniformly good and the horses shown were of all-round good quality.

SECTION A—HORSES.

CLASS I.—*bona fide* English and Australian Chargers 15 hands and over.

Judges.—Col. P. K. L. Beaver and N. d'E. Roberts, Esq.

Capt. Melvill's Warrigal	...	...	1
Major-Genl. R. Clements' Bell Topper	..	...	2
Lt-Col. Strong's Sambo	...	...	3
Mr. Bryant's Rudolf	...	...	4

CLASS II—*bona fide* chargers under 13 hands.

Judges.—Major R. St. C. Lecky and Capt. W. F. Shore.

Capt. A. F. Fletcher's Feu de joie	...	...	1
Lt.-Col. T. T. Macan's Lady Mary	...	...	2
Mr. H. E. Morton's Kinkey	...	...	3

CLASS III.—Heavy Weight Hunters.

Judges.—Major C. H. Gough and N. d'E. Roberts, Esq.

Mr. J. C. Faunthorpe's Great Heart	...	...	1
Mrs. A. M. Buck's Motto	...	—	2

CLASS IV.—Light Weight Hunters.

Judges.—Major C. H. H. Gough and N. d'E. Roberts, Esq.

Mr. A. P. Reynolds' Harfleur	...	—	1
Major T. Vaughan's Cadet	...	...	2
Capt. T. P. Melvill's Warrigal		...	3

CLASS V.—All horses over 14-2 hands To be shown in hand.

Judges.—Major C. H. H. Gough and N. d'E. Roberts, Esq.

Mrs. A. M. Buck's Motto	...	...	1
Mrs. J. C. Faunthorpe's Great Heart		...	2
Mr. J. D. Scott's St. Victor	...	...	3

CLASS VI—Brood mares (branded E. I. or V. I.) and fillies the property of Zemindars in the U. P.

Judges.—Major C. H. H. Gough and Captain W. F. Shore.

Ganga Dass's Cats	...	...	1
Kishan Lall's Harvester	...	...	2
Nurullah Khan's Quomlation	...	...	3

SECTION B—HACKS.

CLASS VII.—Ladies' Hacks—Horses.

Judges.—Major R. St. C. Lecky and Major B. J. H. Humfrey.

Mr. J. C. Faunthorpe's Great Heart	...	...	1
Mrs. Buck's Motto	...	...	2
Major T. Vaughan's Cadet	...	...	3

CLASS VIII.—Ladies' Hacks—Ponies.

Judges.—Captain W. F. Shore and N. d'E. Roberts, Esq.

Mrs. J. W. A. Morgan's All Gold	...	...	1
Hon'ble Mrs. Bramwell's Prize Packet	...	...	2
H. H. The Lult, Govr. of the U. P.'s Lady Eileen		...	3

CLASS IX.—Children's ponies to be ridden by children in the ring. No entrance fee. Prizes presented by Messrs. Valerio and Co., Caterers, Lucknow.

Judges.—Capt. W. F. Shore and N. d'E. Roberts, Esq.

Miss Chapman's Bulbul	...	...	1
Boy Harding	...	...	2
Miss Joy Moore's Tommy	...	...	3

SECTION C.—POLO PONIES.

CLASS X.—Light Weight Arabs. Winner of Class XV not eligible to compete.

Judges.—Col. P. K. L. Beaver and J. D. Scott, Esq.

Capt. F. W. Barrett's Corn Cob	...	...	1
The Hon. J. D. Y. Bingham's Flashlight		...	2
Capt. T. Melvill's Cut Off	...	...	3

CLASS XI.—Heavy Weight Arabs.

Judges.—Col. J. W. A. Morgan and Major R. St. C. Lecky.

Major Hobson's Surprise	...	...	1
Capt. Learmouth's Torchlight	...	...	2
Capt. Learmouth's Beta	...	...	3

CLASS XII.—Country-breds.

Judges.—Col. J. W. A. Morgan and Major R. S. T. C. Lecky.

Mr. A. G. Gwyer's Tam Ring	...	...	1
Major T. Vaughan's Namuna	...	...	2
Capt. A. F. Fletcher's The Reverend	...	...	3

CLASS XIII.—Light weight Ponies other than Arabs and C.-B's.

Judges.—Col. P. K. L. Beaver and J. D. Scott, Esq.

Capt. H. A. Tomkinson's Busy Bee	...	...	1
Col. De Lisle's Dairyman		...	2
Mr. B. E. Crokett's Goona	...	...	3

CLASS. XIV.—Heavy Weight Ponies other than Arabs and C.-B's.

Judges.—Col. J. W. A. Morgan and Major R. St. C. Lecky.

Capt. F. W. Barrett's Nonsuch	...	...	1
Capt. F. W. Barrett's Abhi Mannu	...	...	2
Capt. Learmouth's Chicken	...	...	3
Capt. A. M. Swift's Music Master	...	...	4

CLASS. XV.—Best Arab Polo Pony played in the Infantry Tournament, 1907.

Judges.—Col. P. K. L. Beaver and J. D. Scott. Esq.

Capt. W. F. Bassett's Beelzebub	...	...	1
Major Noblett's Foe	...	...	2
Rifle-Bde. Polo Club's Innocence		...	3
Lt.-Col. T. T. Macan's Tuson	...	...	4

SECTION D.—PONIES.

CLASS XVI.—Arabs.

Judges.—Col. J. W. Morgan and Major C. H. H. Gough.

Major Hobson's Swiftsure	...	...	1
Mr. J. D. Scott's Babar	...	...	2
Major Hobson's The Lawyer	...	...	3

CLASS XVII.—Country-breds.

Judges.—Col. J. W. A. Morgan and Major B. J. H. Humfrey.

Mr. P. R. Butler's The Butler	...	...	1
Mr. A. Gwyer's Tam Ring	...	...	2
Sirdar Jewan Singh's Ring Falka		...	3

CLASS XVIII.—Ponies other than Arabs and C.-B.'s.

Judges.—Major B. J. H. Humfrey and Capt. W. F. Shore.

Mrs. J. W. A. Morgan's All Gold	...	...	1
Major Bramwell's Prize Packet	...	...	2
Capt. S. D. Fisher's Ulysses	...	...	3

SECTION E.—JUMPING COMPETITION.

CLASS XIX.—For Horses.

Judges.—Major C. F. Murray, Capt. W. F. Bassett and Mr. F. Fail.

D. Battery R. H. A's Caldecott, Mr. Bryant		...	1
Genl. Sir Locke Elliott's Taitstown, C. Hoyt		...	2
Major N. T. Nickall's Sportsman, Mr. Locket		...	3

CLASS XX.—For Ponies 14-1 hands and under.

Judges.—Major C. F. Murray, Mr. Fail and Capt. W. F. Bassett.

Major N. F. Nickall's Britannia, Mr. Locket		...	1
Mr. J. C. Faunthorpe's Invest, Mr. Scott		...	2
Capt. W. D. Grant's Charles, Mr. Clark		...	3

CLASS XXI.—Open Champion Wall Jump.

Judges.—Major C. F. Murray, Capt. W. F. Bassett and Mr. F. Fail.

Major Nickall's Dingo, Mr. Locke	...	...	1
Mr. H. P. Clark's Gamecock, Mr. Clarke	...	...	2
D. Battery R. H. A.'S. Caldecott, Mr. Bryant		...	3

CLASS XXII—Best turn out in Single Harness.

Judges.—Col. H. P. Leader and Captain G. Heseltine.

Col de Lisle.	...	...	— 1
Major Clifton Brown	...	...	... 2
Sheikh Wahee-ud-din	...	...	... 3

CLASS XXIII—Best turn-out in Double Harness.

Judges.—Col. B. Leader and Captain G. Heseltine.

Hapur Remount Depot's Tonga	...	...	1
Major-Genl. Clements's Phaeton	...	...	2

CLASS XXIV—Best Team.

Judges.—Col. B. Leader and Captain G. Heseltine.

2nd Team. Hapur driven by Mr. Tucker	...	...	1
1st Team, Hapur, driven by Mr. Roberts	...	...	2
E. Battery, 1st Team, driven by Capt. Monkhouse		...	3

CLASS XXV.—Ladies' Driving Competition Single Harness.

Judges.—Col. H. P. Leader and Capt. G. Heseltine.

Mrs. Long	...	—	1
Miss Lyle	...	...	2

CLASS XXVI.—Driving Competition for Teams.

Judges.—Col. H. P. Leader and Captain G. Haseltine.

Hapur Remount Depot, driven by Mr. Roberts		...	1
E. Battery R. H. A., driven by Capt. W. P. Monkhouse.		—	2
30th Battery R. F. A., driven by Mr. Muirhead		—	3

The Story Teller.

A FRIENDLY MOUNT.

A FEW YEARS SINCE, when walking round the Grand National course at Liverpool previous to the decision of the big event of the meeting, while pausing at Becher's Brook I heard a voice behind me: 'Rather a different course from what we had at our Dowlutpore Meeting, Colonel!' Turning round I was hailed by my old friend Godower, whom I had not met for many years, and whom I had known intimately in days gone by in India, where we had soldiered together. Godower was a smart cavalry officer, who, when I knew him, was in a lancer regiment; a keen sportsman and fine horseman, both over a country and on the flat. He always said he felt ever grateful to me as having been his first instructor in pigsticking, and for having given him his first mount for a race. A similarity of tastes and a keen love of sport in all its branches had thrown us much together, so the pleasure of the present *rencontre* was mutual.

As we strolled round the course we recalled many stirring incidents of sport in bygone days, of racing and chasing and gallops after the 'grim, grey boar.'!

While discussing steeplechasing Godower said: 'Of all the meetings in which we have taken part I think Dowlutpore stands quite by itself. Do you recollect your ride on 'King of the Valley,' Colonel, when I was on 'Empress'? 'Shall I ever forget it'! I replied. It was one of my riding recollections that I think I may consider unique, and it is the account of this event which Godower recalled to memory that I propose to give my readers. It occurred many years ago, and of all that took part in it I believe he and I are the only survivors.

Before starting my narrative I may mention that I am, or ither was in younger days in the far-away East, a riding man. India—at least, at that time—nearly everyone who was not revented by a wife, large pay and allowances, or obesity, was a ding man to a greater or less degree ; generally the latter. But e riding man *par excellence* was the individual whose weight ature had restricted to 9st. (reducible to 8st. 10lb.), imparting him at the same time a love of horses and all connected ith them, and also a good idea of stable management. y the way, on reflection, I think the aforesaid description almost equally applicable to the riding man of the present.

Well, such was my case. It involved at all times innumerable offers of mounts on their horses from my riends 'just to give him a bit of schooling,' or a gallop to see what you think of him—how he shapes up; 'often dding 'he may be a bit fresh.' This last precaution I soon got to know and to understand what it probably meant; he animal often proving a vicious buck-jumping waler hat was a little fresh from no man having remained long nough on his back to take it out of him! 'But to a chap ike yourself—who is a real horseman, you know—of course a ride of this sort must be perfect enjoyment'! his also was the opinion of a lady friend who insisted on my riding her fat Gulf horse 'Bijou' (aged eighteen) for he 'Ladies' Bracelete,' which she fondly expected I was to win, although three or four smart Arabs were running against him, You may imagine what my feelings were when the flag dropped and 'Bijou' began to curvet and amble! I need hardly say we *did not* win the bracelet, but I am quite sure that I altogether fell in her estimation, and that she thought nothing of me as a horseman subsequently. However, I had for many a long day to stick to my *role*. No big pay and allowances or obesity or matrimony came to enable me to make excuse and claim exemption from being any longer a riding man.

It thereupon followed, quite as a matter of course, that I received an invitation from my friend Simkin, who had been by guest at our Station Race Meeting at Fusserabad, to go and stay with him for their races at Dowlutpore. He added, as a further attraction to his invitation, that he would get me lots of good mounts: among them would be one on his own horse for the 'Grand Vale Steeplechase.'

It was the period when railways had not found their way any distance up-country, so Simkin concluded his letter with explanations as to my trip, promising he would arrange to have horses laid for me to ride in the last forty miles.

Getting the requisite leave from the brigadier, I went off in great glee. There was no hitch in the arrangements for my journey, and I found five capital nags laid to bring me on the last stages to Dowlutpore where I arrived on the eve of the races and was hospitably welcomed by Simkin and his wife. I must say Simkin had been as good as his word in getting me some mounts; as on the first day I won the Derby, a good race by half a length, and the Galloway Plate after an exciting struggle by a neck—two most enjoyable rides.

The Grand Vale Steeplechase was fixed for the second day, and as we returned from the course it occured to me to ask Simkin to let me have a look at the animal I was to steer therein. Imagine my dismay when I was introduced to a weedy-looking, mealy bay country-bred about fifteen hands, showing about as much breeding as a bullock; and this was the thing I was to ride against three others, one of which I knew to be 'Empress' the crack chaser of that part of the country However, I thought perhaps he might have some merits which were not superficially apparent, so said nothing, but made up my mind to take my chance, only asking his name. 'Oh!' said Simkin, we call him "The Snoozer," but he's entered in the chase tomorrow as "King of the Valley"!' It was not a cheering outlook. I mentally depicted myself struggling along hopelessly on King of the Valley'—known probably to every soul present as 'The Snoozer'—while 'Empress' was sailing away at her ease with Godower on her back; for he had told me with great delight that afternoon that he had the mount.

The more I pondered over it the less I liked my prospective ride; and as we sat down to dinner I suggested to my host that, as he knew the horse, he had much better ride himself. Upon which he replied, 'I would have done so couple of years ago, old chap, but since I've been married, my wife won't let me ride over jumps; besides. I've got too heavy to ride the weight, and am not fit!' Well there was no way out of it. Mrs. Simkin said, with her sweetest smile. "Oh! I hope you'll ride for us, my dear Colonel; I have been so hard at work on your jacket and cap, I am sure you'll think them so pretty; violet with white belt and quartered cap—that's the correct description, isn't it?"

After dinner they were duly produced and admired. Mrs. Simkin had spared neither trouble nor expense; they were of rich corded silk, made, she assured me, after a good English pattern. As I gazed at them I reflected sadly that their life (subject to the 'King's' performances) would be such a short one.

Simkin had already put some money on his horse at long odds, and offered to let me stand in halves or quarters, whichever I preferred; but I thought the risk I was about to undergo corporeally was sufficient, without yielding to the fascination of backing my mount.

My host promised that, as next day was a non racing one, he would show me round the course in the morning, which he accordingly did. It had come on to rain during the night and was raining as we rode up to the ground, which made the scene additionally dispiriting, the general aspect of the course being anything but but cheering. It was about two and a half miles over fields, some ploughed and others with standing corn. There was the usual variety of fences, hedges, post and rails, water and an Irish bank, which were fit to extend and English hunter; and I had to negotiate them on the brute I have described. The chief item was (as it generally is) the water jump, which, instead of being as usual, in front of the stand, was, owing to a friendly nullah being utilised, in one of the aforesaid fields. There was no make-believe about the obstacle; it was 13ft. from bank to bank with a 3ft. hedge on the take-off side, quite full of water, the stream having been dammed up on purpose, and was, I am sure, quite 5ft. deep Simkin seemed to look upon it as a beautiful jump, being, as he said, 'such a prefectly natural fence.' When I asked him whether any of the artists who had planned and laid out the course were going to ride, I was scarcely astonished to hear him reply they were not; each one having some good reason for excusing himself, my host heading them with his matrimonial plea of the previous evening. The rain continued that day and part of next night, making the going deep and sticky. It was suggested to put off the race, but to this the owners of two of the horses engaged would not agree. There was the usual big lottery on the event, and Simkin had bought his for five rupees, which did not look as if his chance was much fancied by the Dowlutpore public. He said to me that I *must* have *some* interest in the race, so he had put down half to me. I did not feel grateful, but agreed to let it stand.

He also told me he had taken odds about three separate events: first, that the 'King' would lead ever the first fence; second that 'Empress,' would fall; third, that 'King of the Valley' would win.

There were, as I have said, two others besides the 'King and 'Empress,' both Arabs—'Jack-o' Lantern' and TheLaird, neither of whom bore a very high repute; the former was considered fast, but an uncertain fencer, and a terrific puller.

We got off at the first attempt to a good start. My orders being to do my best to pull off bet No. 1, I tried at once for the lead, but found I was utterly outpaced. The others neared the first fence almost in line, when 'Jack-o'-Lantern,' who was on the right, swerved clean across, carrying the other two out with him, thus enabling me to come up and get over which I did with a scramble thus landing the first bet. Godower, however, though he had lost a lot of ground, was able to soon to pull up and repass me, with the other two in attendance. He seemed determined 'Empress' should be in front for the rest of the journey, and sent her along in earnest, so that at the post and rails, when trying to steady herself for the take-off, thus slipped on the wet ground and turned right over the railst knocking her rider out of time, and taking no further part in the race, thus winning for Simkin his second bet. Luckily for me, in her fall she smashed two of the rails, thus enabling me to slip through, for I am sure I should never have got over otherwise. At the next fence but one, 'the Laird and" 'Jack' collided and both came down, the former laming himself badly, the latter getting rid of his bridle and galloping home to his stable. I then went on along crashed through the hedge plump into the water, where as usual a large crowd had collected, so that there was no lack of willing hands to extricate us which was done after some difficulty. I remounted in sorry plite, soaked from head to foot, my mouth full of mud and water, and started again, a shower of blows falling on the horse's quaters as we set off.

I got two more falls and scrambled *somehow* through the rest of the fences. At last I reached the winning post bruised battered, and bleeding, with clothes torn to pieces. The first thing I did on pulling up was to be extremely sick, which greatly alarmed Simkin, who feared I would never be able to draw my weight at the scales, where, however, I received the requisite 'All right, weight,' and thus won Simkin the Grand Vale Steeplechase, together with his bets, though I fear the violet and white jacket and cap never did duty again. My half of the lottery amounted to a little over 1,000 rupees, which was some solitium for my cuts and buises.

Simkin duly presented me with a handsome whip, on which were engraved the name and date of the race, and also that of 'King of the Valley', who by the way, resumed his former life as 'The Snoozer', and I can confidently assert never risked the laurles he had gained by again trying his luck over a country being reserved for what Mr. Jorrocks terms 'Distinction in the minor fields of 'oss enterprise.'

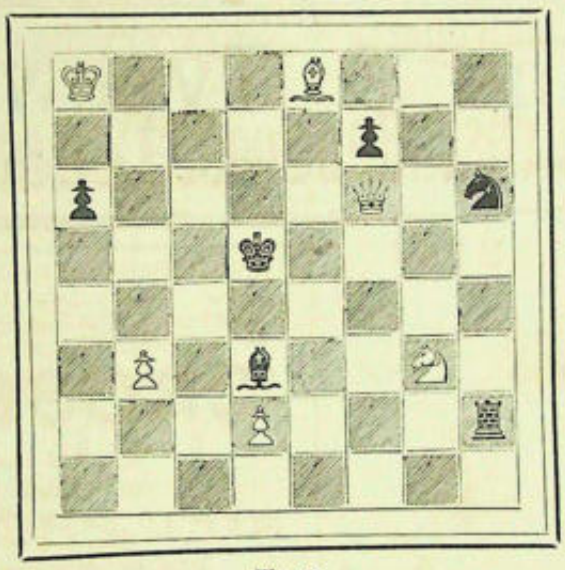
Chess.

Solution to Problem No. 391.

WHITE.	BLACK.
1. R. to Kt 7	1. Kt takes R or aught
2 Q to R 7	2. Anything.
3. Mates accordingly.	

Problem No. 392.

BLACK.



WHITE.

White to play and mate in three moves.

GAME.

GIUOCO PIANO.

WHITE.	BLACK.
1 P to K 4	1 P to K 4
2 Kt to K B 3	2 Kt to Q B 3
3 B to Q B 4	3 B to Q B 4
4 P to Q 3	4 P to Q 3
5 Q B to K 3	5 K R to Kt 3 (a)
6 Q B to K 3	6 K Kt to K 2
7 P to Q 4	7 Q B to Kt 5 (b)
8 R takes P ch	8 K takes R
9 Kt to Kt 5 ch	9 K to K sq
10 Q takes B	10 Q to Q 2 (c)
11 Q takes Q ch	11 K takes Q
12 P takes P	12 Kt takes P
13 B takes B	13 R P takes B
14 P to K B 4 (d)	14 Q Kt to R 3
15 P to K B 5	15 R to Q R 5
16 Castles Q side	16 P to K Kt 3 (e)
17 P to K Kt 4	17 P to K R 4
18 P to K R 3	18 R to K Kt sq
19 Kt to K R 7	19 R to K R sq
20 Kt to K B 6 ch	20 K to Q sq
21 Q Kt to Q 5 (f)	21 Kt to K 4
22 Kt takes K Kt	22 K takes Kt
23 P to Kt 5	23 P takes P
24 P takes P	24 Kt to K B 6
25 Kt to Q 5 ch	25 K to Q 2
26 P to K Kt 6	26 R takes Q R P
27 K to Kt sq (g)	27 K R to Q R sq
28 P to Q Kt 3	28 K R to Q R 4
29 P to K Kt 7	29 R to Q R 8 ch
30 P to K Kt 2	30 R to Q R 7 ch
31 K to B 3	31 R to Q B 4 ch
32 K to Kt 1	32 Kt to K 4
33 P to Q B 4	33 R to Q B 7
34 Kt to Q R 3	34 R to Q R 4
35 Kt to Q B 4	35 K to K 2
36 P Queens	36 P to B4 ch
37 K moves	

And White wins

(a) The best players do not now retreat this Bishop in similar positions. If it is left on Q B 4 time is saved, and the first player by taking it only opens the Queen's file for Black.

(b) A serious error.

(c) 10 P takes P, with the view of winning the piece, would have been very hazardous, on account of the reply—11 Kt to K 6, followed by Kt to Q 5, and threatening the capture of Black's K Kt B.

(d) The advance of these Pawns is rather premature.

(e) The worst possible line of defence, ensuring at least one passed Pawn for White. Kt to Q sq, followed by P to K B 5 and Kt to K B 2, looks more promising.

(f) All this is very good on the part of Mr. Lowe.

(g) By this move the first player gives himself much unnecessary trouble. P to Q B 3 wins at once.

Cards.

BRIDGE.

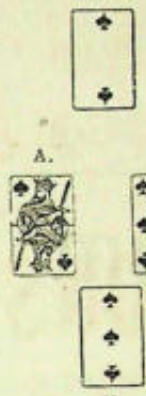
Solution to Problem No. 25.

THE dealer's object is to clear his clubs and hearts and, if possible to avoid being led through in spades. A obviously led from the king, 10, 8, etc., of diamonds. Z should accordingly lead the 2, and win the trick in dummy by covering A's card. Y then leads a small club, and Z finesses the knave. If the finesses fail's Z will probably be led up to in spades or hearts. If it succeeds Z at once leads the 2 of hearts for the ace will probably be held up, and he will need two cards of entry, the ace of clubs and ace of spades, to ensure a second trick in the suit. The rest is quite simple. If led through ins spades, Z will, of course, cover an honor led, but should pass a small cards. The point of the problem is to take the finesses in clubs—contrary to the ordinary rule—on the first round, so as to avoid all risk of blocking the suit. If Z were to put Y in with the king of clubs at trick 2, for instance, and finesses the knave, A, if he won with the queen could shut out Y's long clubs by leading a diamond.

Problem No. 26.

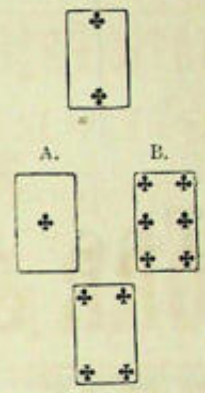
The first four tricks are as follows:—

Trick 1.



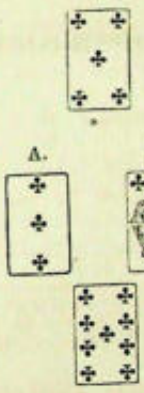
Tricks: A B 1, Y Z 0.

Trick 2.



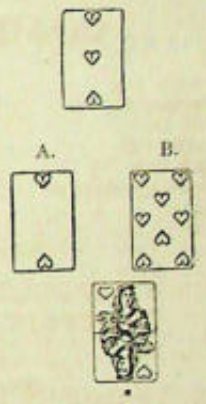
Tricks: A B 2, Y Z 0.

Trick 3.



Tricks: A B 3, Y Z 0.

Trick 4.



Tricks: A B 3, Y Z 1.

How ought the dealer to go on with the hand, and why?

Innumerable cases of temper in racehorses might be cited and if we go back to a very early period of racing, we find that Flying Childers had a bad reputation in that respect, whilst Eclipse, whose fame will endure as long as the world lasts, was not endowed with an angelic disposition, and at one time it was thought that he could never be brought to the post except as a gelding. Bay Middleton was also very unruly at times, and the same may be said of Sigmaphone and Crucifix, whilst the Irish grey, Chanticleer, was invariably a perfect demon, and the stable lad had often to make an exit from his box by the window instead of the door, when the horse exhibited more ferocity than usual. A story is told of Captain Vernon's Old Forester that proved him to have somewhat similar tendencies to Sea Song, and is as follows:—A match was made by Captain Vernon between Old Forester and Sir Jenison Shafto's Elephant, and for a considerable distance both horses ran nose and nose together. At length, however, Elephant got a little in front, whilst Old Forester was unable to recover his lost ground. Finding his efforts useless, the latter made a spring and caught the former by the under jaw, which he gripped so tenaciously that he held his rival back, and it was only with the greatest difficulty that he could be made to release his hold.

Muley Edris, to whom Archer had once administered a sound drubbing, did not forget the punishment, and had his revenge in a terrible manner some time afterwards. The horse had been given by Lord Falmouth to Archer, who sold him to one of the Newmarket trainers. Anyhow, one morning, when Archer was galloping down from the Top of the Town to the Turn of the Lands, Muley Edris rushed from the string of horses in which he was walking and seized the famous jockey by the wrist, inflicting serious injuries, from which Archer was a long while recovering. Eventually he put himself in the late Dr. Hutton's hands, with, it is needless to say, a satisfactory result. Despair was a regular savage, and always wore a muzzle, while his temper was considerably worse than that of Peter, and strange to say, both these horses carried off the Royal Hunt Cup.

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LUXURY IN SPORT.

Over the familiar signature of T. F. Dale we notice in a recent issue of *Baily's Magazine* some remarks upon the growth of an "incongruous spirit of fastidiousness and luxury" in sport. The writer is dealing directly with fox-hunting and the anxiety to skim the cream while evading or shirking the scientific, the really sporting phases, of the sport. He argues that the modern spirit of hurry is invading the hunting field to the detriment of true sport: that masters under pressure of an impatient field are more anxious to get their fox away as quickly as possible, to kill him after a brisk fifteen or twenty minutes, and get on to another covert to repeat the operation. And he detects a growing tendency to indulge the taste of a field which cares nothing for real hound-work, but comes out for a gallop at steeplechase pace, careless of hunting in the true sense of the world. The average hunting man of to-day, he appears to think, is so impatient of hound-work that if a cold scent brings the pack to their noses he votes the whole thing slow. No doubt there is truth in the charge; but after all it is no new thing and hardly deserves condemnation as evidence of that spirit of luxury and fastidiousness the writer deplores. That that spirit is growing however, we cannot question; but we find better proof of it in the unreadiness of the hunting man who shrinks from going out on wet days or who does not feel that he can make his appearance in an old coat. We fail to see that the fashion of going to the meet—or "as near thereunto as he may safely get," to misquote a ship's charter party,—in a motor car has much in itself to be condemned. If it be permissible to go to the meet in a brougham, surely the means of traction does not make a vital difference, because the motor permits the user to cover the distance quicker and therefore, to get out of bed quarter of an hour or thiry minutes later. We grant that the use of a motor as an auxiliary to hunting is not in accord with the eternal fitness of things; but the fact does not necessarily mean enhancement of luxury. If it be argued that the presence of motors at or near the meet may operate to the detriment of sport, whether by frightening horses or by spoiling the noses of hounds (!) or, indirectly, by smothering scent going to or returning from the meet, then we have the basis of sound objection, though the case as regards luxury is not in our judgment advanced.

Where luxury is making headway, we imagine is in shooting. There are many shooting men to whom physical exercise is anathema and to these the shooting stool in a sheltered corner waiting for the "high pheasant" to make its appearance far more appeals than the laborious tramp through heather or roots; hard work in connection with shooting is voted a fag and a bore, and there are some people who so far subscribe to this doctrine that they provide conveyances to carry their guests from one covert to another and would consider their own faces blackened in the eyes of their own circle did they fail to provide a hot lunch. These innovations are partly the outcome of the exaggerated idea of "doing things well," partly of the spirit of competition with neighbours, and at the bottom of mistaken ideas of sport. It is true that the pheasant shoot where hand-reared birds are slain in thousands has not much sport about it; the artificiality of the business almost precludes measuring it by an orthodox standard of sport, and it furnishes an eloquent example of the depth of degeneracy which may be reached when artificial sport becomes accepted as preferable to the real thing. We do not find that sports which have not been artificialised suffer from luxurious innovations. Grouse shooting over dogs, save for improvements in guns and ammunition is much what it was in the days of

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the muzzle loader, unless we take more careful preservation into account. There are, fortunately still many men of Mr. W. Arkwright's way of thinking that grouse driving and shooting over dogs are so essentially distinct that they cannot be compared. The advocates of grouse driving urge the fact that by killing off the old cocks the head of game on a moor is increased, as an argument in its favour; but this presupposes acceptance of the theory that the sport is to be gauged by the size of the bag; and that we take it is not the true spirit of sport. We do not deny that the size of the bag may under legitimate circumstances reflect credit on the sportsman. It is one thing to start out snipe shooting in this country when the sun is well up and the birds are lying, and work all day for forty or fifty couple: it is quite another to sit behind a butt and contribute as many brace to the total bag of grouse. We take it that the essence of true sport is that the man should work for it; and that when adventitious aid is introduced whether to save him the exertion of working for it or to enhance the size of his bag, an element of luxury is admitted. Which is the better sportsman; he who is on his feet before dawn to accompany his shikari in the search for bison spoor and track the beast to his day quarters and take his chance of a shot, or he who lies abed until the shikari brings word that the bison has been tracked down and is led to the spot whence he is to take his shot? A remark of Mr. Dale's is apposite. "This (an "incongruous spirit of fastidiousness and luxury') leads us to shirk the laborious side of sport and to sacrifice the science and woodcraft of it in order to skim the cream." But is it "the cream" that we get by leaving the hard work to our native allies? Is there no pleasure, no excitement, no interest in the woodcraft? Surely no man who has acquired a little knowledge of the art of tracking game remains content with that little, but seeks to learn more as he gains the consciousness of independence and power that it confers upon him. Europeans who perforce spend the greater part of their lives anywhere but in the jungles cannot hope to arrive at the pitch of expertness which comes almost by nature to the native who lives his life in the jungles: but a good eye with educated intelligence behind it can do much, and all of us know, or have known, Europeans who could follow a spoor almost with the same facility and certainty as a native who has made tracking the business of his life. We cannot reduce the natural sport we enjoy in this country to the artificial level attained in home sports and we do not think there are many men who would wish to do so; but we can, and it will not be denied that many of us do, "shirk the laborious side" of it as far as we can. It is somewhat curious that the same man will, in cantonments find his greatest pleasure in a hard game of polo which means no inconsiderable physical exertion and in the jungle will leave the work of tracking to his shikari, ignoring the fact that that is the very essence of the sport he has come out to enjoy. There is no such thing as vicarious sport: the less a man does for himself the less he deserves the name of sportsman, whether he be actuated by indolence or by the wholly false idea that his share of the business is to kill the game with or without personal risk as the case may be. The aim of the sportsman should be to do for himself everything he can do for himself, whether it be to carry his own rifle or to track his own game.

Sporting Notes.

Operations on the Calcutta course continue to be briskly carried on, and are the only signs of activity in local racing circles. The engineering feat at the Hospital Corner has resolved itself into a catchpit with a stout masonry covering about 3 feet high. This wears a very permanent appearance, and adds to the dangers of the brave men who seek instruction in the art of horsemanship on the public riding track; still if it effects a good purpose none will complain of it seriously on this score.

Both the cold weather and monsoon tracks are undergoing a merciless harrowing, and every advantage is being taken of the late spring rain; as a rule the whole maidan is baked hard by April Fool's Day.

Another course that is being touched up this spring is the Tollygunge Club flat racing tracks. The big depressions near the five-furlong post and at the turn before entering the straight have already been filled up with loose earth, but it seems doubtful what the effect will be so far as racing this summer goes. It is hard to believe that the new earth will settle down in time to avoid relapse into bog when the monsoon comes along, though no doubt the ultimate effect will be very beneficial to the course.

A few strings of racehorses come out for exercise under the trees on the jail side of the course, but most of the select band of racers still left in Calcutta, are in retreat.

The most prominent of last year's monsoon winners is poor Watchfire, who may be seen every morning and most evenings, doing any quantity of strong work in the hand of a very energetic new owner.

The Calcutta programmes for 1907-08 are not yet to hand, but rumour hath it that there are one or two interesting changes from last year's plan.

The following tall story about a fight between a man and a panther has been going the round of the daily papers. We may as well reprodnce it too as a specimen of native reporting, though we should be sorry to vouch for its accuracy. It takes the form of a telegram from Lucknow and reads thus:—

A correspondent sends an extraordinary account of an impromptu wrestling match between a tehsildar and panther in the Banda district. The tehsildar concerned is one Syed Mahamed Hamid of Bados. He had received *khabar* of the panther being in the vicinity and proceeded to the river bank where it had taken refuge in a hole. But on the tehsildar's inspecting the cave a part of the panther was visible which he assumed to be its head and fired. While waiting with the other barrel, the beast suddenly rushed out from another outlet and the tehsildar fired hitting it in the lower jaw. In a second it had attacked an attendant, who was carrying the tehsildar's revolver and knife. The tehsildar thereupon flung himself upon the panther, and by sheer strength and desperate bravery endeavoured to tear the beast away. The animal forced itself away and retired to a short distance, and then again sprang fiercely at the tehsildar, and eventually after some twenty or thirty minutes' fierce struggle, the tehsildar succeeded in holding it down firmly. The attendant brought a hatchet and administered the *coup de grace*. The tehsildar bears some seventy wounds on the right arm and almost as many on the left, but no wounds on the body. Both he and his man are under medical treatment at Banda and are doing well.

With much regret we refer to the death of Colonel F. L. Adam, M V. O., Military Secretary to His Excellency the Viceroy. He caught a severe chill as the result of attending the unveiling of the Woodburn Statue when it hailed and poured with rain, pneumonia set in and other complications arising he died on Sunday night quite unexpectedly. A fine soldier, a keen and good sportsman and always a courteous and helpful official he will be missed by a great many in Calcutta, Simla and elsewhere.

We publish to-day the report of the last meet this season of the Karachi Hunt. Hounds were out twenty-nine times and killed twenty-five jacks. Congratulations to Mr. W. L. Graham, who has again carried the horn with signal success.

A wire from the London Office of the Chartered Bank of India, Australia and China to their Calcutta Agent states that at the approaching meeting of Shareholders the Directors will recommend a dividend for the past half year at the rate 13 per cent. free of income-tax (making 13 per cent. for the year). It is proposed to write £25,000 off Bank Premises. To add £100,000 to the Reserve Fund (making the Reserve now £1,075,000) and to carry forward £93,000 as undivided profit.

An old but nevertheless good story has been retold in a slightly different form by a writer in the *Evening Standard*. It is the story of the jealous and very keen shot anxious to arrange a woodcock pool which he should be certain of winning. He marked down a woodcock (so the story goes), and thought that none of the other five guns had seen the bird drop. He accordingly proposed a half-crown sweep for the first 'cock, and this, being agreed upon, walked up to his bird and shot it. He then looked round in triumph, only to find that all the other, five guns had evidently fired at the bird at the same moment, and were reloading. So far the story is familiar, but the *Evening Standard* writer supplies a fresh touch The jealous shot, on looking round, found "five other sportsmen ostentatiously emptying their guns at the same moment," but, it is added, "two at the extreme end (of the line) were ejecting full cases." The puzzle is to imagine what was the mechanism of the gun which would eject full cases.

Earl de Grey's remarkable break of 1,868 at billiards is not the only record which stands to the credit of the versatile heir of the venerable Marquis of Ripon. His Lordship, as is well known, is an amazing shot, and 1,000 brace of grouse have been known to fall to his gun in two successive days. Some years ago it was found, on a calculation being made, that during a period of 28 years Lord de Grey's own bag consisted of no fewer than 316,699 head of game.

The large entries for the Rawal Pindi Spring Meeting, did not bring forth the number of starters that had been anticipated, thougt the fields ruled fair, and the sport was of a high order. (Full details elsewhere.) Rain postponed the second day's racing from Thursday to the following Saturday—the third day being put off until Monday, 25th. Mr. J. D. Scott's stable was unfortunately prevented from being present owing to some difficulty with the railway, but several Umballa stables were represented. The Punjab Army Chase was won by a sporting subaltern of the 10th Hussars, who also rode the winner of the Handicap Chase.

Lamrock carried the green and gold jacket first past the post, but it is to be regretted, that his sporting owner was not present to see him win.

One result of the excessive number of race meetings in Australia, especially in New South Wales and Victoria (says the *Globe's* Sydney correspondent), has been the evolution of the woman punter, who has been found to interfere frequently to a serious extent with the business of the regular bookmaker. In Victoria it has recently been sought to check the objectionable practice by making bets by woman illegal, but in New South Wales the system is permitted on the course. The female punters belong to almost every class of society, tradespeople largely predominating, the conventional box of gloves at the great race meetings often signifying a certain number of guineas. In fact, race betting has acquired a fascination rivalling that of bridge for a certain section of Australian women. In Sydney the evil has been encouraged, largely by the action of the minor racing clubs which in their eagerness to popularise their respective gatherings, of which there were two or three each week, issued considerable numbers of complimentary tickets for ladies. This has proved an irresistible inducement to the recipients to visit the racecourse, where they are now regarded as outliving their welcome. A Sydney paper, commenting on the new feminine development, says: "No doubt the original idea in the minds of the committees who issued free tickets indiscriminately to feminine racegoers was that the ladies would add some decorative touches to the courses which they graced with their presence. Their function was to brighten and adorn, like the roses in the border and the pot-plants in he committee-room. They were to distract the attention of the general public from the more sordid aspects of suburban racing, and to help in conveying the pleasurable illusion that a race-meeting is a garden party."

"R" writes to our Allahabad contemporary:—"Sir,—Last year's accounts of the Calcutta Turf Club show the fees taken from bookmakers in the western enclosure to have been a lakh and thirty thousand rupees, and percentages on totalisators over a lakh and a half. Granting (for the sake of argument only) that the bookmaker is content with a net profit of twice his fee to the Club, we get it that the serious bettors in Calcutta have lost five lakhs of rupees during the year. The more frivolous bettors, the feminine and the small masculine flutterers, have certainly lost a lakh and a half. The poor old Lucky Bag did nothing to equal this."

Our Bombay correspondent writes:—With the end of the month comes the end of the season, as far as racing is concerned. We had a splendid wind-up on Saturday with another long card of eight events, a large attendance and good racing.

I think mention was omitted last week of the objection against Court Martial for wrong ownership and, so far, the Books are still waiting to hear whether to pay out on him or on Canter. The rule is clear, but for future reference a still clearer ruling is wanted and this being a sort of "test" case, it is only natural the Stewards want to get to the bottom of it. Should Canter get the race the possibility of working on this in future is evident and it will be interesting to hear the decision given.

The results, to get back to our subject, cannot be said to have favoured either layer or taker and some grand finishes were seen.

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An unfortunate accident, which resulted in three ponies coming down, most luckily saw nothing serious happen, as all three were then in the ruck. It was at first thought Melsom was almost a "goner," being carried back to the paddock in an unconscious condition. Before long, however, he revived and has nothing more serious than a badly bruised head. Trenoweth and Hazza were the others, the former getting off scot free, but the latter sustaining a broken hand

Fred. Pearson paid Bombay a visit after a long absence and brought Whiteface with him. Doing no good over the mile la t week, he showed he had not come for nothing and won after a magnificent finish with Sabig, the favourite, in the last race of the season, the Auction Plate. He was kept in the stable cheap at Rs. 1,050, whereas Captain Davie bought Magna Charta for Rs. 950, realising the pony did not run up to form. In the opening race too there was a good deal of betting. For this Scipio was naturally fancied in a poor lot, but a track gallop by Sunshine made him a quarter of a point shorter with a nibble at Joker. This grey had a bad run on his last outing, but he showed his gameness now when attacking Scipio at the distance. Scipio went away again, but Joker struggled on and, after another hard finish by Forster, just got home by a neck. Mr. J. M. Mistry bought the promising winner for Rs. 950, whereas Scipio and Sunshine were bought in for Rs. 1,600 and Rs. 1,300 respectively.

To go on to the second division of this race, another great race between two was seen. Young Lomond was favourite with a strong call on Deenar. The former was brought along a bit too late, the latter lying handy from Nizam till the bend, where he came out strong. He appeared to be well in hand when Hoyt came up on Young Lomond, but fell short by half a length after quite an exciting chase. It took the new owners, Messrs. Pfaff and Rommell Rs. 2,000 to buy the winner in and the second Rs. 1,350, whereas Nizam was bought by Mr. D. L Khimjee for Rs. 1,000.

Both Hadhur and Vasco have been showing good form recently, with the result that practically tens bar two was on offer for the Goodbye Plate. Hadhur came into the lead at the half mile, but once again fell right away on entering the straight, where Vasco drew up to Emir and Monsoon. Soon after, Vasco went out in front, but Heeroo had to get down to work when Mirdas gave chase and only stayed out by a quarter length.

One of the only two easy wins of the day was in the Pony Consolation when Comeback's stable could never quite shake the confidence on Mandeville, who had five pounds the better of the argument than when he was last beaten a neck by the black. Comeback got away nicely but Vining elected to play a waiting game with Melsom out in front on the other, Virballa and Belle Cole being early out of the reckoning. Near the bend Comeback began to come up but Melsom has learnt how to wait in front and the least bit of encouragement saw Mandeville jump out again and win by a couple of lengths very comfortably, rest nowhere.

A classy field of thirteen came out for the Farewell Plate when with the rest he has had, Bay Middleton was thought to be good enough, with money for Young Gazelle and a late rush on Scimitar. The favourite has not got over his waywardness at the gate and, amongst other things, caught Oomerkhan on Mudlool a nasty kick on the ankle and eventually got away with the ruck. He and Young Gazelle gradually made up their ground with the result that they were 1 and 2 at the bend and a few lengths further practically level. From here both Ames and Vining were hard at work and raced neck and neck to the post where the grey just had his head in front.

The same stable followed with another win in the Andheri Plate of nine furlongs after another fine race in which Tachreet, the favourite, got home. This was the race in which the accident occurred at the half mile.

The Final Plate again saw the big horses upset punters back a bit as favouritism rested with Royalist and Admiral Crichton close and Primerole next. Projecture got away well from Rustile and Mulison with the first three mentioned in a bunch some way behind. The leaders all closed at the bend, where Mulison was going well, but Projecture just went out a bit and Ames with fine judgment nipped in and won on Primerole.

H. H. the Kour Sahib of Patiala has been most unfortunate with his recent purchase, Bandit II., who has only run once, unplaced, for him. Upholding the idea that he was a rogue, it was decided to add him to the list and he was probably injured when thrown as he died very shortly after—said to have had his "innards" twisted.

Thomond and Filbert are, I hear, both being sent home to spend the remainder of their lives in peace and quiet.

The total bag of the Maharajah of Cooch Behar's shoot which commenced on the 13th and finished on the 31st. March was: Six tigers, four buffaloes, seven leopards, eight bears, three stags, ten boars and fifty head of small game and birds.

The net profit on the last year's workings of the Merchantile Bank of India, Limited, including amount brought forward from the previous year, is £90,801. The Directors will recommend at the yearly meeting a dividend on both A and B shares of 3½ per cent, making with the interim dividend declared to 30th June last, 6 per cent. for the year; that £35,000 be carried to reserve fund; £2,000 to officers' pension fund, leaving about £20,000 to be carried forward.

Athletic Notes.

The completely unsatisfactory decision given in the recent boxing match at Rangoon between Sam Newman and Corporal Smith of the Devons has resulted in arrangements for another meeting. The men are to try conclusions again next Saturday, this time the match being one of twenty rounds.

The Royal Scots recently held quite a good boxing tournament in Bombay. The results of the finals are appended:—

Light Weights (10st.)—Private Evans beat Private West.

Feathers (9st) —Private Evans beat Lance-Corporal McGuchian.

Catch Weights—Corporal Richardson beat Petty Officer R. J. Gibbs, H. M. S. *Hyacinth*.

Intermediates (10st. 9lbs.)—Private Eagles beat Private Kay.

Draft (9st. 8lbs.)—Private Jones beat Private Kelly.

Four Round Contest (Extra.)—Private Downie beat Private Gray.

Boys.—Boy Baker beat Boy Hunter.

Mr. E. H. Atkinson has added fresh laurels to his long list of successes at Lawn Tennis; he has just won the Punjab Championship singles beating Mr. J. Lang in the finals, by 5—6, 6—3, 6—0, and 6—4.

Charles Towns has challenged his brother George for the sculling championship of the world. The challenger has deposited £25, and given the champion three months in which to decide on his acceptance or refusal. It is anticipated that George Towns will retire within that period.

In a recent issue we gave the result of the race between Towns and Durnan for the Sculling Championship of the World. A few more details may interest some of our readers: These we take from an exchange. The race, observes the writer, was remarkable for three reasons—first, the easiness of the victory; second, the tremendous amount of writing up and puffing done in the various journals; and third, the absence at the race of anyone inclined to back the man who lost. Offers of 3 to 1 went begging, and perhaps that is as near a record as anything connected with the event. Now that the race is passed, and that everybody nearly has voiced his opinion—the scullers, trainers, backers, umpire, judge, etc.—it were well to remember that most of these opinions were given in the heat of the moment, some of them with a laudable desire to be generous to a visitor.

Putting sentiment on one side, one can but say that the race just passed has not advanced the sport of sculling. As a race for the world's championship it was not taken seriously by the general public, and few people took a serious view of it. Certainly a fair number made the journey to Penrith, but about 99 out of a 100 went to see Towns win, and felt sure they were going to witness that result. Personally, after witnessing the race from start to finish, I can only give it as my opinion that Durnan was never in it, and is not capable of extending Towns out of a common canter. Had it not been for the fact that at the start Towns kept too close to his left-hand shore, Durnan would never have led at any part of the race. As a matter of fact, Towns, when leading by about three-quarters of a length, was in such shallow water that he had to let Durnan pass him in order to get better water. Races of this kind should not be made without justification, and however much we admire Durnan as a man (and all who have met him will admit he is a sportsman and a gentleman), still it must be admitted that his career and his record did not warrant a race for the Championship of the World. Beating Tom Sullivan, if fit and well, is not classed to be near championship form, and, to my mind, it can only be described as one of the tamest and most uninteresting events I have witnessed for the world's title.

While waiting near the training sheds Durnan was the first to show up, and was received with generous cheers by the crowd .Towns, appearing shortly afterwards, was also given an ovation. They, with their trainers, embarked on the Fairlight and proceeded to the start, being shortly after followed by the umpire. Some delay was occasioned at the start by a smart shower, and also by the challenger not appearing in answer to the umpire's whistle. Towns appeared first, and the two took the water within a few lengths of each other. After taking C. Towns and J. Stanbury on board, the umpire called the men up and gave them a few words of advice as to rules, etc. The start was by mutual consent, and while a good deal has been said about Durnan not being used to this style, the fact remains that it was stated in the articles, and that Stanbury has been coaching him getting away for a long time. The whole difference was that while Towns gave three short, hard strokes, Durnan reached out for long ones, and failed to get his boat going.

Of the actual race little can be said. Towns, striking 36 to the minute, dashed off and led Durnan, who was rowing a slightly faster stroke (38). The latter, on outside, and in deeper water, soon passed him, but the champion with a few powerful strokes

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drew level, passed him, and at the half-mile had a lead of one length. From there out he seemed to take it fairly easily, and although the Canadian rowed a game race, and spurted repeatedly, the champion never seemed to worry. Approaching the finish many on the bank thought George was leaving it too late before he responded to Durnan's spurt, but he evidently knew his game, put in a few powerful ones, and crossed the line an easy winner. The judge's verdict was four lengths.

Messrs. G. Knowles and Co., Import and Export Agents of Calcutta, have added to our office accessories a neat and durable calendar for 1907, for which we thank them.

I took part once in a grave discussion among undergraduates as to what would become of a man who, when rowing in the boat-race, caught a crab when his boat was easily ahead, and so lost the race for his university says a writer in the *World*. The word "easily" must be marked. There was to be no doubt about the matter; the man was not to be able to console himself with the thought that the other crew would have won anyhow. He was to bear the unquestioned odium of having lost a race which was a gift for his crew up to that point. The sense of the meeting was that the man could hardly hope to bear up against his reputation.

One of the disputants said "if it were me I should change my name." Another said, "but you would always be known just the same." A third said, "I should certainly leave the country." A fourth said, "yes, you might make a fresh start where nobody knew you. I think I should go to Canada." And the optimist of the party said "It mightn't be so bad after all. In Canada, where nobody knew you, you might get on after all, and become prime minister.

The gravity of the Boatrace is the measure of the apprehension with which even the stoutest heart awaits it. As the boats are paddled down to the start they carry Cæsar and his fortunes sixteen times over. This is the explanation of that thrilling but painful complaint known as a "needle." A "needle" is a luminous example of a mental disease expressed in physical terms. Anxiety strikes very sensibly into that nerve situated, I believe, in the stomach, which also becomes active under a sharp pang of sorrow or remorse. The voice of the starter cautioning the crews before the pistol fires sounds like a note of doom. Then comes that lifetime packed into a moment while the crews await the pistol-crack, and then —oh, transformation!—nervousness disappears in the preoccupying toil, in the exaltation of speed, and the thrill of feeling the boat leap to the thrust and drive of every stroke.

Cricketers and footballers sometimes ask what satisfaction there is in propelling a piece of wood through the water at the cost of the most heart-breaking labour. They do not understand. The oarsman does not endure the miseries of Pangloss in his trireme without even the remedy of Pangloss's optimism. The freshman oscillating painfully on his fixed seat in excruciating discomfort while the boat runs consistently on one side may touch the depths. But even then he is working his way through the mill to the joys of a light ship. A light ship is almost a sentient creature. It responds like a nervous horse to the most delicate alterations in treatment. It repays bad treatment in kind, but leaps smoothly, steadily, and readily forward in the straight line in answer to the sympathetic demands of the good water-man.

The animation and sensitiveness of a boat are not felt so much in an eight as in a four and a pair. But in all cases when the boat is free off the hand, when the finish of the stroke is coming easily and strongly home on to the chest, when the oars grip the water at the same fraction of a second, and the legs all thrust together like pistons in unison, and the boat runs unharassed between the strokes, the joy of the movement is perhaps as much as M. Santos Dumont ever hopes to get out of his flying machine.

What exactly makes eight man into "a crew"—the word is used without attributes like that to express a satisfactory combination—is almost a problem for a psychologist. We have known eight men, individually good, who did not make a "crew"—who were without life and dash, and that increment of power which belongs to those who have developed a collective soul. And We have known eight men, individually rather bad, who for some reason shook themselves together and acquired a speed which their separate accomplishments had given them no right to expect. In rowing, it is better to do a bad thing all together than a good thing not together.

"I am glad to see that the question of instituting a Hockey Association for India is receiving some attention among hockey players remarks "H.S.D." in *The Pioneer*. The necessity of such an association is beyond question. In framing rules it would save confusion and misunderstanding to adhere as closely as possible to those of the English Association, merely introducing modifications suitable to the different conditions under which play is conducted in this country. Hockey grounds in India are as a rule more uneven and harder than they are at Home. The game is therefore faster, and lifting the ball is far more common, though I believe intentional undercutting is not frequent. During the last ten years I have played a great deal of hockey, and have also acted as referee very frequently. I have seen more than one nasty accident occur from the ball being lifted, and an authoritative ruling tending to reduce the risk of such accidents is very necessary, whether the lifting of the ball be intentional or otherwise. There are, of course, other points which require attention, but these can hardly be discussed in a letter to a newspaper without taking up more room than is available for the purpose. I have very frequently been struck with the prevailing incompetency of refereeing particularly as regards omitting to give penalties which should have been given, and giving decisions distinctly opposed to existing rules. Certificated referees are required out here just as much as at Home, for important matches, and if such referees were available I am sure competing teams would be only too glad of their services. Anyone who has played, as I have done, with an English certificated referee on the ground cannot fail to have been struck with the difference between the promptitude and accuracy of his decisions and those of the ordinary referee.

I have a good deal of leisure on my hands, some of which I would gladly devote to helping in the formation of an Indian Hockey Association, the more so as my headquarters during the hot weather are at Mussoorie, where a good deal of hockey is played and where the players often belong to teams located all over India, and if "Thorn," or someone equally capable, would take the initative, I think he would find many teams which would gladly support the movement. In my own station—Mussoorie—I would willingly undertake any correspondence or action to this end, and if any public desire to institute a hockey association is evinced, I will give my address to anyone wishing to have it."

The election of County Cricket Captains has resulted as follows, *vide* a Reuter's telegram to our daily contemporaries :—

Yorkshire—Lord Hawke	Worcestershire—H. K. Foster.
Kent—C. H. B. Marsham	Northamptonshire—E. M. Crosse.
Gloucestershire—G. L. Jessop	Warwickshire—J. F. Byrne.
Lancashire—A. C. Maclaren	Leicestershire—Sir A. Hazlerigg.
Surrey—Lord Dalmeny	Derbyshire—Undecided.
Essex—F. L. Fane	Oxford—E. L. Wright.
Notts—A. O. Jones	Cambridge—M. W. Payne.
Middlesex—P. F. Warner	

One hears nowadays occasional grumbles in connection with dâk bungalows, most of which, Othello like, have found their occupation gone since the spread of the railway systems in India. We have in the course of our travels throughout Bengal occupied nearly everyone of these places; some are distinctly good, some are middling, others are best left alone; but surely in this Presidency there doesn't exist such another outrage on the public as the dâk bungalow at Berhampore! We had occasion to visit it this Easter and can assure our readers that we suffered sufficient discomfort, indignity and annoyance to last us for some considerable time. We refrain from further comment, we will confine ourselves to merely stating our experience.

A letter in English and the vernacular was sent to the khansamah in charge on Monday, the 25th March, apprising him of our intended arrival on the evening of Friday, the 29th: this letter he acknowledged having received. On the Friday, punctual to time, we and our friend having cycled in from Plassey, discovered the "Bungalow" after some search: it was represented by two dark-some rooms in a corner of one of the barracks round the big square. We had considerable difficulty in rousing an attendant and on the arrival of a frowsy menial we were shown into a dismal, godown-like apartment the effect of which was both depressing and displeasing. When our vision grew accustomed to the gloom this is what we saw:—Two filthy nawar cots in which the tape sagged as in a hammock, two inexpressibly foul mattresses, one rickety table covered by a grimy and stained cloth that might have been an accessory pertaining to the Knight of the Broom; two chairs (one with a broken arm), one teapoy, the top of which came off when a bag was placed on it. This was the *entire* "furniture"—there was not a toilet table, looking glass, almirah, cupboard, wash-stand, easy-chair or in short any of the ordinary necessaries to be found in the rest houses supposed to be maintained for the convenience of the travelling public. In a corner of a sort of ante-room leading into the back verandah were stacked several decayed punkahs: in the back verandah was a heap of sawdust, garbage, and broken glass crowned by the remains of a *vase de nuit!* Outside this verandah were two pits for the reception of dirty water full to the brim with some pestilential fluid in which vegetable and other putrid matter was floating and in which were breeding the mosquitoers which devoured us later on. The ceiling, walls, and floor of the room were thick with cobweb, dust and grime, the back verandah was literally awash with rinsings, parings, sweepings and dregs.

The cook—an illfavoured and impertinent ruffian—gave us dinner on Friday two hours late, and breakfast next morning two hours late. Questioned on the point he declared that there was no *hukum* for meals except at the hours arranged by him! He was as incompetent as he was repulsive and spoilt everything he served up. After twenty-four hours of this misery a friend in the station came to the rescue and at his hospitable board those purgatorial hours were partly forgiven, but not forgotten. Hence these lines of complaint and warning.

The representative of our esteemed contemporary of Chowringhee, was a fellow sufferer and, what time he was not noting the grotesque proceedings of the Congress held in an adjacent *pandal*, he shared our afflictions and the aforesaid broken relics. He refers to the incident in the following para which we cull from *The Statesman* of last Tuesday: "Berhampore possesses a dak bungalow which, by dint of the expenditure of a couple of hundred rupees and a little energy by the officials concerned, could be made as the boarding house landlady so delicately puts it, 'A home away from home.' At present it is a delusion and a snare. It has two *charpoys*, three broken chairs and a rickety table. The menial staff, is in keeping with the furniture. Meals of ruined viands are served two hours after they are wanted. The back verandah is utilized for the purposes of a dust heap, and as the last resting place of broken bath-room furniture. Berhampore is one of the most delightful stations in the province, and with a decent lodging for tired travellers would be a haven of rest and relief from the noise, and wear and tear of a strenuous life in town."

We are in receipt of a rosy tinted booklet from Messrs. G. F. Kellner and Co., and in it we are reminded of the "Food Product" lectures and practical demonstrations of the Heniz specialities so successfully carried through in Calcutta some time ago. In "Calcutta Comments" are set forth the numerous press criticisms (all appreciative, many eulogistic) which these lectures evoked. The booklet also gives the schedule of prices at which Messrs. Kellner are prepared to supply the 57 varieties of these foods and a description of each kind.

The following are the first entries in the Poona Boxing Tournament open to All India:—

Featherweights:—Volunteer Gill, B. V. R., Private Blake, Middlesex; Lance-Corporal McLaverty and Privates Grooby, Barsby, Butcher, Thursday and Palmer, Lincolns; Privates Sheppard, Brevet Grimen and Richardson, Leicesters.

Light Weights:—Shoeing-Smith Ansell, Carabiniers; Driver Imber, 40th Battery, R. F. A.; Private Bethell, Warwicks; Corporal Barrett, R.E.; Privates Makins, Bowling, Goddard, Hockings, Castle, Isabel, W. Smith and Lance-Corporal Wall, Lincolns; Driver Cooper, S. Battery, R.H.A., Privates Murphy, Mansfield, Broomswood, Stanley, Leicesters; Driver Warren, 40th Battery, R.F.A.; Privates Tucker, Dixon, Powel, Kingston and Lance-Corporal Watson, Worcesters.

Middle Weights—Corporal Martin, 6th Dragoon Guards; Gunners Grove, 45th Battery, R.F.A.; Dawson, P. Battery, R.H.A.; Private North, Lincolns; Bombardier Bradford, S. Battery, R.H.A.; Private Bolesworth, Leicesters; Privates Cook and Foates, Worcesters.

Catch Weights.—Ice-Corpl Smith, Lincolns; Privates Tannsley, Leicesters; Walker, Worcesters.

Officers' Heavy Weights:—Lieutenant Salano.

Bantam Weights:—Privates Conner and Frisby, Leicesters; Wrivers Williams and Conroy, 12th Battery, R.F.A.; Lance-Corporal Garner, Privates Scriven, Perry and Tucker, Worcesters; Driver Biggs, the Battery, R.H.A.

The members of the Sporting Union, a baboos' athletic club in Calcutta, last Sunday held a 7 miles walking race: the winner, B. K. Nundy, was said to have accomplished the distance in 67 minutes. Seeing that very few front rank amateur pedestrians at home can do their seven miles in the hour it strikes us as hardly likely that the Aryan brother can put up such a performance as seven minutes outside the hour for that distance.

At a French play.

"If I blush," said the fair young débutante from Gospel Oak, "it'll look as if I understood, and if I don't turn red what shall I look like?"

She—You are a conundrum!
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London Week by Week.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

Friday, 15th March 1907.

Mr. Haldane's army scheme continues to engage a large share of attention. Volunteer Colonels have been ventilating their views very freely and those views are rarely favorable to the scheme. Few really sound alternatives have been suggested to the clause which proposes to bind Volunteers for a term of year on pain of fine: the best is that which urges remission of income-tax wholly or in part to volunteers whose incomes are under £1,000 a year and old age pensions to men over 60 who, leaving less than £160 a year have put in ten years volunteer service. This latter plan should bring a really good class of recruit and ensure efficiency but it might produce difficulties in connection with recruiting for the line. The impression grows that the Haldane scheme is the first step towards compulsory service in the shape of a final bid for (qualified) voluntary enlistment.

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Truly our Prime Minister is a wonderful person. Asked on Tuesday if he would in future take steps to prevent the appointment to the bench of Passive Resisters, Sir C. B. laid down the amazing doctrine that the fact of a man being a passive resister "when his passive resistance is unaccompanied by brawling or unseemly conduct is not an objection to his being a Justice of the Peace." Manifestly then C. B. sees no objection to an avowed law breaker administering the laws provided he resists the law without actually engaging in riot. No wonder there was a distinctly ironical ring about the cheers and obvious contempt in the roar of laughter with which this astonishing statement was received.

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A story is current in the clubs that for many months past eight German Officers have been making a "staff ride" through the Eastern counties of England: they are said to be travelling comfortably in motor cars, each taking a defined district and "doing" the country very thoroughly as becomes soldiers intent on acquainting themselves with the roads and byeways of a possible scene of campaign. A friend of a friend of mine stated yesterday that he met a few days ago at Southampton a young German Officer who frankly declared his belief that he had made acquaintance with every building in Yorkshire and "knew every blacksmiths' shop in the East Riding:" he said he could find his way blindfold about the greater part of the country. Interesting is it not?

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Lord William Nevill was charged at Westminster on Wednesday with stealing £400 worth of jewellery by means of a trick. It is alleged that last October he induced a Sloane square pawnbroker to come to his house in Eaton Place, bringing certain jewellery he held in pledge from Lord William, representing that a friend of his wanted to buy it, and he intended to redeem it before Christmas. The pawnbroker accordingly renewed the pledge and took away with him a taped and sealed case which he supposed contained the jewellery. As the articles were not redeemed as promised he became suspicious and after Christmas opened the case in the presence of a witness: it contained pieces of coal wrapped in tissue paper: and he charges the prisoner with substituting this case for the one containing the jewellery. Lord William Nevill is reported to have made statements to the police of a distinctly damaging nature. He implored the prosecutor not to charge him; asked why he wanted to open the box at all since the money would have been forthcoming in a day or two, and declared that prosecution would mean twenty years penal servitude for him. His counsel said he was prepared to answer the charge, and remand for a week was ordered: two sureties in £2,500 and the prisoner's recognizance in £5,000.

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The Kirk v. Kirk and Tidmarsh case which threatened to drag on to an interminable length without bringing satisfaction to any of the parties involved was stopped by the Special Jury on the eleventh day of the hearing. The Jury were satisfied that there was no ground for a *decree nisi* and did not want to hear any more evidence. Sir Gorell Barnes agreed with them and there was the end of it.

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A very considerable section of the public is dissatisfied with Mr. Gladstone's decision to accept a private examination of the papers in the Edalji case by the eminent lawyers who refused to hold and enquiry on the lines suggested by the Home Secretary. The professors of the Birmingham University (Edalji studied at a Birmingham College), those of Dublin, and other persons of weight have memorialised the Home Office praying for a public investigation or protesting against the private undertaking. Mr. Gladstone in his reply to the Birmingham professors admits that he was "not altogether satisfied" with some aspects of the Edalji case and attributes the difficulties to its "extraordinary complexity." Surely admissions which indicate the propriety of a thorough re examination in open court.

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The Psychical Society should be stirred to its marrow by the astounding discovery of Dr. Duncan MacDougal and four other Boston physicians. For six years past these five doctors have been conducting a singular series of experiments. At a certain sanatorium Dr. Mac Dougal had constructed scales which weigh to the tenth of an ounce; and whenever a patent was *in extremis* he had been carefully weighed, repeating the weighment as soon as the breath was out of his body. Making all allowances and deductions for the change caused by death, the doctors find that there is always an unaccountable loss of about one ounce immediately after death when a man died in the scales the weight side sank at once, and the only way he and his colleagues can explain it is on the assumption that the soul is represented by this undiscoverable ounce! No such change takes place on a dog's carcase. If names go for any thing Dr. MacDougal is a Scotsman and Scots are hard headed people, little prove to wild speculation in scientific matters.

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If Mr. Glayde's had devoted a little more attention to Mrs. Glayde and less to the making of millions in America, I do not believe the trouble with Trevor Lerode would ever have arisen. But American-like John was taken up with the mighty dollar and neither knew nor cared what his Muriel was doing in Paris: though he came over in a mighty harry when he got an anonymous telegram to effect that Lerode was taking a long time to paint Mrs. Glayde's portrait. Mrs. Glayde's reception of him was cool: she felt neglected and John recognised that she had cause of complaint. But she had been flirting with Lerode: they kiss passionately before us what time the room door opens and shuts again, in such wise that neither they nor we know who saw the kiss. Glayde gives Lerode a cheque and tells him his services as painter are no longer needed: when Lerode tears up the cheque we know what to expect in "John Glayde's Honour" if we had not known before seeing that the play is Mr. Sutro's and John Glayde Mr. Alexander. Then John turns to business again. I guess the cable company made a forture out of him but the footman who saw that kiss lets out the secret and he cant go on dictating cables; he rushes off to Muriel and says he "knows" Muriel lies like thirty hatters. John believes and goes back to his telegrams: but enter John's private Secretary to say that Muriel and Lerode are sloping; exit John a raving lion.

Next scene is Lerode's studio where the guilty pair are preparing to elope despite the arguments of freinds. Here a morsel of unconscious humour; "she is not the woman to allow you to go on painting from the nude" says one good friend offering the only deterrent argument he can think of. The plea has weight with Lerode but only for a moment: Muriel is all in all. Enter John. Muriel confesses that she loves Lerode. John staggers, droops, reels and recovers himself "Take her" he says in effect "and be happy."

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It sounds frankly melodramatic: in point of fact the play is really very amusing all through, full of movement and incident. We may tire of John Glayde's overwhelming nobility of sonl; we often wish he would let out one good, round Damn and relieve the wound we know must be surcharged: but he has too much self control. The piece is very much like other Sutro plays: high souled husband: frail wife: shamed lover. It suits Mr. Alexander well. Miss Eva Moore was generally satisfactory but she did her much lying so well that she deceived us as well as her husband: which was an error.

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I cannot say that Mr. H. A. Vachell's four act play "Her Son" produced at the Play house on Tuesday, does justice to the author's reputation as a novelist. In rendering a sketch of the play one is handicapped by the fact that so much occurs "off" and one's account of it is therefore by no means what the spectator sees. Here is the rather complicated plot: Sir Augustus and Lady Helmingham want their niece Dorothy to marry Lord Ipswich: Dorothy does not want the peer: he is old which is one reason; and he sniffs (a habit which in my judgment furnishes full ground for divorce). Also she loves Dick Gascoyne, a journalist who in his past has "touched pitch." This is a very ugly and ungrateful way of referring to Crystal Wride, music hall article, who kept the fellow when he was starving and nursed him through pneumonia: Crystal deserves better at his lips and hands. Well, Dick's engagement to Dorothy being announced Crystal forces her way into the presence of Dorothy bent on scratching her eyes out; Dorothy (charmingly played by Miss Winifred Emery, disarms her hostility and on learning the truth of her visitor's relations with Dick buys Crystal's promise not to commit suicide and to lead a good life by postponing her marrage. Dick goes off to Africa as a war correspondent; war correspondents were plentiful scarce as if he did not go it would have been necessary to "send a Sub-Editor") and gets lost. Curtain rises eight years after. Dock has come home; rich, having made remarkably good use of the four years he spent in captivity with a savage tribe. Much has happened in those light years: Crystal has borne him a son whom she abandoned and whom a oh! long, long arm of coincidence! Dorothy has adopted ignorant of his parentage. Dorothy to avoid scandal! is now passing as a widow and calls the boy Min her son.

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Everybody meets (the arm of coincidence is surely strained in this play) on Bournemouth Sands. Dick meets Mim and adores Min and Mim adores Dick: this interview is the best thing in the play. He had heard that Dorothy was married long ago and has a son, so he sought out Crystal and bestowed his hand upon that piece of "pitch." When the meeting on the Sands takes place Dorothy struggles between love and duty: she ought to give up him to his parents, but the boy has naturally become a real son to her. Duty of course wins and love loses nothing by it, for Crystal in a burst of fierce generosity refuses to take him away from her. This act of self denial was

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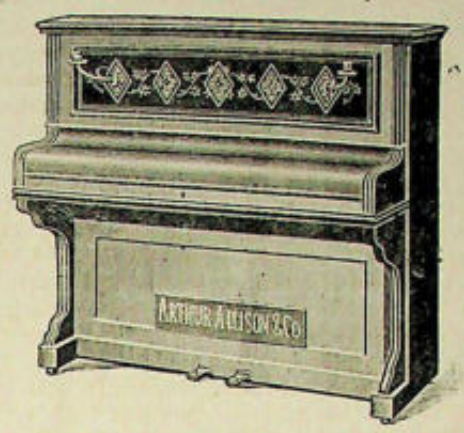

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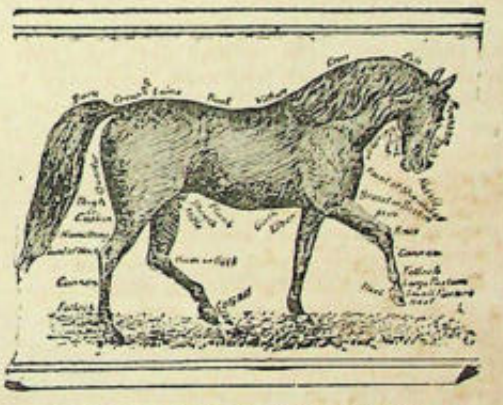

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tumultuously cheered by a sympathetic house which had quite forgotten Crystal's statement that she "doesn't like kids," recollection of which rather marred the beauty of the transaction. Clearly the matter could not be allowed to rest there: so Crystal, having regard to the fact that the hour is late and that there really is not time for a fifth act mentions that she has not long to live; is suffering from a disease which may be expected to prove fatal in a few days. So when the curtain falls we know Dick and Dorothy will marry after all.

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The play is full of structural flaws, and does not convince; but the dialogue is good, there are some strong Situations and the playing on the whole was good. I have seen Mr. Cyril Maude in many parts which suit him much better than Dick, Miss Nynne Mathieson is thrown away as Crystal. The boy Min was most admirably and naturally played by Master Bobbie Andrews.

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"The Little Admiral" by Messrs. Hodges and Percyval is a play in a prologue and three acts: but for the programme I should have writ it down a play in four acts. It is one of those plays which delight you while you are more than half-ashamed of finding pleasure in anything so simple and artless. Old Admiral Sir Anthony Addenbrooke had a scapegrace nephew in his own profession: and when dying he leaves his £60,000 to the young Anthony provided young Anthony "gets his step" before 24th June 1823. Miss Anne Churchill overhears the will making and determines to have the £60,000 and Young Anthony. As the terms of the will are to be kept secret from Young Anthony he really has not half a chance between Anne and the Admiralty. Anne is really a nice girl: but methought she acted the part of a bold faced Pussy when she took a cottage next to that in which her prey was dodging and chaffing process servers in order to nurse her scheme: and Captain Kent R. N. was perfectly right when he told her she had no regard for her character to stay late in Anthoney's quarters helping him to master the signal book.

However, being as I said, really a nice girl, Captain Kent allows her to strike him down and he gives Anthony a berth on a ship which is sailing next day on active service. Anne has already discovered that what she wants is young Anthony and the £60,000. When he sails she discovers that what she wants is only young Anthony. In due source he comes back and he and Anne are very happy digging potatoes in the cottage garden when a most unbusinesslike solicitor Mr. Speedwell turns up. He meanders on about wills and money and eventually tells what we all knew, to wit that Anthony, having saved the situation (by four days) is entitled to that £60,00 also he reflects upon Annes disinterestedness.

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The piece is so slight, such a trifle, it is remarkable proof of its intrinsic charm that it should so easily last out the four acts. Mr. Waller is excellent as young Anthony and Miss Evelyn Millard is charming in the not always easy part of Anne Churchill. There is of course any amount of comedy in the piece; old Cobble. dick the pigtailed sailor is a tower of strength and is capitally done by Mr. Herbert Jarman. There is a sort of lavender around about the play: an old world freshness, which rendered its occasional discursiveness more than pardonable.

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Possibly you may remember "the Last of the Legends" in the early seventies. The German Reeds made a good thing out of it for it was very popular. Times have changed and our taste in humour is not the taste of thirty and odd years ago for the "musical extravaganza" when produced at Terry's on Saturday was somewhat coldly received. It did not "go" the players did their best with it and the old songs were well received; but it was quite evident that 'the Last of the Legends' is a back number.

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The Lyceum is to be made a house of melodrama at popular prices.

The Vedrume Barker management is going to try Bernard Shaw in the provinces: "You never can tell" and "John Bull's other Island" are the plays chosen for the experiment.

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It is unwise to exhibit gold bars in glass cases unless those gold bars are too heavy to carry away. On Tuesday night just before closing time two such bars weighing 436oz. and worth £1,600 were successfully carried away from the Horticultural Hall where the South African Product Exhibition is being held. The police have a theory; but the thieves have the gold bars; and are likely to keep them.

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According to Mr. Asquith some legislation may ere long be possible to relieve the public as well as the publican from the "anomalous and unequal treatment of clubs as compared with the ordinary licence holder." How the private club can be held to stand on the same footing as a public house only a radical politician could explain.

The conviction of Gourlay the Engine. driver more or less responsible for the Arbroath disaster on 28th December was hardly a surprise; but at the same time nobody was surprised at a large minority opposing the verdict of guilty after 50 minutes discussion 10 for and five against. It is quite probable that the sentence of 5 months' imprisonment will be remitted; and when we consider the man's previous record, the appalling weather and the slackness of the signalling arrangements, remission of four months of the five would offend none.

ONLOOKER.

Review.

BREAD, PASTRY AND BUTTER-MAKING.

A LITTLE brochure issued under the joint authorship of Miss Pearson and Mrs. Byrde, at the "request of many friends who wish to be initiated into these Arts." The compilers have been guided in their choice of recipes by "an intimate acquaintance with the requirements of an Indian home," and each recipe has the merit of having been personally tested by these skilful ladies. The chapters on bread-making include some useful recipes for yeast, as well as for testing flour, and in the comprehensive term "bread" we find included some little dainties such as raisin bread, dinner rolls, pulled bread, Vienna bread, Kongloff, and various sorts of bun—which would all make welcome additions to the tea and dinner table. Memsahibs who indulge the rulers of their destiny with puff pastry, shortcrust, or raised pies will find in this little book, the clearest directions for making most varieties of pastry in the simplest way possible. To the tyro in the gentle art of pastry making, as well as to others, the clearly put directions will prove invaluable, while up-country residents who obtain enough fresh milk to make their own butter will find the chapters devoted to butter making, a guide as well as a help. The useful little book maybe, purchased for the sum of one whole rupee from Messrs. Thacker, Spink and Company, Calcutta.

Shikar.

CHARGING BEARS.

THE account of a "bear charge" in *The Indian Field* of 7th February: recalls to my mind reminiscences of the past, when I had considerable experience in pursuit of bruin. The author of the article in question says that "some sportsmen have stated that a bear does not charge when wounded;" that is certainly not my experience, nor is it that of any sportsmen I have met with who have had much to do with these animals. With the species concerned in the *Indian Field* narrative I have had little acquaintance, but I have always been under the impression that the Himalayan black bear *(Ursus torquatus)* is the most ferocious of the four species found within the confines of the British Empire in the East. I have shot only one of this kind, and that was in Kashmir many years ago; poor thing, she had not much chance to charge. She was sitting in a mulberry tree, enjoying the ripe fruit, when I arrived underneath. The bear scrambled hastily down the tree, receiving a bullet through the middle which caused her to drop to the ground. Here there was thick bush cover, and the bear could not see me, although she dashed about growling for some time, as if in search of her assailant. At length I got in another shot, and killed her dead. I believe several sportsmen have been killed by these animals, and can call to mind at least three instances of this bear charging home; in one of these the hunter was thrown down a cliff and killed; in another, a sportsman of my acquaintance was severely mauled, and in a third case, the bear, being fired at from below, came down on to its assailant and knocked him over unconscious, passing on, however, without inflicting injury with either teeth or claws.

The Himalayan brown bear seldom seems to charge, probably because it is found and shot generally in the open, and few animals will charge from a distance on open ground. I believe the Russian bear, which I have hunted without success, is the same species, and *he* certainly charges with effect sometimes, as those know well who have read the account Tolstoi has given of the mauling he got from one of these animals. One brown bear did charge me in the Satai nullah in Kashmir, and that an unwounded one. He was about a hundred yards below me at the bottom of a hill when I fired at and missed him. He charged straight up the hill, in such a determined manner that I drew my long hunting knife and placed it on the ground beside me, ready for use in case the beast should make good his attack; but a bullet at some twenty yards' distance rolled him down the hill again, and he dropped dead into a hole in the ice, out of which we had considerable difficulty in hauling him.

I think more than one account of attacks by the Indian black bear *(Ursus labiatus)* has appeared in these columns. Certainly one well-known sportsman was nearly killed by one in Berar some few years ago; and I heard of a gentleman in the south of India who, pursued by one of these animals, attempted to escape up a tree, but was a moment too late, not being sufficiently agile, and it was some weeks before he was able to sit down again, owing to the effects of bruin's claws. This bear is certainly at times a fierce and aggressive animal, and feared by the natives in consequence; nor without reason, for I have seen several badly scarred from encounters with them. I recollect one bear sixteen years ago in a great forest in the Satpuras which had killed several people, generally grass-cutters, who had disturbed the beast at close quarters.

When stalking bison on the Satpura hills many years ago, I not infrequently came across these animals. What pleasant memories are those, now, alas! seen through the vista of seventeen long years. Hours before daybreak we would start for the distant ground, in order to be in a likely locality by dawn. Generally a path led through the forest for some miles, before we plunged into the trackless wilderness. One morning, an hour or so before daybreak, but when the moon was shining brightly, I was riding along a path through the jungle, when a rustling noise was heard of a heavy beast moving about among the dry leaves near the road. Suddenly a great bear rushed out, straight at us, and charged to within a few yards, when it turned with a gruff roar, and made off before I had time to put in a shot, although I got off my pony as quickly as possible. That same day I shot a panther that was sitting under a tree by the side of the road; and near the same place I killed a very large bear a few days later. My attention was drawn to this bear by the chattering of the monkeys in the trees over a nullah. I ran to the place, and fired at the bear, but though wounded he did not attempt to charge, and when I intercepted him again on the hill-side, he turned to bolt, but was finished off by another bullet.

On another occasion in the same forest I was on the look-out for bison in some bamboo jungle in the early morning, when something black appeared moving about in the long grass. This proved to be a bear carrying a cub pick-a-back, but the parties separated on receiving a shot. The big bear came charging straight at us, but was at once bowled over with a bullet through the heart; the little bear came trundling after, and received a kick in the stomach as it passed; it then clawed one of my shikaris down the leg, and had to be shot.

Thirteen years ago I came suddenly on a party of three bears in long grass within ten yards of me, but they attempted no aggressive action; two fell to a right and left, but one of these, being only wounded got up and began to maul its dead companion; and the third bolted unharmed, while the wounded one was finished off with another shot. The same year one was driven out of thick jungle up to the crest of a hill where I stood in wait for her. Seeing me when she came to the top, she charged straight at me with a roar, but was dropped with a bullet in the head at a distance of a few yards.

I have killed many other bears, both black and brown, but only those above mentioned have charged, or attempted to charge.

My own impression is that as a general rule bears, whether wounded or unwounded, will attempt to escape, but if one comes upon them suddenly at close quarters, they will charge at once. Perhaps, in the case of unwounded animals, this is frequently only a noisy demonstration, and the beasts will as often as not turn tail without making good their attack.

NOMAD.

Shooting.

SPORTING RIFLES AND BULLETS.

MUCH activity of research in the direction of rifle and bullet improvement is manifested no all sides. Never before has interest in the construction of the bullet been so keen.

The vital importance of the projectile in ballistics the proportions of lenght to diameter and weight, and its structural character—has with one or two notable exceptions received scant attention from the manufacturer of sporting rifles. The latter has for the most part taken his cue both from the military constructor and the theorist in ballistics, who invariably regard the question from a standpoint diametrically opposed to that of sport.

It cannot be too often reiterated, for in nearly all discussions on this subject the point is lost sight of, that the sportsman needs a weapon and cartridge which will immediately kill; while the aim of the military man principally is to wound. The military rifle constructor indeed, is elated when he has succeeded in carrying the wounding capacity, as opposed to the killing capacity, of the weapon and cartridge to a still longer range. In this object he finds the theorist in ballistics his firm supporter. Both are ever seeking to increase the ranging power of the bullet at the expense of effectiveness or killing power; and therefore proceed on lines that widely diverage from the track of sporting need and efficiency.

The Spitzer bullet, which of late has a habit of cropping up in sporting journalism with a persistency as invaluable as that of the sea serpent, is an extreme example of the modern military idea. It is lighter than other military bullets on account of its tapered or almost pointed shape. Not much novelty by the way in this. It is therefore obviously capable of being driven at a high velocity with the consequent advantage of flattening the trajectory. In a bullet of this class, which exhibits nothing new, penetration, the sole desideratum of a military high-speed bullet, as opposed to expansion, is increased, and thus the Spitzer bullet repeats in a worse form, considered from the sporting standpoint, the errors and defects of a military small bore.

We have seen it stated that there are two principal and opposing camps of sportsmen; and the statement is true enough for general discussion. The small-bore man at one end; and at the other the advocates of the larger bores. That the small-bore military system of rifles has not proved satisfactory in sport on the whole, is shewn in various ways; one is, by many attempts to raise its smashing power to the level of the black powder rifle and lead bullet of .450-bore express. The soft nose, Dum-dum, Split, and Copper-tubed bullets were conceived with this idea, but although more or less effective, left the problem unsolved. Some forms of these bullets in the attempt at expansion, erred in the direction of structural weakness that caused them to go to pieces easily. Others, in avoiding this tendency to break up, erred in giving too much penetration; and it was not until the advent of the cap system of bullet that the difficulty was overcome—this principle of bullet possessing an equal balance of penetration and expansion, two qualities essential for producing a deadly effect.

Nevertheless, it must be admitted that the present small-bore efficiency is due in no little degree to the increased velocity, larger bore, and heavier weight of bullet, as witnessed in the .318 accelerated express rifle.

The foregoing remarks make it plain that but for the important part played by the bullet in the improvement of its shape, length and design, the increased velocity instead of assisting the sportsman would have proved an obstacle to securing good or clean killed bags.

I have had many opportunities of testing the cap system of bullet in all bores, and other public tests have been recorded from time to time. A very interesting and conclusive trial was that reported at the introduction of Axite Powder in June 1905. It was then stated that the .303 capped bullet at

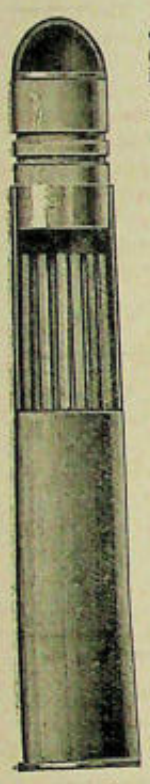
100 yds. range completely penetrated a steel plate ¼ inch thick, while the copper-tube bullet only indented the plate and broke to pieces. The hole made by the capped bullet was considerably larger than the diameter of the bullet, and this is a remarkable feature that I have never seen exhibited by any other form of bullet.

At these trials in instituting a comparison between the high-velocity .450-bore Cordite rifle with solid bullet, and the .375/.303 rifle and capped bullet, at ¼ inch steel plate, and a range of 100 yds., it was found that the small bore capped bullet, owing to its peculiar construction, made a hole in the steel plate actually as large as that made by the .450-bore bullet in question. That is, the hole measured over 60 per cent. more than the diameter of the small-bore bullet. Tested at beef, Mr. Percy Easte, M.R.C.V.S. in his own independent trials, reported the wound channel in certain cases to be even three inches in diameter. It must be admitted that it is a remarkable bullet which enlarges its entry hole and subsequent passage to nearly ten times its own diameter. Mr. Easte concludes his remarks as follows:—

"The opinion I have formed is that in the copper-capped you have a bullet capable of inflicting the greatest possible damage both on hard and soft tissue, with great shocking power and not too much penetration."

Many sportsmen have, in practical use at game, confirmed the truth of this statement. I have had the advantage of hearing and reading many such expressions of independent opinion and I was particularly struck with one which related that a .450-bore capped bullet "made a hole as big as a saucer," thereby seeming to show that the increase in the wound-channel as compared with the diameter grows with the larger calibres of the capped bullet. This was from an Indian Sportsman, while from Rhodesia a correspondent mentioned that the majority of sportsmen there consider the .303 copper-capped bullet as the most destructive at any distance on big game. Under certain conditions this destruction may be considered excessive and sportsmen therefore, in those cases, take the nickel cap .303 bullet in place of the copper cap.

I have tested the .318-bore capped bullet firing at a steel plate ¼ inch thick at both 100 yds. and 150 yds., and find it makes a remarkably large hole as compared with its own calibre. The diameter of the perforation was over 9/16ths inch; in some cases ⅝ inch, equal in fact to that made with the .450 solid high-velocity nickel bullet, but with even greater rending effect.



Here is an illustration of the Westley Richards' cartridge with the case and bullet sectioned. It shows a nitro expansion express bullet which is lightened forward so as to give (*a*) greater velocity, (*b*) flatter trajectory, with increased accuracy, and (*c*) a larger degree of expansion or mushrooming upon impact. This projectile, it will be seen, thus combines, more eminently than has been hitherto achieved, those essentials necessary to the production of deadly effectiveness upon game.

The capped bullet invented by Mr. Leslie Taylor in 1899, originated a new principle of bullet construction and inaugurated a new era in the development of the sporting rifle, of which we have not yet seen the limit. Beyond the quality of expansion, which was the primary, if not the sole, desideratum the sportsman of that day was seeking for, it introduced other desirable qualities. Sporting rifles were then accurate enough, but both the small-bore military rifle of that time, and the subsequent large-bore high-velocity cordite rifles, and nickel bullets, in their race after velocity, and flat trajectory, had left in the lurch the quality of expansion or killing effectiveness. The capped bullet system possessed this qualification and also brought in its train other advantages which, ever since, have gradually and continually altered the foundation and general scheme of rifle construction. It lightened the bullet forward by means of a thin metal cap, having a cavity within between the end of the lead core and the point. This design not only produced a remarkable degree of expansion, but also permitted the use of a longer and therefore more accurate bullet, without increasing the weight beyond the recognised standards. Thus it will be seen, that under this system a bullet of much lighter weight can be made, which, while adhering to the normal length, raises the speed or velocity of flight. Both of these principles, first revealed by the capped system, have for many years been in use in some calibre or another. The Mauser pistol bullet, perhaps, is the first example of utilising the capped system for the purpose of increasing the length without adding to the weight of the original solid bullet. The capped bullet weighs the same as the solid, namely 85 grains, and yet is about ⅛ inch longer. Other examples of this method are seen in the .360-bore, the .400-bore, .500-bore, and other high-velocity bullets, which, when made on the capped principle, also with equal weight, have greater length than their solid prototypes. It was found that under certain conditions, this extra length tends to flatten the trajectory for, when shooting with the .360-bore high-velocity rifle, repeated trials have shewn that while with the shorter solid bullet the drop between 100 and 200 yards is 14 inches, with the longer capped bullet of same weight, it is only 12 inches. As one of the examples of employing the capped system with the object of reducing weight, while retaining the length of the solid bullet, I may instance the Sherwood copper-capped, which weighs 120 grains, as against the solid bullet of 140 grains, and thereby increases the velocity above that of the solid nickel bullet.

Both these principles are made use of in the Explora Ball and Shot Gun and the Fauneta types; the 730 grains bullet 12-bore Explora increased the length without adding to the weight; the 600 grains bullet Explora, has the same length as the 730 grains bullet. While we have two effective types of weapon like the Accelerated Express at the head of the small bore, and the .476, .500 and .577-bore rifles, as first rate representatives of the larger bores, there is a large amount of sport which could be effectually carried on by rifles of less power and of lighter weight than either types. The principle of the capped system by its lightening of the bullet forward, renders it possible to construct a series of rifles from .360 to .577-bore, which shall possess greater velocity and flatter trajectory than the old express black powder rifles. Furthermore, owing to the capped system, such rifles would have more expansive qualities than the rifles of old, in fact, expansion as opposed to penetration would represent their principal characteristic. Such a type of rifle would stand mid-way between the high velocity, small-bore and the large bores of modern nitro rifles.

In "Modern Sporting Gunnery," Messrs. Westley Richards & Co., permitted me to publish specifications of a series of these rifles which they are engaged in building. They will shoot bullets made upon the capped system with lead body, nickel base, and the nose in the form of a brass or copper cap, these bullets, being for equal weight, longer and therefore more accurate than the old express; and it is proposed that they shall be driven with a velocity of over 1,700 feet per second. It will be seen that the weights given below are much lighter than those of previous rifles of the same calibre. The smallest of these, the .360-bore, will I should think, be capable of accounting for the largest stag: the .400 bore being especially adapted for shooting the larger deer, and other animals of a non-dangerous character, while the .500 and .577 would be reliable for use against tiger, lion, and similar animals of a dangerous type. The .450-bore was intended to be included in this category, but for this no doubt the new rifle of .476-bore, constructed on the same lines, will be substituted.

I will here reproduce from "Modern Sporting Gunnery," page 317, the particulars as to these rifles, as possibly, they will prove of interest to readers of the *Indian Field* at this juncture.

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Weight of rifle ...	... 6 lbs. 10ozs.

BORE ·400.

Cartridge Case ...	... 2½ inch bottle-necked.
Powder ...	... 40 grs. Cordite, or equivalent in Axite.
Weight of bullet	... 230 grs.
Energy ...	... 1,840 foot lbs approximately.
Weight of rifle ...	... 7lbs. 4ozs.

BORE 450.

Cartridge case ...	... Bottle-necked No. 1.
Powder charge ...	... 50 grs. Cordite, or equivalent in Axite.
Weight of bullet	... 325 grs.
Energy ...	... 2600ft. lbs.
Weight of rifle ...	... 8lbs. 8ozs.

BORE ·500.

Cartridge Case ...	... 3 inch straight taper.
Powder charge ...	... 53 grs. Cordite or equivallent in Axite.
Weight of Bullet	... 340 grs.
Energy ...	... 2720ft. lbs.
Weight of rifle ...	... 8lbs. 14ozs.

BORE ·500.

Same as above but bullet weight ...	... 440 or 450 grs.
Energy ...	... 3520 to 3600ft.

BORE ·577.

Cartridge Case	... 3 inch straight taper.
Powder charge ...	... 77 grs. Cordite, or equivalent In Axite
Weight of bullet	... 600 to 610 grs.
Energy ...	... 4880 ft. lbs.
Weight of rifle ...	... 10½ lbs.

Velocities of above bores approximately 1900 ft. per second.

HENRY SHARP.

Correspondence.

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BRIDGE QUERY.

TO THE EDITOR OF "THE INDIAN FIELD."

SIR,—Might I ask you to explain the meaning of a "Tenace"?

A. G. D.

JAFFLONG, SYLHET.

[A "Tenace" is a combination in the same hand of the best and third best cards that are still in of any suit, the second best being in some other hand.—ED.]

FIENDISH ILL-TREATMENT OF BULLOCKS.

TO THE EDITOR OF "THE INDIAN FIELD."

SIR,—In the cause of humanity I would be much obliged if you could spare me a few lines to lay before the public the gross illtreatment meted out to the bullocks of Eastern Bengal and to plead the cause of the poor dumb animals who cannot speak for themselves. I am speaking of Serajgunge in particular, but I am informed that the same state of affairs prevails all over Eastern Bengal.

The way the bullock is treated here is something too disgraceful for words; they are illfed and overloaded, but the worst evil lies in their poor sore necks.

The carts are overloaded to breaking point and the consequence is a terrible strain on their necks where the yoke lies, and the continual drag—drag—drag along sandy roads makes them break out into sores. This in itself is bad enough, but the inhuman brutes who own them take not the slightest notice of their sufferings and continue to work them just the same with what result may well be imagined. It is quite an *every-day sight* to see a poor illfed bullock staggering wearily along a sandy illkept road with an enormous load behind him, the cart even groaning and creeping under the weight, and the poor animal's neck one enormous sore, bleeding profusely, so much so that the yoke becomes red with his blood! I have seen this and do not wish to have to see such another sight again. The look of dull, hopeless long-suffering misery in that poor animal's face will haunt me for many a day.

If an inspection of bullocks was held by the authorities I am sure that at least 70 per cent. of them would be condemned as unfit for work. Before writing this I made a careful inspection of all bullocks which I passed and in about seven cases out of ten the necks were sore, some old partially healed wounds leaving terrible scars, and the necks hideously distorted, others open and bleeding as large as a man's hand on which the flies settled in swarms.

Surely in a Christion country something can be done to stop this barbarity? Let the reader imagine for himself the awful agonies the poor beasts must suffer when they start their day's work. The wounds which were open and bleeding the day before have partially healed and become stiff and inflamed and they are set to pull a heavy load in this state the next morning and kept at it all day; as far as I know nothing is done to endeavour to heal the wound: of course the only way possible would be to give the bullock entire rest, but that would mean so much less *bhat* to the brute who owns it, and is not to be dreamed of.

I have seen cruelties practised in other parts of the country on brickmaker's donkeys, etc., and have, when possible, brought it before the notice of the authorities; but never, never, have I seen such barbarities practised on dumb animals, such as I see here before me every day.

I sincerely trust and beg in the name of the long-suffering bullock that this may catch the eye of some one who has the authority to put a stop to these barbarities, and who will take up the matter and see it to a finish.

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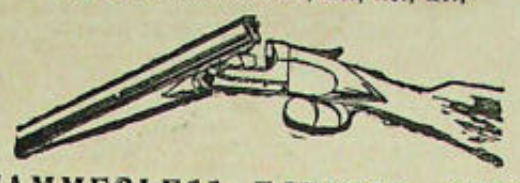

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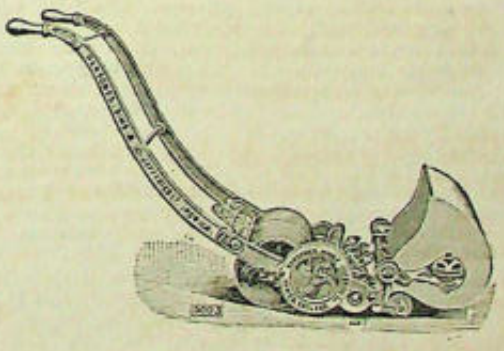

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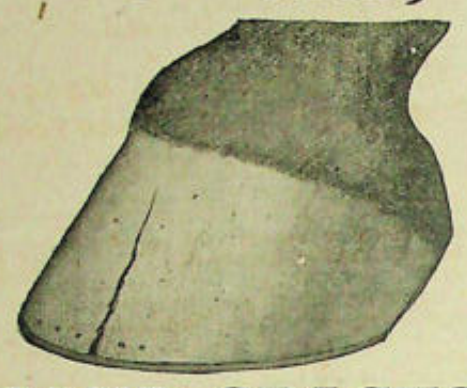

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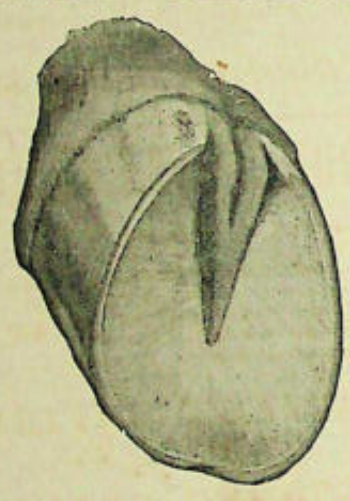

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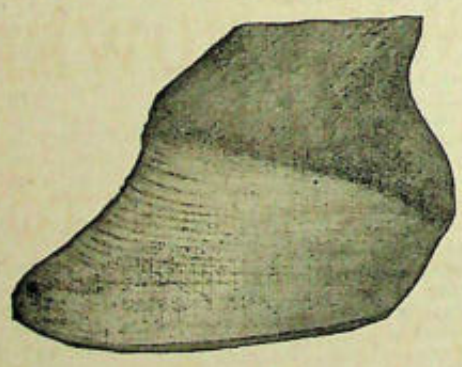

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Simla Summer		28 & 30 June
Ootacamund	"	7, 9 & 11
Shillong	"	14 & 16
Massoorie	"	16 & 18
Mysore	June	25, 27 & 29
Poona Races	Sep.	7, 11, 14, 18, 21, 23 & 23

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Karachi Spring	Third	9th April.
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Durand Tournament		In September
HOCKEY.		
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...en Stakes (1 mile 22½yards.)	.. ..	Thursday, 18th April.
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First Day.

THE PONY HURDLES.—Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second and Rs. 50 to the third. A Welter Handicap for Arab and C.-B. ponies 14-2 and under, and other ponies 14-1 and under. Distance—about 1¼ miles over six flights of hurdles.

Col. Pringle's b cb m Maggie Lauder 10st. 11lb. ... ... Mr. Creek 1
Mr. Sydney Smith's b cb m Shamrock, 9st. 2lbs. (car 9st. 5lbs.) ... ... Mr. Annesley 2
Col. Morris' Rifleman II., 12st ... Mr. Gibbs 3
Also ran: Rosamund, 10-5; Rudolph, 9-2 (car. 9-7).

BETTING 5 to 2 agst. Rifleman 3 to 1 Rosamund 4 to 1 Maggie Lauder and 8 to 1 the others.

Rudolph and Rosamund cut out the running, and five furlongs from home Rudolph assumed the lead. Coming round the bend Maggie Lauder came to the front and attended by Shamrock a great race home ensued, Maggie Lauder winning by half a length; three lengths between second and third. Time—3mins. 18secs.

THE NOVICE PLATE.—Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second and Rs. 50 to the third. For Arab ponies 14-1 and under that have never won a flat race of the value of Rs. 50 or over. Arabs 14-1 to carry 12-0 W. I. Distance—1,000 yards

Mr. Fraser's g a g Jessamine, 10st 11lbs ... Owner 1
Maj. Sheerman's g a g Akolia, 11st. ... Mr. Williams 2
Mr. Luck's blk a g Torbaz, 11st. ... Mr. White 3
Also ran: Roka, 11-3, Regret, 11-0.

BETTING: 6 to 4 on Jessamine, 4 to 1 each Torbaz and Akolia, 8 to 1 the rest.

Jessamine and Akolia led from the start with Torbaz lying third. At the distance, Jessamine held his field safe and in spite of the efforts of Akolia, won easily by half a length; six lengths between second and third. Time—1min. 5secs.

THE RAWAL PINDI GRAND NATIONAL.—Rs 200 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second and Rs. 50 to the third. A handicap for horses, which are *bona fide* and unconditional-ly the property of British Officers of His Majesty's Services on on full pay. To be ridden by Officers of His Majesty's Services on full pay or Gentlemen Riders qualified under Rule 63. Distance—about 2 miles over the steeple chase course.

Mr. Fraser's b aus g Diablo, 11st. 7lbs. ... Owner 1
Capt. Jackson's b aus g Ace of Hearts, 12st. Mr. Fowke 2
Mr. Gatacre's chs cb g Karim, 11st. 11b. ... Owner 3
Also ran: Monte, 10-0 (car. 10-6); Taffy, 10-0.

BETTING: 6 to 4 each Ace of Hearts and Diablo, 6 to 1 the others.

Diablo and Karim raced abreast in front of the field for the first mile, then Diablo forged to the front, Taffy lying third. Half a mile from home Ace of Hearts displaced Karim and Monte fell to the rear. On coming into the straight Ace of Hearts made an attempt to get on terms with Diablo, but the latter maintained his advantage and won easily by four lengths; eight lengths between second and third. Time—3 mins. 24secs.

THE DESERT PALTE.—Rs. 700 to the winner, Rs. 200 to the second and Rs. 100 to the third For Arab ponies 14-1 and under. 14-1 to carry 12-0. W. I. Distance—R. C.

Mr. Sydney Smith's b a p Palmy Days, 8st. 8lbs. (car 8st. 9lbs.) ... Capt. Winter 1
Mr. Williams' g a g Avatar, 11st. 6lbs. Owner 2
Maj Moore's Gendarme, 9st. 6lbs. ... Mr. Evans 3
Also ran: Money Spinner, 11-12 (disqualified); Random 9-6; Discount, 9 4.

BETTING: 3 to 1 on Palmy Days 3 to 1 agst. Avatar, 6 to 1 Money Spinner, 12 to the remainder.

Random followed by Discount made the running, followed in turn by Avatar, Gendarme, Palmy Days and Money Spinner in the order named. Four furlongs from home Palmy Days joined his field and went to the front. At the distance Money Spinner came with a strong challenge, but Palmy Days stayed out and won a good race by three-quarters length; six lengths between second and third. Money Spinner did not weigh in Time—2mins. 57secs.

THE MAIDEN PLATE.—Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second and Rs. 50 to the third. For maiden C.-B. ponies, 14-1 and under that have not won flat races of the value of Rs. 50 or over amounting in the aggregate to Rs. 1,500 or over. 14-1 to carry 11-7. W. I. Distance—6 furlongs.

Maj. Popham Young and Mr. Brandreth's b cb m Happy-go-Lucky, 9st. 2lbs. ... Southall 1
Maj. Walker's b cb m Labby Annie, 9st. 11lbs. ... ... Shib Singh 2
Mr. Lee's blk cb m Ringette, 9st. 5lbs. ... Capt. Winter 3

BETTING: 2 to 1 on Happy Go-Lucky, 2 to 1 Labby Annie 6 to 8 Ringette.

Labby Annie quickly assumed a three lengths lead with Happy-Go-Lucky and Ringette lying together. A furlong from home Happy-go-Lucky got on terms with Labby Annie, and won a lucky race by three-quarters length of Shib Singh not getting quite enough out of Labby Annie. Time—1min. 21secs. This was the official time, but it should have been 1min. 26secs.

THE KULDUNNAH PLATE.—Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second and Rs. 50 to the third. For maiden English and Australasian ponies 14-1 and under. 14-1, to carry 10-7 W. I. Distance—6 furlongs.

Mr. Sydney-Smith's b c m May Queen, 8st. 3lbs. ... ... Bissesar 1
Capt. Toogood's b c m Maranta, 10st. 9lbs., Capt. Winter 2
Col. Doran's Lucky Bell, 9st. ... Bechan 3
Also ran: Margaret, 10-3.

BETTING: 3 to 1 on May Queen, 2 to 1 Maranta, 6 to 1 the remainder.

May Queen attended by Margaret assumed the lead. At the three-furlong post Margaret was done and was displaced by Maranta, who failed to make any impression on May Queen the latter winning easily by three lengths; eight lengths second and third. Time—1min. 23secs.

Second Day.

THE ARAB PLATE.—Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second and Rs. 50 to the third. A high weight handicap for maiden Arab ponies 14-1 and under. Distance—1,000 yards.

Maj. Shearman's g a g Akolia, 8st. 13lbs. ... Taylor 1
Mr. Gretton's ch a g Opal, 10st. 4lbs, ... Mr. Creek 2
Capt. Toogood's b a h Malabar, 9st. 12lbs. Thakur 3
Also ran: Moos'at, 10-3, Jessamine, 9-4; Gendarme, 8-9; Torbaz, 8-5; Rupert, 7-13; Random, 7 6.

BETTING: 2 to 1 agst. Moos'at, 3 to 1 Random, 4 to 1 Opal, 5 to 1 Canopus, 6 to 1 Malabar, 8 to 1 the others.

Akolia jumped off with a lead on the raising of the barrier which it maintained throughout, and although Opal came up steadily from the distance post, it could not get on terms with Akolia, who won by half length; a head between second and third. Time—61 secs.

THE KASHMIR PLATE.—Rs. 200 to thewinner, Rs. 100 to the second and Rs. 50 to the third. A high weight handicap for ponies 14-1 and under. Distance—7 furlongs

Capt. Toogood's b c m Maranta, 7st. 9lbs. ... ... Bechan 1
H. H. The Kour Sahib of Patiala's ch aus p Red Shot, 10st. 7lbs. ... Southall 2
Col. Fuller's ch aus m Little Doris, 6st. (car. 7st, 3lbs). ... ... Thakur 3
Also ran. Lucky Bell 6-0 (car. 6-7).

BETTING: 6 to 4 on Maranta, evens Red Shot, any price the others.

Little Dorris gave considerable trouble at the start, but the field eventually got well away together. Little Dorris quickly assumed a six length lead, but died away two furlongs from home, when Maranta, who had been lying in rear, came to the front, and won easily by four lengths; two lengths between the second and third. Time—1min. 41secs.

THE PUNJAB ARMY CUP.—A Cup value £50 and Rs. 200 cash to the winner, Rs. 200 to the second and Rs 100 to the third. A Steeplechase for Arab and C.-B. ponies 14-1 and under, maidens on the flat, over hurdles and over achase course. Distance—2 miles.

Mr. E. Williams' ch a h Lohengrin, 11st. 7lbs. ... ... Owner 1
Mr. G. Ollivant's g a g Zoowar, 10st. 6lbs. ... ... Mr. Annesley 2
Mr. Mulliken's b c b g K. C., 11st. 8lbs. 3
Mr. Peto's b ch g Tommy, 11st. 5lbs. ... Owner 0
Also ran: Othello, 13-0; Daffodil, 11-9; Sappho, 11-5; Moonshine 11-5; Fidget, 11-3; Mister E, 10-11; Minting King, 10-8; Mirhbani, 10-7.

BETTING: 3 to 1 each agst. Lohengrin and Sappho 5 to 1 each Othello, Zoowar and K. C.

In the paddock Lohengrin and Zoowar looked the pick of the bunch amongst the Arab class, but the latter was looking too gross to go the two miles. Mister E. and Sappho caught the eye in the country bred division, whilst K. C. was looking a bit were soft. After the parade they were soon got under the starter's orders and were sent away in a good line. Mister E. assumed the lead, but after passing the stand struck the next fence hard, and turned a complete summersault, fortunately neither rider or horse sustained any serious injury. The lead was then taken up by Moonshine with K. C. close up, they continued in this order until four fields from home, when K. C. displaced Moonshine, but in the next field Lohengrin drew up to the leader and Zoowar, who had been jumping badly, warmed up to his work, and displaced K. C. From the last fence Lohengrin and Zoowar raced into the straight together, but at the distance Lohengrin drew out and won by six lengths from Zoowar. K. C. being four lengths behind and Tommy an equal distance behind K. C. Time—4mins. 52secs.

THE MARCH PLATE—Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second and Rs. 50 to the third. A welter handicap for horses. Distance—7 furlongs.

H. H. The Kour Sahib of Patiala's b aus g Lamrock, 11st. 10lbs. ... ... Southall 1
Capt. Campion and Mr. White's blk e g Devils Dance, 11st. 6lbs. ...Capt. Campion 2
Mr. Raynard's b aus g Vienard, 10st. 11lbs. Northmore 3
Also ran: Myrtle, 9-8; Diablo, 8-8; Woodcutter, 8-0; M. P. 10-2; Netherby, 7-11.

BETTING: 6 to 4 on Lamrock 5 to 2 Devil's Dance, 4 to 1 Diablo 10 to the remainder.

Vienard and Diablo went to the front when the machine went up, followed by Myrtle and Woodcutter, with M. P. and ramrock bringing up the rear. Coming round the bend Samrock got on terms with the leaders, and won a Loo-l race by ½ length one and a half lengths separating second and third Time—1min. 38⅘secs.

THE KIMBERLEY PLATE.—Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second and Rs. 50 to the third A high weight handicap for C. B. ponies 14 2 and under. Distance—6 furlongs.

Mr. Sydney Smith's b cb m Shamrock, 7st. 13lbs. ... ... Bissesar 1
Maj. Popham Young and Mr. Brandreth's b cb m Happy-go Lucky, 6st. 13lbs. Bichan 2
Mr. Lee's blk cb m Ringette, 6st. 3
Also ran: Tamring, 11-10; Hard Harry, 10 8; Ailsa Craig 8-5 (car. 8 6½); Labby Annie, 7-4.

BETTING: 6 to 4 agst. Happy-go Lucky, 3 to 1 Hard Harry, 4 to 1 Labby Annie, 8 to 1 Ailsa Craig.

Shamrock lead from the start and was never caught, sailing in an easy winner by five lengths two lengths; between second and third. Time—1min. 27secs.

THE GHARIAL PLATE.—Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second and Rs. 50 to the third. A high-weight handicap for Arab ponies 14-1 and under. Distance—R. C.

Mr. Fraser's g a h Discount, 7st. 6lbs. ... Bechan 1
Mr. Sydney-Smith's b a h Palmy Days, 8st. 8lbs. ... ... Capt. Winter 2
Mr. Williams' b a h Pasha, 11st. 4lbs. ... Owner 3
Also ran: Whirlwind, 9-4; Gendarme, 7-13.

BETTING: 2 to 1 on Palmy Days; 2 to 1 agst. Pasha, 10 to each Whirlwind and Gendarme 20 to Discount.

Whirlwind and Pasha went off at a great pace on the fall of the flag, with Palmy Days lying five lengths behind. They continued in this order until the six furlongs post when Discount began to creep up—four furlongs from home Palmy Days joined his field but shortly after Discount went to the front and gradually increasing his lead won by two lengths. Palmy Days and Pasha having a good race for second place, the former getting a neck in front of Pasha. Time—1min. 59secs.

Third Day.

A MATCH.—For Rs. 200. Distance—2 miles over the steeple chase course.

Mr. H. L. Fraser's b aus g Diablo, 12st. ... Owner 1
Capt. F. Jackson's b aus g Ace of Hearts, 11st. 7lbs. ... ... Capt. Rose Price 2

BETTING: 6 to 4 on Ace of Hearts, 5 to 4 on Diablo.

They raced neck and neck until three furloughs from home, when Diablo came away and won by five lengths. Time—4mins. 8secs.

THE C.-B. PLATE.—Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second and Rs. 50 to the third. A high-weight handicap for C.-B. ponies 14-2 and under. Distance—1 mile.

Mr. H. P. Chaplain's b cb g Tam Ring, 11st. Mr. Annesley 1
Mr. W. S. White's b cb m Ailsa Craig, 8st. 9lbs. ... ... Capt. Winter 2
Maj. W. R. Walker's b cb m Labby Annie, 8st. 11lbs. ... ... Bichan 3

BETTING: 2 to 1 on Labby Annie 2 to 1 agst. Ailsa Craig. 5 to 1 Tam ring.

Labby Annie led from the start, until overhauled by Ailsa Craig three furlongs from home but Tam Ring, getting on terms with Ailsa Craig at the distance, won a good race by a head; five lengths between second and third. Time—1min. 59secs.

THE PUNJAB ARMY HANDICAP PONY CHASE.—A Cup value £30 and Rs. 200 cash to the winner, Rs. 200 to the second and Rs. 100 to the third. A handicap chase for ponies that ran in the Punjab Army Cup. Distance 2 miles.

Mr. Mulliken's b cb g K. C., 11st. 8lbs. ... Mr. Williams 1
Mr. Peto's b cb g Tommy. 11st. 11lb. ... Mr. Fraser 2
Mr. Creek's b cb m Sappho, 10st. 8lbs. ... Owner 3

Also ran: Zoowar (disqualified) 10-13; Daffodil, 0-13; Mister E. 10-11; Moonshine, 10-11.

BETTING: Evens Sappho, 4 to 1 each K. C., Tommy, and Zoowar, longer odds the remainder.

K. C. settled down with the lead after the first two fences, followed by Daffodil, who fell at the fourth fence, with the rest in a bunch and Mister E. lying last. After passing the Grand Stand Zoowar began to make up his ground and catching K. C. two fences from home won easily by two lengths; five lengths second and third.

The winner dropped a weight cloth and was consequently disqualified, the race being awarded to K. C.

THE HIE OVER PLATE.—Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second and Rs. 50 to the third. A hurdle race for Arab and C.-B. ponies 14-2 and under and other ponies 14-1 and under. Distance—2 miles over 8 flights of hurdles.

Mr. Sydney Smith's b cb m Shamrock, 10st. Mr. Annesley 1
Mr. Gretton's ch a g Rudolph, 8st. 7lbs. ... Capt. Winter 2
Col. Pringle's b cb m Maggie Lauder ... Mr. Creek 3

Also ran: Rosamund, 9-10; Rifleman, 11-7.

BETTING: Evens Rifleman II. 2 to 1 Rudolph, 4 to 1 each Shamrock and Maggie Lauder.

Rudolph cut out the running, followed by Rifleman II, a furlong from home Shamrock got on terms with the leader and the two jumped the last fence together, but Rudolph picked and Shamrock went on and won by a length; one length between second and third. Time—4mins. 24secs.

THE DISTANCE PLATE.—Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second and Rs. 50 to the third. A high-weight handicap for Arab ponies 14-1 and under that have not won flat races value Rs. 50 or over amounting in the aggregate to Rs. 600 or over. Distance—5 furlongs.

Capt. Gretton's ch a g Opal, 10st. 12lbs. Mr. Creek 1
Maj. Shearman's g a g Akolia, 9st. 9lbs. Taylor 2
Maj. Moore's g a h Gendarme, 8st. 6lbs. Capt. Mr. Winter 3

Also ran: Jessamine, 9-6; Random 6-0 (car. 6-7).

BETTING: Evens Akolia, 2 to 1 Jessamine, 3 to 1 Opal, 5 to 1 Gendarme.

Akolia, Gendarme and Random raced abreast until two furlongs from home when Akolia took the lead, but was caught in the straight by Opal, who won by one length; half a length between second and third. Time—1min. 12secs.

THE SAHARA HANDICAP.—Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second and Rs. 50 to the third. A welter Handicap for horse. Distance—R. C.

Mr. Chaplin's b aus m Myrtle, 9st. ... Northmore 1
Mr. Fraser's b aus g Diablo, 8st. 6lbs. Taylor 2
Capt. Campion and Mr. White's bl e g Devil's Dance, 12st. 2lbs. ... ... Capt. Campion 3

Also ran: Vienard, 10 9.

BETTING: 6 to 4 agst. Devil's Dance, 2 to Vienard, 6 to 1 the others.

Myrtle led from the start, followed by Vienard, Devil's Dance and Diablo in the order named. Half a mile from home Diablo displaced Vienard and Devil's Dance, but could not get on terms with the leader who won easily by four lengths; six lengths separated second and third.

THE FAREWELL PLATE.—Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 100 to the second and Rs. 50 to the third. A high-weight handicap for ponies that have run at the meeting and not won Distance—7 furlongs.

Col. Fuller's ch aus m Little Dorris, 8st. 7lbs. ... ... Capt. Winter 1
Col. Doran's ch aus m Lucky Bell, 7st. 4lbs. ... ... Kadir 2
Mr. Lee's bl cb m Ringette, 7st 4lbs ... Bechan 3

BETTING: 2 to 1 on Little Dorris, 3 to 1 Lucky Bell, 5 to 1 Ringette.

Little Dorris gave some trouble at the machine, but on the lifting of the barrier took the lead which she maintained to the end, winning easily by two lengths. Time—1min. 43secs.

THE BANGALORE SKY RACES.

First Day, Tuesday, 26th March 1907.

THE first day of the March Handicap Race Meeting, was held in superb weather, the few recent showers of rain in the station having considerably cooled the atmosphere, and made the afternoon quite enjoyable for sport. The attendance, however, was not as large as is usual. The card comprised five fairly good races, under the able judging of Mr. Murray Aynsley, with Mr. Vicombe Davy, at the scales, Mr. R. W. Simpson as starter, and Colonel Brereton as time-keeper. Details:—

THE HORSE CHASE.—Rs. 200, out of which the second to receive Rs. 50. A steeplechase for horses. Weights—Handicap. About 2 miles over the S. C.

Mr. Trelawny's, ch aus m Creina, 9st. 5lbs. ... Hoyt 1
Mr. P. Hannyngton's ch aus g Advance 12st. 0lbs. Owner 2

Also ran: Mr. Benjamin's Jacinth 11st. 7lbs.

BETTING: 5 to 4 on Creina, evens Advance, 2 to 1 agst. Jacinth.

Jacinth securing the start led for the first mile, but stopped: Advance taking up his place with Creina close up both fencing plendidly, finishing past the post in a fine race, Creina winning by a short half length. Time—4mins. 12⅘secs.

THE FARM PLATE—Rs. 200 out of which second horse to receive Rs. 50. For C.-B. horses. Weights—Handicap. ½ mile.

Col. J. P. Grant's ch cb h Philistine, 9st. Gooloo 1
Mr. Ahmed Sait's ch cb g Philcourage, 9st. Meah Jan 2
Mr. H. T. Walker's b cb g Leaden 8st. 2lbs. Abbas Sherif 3

BETTING: 2 to 1 on Philcourage, evens Philistine, 6 to 1 agst. Leadon.

After a delay in starting Leadon was left at the post, Philistine going off at a great pace and leading all the way, won comfortably by two and a half lengths. Time—51secs.

THE TRIAL PLATE.—Rs. 200, out of which second pony to receive Rs. 50. For ponies that have not won a flat race of Rs. 450 and over. Weights—Handicap. ½ mile.

Mr. G. M. Skipp's b aus g Fortunatus, 11st. 5lbs. ... ... Thompson 1
Capt. A. K. Heyland's ch ir m Sharavogue, 10st. 4lbs. ... ... Owner 2
Mr H. T. Walker's b aus m Wakeful, II, 10st. 4lbs. ... ... Owner 3

Also ran: Mr. A. Sattar's Fisherman, 9-0; Major R. H. Haye's K.C.S.I, 8-12; Mr. E. C. Tayleur's Marechal Niel, 7-12; Mr. E. J. Bridges' Lady, 7-7; Mr. M.K. Hodgson's Seamew, 9-12.

BETTING: 1½ to 1 agst. Fortunatus, 3 to 1 each Sharavogue, and Fisherman, 4 to 1 each Wakeful II, K.C.S.I., Marechal Niel, Seamew, and 6 to 1 Lady.

A good start, Sharavogue and Fisherman leading with the rest of the field following close, up to the distance, when Fortunatus and Wakeful II shot up making a fine race of it home, with Sharavogue: Fortunatus winning by a length, Wakeful II taking third place half a length behind. Time—56⅗secs.

THE STEWARDS' PURSE.—Rs. 200, out of which second horse to recieve Rs 50. For Horses. Weight—Handicap. 6 furlongs.

Mr. O. M. D. Bell's br aus g Bell Dhu, 9st. 12lbs. ... ... Firth 1
Mr. A. Hameed Sait's b aus g Solent, 7st. ... ... Krishna 2
Mr. P Hannyngton's ch aus g King's Mirror 7st. 12lbs. ... ... Meah Jan 3

Also ran: Mr. H. Wishart's Warstripe, 10-0.

BETTING: Evens Bell Dhu, 5 to 4 agst. Warstripe, 3 to 1 King's Mirror, and 6 to 1 Solent.

Bell Dhu won all the way, beating Solent, by half a length, who took second place from Warstripe at the furlong post, with a sudden rush. Time—1min. 20secs.

THE DESERT PLATE.—Rs. 200, out of which second pony to receive Rs. 50. For Arabs, Weights—Handicap. ½ mile.

Mr. E. C. Ramshaw's g a h Girgistan 9st. 2lbs. ... ... Hoyt 1
Messrs. Wood & Badger's ch a h William Rufus, 10st. ... ... Capt. Tudor 2
Capt. G. Jackson's b a h Hailfellow, 9st. 7lbs. ... ... Thompson 3

Also ran: Mr. C. E. Tayleur's Charles Edward, 7-12; Mr. L. Phillip's Once More.

BETTING: 6 to 4 on Girgistan, evens Hailfellow, 2 to 1 agst William Rufus, 4 to 1 Once More, 5 to 1 Charles Edward.

Dusk having set in nothing could be seen of the race till the field were on the rails, Girgistan won by three quarters of a length; four lengths being between William Rufus and Hailfellow. Time—1min 29secs.

Second Day, Saturday, 30th March 1907.

The second day provided a card of six events, all of which were well filled except the last, which was a walk over for Mr. O. M. D. Bell's Bell Dhu. The afternoon was exceptionally cool, more like July than March, and full advantage was taken of it by competitors and public. Details:—

THE ARAB SCURRY.—Rs. 100, of which second pony to receive Rs. 50. For Arab ponies. Weights—Handicap. 2¼ furlongs

Capt. G. Jackson's b a g Hailfellow, 11st. 2lbs. ... ... Capt. Tudor 1
Mr. E. C. Ramshaw's g a h Girgistan, 11st. 11lbs. ... ... Hoyt 2
Mr. L Phillips' g a h Once More, 9st. 3lbs. Capt. Hayland 3

Also ran: Mr. M. K. Hodgson's Seamew, Mr. C. E. Tayleur's Charles Edward, Messrs. Wood and Badger's Whistling Rufus, Mr. James Douglas' The Slug.

BETTING: Evens Girgistan, 1½ to 1 agst. Hailfellow, 4 to 1 each Charles Edward Whistling Rufus, and Once More, 6 to 1 Seamew, 8 to 1 The Slug.

The Slug delayed the start, and when the gate opened was left behind. The rest of the field went well together for two furlongs, when Hailfellow and Girgistan got to the front, finishing with a good race, Hailfellow winning by half a length, Once More coming in a length and a half behind No. 2. Time—34⅘secs.

THE PONY SCURRY.—Rs. 200, of which the second pony to receive Rs. 50. For ponies. Weights—Handicap. 3 furlongs.

Mr. Astley's b aus m The Girl, 11st. 7lbs. Owner 1
Mr. C. E Tayleur's b e m Marechal Niel, 11st. 7lbs. ... ... Capt. Tudor 2
Major R. H. Haye's ch aus g K.C.S.I., 12st. 7lbs. ... ... Mr. Hannyngton 3

Also ran: Captain Forster's Zorada II., Mr. Maddicks Arth.

BETTING: 2 to 1 on Marechal Niel, 1½ to 1 agst. K.C.S.I. 4 to 1 The Girl and Arth, 6 to 1 Zorada.

The Girl led all the way and won in a canter by five lengths; two lengths between Marechal Niel and K.C.S.I. Time—43½ secs.

THE ULSOOR PLATE.—Rs. 200, of which the second pony to receive Rs. 50. For ponies that have never won a race of Rs. 450 and over. Weights—Handicap. 5 furlongs

Mr. H. T. Walker's b aus m Wakeful II, 10st. 10lbs. ... ... Capt. Tudor. 1
Capt. A. K. Heylands' ch ir m Sharavogue, 10st. 13lbs. ... ... Owner 2
Mr. G.M.S's b aus g Fortunatus 12st. ... Thompson 3

Also ran: Mr. E. J. Bridge's Beresford

BETTING: 5 to 4 on Sharavogue, 1¼ to 1 agst. Fortunatus, 2 to 1 Beresford, 2½ to 1 Wakeful II.

Fortunatus started badly and lost his chance early in the race. Beresford led till the straight, when Wakeful II took up the running and won, without being pressed, by 1½ lengths. Fortunatus made a great fight of it with Sharavogue for second place, who was placed second by a bare head. Time—1 min 12⅗ secs.

THE HORSE SCURRY.—Rs. 200, of which the second horse to receive Rs. 50. For horses. Weights—Handicap. ½ mile.

Mr. O. M. D. Bell's br aus g Bell Dhu, 11st. Firth 1
Mr. H. Wishart's b aus g Warstripe, 10st. 12lbs. ... ... Murdison 2
Mr. O. Dignum's bk eh Royal Guard (Perigode-Malodia) 9st. 7lbs. ... Meah Jan 3

Also ran: Mr. P. Hannyngton's King's Mirror, Mr. Benjamin's Jacinth.

BETTING:—6 to 4 each agst. Bell Dhu, and King's Mirror 2 to 1 Warstripe, 3 to 1 Jacinth, 6 to 1 Royal Guard.

Bell Dhu got away early and was never challenged, coming home an easy winner by three quarters of a length. Warstripe and King's Mirror struggling for second place the former securing it by one and a half lengths. Jacinth was never in the race. Time—55 secs

THE BEDOUIN PLATE.—Rs 200, of which the second horse to receive Rs. 50. For Arab ponies. Weights—Handicap. 7 furlongs.

Mr. E. C. Ramshaw's g a h Girgistan, 9st. 9lbs. ... ... Hoyt 1
Capt. G. Jackson's b a h Hailfellow, 9st. ... Firth 2
Messrs Wood and Badger's ch a h William Rufus, 10st. ... ... Capt. Tudor 3

BETTING: Evens William Rufus and Girgistan, 3 to 1 agst. Hailfellow.

Girgistan led from start to finish and won in a canter by two lengths; one and a half lengths between second and third. Time—1min. 44secs.

THE CUBBON PLATE.—Rs. 200, of which second horse to get Rs. 50. For horses. Weights—Handicap. 7 furlongs.

Mr. O. M. D Bell's br aus g Bell Dhu, 10st. ... w o

LAHORE SPRING MEETING.

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Honorary Secretary:—CAPT. A. SMITH.

First Day, Thursday, 28th March 1907.

A BIG downpour early this morning turned the course into very heavy going, a wretched attendance and miserable fields helped to render the proceedings on the opening day uninteresting and depressing and the finishing touches were supplied by poor racing. This is deplorable in the face of the liberal way in which the executive have catered for the racing public, and extremely disappointing in view of the excellent arrangements of the Honorary Secretary and the perfect weather that prevailed this afternoon. Details:—

MERCHANTS' PLATE.—Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 50 to the second, and Rs. 25 to the third. For maiden C.-B. ponies 14-2 and under. Ponies 14-2 to carry 11st. 7lbs. W. I. Penalties—Winners, once, 6lbs.; twice, 10lbs.; oftener, 14lbs. 5 furlongs.

Major Pott's Little Beauty, 10st. 5lbs. ... Capt. Furnell 1
Mr. May Walker's Labby Annie, 9st. 13lbs. Shib Singh 2

Won by a length and a half.

THE WESTERN PLATE.—Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 50 to the second, and Rs. 25 to the third. For maiden English, Australasian and C. B. ponies 14-2 and under. Ponies 14-2 to carry 12st. W. I. Penalties—Winners, once, 6lbs.; twice, 10lbs.; oftener, 14lbs. Allowances—C.-B.'s allowed 21lbs., and ponies that have never won a flat race value Rs. 50 or over, allowed 7lbs. 1 mile.

Mr. Sydney Smith's May Queen, 9st. 2lbs., Capt. Furnell 1
Capt. Toogood's Maranta, 11st. 11lb. ... Capt. Winter 2
Mr. Jenkins' Wildrose, 10st. 6lbs. Capt. Selwyn Smith 3

Won by three-quarters of a length.

DESERT PLATE.—Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 50 to the second, and Rs. 25 to the third. For Arab ponies 14-1 and under. Ponies 14-1 to carry 11st. 7lbs. W. I. Penalties—Winners, once, 6lbs.; twice, 10lbs.; oftener, 14lbs. Allowances—Maidens allowed 7 lbs. 5 furlongs.

Major Popham Young's Surkhab, 10st. 6lbs. ... ... Northmore 1
Mr. Sydney Smith's Palmy Days, 9st. 5lbs. Capt. Winter 2
Mr. May Moore's Gendarme, 9st. 4lbs. ... Thakur 3

Also ran: Jeddah, 9-13.

Won by a length.

THE CHARGER PLATE.—1 mile.

Mr. G. O' Hara's Woodcutter... ... Owner 1
Mr A. B. Hales' Sticks ... ... Owner 2
Mr. C. R. Gover's Nomad ... ... Owner 3

Also ran: Lancer and Hussar, all carried 11-8.

Won by two lengths; half a length between second and third.

THE MEEAN MEER PLATE.—Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 50 to the second, and Rs. 25 to the third. For maiden Arab ponies 14-1 and under unconditionally the property of Officers of His Majesty's Services on full pay. Ponies 14-1 to carry 11st. 7lbs. W. I. Penalties—Winners, once, 6lbs.; twice, 10lbs.; oftener, 14lbs. Allowances—Ponies that have never won a flat race value Rs. 50 or over, allowed 7lbs. 5 furlongs.

Capt. Toogood's Malabar, 10st. 11lbs. ... Capt Winter 1
Capt. W. E. B. Smith's Lifeline, 10st. 5lbs. ... ... Mr. O'Hara 2
Mr. Douglas' Tarang, 10st. ... ... Capt. Furnell 3

Won by a neck; three lengths between second and third.

NOVICE PLATE.—Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 50 to the second, and Rs. 25 to the third. For C.-B. ponies 14-2 and under, and other ponies 14 hands and under that have never won a flat race, value Rs. 50 or over. C.-B. ponies 14-2 and other ponies 14 hands to carry 11st. 7lbs W. I. ¼ mile.

Mr. Henry's Alice, 11st. 11lb. ... Northmore 1
Mr. Douglas Artful, 8st. 10lbs. ... Capt. Winter 2
Col. Davison's Ringshine, 11st. 7lbs. ... Major Gould 3

Also ran: Rockingham, Harni and Mendicant.

Won by six lengths; a neck between second and third.

BOMBAY FOURTEENTH EXTRA MEETING.

Saturday, 30th March 1907.

NEW ARAB SELLING PLATE.—Winner Rs. 200, second Rs. 100, third Rs. 50. A Selling Race for Maiden Arabs, landed since 1st July, 1906. Horses entered for Rs. 1,500 to carry 10st. 3lbs. for each Rs. 100 down to Rs. 400. 5 furlongs.

Mr. Sales Toomachie's Joker (Rs. 700), 8st. 4lbs. (car. 8st. 5lbs.) ... Forster 1
Mr. Vaid's Scipio (Rs. 400), 7st. 4lbs. ... Melsom 2
Mr. Runchordass' Sunshine (Rs. 500), 7st. 7lbs. ... ... Kamad 3
Mr. Abdulgany's Rabliss (Rs. 700), 8st. 4lbs. ... ... Oomerkhan 0

Also ran: Makbul (Rs. 800), 8-2; Narcissus (Rs. 700), 7-13, and Tardeo (Rs. 500), 7-12.

BETTING: Evens Sunshine, 6 to 4 agst. Scipio, 7 to 1 Joker, 10 to 1 each Rabliss and Narcissus, and 10 to 1 the others.

Won by a neck; a length between second and third. Time—1min. 9⅘secs.

The winner was sold to Mr. Jaffar Mistry for Rs. 950. Scipio was bought in for Rs. 1,600, and Sunshine was bought in for Rs. 1,300.

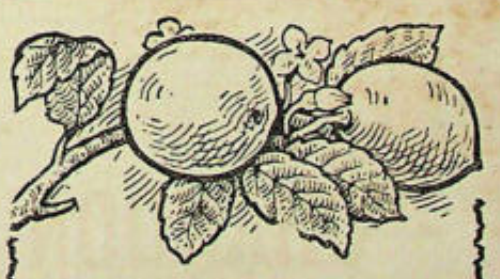
THE GOODBYE PLATE.—Winner Rs. 200, second Rs. 100, third, Rs. 50. For maiden Arabs which have not won a flat race worth Rs. 150. 7 furlongs.

Mr. R. R. S's Vasco, 9st. 3lbs. ... ... Heeroo 1
Captain Meynell's Mirdas, 7st. 3lbs. ... A. Hoyt 2
Mr. N. J. Jacob's Monsoon, 8st. 10lbs. ... Ames 3
Mr. A. A. Manas' Dhamas, 7st. 11lb. (car 8st. 4lbs.) ... ... Forster 0

Also ran: Hadhur, 9-8; Emir, 8-2; Dhafer, 7-8; Kawakib, 7-8; (car. 7-9) and Talal, 7-3.

BETTING: 6 to 4 agst. Vasco, 2 to 1 Hadhur, 6 to 1 Mirdas, 10 to 1 each Emir and Dhamas, and longer odds the others.

Won by a quarter of a length; three-quarters of a length between second and third. Time - 1min. 39⅘secs.



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THE PONY CONSOLATION PLATE.—Winner Rs. 500, second Rs. 200, third Rs. 100. A High Weight Handicap for Ponies 14-2 and under which have not won a race value Rs. 500 or over, since 31st March, 1906. 6 furlongs.

Mr. Vaid's Mandeville, 7st. ...	Melsom	1
Mr. B. R S's Comeback, 10st. ...	Vining	2
Mr. G. K's Virballa, 7st. 8lbs. ...	Heeroo	3
Mr. B. P. Roy Chowdhury's Bell Cole, 8st. 2lbs.	A. Hoyt	0

BETTING: Evens Mandeville, 6 to 4 agst. Comeback, 4 to 1 Virballa, and 6 to 1 Belle Cole

Won easily by two lengths; five lengths between the second and third. Time—1min. 16secs.

THE SECOND NEW ARAB SELLING PLATE.—Winner Rs. 200, second Rs. 100, third Rs. 50. A Selling Race for maiden Arabs landed since 1st July, 1906. Horses entered for Rs. 1,500 to carry 10st. 3lbs. for each Rs 100 down to Rs. 400. 5 furlongs

Messrs. Pfaff and Rommell's Deenar (Rs. 700), 8st. 4lbs.	Vining	1
Mr. Morrison's Young Lomond (Rs. 800), 8st. 2lbs.	A. Hoyt	2
Mr. Aga Mirza's Nizam (Rs. 800), 8st 7lbs. (car. 8st. 9lbs.)	Robertson	3
Mr. F. Essack's Advancement (Rs. 700), 7st. 13lbs.	Kamad	0

Also ran: Phiroz (Rs. 800), 8-2; Robert Macaire (Rs. 800), 8-2; Chumchuman (Rs. 700), 7-13; and Young Kolah (Rs. 600), 7-1 (car. 7-11).

BETTING: Evens Young Lomond, 6 to 4 agst. Deenar, 4 to 1 Advancement, 6 to 1 Nizam, 8 to 1 Phiroz, and 20 to 1 the others.

Won by half a length; one and-a-quarter lengths between the second and third. Time—1min. 10secs.

The winner was bought in for Rs. 2,000. Young Lomond was bought in for Rs. 1,350, and Nizam was sold to Mr. D. L. Khimjee for Rs. 1,600.

THE FAREWELL PLATE.—Winner Rs. 500, second Rs. 200, third Rs. 100. A High Weight Handicap for Arabs 14 hands and under. 5 furlongs.

Mr. Kelso's Young Gazelle, 7st. 8lbs. ...	Heeroo	1
Messrs. Goculdas and Nanjee's Bay Middleton, 9st. 13lbs.	Ames	2
Messrs. Runchordas and Ashroff's , 9st.	Kamad	3
Mr. R. R. S's Scimitar, 8st. 4lbs. ...	Vining	0

Also ran: Creditor, 8-12; Mudlool, 8-1; (car. 8-2); Gaucho, 7-13 (car. 8-1); Mumbra, 7-12; Courtmartial, 7-7 (car. 7-11); Sahoon, 7-5; Yatim, 7-5; Salowar 7-0 (car. 7-1); and Wadi, 6-10 (car. 7-0).

BETTING: 6 to 4 agst. Bay Middleton, 3 to 1 Scimitar, 4 to 1 Young Gazelle, 8 to 1 Wadi, and any price the others.

Won by a head; three-quarters of a length between second and third. Time—1min. 8secs.

THE ANDHERI PLATE.—Winner Rs. 700, second Rs. 200, third Rs. 100. A High Weight Handicap for Arabs. 9 furlongs

Mr. R. R. S.'s Tachreet, 8st. 11lbs. ...	Heeroo	1
Mr. Alibin Tajib's Eed, 8st. 7lbs. ...	C. B. Mahomed	2
Mr. T. Teipal's Antica, 7st. 13lbs. ...	Kamad	3
Mr. Kelso's Hermit, 8st. 12lbs. ...	Vining	0

Also ran: Soheil, 9-5; Bendigo, 8-8; Rummah, 8-5; Makhool, 8-4; Gladiator, 8-3; Young Cardigan, 8-2; Berlin, 8-1; and Highborn, 6-10 (car. 6-13).

BETTING: 2 to 1 Tachreet, 3 to 1 Hermit, 4 to 1 each Eed and Berlin, 5 to 1 Antica, 10 to 1 each Soheil, Bendigo and Highborn, and 20 to 1 the others.

Won by half a length; same between second and third. Time—2mins. 6⅘secs.

THE FINAL PLATE.—Winner Rs. 700, second Rs. 200, third Rs. 100. A High Weight Handicap for Horses. 7 furlongs.

Messrs. Goculdas' and Nanjee's Primerole, 9st. 11lb.	Ames	1
Mr. A. N. Dass' Mulison, 7st. 13lbs. ...	A. Hoyt	2
Mr. Green's Projecture, 9st.	Fisher	3
Mr. Kelso's Royalist, 8st. 4lbs. ...	Vining	0

Also ran: Chassepot, 9-12; Rustile, 8-7; Admiral Crichton, 8-5; Shotover, 8-1; Adelaide, 8-0; and Jubilant, 7-0 (car. 7-3).

BETTING: 6 to 4 agst. Royalist, 3 to 1 Admiral Crichton, 4 to 1 Primerole, 5 to 1 Rustile, 8 to 1 each Projecture and Mulison, and longer odds the others.

Won by a length; quarter of a length between the second and third. Time—1min. 28⅘secs.

THE AUCTION PLATE.—Winner Rs. 200, second Rs. 100, third Rs. 50. A Selling Race for Arabs 14 hands and under. Ponies entered for Rs. 1,500 to carry 10st. W. I. 3lbs. for each Rs. 100, down to Rs. 400. 5 furlongs.

Mr. Tayleur's Whiteface (Rs. 700), 7st. 6lbs.	A. Hoyt	1
Mr. Avasia's Sabig (Rs. 800), 7st. 6lbs. (car. 7st. 11lbs.)	Ames	2
Mr. Jassim Mahomed's Salawar (Rs. 1,000), 8st. 11lb.	Majeed	3
Mr. G. K's Sir Lawrence (Rs. 400), 7st. 3lbs.	Etul	0

Also ran: Adham (Rs. 1,200), 8-0 (car. 8-2); Magna Charta (Rs. 600), 7-9; and Faughaballagh (Rs. 600); 6-1.

BETTING: 5 to 4 agst. Sabig, 6 to 4 Whiteface, 6 to 1 Magna Charta, 10 to 1 each Salawar and Adham, 12 to 1 Sir Lawrence, and 20 to 1 Faughaballagh.

Won by a head; a length between the second and third. Time—1min. 9secs.

Winner was bought in for Rs. 1,050. Magna Charta was sold to Captain Davies for Rs. 950.

"Intelligence has just reached me—" began Mr. Blodger, as he sat down at the dinner table. "Thank goodness if it has come at last," exclaimed Mrs. Blodger, and the food was partaken of in silence.

Nervous Old Lady (on the seventh floor of hotel): "Do you know what precautions the proprietor of the hotel has taken against fire?" Porter: "Yes, ma'm; he has the place inshoored for twice wot it's worth."

Mr. Nuwed, arriving home late encounters the housemaid returning from her "day out." "Why Jane," he says, "this is a nice time of night to come home!" Jane: "Yes sir. What would missus say to us if she knew!"

Sport in England.

(FROM THE HOME PAPERS.)

LONDON, *Friday, 15th March 1907.*

THE TURF.

HURST PARK.

THE head wind that blew down Molesey Hurst yesterday had the invigorating touch of spring withal. It was a brisk spring day, but the attendance did not much improve on Wednesday's muster, as might be expected now that the jumping season is dying so hard. Still, several prominent supporters of the sport between the flags were noticeable in the members' enclosure, and the muster was a good one. Better going could not have been desired, but fields might have been stronger.

With doubts of Old Windsor getting the course, although his plucky owner would ride a farm bullock over it for a bit of sport, odds of 4 to 1 were laid on Brown Eyes. Both nearly came to grief at the fence before the stand, and then the pair refused. Morgan was luckier in coaxing his mount over at the second time of asking, and gained a bloodless victory, and the mare, by slow degrees, thanks to Mr. Stevens' persuasions, mounted up to 100gs., at which price she was retained.

Childwickbury cut up badly in the Priory Selling Hurdle Handicap, after holding a forward position, and Sybil Primrose taking up the running a mile from home, looked like stoning for her stable companion's failure, but in a ding-dong finish Lucifer, on whom Driscoll, made a determined effort, came and snatched victory a short distance from home, to justify his slight favouritism by a three-parts of a length victory, Mr. Bonas giving 5gs. over his entered selling price for this well-grown, well-bred son of Matchmaker and Berry Moss, who was a failure on the flat last year.

The New Century Steeplechase did not furnish such a field as its endowment of 500sovs. warranted, being reduced to a quartette, Hartigan's stable, moreover, being responsible for half the field in Domino and Whitechapel, who run in different interests. The latter has proved himself a bit unreliable over hurdles, and was making his debut at fencing, but that he had a chance was demonstrated by the acceptance of 7 to 2 about him winning, though the success of Domino was presaged by the laying of 6 to 4 on. The two stable companions were soon in front, and coming to the stand touched several times, but there was no fear of an objection either way, and after running in close company till the second fence from home, Domino, on whom Williams had been sitting close, came clean away, and served by his pace, added another to his screed of victories in the easiest possible fashion, and this young chaser should some day make a big name for himself. York II. is as smart-looking a chaser as one would like to see, but he fenced sideways, and this will not do for the Aintree course.

How good Keithock is we have not yet possibly found out, but judging from the style in which she carried off the Hampton Hurdle Race, this grandly built filly, who could not score on the flat in nine attempts last year, looks like doing better service to Mr. Inglis, as she won all the way.

Laveline had run so forward in Wednesday's race that his chance was esteemed equal to that of Denmark in the Open Steeplechase, but Bachelor was expected to hold them both safe. Grimaldi fell, as usual, in the traps at the ditch, and after a staunch finish the favourite was beaten by Denmark pretty easily, and here we have another addition to the Grand National puzzle, as both the winner and Laveline may be seen at Aintree on the day.

We were all anxiously expectant to cheer the Royal colours home in the Novices' Hurdle Race, especially as Nulli Secundus, reported to have turned savage, was as quiet as a sheep in the paddock. Lady Yatesbury, who started favourite, never flattered her backers. Bed of Stone, who fell in the preliminary, played an ignominious part as contrasted with his running with Sancho at Newbury, and the issue was left to the King's horse and Melane, who alternately led from the last jump, but Melane was the quicker, and pinched the verdict, stopping the patriotic roar which was waiting to burst out had the King won. Details:—

TEDDINGTON SELLING STEEPLECHASE—Of 100sovs; winner to be sold for £50; second receives 5sovs. 2 miles.

Mr. T. Bonas' b or br b Brown Eyes, by St. Simonmimi—High Brown, 6yrs, 12st. ...	R. Morgan 1
Mr. Adam Scott's Old Windsor, aged, 12st.	Owner 2

(*Winner trained by Goby.*)

BETTING: 4 to 1 on Brown Eyes.

Won anyhow. Old Windsor did not complete the course.

PRIORY SELLING HURDLE HANDICAP—Of 100sovs; winner to be sold for £50; second receives 10sovs. 2 miles.

Mr. J. Tait's br c Lucifer by Matchmaker—Berry Moss, 4yrs. 10st. 6lbs. ...	E. Driscol	1
Mr. H. Bonas' ch f Sybil Primrose, 4yrs., 11st.	P. Cowley	2
Mr. R. J. Bradford's ch h Sight, 5yrs., 10st. 11b.	T. Willmot	3
Mr. J. Bancroft's Lord Cringle, 4yrs., 10st. 6lbs.	F. Freemantle	4
Mr. E. H. Polehampton's Childwickbury, aged, 11st. 12lbs.	G. Clancy	5
Mr. J Meynell-Knight's Elvanfoot 4yrs. 10st., 10lbs.	J Barrett	0
Mr. E. Woodland's House Boat, 4yrs., 10st. 5lbs.	H Brown	0

(*Winner trained by Waller.*)

BETTING: 5 to 2 agst Lucifer, 3 to 1 each Sybil Primrose and Childwickbury, 7 to 1 Elvanfoot, 10 to 1 Lord Cringle and 100 to 8 each others (offered)

Won by three-quarters of a length; three lengths divided second and third. Lord Cringle was fourth Childwickbury fifth and House Boat last throughout.

NEW CENTURY STEEPLE CHASE—Of 500 sovs; second receivs 35sovs and the third 15 sovs. 2 miles.

Mr. H M Hartigan's ch c Domino. by Jeddah—Rondino, 5yrs, 12st 5lbs.	W Williams	1
Mr. Sol Joel's ch g Whitechapel, aged, 11st. 12lbs.	J. O'Brien	2
Mr. Lionel Robinson's ch g York II., aged, 11st. 12lbs.	J Dillon	3
Mr. J. F. Hallick's Neapolitan, 4yrs, 10st 5lbs.	T Dunn	0

(*Winner trained by F. Hartiagn.*)

BETTING: 6 to 4 on Domino, 7 to 2 agst. Whitechapel, 11 to 2 Neapolitan, and 10 to 1 York II.

Won easily by ten lengths; four lengths divided second and third.

HAMPTON HANDICAP HURDLE RACE—Of 100sovs.; second receives 10sovs. 2 miles.

Mr. G. M. Inglis' ch f Keithock, by Piety—Wolverine. 5yrs., 12st.	H. Aylin	1
Mr. A. Stedall's b f Scotch Mine, 4yrs., 10st. 11lbs.	J. Dillon	2
Mr. J. E. Hallick's b f Cannie Campbell, 4yrs., 10st. 7lbs.	T. Dunn	3
Mr. H. M. Hartigan's Smoker II., 5yrs., 11st. 7lbs.	J. O'Brien	4
Mr. H. G. Johnson's Gladsome, 4yrs., 10st. 8lbs.	T. Fitton	0
Mr. T. E. Mason's Sonnet, 4yrs, 10st. 6lbs.	E. Driscoll	0

(*Winner trained by C. Waugh.*)

BETTING: 2 to 1 agst. Keithock, 3 to 1 Scotch Mine, 4 to 1 Gladsome, 5 to 1 Cannie Campbell, 6 to 1 Smoker II., and 10 to 1 Sonnet (offered).

Won all the way by a length and a half; Cannie Campbell was a bad third, just in front of Smoker II. Sonnet was last.

OPEN STEEPLECHASE—Of 120sovs., being 90sovs. to the winner, 20sovs. to the second, and 10sovs. to the third. 3 miles.

Mr. S G. Sheppard's ch g Denmark, by Queen's Birthday—Floraline, 6yrs., 12st. 8lbs.	T. Dunn	1
Mr. H. M. Hartigan's ch g Bachelor, 5yrs., 11st. 6lbs.	J. O'Brien	2
Mr. John Widger's ch g Laveline, aged, 12st. 11b	Owner	3
Mr. E. Woolland's Grimaldi, 5yrs., 10st. 8lbs.	J. Lyons	0

(*Winner trained by Hallick.*)

BETTING: 5 to 4 agst. Bachelor, 5 to 2 each Denmark and Laveline, and 33 to 1 Grimaldi offered. The *Sportsman* returns Bachelor as 11 to 8 agst.

Won by three lengths; a bad third.

NOVICES' HURDLE RACE—Of 100 sovs. second receives 15sovs. 2 miles.

Mr. A. Stedall's ch c Melane by Freemason Melanie, 4yrs., 10st. 5lbs. ...	J. Dillon	1
His Majesty's br c Nulli Secundus, 3yrs., 10st. 12lbs.	R. Morgan	2
Mr. John Widger's br c Waddler, 5yrs., 11st. 11b (car 11st. 3lbs.) ...	Owner	3
Mr. S. H. Darling's Lady Yatesbury, 6yrs., 11st. 5lbs.	A. Newey	4
Mr. E J Hobbs' Bed of Stone, 4yrs., 11st. 5lb.	W. Rollason	0

(*Winner trained by W. Nightingall.*)

BETTING: 6 to 4 agst. Lady Yatesbury, 5 to 2 Nulli Secundus, 3 to 1 Bed of Stone, 7 to 1 Melane, and 20 to 1 Waddler (offered).

Won by a neck; six lengths divided second and third. Lady Yatesbury was fourth.

FOOTBALL.

UNDER ASSOCIATION RULES.

With the F. A. Cup ties in progress on Saturday, the Leagues were not so prominently before the public, but some of the games played were of more than passing interest. In the Southern League, Brentford lost their first home game in the tourney this season to Luton, and Norwich upset predictions by returning with two points from Millwall. Queen's Park Rangers did well to share the honours at Reading, and Fulham and Brighton divided the spoils in a non-scoring game at London-by-the-Sea. Tottenham fell at Portsmouth, and the success of the latter brings them into the running once more.

In the First Division of the League, the sensation of the afternoon was Stoke's win over Birmingham by three clear goals, this being the first time this year that Stoke have scored more than one goal in a League match. Bristol City continue their conquering career, but Derby County must be getting apprehensive of the spectre of relegation. In the Second Division Chelsea garnered in a couple of points at Stamford Bridge, at the expense of Burslem Port Vale, and as Nottingham Forest could only draw at Stockport, Chelsea have strengthened their lead. Clapton Orient placed a much-needed win to their credit at Homerton. The tables to date are appended:—

SOUTHERN LEAGUE.

	P.	W.	L.	D.	Goals For.	Goals Agst.	Pts.
Fulham	29	13	4	12	40	26	38
Portsmouth ...	27	15	7	5	45	28	35
West Ham United ...	29	11	6	12	46	31	34
Norwich City ...	29	12	7	10	49	36	34
Brighton and Hove ...	29	13	8	8	37	29	34
Tottenham Hotspur ..	28	13	8	7	53	37	33
Watford	28	11	7	10	36	36	32
Brentford	26	11	9	6	35	32	28
Southampton ..	28	10	10	8	35	36	28
Luton Town	26	12	10	4	35	42	28
Bristol Rovers ...	27	10	10	7	38	33	27
Plymouth Argyle ...	29	9	11	9	36	41	27
Leyton	29	9	11	9	33	50	27
Millwall	28	11	13	4	54	45	26
Swindon Town	28	9	11	8	32	35	26
Reading	28	10	14	4	41	35	24
Queen's Park Rangers ...	28	7	13	8	32	44	22
New Brompton ...	27	7	15	5	27	47	19
Crystal Palace ...	25	7	14	4	34	37	18
Northampton ...	28	4	16	8	22	61	16

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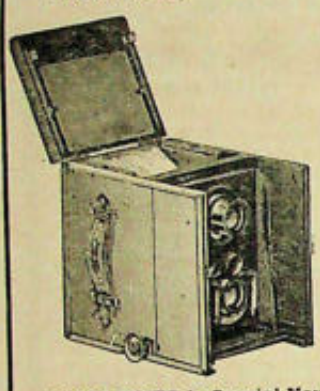

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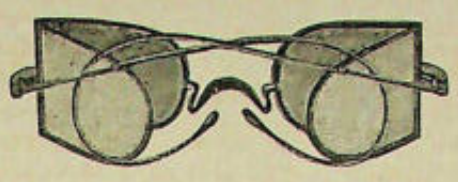

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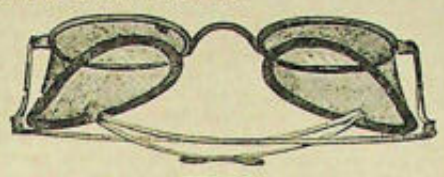

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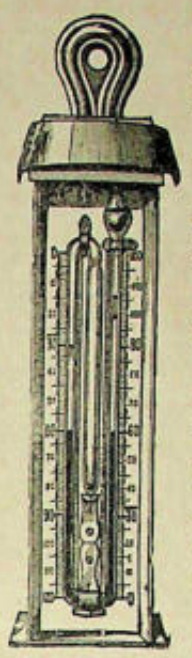

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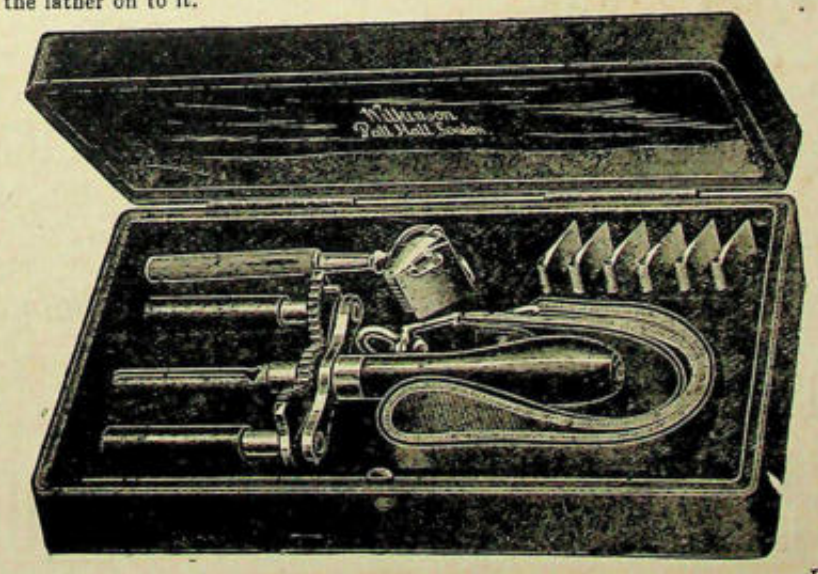

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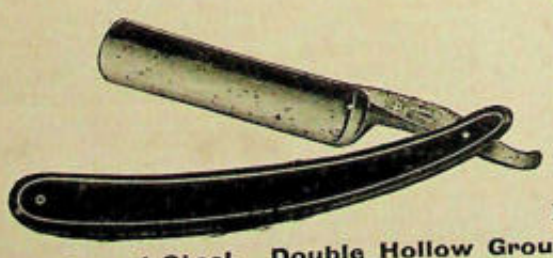

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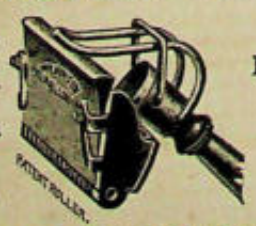

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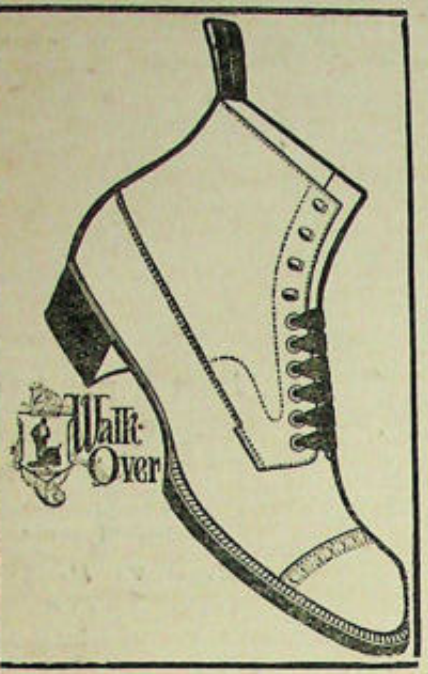

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Everton ...	29	17	9	3	57	32	37
Sheffield United ...	29	15	7	7	49	41	37
Aston Villa ...	30	16	10	4	65	42	36
Bristol City ...	28	14	6	8	50	33	36
Bolton Wanderers ...	29	13	9	7	43	36	33
Manchester United ...	30	12	11	7	39	48	31
Woolwich Arsenal ...	27	13	10	4	46	42	30
Preston North End ...	32	12	15	5	37	51	29
Birmingham	29	11	12	6	38	41	28
Blackburn Rovers ...	29	11	13	5	47	48	27
Sheffield Wednesday ...	27	9	9	9	40	45	27
Middlesbrough ...	29	11	13	5	43	52	27
Sunderland	26	9	9	8	41	41	26
Liverpool	27	11	12	4	50	43	26
Manchester City ...	30	8	13	9	41	60	25
Bury	30	8	17	5	44	58	21
Derby County ..	29	7	15	7	30	41	21
Notts County ...	26	8	11	12	26	39	18
Stoke	20	5	17	7	30	52	17

DIVISION II.

	P.	W.	L.	D.	Goals For	Goals Agst.	Pts.
Chelsea	29	20	5	4	54	22	44
Notts Forest ...	28	19	6	3	53	30	41
Leicester Fosse ...	29	16	7	6	52	30	38
West Bromwich Albion ...	26	17	7	2	69	28	36
Wolverhampton Wands....	30	15	11	4	55	42	34
Bradford City ...	28	14	9	5	41	39	33
Burnley	29	14	12	3	51	34	31
Gainsborough Trinity ...	31	14	14	3	42	57	31
Hull City	28	12	11	5	49	38	29
Stockport County ...	29	10	10	9	32	37	29
Barnsley	26	11	10	5	54	37	27
Leeds City	30	10	13	7	41	51	27
Grimsby Town ...	28	12	14	2	41	45	26
Blackpool	30	7	13	10	23	38	24
Burslem Port Vale ...	29	9	15	5	52	68	23
Clapton Orient ...	29	8	15	6	34	52	22
Glossop	28	10	16	2	36	66	22
Lincoln City ...	28	9	16	3	34	56	21
Chesterfield	30	7	17	6	35	47	20
Burton United ...	29	6	19	4	25	56	16

THE F. A. CUP SEMI FINAL.

EVERTON *vs.* CRYSTAL PALACE.—At Goodison Park, on the 13th instant before 84,000 people, the receipts amounting to £1,330, Everton defeated the Crystal Palace by 4 goals to 0, and thus qualified to meet West Bromwich Albion in the semi-final. The Sydenham men gave a capital account of themselves, and hardly deserved to lose by so big a margin. They started off with rare dash, and a weaker defence than Everton's would have succumbed in the first ten minutes, but then the Cup-holders scored twice in rapid succession, and the issue was never in doubt afterwards. Both sides were at full strength, and the only change from Saturday was Sharp for Donachie.

Everton started against a smart wind and driving rain, and the Palace at once pressed, Abbott clearing from Astley in the goal-mouth. Everton could not get going, but Taylor defended well and prevented several promising Palace movements from having a successful issue. Needham was badly shaken in a charge with Young, but he pluckily resumed. Everton's left wing got away, and Wilson crossed to Sharp, who sent the ball across the goal for Hardman to shoot through a crowd of players into the net. Everton's success came at the end of twelve minutes.

The Palace responded finely, but Abbott cleared, and from a corner conceded by Edwards Settle put on a second goal. Once more the visitors pressed, and Scott made a wonderful save from Woodger, later clearing from Wallace. At the other end Everton forced a corner, which Edwards cleared, while Hewitson later repelled a hot shot from Young.

At the termination of half an hour Everton got further ahead, a fine run by Sharp enabling Settle to beat Hewitson from close quarters. The Home right-wingers were too clever for Forster, and had Hardman steadied himself he might have again beaten Hewitson instead of which he shot high over. Taylor robbed Astley closes in, while Woodger sent behind, and at the interval Everton led by 3 goals to 0.

On the resumption Everton attacked hotly, and Needham twice kept out shots that must otherwise have scored. Hewitson saved from Wilson and Sharp, and the referee had to rebuke Young and Wilson for fouling opponents. Wallace and Roberts made many fine runs for the Palace, but both Harker and Astley sent wide when well placed. The Londoners tried hard to get a goal, but Woodger dallied with a fine chance until Balmer robbed him.

Soon afterwards, following a splendid run by Roberts, Astley had a great opportunity, but the slippery ball turned off his foot and over the line. The visiting centre subsequently tried Scott with a fine long shot, which was well saved, and Everton got going, Young, when almost off-side, adding a fourth goal from Sharp's centre. Result:—Everton, 4; Palace, *nil*.

Everton.—Scott; W. Balmer and R. Balmer; Makepeace, Taylor, and Abbott; Sharp, Settle, Young, Wilson, and Hardman.

Crystal Palace.—Hewitson; Needham and Edwards: Innerd, Ryan, and Forster; Wallace, Harker, Astley, Woodger, and Roberts.

UNDER RUGBY RULES.

WALES *vs.* IRELAND.—The twenty-second meeting between the brother Celts, Ireland and Wales, took place at the Cardiff Arms Park, Cardiff, on Saturday, before an attendance of quite 30,000 spectators.

Travers started for Wales, and Parks returned to Winfield, who found touch at half-way. Wales broke away from the scrummage which ensued, and carried play to Ireland's twenty-five line. The policy of the Welsh captain regarding Harding's position was at this time apparent. When play was in Ireland's ground Harding took his place in the pack, but when Welsh ground was invaded he acted as an extra back. After some hotly fought out scrummages, in which the Welsh forwards were able to command the ball, David got the oval to Bush, who in a zig-zag run beat Harvey and Robinson, and then parted to J. Evans. The last-named handed to Gabe, and the Welsh skipper at top speed gave a swift pass to J. L. Williams, who ran over with a try before the game was four minutes old. Winfield failed to goal.

The Hibernians resumed with great dash. Allen, Tedford, Gardiner and White swept the ball almost the whole length of the field in a rush which was almost irresistible. The Welsh backs who attempted to check the attack were lightly brushed aside, and it looked a certainty for a try when Tedford picked up. He, however, made too great a swerve in getting past Winfield, and very slightly infringed the touch-line. Before relief was secured by Wales, Ireland lost two good chances of scoring. The first was when Greaves failed to take a pass from Park when he had a clear run-in, and the second when Robinson stumbled in front of the goal-posts. Winfield's kicking removed the danger for Wales.

The pace set by the two sides was terrifically hot, and at this stage although Wales were three points to the good the likely result was very open. Parke, after being injured, secured and had a clear run in, but he threw a long pass to Maclear which went forward. A series of scrummages took place right on the home line, and then D. P. Jones falling to pick up from a loose rush of the Irish eight, allowed Maclear to get away. Harding just succeeded in preventing a score. The Irish forwards were playing with great keenness, and ill-luck alone prevented the Welsh line from being crossed by them.

The fortunes of the game were changed by sound play by David at the fringe of the scrum. Time after time he set his backs in motion, but strong tackles of D. P. Jones by Maclear and of J. Evans by Greaves prevented the attacks becoming dangerous. Then Bush finding he could not get through, kicked over the opposing three-quarters, and Gabe following up, fielded finely and sent along to Evans. Hinton's tackle was a fraction too late, for D. P. Jones had taken the swift pass, and gone across in the corner. It was a cleverly got try, which deserved the applause given. Winfield failed to convert.

Ireland was by no means done with after this the second score. The vim and dash of Erin's eight after the restart has rarely been equalled, but their backs passed poorly, and often lost the ground gained by the stelling work of their forwards. A dribble, in which Allen, Knox, and Sweeney took part, carried the ball over the home goal-line. Bush in a daring manner fielded, and with a kick found touch near the twenty-five. An improvement in the home forward work still further improved the position for Wales, for Harding, Neil, Travers, and Watts rushed to half way. Bush cleverly beat Maclear. But was earthed by Greaves when he was clearing the opposition.

Ireland had evidently felt the great pace, for at this stage their forward rushes were feebler, and there seemed little danger in any of their attacks; in fact the Welsh eight continued until the end beating them at their own game. Attacks first by Evans and then by Gabe were fruitless through capital tackling by Parke and Thrift. Wales was penalised for "legsup," but Thrift's kick, being replied to by Winfield, gained no ground. A failure by Gabe to take an easy pass allowed Maclear another opportunity. The Fusilier cheaply handed off D. P. Jones and going at a red-hot pace for the line, looked like notching a try when Evans smartly got across and pulled him down ten yards from the line.

Real cohesion between the Welsh forwards and backs made Ireland defend. Gabe once tried to drop a goal but the effort was a poor one. The drop out removed the invaders to midfield, and the scrummages which followed invariably found the Welsh eight heeling the ball, but Harvey and Robinson smartly spoiled all attempts of David to get it away quickly to his "threes." Half time:—

	Pts.
Wales (2 tries)	6
Ireland	0

Play was restarted by Tedford, and Winfield replied to Greaves, who sent the ball back to the Welsh full-back, and he found touch at the centre. The Irishmen broke up a scrummage in splendid style, and the forwards went ahead with Allen and Tedford leading. Thrift was given the ball by Robinson, but was at once tackled. Another great rush followed from the Irish forwards, but Winfield saved in daring fashion by picking up at their feet, and running on, kicked to the Irish "25." No sooner had the ball been thrown out from touch than J. L. Williams, the Welsh left-winger, was seen in possession, and with a fine individual effort he clean beat the Irish backs, and with only Hinton to face he gave a perfect pass to the Welsh captain, Gabe, who scored a splendid try. Winfield took a difficult kick, and just failed.

A rush of the Irish forwards headed by Sweeney followed, but Winfield again sent them back. Play was taking place in the Irish "25" when Harvey got off-side, and from an easy position Winfield placed a penalty goal. Ireland showed plenty of spirit, notwithstanding the adverse score against them, and by fast forward rushes invaded Welsh territory. David got off-side, and from the halfway line C. E. Allen took a place kick, which fell short by five yards. Winfield fielded the ball, and kicked to centre touch. The Welsh forwards, with Brown and Niell at their head, dribbled away from the line-out, but Hinton brought off a magnificent save and screw-kicked to touch. The next scrummage saw the Irish forwards rush ahead, but Percy Bush picked up, and, after dodging man after man, passed to Brown, who was held a yard off scoring.

Directly afterwards David secured, and passed out to Bush, who dropped a splendid goal. Hamlet and Allen led a rush to the Welsh quarter. David had the ball heeled out splendidly, and passed to Bush, who beat Robinson and Parke, and then passed to Gabe. The Welsh captain put in a great run from near the visitors' "25" well over the centre, and, finding himself faced by Hinton, passed to J. L. Williams, who sprinted over with a fine try. Winfield added the extra points, and thus put the gallant little country 21 points to the good.

After this score Ireland had a hard time in defence; Maclear saved several likely scores and then Hinton relieved with a free-kick. The Welsh forwards, with Harding and Pritchard in the van, broke away again, but Maclear secured the ball in the loose, and ran down alongside the touch-line, but was well collared by Winfield ten yards from the line. Robinson started a passing bout, but Greaves was at fault, and brilliant play by Bush, Gabe, and Williams led to further attack by wales. There was no stopping the Welshmen once they got in Irish quarters David had the ball heeled out beautifully, and passed to Bush and he to Jack Evans, and then the ball went to Gabe, who made a great burst, and then gave the ball to Williams, who just managed to touch down in the corner. Winfield just failed to convert from a difficult kick.

It was clear that the Hibernians were beaten badly, and their forwards had not a rush left in them, Maclear was doing an immense amount of stopping work, or scoring would have been more than what it was. Gabe making a mark the kick found touch ten yards from the Irish line. The Welsh forwards heeled out, and after passing, Wales had the defence beaten but for a forward pass by D. Ponty Jones. In the next minute David secured the ball, and after beating Harvey passed out to Bush, who swiftly turned on his heel, and, breaking through the gap between Greaves and Parke, then beat Maclear and Hinton in very soft fashion, and scored behind the posts. Winfield had no difficulty in adding extra points, and so the Welshmen led by 29 points.

Play took place in the centre, and here Bush picked up in the loose, and after beating Maclear ran clean away, and passed to Harding. The London Welshman only had Hinton in front of him, but threw a forward pass to D. P. Jones. For once in a way the Irishmen heeled the ball out, but Harvey was making a poor show, and Caddell was being greatly missed. The collapse of the Irishmen was so bad that whenever the ball came out into the open, Wales looked like scoring. Gabe led off another attack, and Williams was just stopped by Thrift. Ireland gained ground through a "free" through Maclear being badly obstructed. Play took place at the centre, and then Mr. Marsh signalled "Time!" Final score:—

	Pts.
Wales (2g. 1d.g. 1p.g. 4t.)	29
Ireland	0

SCOTTISH FOOTBALL NOTES.

Four Scottish ties monopolised attention on Saturday, or rather one monopolised attention, and the others were merely of secondary importance.

The big match was that between Rangers and Celtic, two clubs whose rivalry quickens interest in their doings to such an extent that record crowds may be regarded as inevitable, whenever they meet, especially in the national Cup. Such was the case on Saturday, when the estimated attendance amounted to a total of 60,000, which does not include the many "dead-heads" who broke in. Roughly, 70,000 must have been present, and despite mounted police a large section of the crowd overflowed on to the pitch, £1,910 was collected at gate and stands. The game was a typical cup-tie contest—fast and exciting, with the teams on an equality, which the score does not adequately indicate. Celtic deserved to win but not by such a difference as three goals to nothing. The Parkhead forwards were responsible for the victory and of the front rank McMenemy, Bennet and Somers were good, Quinn after his two months' suspension being hardly at his best. At half, McNair was brilliant, while the backs, McLeod and Orr, and the goal-keeper, Adams, were safe. Of the Rangers, Newbigging was good in goal, Campbell was the best back on the field. Dickie was the leading forward for Ibrox club.

At Hampden, Queen's Park had no difficulty in settling Renton, whose sensational victory over Dundee had led one to expect great things from the erstwhile nursery of great footballers. In the opening minutes of each half it looked as if the country club were to repeat their recent sensation. But Queen's settled down and won easily, their victory being primarily due to the attack of Fitchie, McLean, and Paul. The gate was £170.

St. Mirren and Hibernians failed to reach any definite decision in their Scottish tie. The teams have already drawn at Easter-road, Edinburgh. Saturday's match was fast, with any superiority there was in favour of the St. Mirren, whose failure to win was largely due to the supreme ability of Rennie, the Hibernians' goal keeper.

The surprise of the ties was the draw of Raith Rovers with Heart of Midlothian, at Tynecastle. Hearts, even reinforced by their English importations, were woefully ineffective, and they must improve on their display if they wish to win at Kirkcaldy.

THE SCOTTISH CUP.—THIRD ROUND.

Heart of Midlothian ...	2	Raith Rovers (h) ...	2
Hibernians ...	1	St Mirren (h) ...	1
Queen's Park ...	4	Renton (h) ...	1
Celtic (h) ...	3	Glasgow Rangers ...	0

SCOTTISH LEAGUE.

Third Lanark ...	2	Clyde (h) ...	1
Aberdeen (h) ...	2	Greenock Morton ...	0
Motherwell ...	4	Falkirk ...	0
*Hamilton Academicals ...	2	Partick Thistle...	1

*Match stopped owing to snow.

RACKETS.

THE MILITARY RACKETS CHAMPIONSHIP (DOUBLES).—Challenge Round.—2nd Battn., Highland Light Infantry (Mr. H Balfour-Bryant, M.V.O., and Mr. P. Bramwell-Davis) (holders) beat 1st Life Guards (Capt. the Hon. F. E. Guest and Mr. J. J. Astor) (winners of preliminary competition) by 4 games to 2. 77 aces to 63. Score:—17—14, 18—15, 10—15, 15—3, 2—15, 15—1.

Capt. Guest opened with four aces, and after Bramwell-Davis had followed with a single, Balfour-Bryant, Capt. Guest, and Astor all failed. A single to Davis preceded a run of eight by his partner, so at this stage the score was called "10—1" in favour of the holders. Capt. Guest did nothing, but Astor ran up four, a score equalised by Balfour-Bryant at the Highlanders' second hand. This made the latter "game ball," but in their succeeding innings the Guardsmen drew level. The game was "set three," but Astor was put out without scoring, and Bramwell-Davis made the three aces necessary to win the first game.

In the second game four hands were taken before Davis got possession at "3 all" and put on a couple. Balfour-Bryant followed with six, and after small contributions the holders stood at 13—6. Guest did not score, but Astor equalised at "13 all," and continuing his hand with a couple, after the game was "set five" made his full sequence nine. Davis only scored a single, but Balfour-Bryant went to game, a lucky angle stroke giving him the last ace. The holders were now two games up, and in the third they secured a lead of seven aces to two as the result of five innings. Then Guest failed twice, and each of the others once, before Astor scored as equence of eight. Davis drew level at "10 all," but Bryant did nothing, and the challengers won their first game. In the fourth game "6—love" was called in the Highlanders' favour, and their opponents obtained three in their succeeding two hands. This was their only score, as mainly by means of two runs of four by Bryant the holders gained a lead of three games to one. Bryant continuing his hand in the fifth game, added two, and then Guest with five and Astor with half a dozen took the Guardmen's score to 11—2. Both Davis and Bryant were put out by splendid low strokes by Astor, and after Guest had also failed, the old Etonian ran to game. Astor did not add in the sixth game, and then Davis before losing possession through serving on to the board, ran up six. A sequence of eight by Bryant made the holders "game ball," and after Guest had done nothing and Astor had made a single ace. Davis gained the point necessary to win the game and the rubber.

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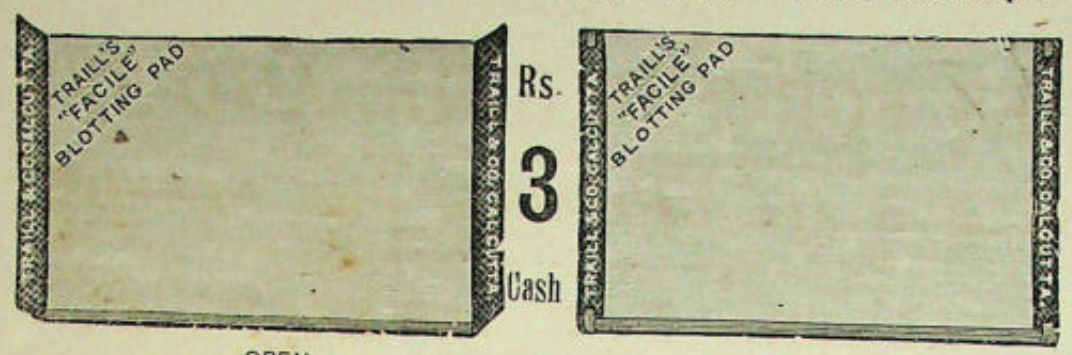

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ATHLETICS.

CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY *v.* L. A. C.—The fourteenth meeting between these clubs has, like the first match in 1891, terminated in a draw, each side gaining a like number of points. The visiting club has not won since 1898, but they came very near to it on Saturday. Cambridge, however, are four matches ahead, and in number of first men home, claim 70¼ points to 51½. Considering the side the L.A.C. were able to get together—there being a strong element of Old Blues, who between them accounted for four events—they were expected to make a good showing, but they were somewhat lucky in tieing, for this they achieved by a bare quarter of an inch in the Weights.

Although the talent suggested exceptionally fine returns, the latter were rare. President Powell was not at his best, and could do no better than 16½ for the Hurdles. None of the Weight-putters could do themselves justice. Kenneth Macleod, for once failed to get his flying start for the sprint. Neither set of competitors at the Jumps were up to their best, but H. G. Weber was showing great improvement in the mile, and F. M. Edwards, although nervous about his foot, managed to do creditably in the Two Miles. Perhaps the most pleasing feature of the sports was the running of R. P. Crabbe. The old Corpus Blue has retired from the path for twelve months, but he had no difficulty in winning on Saturday, and had his rivals been capable of doing a fast quarter, he would have beaten 1min. 58⅘ secs. for the Half-mile. The chief feature of the meeting was the Hammer-throwing, and seldom have four such performers figured in the event. Lindsay Watson threw consistently and well, but was beaten in the final round by the old Oxonian, E. E. B. May.

Dr. Volecher (L.A.C.) and M. W. Welsh (C.U.A.C.) officiated as judges, the Rev. J. H. Gray (C.U.A.C.) was referee, Mr. W. M. Fletcher (C.U.A.C.) started, and the timekeeper, were Messrs P. W. B. Teppets (L.A.C.) and Newton Digby (C.U.A.C.). Details :—

100 Yards.—K. G. Macleod (C.U.A.C.) 1, W. Brass (C.U.A.C.) 2, A. E. D. Anderson (C.U.A.C.) 3. Macleod was not smartly off, but he always had his men safe, and won by 1½ yards ; inches Time—10⅖secs.

The best time for this event at these meetangs is 9⅖secs., by A. E. Hind (C.U.A.C.), 1901.

Hurdles.—K. Powell (C.U.A.C.) 1, R. T. Gladstone (C.U.A.C.) 2, O. Groenings (L.A.C.) 3. Powell never appeardd to be going at his best, but he was well ahead until half-way, when the others closed up with him. At the eight rise the King's man drew out again, but failed to finish with his usual dash. He managed, however, to win by 4 yards ; inches. Time—16⅕secs.

W. G. Paget-Tomlinson (C.U.A.C., 1899) and Godfrey Shaw (L.A.C., 1895) hold the record for these sports, *viz.*, 16secs.

Quarter-mile.—E. H. Ryle (C.U.A.C.) 1, S. Abrahams (L.A.C.) 2, A. E. D. Anderson (C.U.A.C.) 3. Anderson led, but the pace was never over brisk. Ryle remained in the background until reaching the home stretch, when he let himself go, and had the leader beaten eighty yards from home, winning by five yards; a similar distance separated second and third. Time—52secs.

C. J. B. Monypenny (C.U.A.C.) in 1892, on a frozen path, did 49⅕secs., which is a Fenner's record.

Putting the Weight.—H. A. Leeke (L.A.C.), 36ft. 11⅛in., 1, A. Petrie (C.U.A.C.), 36ft. 11in., 2, J. L. Michie (C.U.A.C.), 36ft. 3⅛in., 3.

The American, W. W. Coe, for the L.A.C. six years ago, put 43ft. 3in. Of course nothing approaching this has ever been shown.

Half-mile.—Rev. R. P. Crabbe (L.A.C.) 1, R. Sheepshanks (L.A.C.) 2, E. S. Dougall (C.U.A.C.) 3. Dougall at first showed in front, but only for a few yards, when Just led out. The pace was so slow that it occupied 59secs. for the quarter. Crabbe now rushed ahead, and drawing right out, won easily by twenty-five yards, in 1min. 58⅖secs.

H. W. Workman (C.U.A.C.), 1min. 57⅕secs. in 1901, put up the best return.

Long Jump.—L. J. Cornish (L.A.C.), 21ft. 10⅗in., 1, R. P. Frankland (C.U.A.C.), 21ft. 5in., 2, S. Abrahams (L.A.C.), 20ft. 10⅗in., 3.

H. A. Jones (Jesus) in 1900 cleared 23ft. 0⅗in, which is a record for these sports and a Fenner's record.

Throwing the Hammer.—Rev. E. E. May (L.A.C.), 132ft. 3in., 1, R. H. Lindsay Watson (C. U. A. C.), 13ft. 10⅗in., 2, H. A. Leeke (L.A.C.), 125ft. 7⅗in., 3. This was May's third victory, having won in 1904 and 1905. On the former occasion he did the best throw for these meetings, *viz.*, 134ft. 4in.

One Mile.—H. G. Weber (C.U.A.C.) 1, K. Helstrom (L.A.C.) 2, W. Hope Jones (C.U.A.C.) 3. Passing the quarter-mile mark in the second lap Weber went ahead, knocked off the second lap in 2mins. 58secs., and won by twenty-five yards ; eight yards. Time—4mins. 27⅕secs.

In 1903 H. W. Gregson, the old Light Blue president, did 4mins. 19⅕secs., which is the record at this meeting.

High Jump.—O. Groenings (L.A.C.) 5ft. 8⅗in., 1, E. E. Leader (L.A.C.), 5ft. 7⅗in., 2, W. H. Dunnett (C.U.A.C.), 5ft. 4⅕in., 3.

G. Howard Smith (Cambridge) four years ago established the record of 6ft. for the ground.

Two Miles.—F. M. Edwards (C.U.A.C.) 1, A. H. Pearson (C.U.A.C.) 2, F. B. Thompson (L.A.C.) 3. Edwards led at the mile in 4mins. 44secs. At the end of the next he drew away from Pearson, and going right ahead, won by eighty yards : good third. Time—9mins. 51⅕secs.

In 1904 A. R. Churchill, the old Caius runner, established the record of 9mins. 36⅕secs.

BILLIARDS.

ANOTHER RECORD BY REECE.—There were extraordinary scenes inside and outside Messrs. Thurston's establishment in Leicester-square yesterday afternoon as the time drew near for a resumption of the match of 16,000 up level for £100 a side between Inman and Reece. People passing through Leicester-square about half-past two o'clock must have gazed with astonishment at the crowds waiting their turn to get into the Grand Hall. An eager, struggling, yet withal a thoroughly representative and sporting assembly it was, but unfortunately there was no accommodation inside for quite two-thirds of the number.

Inside the Grand Hall all was bustle and excitement, and every available inch of space was utilised before three o'clock. Indeed, the whole scene has only one parallel in the annals of the game, and that was the ever memorable occasion of the great testimonial to Sergeant-Major Fitzgerald—the most popular of Irishmen—on Christmas Eve last.

Overnight, as all the world knows, Reece had once more got on the famous "cradle-cannon" stroke, and when the adjournment was called he was still in the identical position he started from, and had the huge break of 931 (unfinished) to his credit, with the scores reading :—Inman, 11,718 ; Reece, 9,056. Everybody had come prepared to see Reece's world's record break of 1,259 made last week go by the board, and on the popular idol of the billiard world making his appearance in the salon—fifteen minutes late, by the way—the packed "house" accorded him an ovation, and then settled in their seats to witness an achievement which with one accord they said was bound to come.

Starting carefully and with just a little unusual deliberation, Reece gradually attained his usual pace of scoring. With the object white lying against the shoulder of the top cushion, and the coloured ball against the shoulder of the side cushion—the position being close to the right top pocket—cannon after cannon was made with the ease and precision of machinery in motion. As each fifty cannons were reeled off, Reece paused for a rest—the maintaining of one position at the table must have caused a little back-ache—and incidently to dress his cue tip with a file, which for handiness he had placed on one of the ledges of the table.

Reece had never any trouble in maintaining the position of the balls until just passing the "9,800" mark when the coloured ball displayed a tendency to come down the cushion a bit. With a

e flick of the cue a trifle thick on to the white ball first, he he red back into position, but for some little time afterwards ent very shakily. However with the calling of the score 00," Reece was himself again, and seemed likely to go on ome considerable time, until at 9,950 he half miscued, and ng on to the coloured ball to full, he missed the object e in the kiss back.

No cannon," was the referee's reply to the mute appeal of Lancastrian, and then all the pent-up excitement of the vast nble broke out into perfect storms of cheering, renewed and again on the announcement of "break 1,825" includ-99 consecutive cannons (all but six of which were of the ndle" pattern), both new world's records, the previous best g 1,269 points and 521 cannons, compiled by Reece in the e match on 5th March. The whole break was recorded in the fast time of fifty-one minutes, which includes the several eathers" taken by the striker.

he subsequent play was tame by comparison, breaks of 131, 2 (78 off the red), and 35 by Inman, and 56, 57, 35 and 83 inished) Reece, seeming very insignificant after the astrian's colossal effort. Interval scores :—

nman	12,096
eece (in play)...	10,262

eece averaged 57·14 and Inman 17·57 for the sitting.

s a draw a sensational performance is always a strong card to , and probably hoping against hope that Reece would again ge, a large crowd witnessed the later session. It may be ed at once, that far from there being another sensation— ld's records are not broken twice in one day—the proceedings, epting perhaps the early stages, were rather uninteresting n otherwise.

When Reece began by carrying his suspended effort of 127 following two blanks hands, marked up 97, 119 and 54 in secutive innings, Inman keeping peace with him by record-40, 101, 98 and 78 in the same period, matters looked idedly promising from a spectacular point of view. But en thirty more visits—fifteen by each—were paid to the table a couple of double-figure items of 31 and 91—both going to nan's side of the marking board—it took the gilt off the gerbread.

While subscribing the big items referred to, both players formed in delightful fashion. Reece, for his delicate and ractive manipulation near the top spot, interspersed now and in with a few well-judged losers and long drop-cannons, and man for his fine forcing—although admirably judged—long ers from hand, each received well merited recognition from e delighted spectators. Subsequently both players died away most to nothing, Inman causing great astonishment by peatedly missing the easiest of middle-pocket losers, while eece missed a few fairly easy cushion cannons.

Towards the close, the Lancastrian rekindled interest with a nderfully fine top of the table effort of 179 ere a most lucky kiss robbed him of a certain drop cannon. The same ayer add 30 at his next hand, and after Inman had made one oring stroke, the proceedings were adjourned with the scores ading :—

Inman (in play)		12,623
Reece		10,830

Hunting.

THE KARACHI HUNT.

The hounds have now left to summer at Quetta, and we have ut to record the closing meets of the season.

On 10th March the hounds met at the Hunt Camp, Landhi, at A.M. There was a nice cool feeling in the air and plenty of dew, hich promised well for scenting. We started by drawing the amp covert blank, but the hounds began to "feather" as we got nto Parker's Nullah. Soon we heard a whimper and then a "crash" f music, and they were away over the fields on the left racing or the river bed. Our jack set his mask for the far bank, but he pack rattled him through the high grass at a pace, which nade him think discretion the better part of valour. He turned n his tracks and ran in a circle towards the Hunt Camp, and ve saw him skirting along the river bank, with the hounds unting beautifully together a few hundred yards behind him, while we were struggling through the heavy sand of the river ed. On reaching the bend of the river, he turned right handed hrough Parker's Covert, and across the Common to Rabu's Khet. We had a grand gallop over turf after him, and then the hounds rattled him through Rabu's Khet, and killed at the Old Trees just beyond, after an hour and 5 minutes without a check. It was a splendid run, and the hounds hunted and ran magnificently. The Master then drew the Landhi Vale, and we were soon on the tracks of another jack. The hounds pushed him through the thick covert across the open, running into him near the Big Bund, after a short spin of ten minutes. Drawing homewards, we found twice again, the denseness of the cover let the first away, the second jack saved his brush owing to the lack of scent. It was getting very hot at 10 so we whipped off homewards.

On 14th March we had another cool morning, and another capital morning's sport. Mrs. Travers, Mrs. and Miss Graham and Mrs. Wren were out. The hounds met at the New Jail at 7 A.M. Finding, about half past seven, along the Pinjrapol Bund, the hounds ran a great pace, and drove our jack out of the scrub across the over towards the Lyari on the banks of which they ran into him after a fast gallop of 20 minutes. Drawing again, we struck a stout hill jack after whom we had a run of 1¼ hours across the hills down towards Thull, and back again. He got to ground on Hyona Hill with the hounds and field close behind him.

17th March was the last meet of the season. It was hot when we started out from the Hunt Camp to canter across to Alladad, where the hounds met at 7-15. But there was very little scent, and though we did find, the hounds were soon at fault. The Master then lifted them and trotted off to the Subedar's Khet. A crash of music proclaimed a find, but the jack would not leave covert, and the hounds finally ran into him in thick hedge along the outside of the Khet. Thus terminated our Hunting Season of 1906-07, during which the hounds have been out 29 times, and have killed 12½ brace of jacks.

SINDHI.

"You're lookin' bad Mulowney. What's wrong wid ye?"

"I've been sick; had a fall of a ladder seven or eight feet high, I had."

"Begobs! that wasn't far, for ye to fall. You're near six fut high yourself.

A young man had the misfortune to be run over. It was not until the motor car had gone a few yards further that the driver showted "Look out!" The unfortunate man struggled to a sitting posture and asked, "You're not coming back, are you?"

A doctor who had been summoned hastily alighted from his carriage. In the woman who was awaiting him on the step he failed to see the anxious look he had expected. "I understand," he said, "that your boy has swallowed a shilling. Where is he?" "Oh, sir," was the reply. "I'm glad to tell you we made a mistake! It wasn't a shilling: it was only a half penny!"

Polo.

THE MURREE BREWERY CUP.

THE SEMI-FINALS.

10TH HUSSARS "A" *vs.* 11TH LANCERS.—On heavy ground this match was played off on the 27th ultimo at Rawalpindi. The Hussars were too good for the Lancers and at the end of much fast work in almost every chucker emerged winners by 6 goals and 1 subsidiary to 3 goals and 2 subsidiaries. Team :—

10TH HUSSARS "A."		11TH LANCERS.	
Capt. Hon. W. G. S. Cadogan	1	Capt. G. M. Orr	1
Col. C. T. M. Kavanagh	2	Major R. A. Carruthers	2
Mr. E. W. E. Palmer	3	Mr. E. L. Maxwell	3
Mr. H. P. Chaplin (*Back*)		Capt. T. R. C. Price (*Back*).	

Umpires—Messrs. Strettell and Egerton.

23RD CAVALRY *vs.* 10TH HUSSARS "B".—This was a complete walk over for the 23rd Cavalry, their concluding score being 10 goals and 3 subsidiaries to nothing. Teams :—

10TH HUSSARS "B"		23RD CAVALRY.	
Mr. F. S. Rose	1	Mr. C. A. M. Paske	1
Mr. C. B. Wilson	2	Mr. C. B. D. Strettell	2
Mr. H. L. Fraser	3	Mr. J. B. Egerton	3
Capt. Hon. C. B. O. Mitford (*Back*)		Mr. C. H. K. Kirkwood (*Back*)	

Umpires—Messrs. Renwick and Anderson.

Golf.

CALCUTTA GOLF CLUB.

The Eastern Handicap Competition over the Barrackpore course for Messrs. Manton and Co.'s prize was concluded on Monday with the following result.—

	Total.	Hcp.	Nett.
J. Reid Kay	84	5	79
F. J. Binning	93	14	79
Fred. J. Stevenson	88	5	83
T. C. Manders	95	12	83
C. D. H. Dunlop	89	5	84
C. E. Benman	91	7	84
C. Smallwood	92	7	85
J. H. Gordon	97	12	85
Captain D. McCay	91	5	86
W. O. Grazebrook	96	10	86
Hon. Mr. Justice Brett	96	10	86
John Crawford	96	10	86
Geo. K. Stein	97	11	86
Robert Graham	100	14	86
T. H. Ambrose	92	5	87
Alex. Mann	88	Scr.	88
Norman McLeod	90	Scr.	90
Hon. Mr. W. A. Inglis	92	2	90
Lt.-Col. F. J. Drury	95	5	90
E. A. Lyon	94	4	98
J. Hapson	100	10	90
Lt.-Col. J. M. Fleming	97	5	92
E. Horncastle	103	10	93
H. B. Holmes	112	14	98
W. R. Haughton	119	14	105

GOLF AT LAHORE.

THE CHIEF COURT CUP.—In the final, Messrs. Mitchell and Colbeck played a close and interesting game, the first named winning by one up. Score:

J. N. MITCHELL.—Out :—	4,	4,	4,	—	4,	5,	4,	4.
Home :	4,	4,	3,	4,	5,	4,	6,	5,	4.
E. C. COLBECK.—Out :	5,	3,	4,	4,	5,	4,	5,	5,	4.
Home :	5,	5,	3,	5,	5,	5,	6,	4,	4.

Hockey.

NOTES AND COMMENTS.

CALCUTTA by their victory over the Hornets are still at the head of the League table, and retain an unbeaten record.

The game in question was one of the fastest this season. Calcutta with the exception of Cooper in goal was at full strength, and although his understudy did well on the whole, should at least have stopped one of the goals scored. The Hornets had out as strong a combination as they are at present able to produce. Their forward line is as strong and speedy as ever, but they require one other half and a full back. The wing forwards Catchick and Rosetti are as good as are at present playing, but Apcar and the younger Rosser did not seem to get on very well together, and were always tumbling over and getting in each other's way.

For Calcutta Simson played better that he has done this season, and his two goals were the result of very pretty shots. Mander was played forward, and once he settles down should be of immense service. The halves were kept very busy and the speed of their opponents was at time too much for them, but McCaw and Graham played a sound game at back and kept out many a dangerous rush. The game, one regrets to notice was not conducted in as good a spirit as could be wished. The Hornets have at present one or two irresponsible youngsters doing service for them, who cannot refrain from claiming for impossible infringments, and generally questioning the decision of the referee in unmeasured terms. Knocks also must be received in silence, and the sooner a youngster conceives this idea the better. A few words from the Captain of a team should be able to remedy matters, for it is a pity that a team should get to be disliked because a few of its members making themselves offensive. To question the decision of the referee is most regrettable and deeply to be deplored; it does not tend to make the task of this gentleman any the pleasanter.

The Caledonians who are only a point below Calcutta, have every reason to be proud of their position and great interest will be evinced in the meeting of these two teams in the last of the league engagements, which will probably decide the ultimate winners of the Cup which is to be presented. I have not had an opportunity of seeing the team play recently, but the defeat of the Customs by 3 goals to 1, must prove them to be a very good side indeed.

The Rangers are losing ground considerably and have had to put up with a defeat by the team from the Fort. The latter are coming on, and although they cannot at present be ticketed dangerous, should give a fairly good account of themselvs in the Beighton Cup competition.

Practically the deciding game in the "B" division of the League was played on Tuesday last, between the two College teams St. Xavier's and the Medicals, resulting in a win for the former by two goals to *nil*. They thoroughly deserved their victory, and although perhaps not having more of the game than their opponents played it more scientifically.

These two teams are now certain of promotion to the senior division next season, which should be very welcome, for they are unquestionably two amongst the ablest combinations the City is able to produce.

"A" DIVISION CONCLUDED UP TO 31ST MARCH.

Club.	Matches Played.	Won.	Drawn.	Lost.	Goals For.	Goals Agst.	Points.
Calcutta	10	9	1	0	27	7	19
Caledonia	10	9	0	1	25	5	18
Dalhousie	10	8	1	1	9	2	17
Rangers	10	6	3	1	11	9	15
Customs	10	5	2	3	11	10	12
Rovers	11	5	2	4	11	9	12
E. I. Ry.	11	5	1	5	10	12	11
Sibpur	9	5	1	3	11	2	11
Mohan Bagan ...	13	3	4	5	4	18	10
B. N. Ry.	10	3	3	4	5	11	9
Y. M. C. A. ...	10	3	3	4	4	12	9
Town	11	3	3	5	6	18	9
Hornets	9	4	0	5	13	13	8
N. Fusiliers ...	10	4	0	6	7	25	8

WHY NOT.

The Naturalist.

THE WAYS OF LIONS.

HALF-WAY between the East African coast, opposite Zanzibar and Lake Victoria (says a writer in *Chamber's Journal*) lie vast upland prairies on which antelopes and other wild beasts abound, as they did formerly in South Africa. These plains are uninhabited by man. They teem with zebra and antelopes. The latter are chiefly Coke's hartebeets and Grant's and Thomson's gazelles. There are also a number of wild beasts (gnu), but these move together from one district to another and are not generally distributed like the other antelopes. Herds of eland are present in certain localities, and there are a few giraffes on the Athi and some at Sultan Hamoud Station. Wart-hog are found in colonies, and bushbuck exist at the head-waters of the Athi, where the converging streams emerge from the Kikuyu forest-country near Nairobi. Along the banks of all the rivers are numerous herds of water-buck and impala. Buffalo exist on Donyo Sabruk Mountain, and their skulls are commonly found elsewhere. Duikers are present, singly, everywhere. Other animals of this region, which do not form the prey of lions—although the young may occasionally be attacked—are the hippopotamus (numerous in the Athi) and rdinoceros. Ostriches are also common, though whether lions ever secure them is doubtful.

When disturbed by lions at night, the zebra rush about wildly with a great trampling and uttering their peculiar cries. Going out early in the small hours, I have found them rushing about thus in great troops of many hundreds, panic-stricken. Lions are said always to follow the great herds of zebras wherever they go.

Nothing has struck me more in the natural history of lions than their power of rendering themselves invisible. The colour of their skins blends with that of the brown prairie grass. Their supple build must also lend itself to concealment; and their limbs, being short relatively to their length and bulk of body, enable them to creep through grass and cover that would not hide other animals of their size, as regards weight. I remember approaching a lion engaged in devouring a zebra half-an-hour after sunrise. My eyes wandered for a moment to some hyænas which were waiting for their turn, and in that moment the lion vanished. There lay the partly-eaten zebra forty yards away, and on every side nothing but the short brown grass. I searched for some inequality in the surface of the grass, and noticed a tussock rising above the rest. There was nothing whatever to mark it as anything but a tuft of grass, and I hesitated to fire at it, thinking that if it proved to be grass, and the lion were lying somewhere close by, it would be angered by the report, being doubtless in an ill-humour at being distributed at its meal. In the end I decided to chance it, and raised my rifle. Instantly the tussock developed into a large, fullmaned lion, which rose quickly and galloped off. I have on other occasions known lions rise suddenly from the grass close in front of me and leap into reedbeds. This invisibility enables them to approach the wary animals on which they feed. They hunt at night, stalking their prey until quite near to it, and then making a very swift rush.

I have more often heard lions roaring in the hour before dawn than at any other time, and I believe it to be true that they roar always after feeding. The sound is often heard at a great distance, and is then generally described as "moaning" or "grunting." Some men, in fact, say they do not roar, but moan. The sound is, I believe, roaring softened by distance, for I have heard it close at hand, and then it was a gruff roaring. In each spell of roaring were about twenty-four sounds; first a succession of prolonged roars, increasing in power until they seemed to be delivered with great violence; then a series of shorter, more abrupt roars, the last dying away gradually into hoarse pants, which finally became inaudible. Some one has said that a lion's roar is just like that of an ostrich. If this be so, I can only say that an ostrich's roar must be a most impressive sound.

There are always a number of hyænas lying up in the ravines or reedbeds in the vicinity of the abode of a troop of lions. These, together with jackals, finish up the remains of the "kills." I have seen a lion eating a zebra with a crowd of hyænas running to and fro all around him, uttering most piteous moans and howls; and a number of jackals' heads were visible in the grass, sitting patiently at a little distance. Every now and then a hyæna would endeavour to snatch a piece of meat while the lion lay resting from the labour of eating for a few minutes. There would be a deep growl, and the lion would rise up, whereupon all the hyænas would fly to a short distance, and their clamour would cease for a moment, then the lion would lie down again and after one or two plaintive moans the clamour and running to and fro would recommence. If anything remain after daylight vultures and marabon storks gather. Nothing whatever is left of the kill. The bones are carried away by the hyænas,

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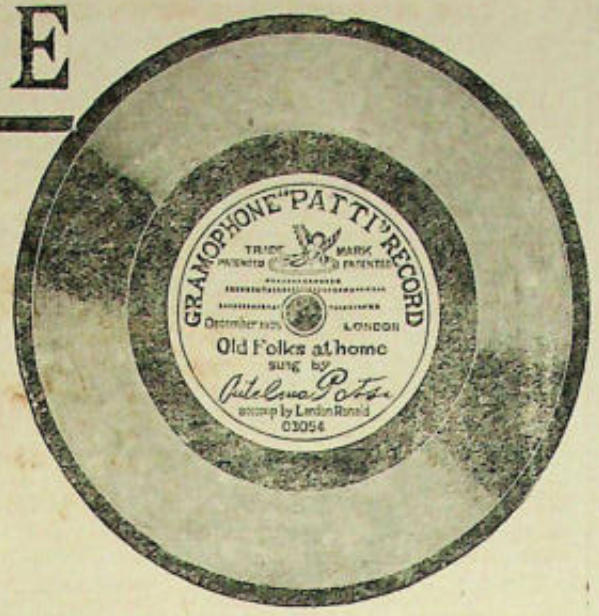





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even to the skull. Hence there is nothing to mark a lion-kill on the spot where it occurred beyond the trampled contents of the entrails.

I recollect one morning, on going out on to the plain by Nairobi at dawn, coming upon a dead hyæna. My first impression was that it had been riddled by bullets, but on examining the wounds it became plain that a lion had struck its claws into the animal—one blow on the back, another on the side. Evidently the hyæna had angered the lion either by spoiling a stalk in its anxiety for meat or by venturing too near a kill. I had not then learnt to recognise the signs of a kill.

The manes of lions on these plains never approach the luxuriance of those of menagerie lions. They vary in colour, some being black, others dark brown, and many of the same pale brown as the body.

Although they hunt at night, lions in the natural state often lie just outside the recumbeds at all times of the day. I say in the natural state, because with the advent of the Uganda railway they learnt to fear man. Some of them became man-eaters, lurking near the great camps of Indian coolies and carrying off men night after night. The most notorious of the man-eaters was a lion which took up his abode near the construction camp at Kimaa, near Sultan Hamoud. I have been told by an officer of the railway that the coolies would sit up every night until they heard screams, when they knew they could turn in safely, the lion having taken his prey for the night. Mr. Ryall, the inspector-general of railway police, determined to sit up one night in his carriage, with two friends, with the hope of getting a shot at the man-eater. The three fell asleep, however, leaving the door and windows open, and at 2 A. M. the lion entered the carriage and carried off Mr. Ryall.

These man-eaters were so serious a nuisance that the managers of the railway offered a reward of Rs. 200 (£13-6-8) for every adult lion killed near the railway from mile 200 to mile 300. About 60 were killed in two years. The result was to inspire the survivors, many of whom had seen their comrades killed by their side, with a fear of human beings. This fear has been increased by the large number of sportsmen who have come out of late years for hunting trips on the Athi and adjacent plains.

Travel and Adventure.

JAUNTS IN BURMESE JUNGLES.

V.

The hardships related in a previous narrative consequent on a night spent in the forest lost to the civilized world, made a day's halt, before the resumption of hunting operations, imperative; both to enable my camp equipage, ten miles away to be brought in, and to give my person a thorough rest after our wet sojourn on the banks of the creek.

A sanctuary had been found in the only village located within the confines of this vast expanse of wooded hills. A consultation was held with the headman of the hamlet, and the few tillers of the soil who eked out a precarious existence in this far-removed plantation. It was ascertained that on the higher slopes of the main Pyingadaungs the lordly bison was wont to roam whether his fancy dictated. The game as a rule shuns with a bitter loathing the haunts of man, and when the wood-cutter's axe rouses the echoes of the darksome glades, this wild ox will migrate to pastures less likely to be disturbed. The wheel of fortune up to the present time had only been grinding out to me the chaff, and the prospects of better luck did not look over bright. When the goddess doles out her riches, however, it is often done with an unstinted hand, and lucky is the man who happens to be present when the largest is being disbursed. The previous guide had proved himself to be totally unreliable, so he was paid his dues and informed that his room was preferable to his company. The headman of this exiled community proffered himself as a companion for the projected outing. Divers wanderings in many portions of this Land of Pagodas and beetlenut have taught me that, when the leading light of a hamlet is desirous of taking up the post of guide and counsellor in a shooting expedition of this description, his actions are open to some suspicion, and very careful investigations as to his capabilities should be made before placing oneself in his hands. In many instances the offer is made purely and solely from a feeling of moral obligation. A stranger comes to his lands and it is his duty to accompany the sportsman in his various peregrinations, until he should have taken his departure into some other sphere of administration. If such be not the case his services may be pressed upon the traveller merely from a selfish point of view. The under-lying thought, naturally it must be admitted and wholly typical of the oriental, is, that if the European hunter meets with success in his quest for game, in the exuberance of his spirits, and in the gratification of that success there is a possibility of the intriguer's name being brought favourably to the notice of the local gods.

It stands to reason that in the majority of cases the village headman is not given to wandering among the wooded mountainsides; his work, if he stoops to manual labour, lies in the tilling of his fields and also in the administration of his particular charge. He is therefore sublimely ignorant of all except the most frequented forest paths, and in order not to appear uniformed in the eyes of his visitior he commandeers the services of the village tracker, gleans knowledge from him by the way and imparts it to the sportsman, with an accompaniment of much sagacity, as the product of his own attainments. Now when tracking big game a cavalcade of four retainers carries with it double the scent and creates twice the noise that only two followers would be responsible for. It is therefore a *sine qua non* that if the outing is to be crowned with victory numbers must be reduced to as small a margin as possible. Another personage that should be approached with considerabel caution is the professional hunter. It is my experience that except within very narrow limits, he is far more of a nuisance than a succour. There are certain areas in which every glen, and every brae can be read by him like an open book, but when he ventures forth beyond the borders of his happy hunting grounds with the sportsman he does so out of pure avarice. He knows that the booty, less the actual trophy, is bound to come his way, and he will be richer to a very considerable extent by the sale of the meat, which had he not been present, would probably have passed into the hands of the villagers without the extortion of a *quid pro quo* in the form of hard cash or grain. If the nomad can talk the language of the country with sufficient fluency as to be able to make himself understood, he will usually find that a wood-cutter will prove of far more utility. These men are not licensed hunters, that is to say they do not shoot game in order to make a living by selling the meat. They are, however, fully cognizant with every nook and corner of the forest in which they work and live and are moreover well acquainted with the localities which game customarily haunts, for during their wanderings they cannot fail to notice where the denizens of the jungle congregate in the largest quantities. The headman of his cluster of huts was an exception to the general rule, and as circumstances afterwards showed he not only knew the reserve from pot to crest tine, but he was also an experienced tracker. It was a damp chilly morning on the 20th August that two beings crept stealthily between the rows of bamboo constructed cabins. None of the inhabitants were astir at that early hour, but our exit was viewed with much suspicion by a quick-eared pariah, who by way of resenting our approach to his vicinity set up a sleep-disturbing yap from an adjacent hovel followed by an agonizing howl. A heavy thud, an oath muttered in a muffled voice, a series of still more doleful ululations enriched now by the rest of the canine community were the only sounds that greeted us as we picked our way along a slushy lane, avoiding the numerous branches that dropped downwards, and endeavoured to skirt the foul-smelling water buffalo wallows that formed a regular chain up the pathway. The mists cling in eerie fashion round the tree-tops, creating fantastic shapes and exaggerating their height beyond recognition, as we plunge up a winding track that curves in and out of these giant stems. A strange stillness seems to brood on everything, a silence broken only by the monotonous drip of the moist atmosphere from off the foliage. A puff of air, unnoticed at our level disturbs the upper branches of some narrow-barked patriarch, followed by a deluge of drops on the mouldering leaves at its roots. This sepulchral hush, like the proverbial lull before the storm, is strikingly characteristic of these big-tree forest glades. All nature seems to be preparing itself for the struggle of the coming day when life and death will once more be in their never-ending grip.

> All heaven and earth are still—though not in sleep.
> But breathless, as we grow when feeling most;
> And silent, as we stand in thoughts too deep:—
> All heaven and earth are still: From the high host
> of stars, to the lull'd lake and mountain-coast,
> All is concenter'd in a life intense,
> Where not a beam, nor air, nor leaf is lost,
> But hath a part of being, and a sense of that which is
> of all creator and defence.

As we advance shafts of light begin to penetrate the murkiness that enshrouds us like a fall: the ghostly sinews of the giant creepers gradually assumeless fanciful guises and as the gloom is dispelled progress becomes more rapid. The tracker bends this footsteps up a gently-rising spur, and I follow close in his wake, and when dawn has broken in real earnest we are a considerable distance up the slopes of the main Pyingadaungs. Soon a diversion, amusing to my companion but far from pleasant as regards my unfortunate self, is afforded. When moving through the undergrowth with which these forest brakes are clothed it is a wise precaution to keep one's weather eye open and to scan carefully the stems and leaves in one's immediate front. Some noise had for the moment attracted my attention, next second I was skidding pell-mell down the hill-side, the rifle is literally hurled away, and I plunge, regardless of protruding branches headlong into the thickest harbourage available. A few minutes later it was a sad figure that crept sorrowfully out of this temporary refuge. A peculiar form of bee builds its dependent from these large leaves. The combs are usually quite small and are frequently exceeding difficult to detect. Should the hunter accidently touch the stem from which these wax cells are hanging, the occupants are out in a flash to the extent of half-a-dozen or so, and they never fail to drive the intruder from their home. The latter at the first indication of his mistake, does not usually waste much time in putting a safer distance between himself and his aggressors, for if the whole horde be roused the consequences are sometimes serious. Confidence having once more been restored, I take stock of my injuries. A burning sensation on the tip of the nose indicates

one centre of outrage, the lobe of the right ear is throbbing painfully, and one or two lumps on the arms shew where these pests have injected their poison. The next step is to institute a search for my trusty ·577 which was the recipient of such unwonted treatment. The weapon is found luckily uninjured, but the muzzle as a result of its aerial flight is clogged with about an inch of mud. Here is somewhat of a predicament, for a pull through does not figure in my equipment. A cleaning rod is fashioned out of a straight piece of bamboo and the tracker sacrifices a strip of his head-cloth; the barrels are once more rendered serviceable and a start upwards is again made.

The effects from the explosure experienced two nights previously have not quite been eliminated from the system, so when a convenient nook is reached, a halt is called for breakfast, though the hour is somewhat early for that meal. It is extraordinary what a difference in one's bearing a little food will often bring about. A feeling of absolute listlessness, indifference to every thing, may invade the body, but after a snack and a drink of water from a stream strength seems to return almost miraculously. Lassitude gives place to an intense eagerness for action which will last for many hours. Such was the case on this paricular occasion. I appeared to be imbued with a new vitality when I once more shouldered the rifle preparatory to a thorough exploration of the ridge on which our quarry might be roaming. An exclamation from the tracker brings my weapon with a jerk to the "ready." The sight is refreshing beyond words. Within 15 yards of where we have been sitting munching our frugal repast is that slot of a really fine old bull. Many are the varied thoughts that rush kaleidoscopically through the mind as we cautiously follow the trail. Here at any rate there can be no room for mistake. The cow bison has not yet been born that could boast of a foot print of that size. Is luck going to be with me I wonder? or is it to be a repetition of a previous attempt —a glimpse of a black hide, a series of deafening crashes and then silence. Other scenes of a similar description troop by one after another. There is the picture mirrored clearly on the brain, of the first bull ever bagged on a plateau in the Godavery Districts of India. Again, the adventure where from out a bamboo glade,

Bounds with one lashing spring the mighty brute.....
.....wide waving to and fro his angry tail.

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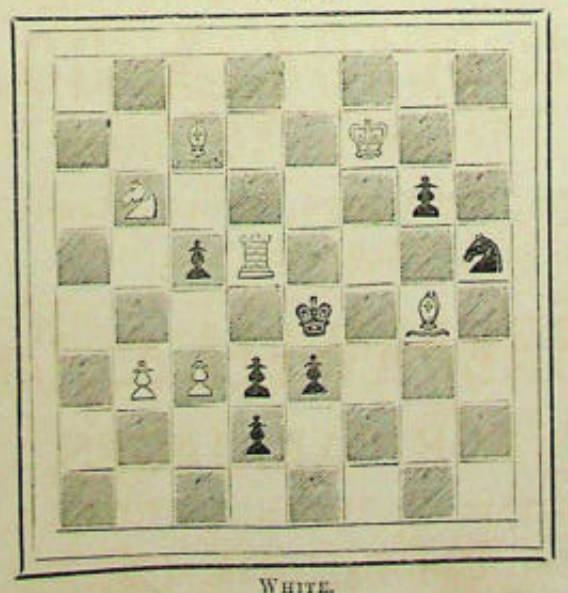

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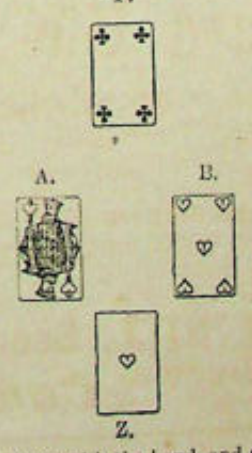

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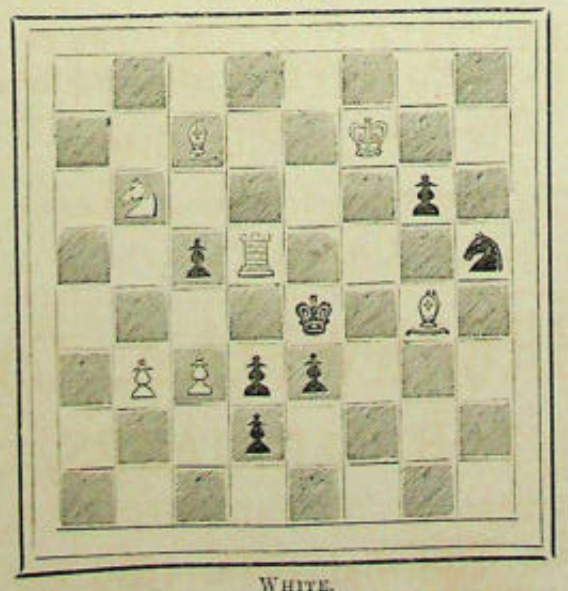

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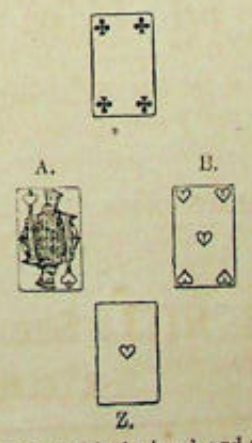

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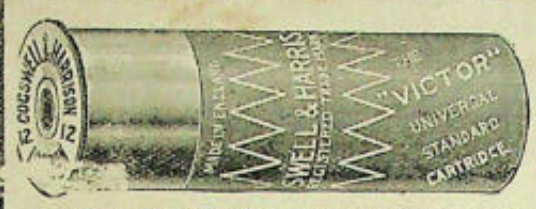

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THE BOMBAY RACES.

SEASON 1906-07.

THE Fourteenth Extra Meeting brought to a conclusion a season not only of record character in the matter of attendances and entries, but in high class racing full of interest, and kept to a high pitch of excellence by the ever increasingly energetic and liberal methods of the W. I. T. C. It is, of course, usual to give each official a sugar plum to suck and make his duties less thankless; but we think in this instance one may say with absolute frankness that both Mr. Cursetjee and Mr. O'Gorman deserve a very large measure of thanks from the public and owners for the excellent sport that has resulted. Dissentients there are, of course; but results speak for themselves, and the tact with which the former has allotted the loads is evident to those who have followed each day's racing carefully, and it is no small job with the varying moods of the host of new Arabs and the, practically, unknown quantities from up-country. As far as "thankless jobs" are concerned there can be none more deserving of the name than that of Mr. O'Gorman as Starter. He has a post the importance, responsibility and difficulty of which is realised by very few. He has had tremendous fields of unruly, and raw Arabs to contend with as well as the old stagers and the impartiality and patience he has exhibited deserve the greatest recognition.

Amongst the big horses that have been racing this year the improvement in "class" has been very marked and two naturally stand out head and shoulders as champions. It was a matter of very great satisfaction to Bombay racing men when the Hon. Mr. A. A. Apcar paid the W. I. T. C. the compliment of sending down his cracks. They unfortunately did not see the Cup winner in his true colours but they saw Ballark a stone at least better than when in Poona and, on Calcutta running, they were not quite unprepared for this. He fairly swept the board in the long races "like a race-horse" and there are many who think him, (even with Fitzgrafton fit and well) the best horse in India.

Over anything up to seven furlongs Sermon, that perfect picture of an English thoroughbred, stands out immediately and the style in which he won was a delight to spectators. Though a bit above himself, and he should be kept that way, he shows none of the temper with which he was credited in England and, in fact, ran as kindly as that able lad Bray could have wished. This does not mean that Killia has gone off, far from it; he is still the powerful, game horse with his long, sweeping stride and in sprint races can honestly came second place to Penton's charge. Though receiving a stone, and over, from the two mentioned, Manlock has shown grand form as a flier and the six furlongs, in which Sermon dead-heated with him on the post, was cut out in the sensational time of 1 min. 13 secs. As good, too, was his five furlongs of the Flying Plate which he won comfortably, carrying 7st. 9lbs., in 1min. 1sec.

The Trials winner, Saloon, cannot be said to have been a disappointment; he ran right up to form and well up to his fields over distances more suitable to the small C. B. than a Cup Course; the training for this is likely to do him no good. Others in the same stable, Kipling and Beaunero, showed up well and many think the latter, a rare stayer who should have run better in his other engagements, and would have won the great Byculla Club Cup had his weight allowed of a stronger horseman.

Turning to the 14 2s. it must immediately be admitted that the public have never been as much at sea as they were from first to last Extra. The only consistant ones amongst them seem to have been

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un Metal and Comeback and the most incon-
Tussley Rose who has doubtless seen her best
andeville too has given the impression of
rogue and is not the horse he was, whereas
ought to have annexed a race had she been
re use of in all her races. We had to wait
ime for a win from Jack Scott's newly im-
harge, but when it came the grey won anyhow
ecord time of 1min. 29-3/5secs. for the seven
Comeback still deserves his place at the
he handicap but there is very little to choose
un Metal meets him over five furlongs, and a
ould bring him and Koko together. When one
ers what was thought of both Gun Metal and
hly about a year ago, it is extraordinary how
ve come on and the latter, we think, has still
show before giving the game up.
annot say much about old friends in the Arab
their performances are generally so consistent
e same may be repeated year after year. Un-
big horses who can be divided into two classes
le and under and a mile and over—we have
k over a mile and a quarter and over, between
id seven furlongs and under seven. Precious,
, is our Champion stayer and a grand little
ne is, game as a pebble and with a good turn
, but he has no liking for any dsitance over a
nd a quarter and is absolutely at his best seven
gs or a mile. Four of his wins have been over
distances, two over seven carrying 9st. 3lbs.
st. 13lbs., giving anything else a stone and
and two over a mile carrying 9st. 3lbs. and
lbs. Eed. is undoubtedly his most dangerous,
and has run with remarkable consistency.
r longer distances it is hard to pick and, after
consistency shewn, both Young Kohinoor and
deserved their wins and won well in hand,
h receiving considerable weight from Precious,
, Hampstead and Mooreed who is dead out of
and with the weights he has been carrying could
walked in on his running of a couple of years

sprint races the old ponies remain where they
Bay Middleton, Hermit, Tachreet, Mint, Rose,
jung, etc., but to these we must now add Creditor
coming pony after such a long rest since his great
nce of wins as a new pony a year previous. Bar,
Middleton, they are all within a few pounds of
orm; but the old Champion has been very much
olour. This was undoubtedly the consequence
aleness due to the gallops his owners sent him
ll hours of the day and it is said, night; the
re of this stable generally may be put down to
ame cause, treating a horse more like a machine
flesh and bone!
ith the exception of a very few, we have seen
little worthy of note from the new ponies whose
s, even after a season's racing, continue to be
of raw animals. Big price as the Maharajah
atiala paid for the Great Commander, we do not
k double that purchase price would effect another
ge of ownership and shall be very much sur-
ed if, in him, we have not another Precious. Be-
Tom Scott took him over he did nothing; but
capable trainer, when told of the inadvisability
orking him for long distances, immediately de-
d to go to work and risk the "leg" the recent
ner had been afraid of. The change made all
difference, as seen in the Second Dealers'. Good
ugh, and game enough, for a mile, but better over
it less, we have Spearmint and there can be no
bt he too is a coming pony. His honesty was
ved from the start and it was not long before he
nd himself at the top of a handicap and carried
10lbs. to victory over six furlongs comfortably.
rest remain more or less of a mystery as those
shone early in the Season shine no more and, as
eady remarked, this is not because of anything
ticular cropping up from what we may judge by
stop-watch.

As regards the Jockeys, every big Meeting seems
see their ranks swell but the veteran champion,
Robinson, still commands the first position in the
blic mind. This, too, despite a wretchedly bad
ne, as luck was all against the too stables; Mr.
lstaun's and M. Goculdas and A. Nanji's. Luck
s, however, clung to Williams who has had a really
markable time since landing in Poona where his
ccesses began from the jump off. Trenoweth and
oss have not yet had time and the other new lads,
aesen, Ferguson and Rayes have not shown up as
ell as expected. Ames has had a better time of it;
e consider him one of the best judges of pace and
headiest" lads we have. T. Melsom has only
peated his performances in Poona where his star
as not shining; but Vining has again ridden some
markably nice races; not a strong finisher, he is
en to great advantage on a free running horse and
very like Evans, the lad he replaced, even to his
ult of being inclinded to cross a bit too soon.
Amongst the native lads the same four stand out,
eeroo, Kamad, Oomerkhan and C. B. Mahomed;
we cannot say there is much to choose between them and the majority of the European boys.

A slight improvement has been effected in the course at the bend, but there is plenty of room for improvement still and it could do with considerable widening which unfortunately would be difficult, owing to the railway.

A BLACK BUCK BUTCHER.

This head-line we think aptly describes the game slaughterer who, not long ago, inserted in the columns of a Calcutta advertising sheet the following outrageous notice:—

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Offers from purchasers of Buck and Doe skins.
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Our readers can imagine the astonishment and indignation with which we perused this infamous advertisement. Try and consider it calmly for a moment ye shikaris and all ye who for some years have agitated for game protection, game laws, close seasons, etc.

One hundred bucks AND DOES *per month!*

The advertisement was replied to in the following letter:—

CALCUTTA, *28th March 1907.*

DEAR SIR,—With reference to your advertisement now appearing in the————I shall be obliged by your giving me full particulars of the skins refered to, *viz:*—

1.—Average percentage of buck and doe skins per cent.
2.—If full size.
3.—From what deer?
4.—If freshly killed.
5.—If supply would be continuous all the year round?
6.—How cured?
7.—Price.
8.—From what part of India to be supplied?

Yours faithfully,

* * *

The reply was prompt and to the point; it is appended:—

10, SOUTH ROAD, ENTALLY.
3rd April 1907.

DEAR SIR,—In reply to yours of the 28th ultimo I have pleasure in forwarding the particulars and information you require and solicit the favour of an early reply.

1.—Average proportion per skin, 5 ft. by 3 ft.
2.—Skins full size.
3.—Black Buck (Antelope species.)
4.—*All freshly killed.*
5.—*The supply will be continuous the year round.*
6.—Salted or air dried, as preferred.
7.—Price per skin Rs. 3.
8.—The skins will be supplied from Mirzapore District, the same will be delivered at Howrah station.

Yours faithfully.

* * *

This man proposed to supply skins of "freshly killed" bucks and does "all the year round" at the rate of one hundred skins a month!! The close season for game in Bengal is from 15th March to 15th August; how does this miserable creature propose to keep up the supply of fresh skins during those five months? Even falling back on the comforting reflection that perhaps the authorities will find means of preventing him carrying out his fell work during that period, we are faced with the possibility of his being able—providing he can find a market—to exterminate black buck *in one district* at the rate of seven hundred during the shooting season. This is certainly the worst case that has ever come under our notice: we appeal to the Collector of Mirzapore (to whom we have forwarded the correspondence) to deal with this man and his agents in such manner as he thinks best.

THE theology of childhood is very peculiar. The only difference between us and the little ones is that while we think just as many funny things as they do we never speak of them, while they put them into words. We are reminded of this fact by reading of the boy who asked his mother if God made the monkeys as well as men. When she replied in the affirmative he quietly remarked, "Well, He must have laughed when He got the first one finished."

DURING the trial of a criminal case in Clare the interpreter is observed to be holding a muttered conversation with an Irish-speaking prisoner.

"What is he saying?" asks the judge, sternly.

"He is axin' me, my lord, who is the quare lookin' ould woman with the red cloak just come into court," answers the interpreter, coyly.

"Well, and what did you say?"

I said, 'whist, you fool! Sure, that's the old divil that's going to hang you."'

Sporting Notes.

THE extension of the Calcutta Race Course on the old Monsoon Stand side has taken a fresh development during the past week. The widening of the cold weather course just beyond the Monsoon Stand, by carrying it out to the edge of the Jail Tank, has been completed and this will ease the preliminary corner in the Sprint Races, to a small extent. But further than this a piece of the proposed new track has been marked out from the Hospital opening back over the open space between the present outer rails and the Roadway as far as the Jail Tank which the new alignment reaches at the end next to the Road. This may mean one of two things; the opening of an entirely new segment from the Big Tree round behind the old Monsoon Stand and the Road to the Hospital opening, or merely a new starting place for a cold weather five furlong track.

As yet there is no sign of coming down about the old Monsoon Stand and it is impossible to believe that the Tank can be filled up and so extensive a work carried out before next cold weather. But there is ample time to finish the second project suggested, that is to make a new piece of track from the farther end of the Jail Tank running into the cold weather course at the Hospital opening. This would effect a great improvement as it would do away with the first and most dangerous turn in the five furlong course which would then run almost straight up to the bend for home. The start, as at present located by the marking pegs, looks to be uncomfortably adjacent to the tank as also to the roadway, but the corner of the tank could be filled in to relieve this and, of course, it is always possible, if inconvenient, to shift the winning post a few yards further on so as to ease matters at the starts.

As usual at this time of year there are plenty of race horses for sale and there are a number on offer at Cook & Co's. auction this week. Buyers are very shy just now however and even an advertisement of sale without reserve fails in many instances to uproot the popular belief that there is a limit of some sort on everything that has any pretensions to pace.

THE new season's programmes are not yet published up till the time of writing, but there is no real necessity for their delivery for weeks to come and their non-appearance is hardly noticed except by those, who are anxiously enquiring for some racing news upon which to base a paragraph for the entertainment of the hot weather remnants of the racing public.

THE latest recruit to the ranks of Lady tmfites is the Countess of Suffolk, whose horse Friarsgate recently won the United Hunts Cup of Newbary. The Countess, when Miss Daisy Leiter, was well known in India; she married Lord Suffolk three years ago.

THERE is scarcely any occupation nowadays safe from the encroachment of women, even racecourse "tick-tacking" being exploited. In this connection a New Zealand exchange mentions that after the first race at the recent Dunedin meeting the racecourse detectives noticed a woman who was standing near the judge's box making two strokes in the air with her umbrella. They watched, and after the second race saw two strokes again, but quickly corrected to four. This was the race in which many thought that Fireiron (No. 2) had won, though No. 4 was the judge's decision. The club's detectives thereupon interposed, and the woman owned that she was a tick-tacker signalling to someone on the hill, this second person signalling to a third party who sent the news to bookmakers in town. She was promptly put off the course.

CERTAIN corrections are notified in connection with the programme of the Mysore Races; they will be found in a notice published today in our sporting columns.

THE W. I. T. C. announce that in regard to the result of the Selling Plate run at the Thirteenth Bombay Extra Meeting. Court Martial has been disqualified and the placings are as follows—Chadter, 1; Chum Chuman, 2; Namoos, 3.

A FULL report of the Jubbulpore Races appears elsewhere. The meeting was capitally engineered and the sport good, and barring the indifferent starts in some of the races on the first day, if would have been hard to beat.

WE presume almost every one who drives or rides in this country, and is discriminating in the choice of gear, uses whips turned out by the famous house of Swaine and Adeney. It may interest them to know

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that the firm have lately purchased the old established business of Messrs. Kohler and Sons, whose specialities were coaching, hunting and shooting horns. Swaine and Adeney keep the factory going and announce themselves in a position to turn out these instruments with the same regard to tone and quality which have distinguished them for over a century. Large stocks are being kept to ensure prompt delivery.

A SECUNDERABAD correspondent writes:—"News has come in from the jungles where many shooting parties are spending their holidays that big game is plentiful. Nawab Faridom Jung's party, which includes Major-General and Mrs. Hamilton and Mrs. Stephens, at His Excellency the Minister's own preserves have been fortunate in bagging four tigers in six days. The first fell to the Nawab's gun and the other three all came out in one beat, the General bringing down the first, Mrs. Hamilton the second, and Mrs. Stephens the third."

THE winner of the Gujerat Pig-sticking Cup was Mr. Medlicott and the runner-up Sirdar Singh of Shapura. The final of the Salmon Cup was won by Ranjit Singh of Baria, the runner-up being Colonel Forbes. The Tully Cup was won by Kingfisher (Symons, senior, up). The Pony Cup was won by Ranjit Singh of Baria. The Country-bred Pony Cup was won by Yellow Hammer, owned by Mr. Lory, and ridden by Symons, junior. Full details of the meeting are given further on.

LAST week a boy at St. Peter's College, Agra, was handling a loaded gun; it went off and another unfortunate boy named Farnon was shot dead. A most deplorable accident; but the questions that naturally arise is what was this schoolboy doing with a loaded gun, what sort of discipline exists where lads are permitted to have firearms?

THE final in the Murree Brewery Challenge Cup Polo Tournament was played off on the 1st April. The teams left in were the 10th Hussars "A" team and the 23rd Cavalry. In the former Milbanke replaced Kavanagh, who was hurt by his fall in the semi-finals. The game was level for the first two *chuckers*, but the 10th then asserted themselves and ran out winners by seven goals to two goals, thus winning the handsome trophy which had been in the keeping of the 11th Lancers twice. Practically the whole of Rawalpindi, plus many from the out-stations, were either exhibiting at the Horse Show or looking on at this most popular function, and the finals suffered in point of attendance in consequence which was a pity as the game was worth watching.

MESSRS. TRAILL AND CO., of Calcutta, have just got out a fine selection of the famous "Burlington Proofs" made so popular by the enterprise of the Fine Arts Publishing Co., Ld., of London, and only by reason of the perfection of its mezzogravure process has this Company been able to secure the privilege of reproducing some of the most charming pictures to be seen at Burlington House.

The primary purpose of pictures is to be constantly seen, as a back ground for the events of every-day life. It is only so that their charm can be thoroughly appreciated. They must sink in and become part of our mental equipment. The modern habit of holding exhibitions has tended to create a habit of casual and cursory inspection in the art loving public. To have seen a picture once amidst a multitude of others is not to know it; even a picture in a permanent gallery which can be visited from time to time is not the same thing as one upon the walls of a man's home. There is more solid satisfaction to be obtained from a photogravure that one possesses, than from the original picture in the possession of someone else. Both are equally works of art, but it is the work of art lived with that opens its secrets to the eye. Seldom, indeed, are the beauties of a picture to be discovered at a glance; that which takes an able man years of study to be able to make, and then months of hard work actually to produce, cannot be properly understood and properly appreciated by a mere amateur in a few moments. All fine art is subtle; no one can perceive subtle merits at a glance, hence it has always been the desire of those who really love pictures to possess them. It is only in recent years, however, that the possibility of gratifying that desire has come within the means of persons of moderate wealth. The reproductions of fine works of this series are primarily intended to be a decoration for the home. They have been carefully selected from the best work of the leading painters of various schools dating from 1400 A.D. to the present day. Any of our readers desirous of further details regarding these beautiful and ridiculously cheap reproductions should write to Messrs. Traill and Co. for their catalogue.

IN the last issue of the *Calendar* appears the following notice: The Stewards having inquired into the running of Flo in the Tharrawaddy Handicap at Rangoon on 16th March 1907, decide that under Rule 153 R. Morrison, the rider of Flo, is warned off the Calcutta course and other places where the Calcutta Rules are in force.

WE mentioned the sale of The Butler the other day. It may interest the large number of our readers who study form and take pleasure in noting the doings of a real good one to have a complete list of his performances during 1906-07. Some of them are exceptionally fine—in fact quite extraordinary,—*vide* the handicaps at Meerut and Umballa. It will be noted that he has won over every distance from half mile to a mile and a quarter. Here is the list:—

1. Lahore Spring Meeting.
16th April. Merchants' Plate. 5 furlongs.
(Barrett) won.
2. Lahore Spring Meeting.
18th April. Naulucka Plate. 6 furlongs.
(Barrett) won.
3. Lucknow Autumn Sky.
18th October. Maiden Plate. 5 furlongs.
(Barrett) won.
4. Ambala Autumn Meeting.
1st November. Reunion Plate. 1,000 yards.
(Barrett) won.
5. Ambala Autumn Meeting.
5th November. Breeders' Plate. 1 mile.
(Barrett) won.
6. Meerut Autumn Meeting.
13th November. Jatrina Plate. ½ mile.
(Barrett) won.
7. Meerut Autumn Meeting.
15th November. Hapur Plate. 6 furlongs.
(Barrett) won.
8. Rawalpindi December Meeting.
13th December. Maiden Plate. 5 furlongs.
(Capt. Lloyd) won.
9. Rawalpindi December Meeting.
15th December. Gharial Plate. 1¼ miles.
(Barrett) won.
10. Lahore Xmas Meeting.
2nd January. Fort Plate. 5 furlongs.
(Capt. Furnell) 3rd.
11. Lucknow Spring Meeting.
2nd February. Maiden Plate. 1,000 yards.
(C. Hoyt) 2nd.
12. Lucknow Spring Meeting.
4th February. Civil Service Cup. 6 furlongs,
(Baichan.) 6th.
13. Bareilly Spring Meeting.
25th February. Budan Plate. 6 furlongs.
(Kadir) won.
14. Bareily Spring Meeting.
27th February. Visitors' Plate. 5 furlongs.
(Shib Singh) won.
15. Meerut Spring Meeting
5th March. Persian Plate. 5 furlongs.
(Hoyt) won.
16. Meerut Spring Meeting.
7th March. Wheler Handicap. 6 furlongs.
(C. Hoyt) won.
17. Ambala Spring Meeting.
16th March. Newmarket Handicap. 1,000 yards.
(C. Hoyt) 2nd,

Total.—Starts 17, wins 13, Seconds 2, Thirds 1. Unplaced 1.

THE following are the minutes of the Annual General Meeting of the C. T. C. held at the Turf Club House, on 22nd March 1907:—

Hon'ble Mr. A. A. Apcar, C.S.I., *in the Chair*.

The following members were present:—E. C. Apostolides, Esq.; R. G. Bates, Esq.; E. J. Buck, Esq.; G. B. Deakin, Esq.; J. G. Dickson, Esq.; L. G. Dunbar, Esq.; Capt. H. N. Holden; James Hutchison Esq.; C. H. Kesteven, Esq.; D. King Esq.; H. N. F. McDonnell, Esq.; Major T. H. McDermott, R.A.M.C.; E. J. Marshall, Esq.; J. D. Marshall, Esq.; C. D. Stewart, Esq.; Harry Stokes, Esq.; E. A. Woodhouse, Esq.

1. Proposed by Hon'ble Mr. A. A. Apcar, C.S.I., and seconded by Mr. E. J. Marshall that the accounts be and are hereby passed as correct.

Carried unanimously.

2. The following members were elected as Stewards for the year 1907-08:—Hon'ble Mr. A. A. Apcar, C.S.I.; G. B. Deakin, Esq.; J. G. Dickson, Esq.; W. Garth, Esq.; J. D. West, Esq.

3. The Draft Programme of the Calcutta Races, Tollygunge Steeplechases and First, Second and Third Extra Meetings, 1907-08, was approved with certain amendments proposed by Mr. E. J. Marshall in regard to the "Calcutta Plate" and General Conditoins 4 and 8.

4. Proposed by Mr. E. J. Buck and seconded by Mr. J. G. Dickson that the money given by the Turf Club to the Tollygunge Horse Show be increased to Rs. 1,000 and be given as prizes for events to be specified by the Stewards.

Carried.

5. Proposed by Hon'ble Mr. A. A. Apcar, C.S.I., that the concession hitherto given to polo teams visiting Calcutta be continued. (See Minutes of the Annual General Meeting, 1906.)

Carried unanimously.

6. Mr. D. King proposed a vote of thanks to the late Stewards for the very successful result of the season's work.

Carried unanimously.

With a vote of thanks to the Chair the meeting terminated.

THE fourth meeting of the Great Punjab Horse Show was an undeniable success in every way. Some first class animals were put into the ring. Entries were in every case good, and in almost every class a very high standard was observable throughout. To Colonel Pringle D.S.O., this success is due, his untiring energy has brought this meeting up to the level of the best Horse Show in India, and the response of owners who entered some 250 horses and ponies must have

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been highly gratifying. The officers of the 10th Hussars the members of the Punjab Commission and the officers of the Royal Artillery dispensed hospitality on the three days during which the show lasted. Major-General Mahon, C.B., D.S.O., and Colonel Morgan of the Indian Civil, Veterinary Department, gave satisfaction in their capacity as judges. The list of prize winners is given further on.

"Old and Bold" writes as follows to our London namesake on the subject of the Indian Golden Plover—"In the late sixties and early seventies I was stationed at Cawnpore for three years, and during that time had ample opportunities of observing the different kinds of game and wildfowl inhabiting that district in my frequent shikar expeditions. The only time that I ever fell in with the Indian Golden Plover was on one occasion, but that was a memorable one. A fellow subaltern and I were out shooting together on the bank of the Ganges one day in January or Febrnay, when we observed a large flock of birds, which I at once knew to be Golden Plover. We marked them down into a small ravine, not far from the river, and proceeded to stalk them, with the result that with our four barrels fired into the flock we picked up thirty. My companion had never seen birds of that species before, and did not know what they were until I told him. They were a welcome addition to the bill of fare at the mess, and I can bear testimony to their excellence for the table. My friend is now a distinguished general officer Commanding a division in India, and if this should meet his eye he will most probably remember the incident."

There has recently been some correspondence in *The Field* on the subject of reloading rifle cartridges. To the discussion our old friend "Fleur de Lys" contributes the following:—

Sir,—There is little chance of that inquiring spirit regarding matters pertaining to the rifle which we see flourishing so vigorously on the other side of the Atlantic, ever even germinating in the hearts of British shooters. In England it seems the sportsman must have everything done for him; no one dreams of preparing his own ammunition for the rook and rabbit rifle. This lack of interest and energy on the part of English rifle shooters is the main reason why we are so wefully behind our American cousins in knowledge of the miniature rifle.

Nothing can be more significant than the fact that only now have we adopted the ·22 long rifle ammunition for our shooting clubs, though the excellent qualities of this ammunition have been well established for quite fifteen or sixteen years. The man who never reloads his own ammunition loses a great deal of pleasure, and also opportunities for finding out fresh and interesting facts. Thus the merits of smokeless powder for miniature rifles were first brought home to me about 1891, when I began to get successful results with Schnitze in a ·22 C. F. Winchester Since those days I have had many and many a set of Ideal reloading tools for the various miniature rifles which have succeeded one another in my affections. The two most thoroughly successful weapons I have had, for reloading purposes, were ·25 25 and ·28-30 Stevens single shot rifles. The straight, well-made, heavy shells are almost everlasting, and can be reloaded again and again. I have used thousands of reduced charges, Schultze and Amberite in these rifles at various elevations and in differing climates. For instance, the ·28-30 was equally successful with 5grs. of smokeless during the hot weather in the Indian plains and among the snows of Ladak, 13,000ft. above the sea.

That reloading cartridges is by no means difficult is evidenced by the fact that I have constantly done this work in camp, with no better adjuncts than a folding table and an open charcoal fire. I would it were possible to arouse some interest and enthusiasm among British shooters over cartridge loading. The rifle crank's efforts, besides being a source of instruction and pleasure to himself, help to increase his people's interest in that arm by which the fate of nations is decided. Lastly, he who shoots his rooks and rabbits with cartridges loaded by himself experiences the same fine feeling of satisfaction as does the fisherman who kills a fine trout on a fly of his own tying.

Shooting for the Prix des Reveds on last month, at Monte Carlo, Mr Kevill Davies divided 3,000 francs with Mr. A. Thomer and Count F. Hoyos. Mr. Kevill Davies shot with a new hammerless pigeon gun recently supplied to him by Chas. Lancaster, of London, and used Curtis's and Harvey's "Smokeless Diamond." there were 41 competitors, and this was Mr. Davies's first trial at Monte Carlo. This success sheds more lustre still on the merits of English guns and English gunpowder.

Lord Chevlesmore, Chairman of the Council of the National Rifle Association, is appealing to members to assist in raising £3,000 to defray the expenses of sending a representative team to Australia, in acceptance of an invitation from the Commonwealth Council of the Rifle Associations of Australia, to compete for a trophy at the Commonwealth meeting next October. The Prince of Wales has subscribed £50, and Lieut.-Colonel John Barlow £100 to the priliminary list.

The New York Zoological Society has recently received from London the longest tusks ever known to have come from a living species of elephant. The longest tusk has the astonishing length of 11 feet, 5½ inches, while the other measures exactly 11 feet. One measures 18 inches in circumference; the other 18¼ inches, and the combined weight of the two is 293 pounds. The next largest tusk on record is only ten feet, four inches in length, or more than one foot shorter. These tusks are from an African elephant, evidently of enormous size.

This giant pair was purchased at the last ivory sale in London. They came to the Zoological Society as a gift from Mr. Charles T. Barney, Chairman of the Executive Committee, Mr. Percy R. Pyne and three other gentlemen. The price paid in London was § 2,500, and they were secured by the prompt action of Mr Barney who the moment the opportunity was made know to him authorised the purchase.

It has been stated that these huge tusks were formerly owned by King Menelick of Abyssinia, and by him were presented to an official of the French Government. The Zoological Society knows nothing definite on these points. It is known, however, that the longest tusks grown by African elephants are produced immediately South of Abyssinia.

Both these tusks are quite perfect in every respect. They originally set into the skull about 26 inches. It is evident from their shape that after leaving the skull they curved inward slightly, then outward and upward in very graceful and pleasing lines.

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Athletic Notes.

There was a poor attendance at the general meeting of the Bengal Automobile Association last Wednesday; perhaps it was not sufficiently advertised or notified—for ourselves we knew nothing of it. The Hon. Mr. G. Gordon, I.C.S., was elected Chairman for the coming year, Mr. E. J. Oakley being re-elected as Vice-Chairman, and a Committee of eight members was elected. There are a number of new names on the Committee this year as many of the old members are going home. Mr. Stevenson-Moore, the retiring Chairman, was accorded a hearty vote of thanks.

The final in the Lahore Trades' Association Football Tournament between the Gloucesters and the Seaforth Highlanders was won by the Gloucesters by 1 goal to nil which was obtained in the last minute of play. The game was a magnificently contested one and extra time had to be played to decide the issue.

At Dehra Dun the other day the Viceregal Party witnessed a three mile foot race between Naik Jit Bahadoor, of the 2nd Gurkhas and a man of the 5th Gurkhas, supposed to be the champion of the Punjab, while Jit Bahadoor was dubbed the Champion of Bengal. Where *do* they get these titles from? Anyhow it was a good race and Jit Bahadoor won by twenty yards in 12mins. 5secs(!) after having led all the way.

This is a specimen of the way such events are clocked out here, or it is a printer's error for which our Allahabad contemporary is responsible! The World's and English amateur record for three miles is 14mins. 17-2/5 secs. held by the invincible Shrubb; the English professional record is 14mins. 19½secs. by P. Cannon; the little Gurkha's time is returned at 12mins. 5secs. or 2 mins. 12-1/5secs. better than World's record! *Shabash* indeed!!

Mike Elias, who is now pretty well known in India as a smart cueist, has been exhibiting his skill recently at Bareilly. He gave Major-General J. Spens 400 in a game of 750 and won by 28 points; his best break was 96. The General was obviously off his game. Elias also took on Sergeant Hunt of the 1st Royal Scots on the same terms, but was beaten by just 2 points.

The Amir has ordered six pairs of gold rimmed spectacles from Messrs. James Murray and Co.; this extraordinary potentate seems to do everything wholesale.

Inman the celebrated billiard player is now on a tour round the world; he is "scheduled" to arrive in India next November.

That the high class qualities of Daimler Cars are appreciated, not only by the general public but also by other manufacturers in the same industry, is shewn by the fact that orders have been placed with the Daimler Company for 45 H.P. Cars by Monsieur De Dietrich and Monsieur Leonce Girardot. The Company's advertisement appears on the last page of to-day's paper.

Messrs. Hamilton & Co. of the White House, Portrush, Ireland, send us an exhaustive catalogue, most charmingly, got up and arranged, of their splendid assortment of Irish linen, home spuns, serges, towels, handkerchiefs, lace goods and embroidery. The hand made homespuns are a special feature and who that is up-to-date does not either golf, or shoot, or hunt—for which occupations garments in this material should be always neat, workmanlike and suitable. "There never has been," say the Proprietors, "any doubt about the charm, the quality, and the economy of Ireland's best work, but there was a difficulty in getting it at reasonable prices, and in feeling sure that you had got the genuine thing"—with this, Messrs. Hamilton & Co. assure us they are in a position to supply the public. Perhaps everybody is not aware that Portrush is at the north west extremity of County Antrim, North of Ireland, on a small peninsula projecting into the Atlantic, and is about two and a half hours by rail from Belfast or Larne, and is the most popular seaside watering place in the North of Ireland. As a summer and golfing retreat it is simply ideal; there are sands for the kiddies, deep sea and shallow bathing for ladies and gentlemen, and the air is bracing and healthy. This then is Portrush and the depot for the Irish peasant industries, so that by ordering from the White House, we shall kill two birds with one stone, benefitting both ourselves and the Irish peasantry. Many of the royal families of Europe, and several Indian Princes have placed orders with this Irish firm, the business of which must be world wide, at so phenomenal a rate, does it develop. Belluk China, rugs, baskets, walking sticks, in fact almost any kind of souvenir of the land of the Shamrock can be supplied, and it needs only a glance through the catalogue, to see how thoroughly artistic in production and style are these goods. The catalogue is accompanied by copies of testimonials from all parts of the world, sufficient in themselves to show that anyone who sends an order to the White House will receive the satisfaction there always is in dealing with a reliable firm.

Some interest was taken at Bangalore on the 14th instant in a swimming match between Mr. C. A. Flower, of the Vacuum Oil Company and Corporal Bastow of the Sherwood Foresters. It was over a 70 yards course in the reservoir and the soldier won by 3 feet in 45½ secs. It seems a pity Mr. Flower has forfeited his amateur status by competing against a professional; for example if by any chance he desired to swim at Calcutta for the All India Amateur Championships which were mooted last year and which the Calcutta Swimming Club may put through, he would be barred by reason of the C. S. C. running under the A. S. A. Rules.

The Association match between England and Scotland, played last Saturday, resulted in a draw with a score of one goal each.

In our review of "Sport in England" for the week ending 22nd March, will be found a full account of the Varsity Boat Race and the R.M.C. Sports at Sandhurst where there was some very good running. Details are also given of the Lincolnshire Handicap and other races with which the flat racing season opened at Lincoln.

A satisfactory result was arrived at when Sam. Newman met Corpl. Smith of the Devon Regt. for the second time. On the first occasion the verdict of the draw was generally unpopular, so the men agreed to meet again last Saturday at Rangoon to decide who should be entitled to the title of light-weight Champion of Burma. They went twenty hard rounds in which some really smart work was seen and Sam Newman won on points—one of the best exhibitions of boxing ever given in Rangoon.

It is announced that on the 20th instant there will be another Golf Tournament at Frasergunge. Sir Andrew Fraser has presented a handsome cup to be played for. Gentlemen desiring to complete should send in their names at once to Hon. E. W. Collin, I.C.S., Commissioner of the Presidency Division.

The R. A. Bengal Football Tournament was won by the 3rd Battery R. F. A. who beat the 79th Battery in the final, at Lucknow, by 2 goals to *nil*. The trophy was presented to the winners by Colonel Massy.

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FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.

Friday, 22nd March 1907.

FROM Saturday until Wednesday we suffered from a succession of gales—or rather from one long and barely interrupted gale, till we were perfectly weary of it. The list of wreck and disaster at sea has been a very long one and the full extent of mishap is not known yet. A very singular and unusual feature of the weather prevailing on Sunday night was the thick haze which accompanied a gale strong enough to blow fog to shreds, one would suppose. Hence the wrecks of the *Jebba* and the *Suevic*—the two most important wrecks that occurred—from a property point of view.

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Suffragism made another assault on the Houses of Parliament on Wednesday: or rather two, for the ladies attacked first in the afternoon and again in the evening. The direct assaults were defeated by many firm but polite constables: a flank attack skifully planned was more successful; fifteen or twenty Lancashire operatives in shawls and clogs mounted a char-a-banc to "see the sights of London" and bade the unsuspicious male driver take them to Westminster, where unsuspicious police allowed them to pass, and had the trouble of hauling the crowd out of Westminster Hall. Sixty-seven arrests were made during the afternoon. Hard is the case of would be martyrs whose relatives have disgraced themselves by service to the State. I am told that orders have been given the police not to arrest Mrs. Despard, suffrage she never so wildly. This is a courtesy to her brother. Sir John French views his sister's behaviour with disapproval.

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I had the privilege of hearing Miss Christabel Pankhurst expound her views at the Sesame Club on Monday. The lady's oration would perhaps not greatly interest you. She is anything but a typical female agitator: rather small, neat and well dressed, her face has character. She speaks fluently—with awful fluency—and her speech is the speech of a woman who has been brought up in very decent society. She showed readiness and address in answering the various speeches made by men at the club against the cause; but I am bound to say that the men who spoke were not powerful advocates in an opposition sense and left unsaid most there is to urge: but that perhaps was politeness.

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Mr. Morley has finally refused to sanction the ascent of Mount Everset as Reuter has no doubt informed you. It is not easy to understand why: Sir George Goldie carefully explained the plan of the proposed ascent which involved entering the extreme edge of Tibetan territory, very sparsely populated at that, while the party would turn its back on Lhasa from the moment of crossing the frontier. Mr. Morley calmly assumed that it was proposed to send the party in a "furtive" manner, whereas the application to the India Office gives the assumption obvious and flat denial: and also assumes that "the expedition" proposed "exploration in Tibet." Mr. Morley or his advisers or both are apparently comprehensively ignorant of Indian frontier geography. The Royal Geographical Society is not pleased with Mr. Morley's treatment of the application.

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Mr. John Burns think the proposed audit of the L. C. C. accounts undesirable. At this I am not surprised. Other people who want to know the truth about the L. C. C.'s municipal trading schemes, think the plan most enimently desirable, since the late Council's reports are—to put it mildly—rather vague and confused. Mr. Burns thinks the official auditors suffice: but he forgets that these are only concerned with items of expenditure; not with those sordid details of profit and loss, due it may be to Socialist folly and extravagance with which the rate-payers are most concerned. Mr. Burns' disapproval will not, I imagine, prevent the audit being made and that by independent auditors.

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The National Service League which seeks to educate public opinion in favour of universal military training is certainly making headway. It advertised a meeting in Kensington Town Hall on Friday evening, and your onlooker went; rather, he confesses to see and hear Lord Milner than for any other reason National Service League views, objects and principles being familiar to him. Though the evening was cold and wet, the hall was literally crammed and the proceedings were enthusiastic. Mr. Maxse, Editor of the *National Review*, made decidedly the best speech of the evening. After Lord Milner had spoken the members of the audience were invited to sign cards approving the objects of the League: and I am told over 300 signatures were handed in, as the hall holds only about 600 and many of those present were already members, this was distinctly good.

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The facts that a gale was blowing, arctically cold, though from the west, that it was dull and threatened heavy rain, made no apparent difference in the crowds which turned out to see the boat race on Saturday afternoon. The sympathies of such as sport favours, cabmen, errand boys and the like were all with Cambridge, indicating I apprehend the crew in which the wearers trusted to win them shillings rather than anything else. The boats were received with great enthusiasm considering what a procession the race was: a spurt made by Oxford was received with tremendous applause, futile though the effort proved. Such was the state of wind and water that the value of "stations" was reduced to zero: and at one stage both boats were close under shelter of the Surrey bank.

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At the end of a twenty-seven hours' sitting of the Commons yesterday (pray imagine a Board of Directors or the partners of a business firm sitting for 27 hours to discuss any matter that demanded clear headedness and cool judgment!) Sir Henry Campbell Bannerman announced that his Government viewed with disfavour the Channel Tunnel scheme. For this relief some thanks. The plan was so preposterous that there was real danger of this complacent cabinet accepting it.

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Mr. Tree revived The Red Lamp on Saturday for a three weeks' run. The part of Paul Demetrius suits Mr. Tree well and he was more than acceptable in it. Miss Coustance Collier is the Princess Claudia, stately but perhaps a little too self-restrained in a part requiring some emotional display. Mr. Lyn Harding was a capital General Morakoff, but he was a soldier of the old English stage school rather than a Russian. The old play was followed by a new one act adoption from the French of Perinque by Mr. Gordon Lennox: it is called "The Van Dyck" and is best described as a melodramatic practical joke. It is a bit spun out, but with judicious cutting should enjoy long life as a curtain raiser for which it is well suited. Mr. Peters (Mr. Weedon Grossmith) is an art connoisseur—he says so—and his beautifully furnished flat is full of valuable things, picked up cheap from "friends who owe me money, widows who don't know what the things are really worth" and people like that. Enter Mr. Blair Woldingham (Mr. Tree) who occupies the next flat: he has sought Mr. Peter's acquaintance to thank him for his beautiful violin music which actually caused him to desist from suicide last night when he had the pistol at his head. Mr. Woldingham is charming and amable: looks at all Mr. Peter's treasures, hears how he got them and raves over the Van Dyck, "the gem of my collection" which is an obvious and clumsy forgery. Mr. Woldingham grows more confidential: he is distracted, pathetic attention is replaced by anxiety. He gets restive: Mr. Woldingham grows more heated and finally pounces on Mr. Peters and holds him down in his chair that he shall hear to the end the tale of love and poison with which Mr. Woldingham is bursting. Wilder and more excited he grows till it is clear Mr. W. is a raving lunatic. Knocks at the flat door: battering and kicking: crash! the door is down and in rush warders and keepers just in time to rescue Mr. Peters. Mr. Woldingham fights desperately and the head keeper hustles Mr. Peters into his bedroom "because he excites the patient"—and locks him in. And then the murder is out. Mr. Woldingham becomes sane instantly and joins the "keepers" in looting the flat. When Mr. Peters gets out of his bedroom, the premises are stripped of all his priceless treasures except that Van Dyck: the burglars left that because it was such an obvious fraud. The thing is a trifle but is most cleverly played. It gives Mr. Tree an admirable opportunity of working himself up from debonnair calm by progressive stages to madness: and Mr. Grossmith has perfect scope for exercising his remarkable gift for working his features. Often I have thought Mr. Grossmith makes too much use of those mobile and expressive eyebrows: as Mr. Peters they had ample play and the owner's dumb show acting while his visitor's madness developed was a real treat.

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One of his admirers has produced a table to show that Mr. Bernard Shaw is now the most popular playwright in the world. During the last twelve months plays of his have been produced in England, America, Germany, Austria, Bohemia (in Czech), Belgium, Hungary (in Magyar), Denmark, Norway, Swdeen, Russia, Finland and Switzerland. "Patience" is the next Gilbert and Sullivan opera down for revival at the Savoy. Depending as it did so greatly upon the aesthetic craze now mercifully dead and forgotten, one doubts a little whether this opera is likely to prove as great a draw as the Yeomen of the Guard or The Gondoliers, both of which treat of the "eternal verities."

The Miracle, —or Mystery, play Everyman is to be revived, the play will be given at the Coronet and at Kensington. Miss Wynne Mathieson will take the part of Everyman in which she scored such a great success when Mr. Poel first produced it. I wonder what Mr. Bunyan would have thought of the dramatisation of his book. A company of clever amateurs gave "The Pilgrim's Progress" on Saturday at the Imperial, Mr. Frank Dicksee R.A., having arranged the tableaux which former a large part of the play. I cannot say that the Pilgrim's Progress lends itself happily to the stage: The strong individual note of the original is impossible to reproduce. Much speculation was rife concerning the material of which the angel's wings were made; I think the lady who detected in them "that crushed tissue paper, they use for lamp shades" hit the right nail on the head. Large liberties were taken with text, characters and action:

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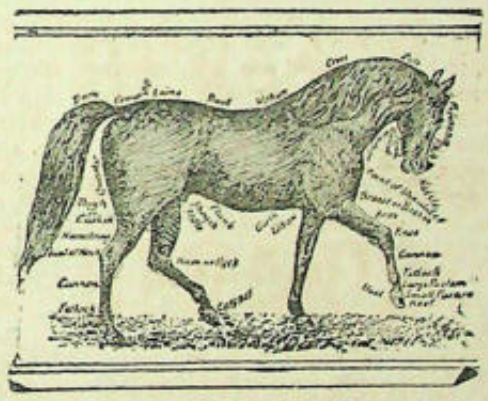

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Christian did not even come to blows with Apollyon, but routed him by holding up his cross handled sword. The music (old folk songs and ancient melodies) was admirable and harmonised very well with the spirit of the play.

Gaints are always a "draw." The Hipprodrome now has a giantess named Marie Fassnauer a Tyrolean, said to be over 8 feet high. I cannot say the large lady appeals to me. She is 27 years old but her face is far more rugged than the face of most peasant women of forty: dull in repose, but when she smiles—or grins for she doesn't do it by halves, a singular change from heaviness to shrewd alertness comes over her features. She is not very bulky, weighing only 24 stone. We were assured that Marie is fond of children and a regular churchgoer: items of information which appealed in different ways to different parts of the house: though why there should be anything peculiarly humorous in a giantess going to church, I confess is a mystery to me. Perhaps there is humour however in making such an announcement to the Hippodrome audience.

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A new strong man named Auto Atlas also adorns the Hippodrome. He is a German; and his great feat is to lift with his teeth a motor car with passengers weighing a ton, what time he balances on his hands on parallel bars. Auto Atlas is willing to lift any car weighing up to 3 tons and will do it while the engine records a speed of 50 miles an hour: from which I conclude vibration troubles Auto Atlas' nerves not at all.

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The Millman Trio are attracting attention at the Alhambra. The trio consists of a man and two girls, one of the latter in short skirts who does most of the business. The stage is darkened and Miss short skirt Millman appears floating in mid air; after various gyrations we discover that she owes her flotation to a wire which carries a pad she holds in her teeth. The rest of the performance is of the usual tight-wire walking kind, remarkable for the amazing energy and vitality of Miss short skirt Millman, who conveys the impression that she is thoroughly enjoying herself. She is the most sprightly and vivacious wire walker ever seen in London, I should think.

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La Belle Tortajada is restored to us. She reappeared at the Palace this week and received a tempestuous welcome. As handsome as of yore, she dances no less wonderfully and, infected perhaps by the warmth of her reception, was on quite intimate terms with the audience. She has learned more English since we last saw her in England and is not unwilling to display her knowledge.

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While writing of music hall entertainments it seems not out of place to remark on "La chasse de l'entente cordiale which is about to be given near Paris. A sort of artificial course with fences, etc., is being prepared near Versailles, with grand stands overlooking it: and here it is proposed to turn out bag foxes from the Ardennes and "hunt" them with hounds imported from this country! The Paris tailors are reported very busy making red coats and white leather breeches.

At Sotheby's on Saturday a number of Burns and Bret Harte Mss were sold: it is interesting to compare the prices. A Mss of "Scots wha hae" went for £355: and a batch of poems of less note on 11 quart pages brought £365. Three original Mss of Bret Harte brought respectively £17, £12 and £51.

Millicent Marsh, the servant girl on whose perjured evidence a youth was sentenced to imprisonment has escaped very lightly. It was assumed that she acted under influence and she was sent to a home instead of prison: one can only hope that the comforts of that home are of a drastic character.

Mrs. Jane Oakley, erstwhile so familiar as a contributor of verses to the advertisement columns of the *Times*, left about £22,000. The bulk of her estate goes to the Sussex Country Hospital.

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Lord William Nevill was before the magistrate again on Wednesday. The only item of evidence worth noticing was the prosecutor's assurance to counsel that he would *not* have lent the defendant 300 guineas on the security of two fragments of coal: a statement which seems somewhat superfluous. Lord William stands committed to take his trial at the next North London Sessions, on bail as before. Defence reserved.

I doubt if it has ever occurred to anyone who occasionally buys a pack of cards, secondhand, at his club that he is breaking the law and that the seller incurs a penalty for each pack sold of £5. The secretary of a Dover Street club has found this out to his cost: he sold cards to a non-member who proved to be a revenue officer and was "run in": it cost him 10s per pack sold.

ONLOOKER.

He had a billy-goat beard, his hair was towselled, and he had not been on speaking terms with soap and water for some time.

The bright boy from Oxford who sat at the next table could not keep his eyes off him.

"Know me next time you see me, I presume," said the man with the goatee.

"Not if you wash your face," retorted the boy; and first blow was struck within one-third of a second.

Shikar.

TOM ROUSE'S BEAR.

"SPEAKING of bear," said Tom Rouse, as he raked a baked potato out of the hot ashes of the campfire, "reminds me of the little tussle we had with a big grizzly back in the sixties on the east side of the Tehachapi Mountains." Tom broke his potato in two, dug out the salt can from the camp mess and took a bite a little too big and so much too hot that he had to roll it about for some time before he dared to either chew or swallow it. When he at last succeeded in clearing his mouth, he exclaimed: "Gosh, boys, but that was hot, but no hotter than the time we had with that bear. Wait till I finish this spud and I'll tell you all about it."

Tom Rouse was an old hunter, and while sometimes the boys thought he "put a little too much risin' in his dough," they still knew that he had an enviable record as a bear hunter and carried a few unmistakable scars to bear mute witness to encounters a little too close for anyone with less courage than Tom was known to possess. The day's hunt had been very unsuccessful and accordingly the little group around the campfire was rather dull, so Tom's promise of a good bear story at once commanded attention; for they all knew that when Tom Rouse characterized an encounter as a "hot one" it was sure to be entertaining.

After Tom's baked potato was finally stowed away and his pipe lighted, he began:

"If any of you have hunted on the east side of old Tehachapi you'll remember the big rock cliffs, just where the wall was broken down with the earthquake of '51 and left those two big leaning rocks in the form of a tent. I wasn't there in '51 but I'm inclined to think that the Indians lied about the earthquake putting those rocks in that shape. My experience in San Francisco last spring was that earthquakes aren't particular about piling things up in a useful way, any more 'n a bronco mule is about what becomes of you after he had given you a broadside from his business end. My belief is that them rocks were put in that shape by the good Lord for the very purpose of saving Bill Piper's life. No earthquake could have made calculations on any such a race as Bill had, but the good Lord could, and I believe he did.

"Well there were three of us in the camp, and me and Lige Dickens had left Bill Piper to keep camp and had gone to look for bear. Lige had gone up on the ledge of rocks where he could look down while I took along the side of the mountain about fifty yards below. We had nearly reached the northern end of the ledge when I heard Lige whistle. I looked up to the top of the ledge and there was Lige waving his hand to me to go back as if he was in a big hurry about it. I stood still and listened and looked ahead of me but I could neither hear nor see anything, while all the time Lige was waving his hand frantically for me to fall back. But I was looking for bear, and if there were any of 'em near I didn't want to retreat without seeing 'em and at least getting a shot. The brush was pretty thick and about as high as my head so that I couldn't see more 'n ten or fifteen feet ahead of me, but I wasn't going to back out until I knew what was there. Lige was about sixty feet above me and some fifty yards away and was therefore looking down so he could see what was doing. At last when he saw that I wasn't going to retreat he called down: 'It's two big grizzlies—and they're not fifteen feet from you!'

"At the sound of Lige's voice I heard a snort and the breaking of brush right in front of me. I made a jump to get behind a clump of brush, but my foot caught in a vine or something of the kind and I was just falling beyond the brush when the end of the nose of one of the bears hit me in the side and knocked me clean out of his way and over against the dead branches of a fallen tree. May be you think I wasn't scared. Well, I was, but not half so much as that bear. The two of them had been waddling along leisurely up to the time Lige called to me. His voice scared them and they broke into a run, not knowing that I was right in front of 'em, so that when I tripped and fell before the leader just in time to be caught by his nose he didn't realize what he had run into, and hadn't time to stop to investigate, but went tearing through the brush, snorting at every jump. As soon as they had passed me, and before I had extricated myself from the dead tree and recovered my rifle, I heard Lige shoot. Our guns in those days were muzzle loaders and of course he had but the one shot and the bears went on.

"As soon as I had assured him that I was not hurt Lige began reloading, telling me not to follow them too close as I would have no show with them in such thick brush. After reloading he followed along the ledge, while I had no difficulty in following their trail from below, which was taking a direct course for our camp. Every minute or two I would look up to Lige—who was now keeping pretty well out of sight—for directions as to where and how far the bears were ahead of me. A grizzly never runs far at a time, when he does run; and he never runs when he thinks he is in close quarters and can see his adversary, and very seldom after he is wounded, unless it's after the fellow who did it, so I expected any moment to come on to them.

"When I had been so unceremoniously knocked out of the way I didn't have time to see how big the brute was but Lige said one of them was a monster, and this being the case I didn't propose to let him get away, so I kept following 'em up pretty close. We had got to within less than two hundred yards of the camp when Lige motioned that they were right in front of me. While I was working up cautiously Lige raised his rifle and fired. At the crack of his rifle I again heard the brush snapping and rushed up to get a shot at them myself. But the brush at this point was considerably higher than my head and quite thick, so it was difficult to see any distance at all. Lige motioned me to come up closer to the cliff. At the same time Bill Piper rushed out from the camp, calling to know what was up. Lige holloed to him to get back out of sight, that the bear was coming right toward him. Just at this the big fellow broke into the open where our camp was located, and seeing Bill made straight for him. Bill drew a bead on him and fired but failed to stop him. I tore through the brush as best I could and reached the open just in time to see Bill running around the rock tent with a fifteen hundred pound bere not more than ten feet behind him.

"The two leaning rocks that formed the tent were close up to the perpendicular ledge, and a lot of other rocks in falling had piled up between them so as to form a high connection with the ledge. Over this Bill came scrambling as fast as he could and down the side toward me with the bear too close a second for Bill's peace of mind. 'Go round again!' I holloed as I fired at the bear's throat over Bill's head. My shot hit him hard in the sticking place and he half rolled down to the level ground. As he recovered his feet and made after Bill I called to Lige to look out for him as he came over again, and drawing my revolver rushed up to close quarters. In less time than it takes to tell it I saw Bill coming over this course on the second lap. Lige had reached a point not more than ten feet from the hurdle over which they were coming and nearly above them, and I had gained a rock within six feet of the course. On account of the bear stumbling from my shot Bill had gained a lead of fully twenty feet, and the bear, weakened from the three good shots that were now in him, wasn't taking the hurdle as clean as he did on the first lap. As Bill came over I called to him saying: 'Keep it up Bill! If you gain as much the next lap as you have on this you'll have him by the tail.' As the bear appeared Lige caught him with a good shot from above in the neck, while I, reaching to within four feet of his ear, directed my fire for the brain and he went down like a felled ox, hitting the ground at the bottom of the rocks with such a thud that further shooting was unnecessary. Billy, however, had taken my advice and came over the hurdle for the third lap with such a rush that he almost landed on the dead bear, while Lige, from his perch on the cliff, called out: 'Bill wins in the third round; time one minute and twenty-seven seconds.'"

As Tom seemed to have finished his story and began raking in the ashes again, one of the boys asked:

"What became of the other bear?"

"Oh," said Tom, "the little fellow kept right on when the big one took after Bill. As soon as Bill had recovered his wind we all three took his trail and got him with less than half a mile of the camp. But that's another story," he said, as he raked another potato out of the fire, "and I'm not going to let this spud burn for the sake of a young grizzly that didn't weigh more'n five hundred pounds."—*The Western Field.*

Fishing.

DOWN BY THE OLD LOG POOL.

OH, I long for a waft of the woodland,
For a breath of the redwoods cool;
And the creek's soft, singing melody,
And the little wild birds twittering glee
Down by the old log pool.

Oh, I long to see the red sun rise
Over the green-topped hill;
And to hear echo back from each mountain wall
The far, faint tattoo of the quail's drum-call,
While all save the brook is still.

Oh, I long to wander, rod in hand,
When the rosy dawn is breaking;
And in the clear, blue sky above
With whistling, creaking wings, the dove
Her fieldward flight is taking.

Oh, I long to steal down stealthily
Where the oak upriven lies,
And where the murmuring ripples go
To the deep, dark silent pool below,
To cast my eager flies.

There's a flash and a dash, a scurry and splash,
And at my line a stout pull—
As, with leaping rainbowed body bare
There flashes an instant in the air
The king of the log pool!

He's off in a headlong, maddened rush—
I can feel the tough rod bend,
And the long, lithe body's frantic feel
At the spurring touch of the stinging steel,
And the high-pitched song of the skrieking reel,
As he breaks at the pool's far end.

He circles and doubles and dashes swift,
For the battle's not won yet;
And he still fights hard with a waning strength
Till I draw his gasping, supine length,
Half-struggling, to the net.

Others may sing of their shooting,
Of triumphs 'neath nature's rule—
But I long for a bout with a good old trout,
When the stout rod bends and the reel runs out,
Down by the old log pool.

The Western Field. —Roy Brazel Miller.

Shooting.

ANCIENT AND MODERN ARCHERS.

The address of President Chase to the Massachusetts Rifle Association, is interesting and affords much food for reflection. The statement that the ancient armour preserved in Britain shows that we, of the present day, are larger than our ancestors were, has been clearly proved to be correct. During the preparations for the celebrated Eglinton tournament, held about seventy years ago, it was found that the old armour was too small for the chests and limbs of medium-sized men.

The largest suit of armour in the collection at the Tower of London is that which was worn by King Henry the VIII. It would fit a powerful man of the present average size, but could not be worn by any one who is now considered to be a large man.

I never heard before of the armour at an ancient town in England which Mr. Chase was informed can only be worn by ungrown boys in the annual processions.

Nearly all old armour will fit small and muscular men of to-day. The mere fact of our ancestors having been smaller than we are, would not, I think, prove that they were much, if any less strong. They had no newspapers and few books. Hardly any except priests could read. Tobacco had not been introduced, and there were very few indoor amusements. The men therefore, when not engaged in necessary work, would be impelled to amuse themselves with various out-door exercises and thus would become more powerful than those who now work in offices and factories, or spend their leisure in reading, smoking, and at billiard tables.

In judging the effects of ancient archery by what we see modern bowmen doing, great allowance should be made for the fact that our ancestors were constantly practicing from childhood until they were well advanced in life. The ancient laws of England obliged every yeoman to give each son, on attaining the age of seven years, a bow of his own height, and a new bow every year afterward until he was full grown. The most powerful men used yew bows six feet long, with arrows of three feet, called, in old writings, "cloth-yard shafts." The bowmen were compelled by law, to practise regularly on saints' days, and on Sundays after attending mass.

Therefore the muscles, specially engaged in archery, must have been developed to an extraordinary degree of power; and the yeomen would be able to use bows which far larger modern archers would be unable to draw.

In the reign of Henry the VIII an Act of Parliament was passed, forbiding men to shoot at the butts, which were erected, near evey village and town at any shorter range than forty rods. This shows that sending an arrow 220 yards was well within the power of the average bowman, and doubtless many could shoot to far greater distances. I doubt if many of even the most powerful modern archers could send an arrow 200 yards.

Mr. Nicholson states that when a youth attending college at Cambridge, he was passionately fond of archery, and practised until he was able to readily use a bow of ninety-five pound pull. Few of the strongest modern archers can draw a bow of more than fifty or sixty pound pull, Nicholson writes: "I Eventually found that a range of 400 yards could be attained and that at forty to fifty yards an arrow with a square pyramidal steel head could be sent through an iron spade."

As he mentions that when full grown he never weighed more than 164 pounds, it is fairly certain that the most powerful of the ancient archers could draw bows with which arrows could be sent fully 500 or 600 yards, and which would pierce armour at short ranges when the arrows did not strike so obliquely as to glance off.

The illustrations of the archery meeting in ARMS AND THE MAN represent the bowmen drawing the arrows to their breasts. This system has also become customary in England because a more accurate aim can be taken by holding the notch end of the arrow under the right eye; but our ancestors were taught to draw the string to the right ear, which enabled them to use longer arrows and thus increase the range.

As they shot in battle at masses of men and could see where the arrows fell the sacrifice of a little accuracy was not of much consequence. If any reliance can be placed on history, it is certain that the victories of Crecy, Poitiers, Agincourt, and Flodden were largely due to the shooting of the English archers.

I believe Mr. Chase to be mistaken in supposing that ·22 caliber rifles would have been more effective in battle than the ancient bows. The bullet of the ·22 long-rifle cartridge would have no effect in stopping a charge of cavalry cased in armour; but arrows with broad-barbed heads would penetrate with deadly effect into every exposed part of the horses. It is well known that Indians, when hunting the American bison, used frequently to send arrows completely through a full grown bull, with their short and comparatively feeble bows, and that an arrow penetrating deeply in almost any part of the body generally stopped an animal from moving, more quickly than a bullet, in consequence of the pain resulting from any further motion.

The absurd tales about the skill of the old archers in hitting small objects at long ranges, were doubtless due partly to the way in which the accounts of events become exaggerated when passing from one individual to another, partly to the fact (which applies equally to reflemen) that every one, who shoots for many years, occasionally makes extraordinary hits which men who know little about projectiles, think the marksman can repeat at will. Lastly and perhaps chiefly, these romances are due to the fact mentioned by President Chase, that people remember the few lucky hits and forget the multitude of misses.

In Ivanhoe, Robin Hood is described as splitting a peeled willow stick at 220 yards: and in The Pathfinder, three men in succession hit and nail on the head with rifle bullets at 100 yards. If any one of such feats were done once, it could probably not be repeated in a hundred subsequent attempts.

J. J. M.

Says the "Daily Telegraph," June 2, 1905:

"Drink and the inadequate remuneration of female labour were among the causes cited as contributing to the downfall of many young girls at the forty-eighth annual meeting of the London Female Preventive and Reformatory Institution."

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LIGHT BULLETS AND HIGH VELOCITIES.

TO THE EDITOR OF "THE INDIAN FIELD."

Sir,—I have more than once criticized the unnecessarily heavy bullets adopted for sporting high velocity rifles, and pointed out that the Winchester Arms Company were proceeding on sound lines in using light projectiles for their new smokeless weapons. We now see a tendency among British gunmakers to increase velocities and lighten bullets. This policy has no doubt arisen in consequence of the success of the new German pointed bullet. The Germans have come to the conclusion that a very high muzzle velocity combined with a light bullet, offers superior advantages, from a military point of view, over the long heavy bullets and moderate velocities hitherto in vogue. The light bullet gives a considerably flatter trajectory than the heavy up to 1,000 yards, beyond this distance weight tells. The tactical superiority of the new ammunition over the decisive ranges is thought to very much more than compensate for the inevitable falling off at longer distances—with the sporting rifle there are no long ranges to consider, and a judicious lightening of the bullet, combined with a corresponding increase in the muzzle velocity tends to make the weapon enormously more effective for the special purpose for which it is intended.

Messrs. Holland have brought out a 200 grains bullet for the ·375 Holland Schoenauer rifle with which a muzzle velocity of nearly 2,400 feet per second is obtained. I do not, however, consider that such a moderate result can be described as altogether satisfactory, and I am of opinion that in this bore, with so light a bullet, a velocity of 2 700 feet per second or thereabouts should be aimed at. The chamber pressure is so moderate, under 14 tons per square inch, that it is evident the full capabilities of the ·375 have been by no means worked up. All who have used a Mannlicher, or Schoenauer Mannlicher on game at long ranges must have thoroughly grasped the immense advantages conferred by the high velocity. These rifles, however, use comparatively heavy bullets and therefore in weapons imitating Spitzer conditions, we may reasonably expect to see velocities still further enhanced and trajectories flattened. Messrs. Westley Richards have shown what very high velocities can be attained with rifles using the latest and most improved forms of smokeless powder. The latest modifications of cordite, and similar propellants, have tended to reduce the temperature of explosion and also chamber pressures. With our latest marks of 12 inch and 9·2 naval guns we are able to get nearer and nearer to the ideal velocity of 3,000 feet per second. The wear and tear on the gun with a velocity of 2,800 feet per second is no more now than it used to be with a muzzle velocity of 2,400 or thereabouts, using the older and hotter form of cordite. Heavy guns keep the same weight of projectile, so as not to diminish their penetration into armour, but with small arms bullet weight is being diminished so that taking this into account in addition to the improvements in powder, we ought to shortly see very high muzzle velocities arrived at without any excessive chamber pressure or wear on the barrel. The bullets of the ·405 and ·350 Winchester high velocity rifles are lighter in proportion than those of the ·303 British, ·276 Mauser and ·256 Mannlicher rifles, but nevertheless there is a margin for lightening them still further and so obtaining considerably higher velocities for the same chamber pressure. I should like to see the ·350 Winchester bullet reduced to 180 or 190 grains, with a muzzle velocity of 2,700 or 2,800 feet per second. This rifle and the ·405 also would be greatly improved if they could be produced with detachable barrels.

It is most necessary that one should be able to clean a modern sporting rifle from the breech with a rod. For this purpose there is nothing better than a wood covered steel rod, with a bristle brush over which has been placed a piece of soft rag well soaked in orite. The bristle head forces the cleaning rag well into the grooves, while it never sticke in the barrel. Pull-throughs to my mind are not to be compared with a cleaning rod furnished with a bristle head. The bristle brushes are quite cheap, and can be renewed at trifling cost, as soon as the bristle lose their stiffness and elasticity.

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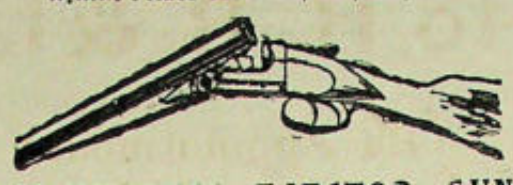

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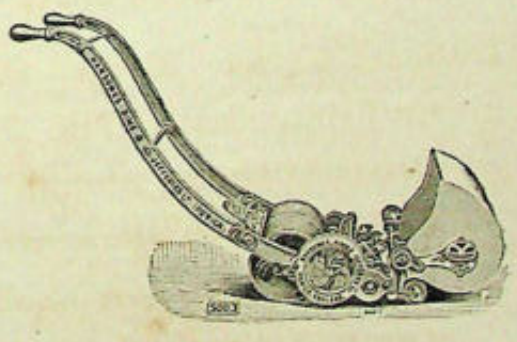

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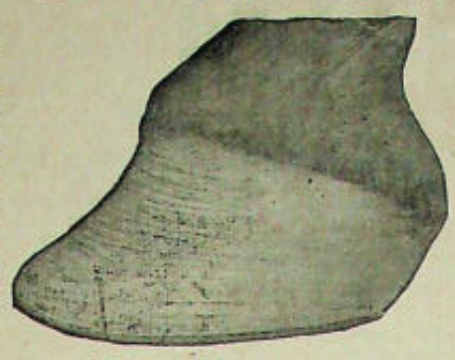

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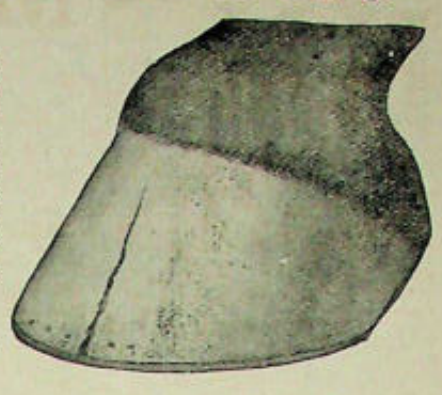

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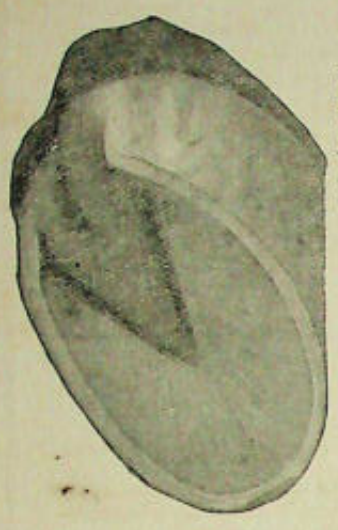

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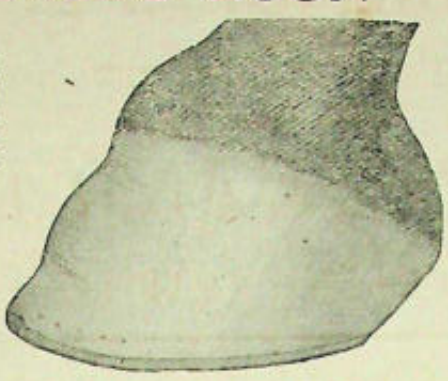

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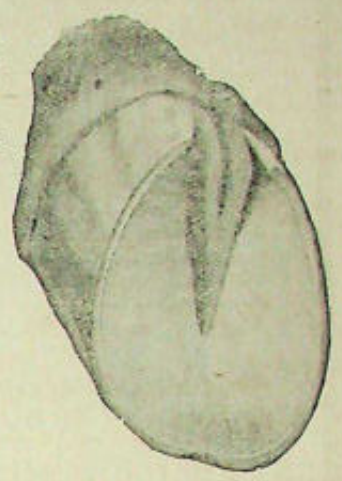

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Dibrugarh Sky	May	4
Quetta Spring	May	21, 23 & 25
Simla Summer		28 & 30 June
Cuttack Summer	"	7, 9 & 11
Shillong	"	14 & 16
Mussoorie	"	16 & 18
Mysore	June	25, 27 & 29
Poona Races	Sep.	7, 11, 14, 18, 21, & 23
Rangoon First Extra	Oct.	19
Rangoon Second Extra	Nov.	2
Rangoon Third Extra	"	16
Calcutta First Extra	"	30
Rangoon Autumn	"	30 & Dec. 3 &
Calcutta Second Extra	Dec.	7
Rangoon Fourth Extra	"	7
Calcutta Third Extra	"	14
Calcutta Races (First Meeting)	"	21, 24, 26 and 28,
Lahore X'mas	"	24, 26, 28, and 31,
Tollygunge Steeplechases	"	31 and Jany. 4 1908
Calcutta Races (Second Meeting)	Jan.	11, 14, and 18, 1908
Calcutta Fourth Extra	"	25, 1908
Rangoon Fifth Extra	"	25, 1908
Rangoon Sixth Extra	Feb.	8, 1908
Rangoon Seventh Extra	"	22, 1908
Rangoon Spring	Mar.	7, 10 and 12, 1908
Rangoon Eighth Extra	"	14, 1908

CLOSING DATES OF ENTRIES.

Karachi Spring	Third	9th April.
Quetta Spring	First	14th April.
	Second	30th April.
	Third	10th May.
Shillong	Day before the Races.	
Mysore	First	15th April
	Second	18th May
	Third	15th June.
Ootacamund	Second	21st April.
Dibrugarh	Final	1st May.
		3rd May.
Indian Army Cup (Umballa)	First	1st May.
	Second	1st July.
	Third	2nd Sept.
	Final	10th October.
Civil Service Cup (Lucknow)	First	1st May.
	Second	2nd July.
	Third	14th Sept.
	Fourth	30th Nov.
	Final	15th January.
Lucknow Autumn Army Cup	First	1st July.
	Second	15th August.
	Third	1st October.
	Final	4th Nov.
Poona	First	30th July.
	Second	13th August.
	Third	27th August.

INDIAN SPORTING FIXTURES

POLO.	
Beresford Tournament, Simla	10th June.
Mussoorie Tournament	6th May.
Mysore Birthday Tournament	24th June
SHOWS.	
Simla Horse Show	In June.
BOXING.	
Poona Tournament	22nd to 27th April.
Sirhind Tournament, Simla	11th to 27th July.
FOOTBALL.	
Durand Tournament	In September
HOCKEY.	
Beighton Cup Tournament	Begins 17th April.
GOLF.	
Frasergange Tournament	20th April.

ENGLISH RACING FIXTURES.

(Principal Races in 1907.)

Craven Stakes (1 mile 2½ yards.)	Thursday, 18th April.
Great Metropolitan Stakes (2¼ miles)	Tuesday, 23rd April.
City and Suburban (1¼ mile)	Wednesday, 24th April.
Two Thousand Guineas (1 mile)	Wednesday, 1st May.
One Thousand Guineas (1 mile)	Friday, 3rd May.
Chester Cup (2¼ miles)	Wednesday, 8th May.
Kempton Park Great Jubilee Handicap (1½ mile)	Saturday, 11th May.
Newmarket Stakes (1 mile 2 furlongs)	Wednesday, 15th May.
Manchester Cup (1½ mile)	Friday, 24th May.
Prix du Jockey Club (1½ mile)	Saturday, 2nd June.
The Derby (1½ mile)	Wednesday, 5th June.
The Coronation Cup (1½ mile)	Thursday, 6th June.
The Oaks (1½ mile)	Friday, 7th June.
Grand Prix de Paris (1 mile 7 furlongs)	Sunday, 16th June.
Ascot Stakes (2 miles)	Tuesday, 18th June.
Ascot Gold Vase (2 miles)	Tuesday, 18th June.
Royal Hunt Cup (7 furlongs 166 yards)	Wednesday, 19th June.
Gold Cup (1½ mile)	Thursday, 20th June.
New Stakes (5 furlongs 144 yards)	Thursday, 20th June.
Hardwicke Stakes (1½ miles)	Friday 21st June.
Northumberland Plate (2 miles)	Wednesday, 26th June.
July Stakes (Newmarket) (5 furlongs 144 yards)	Tuesday, 2nd July.
Princess of Wales' Stakes (1 mile 4 furlongs)	Thursday, 4th July.
Eclipse Stakes (1¼ mile)	Friday, 19th July.
Liverpool Cup (1 mile 3 furlongs)	Friday, 26th July.
Steward's Cup (Goodwood) (6 furlongs)	Tuesday, 30th July.
Goodwood Plate (2 miles)	Wednesday, 31st July.
Goodwood Cup (2¾ miles)	Thursday, 1st August.
Brighton Cup (1¼ mile)	Wednesday, 7th August.
Great Northern Leger (1 mile 5 furlongs)	Wednesday, 21st August.
Prince of Wales Plate (3 furlongs)	Tuesday, 27th August.
Great Ebor Handicap (1½ mile.)	Wednesday, 28th August
Gimrack Stakes (6 furlongs)	Thursday, 29th August.
Great Yorkshire Handicap (1 mile 6furs. 132yrds.)	Tuesday, 10th September.
Champagne Stakes (Doncaster) (5 furs. 152 yrds.)	Tuesday, 10th September.
St. Leger (1 mile 6 furlongs 132 yards)	Wednesday, 11th Septr.
Doncaster Cup (2 miles)	Friday, 13th September.
Prince Edward Handicap (1½ mile)	Saturday, 21st Septr.
Jockey Club Stakes (1¾ mile)	Thursday, 3rd October.
Prix du Conseil Municipal (Paris) 1½ mile)	Sunday, 6th October.
Duke of York Stakes (1¼ mile)	Saturday, 12th October.
Cesarewitch Stakes (2½ miles)	Wednesday, 16th October
Middle Park Plate (6 furlongs)	Friday, 18th October.
Cambridgeshire Stakes	Wednesday, 30th Octr.
Dewhurst Plate (7 furlongs)	Thursday, 31st Octr.
Liverpool Autumn Cup (1 mile 3 furlongs)	Friday, 8th November.
Manchester November Handicap (1½ mile)	Saturday 23rd Novr.

ENGLISH SPORTING FIXTURES.

Tennis Championship, Fairs vs. Latham	6th May.
England vs. Scotland (Amateur Golf)	25th May.
Amateur Golf Championship	28th May.
Golf Open Championship	20th June.
England vs. South Africa (Cricket)	1st July.
Henley Regatta	3rd, 4th & 5th July.
Oxford vs. Cambridge (Cricket)	4th July.
Amateur Athletic Championships	6th July.
Eton vs. Harrow (Cricket)	12th July.
Gentlemen vs. Players (Cricket)	17th July.
England vs. South Africa (Cricket)	29th July.
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First Day, Tuesday, 2nd April 1907.

THERE was a good attendence to-day and good fields, but in most races the starts were so straggling that the sport was quite spoilt and the racing robbed of all interest. In the Nerbudda Hurdle Race with which the card opened, Captain Grant of the Royal Fusiliers was badly shaken when Satanita came down with him. Many people grumbled at the way the jumps on the steeplechase course had been cut down. Details:—

NERBUDDA HURDLE RACE—Winner Rs. 200, second Rs. 50, third Rs. 25. For Arabs and C.-B's 14-2 and under, others 14-1 and under. Arabs 14-2 to carry 10st., C.-B's 14-2 to carry 11st., others 14-1 to carry 11st. 7lbs. W. I. Penalties—Winners of a hurdle race value Rs. 150 or over, once 4lbs.; twice 7lbs., oftener 10lbs (not accumulative). 1 mile.

Mr. Fail's Glen Lea, 9st. 12lbs.	... Mr. McCall	1
Mr. Hesseltine's Roseleaf, 10st., 6lbs.	... Capt Johnson	2
Capt. Walyn's Briar Rose, 10st. 12lbs,	... Mr. Crawshay	3

Also ran: Satanita, 10-12 fell; Duchess, 10-6, ran out.

BETTING: 5 to 1 on Glen Lea, 6 to 4 agst Briar Rose, and 5 to 1 the others.

Glen Lea took the lead from the start and drawing away won easily by ten lengths; a bad third. Time—2 mins. 4⅕ secs.

GAURNADI HURDLE RACE.—Winner Rs. 200, second Rs. 50, third Rs. 25. For horses. W. A. and C. raised 2st. Penalties—Winners, once 7lbs., twice 10lbs., oftener 14lbs. (not accumulative). 1 mile.

Mr. Bryant's Reinforcement, 11st.	... Mr. Tomkison	1
Capt. Grant's Madeira, 11st. 10lbs.	... Northmore	2
Mr. Henry's Hautboy, 11st. 7lbs.	... Capt. Johnson	3

Also ran: Ruapeka, 10-0; Daroji, 10-0; Black Pearl, 10-0.

BETTING:—Evens Reinforcement, 2 to 1 agst. Madeira, 4 to 1 Hautboy, and 6 to 1 the others.

Reinforcement and Madeira in company showed the way. Then after the last hurdle, Reinforcement drew clear and won by one and a half lengths; a bad third. Time.—1min. 56⅕secs.

EASTERN PLATE.—Winner Rs. 200, second Rs. 50, third Rs. 25. For Arabs and C.-B's 14-1 and under. Arabs 14-1 to carry 10st. 7lbs., C.-B's 14-1 to carry 11st. 11lbs. W. I. Penalties—Winners of a flat race value Rs. 150 or over, once 4lbs., twice 7lbs., oftener 10lbs. (not accumulative). 5 furlongs.

Mr. Cooke's Betty, 8st. 6lbs.	... Taylor	1
Capt. Casson's Eager, 10st. 11lbs.	... Owner	2
Mr. Scott's Tommy Titus, 8st. 3lbs.	... Beehan	3

Also ran: Nowar, 9-13; Cortolvin, 9-5; Banzai, 8-13.

BETTING: 5 to 4 agst. Tommy Titus, 3 to 1 Nowar, 4 to 1 Betty, and 8 to 1 the others.

Eager and Tommy Titus got off in front of Betty, the rest getting off badly. Eager led to the quarter mile, where Betty came in front and won by four lengths; one and a half lengths between second and third. Time—1min. 12secs.

THE COMMISSIONER'S CUP.—Winner Rs. 200, presented by M. W. Fox-Strangways, Esq., I.C.S., second Rs. 50, third Rs. 25.

For ponies 14-2 and under—14-2 to carry 12st. 7lbs. W. I. Allowances—Ponies that have never won a flat race value Rs. 50 or over, 7lbs.; Rs. 200 or over, 14lbs.; Rs. 50 or over, 21lbs. (not accumulative). 5 furlongs.

Mr. Scott's Kathleen II, 10st	... Capt. Hughes	1
Mr. Locke's Gladstone, 10st. 8lbs.	... Mr. McCall	2
Mr. Crichton's Mademoiselle, 10st. 11lbs.	...	3

Also ran: Pate, 11-9; Syren, 10-5; Audrey 9-11.

BETTING: Evens Pate, 2 to 1 each agst. Gladstone and Kathleen II., 4 to 1 Mademoiselle, and 5 to 1 the others.

In several false starts Gladstone took a lot out of himself. Eventually when let go Gladstone and Kathleen got the best and Pate the worst of a very bad start. Kathleen and Gladstone raced abreast to the near stand where Kathleen got slightly in front and won by a neck; three lengths between second and third. Time—1min. 6⅖secs.

THE GRAND STAND PLATE.—Winner Rs. 200, second Rs. 50, third Rs. 25. For horses. W. A. and C. raised 1st. 7lbs. Allowances—Maidens allowed 7lbs. Penalties—Winners, once, 4lbs., twice 7lbs., oftener 10lbs. (not accumulative). 5 furlongs.

Messrs. Goculdas and Ananji Nanji's Free Lance, 11st. 3lbs.	... Capt. Meynell	1
Mr. Scott's Sweet Sound, 10st. 7lbs.,	... Mr. Tomlinson	2
Mr. Heywood's Pylara, 10st. 11lbs.	... Beehan	3

Also ran: Curfew, 10-7; Caroline, 10-0; Dick Cunningham, 10-0.; Half-a-Crown, 10-0; Stepma, 10-0; Dame Fortune, 10-0.

BETTING: 6 to 4 agst. Sweet Sound, 6 to 1 each Pylara, Dame Fortune and Stepma, and 10 to 1 the others.

Curfew and Sweet Sound followed by Free Lance and Pylara got off in front of the rest who were in a long string. Sweet Sound led to the rails where Free Lance challenged and won by a neck, half a length between second and third. Time—1min. 6⅖secs.

THE DESERT PLATE.—Winner Rs. 500, second Rs. 100, third Rs. 50. For Arabs 14-1 and under, 14-1 to carry 11st, W. I. Penalties—Winners of a flat race value Rs. 150 or over once 7lbs., twice 10lbs., oftener 14lbs. Allowances—Ponies that have never won a flat race value Rs. 50 or over allowed 7lbs. 7 furlongs.

Mr. Fail's Chance, 9st. 9lbs.	... Beehan	1
Capt. Marriott's Wily, 10st. 12lbs.	... M. Nimmo	2
Mr. Morrison's Lomond, 10st. 4lbs.	... Capt. Meynell	3

Also ran: Cinqueports, 10-10; Bahar, 9-5.

BETTING: Evens Lomond, 6 to 4 agst. Chance, and 5 to 1 the others.

Bahar and Wily led to near the distance where Chance overhauled them and finally won by six lengths, two lengths between second and third. Time—1min. 43secs.

Second Day, Thursday, 4th April 1907.

The handicapper is to be warmly congratulated on the good finishes which resulted from his awards; the starting was a marked improvement of that of the first day, and in consequence we had good racing. Favourites did not have it quite all their own way as witness the victory of Ben Hur—a six to one chance—in the Selling Plate. Scott's stable won the last three races off the reel; Mr. Tomkinson had a couple of winning mounts. Details:—

ARAB HANDICAP.—Winner, Rs. 200; second, Rs. 50; third, Rs. 25. A Handicap for Arabs 14-2 and under. 1 mile.

Capt. Hill's Cinque Ports, 9st. 13lbs.	... McCall	1
Mr. Scott's Bahar, 9st. 2lbs. (car. 9st. 5lbs.)	... Capt. Hughes	2
Mr. Morrison's Nowar, 10st. 7lbs.	... Capt. Meynell	3

BETTING: Evens Cinque Ports, 6 to 4 agst, Bahar, 2 to Nowar.

Nowar led for a while with Bahar and Cinque Ports next; at the three furlongs he was passed by both and they finished in the order given, the verdict being two lengths and ten lengths. Time—1min. 57⅕secs.

THE SELLING PLATE.—Winner, Rs. 200; second, Rs. 50; third, Rs. 25. A selling race for Arabs and C.-B's. 14-2 and under; others 14-1 and under. Ponies entered to be sold for Rs. 1,000. C.-B.'s 14-2 to carry 12st. Arabs 14-2 to carry 10st. 7lbs., others 14-1 to carry 12st. 10lbs. W. I. 5 furlongs.

Col. Rundle's Ben Hur (Rs. 400), 8st. 12lbs.	Northmore	1
Capt. Wilson's Speculation (Rs. 600), 10st. 7lbs.	... Capt Cotton	2
Mr. Willan's Duchess (Rs. 600), 10st. 13lbs. (car. 11st. 2lbs.)	... Capt. Hughes	3

Also ran: Lady Wheeler (Rs. 400), 9-3.

BETTING: Evens Lady Wheeler, 3 to 1 Duchess, 4 to 1 Speculation, 6 to 1 Ben Hur.

Led throughout and won by three lengths; a neck between second and third. Time—1min. 11⅗secs.

Winner brought in for Rs. 900.

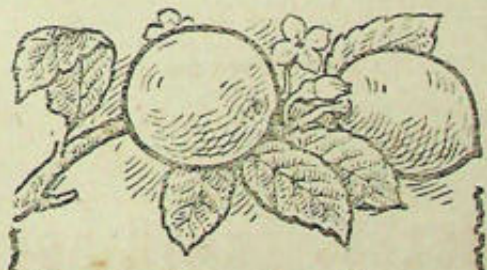
JUBBULPORE STEEPLECHASE.—Winner, Rs. 500, presented by the Calcutta Turf Club; second, Rs. 100; third, Rs. 50. A steeplechase for horses. W. A. and C. raised 2st. About 1¼miles.

Capt. Grant's Madeira, 1st. 7lbs.	... Mr. Tomkinson	1
Mr. Henry's Hautboy, 11st. 7lbs.	... Capt. Johnson	2
Mr. F. Bryant's Reform, 11st.	Mr. Crawshay	3

Also ran: Daroji, 11-0; Ruapehu, 11-0.

BETTING: 2 to 1 on Madeira, 2 to 1 agst. Hautboy, 3 to 1 Daroji, 5 to 1 others.

The three placed horses were in front throughout the journey; at the last jump Madeira went ahead and won by a length; twenty lengths between second and third. Time—3mins. 31secs.



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THE GARRISON CUP.—Winner, Rs. 500, presented by Officers of the Jubbulpore Garrison ; second, Rs 100 ; third Rs. 50. A handicap for poines 14-2 and under. 7 furlongs.

Mr. Scott's Pat C., 12st. 4lbs.	Capt. Meynell	1
Mr. Locke's Quick Remedy, 10st. 7lbs.	Mr. Tomkinson	2
Mr. McCall's Mademoiselle, 9st.	Owner	3

Also ran : Kathleen II., 10-12 ; Black Pearl, 9-5 ; Syren, 8-4.

BETTING ; Evens Pat C., 2 to 1 each agst. Kathleen II. and Mademoiselle, 3 to 1 Quick Remedy, 6 to 1 the others.

Quick Remedy was a head till after a couple of furlongs had been travelled where Pat C. got abreast and going on from the distance won easily by a length and a half ; a neck between second and third. Time—1min. 39secs.

SEHORA PLATE.—Winner, Rs. 200 ; second, Rs. 50 ; third, Rs. 25. A handicap for horses. 1 mile.

Mr. Scott's Sweet Sound, 10st. 9lbs.	Mr. Tomkinson	1
Mr. Hudson's Dame Fortune, 9st. 7lbs.	Mr. McCall	2
Capt. Casson's Curfew, 10st. 5lbs.	Owner,	3

Also ran : Free Lance, 11-12; Dick Cunningham, 8-12; Carrolin, 8-8.

BETTING : 2 to 1 on Free Lance, 2 to 1 agst. Sweet Sound, 4 to 1 each Curfew and Dame Fortune, 8 to 1 the others

Dame Fortune and Curfew were in command till they got into the straight where Sweet Sound drew level and leaving Curfew a good race between the two resulted in a win for Sweet Sound by half a length; a length between second and third. Time—1min. 48⅘secs.

MARBLE ROCKS PLATE.—Winner, Rs. 200; second, Rs. 50 ; third, Rs. 25. A handicap for Arabs and C.-B.'s 14-1 and under. 6 furlongs.

Mr. Scott's Bahar, 8st. 4lbs.	Bachan	1
Capt. Marriott's Wily, 13st. 7lbs. (car. 10st. 8lbs.)	Mr. Nimmo	2
Mr. Cooke's Betty, 9st. 9lbs.	Capt. Hughes	3

Also ran : Eager, 10-0 ; Tommy Titus, 7-6 (car. 4-10) ; Cortolvin, 6-7 (car. 8-3).

BETTING : 2 to 1 agst Betty, 3 to 1 Bahar, 4 to 1 each Eager and Wily, 6 to 1 Tommy Titus, 10 to 1 Cortolvin.

Bahar did not get through till the distance and after a smart finish won by three-quarters of a length ; half a length between second and third. Time—1min. 24½ secs.

Third Day, Saturday, 6th April 1907.

Very good racing again to-day. Mr. Cooke's Betty won two races handsomely, Mr. Tomkinson rode a couple of winners, everyone was pleased to see Mr. Hallifax win the Dwarf Steeplechase with Black Pearl which started an odds on favourite. Appended are details :—

BEDOUIN PLATE.—Winner Rs. 200, second Rs. 50, third Rs. 25. A handicap for Arabs 14-2 and under. ¼ mile.

Mr. Cooke's Betty, 9st. 6lbs.	Mr. Durham	1
Capt. Marriott's Wily, 10st. 8lbs.	Mr. Nimmo	2
Mr. Scott's Tommy Titus, 8st. 3lbs.	Bechan	3

Also ran : Eager, 10-0; Lomond, 9-10.

BETTING : Evens Tommy Titus, 3 to 1 each Eager and Lomond, and 6 to 1 Betty.

Won by two lengths ; a length between second and third. Time— 56secs.

HOWABAGH PLATE.—Winner Rs. 200, second, Rs. 50, third Rs. 25. A handicap for ponies. 6 furlongs.

Mr. Locke's Quick Remedy, 10st. 7lbs.	Mr. Tomkinson	1
Mr. McCall's Mademoiselle, 9st.	Owner	2
Mr. Fail's Glenlea, 8st. 12lbs.	Bechan	3

BETTING : 3 to 1 on Quick Remedy, 2 to 1 agst. the others.

Quick Remedy led from the start and won by fifteen lengths in the easiest fashion ; two lengths between second and third. Time—1min 21secs.

STEWARDS' PURSE.—Winner Rs. 200, second Rs. 50, third Rs. 25. A handicap for horses. 5 furlongs.

Mr. Scott's Sweet Sound, 12st.	Mr. Tomkinson	1
Major Moore's Half-a Crown, 8st. 4lbs.	Brown	2
Mr. Heywood's Pylara, 11st. 12lbs.	Mr. McCall	3

Also ran : Caroline, 8-4.

BETTING : Evens Sweet Sound, 6 to 4 agst. Pylara, 2 to 1. Caroline ; and 6 to 1 Half-a Crown.

Won by two lengths ; half a length between second and third. Time—1min. 8secs.

THE SESSIONS CUP.—Winner Rs. 200, presented by H. F. Hallifax, Esq., I.C.S. ; second Rs. 50, third Rs. 25. A handicap for horses. 1 mile.

Mr. F. Bryant's Reinforcement, 11st. 6lbs.	Mr. Tomkinson	1
Capt. Hughes' Daroji, 7st. 4lbs.	King	2
Capt. Grant's Madeira, 11st. 10st.	Owner	3

Also ran : Hautboy, 11-1 ; Curfew, 11-2 ; Dame Fortune, 9-12.

BETTING : 6 to 4 on Dame Fortune, 2 to 1 agst. Reinforcement, and 5 to 1 the others.

Reinforcement got a head after six furlongs and won easily by a length and a half ; a neck between second and third. Time—1min. 50secs.

DWARF STEEPLECHASE.—Winner Rs. 200, second Rs. 30, third Rs. 25. A handicap steeplechase for ponies. About 1½ miles

Mr. Hallifax's Black Pearl, 12st.	Mr. McCall	1
Mr. Heseltine's Roseleaf, 10st. 4lbs.	Capt. Johnson	2
Mr. William's Duchess, 9st. 8lbs.	Northmore	3

BETTING : 7 to 4 on Black Pearl, 6 to 4 agst. Duchess, 3 to 1 Roseleaf.

Won by two lengths ; ten lengths between second and third. Time—3mins. 46⅗secs.

PRODUCE PLATE.—Winner Rs. 200, second Rs. 50, third Rs. 25. A handicap for Arab and C.-B's 14-1 and under. 1 mile.

Mr. Cooke's Betty, 9st. 8lbs.	Taylor	1
Mr. Scott's Bahar, 9st. 11lb.	Bechan	2
Capt. Hill's Cinque Ports, 10st. 7lbs.	Capt. Johnson	3

Also ran : Nowar, 9-5.

BETTING : Evens Bahar, 3 to 1 agst. the others.

Betty and Bahar got off well, and raced together, Betty winning by a length ; same distance between second and third. Time.—1min. 56⅘ secs.

CONSOLATION RACE.—Winner Rs. 200, second Rs. 50, third Rs. 25. A handicap for ponies that have run at the meeting and up to the time of starting have never won a flat race value Rs. 50 or over. 5 furlongs.

Capt. Halwyn's Briar Rose, 11st. 7lbs.	Capt. Johnson	1
Capt. Grant's Audrey, 10st. 12lbs.	Taylor	2
Mr. Williams' Duchess, 10st. 5lbs.	Capt. Hughes	3

Also ran : Banzai, 8-0

BETTING.—3 to 1 on Audrey ; 3 to 1 agst. Briar Rose, 4 to 1 Duchess, and 6 to 1 Banzai.

A dead heat between the first two which Briar Rose was in the run off by three lengths. Time—1min. 9⅘ secs.

LAHORE SPRING MEETING.

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Honorary Secretary :—CAPTAIN A. SMITH.

Second Day, Saturday, 31st March 1907.

EXTRA RACE.—5 furlongs.

Mr. Power's Rosamond, 10st. 3lbs.		1
Col. Morris' Rifleman II., 11st. 3lbs.		2
Capt. Trent's Flame, 11st. 7lbs.		3

Also ran : Airs and Graces, 7-0.

Won easily by three lengths ; four lengths separating second and third. Time—1min. 8⅕secs.

NOVICE HANDICAP.—Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 50 to the second, and Rs. 25 to the third. A high-weight handicap for ponies qualified to enter for the Novice Plate on first day. 5 furlongs.

Mr. Henry's Alice, 12st.		1
Col. Davidson's Ringshine, 10st. 3lbs.		2
Mr. Lees' Ringette, 8st.		3

Also ran : Rockingham, 9-11 ; Artful, 8-5 ; Life-line, 7-10 ; Mendicant, 7-6.

Won easily by three lengths ; half a length separating second and third. Time—1min. 9⅕secs.

PONY HURDLES.—Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 50 to the second, and Rs. 25 to the third. For Arab and C.-B. ponies 14-1 and under, and other ponies 14 hands and under. Arabs 14-1 to carry 12st., C.-B.'s 14-1 to carry 12st., others 14-0 to carry 12st. 7lbs. W. I. Penalties—Winners, once 6lbs. ; twice 10lbs. ; oftener 14lbs. Allowances—Ponies that have never won a hurdle race, value Rs. 50 or over, allowed 7lbs. 1½ mile, over 8 flights of hurdles.

Mr. Power's Rosamond, 11st. 8lbs.		1
Mr. Ollivant's Loowar, 8st. 13lbs.		2
Mr. Sidney Smith's Shamrock, 12st.		3

Also ran : Beauty II., 11-7 ; Labbie Annie, 9-11.

Won in the post by a neck ; one length separating second and third. Time—3mins. 8⅖secs.

OPEN HANDICAP.—Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 50 to the second, and Rs. 25 to the third. A high-weight handicap for ponies 14-2 and under. ½ mile.

Mr. Pott's Little Beauty, 7st. 7lbs.	dead heat
Messrs. Wilson and Jolliffe's Lady Knight, 11st. 4lbs.	dead heat
Mr. Sidney Smith's May Queen, 9st. 4lbs.	3

Also ran : Tyrant, 9-0 ; Wild Rose, 8-11 ; Alice, 8-0.

There was a length between the dead heaters and the third, but May Queen was bumped at the start, losing several lengths. Time—57⅖secs.

THE ARAB HANDICAP.—Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 50 to the second, and Rs. 25 to the third. A high-weight handicap for maiden Arab ponies 14-1 and under. 1 mile.

Capt. Toogood's Malabar, 9st. 4lbs.		1
Mr. Welchman's Bedouin, 8st. 4lbs.		2
Mr. Coffyn's Drum Major, 7st. 12lbs.		3

Also ran : Gend, 8-11 ; Taraup, 7-5 ; Petit Bleu, 6-0.

Won easily by three lengths ; a length separating second and third. Time—2mins. 0⅖secs.

MOZANG HANDICAP.—Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 50 to the second, and Rs. 25 to the third. A high-weight handicap for Arab ponies 14-1 and under. R. C.

Mr. Sidney Smith's Palmy Days, 8st. 11lb.		1
Major Moore's Gendarme, 7st. 3lbs.		2
Mr. Osborne's Petit Bleu, 6st.		3

Won easily by two lengths and a half ; two lengths separating second and third. Time—3mins. 25secs.

CHARGER HANDICAP—5 furlongs.

Mr. O'Hara's Woodcutter, 12st. 7lbs.		1
Capt. Hun's Hussar, 11st. 12lbs.		2
Mr. Gover's Nomad, 11st. 11lb.		3

Also ran : Styx, 11-5 ; Impolita, 9-10.

Won easily by three lengths; three-quarters of a length separating second and third. Time—1min. 7⅕secs.

THE ANARKALI HANDICAP.—Rs. 200 to the winner, Rs. 50 to the second, and Rs. 25 to the third. A high-weight handicap for maiden ponies 14-2 and under that have not won flat races of the value of Rs. 50 or over amounting in the aggregate to Rs. 800 or over since 31st March 1904. 1 mile.

Col. Davidson's Ringshine, 8st. 7lbs.		1
Mr. Lee's Ringette, 6st. 11lbs.		2
Mr. O'Hara's Margaret, 11st....		3

Won cleverly in the post by a short head, Margaret finishing five lengths behind. Time—1min. 7⅕secs.

Sport in England.

(FROM THE HOME PAPERS.)

LONDON, *Friday, 21st March 1907.*

THE TURF.

LINCOLN.

A WILD and stormy night did not hold out very pleasant prospects for the opening day of the flat racing season, on the 18th instant, and the wind blew with the force of a hurricane when the time came for a move to be made to the Carholme.

It was early evident that the attendance would not be above the ordinary Monday average; in fact, we have seen larger, especially amongst the holiday-makers. Several of our leading Turfites were in the club enclosure, and a few ladies braved the rigours of the day, while a pretty fair sprinkling of the business community occupied Tattersall's Ring. I append details of the principal items on the card.

CHAPLIN STAKES—Of 500sovs. ; for three-year-olds; second receives 25sovs. 1¼ miles.

Mr. L. Robinson's ch c Zinc, by Black Sand—Tirnova, 8st. 5lbs.	W. Halsey	1
Mr. I Moss Vernon's b f Norma, 8st. 2lbs.	J. W. East	2
Sir E. Vincent's b c Angouleme, 8st. 5lbs.	H. Blades	3
Mr. P. Nelke's Hill Climber, 8st. 10lbs.	W. Saxby	0
Mr. H. E. Beddington's Tui, 9st.	B. Lynham	0

(*Winner trained by J. Brewer.*)

BETTING :—11 to 10 agst. Tui, 6 to 4 Zinc, 7 to 1 Angouleme, and 10 to 1 each others (offered).

Won in a common hack canter by five lengths ; two lengths was the margin between Norma and Angouleme, the latter of whom ran ungenerously. Tui was last. Time.—2mins. 16⅕secs.

TRIAL SELLING PLATE—Of 200sovs. The straight mile.

Mr. G. Walmsley's b f Java, by Jaquemart—Deva, 3yrs., 6st. 11lbs.	J. Howard	1
Mr. J. Hare's b g Uninsured, aged 9st.	J. Hare	2
Mr. W. H. Millard's br c Gruinard, 3yrs., 6st. 11lb.	J. Plant	3
Capt. F. Bald's Gala, 4yrs., 8st. 3lbs.	O. Madden	0
Mr. W. A. Jarvis' Caruso, 4yrs., 8st. 13lbs.	J. Jarvis	0
Lord Villier's Forfeit, 3yrs., 6st. 9lbs.	H. Watts	0
Mr. P. Gleeson's Snowberry, aged, 8st. 7lbs.	W. Halsey	0
Mr. G. Barclay's Housewife, 6yrs., 8st. 7lbs.	W. Higgs	0
Mr. S. G. Pickering's Solario, 6yrs., 8st. 2lbs.	A. Saxby	0
Mr. S. Loates' Vancouver, 3yrs., 7st. 5lbs.	C. Heckford	0
Mr. J. Torteeolo's Florenne, 3yrs., 7st. 7lbs.	Piretti	0

(*Winner trained by W. Woodland.*)

BETTING : 2 to 1 agst. Gala, 3 to 1 Forfeit, 8 to 1 each Snowberry, Solario, Java, and Uninsured, and 100 to 8 each others (offered).

Won by three parts of a length ; three lengths divided second and third. Gala (began slowly) was a head away fourth, Caruso fifth, Forfeit sixth, Snowberry seventh. Housewife eighth, and Solario beaten off a long way last. Time—1min. 43⅖secs. The winner was bought in for 220 guineas.

BATTHYANY PLATE—(Handicap)—Of 500sovs. ; second receives 25sovs. 5 furlongs, straight.

Mr. A. E. Ruston's b g Early Bird, by Juggler—Early to Bed, aged, 7st. 11lb.	C. Trigg	1
Baron G. Springer's ch h Bon Marche, 6yrs., 8st. 7lbs.	W. Halsey	2
Mr. Ned Clarke's b g Rising Falcon, aged, 9st. 10lbs.	G. McCall	3
Mr. A. Stedall's Gold Coin, 4yrs., 6st. 11lbs.	C. Escott	0
Mr. D. Clarke's Sweet Mary, 4yrs., 7st. 6lbs.	A. Templeman	0
Mr. G. A. Prentice's Honolulu, 4yrs., 8st. 8lbs.	O. Madden	0
Mr. A. Bostock's Ignorance, 4yrs., 7st. 7lbs.	W. Saxby	0
Mr. C. Dould's Nobleite, 4yrs., 6st. 5lbs.	C. Jones	0
Sir E. Vincent's Ulalume, 4yrs., 7st. 4lbs.	H. Blades	0
Sir J. Thursby's Standen, 5yrs., 7st. 9lbs. (car. 7st. 10lbs.)	W. Higgs	0
Mr. W. Alderson's Country Boy, aged, 6st. 12lbs.	J. Plant	0
Mr. G. M. Inglis' Luisis, 3yrs., 6st. 4lbs.	J. Howard	0
Mr. J. D. Cohn's Glen Lassie, 3yrs., 6st.	F. Templeman	0

(*Winner trained by A. B. Sadler.*)

BETTING : 5 to 1 agst. Early Bird, 6 to 1 each Standen and Rising Falcon, 7 to 1 Ignorance, 8 to 1 Sweet Mary, 100 to 12 Country Boy, and 100 to 8 each others (offered).

Won in a canter by two lengths ; a head divided second and third. Gold Coin was close up fourth, Sweet Mary a good fifth, Honolulu sixth, Ignorance seventh, Nobleite eighth, Ulalume ninth, and Glen Lassie last, except Standen, who was left at the post and took no part in the race. Time—1min. 2½secs. Plant, by the falling of Country Boy, broke his right collar bone.

Lincoln on a handicap morning reminds one very much of Doncaster on the Leger Day by reason of the strangers in its gates. It is a good-humoured though noisy crowd, and gives little trouble to the traffic managers, and shows in marked manner the appreciation in which sport is held up North. The wind was again strong, and the dust flew in clouds, but fortunately the blast came from the rear of the stand and down the course. It was evident that visitors had been keeping themselves in reserve, as the attendance, a good one all round, was nearly double that of Monday, the enclosures packed, and the holiday crowd extending on the far side up to the distance. The going has rarely been in such excellent condition. After the decision of the second race the whether changed, and a heavy cold rain fell as visitors congregated in the paddock to scan the handicap runners, a cruel bit of fate, still the rain laid the dust, and did the course no harm.

For the Lincoln Handicap the field was the same strength as last year, *viz.*, 24, and a rush was made to look them over. The favourite was late on the scene, as his apricot cloth was not taken off till the last, his trainer keeping him walking in the shed out of the wet, but as far as could be seen he was in perfect fettle. One of the best trained of the lot was the light chesnut, Wild Aster, as hard as pinwire, clean of limb, and on his toes. Catty Crag has grown into a massive horse ; Crescent and Roseate Dawn, two bright bays, looked as fit as fiddles, with the defined quarter-mark that was lacking in so many of the competitors, owing to the hard winter. Bill of the Play was one of the most muscular of the lot, and the compact Kaffir Chief lacked little in condition. Sarcelle had a varminty appearance, but Camisard was sweating profusely. Ob struck me as a bit lusty, and by no means a taking horse, nor fit as last year. Watson had put a good polish on Minos, and Japan did justice to his preparation. Details of the important races.

BROCKLESBY TRIAL STAKES—(Handicap).—Of 2 sovs. each, starter, with 100 sovs. added ; second receives 5sovs. 5 furlongs, straight.

Mr. W. H. L. Ewart's b h Tirantes, by Suspender—Orontes, 6yrs., 8st. 13lbs	O. Madden	1
Mr. J. Wallace's br c Signet, 4yrs., 8st. 5lbs.	J. Jarvis	2
Mr. E. Foster's br g Vermont, 3yrs, 7st. 4lbs.	C. Trigg	3
Mr. J. Scott's Amy Mills, 5yrs., 6st. 5lbs.	C. Ringstead	0
Lord Wolverton's Performance, 3yrs., 8st. 11lb.	R. Jones	0
Mr. J. East's Laila, 4yrs., 7st. 13lbs. (car. 8st. 11lb.)	J. W. East	0
Mr. A. Stedall's Wise Mason, 3yrs. 7st. 7lbs.	C. Escott	0
Sir R. W. B. Jardine's Edict, 3yrs. 7st. 3lbs.	J. Howard	0
Mr. Sol Joel's Jelly, 4yrs. 8st. 8lbs.	H. Blades	0
Mr. F. C. Graham Menzies. The Spider, 3yrs., 7st.	H. Watts	0
Mr. N. Clark's Goosey, 3yrs., 6st. 6lbs.	R. Crisp	0
Mr. N. H. Scott's Lingy Moor, 4yrs., 8st. 3lbs.	G. Wilson	0
Mr. H. Langley's Ayrcastle, 3yrs., 7st. 6lbs.	H. Pike	0
Mr. J. Gould's Flower Saint, 4yrs., 8st. 7lbs.	F. Wootton	0
Mr. C. F. Elsey's Ringbones, 3yrs., 7st. 12lbs.	E. Wheatley	0
Sir T. R. Dewar's Ena Regina, 3yrs., 7st. 7lbs	W. Saxby	0
Mr. W. E. Elsey's Giglet, 4yrs. 7st. 2lbs.	C. Jones	0
Col. H. T. Fenwick's Las Mollinas, 3yrs., 6st. 6lbs.	C. Heckford	0

(*Winner trained by A. B. Sadler.*)

BETTING : 7 to 4 agst. Tirantes, 8 to 1 Laila, 10 to 1 each Signet, The Spider, Performance, Giglet, and Edict, and 100 to 8 each others (offered).

Won in fine style by two lengths ; Vermont, travelling fast at the finish, was three parts of a length away, third. Amy Mills was fourth, Performance (close up) fifth, Laila sixth, Wise Mason (closing up fast) seventh, Edict eighth, Jelly ninth, The Spider tenth, Goosey eleventh, Lingy Moor (badly away) twelth, Ayrcastle thirteenth, and Flower Saint, who was slow off the mark, and Ringbones the last pair. Time—1min. 3⅕secs.

LINCOLNSHIRE HANDICAP—Of 1,000sovs., added to a sweepstakes of 15 sovs. each, 10ft.; the second receives 50sovs. and the third 25sovs. out of the stakes. The straight mile.

M. Ephrussi's b h Ob, by Bocage—Glave, 6yrs., 8st. 10lbs.	G. Stern	1
Mr. F. S. Barnard's b g Kaffir Chief, Raeburn—Ingonda, 5yrs., 7st. 8lbs.	Wm. Griggs	2
Mr. W. Dawes' b c Rifleite, by Quidnunc—Ballistite, 5yrs., 6st. 3lbs.	H. Watts	3
Mr. J. Craig's b c Crescent, by Janissary—Hungry, 4yrs, 6st. 7lbs.	J. Howard	0
Mr. G. A. Prentice's b h Dumbarton Castle, by Wolf's Crag—Chemistry, aged, 7st. 9lbs. (car. 7st. 10lbs.)	Scourse	0
Mr. W. R. Wyndham's b or br c Athi, by Desmond—Bend Sinister, 4yrs., 8st. 11lb.	W. Halsey	0
Mr. G. Parrott's b e g Truffle de Perigord, by Perigord—Bit of a Devil, 5yrs., 7st.	C. A. Heckford	0
Sir John Thursby's bl c Bill of the Play, by Portland—Opera Dance, 4yrs., 7st. 7lbs.	C. Trigg	0
Mr. G. Walmsley's ch g Wild Aster, by Victor Wild—Asteria, 6yrs., 7st. 3lbs.	Walter Griggs	0
MM. Caillault's ch h Camisard, by The Bard—La Carmagnole, 5yrs., 7st.	W. Saxby	0
Lord Howard de Walden's b c His Eminence, by Royal Hampton—Altesse, 4yrs., 7st. 11lbs.	W. Higgs	0

Mrs. H. V. Jackson's b h Velocity, by Speed—Ballast, 5yrs., 9st. 3lbs. ...	H. Jones	0
Mr. G. Menzies' b g Japan, by Raeburn—Primula, aged, 6st. 10lbs.... ...	C. Reay	0
Mr. W. M. G. Singer's b g Justleigh, by Simontault—Guernsey Lily, 4yrs, 6st....	Goldstraw	0
Capt. C. P. B. Wood's b h Roseate Lawn, by Enthusiast—Honey Dew, 6yrs., 9st.	G. McCall	0
Mr. F. Lanstaff s br h Catty Crag, by Wolf's Crag--Nobody's Child, aged, 7st. 12lbs. (car. 8st.)	Priestman	0
Mr. F. Pennard's b or br h Monkshead, by Friar's Balsam—Perce Neige, aged, 7st. 4lbs.	A. Templeman	0
Mr. E. A. Wigan's b c Sarcelle, by Gallinule—Crocenm, 4yrs., 7st. 4lbs. ...	C. Escott	0
Mr. W. Goodchild's b c Crusader, by Eager—Angelina, 4yrs., 7st. 3lbs. ...	H. Blades	0
Mr. J. Fallon's b c Athleague, by Perigor—Outcry, 4yrs., 6st. 10lbs. ...	H. Robins	0
Mr. L. de Rothschild's br c Minos, by St. Frusquin—Cretan Belle, 4yrs , 6st. 7lbs.	T. Jennings	0
Mr. W. Raphael's br f Lovania, by Ayrshire—St. Louvaine, 4yrs., 6st. 4lbs....	F. Wootton	0
Mr. A. Stedall's b g Kolo by Matchmaker—Cloon, 4yrs., 6ft. 2lbs.	F. Templeman	0
Mr. J. Milnthorp's b c Mikado, by Mimic—Kaaba, 4yrs., 6st.	A. Flanagan	0

(Winner bred and trained in France.)

BETTING : 9 to 4 agst. His Eminence, 6 to 1 Bill of the Play, 10 to 1 Crescent, 100 to 8 Athi, 100 to 7 each Roseate Dawn, Camisard and Kaffir Chief, 20 to 1 each Japan, Minos and Crusader, 25 to 1 Ob, 33 to 1 each Sarcelle, Rifleite, Wild Aster and Lovania, 50 to 1 others.

There was no special place betting.

Rifleite and Japan left the paddock for the post some quarter of an hour before the others having been given special permission to miss the preliminaries. The others paraded in the order on the card. Bill of the Play, very much on his toes, was led by an attendant in a chifney. Athi was the only one allowed to stride out on his way postwards, and gained additional friends from the style he went. On reaching the starting-post, Bill of the Play fairly scattered his opponents lashing out right and left, and kicking Dumbarton Castle and Sarcelle. Monkshead was another who joined in the *mêlee*, and it was just on half an hour late when the flag at length fell, the light, owing to heavy rain, being very bad. Bill of the Play ran into his stride at once. but Sarcelle backed into Roseate Dawn, causing Minos to whip round. Another to suffer in a straggling start was Crescent, but it was partly his own fault, as he was slow to get going. Bill of the Play nipped away with a good two lengths lead of Rifleite, whilst Velocity was as smart to strike off as anything. Ob, towards the left, was at once in his stride, and headed Kaffir Chief and His Eminence, whilst the hurdler, Wild Aster, went the pace as well as Athi, the latter being on the stand side, well clear of Crusader and Camisard. Then at an interval came Truffle de Perigord and Athleague, Kolo, outpaced, being among the rear rank, who were in straggling order. Bill of the Play had expended his dash after going three furlongs and here Rifleite was left in front of Ob, Kaffir Chief and Athi, whilst His Eminence thus early in the race was hanging on his bit and Velocity soon passed him. In fact, His Eminence and Bill of the Play were the first beaten, and half way Rifleite was still in command, with Ob, Athi and Kaffir Chief as his nearest attendants. Soon afterwards Athi tacked from the stand side towards the left, and he and the leader slightly interfered with each other, and at this point, two furlongs from home, Ob shot out from his field with a terrific burst of speed, and the race was as good as over, Stern sitting still and passing the post five lengths in front of Kaffir Chief. Rifleite, three lengths away, was third. Crescent running on after a slow beginning, was fourth a length away. Dumbarton Castle (kicked at the post) was fifth, Athi (easing up) sixth, Truffle de Perigord (ridden out) seventh, Bill of the Play a bad eighth, Wild Aster (running on) ninth, Camisard tenth, His Eminence eleventh, Velocity (ran well) twelvth, Japan thirteenth, Lustleigh fourteeth, and the rest whipped in by Athleague. Time—1min. 45⅕secs.

LINCOLN PLATE.— Of 200sovs.; for two-year-olds; second receives 10sovs. 4 furlongs and fifty yards, straight.

Mr. L. de Rothschild's b f Selaginellas by Sainfoin—Zobeyde, 8st. 9lbs. ...	G. McCall	1
Mr. S. B. Joel's ch c Skylight, 8st. 12lbs. ...	W. Halsey	2
Mr. S. Loates' b f Pendule, 8st. 9lbs. ...	C. Heckford	3
Sir T. R. Dewar's filly by Forfarshire South Edinburgh, 8st. 9lbs. ...	W. Saxby	0
Mr. S. B. Joel's filly by Lesterlin Tuscapeda, 8st. 9lbs.	C. Trigg	0
Mr. P. Gleeson's Popsy, 8st. 9lbs. ...	F. Wootton	0
Mr. H. W. Sadler's filly by Lord Melton —Oberia, 8st. 9lbs.	L. Lyne	0
Mr. J. E. Hallick's Thatcham, 8st. 9lbs. ...	A. Templeman	0
Mr. W. Raphael's Floraza, 8st. 9lbs. ...	O. Madden	0
Mr. H. S. Gray's Lavabo, 8st, 9lbs. ...	G. Manser	0
Mr. G. S. Davies' Peter Bell, 8st. 12lbs. ...	B. Smart	0
Mr. Henning's colt by Flying Lemur Kosakin, 8st. 12lbs.	H. Jones	0
Mr. H. Lytham's Seaham, 8st. 12lbs. ...	A. Sharples	0
Lord Hamilton of Dalzell's gelding by Melange—Sophie Arnould, 8st. 9lbs. ...	B. Lynham	0
Mr. T. H. Walker's Othrae, 8st. 12lbs. ...	E. Wheatley	0
Capt. Bewicke's Lavicrep, 8st. 12lbs. ...	J. Clarke	0
Mr. F. B. Hunt's colt by Racburn—Foray, 8st. 12lbs.	F. Rickaby	0
Mr. T. Leader's Sequel, 8st. 9lbs. ...	C. Leader	0
Mr. J. Milnthorp's Glen Avington, 8st. 12lbs.	H. Blades	0
Mr. J. T. Whipp's Saucy John, 8st. 12lbs....	J. Priestman	0
Mr. W. E. Elsey's Scotch Queen, 8st. 9lbs	C. Jones	0
Capt. P. Herbert's Mandate, 8st. 9lbs. ...	G. Goater	0
Mr. L. E. B. Homan's Princess Dash, 8st. 9lbs.	M. Cannon	0
Sir R. W. B. Jardine's Woodcut, 8st. 9lbs.	W. Griggs	0
Sir H. Randall's Lady Argon, 8st. 9lbs. ...	H. Randall	0
Lord Rosebery's Sirmio, 8st. 9lbs. ...	W. Higgs	0
Mr. A. Stedall's filly by Little Champion—Soubrette, 8st. 9lbs.	C. Escott	0
Mr. R. C. Swan's Mam Soul, 8st. 9lbs. ...	G. Wilson	0

(Winner trained by J. Watson.)

BETTING : 4 to 1 agst. Princess Dash, 9 to 2 Selaginella, 6 to 1 Pendule, 7 to 1 Sophie Arnould gelding, 10 to 1 Thatcham, 100 to 8 Oberia filly, 100 to 7 Sirmio, 100 to 6 Skylight, and 25 to 1 each others (offered.)

Won handsomely by a head: two lengths between second and third, South Edinburgh filly was fourth, Tuscapeda filly fifth. Popsy sixth, Oberia filly seventh, Thatcham eighth, Floraza ninth, Lavabo tenth, Peter Bell eleventh, Kosakin colt twelfth, Seaham thirteenth, Sophie Arnould gelding, fourteenth, Othrae next, and Glen Avington and Mam Soul the last pair. Time—54⅘secs.

HAINTON PLATE (Handicap)—Of 400sovs.; second receives 25sovs. 1¼ miles.

Mr. W. R. Wyndham's b c Machakos, by Desmond—Canterbury Belle, 4yrs., 7st. 11lbs.	F. Sourse	1
Mr. P. Gleeson's b f Detection, 4yrs., 7st. 12lbs.	W. Higgs	2
Mr. S. Loates' b g Mansvelt, 5yrs., 6st. 10lbs.	C. Heckford	3
Sir H. Randall's Bonnie Earl, 5yrs., 7st. 9lbs.	W. Griggs	0
Mr. Salvin's Envoy, 4yrs., 7st. 8lbs. ...	A. Templeman	0
Mr. J. M. Inglis' Keithock, 5yrs., 7st. 2lbs.	W. Saxby	0
Mr. J. Scott's Ashcroft, 4yrs., 7st. 3lbs. ...	H. Blades	0
Mr. W. E. Elsey's Nena, 5yrs., 7st. 2lbs. ...	F. Bland	0
Mr. H. S. C. Smithson's Waveline, aged, 7st. 2lbs.	J. Howard	0
Col. E. W. Baird's Haresfield, aged, 9st. ...	F. Rackaby	0
Mr. J. A. Milnthorp's Wise Love, 5yrs., 7st. 9lbs.	Salmon	0
Capt. Bewicke's Wild Lad, aged, 7st. 2lbs.	J. Clarke	0
Mr. W. I'Anson's Roseburn, aged 7st. (car. 7st. 2lbs.)	C. Trigg	0
Mr. J. Byrne's Rose Lips, 4yrs., 7st. ..	C. Jones	0
Mr. C. Hibbert's Henley, 6yrs., 6st. 11lbs.	H. Watts	0
Mr. H. S. Gray's Flowerer, 4yrs., 6st. 9lbs.	A. Flanagan	0

(Winner trained by J. Powney.)

BETTING : 5 to 2 agst. Machakos, 7 to 2 Henley, 5 to 1 Mansvelt, 8 to 1 Keithock, and 10 to 1 each others (offered.)

Won cleverly by a length and a half; half a length divided second and third. Bonnie Earl was fourth, Envoy (ran wide) fifth, Keithock sixth, Ashcroft seventh, Nena eigth, Waveline ninth, and Haresfield and Flowerer the last pair. Time—2mins. 41⅗secs.

Thanks to Tuesday's downpour, all traces of dust had departed, and everything looked bright and cheerful in the glorious sunshine. The wind had abated little of its violence, but no longer dust-laden, had an invigorating rather than an exasperating effect, while the going was grand. Considering how many people had gone home wet and dispirited after the French triumph on Tuesday, the attendance was a good one for the closing day, many of the club members sticking to their guns, and a fair attendance filling Tattersall's and the further enclosure. Details of the principal races :—

WELBECK PLATE (a High-weight Handicap)—Of 200sovs.; second receives 10sovs. 7 furlongs, straight.

Mr. C. Hibbert's b c Pane, by Martagon Glass, 4yrs., 8st. 11lb.	W. Griggs	1
Mr. J. B. Joel's br c Diary, 3yrs., 7st. 11lbs. (car. 7st. 13lbs.)	H. Randall	2
Mr. W. E. Elsey's b c Scotch River, 3yrs., 6st. 9lbs.	C. Jones	3
Mr. W. G. Howes' Chihuahua, 5yrs., 7st. 4lbs.	J. Anderson	0
Mr. R. Combe's Balnault, 3yrs., 7st. 6lbs. ...	C. Trigg	0
Mr. A. E. Clark's Kazan, 5yrs , 8st. 3lbs. ...	J. W. East	0
Mr. A. W. Mostyn Owen's Oi, 3yrs., 7st. ...	H. Robbins	0
Mr. P. Cosens' Zambesi, 3yrs., 6st. 9lbs. (car. 6st. 11lbs.)	C. Heckford	0
Lord Rosebery's Hortensius, 4yrs., 8st. 5lbs.	W. Higgs	0
Mr. N. C Cockburn's Harmston, 4yrs., 7st. 11lbs.	G. Milson	0
Mr. J. E. Rogerson's Muley Rat, 4yrs., 8st. 4lbs.	G. McCall	0
Mr. Ned Clark's King Shapphire, 4yrs., 8st. 11lbs.	B. Dillon	0
Mr. J. Gould's Flower Saint, 4yrs., 8st. 2lbs.	J. S. Gallagos	0
Mr. H. T. Musker's colt by Chevening—Daisy Gallop, 3yrs., 8st. 11lb. ...	H. Pike	0

(Winner trained by J. Canon.)

BETTING : 9 to 4 agst. Balnault, 11 to 2 Muley Rat, 7 to 1 Hortensius, 100 to 12 Scotch River, 10 to 1 each Pane, Diary, and Kazan, and 100 to 8 each others (offered.)

Won in a canter by four lengths; five lengths separated second and third. Chihuahua was fourth, Balnault fifth, Kazan (ran well) sixth, Oi seventh, Zambesi (commenced slowly) eight, Hortensius (rogue) ninth, Harmston tenth, Muley Rat (showed speed) eleventh, and Flower Saint last. Time—1min. 15⅕secs.

BROCKLESBY STAKES—Of 200sovs. added to a sweepstakes of 10sovs. each; for two year olds; the nominator of the winner and the owner of the second each to receive 25sovs. out of the stakes. 4 furlongs and 50 yards, straight.

Sir J. Thursby's br g Counterfeit, by Bill of Portland—Cup of Assay, 8st. 9lbs.	W. Higgs	1
Mr. L. de. Rothschild's ch f Pastry, by Passtisson—Florise, 8st. 9lbs.	G. McCall	2
Mr. L. Robinson's b f Taal, by Pietermaritzburg—Bush Chat. 8st. 9lbs. ...	W. Halsey	3
Mr. J. W. Larnach's Seance, 8st. 9lbs. ...	H. Jones	0
Mr. A. F. Basset's Apostle's Spoon, 8st. 12lbs.	M. Cannon	0
Mr. J. B. Joel's filly by Persimmon—Rousseau's Dream, 8st. 9lbs. ...	H. Randall	0
Mr. W. G. Neilson's Home Ruler, 8st. 9lbs.	O. Madden	0
Lord Harewood's Malwood, 8st. 12lbs. ...	D. Maher	0
Major W. H. Fife's Ladaki, 8st. 9lbs. ...	G. Wilson	0
Mr. O. W. Rayner's Nap, 8st. 9lbs. ...	J. W. East	0
Mr. J. Milnthorp's Golden Prospect, 8st. 12lbs.	C. Trigg	0
Lord Hamilton of Dalzell's Sugar Plum, 8st. 12lbs.	A. Templeman	0
Lord Ellesmere's Chambermaid, 8st. 9lbs.	W. Griggs	0
Mr. D. Clarke's Stormy Weather, 8st. 12lbs.	H. Blades	0
Mr. E. Dresden's mathilde, 8st. 9lbs. ...	L. Lyne	0
Mr. W. Elsey's filly by Galashiels—Martha III., 8st. 9lbs.	E. Wheatley	0
Mr. Sol Joel's Nit, 8st. 9lbs.	H. Pike	0
Mr. H. J. King's Lady Blare, 8st. 9lbs. ...	B. Dillon	0
Mr. W. Hall Walker's Camp Bird 8st, 9lbs.	B. Lynham	0

(Winner trained by G. Edward.)

BETTING : 5 to 2 agst. Pastry, 3 to 1 Malwood, 100 to 12 Seance, 10 to 1 Taal. 10 to 1 agst. Counterfeit, 100 to 8 each agst others (offered.)

Won easily by two lengths; a length and a half was the margin between second and third. Seance (close up) was fourth, Apostle's Spoon (always prominent) fifth, Rousseau's Dream filly (showed speed) sixth, Home Ruler seventh, Malwood eighth, Ladaki (ran fast) ninth, Nap (ran well) tenth, Golden Prospect eleventh, Sugar Plump twelfth, Chambermaid thirteenth, Camp Bird next, and Stormy Weather and Martha II. filly, who got badly away, last. Time—52⅖secs.

KESTEVAN PLATE—Of 200sovs.; second receives 10soves. 1 mile and 3 furlongs.

Capt. J. G. R. Homfray's b c Land League, by Desmond—Combine, 4yrs., 9st. 2lbs.	W. Higgs	1
Mr. G. Walmsley's b f Java, 3yrs, 7st. 7lbs.	A. Templeman	2
Mr. B. Kilners' ch c Devereux, 5yrs., 9st. 7lbs.	A. Salmon	3
Mr. A. Steadall's First Champion, 3yrs., 6st. 6lbs.	J. Howard	0
Mr. T. Frost's Van Ginckell, 3yrs., 6st. 6lbs.	J. Anderson	0

(Winner trained by R. Sherwood.)

BETTING : 75 to 20 on Land League, 11 to 2 agst Java, and 10 to 1 each agst. others (offered).

Won easily by six lengths; the same between second and third. Van Ginckell was a long way last.

LIVERPOOL.

Liverpool was highly honoured yesterday, for H. R. H. the Prince of Wales, who generally confines his racing visits to Epsom, Ascot, and Goodwood, was among the guests at Knowsley, and his presence attracted a very large and brilliant company to Aintree, the country turning out its rank, beauty, and fashion to meet the Royal Visitor. It was Royal weather, too, a pleasant westerly breeze replacing the cold gales of Lincoln, while glorious sunshine sent the temperature up to summer heat. All round the attendance was one of the largest seen here on a first day.

A rousing cheer greeted the Prince's arrival at the Royal Box, over whose entrance the Prince of Wale's feathers in light blue and silver were draped in Royal purple, which, with gold edgings also embellished the stand. The executive have put a charge of admission of 6d. on their piece of land, which is enclosed with iron rails between Beecher's and Valentine's Brooks, cutting the course across, and the holiday people seemed to take kindly to the innovation. The going was in tip-top condition, and racing up to the high standard expected here—a grand afternoon all round.

Considering the value of the Union Jack Stakes, the field was a small one. Glacis had run third to Persinus and Bridge of Canny in a trial, and had just the preference over Freeborn, reported a much improved colt, and Stick Up in the wagering. The race was a turn up for Auber, who started last season with a run of victories, and at the December sales at Newmarket changed hands for 2,000guineas to the Hon'ble Mr. A. A. Apcar, the owner of Great Scot. He was certainly the best trained and best looking, though worst fancied of the lot, and after breaking the tape to begin with, he, in the hands of Lyne, made all the running. Prince of Orange coming at the finish beat Freeborn for the 100 sovs. accruing to second place. Auber is evidently at his best in the spring, and his new proprietor can congratulate himself on a good bargain.

The executive could not but be satisfied with the success attending on the Spring Cup, as Velocity was the only absentee. The best looking of the sixteen was Bridge of Canny, who has thickened into a grand horse, while Manaton and Goring Heath are also as fine specimens of the British thoroughbred as one could wish to see. In the parade Birdcraft refused to join, evidently not liking the crowd, and tried to kick his jockey off, and led to the post, he turned when the flag fell, while Monkshead and Goring Heath also lost a lot of start, a fact that undoubtedly lost the latter a place. Succour, who had a 4lb. pull in the weight scale with Cadwal, had been specially prepared for this event, and looking very fit, he started a pronounced favourite, Bridge of Canny coming next on the same mark as Turbine, and the big bay amply atoned for the defeat of Glacis. Details :—

UNION JACK STAKES—Of 1,200 sovs; second receives 100 sovs. the third 50sovs. and the fourth 30sovs; for three year-olds. 1 mile.

Mr. A. A. Apcar's br g Auber, by Islington —Umbrosa, 9st. 2lbs.	L. Lyne	1
Lord Wolverton's b c Prince of Orange, 9st. 6lb.	H. Jones	2
Sir E. Cassel's b c Freeborn, 8st. 12lbs. ...	W. Halsey	3
Lord Derby's Glacis, 8st. 5lb.	D. Maher	0
Mr. W. Bass' Stick Up, 8st. 12lbs. ...	O. Madden	0
Mr. J. Wallace's Gnome, 8st. 12lbs. ...	J. Jarvis	0
Mr. G. W. Lushington's Gortshalgan, 8st. 5lbs.	W. Higgs	0

(Winner trained by Farquharson.)

BETTING : 5 to 2 agst. Glacis, 3 to 1 Freeborn, 4 to 1 Stick Up, 100 to 12 Prince of Orange, 10 to 1 Gnome, and 10 to 8 each others (offered).

Auber broke the tapes, but eventually he was first away, and set a good pace to Stick Up and Freeborn, Prince of Orange lying two lengths off next, and Gortshalgan, who hung fire at the start, last. Rounding the Canal turn Auber came clear of Stick Up, Glacis, Prince of Orange, and Freeborn. Half-way up the straight Prince of Orange ran into second place, slightly in advance of Freeborn, but neither had any chance with Auber, who led all the way and won in a common canter by two lengths; a head between second and third. Glacis (ran well for seven furlongs) was fourth, Stick Up fifth, and Gortshalgan last. Time—1min. 47secs.

LIVERPOOL SPRING CUP (Handicap)—Of 1,000 sovs (50 sovs in plate, and the remainder in specie); second receives 50 sovs. Spring Cup Course (1 mile and 3 furlongs.)

Lord Derby's b c Bridge of Canny, by Love Wisely—Santa Brigida, 4yrs., 8st. 6lbs.	D. Maher	1
Mr. G. Walmsley's ch g Wild Aster, by Victor Wild—Asteria, 6yrs., 7st. 2lbs.	Walter Griggs	2
Mr. H. Escott's b g Cadwal, by Martagon —Imogene, 5yrs., 6st. 6lbs. ...	J. Jennings	3
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Capt. C. P. B. Wood's, Amersham, 5yrs., 6st. 10lbs.	F. Wootton	0
Mr. J. Hill's Mondamin, 5yrs., 7st. 3lbs. ...	C. Trigg	0
Mr. J. M. Bell's Turbine, 4yrs., 6st. 12lbs. ...	H. Watts	0
Mr. N. J. Wood's Whinbloom, 6yrs., 7st. 6lbs.	A. Templeman	0
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BETTING: 2 to 1 agst. Lucretia Borgia colt, 9 to 4 agst. Cradle Song filly, 11 to 2 Emerald, 8 to 1 Storm Jack and 10 to 1 each others (offered).

Won by a head; four lengths between second and third Cradle Song filly (third best) was fourth, Magada fifth, Billy the Verger sixth, Emerald seventh, and Storm Jack last. Time—1min. 34⅘secs.

FOOTBALL.

UNDER ASSOCIATION RULES.

SCOTLAND *vs.* IRELAND.—The twenty-fourth match between Scotland and Ireland was played at Celtic Park, Glasgow, on Saturday. The conditions at the start were almost perfect, the ground being very fast and wind almost entirely absent. Losing the toss, Ireland started. Their left wing made a promising beginning. Young showing Jackson a clean pair of heels, and with the game in its infancy the visiting nation should have been a goal up. Muir rushed out to make amends for a faulty clearance by Agnew, and, missing the ball, it went straight to Maxwell, who with a tenantless goal shot recklessly wide. Following this escape Scotland took the game in hand. Twice Bennett sent over centres, but Scott came out and cleared cleverly, while the custodian in addition stopped a fine attempt by Somers. Playing very close football, the Scots still pressed, but without success, their shooting being badly at fault.

Young once more changed the scene of operations, and as an individual effort his run and finish was not beaten in the game. He tricked Thomson, beat Jackson, and wound up with a fast angular shot, which Muir just got at and placed past the post. Key was conspicuous with pretty feeding of Bennett, whose shot, however, was marvellously saved by Scott, who just beat O'Rourke by inches. Somers retired with a strained muscle, and the Scottish forwards, never very happy, went from bad to worse. This was Ireland's opportunity, and only perfect saving by Muir kept them from scoring. The custodian was handicapped by the uncertain kicking and tackling of his backs, but he never made a mistake, all manner of shots coming alike to him. Twice he cleared well-placed corners, and a terrific drive from Connor was coolly dealt with. After thirty minutes' play O'Rourke, after missing a centre from Fraser, got his foot on one from Bennett. Scott pluckily threw himself at ball and foot, but could not prevent O'Rourke scorning, and received a bad kick on the hip in the attempt, the game having to be stopped until the goalkeeper was attended to. Even play characterised the remainder of this half, Thomson on the one side, and McCartney on the other, doing good defensive work. Scotland led at half-time by 1 goal to 0.

Rain fell when the second half started, and continued until the finish. The result was that the nature of the ground changed, and the slower conditions were quite to the liking of the Scots, whose lack of speed on the fast surface had been very pronounced. They played a very much improved game forward, particularly on the right wing, where the diminutive Key was placing to Bennett and Walker like a machine. Scott cleared one shot from Walker, Willis turned aside another from O'Rourke, but after ten minutes' play Walker headed a second goal from an accurate corner kick of Bennett's.

This further reverse had no depressing effect on the Irishmen, who continued to play delightful football in midfield without meeting with any success at goal. A high shot from Blair brought a corner, off which O'Hagan had Muir at full stretch to save a hard grounder; while immediately after a pretty run by the inside forwards was finished by Maxwell shooting straight into Muir's hands. This disposed of, Scotland again attacked, and Thomson, from well out, had two well-directed drives saved by Scott. Neat work by McNair put O'Rourke in possession, and dashing between the backs, the centre looked like scoring when Wilils threw him heavily inside the penalty area. A penalty kick was granted, from which Thomson scored a third goal. Scott, who was evidently suffering from his injury, then left the field, and Willis went into goal.

Ireland, playing the one-back game, had most of the play subsequently, but although their forwards continued to play neater football than the opposition, they were unlucky in finding Muir always on the spot. The finish came with McNair dribbling through the defence and shooting straight into the hands of Willis. Result:—

Ireland	0
Scotland	3

The result illustrates how little good play in the outfield counts if it is not finished by accurate shooting. Ireland had if anything more of the attack than their opponents, but in finishing they either shoot recklessly or straight at Muir. The game was really won by Scotland's half-backs, who as a trio were ahead of the Irish middle line, and who had in Thomson the outstanding personality on the field. The centre half was good alike in defence and attack, and one distinct feature was his judgment in going through himself for a try at goal. Muir covered himself with distinction in the early stages when the shots he saved had some sting about, and were well placed, but subsequently he had the unusual experience for a goalkeeper of having the ball invariably sent straight at him. Jackson and Agnew were good and bad by turns, and never wholly reliable. Key was at his best when co-operating with his forwards, while McNair was under club form. The forward line can be written down as a failure. They were certainly handicapped by the absence of Somers, for seventy-five minutes, but even making allowance for this they were disappointing. Bennett and Walker in the second half brightened up, Fraser was feeble all through and O'Rourke, though willing, was not class.

Scot kept a grand goal for Ireland, his saving being often done at much personal risk, and he was ably seconded by McCartney and Willis, the former back being easily the finest of the quartette playing. Connor alone touched International standard at half. Forward all were clever, but Young and Blair were extremely smart. The inside men showed delightful footwork, but were lacking in steadiness in the goalmouth. To this may be put down Ireland's defeat by a score which altogether misrepresents the play.

It was never a great game in the best sense of the word, but it was always fast, and spasmodically brilliant. The money drawn amounted to £705, the turnstiles showing an attendance of 25,000 in round figures. It may be noted the referee by some mistake only played forty minutes in the second half.

Scotland.—Muir (Dundee); Jackson (St. Mirren) and Agnew (Kilmarnock); Key (Queen's Park), Thomson (Hearts), and McNair (Celtic), Walker (Hearts), O,Rourke (Airdrieonians), Somers (Celtic), and Fraser (Dundee).

Ireland.—Scott (Everton); Willis (Linfield) and McCartney (Belfast Celtic); Wright (Cliftonville); Blair (Cliftonville), Maxwell (Belfast Celtic), Maguire (Distillery), O'Hagan (Aberdeen), and Young (Linfield).

Referee.—Mr. Lewis (Blackburn).

THE LEAGUE.

DIVISION I.

	P.	W.	L.	D.	Goals For	Agst.	Pts.
Newcastle United ...	30	19	5	6	64	34	44
Everton ...	30	18	9	3	60	32	39
Sheffield United ...	30	15	8	7	50	43	37
Bristol City ...	29	14	7	8	50	34	36
Aston Villa ...	31	16	11	4	67	45	36
Bolton Wanderers ...	31	13	11	7	45	41	33
Woolwich Arsenal ...	28	14	10	4	50	42	32
Birmingham	31	13	12	6	43	43	32
Preston North End ...	33	13	15	5	40	52	31
Manchester United ...	31	12	12	7	39	52	31
Sheffield Wednesday ...	28	10	9	9	42	45	29
Middlesbrough ...	30	12	13	5	41	52	29
Liverpool	29	11	13	5	52	47	27
Sunderland	27	9	9	9	42	42	27
Blackburn Rovers ...	30	11	14	5	47	53	27
Manchester City ...	31	9	13	9	43	61	27
Bury	32	10	17	5	48	60	25
Derby County ...	30	7	15	8	31	42	22
Notts County ...	28	8	13	12	28	43	18
Stoke	31	5	18	8	31	56	18

DIVISION II.

	P.	W.	L.	D.	Goals For	Agst.	Pts.
Chelsea	30	20	5	5	55	23	45
Notts Forest ...	29	20	6	3	55	31	43
Leicester Fosse ...	36	16	7	7	54	32	39
West Bromwich Albion ...	27	18	7	2	72	28	38
Bradford City ...	30	16	9	5	60	44	37
Wolverhampton Wands....	31	15	11	5	55	42	35
Burnley	30	14	12	4	52	35	32
Gainsborough Trinity ...	32	14	14	4	42	57	32
Hull City	29	12	12	5	50	40	29
Leeds City	31	11	13	7	43	52	29
Stockport County ...	30	10	11	9	33	40	29
Barnsley	27	11	11	5	55	39	27
Grimsby Town ...	29	12	15	2	42	47	26
Clapton Orient ...	31	9	16	6	38	58	24
Burslem Port Vale ...	30	9	15	6	52	68	24
Blackpool	31	7	14	10	28	41	24
Lincoln City ...	29	10	16	3	37	57	23
Glossop	29	10	16	3	38	68	23
Chesterfield	31	7	18	6	38	51	20
Burton United ...	30	6	19	5	25	56	17

SOUTHERN LEAGUE.

	P.	W.	L.	D.	Goals For.	Agst.	Pts.
Fulham	30	14	4	12	42	27	40
Portsmouth ...	28	15	7	6	45	28	36
Brighton and Hove ...	30	14	8	8	38	29	36
Tottenham Hotspur ...	29	14	8	7	55	37	35
Norwich City ...	30	12	7	11	50	37	35
West Ham United ...	30	11	6	13	46	31	35
Watford ...	29	11	7	11	36	35	33
Brentford ...	28	12	9	7	39	33	31
Luton Town ...	28	13	10	5	37	43	31
Bristol Rovers ...	29	11	11	7	44	35	29
Southampton ...	29	10	11	8	35	37	28
Plymouth Argyle ...	30	9	11	10	36	41	28
Leyton ...	30	9	11	10	34	51	28
Millwall ...	29	11	13	5	55	46	27
Swindon Town ...	30	9	12	9	32	36	27
Reading ...	30	11	15	4	43	37	26
Queen's Park Rangers ...	30	7	13	10	33	45	24
New Brompton ...	28	7	16	5	27	49	19
Crystal Palace ...	26	7	15	4	34	40	18
Northampton ...	29	4	17	8	23	67	16

THE ISTHMIAN LEAGUE.

The meeting of Clapton and the Casuals in the Isthmian League, at the Spotted Dog, provided a capital game, and the teams were so well matched that honours were even at the finish. This was a fitting termination to a keen struggle, in which the defence of the Casuals was a prominent feature. Table to date:—

	P.	W.	L.	D.	Goals For.	Agst.	Pts.
Ilford ...	7	6	0	1	20	6	13
London Caledonians	6	4	2	0	9	6	8
Civil Service ...	8	3	4	1	9	12	7
Clapton ...	6	1	2	3	8	6	5
Casuals ...	9	2	6	1	15	22	5
Ealing ...	6	2	4	0	5	14	4

UNDER RUGBY RULES.

SCOTLAND *vs.* ENGLAND.—The apex of the international Rugby championship of 1907 was reached on Saturday at the Rectory Field, Blackheath, where the chosen representatives of England and Scotland met for the thirty-fourth time. There existed little doubt prior to the gathering on the point of issue, and the result was quite in accordance with expectations, the Scotsmen achieving one more triumph, and regaining, by the victory, possession of the Calcutta Cup. But by the victory Scotland put a magnificent coping-stone to the year's football, and established a new record in the world of Rugby football.

Scotland won the toss, and Munro elected to take advantage of the strong wind, which, although blowing in a slanting direction, was favourable to the side playing from the pavilion end. E. W. Roberts kicked off for England. The oval found touch at the Scottish "25," but almost directly the position of play was in close proximity to the centre line. Here a little scramble ensued, but a smart pick-up by Start enabled him to get away in the direction of the Scottish lines. McLeod, however, was not slow to get on the track of the Devon half, and before the latter could get thoroughly into his stride the Cantab had his adversary outstretched. Off-side against Scotland further increased the English chances, which were considerably enhanced when Schulze failed to gather the ball when in a comfortable position. McLeod came to the rescue of his countrymen, and, getting in a lengthy punt, the ball, by the aid of the strong breeze, travelled well down the field. Gathering well and making off at top speed, Jackett brought off a pretty piece of play, and mainly through his efforts England were enabled to make a thrilling rush on the Scottish goal-line. E. W. Roberts, Mills, and Kelly were at the head of affairs, and at every second an English success seemed imminent. Just when the big Devonians were on the point of sweeping the ball over the line, McLeod dashed in, and with the assistance of Munro split up the movement, and sent the oval well out of danger. It was a lucky escape for Scotland, but the manner in which they cleared their lines was deserving of all praise. Simson was prominent in a subsequent movement, but getting knocked out of his stride, he failed to cause much anxiety to the home defence. Meeting the ball in characteristic fashion, Birkett elicited considerable applause by the manner he gathered the ball and sent it into Scottish ground.

For the first time in the game Scotland's three-quarters got into action, but the oval, after travelling right along the line, was finally handed to McGregor, who was quickly smothered. A little later the same player got in a lofty punt, and Sloan, racing on, made his mark quite close to the mid-field line. An attempt was made to land a goal, but the squally nature of the breeze made accurate kicking an impossibility. Up to this point the struggle had been a determined one, and the respective sides had succeeded in their object of keeping the game very close. Getting away in a fine dribble, England looked like causing further trouble to the opposing defence, but off-side drew them up.

From the resultant penalty-kick Macleod made a magnificent attempt to land a goal, his kick from the other side of the centre line hitting the left post and rebounding into play. It was a very lucky escape for England, and they had scarcely time to draw their breath when Macleod again failed by a few feet to gain a score. When things were looking anything but bright for the representatives of the Rose their forwards got away. They kept the game going just in the way they were expected, with their superabundance of weight, and carried the ball to the stand corner of the Scotch line. The English spectators were intensely delighted with this sudden change in the aspect of affairs, but they had only momentarily congratulated themselves when Macleod, getting possession, came away in magnificent style. He ran to over the centre, and then got in a "drop," hoping to outdistance his English attendants. Jackett, however, had a yard or two start of the Cambridge flier, and as Macleod had to get into his stride, after dropping the ball, the Cornwall back was able to reach the leather as it bounded across his line. The way in which the game had swept in a couple of minutes from one end of the field to the other was of an exhilarating nature.

From the drop-out play hung a few seconds in the region of midfield, and here the heavy scrummaging work of the Saxon forwards told. Another long drop by McGregor this time sent the ball over the English line, the wind, of course, playing a very great part in the repeated touch downs of England. From any part of the centre it was pretty-certain that a high drop would carry on the breeze to the dead-ball line. However, on the next drop out there was some scrummaging, and then Shewring darted away, but he was finally brought down by Purves. Play now brightened up considerably, and both Macleod and Sloan had capital runs, which kept the game effectually in English soil. A mark by Macleod gave Scotland another chance, but it was quite impossible to gauge the fluctuations of the wind, and the leather once more was carried very wide of the uprights.

A straggling English forward rush relieved the run of Scotch progression, and Mills did something to justify Devon County's big representation by some clever leading. Not for long did play remain in the Scottish division; the wind was too great a factor, and Munro, getting in a mighty punt, put the Thistle again in the happy position of pressing.

The game, it must be said, up to this point had been anything but attractive; no doubt the wind was a serious factor, but the half-hour which had gone was distinctly the poorest half-hour of any international played this season. As time ran on, and no Scottish score looked probable, the enthusiasts from the North began to grow anxious, and it was quite apparent that the home pack was giving a good deal more than it got. Peters, who was working the scrum, got the ball out to his men more often than did Simson. Offside against the little dark Devonian let Scotland obtain a free-kick, but Munro put too much screw on the ball, and it carried into touch a little distance off. Some mauling was subsequently engaged in at midfield, and smart pick-up by Munro as the ball came out on the blind side of the scrum let the visitors away in a passing run. Newton and Start were successful in their spoiling tactics, and another series of scrums took place near the centre line. A bout of passing between Peters, Start, and Birkett took play to the Scottish twenty-five, and it was with the greatest difficulty England were kept at bay. The Englishmen made a stubborn effort to get over, and a score was hopefully looked for, when Sivright, Geddes, and Frew took the ball at their feet to midfield. It was a characteristic Scottish rush, and it was only the sterling spoiling tactics of the English "threes" that prevented Scotland from obtaining points. The battle was being fiercely waged at the centre line when the interval arrived, there being no score. Half-time:—

England	0
Scotland	0

During the interval the prospects of England were favourably discussed, and to cross over with a clean sheet in such a wind was certainly quite creditable. The second half, however, opened in somewhat sensational style, the Scotsmen setting to their work in characteristic fashion. Following some captal play by the forwards, McGregor had a dodging run. He was just held outside, and then Macleod was all but in. For a moment or two the game was in front of the English posts, but a high kick turned the issue in other directions. A bad fumble by McGregor caused a complete change, and a drop at goal was a rather weak affair, the ball running dead. From the drop-out Mills was at fault, but Sivright led the Scottish forwards in thrilling fashion towards Jackett. It looked certain for a score, but off-side pulled the Scots up. The immediately succeeding work was full of exciting incidents. On one occasion Munro came round the English forwards, and, passing on to Purves, the latter transferred to Sloan, who was pulled into touch. A long drop by McGregor sent Scotland further afield, and the play was running in a groove wellwishers of the predominant partner had calculated.

Solid work brought England to the centre, and here Simson, getting the ball out beautifully, made off in a single-handed effort. Wilson, Jackett, and Birkett crossed over to meet him, and when on the point of being tackled the Scotsman punted over the heads of his opponents in the direction of the uprights. Before the Englishmen had time to gather themselves, Simson was again on the ball, and in the next moment he was over the English line. It was a most adroit movement, and earned the enthusiastic plaudits of the crowd. "No charge given as Geddes was about to kick, but this did not assist the Watsonian to produce the major points.

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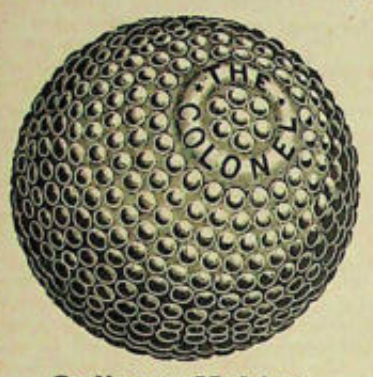

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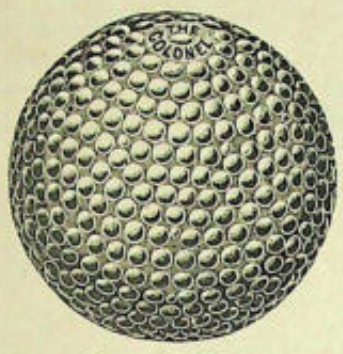

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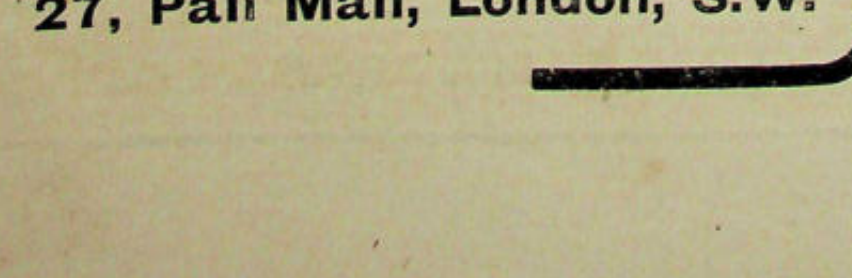

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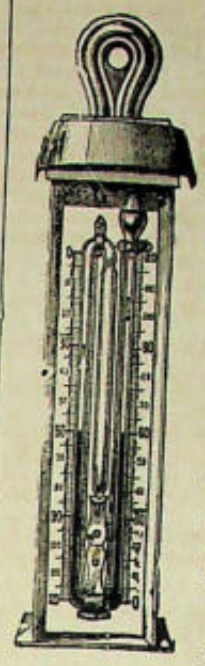

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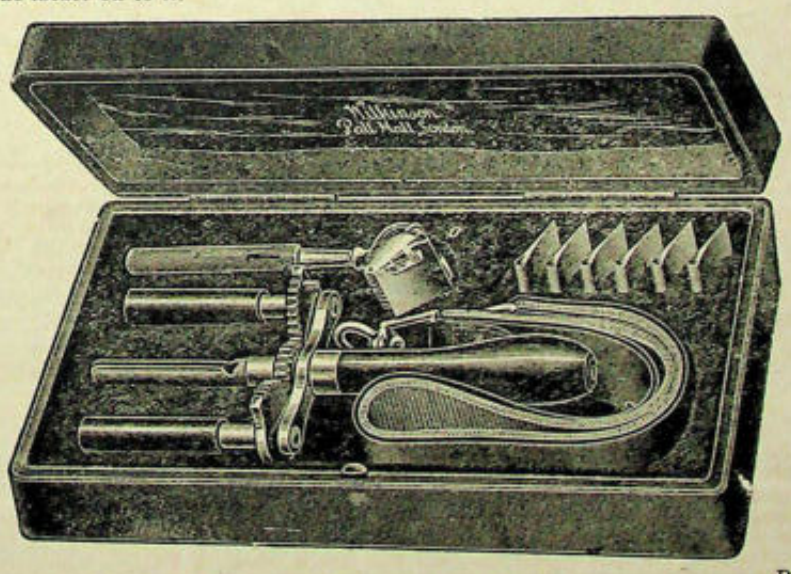

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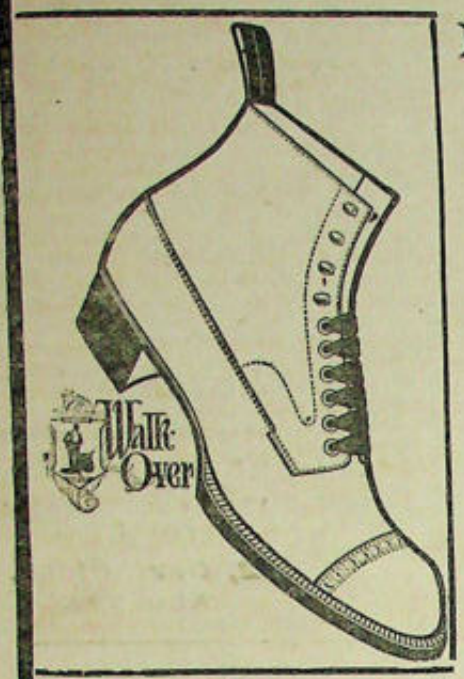

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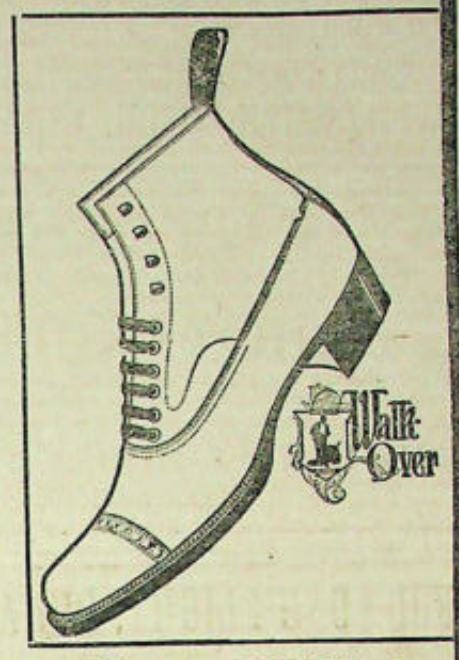



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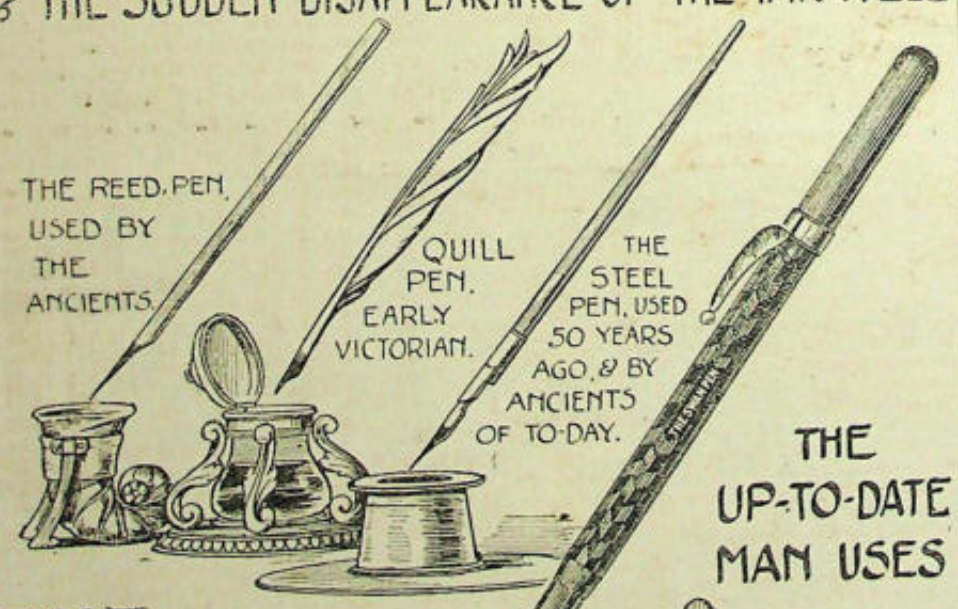

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MADRAS.

This turn of affairs was quite sensational, but on the play it had been more than deserved, for Scotland had unquestionably all the best of things during the quarter of an hour of the second half which had passed. The drop-out brought England no relief, and it was quite apparent that the Scotsmen were playing with very much more purpose against the elements than with them. Twice afterwards the home nation found themselves hard pressed, once from Munro's kick, and another time when that player, intercepting, passed to MacGregor, who was only brought down in front of the English posts. Gradually play was forced to mid-field, where the forwards, keeping the ball closely at their feet, disputed supremacy for a little. The Scottish three-quarters, particularly Macleod, tried their hardest to open out the game, and a long pass from the Cantab to Purves was the means of putting the Scotch pack once again on the move. Spiers and McCallum led the attack, and so hard pressed was Jackett that he had to touch down in defence. Following the drop-out, England tried hard to drive their opponents back, but their efforts seemed unavailing, for Sivright, who had played a splendid game, outmanœuvred the opposition, and made off all alone. It was left to Birkett to bring him down, and with Jackett also coming to the rescue, a possible score was averted. Jackett was in exceptionally fine form, and on every occasion he field the ball he always got good length when finding touch.

Twenty-five minutes of the second half had now gone, and Scotland, although only 3 points to the good, were all over their opponents. E. W. Roberts imparted some confidence into his forwards by a rousing kick fully half the length of the field, and Slocock and Green were not slow to follow up. Schulze, who had been practically idle so far, did not enhance his reputation in fielding the ball, and fumbling badly, he let the Devon forwards down on him. However, Purves grasped the ball at a critical stage, and worming his way through, carried into touch at his own twenty-five.

A united effort on the part of the Scottish pack led to the swamping of England. The English three-quarters were unable to get a hold of the ball, which was sent over the home line, and struck Jackett's boot in its progress. Purves had a clear opening, and being unmarked, the London Scot experienced no difficulty in gaining the touch. With the place quite close to the posts, Geddes made no mistake in majorising.

Victory for the Thistle now seemed assured, but it was exhilarating to find England, true to their traditions, rising to the occasion in a remarkable manner. For a moment or two the game was disputed at the centre flag, but picking up smartly on the blind side of the scrum, Peters let Start away.

The ball travelled with great rapidity from one player to another, and finally, after the English pack had swept the ball right up to the Scottish posts, Peters gained possession and darted over. It was a splendid effort on the part of Peters, and, needless to say, vociferous cheering greeted his success. E. W. Roberts took the kick, but he failed to gauge the strength of the breeze and his kick went very wide of the mark. Time immediately afterwards arrived, Scotland being winners of a very stubborn game. Result:—

	Pts.
Scotland (1 goal 1 try)	8
England (1 try)	3

ENGLAND.—E. J. Jacket (Cornwall), full back; W. C. Wilson (Eastern Counties), H. Shewring (Somerset), J. G. G. Birkett (Surrey), and Lieut. A. W. Newton (Royal Dublin Fusiliers), three-quarters: J. Peters (Devon) and S. P. Start, R.N. (Devon), half-backs; E. W. Roberts (Devon), W. Mills (Devon), T. S. Kelly (Devon), J. Green (Yorkshire), L. A. N. Slonock (Lancashire), G. D. Roberts (Harlequins), S. G. Williams (Devon), and C. H. Shaw (Midlands), forwards. Reserve: A. S. Pickering (Yorkshire).

SCOTLAND.—D. G. Schulze (London Scottish), back, A. L. Purves (London Scottish), J. T. Sloan (Glasgow Academicals), K. G. Macleod (London Scottish) and Duncan M'Gregor (Pontypridd), three-quarters; E. D. Simson (London Scottish) and Pat Munro (London Scottish) (capt), half-backs; W. P. Scott (London Scottish), D. R. Bedell-Sivright (Edinburgh University), J. M. B. Scott (Edinburgh Academicals), J. C. M'Callum (Watsonians), L. D. Spiers (Watsonians), I. C. Geddes (London Scottish), G. M. Frew (Glasgow High School), and G. A. Sanderson (Edin. R. H. School), forwards.

Referee.—Mr. T. D. Schofield (Bridgend).

ROWING.

THE 'VARSITY BOAT RACE.

The success of Cambridge in this year's inter-'Varsity Boat Race was as pronounced as their most ardent supporters could have wished. They practically led from the first two or three strokes, and the result was never in doubt.

The weather was threating at Putney in the morning, and there was a strong S. W. wind blowing, which meant an advantage of about two lengths over the full course to the surrey station boat, but the conditions were not so bad for rowing except between the bottom of Chiswick Eyot and Barnes Bridge. Set for three o'clock in the afternoon, the race did not promise to prove such an attraction as usual, judging by the early attendance. At twelve o'clock the towpath at Putney presented a deserted appearance compared with what it has been during the last fortnight, but at that time both the crews had finished a light practice to test oars and stretchers, so that there was nothing much to see. Later on, however, people began to put in an appearance very quickly, and there was the usual big gathering of Old Blues and rowing men at the Leander Club and the London R. C. Boat-houses. During the actual race it was evident that the crowd on the banks was exceptionally large, extending as it did all the way from Putney to Mortlake, but the craft on the river seemed fewer than usual.

The wind maintained its strength throughout the afternoon, but the flood tide came up to its time, and at three o'clock, the hour fixed for the start, there was plenty of water and a good current. Oxford as the challengers brought out their boat from the London R. C. boat-house a few minutes before 3 P.M President Bucknall had won the toss for choice of stations, and naturally choose the Surrey side, as the wind was off the Surrey bank right up to the Ranelagh Bight; fair into Hammersmith; but foul from the Doves to Barnes Bridge, with favourable conditions to the finish. Cambridge were not long in following, and it was barely five minutes past three o'clock when Mr. F. I. Pitman, who acted as starter and umpire from the steam launch *Maritana*, gave the signal to start.

Both sets of oarsemen rowed 21 strokes in the first half-minute and 39 in the full, but the difference in the pace of the two boats was most marked. The Cantabs went into the lead immediately, and were half a length ahead off the Duke's Head. This advantage had been increased to three-quarters of a length at the London R.C. Flagstaff, while at the Thames R.C. the Light Blues were just clear. The leaders had settled down to a steady 33 to the minute, and were moving along very smartly as they passed Craven Steps in 2min. 10sec. from the start. It was smooth water Crab Tree Reach, and Oxford made great efforts to close with the leaders, but were quite unequal to the task, as Cambridge reached the mile post in 4 min. 1 sec., with over two lengths' lead. This they continued to improve upon to Hammersmith Bridge, which was breasted by the Light Blues in the fast time of 7min. 15sec., only 5sec. outside the record. Oxford now found some help from the Surrey station, and decreased the lead of their opponents somewhat between Hammersmith and the Doves, but rounding the bend into Chiswick Reach, Cambridge went ahead again, and took their opponents' water to get the shelter of the Surrey Bank. They were able to hold the position easily, and led by three lengths at Chiswick Church. Time, 12min. 4 secs.

Rough water had then been encountered, but it was rougher still above Thorneycroft's. Cambridge's coxswain sought the shelter of the Duke's Meadows, where the river was much smoother, but Oxford rowed gamely into the rough stuff and shipped a lot of water, which had a palpable effect on their pace. Both crews shot for the centre arch of Barnes Bridge at a sharp angle, Cambridge from the Middlesex side and Oxford from the Surrey. At that point Cambridge were five or six lengths in front, and the time was 16min. 59sec. Oxford were still rowing gamely, but they were altogether outpaced, and without unduly distressing themselves the Light Blues finished the course in 20min. 25sec. (by Benson's chronograph), winning the race by four and a half lengths—the official verdict of Mr. Fred Fenner, of the London R. C., who again acted as distance judge.

There was a lot of enthusiasm shown by the spectators all the way up the course, and the winners had a great ovation at the finish. Both crews paddled their boats to the Ibis R. C., at Strand-on-the-Green, where they dressed, returning to Putney by steam launch.

The result was in every way predicted by the market, as Cambridge were always favourites, and the price at the start was 5 to 1 on them.

Oxford deserve the credit of rowing a very plucky and stern chase, and their experience should bear good fruit in the future, as they are mostly a young crew.

There has been much comment on the style and pace of the Cantabs, but on their rowing to Hammersmith the crew would prove a record-breaking combination on a favourable day.

The following table shows the positions of the crews at various well-known points on the course:—

Duke's Head.—Cambridge led by half a length.

London R.C. Flagstaff.—Cambridge led by three quarters of a length.

Thames R.C.—Cambridge just clear.

Craven Steps.—Cambridge led by one and a half lengths. Time—2mins. 10secs.

Mile Post.—Cambridge led by two and a quarter lengths. Time—4min. 1sec.

Hammersmith Bridge.—Cambridge led by 3 lengths. Time—7mins 15secs.

Chiswick Church.—Cambridge led by three lengths. Time—12min. 4sec.

Barnes Bridge.—Cambridge led by five lengths. Time—16mins. 59secs.

Finish.—Cambridge won by four and a half lengths. Time—20mins. 26secs.

The following tables show the names and weights of the respective crews, with their colleges:—

OXFORD.

		st.	lbs.
	W. T. Heard (Fettes and Balliol) (bow) ...	11	0
2.	*†H. C. Bucknall (Eton and Merton) ...	11	8
3.	G. E. Hope (Eton and Christ Church) ...	12	13
4.	R. M. Peat (Sedbergh and Trinity) ...	11	11
5.	J. A. Gillan (Edinburgh Academy and Magdalen)	12	7
6.	*A. G Kirby (Eton and Magdalen) ...	13	10
7.	*E. H. L. Southwell (Eton and Magdalen) ...	12	1
	A. C. Gladstone (Eton and Christ Church) (stroke)	11	0
	A. W. Donkin (Eton and Magdalen) (cox) ...	8	5

*Rowed against Cambridge in 1906, and † against Cambridge in 1905.

Reserve man: O. N. Chadwyck-Healey (Eton and Third Trinity).

CAMBRIDGE.

		st.	lbs.
	†A. B. Close-Brooks (Winchester and First Trinity) (bow)	11	0
2.	†*J. H. F. Benham (Fauconbergh and Jesus) ...	12	5½
3.	†*H. M. Goldsmith (Sherborne and Jesus) ...	12	6
4.	J. S. Burn (Harrow and First Trinity) ...	12	9½
5.	†H. G. Baynes (Leighton Park and First Trinity)	14	0
6.	†*‡B. C. Johnstone (Eton and Third Trinity) ...	12	9
7.	*E. W. Powell (Eton and Third Trinity) ...	11	6
	†* D. C. B. Stuart (Cheltenham and Trinity Hall) (stroke)	11	1
	B. Boyle (Bradfield and Trinity Hall) (cox)	8	10

* Rowed against Oxford in 1906, † against Harvard University in 1906, and ‡ against Oxford in 1905.

Reserve man: G. L. Thomson (University College School and Trinity Hall).

	Oxford.	Cambridge.
	st. lb.	st. lb.
Aggregate weight	96 8	97 9
Average weight	12 1	12 2½

ATHLETICS.

R.M.C. ATHLETIC SPORTS.—Some fine performances were made at the annual sports of the R.M.C., Sandhurst, on Friday and Saturday last in spite of the very bad conditions under which the meeting was held. The weather on the first day was very wet, and there was a rather strong wind, but on Saturday the conditions were even worse, the wind being very rough. The mile and two miles produced some fine running, the feature being the performances of Cadet B.C.O.T. Paget, who won both events. In the two miles he had the fine time of 10 min. 34 4-5 sec., and made a remarkable sprint at the close, winning by twenty-five yards. Sergt. Messum also performed well, winning the jump, 100 yards, and coming second in the long jump. He had the misfortune in the hurdle race, for which he was hot favourite, to fall at the last hurdle, when well in front. Details:—

Putting the Shot.—A. H. D. Barron, 29 feet 8 in., 1; Cr-Sergt. Blackwood, 29 feet 7in., 2; Sergt. H. S. Moberley, 29 feet 3¾ in., 3; R. C. Ruck, 28 feet 11¾ in.

Half-mile.—Sergt. R. P. Bernard 1, Cr-Sergt. Blackwood, 2, Gifford (E. Company), 3; Sergt. J. P. Synnott, 4. Time, 2 min. 12 sec. Synnott started well, and led for a lap and a half, when he was passed by Bernard, Blackwood, and Gifford. The former, running finely, won by about eight yards; the same distance separated second and third, and Synnott was a good fourth.

Long Jump.—D. S. Davison, 19 feet 5 in., 1; Sergt. L. R. Messum, 18 feet 10¼ in., 2; A. M. Laird, 18 feet 3 in., 3.

College Employees (120 yards)—J Cox 1, Webb 2, and F. Cox 3. Time, 14 2-5 sec.

120 Yards Handicap.—Sergt. B. M. Ward, 16½ yards, 1; Corpl. Hughes, 20, 2; C. M. Carter, 9½, 3; A. J. O'Flynn, 21½, 4. Time, 12 2-5 sec. Won by about a yard; inches.

Tug-of-War.—Second Round: F. Company beat A Company two pulls to one; D. Company defeated E. Company two pulls to one. Final: D. Company beat A Company two pulls.

100 Yards.—Heat 1: C. N. Carter 1, A. G. Smith 2. Time, 10 4-5 sec. Heat 2: Sergt. Messum 1, D. S. Davison 2. Time, 10 4-5sec. Final: Messum 1, Carter, 2, Humfrey 3. Time, 10 4-5 sec. Messum led practically all the way and won by about one foot; close second and third.

Hurdles (120 yards).—Heat 1: Sergt. Messum 1, J. G. Humfrey 2. Time, 18 2-5 sec. Heat 2: A. H. Laird 1, Sgt. H. S. Moberly 2. Time, 20 sec. Final: Humfrey 1, Laird 2. Willoughby 3. Messum fell at the last hurdle when well in front. Won by about a yard.

Three-legged Race.—Birdwood and Bostock 1, Klembies and Bourchier 2, Segrave and Campbell 3, Sgt. Beddy and P. R. Wigley 4.

Quarter-mile.—Heat 1: A. J. Smith 1, R. Aylmer 2. Time, 57 3-5 sec. Heat 2: H. Lewis 1, G. Edwardes 2. Time, 57 sec. Final: Lewis 1, R. Aylmer 2, Edwardes 3. Time, 57 1-5 sec. Lewis led all the way, and won by two yards.

Two Miles.—B.C.T. Paget 1, Cpl. R. D. Owen-Jones 2, P. S. Banning 3, C. G. Buckle 4. Time, 10 min. 34 4-5 sec. Paget finished first, after a fine sprint, by about 25 yards. A good race ensued for second and third places, Owen-Jones getting up on the tape.

Warrant and Non-Commissioned Officers (120 yards).—Bandmaster O'Connor, 31 yards, 1; S.-M. Payne, 17½, 2; Sgt. Norris, 22, 3; C.S.M. Handford, 14, 4; Sgt. Needham, 14, 5. Inches only separated the first half-dozen.

200 Yards Handicap.—Final: Williams-Freeman, 20, 1; T. H. R. Maunsel, 27, 2; P. R. Wigley, 10, 3; O. H. Tidbury, 15, 4; Time, 22 4-5sec.

High Jump.—Sgt. Messum, 5ft. 2in., 1; C. F. Dugdale, 2; Laird and Willoughby (tied), 5ft., 3.

Throwing the Cricket Ball.—L. C. Bostock, 104 yards 2ft. 5in., 1; R. C. Ruck, 101 yards 2ft. 5in., 2.

One Mile.—B. C. Paget 1, C. G. Buckle 2, P. S. Banning 3, Cpl. R. D. Owen-Jones 4. Time, 4 min 54 4-5 sec. Buckle led until half-way through the last lap, when Paget sprinted finely, and won comfortably; good third.

Invitation Quarter-mile Handicap.—J. B. Densham, L.A.C., 8, 1; M. G. Holmes, Oxford University, 12, 2. Time, 52 2-5 sec. The race lay between these two, and Holmes won comfortably.

Obstacle Race.—De Burgh 1, Ralston 2, Dugdale 3, Gifford 4. Time, 6 min. 17 sec. Gifford led until the last obstacle.

Consolation Race (120 yards).—Smith 1, N. Forde 2, Martyn 3. Time, 13 2-5 sec.

Donkey Race.—E. Nicholson's Suffragette, by Policeman—Lobby, 1.

Sergt. Messum won the silver medal with 44 points, Paget being second with 40. "C" Company won the challenge shield with 144 points. "F" being second with 71, and "B" third with 61.

BILLIARDS.

A FEW NOTES.—A general all-round improvement in the quantity and quality of the breaks compiled last week as compared with the one immediately preceding it is to be noted. Tom Reece's 1,825, of course, occupies the chief place of honour, but without this marvellous break his return for the week would have indeed been a poor one, his next best effort being below the second century. In pleasing contrast was his rival's work in this direction, twenty-one three-figure efforts giving Inman the excellent total of forty-three for the whole match. This was a record fortnight for the Richmondite, and well worthy of a line to itself. He exceeded the single century twenty-eight times, the double century twelve, the third century twice, and the fourth once, the latter occasion marking the creation of a new individual record, viz., 476. Altogether Inman aggregated 7,997 out of a total of 16,000 points by means of his century efforts—a wonderful performance, and one which will send him on his way round the world with a light heart.

Of the others, Dawson did by far the best, and he is to be congratulated on making an upwards move on the table which denotes "brilliance of execution." A few repetitions of his great show at Huddersfield—how appropriate he should choose his native town for his revival of form—and he will go still higher. That 590 (undinished) must have been an eye-opener to Lovejoy.

In the "Record of Matches" table, the most notable feature is the "fall" of Reece from fourth to eleventh position—owing to the extraordinary severity of his defeat at the hands of his rival. Apart from this, there are no special "changes" to note from the positions occupied the previous week.

THREE-FIGURE BREAKS TO DATE.

	100 and over.	200 and over.	300 and over.	400 and over.	500 and over.	Tl.	Actual pts. Scrd.	Av.
H. W. Stevenson ...	355	113	46	14	11	539	173,081	60·30
C. Dawson ...	389	104	50	7	7	537	137,672	54·68
E. Diggle ...	285	65	19	3	6	378	127,397	53·89
T. Recce ...	174	34	4	1	4	217	83,697	44·77
W. A. Lovejoy ...	182	24	9	3	2	220	87,225	41·58
C. Harverson ...	329	44	5	2	0	380	138,512	41·39
T. Aiken ...	77	15	2	2	0	96	37,069	41·39
M. Inman ...	261	46	12	3	0	322	126,017	40·21
F. H. Weiss ...	119	19	1	0	0	139	53,887	39·24
J. Duncan ...	22	4	1	0	0	27	12,376	35·12
W. Cook ...	106	19	2	0	0	127	62,948	30·39
A. E Williams ...	20	5	2	0	0	27	14,500	29·88
B. Elphick ...	16	3	2	0	0	21	12,947	27·05
R. Walmsley ...	5	1	0	0	0	6	9 191	26·73
W. Mitchell ...	21	2	1	0	0	24	14,011	24·39
J. Harris ...	21	1	1	0	0	23	12,941	20·06
W. Osborne ...	61	5	0	0	0	66	45,206	19·51
W. Pindar ...	23	1	0	0	0	24	23,467	13·24
G. Nelson ...	29	0	0	0	0	29	35 705	10·38
F. Lawrence ...	7	0	0	0	0	7	14,676	5·84
F. W. Hughes ...	3	0	0	0	0	3	6,388	5·63
A. Taylor ...	1	0	0	0	0	1	4,599	3·32

NOTE.—The final column gives the percentage of points scored by the agency of three-figure breaks.

RECORD OF MATCHES TO DATE.

	P.	W.	L.	Possible Points.	Actually scored.	Percentage.
A. E. Williams ...	2	2	0	14,500	14,500	100 00
W. Pindar ...	4	3	1	24,000	23,467	97·77
T. Tothill ...	1	0	1	5,000	4,823	96·46
T. Aiken ...	4	1	3	38 500	37,069	96·28
C. Harverson ...	15	6	9	144,000	138,512	96·18
M. Inman ...	17	9	8	131,476	126,017	95·84
E. Diggle ...	14	8	6	127,834	122,397	95·74
G. Nelson ...	*9	5	3	35,435	33,705	95·11
H. W. Stevenson	*20	13	6	182,252	173,011	93·96
F. Lawrence ...	4	0	4	15,500	14 679	64·68
T. Reece ...	12	6	6	90,500	83,697	92·48
W. Osborne ...	*12	6	9	48 942	45 206	92·36
W. A. Lovejoy ...	16	5	7	94,450	87,2 5	92·35
F. H. Weiss ...	9	4	5	58,600	53,887	91·95
C. Dawson ...	20	12	8	192,000	175,672	91·35
F. W. Hughes ...	1	0	1	7,000	6,388	91·25
W. Cook ...	*18	7	9	70,519	62,948	89·25
B. Elphick ...	3	1	2	15,000	12,947	86·31
J. Harris ...	5	1	4	20,000	16,910	84·55
R. Walmsley ...	1	0	1	4,000	3,191	79·77
J. Duncan ...	1	0	1	16,000	12,575	77·34
A. Taylor ...	1	0	1	7,000	4,599	65 70
C. H. Wilkinson ...	3	1	2	2,850	1,862	65·38
W. Mitchell ...	2	0	2	21 600	14 011	64·86

*Remaining game drawn.

NOTE.—The average column shows percentage of possible points scored.

Pigsticking.

THE GUJARAT CUP 1907.

This meeting was held as usual at Easter, the headquarter camp was pitched at Dholka in and around the District Officer's rest-house, a very fine building kindly placed at the disposal of the committee by the Collector. Dholka is about 25 miles from Ahmedabad on the narrow gauge railway and so is admirably situated for getting in supplies, horses and competitors, and the hundred and one things necessary for a big camp.

This year the entries were quite up to the average, three ladies braved the heat and gallantly rode from morning to night every day, with such an example set no mere man could feel lazy or at any rate could not show it. About thirty-five competitors and nearly 100 horses made things fairly lively, and contractors must have made quite a nice pile. A meet like this ought to be welcomed by natives, as a very large sum is spent on beaters, grass, grain, and supplies generally.

The Bombay-Baroda and Central India Railway as usual most sportingly and generously gave concessions to competitors and their horses and made things as easy and comfortable as possible for everyone. More power to them!

It was a subject for general regret that none from the north of India came down. Neither did Mhow send a single representative. The clashing of the Kadir Cup fixture was largely responsible for this, but one would expect a station like Mhow with several mounted units to be more sporting, one can say the amounts offered, *viz.*, Rs. 2,000 in solid cash and a challenge cup value Rs. 750 is insufficient attraction.

It is not possible to hold the Gujarat Cup at any time but Easter; it suits the Bombay men, and has been the date selected for many years, all know this and make their arrangements accordingly. It is greatly to be hoped that in future years the Kadir Cup executive will bear this in mind and if fixtures in those parts admit arrange their date so as to allow of a clear three weeks between the two pigsticking events.

Perhaps a few words on the horses and ponies may be of interest. All who rode in the Tully Cup were walers and with one exception thoroughbred with at least one good race to their credit, never before had such a good lot faced the starter. Kingfisher, awinner of a Bombay Hunt Cup and a previous Tully Cup now added a second win by just getting home from Neptune, who has a record of one win and two seconds out of three starts in Bombay. Sloth, a winner of a £300 steeplechase in Australia, ran well, as he was bound to do the fact that he and Neptune ran the wrong side of a flag dettracted nothing from this performance, as if anything they went further. Merman and Curlew are also grand horses, the former having just run second in the Bombay Hunters' Flat Race.

Among the ponies result stood out preminently and beat all the horses in the Gujarat Cup. A thoroughbred South African his like is hard to meet, he is the winner of many races where he was bred. Akbar Khan, a grand representative from Arabia, just failed to add another win to his score in the Pony Cup which was annexed by Gaiety, a waler who was in receipt of quite four stone from all the others, helped by the light weight of his rider who rode about 8 stone. This pony was impossible to beat and in addition his rider also annexed the Salmon Challenge Cup.

The country-bred pony point-to-point was an innovation this year, got up primarily to encourage men who cannot afford expensive ponies to come to the meeting. It proved popular and filled easily. Bulbul was the fittest and came in first, but with Derry, who is ashapely pony, but unfit, was disqualified for going the wrong side of a flag, thus Yellow Hammer, a Kathiawar pony, won pretty easily, not a bad performance as he was carrying 12 stone, the remaining two were beat to the world, but were placed second and third.

It will be noticed that there were many disqualified in these point-to-point races; this unfortunately always seems a feature of the Gujart Cup meeting. Year after year it occurs and seems difficult to remedy if one may judge by results. Directions are frequently too intricate; this year they consisted of "leave so and so on your left and when you get to such and such a place leave it on your right." perfectly plain no doubt when you are cool and collected in a chair, but most confusing when galloping hard with an eye on the other competitors. If it can be remedied it ought to be, as nothing disgusts men more than to gallop a good horse pretty nearly over two or three miles of stiff country and win perhaps or get placed and then be told he has had some rotten little rag of a flag or a tree on his wrong side.

In the Gujarat Cup itself this year the ponies and smaller horses had it pretty nearly their own way. Medlicott, O. Symons and Sardar Singh of Shapura, all rode ponies and were all in the final or semi-finals in the close country of Dholka; they turned and twisted after the pig in a way that generally left the big horses in the rear. Of course in a long straight run the horse scored, but the first jink often more than equalized matters.

The following is aprecis of the heats:

GUJARAT CUP FIRST NOMINATION.

1st heat.—Col. J. Forbes (winner) ... Beyts.
Narshinghi of Katosan ... A. Forbes.

A nice gallop after a fair sized pig in rather close jungle. J. Forbes was not to be denied.

2nd heat.—R. C. Brown, T. Moore (winner), J. L. Symons.

This heat was let go after a small jinking sow. All had a look in. Moore at last succeeded in pricking.

3rd heat.—Medlicott (winner) ... Capt. Rudkin.
Becharsinghi of Katosan ... D. Graham.

A fast jinking run after a small pig all got thrown out alternately. Becharsinghi got lost owing to his not keeping up with the umpire at the start. Medlicott speared handsomely.

4th heat.—O. Symons (winner) ... Col. Dimmock.
R. R. Boyd ... Sirdar Singhi of Shapura.

The run lay chiefly between Symons and Sirdar Singhi. The others could hardly go the pace, Symons speared eventually.

5th heat.—Darley (winner) Thatcher, Crum, Soutar.

The umpire let the heat go after a clinking good boar, Darley and Crum raced, the former getting up and jinked, swinging round he again missed and Crum had a chance, but failed, Darley then racing up speared. A very fine long run.

6th heat.—Thakor Shree of Katosan, Ranjit Singhi of Baria, Lory (scratched).

This heat was disqualified as they lost the pig, the umpire giving it as his opinion that they had every chance of spearing.

Semi-final.—O. Symons (winner) Darley, Moore.

They were let go to a fine boar. Darley raced up and jinked, Symons going over a fence got badly thrown out, Darley and Moore following on with the pig through some heavy wait-a-bit thorn jungle and lost him momentarily. Symons coming along had the luck to see him going down a lane. And speared him: a long run.

Col. Forbes, Medlicott (winner.

One of the finest runs of the meeting. Over some big fences and cotton field. Pace was a cracker. Medlicott's pony proved a shade faster than the others big horse; both had a chance and eventually Medlicott was able to show first blood.

Final.—Medlicott (winner) O. Symons.

A very short run after an exceedingly fat boar, who did not run, but being speedily brought to bay promptly charged Medlicot, who, of course speared, and thus won the first nomination for the Gujarat Cup.

SECOND NOMINATION.

1st heat.—Col. Forbes (winner) ... J. L. Symons.
A. Forbes ... Medlicott.

The umpire keeping his eye on the pig had not a spare one for his heat and gave the order to ride when Col. Forbes had a comfortable lead of well over 100 yards and Medlicott 50 or 60 yards in rear of Symons and A. Forbes. A jink let the rear guard up and they had a chance, Medlicott broke a stirup leather, and pulled up. Symons might have speared, eventually Col. Forbes' drew blood, this was an exceedingly fast boar that kept in front a long time.

2nd heat.—Soutar (winner) Darley, Thatcher, Thakur Shree of Katosan.

A grand gallop after a fine boar. Darley showed the way, closely followed by Soutar, jinked the pig and missed. Again getting on he just managed to reach the pig, Soutar spearing immediately after. Darley failed to show blood and the spear was awarded to Soutar.

3rd heat.—O. Symons (winner), Moore, Crum.

A small pig which gave a good run. Symons who had abandoned his big horse for his pony was not to be denied.

4th heat.—Sirdar Singhi of Shapura (winner), Brown, D. Graham.

A fine run. Graham up first, but missed on the jink, and let in Sirdar Singhi.

Semi-finals.—Soutar, Sardar Singh (winner).

Sirdar Singh's pony proved the smartest and did not give the horse much of a look in.

O. Symons (winner), Col. Forbes.

A fine boar and a fine run. Forbes was up first, but when the jink came he let Symons on his pony in who speared easily. Forbes got mixed up with a babul tree and broke a leather.

Final.—Sirdar Singh (winner), O. Symons.

Sirdar Singh never left the issue in doubt. When the heat was let go he got on the tail of the boar, jinked when he jinked and speared twice before Symons got a look in.

Final—Mr. H. E. Medlicott, 4th Battery R.F.A. (winner), Sirdar Singh of Shapur.

After a tiring delay they were let go to a fine pig, Medlicott on his grand South African pony, Result, proved too much for the other Arab good pony as he was, also giving no chances away; he speared and won the Gujarat Cup of 1907.

A prominent winner in two previous years, every one congratulating him heartily.

SALMON CHALLENGE CUP.

1st heat.—Narisinghi of Baria, Lory scratched, Narisinghi of Katosan, Hickey scratched.

T. Moore (winner).

A fairly soft thing for Moore, who was on him the whole time and seemed to be going the faster.

2nd heat.— Col. Forbes (winner) ... J. L. Symons.
R. R. Boyd. ... Beyts.

Forbes seemed to have the legs of Symons, the others could hardly go the pace, which was a cracker.

3rd heat.—Sirdar Singh ... Rudkin
Gordon ... R. C. Brown

Fine, long, straight run, Brown and Rudkin making the winning, both missed and the boar ran into a bush, charging out just as Sardar Singh was passing, a nice bit of luck as he thought he was badly left.

4th heat.—Ranjit Singhi of Baria (winner) Darley
Soutar (scratched) ... O. Symons.

A fast run after a small jinking boar, all had severe attempts and the pig almost seemed able to wriggle off the point of one's spear. Ranjit Singhi at last drew blood.

5th heat.—Medlicott (winner), Crum, Hurst, Suraj Mowghi of Katosan.

A nice run with any odds on Medlicott, who won as he liked.

6th heat.—Graham (winner), Thatcher, Wiles (scratched) Lloyd.

A fine run after a nice pig. Graham won fairly easily.

Semi-Finals.—Col. Forbes (winner), D. Graham, Medlicott.

A magnificent run after a good boar all well up. Forbes had a dig at the pig and was lucky to catch him on the back and be able to show blood.

Ranjit Singhi (winer), T. Moore, Sardar Singh.

Ranjit Singhi's fine waler pony combined with his light weight proved too much and he won nicely.

Final.—Col. J. Forbes, Ranjit Singhi of Baria (winner).

Forbes' pony looked a bit excited and out of hand, probably owing to the delay and shouts of the beaters. A good run and Ranjit Singhi scored and became the possessor of the coveted Pony Cup.

TULLY CUP.—3 miles.

Mr. J. L. Symons' Kingfisher	owner	1
Mr. Crums' Merman	do	2
Mr. A. Forbes' Curlew	do	3
Capt. J. R. Darley's Neptune	do	0
Col. J. Forbes' Sloth	do	0
Mr. Soutar's Wedlock	do	0
Mr. R. G. Gordon's Maxim	do	0
Mr. R. C. Brow's Boaz	do	0

Neptune ran second and Sloth third, but were disqualified for going the wrong side of a flag. Kingfisher and Neptune had a great run together, the former winning by a length.

In the lotteries Kingfisher, sold for, Rs. 30, Neptune, Rs. 32, Sloth, Rs. 24, Merman, Rs. 18, Curlew, Rs. 14, Wedlock, Rs. 16, Boaz, Rs. 10, Maxim, Rs. 4.

PONY CUP.—2 miles.

Ranjit Singhi of Baria's Gaiety	owner	3
Mr. T. Moore's Akhbar Khan	do	2
Mr. O. Symons' Rosette, ...	do	3
Mr. H. E. Medlicott's Result II.	do	0
Capt. Rudkin's Dorothy, ...	do	0
Mr. W. A. Hurst's Joe, ...	do	0
Mr. Lloyd's Mhadi, ...	do	0

Gaiety's 8 stone proved too much for the remainder. At the Lotteries Result II sold for: Rs.64, Gaiety, Rs. 40, Akhbar Khan, Rs. 36 Mhaw, Rs. 16, Rosette, Rs. 12, Dorothy, Rs. 10, Joe, Rs. 4.

COUNTRYBRED PONY CUP.

Mr. F. P. Lory's Yellow Hammer Mr. O. Symons.		1
Mr. H. E. Medlicott's Marmoset ...	owner.	2
Mr. Gordon's Memsahib, ...	do	3
Capt. J. R. Darley's Derry, ...	do	0
Mr. Moore's Lunar	do	0
Mr. Brown's Bulbull	do	0

Bulbull and Derry finished 1st and 3rd, respectively, but were disqualified for going, wrong side of a flag.

In the lotteries Bulbull sold for Rs. 36, Marmoset, Rs. 20, Derry, Rs. 18, Lunar, Rs. 10, Yellow-Hammer, Rs. 8, Memsahib, Rs. 2.

The last night saw the final break up dinner. I venture to say that there is more for *bonhommie* and sporting feeling over the Gujarat Cup events than in any other sporting event in India. All meet on the true ground level of sport, and sport only; betting is practically non-existant and would not be tolerated. The meet is the rendezvous of old pigsticking pals who can always count on meeting one another here at Easter. Year after year this occurs and men look forward to it.

At the dinner the usual toast, and the usual song "The boar" was duly drunk with musical honors and sung with musical power. May the singer Mr. J. L. Symons be with us at many more meetings; he owned to pigsticking for well over 30 years. When he made the remark the prevailing thought in most of our minds was was "more power to you, may I be half as good a man when I am your age."

Pigsticking besides being the finest sport bar none in the world, has the finest effect on a man. No man who hopes to succeed can be anything else but exceedingly temperate in all his habits. When can stand the blazing sun in April or May from daybreak to dark and drink much alcohol or beer, he may be foolish and try to, but abighead will cause him speedily to change his ways.

A couple of months' pigsticking would be a magnificent training for any youngster when he first comes out to the country. Pity the supply of pig would not admit of the experiment, to say nothing of the manner in which such a proposition would be received by a paternal Government.

A vote of thanks was unanimously passed after dinner to Mr. J. H. B. Thatcher, D.S.P. of Ahmedabad, who, assisted by Mr. R. R. Boyd, performed the functions of Honorary Secretary.

It is real hard work, everyone bothers him with questions in season and out of season. All arrangements are on his shoulders. More power to the man, in this case two of them, who forgoes a lot of pleasure and labours unselfishly for the sport of others. Right well have they both earned our thanks.

MAHRATTA.

Cricket.

CRICKET AT OOTACAMUND.

OOTY *vs.* MADRAS C. C.—This two days' match resulted in an easy win for Ooty who were out in strength, whereas the M.C.C. were unfortunately without the services of some who might have put a different complexion on the game. The margin of victory was an innings and 23 runs. Full score and analysis:—

MADRAS.

1st Innings.		2nd Innings.	
B. H. Shipley, b Buckley ...	25	c Standen, b Buckley ...	2
H. Leipman, c Copeland, b Buckley	3		
S. D. Pears, c and b Hamilton	75	b Copeland ...	31
C. H. Richards, c Pierce, b Hamilton	11	c Buckley, b Copeland	7
J. D. Cosens, c Prest, b Copeland	32	c Illington, b Kindersley	43
P. M. Lushington, c Plumer, b Hamilton	0	b Copeland ...	0
A. B. Jackson, b Hamilton ...	9	b Kindersley ...	3
H. Bayley, b Copeland ...	4	not out	14
C. de la Hay, b Hamilton ...	2	c Illington, b Kindersley	8
C. D. Carmichael, c Plumer, b Copeland	3	c Buckley, b Copeland	17
C. Brooke-Leggat, not out ...	0	b Copeland ...	3
Extras	7	Extras ...	18
Total ...	171	Total ...	146

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

	O.	R.	M.	W.
Buckley	11	55	0	2
Hamilton	18	78	1	5
Copeland	7·3	31	0	3

OOTACAMUND.

C. G. Plumer, b Jackson	115
Captain F. Copeland, c Shipley, b Hay	83
Major Milner, b Jackson	7
W. Prest, c Richards, b Jackson	26
E. Kindersley, c Cosens, b Jackson	37
Major Illington, c Hay, b Jackson	0
W. M. Standen, l-b-w, b Hay	32
Colonel Mackenzie-Kennedy, b Jackson	3
L. E. Buckley, c Bayley, b Jackson	6
Major Pierce, b Cosens	26
A. F. Hamilton, not out	0
Extras	7
Total	340

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

	O.	R.	M.	W.
C. de la Hay... ...	18	83	1	2
Leipman	6	34	0	0
Jackson	23	91	0	7
Shipley	4	49	0	0
Bayley	8	38	1	0
Cosens	1	10	0	1

CRICKET AT WELLINGTON.

DORSETS *vs.* THE DEPOT.—An interesting and closely contested match between these teams on the 1st instant ended in a win for the Dorsets by 6 runs. Score:—

2ND DORSET REGIMENT.

1st Innings.		2nd Innings.	
Lce.-Corpl. Emberson, st. Norman, b Ditmas ...	7	b Watson ...	8
Sergt. Barfoot, b Parker ...	9	b Watson ...	2
Corpl. Sawyer, c Ditmas, b Parker	5	b Watson ...	7
Pte. Tagg, c Edwards, b Ditmas	6	b Parker ...	4
Pte. Mitchell, c Edwards, b Parker	2	b Parket ...	5
Lieut. Hind, c Lambers, b Parker, ...	5	not out ...	1
Pte. Brown, b Parker ...	3	b Parker ...	0
Lce.-Corpl. Downs, st. Norman, b Parker ...	23	c Watson, b Burgess	18
Pte. Page, b Parker ...	0	b Burgess ...	1
Lce.-Corpl. Westbrook, c Norman, b Parker ...	12	st. Norman, b Parker	0
Pte. Adlam, not out ...	0	b Parker ...	0
Extras ...	1	Extras ...	2
Total ...	77	Total ...	51

THE DEPOT.

1st Innings.			2nd Innings.		
Pte. Barling, run out	...	3	b Mitchell	...	18
Pte. O'Brien, c Hind, b Sawyer		2	b Mitchell	...	2
Lieut. Cope, b Sawyer	...	5	l-b-w, b Barfoot	...	0
Pte. Parker, run out	...	0	l.-b -w., b Tagg	...	5
Lieut. Ditmas, run out	...	22	c Westbrook, b Tagg	...	9
Sergt. Norman, c and b Sawyer		0	b Tagg ...	...	3
Pte. Watson, b Emerson	...	14	not out ...	...	0
Pte. Lambers, not out	...	8	c Downs, b Mitchell	...	2
Pte. Edwards, b Tagg	...	0	c Sawyer, b Tagg	...	0
Pte. Burgess, b Tagg	...	0	b Tagg ...	...	20
Pte. Ashton, b Tagg	...	0	b Tagg ...	...	0
Extras	...	7	Extras	...	2
Total	...	61	Total	...	61

DORSETS v. STAFF CLUB.—Played on Thursday, 4th instant a win for the Staff Club by 33 runs. Score:—

WELLINGTON STAFF CLUB.

Baker, c and b Shute	...	...	...	6
Rev. Nuttall, b Shute	...	...	...	6
Floyd, b Shute	...	...	...	0
Morgan, run out	...	...	...	30
Beard, c Westbrook, b Little	...	...	...	0
Asst. Surg. Thompson, c Hind, b Mitchell	...	...	...	54
Asst. Surg. Shuter, c Mitchell, b Shute	...	...	...	11
Lieut. Hume, run out	...	...	...	11
Lieut. Hildreth, b Mitchell	...	...	...	0
Asst.-Surg. Dunlop, b Mitchell	...	...	...	0
Bastian, not out	...	...	...	13
Extras	...	...	...	4
			Total ...	138

2ND DORSET REGIMENT.

Lieut. Little, b Thompson	...	...	...	8
Pte. Tagg, l-b-w, b Thompson	...	...	...	0
Pte. Kenny, c Hildreth, b Shuter	...	...	...	12
Pte. Mitchell, c Nuttall, b Morgan	...	...	...	18
Lieut. Shute, c Floyd, b Shuter	...	...	...	9
Lce.-Corpl. Emerson, b Dunlop	...	...	...	11
Lce.-Corpl. Westbrook, c Morgan b Shuter	...	...	...	16
Lieut. Hind, b Thompson	...	...	...	17
Pte. Page, c and b Shuter	...	...	...	0
Lce.-Corpl. Downs, b Thompson	...	...	...	0
Pte. Adlam, not out	...	...	...	1
Extras	...	...	...	13
			Total ...	105

Golf.

GOLF IN THE BRITISH ISLES.

(FROM OUR SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT.)

March 22nd 1907.

ONCE more the vernal equinox is passed, and for several days preceding this event, the winds blew where exactly they listed, ships were tossed about and wrecked, trees were uprooted, rivers swelled far beyond their natural bournes and pecks of March dust collected in ears, and eyes, and noses and made people wish themselves anywhere, but where an unkind fate compelled them to be! Even the Golf Links were, no longer a Paradise, and whilst the wind blew big guns, players had little or no control over the flight or course of the ball. Talking of balls and hurricane before I begin to talk of hitters of balls, reminds me that a trial should certainly be made of Messrs. Martin's Limited of Birmingham. "Hurricane" and "Zodiac" excellent goods at 2s. each, the first named is perhaps the better of the two, it is, what its makers claim for it, *a hard ball*, which comes away from the club with the endearing, encouraging "click" which with the obsolete gutty one regretted as never again to be heard in the land. The "Hurricane" *does* "click," it is very hard wearing, and flies very true, and so far as one can tell from a couple of trial rounds does not lose shape or paint—and will stand the onslaughts of niblick iron and bad players as well as any other ball in the market. The "Zodiac" no imaginary zone in the heaven's, but a very real and tangible terrestrial globe, also possesses special attractions, and in the opinion of many first-class players, both amateur and professional, is second to none. Both these balls can be obtained at 18s- per dozen, the same firm also advertise a 1s. 3d. ball called "Pluto" and a shilling ball called the "Nipper."

But all things come sooner or later to an end and so too must ball talk. There are now in process of competition two very important events, the Cricketers' inter-County Tournament, and the London Amateur Foursome Tournament, both of which are engrossing the minds and bodies of many athletic young men, for the majority of those taking part belong to the young school of players. Both these competitions are played by match play in pairs and some highly interesting play and close results have already been witnessed. As regards the Amateur Foursome Tournament the 1st and 2nd heats have both been played: in the 2nd round South Herts (Mr. A. C. Lincon and Mr. W. H. Scarborough) beat Enfield (Mr. W. Brander junr. and Mr. E. M. Ellis by 1 hole up.) Royal Ashdown Forest (Mr. Cec'l Burns and Mr. A. Quitzow) at Woking beat Acton (Mr. J. D. Fordyce and Mr. A. Spence) by 8 up and 6 to play. Fulwell (Mr. Eden Gawne and Mr. W. T. Finnis) at Sunningdale beat Sundridge Park (Mr. H. W. Foster, Mr. P. and Mr. S. C. Wyatt) by 2 and 1. Richmond (Mr. H. E. Taylor and Mr. J. A. Healing) at Byfleet beat Northwood (Mr. Kenneth Cobb and Mr. H. B. Garland) by 7 and 6. Sunningdale (Mr. A. S. Colt and Mr. C. C. Lingen) at Woking beat Stock Exchage Golfing Society (Mr. R. Harris and Mr. E. A. Smire) by 1 up. Woking (Mr. B. Darwin and Mr. F. H,) Mitchell at Sunningdale beat Bamford (Mr. A. H. Reid and M. J. C. Berd. by 9 and 8. Mid Surrey (Mr. S. H. Fry and Mr. J. S Worthington) at Walton Heath beat Beckenham (Mr. A. J. Ayden and Mr. G. L. Mellin) by 5 and 4.

One would rather like to hear the comments of the Old Scottish Golfers of Auld Lang Syne on the game as she is played at fashionable foreign resorts, An account is to hand of the 14th annual Foursome Match between Biarritz and Pau for the Challenge Cup presented by Lord Kilmaine. Of course fine weather prevailed and the large gallery which assembled to see and be seen were fashionable ladies in the latest modes and finest feathers, *and*, it is for the especial non-golfing innovation that the canny Scottish fathers would porbably have most strongly objected, as they were no pipes or pilbrooch, *the Band of the 57th Regiment played!* Of course the presence of and august sovereign added enormously to the attractions of the function. Edward VII is a keen golfer and does much to encourage the game wherever he goes. The winners last year for Biarritz, the Hon'ble Osmund Scott and Mr. Angus V. Hambro, again defended their Club's honour, and were opposed by Messrs. Charles Hutchings and H. Ferrier-Kerr for Pau. Thirty-six holes are played on the course of each club and at the end of the first day's play Biarritz were 8 up, the last half is being decided to-day at Pau.

A great amount of advertisement attends the deeds by sea and land of the two English varsities, but very little *fanfare* of trumpets proclaims the feats performed by the Scottish and Irish Universities, and yet they are every whit as interesting to some people as are those of Dark or Light Blue Men. At North Berwick last Saturday (16th March) a very fine close match took place between members of the Tantallon Club, and the Scottish University Society; there were *no* halved matches, the counting was by matches and there were 12 players a side as below:—

SCOTTISH UNIVERSITIES SOCIETY.		TANTALLON CLUB	
Mr. J. Gordon Simpson ...	0	Mr. R. Maxwell ...	1
,, J. S. Colville ...	1	,, J. E. Laidlay ...	0
,, G. Wilkie	1	,, J. R. Gairdner ...	0
,, J. L. Lawson ...	1	,, A. W. Robertson Durham	0
,, T. A. Kennedy ...	0	,, G. Laird	1
,, D. C. Crole ...	1	,, G. H. Ballantyne ...	0
,, T. Gillespie ...	1	,, E. F. Currie ...	0
,, P. F. Dawson ...	0	,, H. J. Ross ...	1
,, S. Gillon	0	,, E. Mitchell Innes —	1
,, C. Cran	0	,, E. D. Prothero ...	1
,, W. K. Anderson ...	1	,, J. P. Jupp ...	0
,, D. A. Guild ...	0	,, G. N. Christie ...	1
Total ...	6	Total ...	6

On the Foursomes, therefore, as the Singles were a draw, depended the result of the match, and although as a rule this paired Golf is considered of quite secondary importance, in this case on the issue hung great things, and as will be seen from appended details the Universities achieved a great victory:—

UNIVERSITIES.		TANTALLON.	
Simpson and Colville ...	0	Maxwell and Laidlay ...	1
Wilkie and Lawson ...	1	Gairdner and Durham ...	0
Kennedy and Crole ...	1	Laird and Ballantyne ...	0
Gillespie and Dawson ...	1	Currie and Ross ...	0
Gillon and Cran ...	1	Innes and Prothero ...	0
Anderson and Guild ...	1	Jopp and Christie ...	0
Total ...	5	Total ...	1

It is really delightful to meet such a long list of real Scotch names, with no interspersion of the usual Jones-Smith, Brown, or Robinson; look through the lists of competitors in any English club and it is seldom that one or other of these does not occur, but while in the above described contest all were undoubtedly Scotch, it is curious that not a single *Mac* took part. Apparently until recently the Scottish universities have rather neglected golf, but now a brighter day is dawning and the other four universities will be closely knit together *by* indissoluble and on (let us hope) indissoluble links and Edinburgh. St. Andrews, Glasgow, and Aberdeen will be as well known is bound together either as a society, or as *chacun pour soi* and fighting against the other varsities in the Scotch national pastime the royal and ancient game of golf! We hear of matches, in which the players on each side number from 1 to 12 frequently, then less often 15, 18, 20. Not rarely does one read of any inter-club contest in which 50 players are engaged on each side. Yet on Saturday, 16th March, a blustery cold, rainy unpleasant day all over Britain between Sandwell Park and Olton Club this unique match took place. The first 25 couples played on the first named club's course and the others at Olton, and resulted, when the difficult addition was ultimately negotiated, in a win for Olton by 2 holes to the good at each place—2 at Sandwell and 2 at Olton=4—Minute details and names of the hundred competitors are NOT here recorded.

An American invasion is being organised: men and women golfers are comiog over to these Isles to try conclusions with our brightest and best amateurs and professionals; both intend to complete at Hoylake in the Open Championship. Mr. Eben Byers, the American amateur Champion, sails from New York on 17th April to take part at St. Audrews in the amateur event, so too will another good player, Mr. F. O. Horstman, whilst several of the leading lady players are entering for the Championship at Newcastle county Down. The Ladies' Golf Union have changed their silversmith and all orders will in future be executed by Messrs. Plante and Bannister 3, Regent Place, London, W. This firm have just made a very beautiful Challenge Cup and Memento given by the L. G. W. J. Competition, every spring under handicap and the head of the firm was previous to setting up on his own, manager of a well-known firm of Silversmiths in London.

M. E. S.

GOLF AT DELHI.

THE EASTER TOURNAMENT.—During the holidays the members of the Delhi Club held a tournament embracing Gentlemen's Singles and Mixed Foursomes with the following result:—

GENTLEMEN'S SINGLES, 18 holes stroke play under handicap.

Entries.	Gross	H'cap.	Net score.
Mr. Rylands ...	75 ...	3 ...	72
Mr. Hanny ...	78 ...	—2 ...	76
Mr. Moultrie ...	82 ...	—4 ...	78
Mr. Currie ...	90 ...	—10 ...	80
Mr. Kidd ...	80 ...	Scr. ...	80
Mr. Read ...	88 ...	—8 ...	80
Mr. White ...	88 ...	—6 ...	82
Mr. Carnegie ...	83 ...	Scr. ...	83
Mr. Prentice ...	85 ...	Scr. ...	85
Mr. Brokenshaw ...	97 ...	—10 ...	87
Mr. Slatter ...	95 ...	—6 ...	89
Mr. Anthony ...	100 ...	—4 ...	96
Mr. Griffin ...	...	—18 ...	No return.
Mr. Eisner ..	...	—8 ...	do.
Mr. Burn ...	...	—14 ...	Did not play.
Mr. Murdoch ...	...	—14 ...	do.
Mr. Beadon ...	...	—2 ...	do.

MIXED FOURSOMES:—9 holes stroke play under handicap.

Entries	Gross.	H'cap.	Net score.
Mrs. Moultrie Mr. Moultrie	52 ...	—9 ...	43
Miss V. Cones Mr. Hannay	47 ...	—3 ...	44
Mrs. Read Mr. Carnegie	46 ...	Scr. ...	46
Miss Beddy Mr. Read	54 ...	—8 ...	46
Miss Johnston Mr. Kidd	52 ...	—4 ...	48
Miss N. Beddy Mr. Slatter	56 ...	—6 ...	50
Miss Baron Mr. White	61 ...	—9 ...	52
Mrs. Jones Mr. Jones	56 ...	—3 ...	53

GOLF AT FRASERGUNGE.

THE EASTER TOURNAMENT.—We append the results of the first tournament ever held in this wilderness of sand dunes and giant grass. As a first attempt it was not half bad.

	Scr.	Hcp.	Nett.
Hon'ble E. W. Collin	117	9	108
B. E. Eddis	114	1	113
R. W. Williamson	118	1	117
W. H. Buchan	128	9	119
E. A. Stewart	127	7	120
J. P. Phillips	133	9	124
E. G. Abbott	144	11	133
W. S. J. Wilson	150	9	141
C. Radcliffe	173	9	164

The following entered but did not return cards:—Hon'ble Mr. Justice Harrington, H. C. Edmanston, P. H. Browne, F. C. Danger.

Hockey.

NOTES AND COMMENTS ON TH CALCUTTA LEAGUE.

THE game of the week was unquestionably the meeting of Calcutta and Dalhousie on the latter's ground on Saturday last.

The largest crowd that has this season been seen on a hockey field, were rewarded by witnessing a most exciting, and at all times, fast and interesting game. The match excited the greatest interest possible, for had Calcutta not been successful, their prospect of heading the League would not have been a certainty, whereas a victory would greatly enhance their chances.

Both sides were well represented, with the exception that Calcutta had no regular goal-keeper, and Badham had to be pressed into service at the last moment, not having previously had any experience in this position. The game resulted in a win for Calcutta by 4 goals to 3, but at one time it looked as if Dalhousie were to be successful, for by scoring the 1st and 3rd goals, they were leading 2—1 within 15 minutes of the close.

Calcutta then pulled themselves together, and the dogged way in which they went at it, was delightful to see, and before a further ten minutes had elapsed scored three times. Dalhousie also never once relinquished their efforts and kept their opponents dangerous forwards well marked. Calcutta certainly deserved to win, for they were the better team, especially in the second moiety, and it would have been bad luck indeed, had the winning goal gone to their opponents.

Dalhousie without having any particular stars, are a very good and level lot. The goal-keepar is sound, and could in no way be held responsible for any of the shots that beat him. Evans struck me as being the better of the two backs. The half-back line are a hard-working lot, and at times brilliant, but they gave me the impression of not making the greatest use of their hands, and feet, in stopping. A flying shot at the ball is at times necessary, but should not be indulged in, unless the player is in a very tight corner. A much more accurate pass to a forward is obtained from practically a dead ball, than one coming bounding along.

Jackson was the best of the forwards, and Prike on the wing was at times dangerous, but he happened to find Heilgers at the top of his game, and but for this, his speed must have carried him through. What, however, was lacking in the attack was backing up. How often is it seen, that a forward gets right away and has only a back to pass; the back holds him up, and eventually clears the ball out of danger. Had the player, who has been robbed of the ball been backed up, by another of his side, the chances are in favor of the other players being able to carry on the ball after the temporary check, and before a clearance has been effected, and score an almost certain goal.

Of course it may be asked, how is one to know when to follow on, rather than keep one's position to receive a pass? In this the player must use his own judgment. By playing together he should be able to judge when his colleague is going through on his own, and in such a case should always be ready to back him up. To prove its value it scored the winning goal for Calcutta on Saturday, as Sherman, who was backing up Manders had nothing to do but tap the ball into the net.

On the Calcutta side, in the match in question, it would be difficult to pick out any for individual prominence, but McCaw, Heilgers and the forwards excelled themselves. The inside forwards passed with accuracy and precision, and the wingmen sent in some good centres. The goals, although credited to Sherman and Simson, were the result of combined efforts, and are therefore all the more creditable.

A splendid game from start to finish, was not only the opinion of the spectators, but the players themselves, and one played in the best spirit.

Caledonia who, before Saturday's game, were only a point below Calcutta, were beaten by Sibpur on their own ground by 4 goals to nil, scored in the closing stages of the game.

This should make it almost certain of Calcutta heading the list, as they have now only two games to play, *viz.*, against the E. I. R. and Caledonia and only require to win one of them to come out on top.

I will, however, reserve my congratulations till after the event. Caledonia have done exceedingly well considering that they were early deprived of the services of two or three of their best men. Byrne at full back is probably the best man in the team, and has got his side out of many a tight corner. Speed, in the form of Pybus and Crawley in the forward line, has enabled them to score goals, and the half back line vie with Dalhousie for dogged determination.

The Rovers, for whom I hold the highest regard as a hockey team, were only able to score a 2—1 victory over the Y.M.C.A, and that after vanquishing the Hornets by a fairly large margin. They should make a good show in the Cup, especially so if they can obtain the services of one or two more Ranchi boys.

The B.-N. R. gave a very creditable display against Calcutta during the week, while the E.I.R. accounted for the Town Club by 2 goals to nil. The Customs beat the Fort team by 5 goals to nil, and the Rangers, Mohun Bagan by a penalty goal. The following is the League list made up to 8th April.

"A" DIVISION TABLE.

CORRECTED UP TO 8TH APRIL.

	Clubs	Played	Won	Drawn	Lost	Goals For	Goals Agt	Point.
1.	Calcutta ...	12	11	1	0	35	11	23
2.	Caledonia ...	12	10	0	2	28	10	20
3.	Rangers ...	12	8	3	1	14	10	19
4.	Rovers ...	14	7	3	4	18	11	17
5.	Sibpur ...	11	8	1	2	23	3	17
6.	Dalhousie ...	11	7	2	2	13	7	16
7.	Customs ...	13	6	3	4	18	14	15
8.	E. I. Ry. ...	13	6	2	5	13	11	14
9.	Mohan Bagan	15	3	6	6	6	21	12
10.	Hornets ...	11	5	0	6	15	17	11
11.	B.-N. R. ...	12	3	3	6	7	17	9
12.	Town ...	13	3	3	7	7	22	9
13.	Y. M. C. A. ...	12	3	3	6	5	20	9
14.	N. Fusiliers ...	11	4	0	7	7	30	8
15.	Ballygunge ...	15	1		withdrawn			2
16.	Howrah ...	15	withdrawn					0

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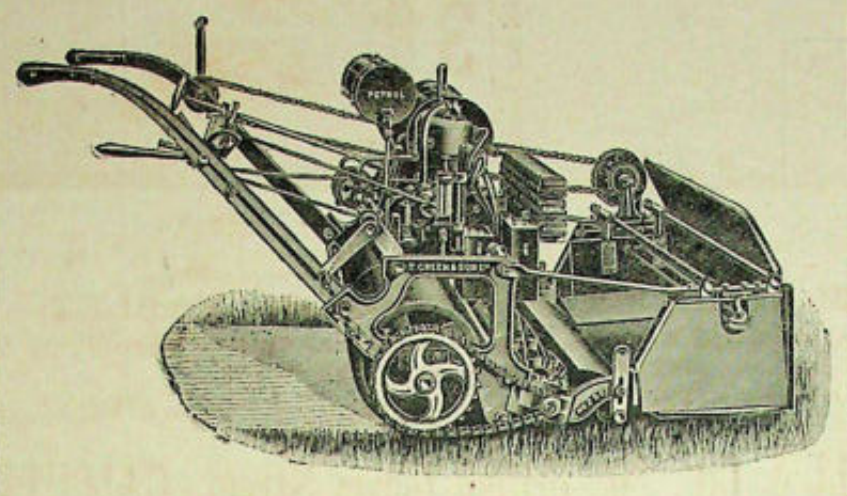

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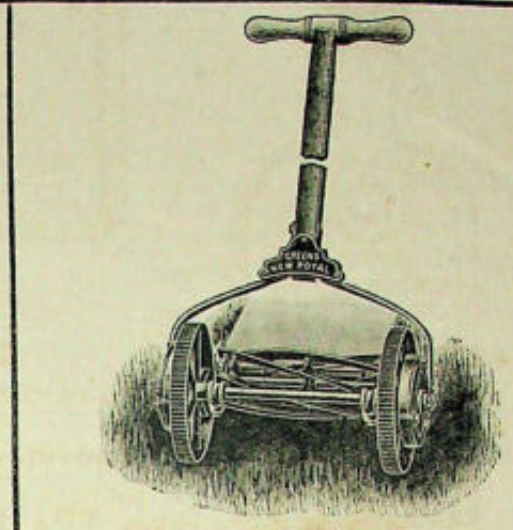

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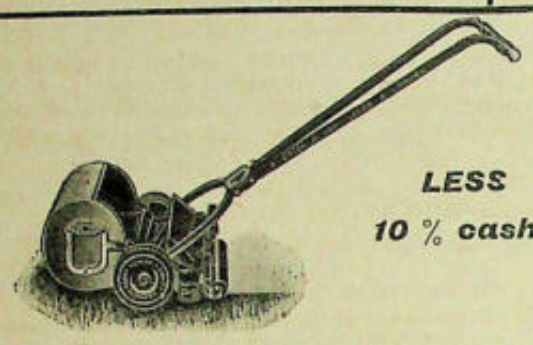

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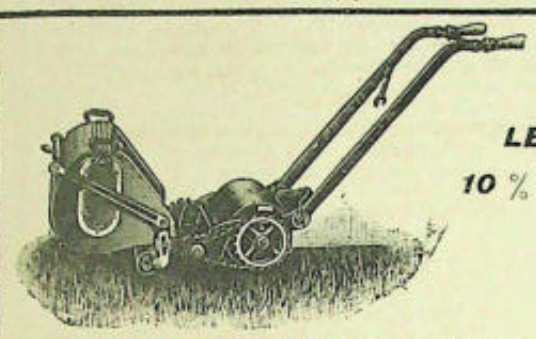

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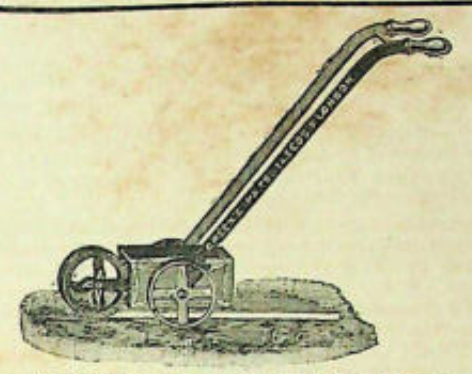

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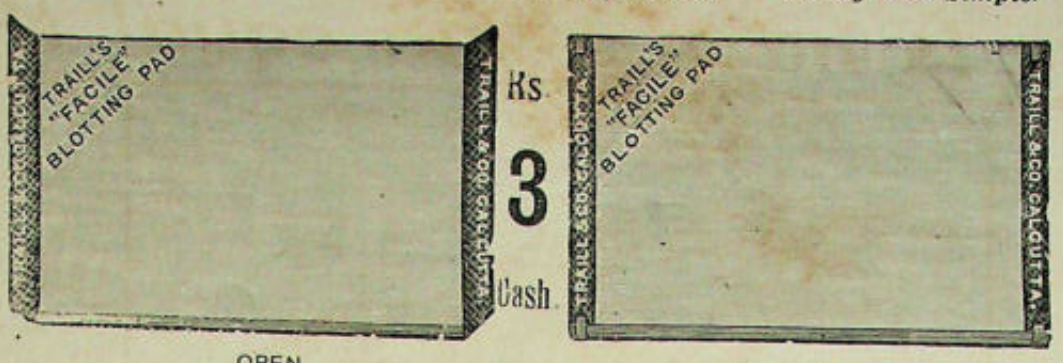

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Boxing.

ALL INDIA TOURNAMENT.

Judges.—Major Wake, Lieut. Yates, Capt. Chapman, Capt. Houston.
Referee :—Capt. Craven.
Time-keeper :—Mr. Twymann.

The tournament was held in the arena of the Manchester Regiment, Trimulgherry : big entries were obtained and some really good Exhibitions were presented to large and enthusiastic gatherings. When distributing the prizes General Francis said that this tournament was undoubtedly the most successful ever held there, the competitors having come from every corner of India. Though he may be considered old-fashioned, he thought it was a mistake for most of the contestants to go in for so much of round arm hitting. He reminded the men that Peter Jackson hit out straight with the left and the General thought he would have had many of those who had fought before him asleep in a minute, a remark which elicited much laughter. Neither would Ned Donally nor Moir have stood these round arm hits. This was a weakness of Tiger Smith's and the result was that he was knocked out in less than three minutes. General Francis then proceeded to thank all the officials whose efforts had made the tournament the immense success it was. Details:—

MIDDLE WEIGHTS.

Gr. Salt, 41st Batty., beat Gr. Grove, 45th Batty.
Gr. Carter, 17th Batty., beat Corpl. Spackman, 16th Batty.

Semi-Finals.

Lce.-Corpl. Martin, Carbs. beat Gr. Salt, 41st Batty.
Dr. Richards, R.F.A. beat Gr. Carter, 17th Batty.

Final.

Lce.-Corpl. Martin, Carbs. beat Dr. Richards, R.F.A.

INTERMEDIATE WEIGHTS

Br. Kilby, S. Batty, beat Pte. Jones, 41st Batty.
Pte. Sinclair, 17th Hussars, beat Pte. Vandome, R. Fusiliers.
Pte. Cooper, Manchesters, beat Pte. Ross, Manchesters.
Pte. Strickland, 14th Husrs beat Lce. Corpl. Melvile, 13th Hus.
Pte. Leeson, Con. Rangers beat Pte. Parker, Leicesters.
Pte. Southall, Staffs, beat Lce.-Corpl. Byrne, 14th Hus.

Second Round.

Br. Kilby, S. Batty, beat Pte. Kershaw, Manchesters.
Pte. Evans, 13th Husrs beat Pte. Hunt, 13th Husrs.

Semi-Finals

Br. Kilby, S. Batty. beat Pte. Cooper, Manchesters.
Pte. Evans, 13th Husrs. beat Pte. Sinclair, 17th Husrs.

Final.

Br. Kilby, S. Batty. beat Pte. Evans, 13th Husrs.

LIGHT WEIGHTS.

Dr. Lewsey, 14th Batty. beat Dr. Goy, 16th Batty.
Dr. Imber, 40th Batty, beat Lce-Corpl. Perkins, 14th Husrs.
Pte. Shepherd, Leicesters, beat Pte. Wootton, S. Staffs.
Pte. Ballard, Con. Rangers, beat Corpl. Strath, R. Dragoons.

Second Round.

Pte. Strickland, 14th Husrs beat Dr. Lewsey 14th Batty.
Pte. Shepherd, Leicesters beat. Dr. Imber, 40th Batty.
Pte. Bolland, Con. Rangers, beat Pte. Leeson (Scratched).
Dr. Harris, 16th Batty. beat. P. Southall, Staffs (scratched)

Semi-Finals.

Pte. Strickland, 14 Husrs, beat Pte. Shepherd, Leicesters.
Pte. Bolland, Con. Rangers, beat Dr. Harris, 16th Batty.

Final.

Pte. Strickland, 14th Husrs, beat Pte. Bolland, Con. Rangers.

FEATHER WEIGHTS.

Pte. Blake, Middlesex, beat Pte. Deighton, 13th Husrs.
Pte. Richardson, Leicesters, beat Pte. Hopson, Carbs.
Pte. Munday, 13th Husrs, beat Lce.-Corpl. Donovan, 14th Husrs.
Lce.-Corpl. McLaverty beat Gunner More, 7th Batty.
Pte. Larkins, Manchesters, beat Pte. Cohen, W. Yorks.
Pte. Evans, Staffs beat Pte. Holmes, Staffs.
Pte. McCartney, Con. Rangers, beat Pte. Payne, 13th Husrs.
Dr. Sampson, S. Batty, beat Pte Judge, Manchesters.

Second Round

Pte. Blake, Middlesex beat Pte. Sullivan, E. Lancs. (scratched.)
Pte. McCartney, Con. Rangers, beat Dr. Simpson (scrathed.)
Pte. Larkin, Manchesters, beat Pte. Richardson, Leicesters.
Pte. Evans, Staffs beat Lce.-Corpl. McLaverty, Lincolns.

Semi-Finals.

Pte. Blake, Middlesex beat Pte.. Larkins, Manchesters.
Pte. Evans, Staffs beat, Pte. McCartney (scratched.)

Final.

Pte. Blake, Middlesex beat Pte. Evans, Staffs.

BANTAM WEIGHTS.

Dr. Riddell, 16th Batty. beat Sergt. Gaffney, Con. Rangers.
Pte. Shaw, E. Lance, beat Pte. Warre, R. Fusiliers.
Gr. Lowe, 16th Batty. beat Dr. Franklin, S. Batty.
Pte. Rounds, Manchester, beat Pte. Kelly, Manchesters.

Semi-Finals.

Pte. Rounds, Manchesters beat Dr. Riddell, 16th Batty.
Pte. Shaw, E. Lancs, beat. Gr. Lane. 16th Batty.

Final.

Pte. Rounds, Manchesters beat Pte. Shaw, E. Lancs.

BOYS.

Bayley, Manchesters beat Willis, Manchesters.
Pool, R. Sussex, beat Hocking, R.F.A.
Pool, Sussex beat Essen, Con. Rangers.
Bayley, Manchesters best Malone, Manchesters.

SIX ROUNDS CONTESTS.

Pte. Warre, R. Fusrs beat Pte. Kelly, Manchesters.
Pte. Cohen, W. Yorks beat Pte. Hopson, Carbs.
Corpl. Strath, R. Dragoons beat Pte. Barkey, Sherwoods.

Sports.

FIVE DAYS IN A NATIVE STATE.

In response to a kind invitation from the Maharaja a team consisting of 13 men and 3 ladies left Cawnpore for Bulrampur last month to play cricket, football, tennis and billiards against a team collected by His Highness the Maharaja of Bulrampur.

The train timed to start at 6-15 actually left the station at about 7 by which time our several maunds of luggage has been safely stowed away. The B. and N.-W. Railway Company had obligingly attached a dining car to the train and given us through carriages for the journey. Frequent meals with "bridge" in the intervals enabled us to survive what might have been a somewhat tedious journey. On arrival at Bulrampur Station we were met by our host himself and Mr. O'Donnell, Opium Agent at Gonda, and were driven in motor cars and barouches to the guest house, a fine white building in which most of us found rooms ready for us. A most luxurious camp had been pitched for the overflow from the guest house. Tea was ready on the lawn and there we were greeted by Mrs. O'Donnell and introduced to a large party of guests from Gonda and other places in the neighbourhood, who had arrived before us. After tea everyone went off to practise cricket, tennis, etc. The Maharaja was at the nets giving a most scientific display of batting as also was Ram Lal of Naini Tal fame. Another old friend we found there was Moti the Naini Tal ground man, who seemed younger and more energetic than ever, although one member of our team remembered him at Naini over twenty years ago and said he was then in his prime.

After dinner in the huge dining hall the actual contests opened with a four-handed billiard match, in which Messrs. Allen and Alexander of Cawnpore defeated the Bulrampur representatives by a narrow margin after a very hard fight. The Maharaja for Bulrampur played an excellent game, but his partner was not quite in his best form.

At 8 a.m. on Thursday we were all driven to the palace to pay our respects to our host, who received us in the drawing room and presented us each with an elaborate garland and some "pan." The late Maharaja was a great shikari and the palace is full of trophies of the chase—tiger, leopard and bear skins and numerous heads adorning the rooms and stair cases. At 11 a.m. the cricket match began and a most exciting match it proved. Thanks chiefly to Kundan Lal 77, Abel 46 and Madan Gopal and the Maharaja 25 each the score reached the respectable total of 217. Allen Twiss and Ross divided the wickets. Twiss bowled particularly well, but did not have much luck. Cawnpore had about 35 minutes batting before stumps were drawn and lost Ross and Williams (23) for 67, Cumberlege being not out 37.

The time between cricket and dinner was spent by some in the billiard room and others at the piano where Messrs. Cumberlege, Gilbert and Williams were in great form. The same evening Cawnpore won the billard singles and were thus one up. On Friday morning early most of us went to the Zoological Gardens where there is a splendid collection of animals, a tiger, two lions, numerous bears and leopards, a zebra, wild dogs and snakes of all sorts. One of our ladies lent her parasol to a huge black bear and had some difficulty in persuading him to return it.

After an inspection of the garage where five fine motor cars are kept including the "Napier" lent to the Prince and Princess of Wales during their tour in India, we returned to breakfast. Cricket was continued at 11 o'clock. Cumberlege brought his overnight score to 89 before being bowled by Madan Gopal at 178. With only three wickets to fall and 40 to make to win we were getting anxious, but Twiss rose to the occasion and helped Allen, who had been playing very well to carry the score to 216 or within one of our opponents' total. Then the aspect of the game changed. Twiss was bowled for an invaluable 18 and Bannister caught in the slips first ball. With one wicket to fall we were still a run behind. Morton played the ball and Allen called him for what seemed an impossible run, but it was successful and the scores were even. Then Allen in trying to hit was clean bowled by Kundan Lal and a most exciting game ended in a tie, there being no time for a second innings. Allen's 59 was a very good innings and nearly won us the match.

We lost the tennis mixed doubles in the afternoon. Mrs. Sandys and Mr. Allen being defeated after a hard fight by Mrs. O'Donnell and Mr. Dampier and also lost, our only successful pair being Messrs. O'Donnell and her brother. The men's doubles we also lost our only successful pair being Messrs. Coningham and Twiss.

This made the score all square, billiards won by Cawnpore, tennis by Bulrampur and cricket a tie, so all depended on the football, to fit ourselves for which we danced most of the night to the strains of the Maharaja's own band. A very cheery little dance it was too and it was not until about 2 a.m. that the party broke up. On Saturday we had a quiet morning, some of us motored, some visited the armoury, where some remarkable old weapons were to be seen, others did not appear till late, having taken the opportunity of having a Europe morning.

The football match was preceded by tennis singles in which the Bulrampur lady, Mrs. Dampier and the Cawnpore man representative, Mr. Allen, were successful.

There was great excitement when the teams lined up for football, the Maharaja at centre "rush" being the most prominent figure on the ground. The head chauffeur and the Prime Minister were also playing. Cawnpore played with the wind the first half and scored two goals to nil. After half time, however, the Bulrampur team played up hard and scored a goal. Nothing further happened till nearly the end of time when Cawnpore scored a third goal through Gilbert and won the match and the rubber. It is only fair to say that Bulrampur were without their best player, Mr. Sheldon who has gone home. Had he been there the result might have been different. It was an excellent game and everyone played up really hard. On the winning side Cumberlege, Twiss and Williams were most conspicuous, while the Maharaja, Kalil (inside left) and the goal-keeper were prominent for the losers.

After the match we were shown how wild elephants are captured in a kheddah which was most interesting. The elephants then gave a display of skill in picking up various articles from the ground and handing them to the mahounts,—cricket bags, match boxes, rupees and lasty, amidst loud cheers, Mr. Williams.

The Maharaja honoured us with his presence at dessert that night, and after the health of the king had been drunk Mr. Williams rose and proposed the

health of our host His Highness the Maharaja of Bulrampur. He said that His Highness had given us all a splendid time and showed in every branch of sport what a fine all-round athlete he was. He pointed out that the fact that the Maharaja and his partner had defeated at tennis himself and Mr. Ross proved the facts that he was a first-class tennis player and alluded to the success of the Maharaja at centre "rush." He concluded by remarking that if His Highness ever happened to be in Cawnpore he would be delighted to place a small room at his disposal and sat down amidst cheers and laughter. The toast was drunk with much enthusiasm. Major Sandys then proposed the health of Mr. and Mrs. O'Donnell, who had made all the arrangements for our entertainment and expressed the gratitude of the Cawnpore team to them for all their hard work. The Maharaja could not be induced to make a speech.

A very lively concert finished the evening. Mrs. Sandys and Mrs. Ross sang charmingly and the latter's violin playing was very much enjoyed. Other performers were Mr. Kavanagh, who sang an excellent song, Mr. Gilbert, Mr. Cumberlege, Mr. Coningham and Mr. Williams. Mr. O wens danced a cake walk uncommonly well and Mr. Gilbert was invaluable at the piano.

The Maharaja stayed till the end and drove away in his motor car to the accompaniment of three hearty cheers.

On Sunday we regretfully returned to Cawnpore having thoroughly enjoyed our visit.

H. M. A.

Shows.

GREAT PUNJAB HORSE SHOW.

FOURTH ANNUAL MEETING.

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Col. Delamain, 11th Lancers.
Col. Kavanagh, M.V.O., D.S.O., 10th Royal Hussars.
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Hony. Lieut. Malik Mubarraz Khan.

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Rawalpindi, 1st, 2nd and 3rd April 1907.

ENGLISH and COLONIAL HORSES.—14-2.

Major Crawley's br aus g Trendle 1
Sir T. Milbankie's Shaugram 2
Mr. Borthwick's ch aus g Vedette. 3

The winner, a well made horse with good shoulders, won in a class of 15 entries.

COUNTRY-BRED HORSES—Over 14-2.

Col. Kavanagh's b cb m Baby 1
S. Arjen Singh's ch h Karam 2
Capt. Anderson's ch h Tobacco 3

Some good horses from the 11th Lancers' stud at Probynabad were shown.

ENGLISH AND COLONIAL PONIES.—14-2 and under. Prize presented by Lieut. Colin Campbell.

Mr. Bouch's g e g Colour Blind 1
Mr. Morgan's br aus g All Gold 2
Col. Pringle's b w m Flower O'th' Corn 3

A very good class of 36 entries.

COUNTRY-BRED PONIES.—14-2 and under.

Mr. Chaplin's Tam Ring 1
11th Lancer's Why Not 2
Capt. Lock's Dina 3

The old racing pony Tam Ring was an easy winner in a very good class.

ARABS.—Cup presented by J. Browne, Esq.

Col. Kavanagh's gr a h Money Spinner 1
Mr. Palmer's b a g Jimmy 2
Mr. Chaplin's ch a g Surprise 3

Some very high class Arabs competed and many old racing ponies were seen in the racing.

POLO PONIES.—English and Colonial.

Mr. Bouch's g a g Colour Blind 1
Mr. Chaplin's b e g Simple Simon 2
Major Crawley's b aus m Freda 3

A class of 18 entries, excellent in quality.

POLO PONIES.—Country-bred. Prize presented by Hony. Lieut. Malik Mubarraz Khan.

11th Lancers' ch m Why Not 1
Capt. Locks' g cb m Nur Mahal 2
11th Lancers' b m Hayati 3

13 entries.

POLO PONIES.—Arabs over 12-7.

Mr. Chaplin's ch a g Surprise 1
Mr. Palmer's g a h Shahbaz 2
Lieut. Neilson's b a g Martinet 3

POLO PONIES.—Arabs 12-7 and under.

Mr. Palmer's b a g Jimmy 1
Col. Kavanagh's g a g Money Spinner 2
Hon'ble A. Annesley's ch a g Cæsar 3

Another good Arab class of 13 entries.

PONIES.—Likely to make polo ponies. Cup presented by Col. Pringle, D.S.O.

Capt. Lock's g cb m Dina 1
Mr. Neilson's ch aus g The Babe 2
Mr. Power's b ch g Twist'em 3

Capt. Lock's Dina was lucky to win from The Babe.

HACKS AND CHARGERS—Over 14-2.

Mr. Bothwick's ch aus g Vedette... 1
Major Crawley's br aus g Trendle 2
Capt. Hon'ble C. Mitford's ch aus g Maroni 3

HACKS AND CHARGERS—14-2 and under.

Mr. Bouch's g e g Colour Blind 1
Mr. Neilson's g aus g Ivan 2
Major Crawley's br a g Jack 3

LADIES' HACKS—Over 14-2.

Sir T. Milbankie's Shangram 1
Major Crawley's Trendle 2
General Coxhead's Donegal 3

LADIES' HACKS—Under 14-2.

Mrs. Morgan's All Gold 1
Major Crawley's Freda 2
Major Crawley's Jack 3

CHILDREN'S PONIES.

Miss Morris' Bones 1
Miss Delamain's Kasturi 2
Miss P. Morris' Need 3

SINGLE HARNESS HORSES.

Col. Yeilding's Edward 1
Boota Sing's—— 2

SINGLE HARNESS PONIES.

Mrs. Lock's Yvette 1
Capt. Watson's Sweetness 2
Mr. Chaplin's Ophir 3

TEAMS—Won by the 10th Hussars. Mona Depot winning the Tandems.

THE LADIES' DRIVING COMPETITION was won by Mrs. Yeilding, Mrs. Whitehead being second.

The Driving Competition for teams was won by Mona Remount Depot.

JUMPING FOR PONIES.

Major Crawley's Trendle 1

JUMPING FOR HORSES.

Major Crawley's Freda 1

CHAMPION JUMPING FOR HORSES was won by Colonel Delamain's b a g Dodil.

And the winner of the Pony Champion Jumping was found in Major Crawley's Freda.

The prize for the best horse in the Show was awarded to Major Crawley's Trendle, Mr. Bouch's Colour Blind securing the rosette for the best pony.

The best polo pony was seen in Mr. Palmer's Jimmy, whilst Mrs. Lock secured the award for the smartest turnout.

THE KURSEONG HORSE SHOW.

THIS interesting and well filled show was held—in connection with the flower show—on Easter Monday, the 1st instant, and was unanimously voted a success. Special trains ran between the station and Darjeeling, there was a big attendance, fourteen classes and no less than 107 entries. Appended is the list of prize-winners:—

CLASS I.—Lightweight imported ponies. Mr. Andrew's Norah, Mr. Andrew's Amethyst, Mr. E. C. Partridge's Atom. 7 entries.

CLASS II.—Heavyweight imported ponies. Mr. Metcalfe's Alfo, Captain Alexander's blk aust. g, Dr. Humphry's Jemima. 6 entries.

CLASS III.—Local owned imported ponies. Mr. Metcalfe's Poppy, Dr. Humphry's Jasper, Mrs. Barnes' Margett. 13 entries.

CLASS IV.—Lightweight Bhutias. Dr. Humphry's Jeremiah, Mr. W. Weston's Lali, Mr. Robson's Gin Tonic 9 entries.

CLASS V.—Heavyweight Bhutias. Mr. Cruickshank's grey bh 2 entries.

CLASS VI.—Native owned Bhutia ponies. Dhakudari's grey, Asou Chinaman's grey, Ram Kesore Singh's bay. 17 entries.

CLASS VII.—Arabs and Country-breds. Mrs. Davis' White Heather, Mrs. Barnes' Moja, Mr. A. Webb's Captain. 11 entries.

CLASS VIII.—Ladies' Hacks. Mr. Andrews' Amethyst, Mrs. Davis' White Heather, Dr. Humphry's Jasper.

CLASS IX.—Mules. Mr. Crossman's grey mule. 2 entries.

CLASS X.—Children's ponies. Mrs. C. T. Weston's b cb g, Miss E. Andrews' ch cb g, Miss V. Andrews' ch cb g. 7 entries.

CLASS XI.—Volunteer Chargers. Mr. Cruickshank's blk aus g, Mr. Partridge's Atom. 5 entries.

CLASS XII.—Polo ponies, shown working with stick and ball. Mr. F. H. Carew's Naseri, Mr. Andrew's Norah, Mr. Steward's Hamilton. 7 entries.

CLASS XIII.—Jumping competition. Mr. Spry's Kelpie, Mr. Collison's My Lady, Mr. Andrew's Laddie. 10 entries.

CLASS XIV.—Cooch Behar Cup, for the best pony in the Show, Mr. Andrews' Norah.

The Naturalist.

EXPLICET QUI POSSIT

A BIRD PHANTASY.

So they built their nest and lived happy ever after.

That, I suppose, was the beginning of the story. But I must confess at once that I know nothing at all about the beginning. The end (that part of it which happened before my time) must have puzzled somebody; for the couple of Blue Tits were not like ordinary fossilized, petrified objects. Turned and changed they certainly were outwardly—supposing them once upon a time to have been alive—but nothing of the life and go, the self-assertiveness natural to a Blue Tit was lacking in this petrified pair. Still, I repeat, I know nothing of the beginning of the story, and can only take it up where I found it, and that was in the sunny corner of an old curiosity shop in the Cathedral city of Winchester.

Side by side on a brown shelf, the brilliant little birds sat, life-like in their attitudes as in their colourings. The small round heads were bent so low over some delicacy the tits were enjoying, that the little pert sectionised faces were hardly visible, and the bright blue caps were almost lost to view. Each bird was engrossed with a piece of cocoanut or hard fat—it was difficult to say which—and the sharp straight little beaks had patterned the food all over with hundreds of pin point marks of machine-like regularity. In such top-heavy attitudes (if anything as light and gymnastic as a Blue Tit may be called top-heavy), the balancing blue tails, which stuck straight out at an acute angle from the closely folded wings, had a purpose expressed in every shaded feather.

I, bird-lover and bird-friend, never doubted that the Blue Tits were alive when one morning towards the middle of March I stepped down into the old gabled shop, and tip-toed swiftly towards them, too much astonished to bestow more than a hasty glance on the owner, who watched me from behind his counter. Needless to say, I very soon discovered my mistake, and the old dealer, when I turned towards him, met my wondering gaze with a look of smiling satisfaction which I interpreted wrongly at the moment. He removed a pair of large horn spectacles and remarked solemnly: "You have got the proper inner eye, you know a bird when you see it."

"I should say rather I am incapable of recognising an imitation when I see it," I answered airily; but the look I once more fastened on the little blue birds routed the deprecating words, and I sat down in full view of the narrow dusty shelf, where the feast of fat or cocoanut seemed to diminish visibly under the silent workings of those needle-sharp beaks.

"Well, what do you think of them?" asked the owner of the shop.

"They are wonderful," I replied, "I have never seen anything so life-like. Are they for sale?"

"Sale? No!" the old man answered emphatically as he re-adjusted his immense round spectacles, which certainly bestowed very proper "outer eyes" on him. "Though I don't say I never mean to part with them," he added. "That all depends."

"And on what does it depend?" I enquired with my eyes upon the shelf; but before he could answer I had sprung to my feet and darted across to the Blue Tits, over-turning in my haste an old spinning-wheel, which fell with clatter enough to have scared a whole flight of birds. These two, however, remained motionless, and after once more gazing long and closely at the pair I returned to my seat, feeling thoroughly ashamed of myself, more especially when I stumbled over something lying in the way and found that it was a broken distaff and a bunch of tangled flax.

To my words of apology on discovering the extent of the damage done the round-eyed old owner of the shop paid not the smallest attention. He leaned towards me over the counter and asked in a wheezy anxious whisper: "What made you jump up and cry out like that?"

"Did I cry out?" I asked. "Well, to tell you the truth, the smallest of the two birds seemed to me to move suddenly, and I am convinced it moved," I added with heat. "Have you never noticed the same thing?"

Instead of replying to my question, the old dealer pulled himself up by the counter and shuffled across the little shop to the shelf. He was very stiff in the joints and unwieldy, but with the greatest care and gentleness he lifted first one little Blue Tit and then the other from its perch on the shelf, and set them down side by side in front of me on the counter. Then with many grunts and groans he sank heavily into his capacious round leather chair, and began to talk.

"I am close on eighty years," he explained, "and I got these Blue Tits when I was a lad of eighteen. It don't matter to you— if you'll excuse me saying so—how I got 'em. P'raps I bought 'em, or may be I took this little 'un off her nest, Blue Tits take a deal of moving, and the gentleman here must needs resent it and come along too. P'raps the pair of them came to me with a lot of other stuff when the old folks died. The whole point of the story, *I* say, is that these little 'bee-biters' are standing before you this very moment on this very counter."

I could not altogether agree with the kind old man, but would not tell him so. The point of the story, to me was to learn the origin of these bewilderingly natural little birds, and I also felt a certain anxiety on another point, namely, whether "the inner eye" for birds with which the old dealer accredited me might not be a sign of some threatening brain trouble, for even as I watched the wholly engrossed little Blue Tits I was once more compelled to believe (this time with a thrilling sensation) that I saw a shake and a flutter pass along the blue wings and through the small yellow feathers of the soft under parts of the body. Yet the modelling, however achieved, of these unsociable small "gourmets" was open to all beholders, the stoniness of the beautifully coloured wings was incontestable.

"And when you ask me whether these birds are for sale," the man continued, "I say again, no!" Here he banged on the counter so heavily with his fist that the Blue Tits made a ringing sound against the wood. "But I repeat that I don't say I never mean to part with them."

"Yes?" I murmured, stroking the smallest Blue Tit with loving covetous fingers.

"During all these sixty years—come each spring-time—not another soul except myself has seen what you've seen to-day. Yet wherever I've been, these birds have caused more talk than anything else in my shop. Gentle and simple all say the same, 'They might be alive,' and many a one has wanted to buy, offered good prices too. But I know what I know, so the little monkeys and I have stuck to each other, and if I was twenty or even ten years younger, they wouldn't leave this shop unless I left it too."

"But now?" I enquired in what I hoped was a wholly disinterested voice.

"And if you hadn't seen what you've seen," continued the old man without heeding the interruption, "they would go (nesting-time or no, poor souls) where neither man, woman or child, in this town or any other town, would ever hear of them again."

He paused, and as my fingures involuntarily closed round the smaller Blue Tit, he snatched it from me and pressed the tiny strapped head to his ugly old lips, holding the little bird tenderly in the hollow of his hand.

"Have you ever kissed a living bird, Miss?" he asked significantly.

"Yes, often," I replied. "Once I caught two Blue Tits sitting on my dressing-table, and held one in each hand. First I kissed one little blue cap, then the other, and after making the two birds kiss I carried them into the garden and let them fly away."

"Where they likely pecked each other's eyes out if they were cock birds and it was mating time," he answered, shrugging his stiff old shoulders and setting the little Blue Tit down on the counter beside its companion. Presently he dived for a ragged piece of paper and busied himself in another corner of the shop. The birds were no longer on the counter and the old man had suddenly become stern-looking, the horn spectacles giving him the appearance of an angry old ogre. I began to feel frightened, and this feeling was not lessened when after a long interval, he pushed a very badly done-up parcel towards me, muttering some sort of imprecation.

It was useless to mistake the meaning of the parcel, however politic to feign ignorance of the muttered curses, so I boldly picked up the Blue Tits and turned to go.

"And you will not let me give you anything for them?" I was idiot enough to enquire as I reached the low doorway. The need to say something was imperative. Sympathy I felt would be cruel, a commonplace remark insulting at such a moment. I had hoped to combine in my farewell words appreciation of his sacrifice with sincere regret that I could never repay him for his precious gift.

On my misguided head the storm burst, and I fell up the step leading from the shop into the street and took to my heels. But a stentorian voice recalled me before I could reach the turning into the High Street.

"He cannot part with them after all," was the thought that flashed into my mind, and I hesitated to obey. Then sick with fear that the Blue Tits were to be wrenched from me, I slowly retraced my steps. Anything less ogre-like than the old dealer now appeared cannot well be imagined. He had aged ten years in my short flight down the sunny street, and stood in the doorway of the pretty old gabled house nervously fingering a large red pocket handkerchief with which every now and then he wiped his forhead and hands.

"Give them every bit of sunshine you can just these two—three months in the year," he whispered hoarsely; "and never part with them as long as you live, unless you must, and then only—but you know——

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Yes, I know, but I do not understand.

The "two—three months of the year" are over now, and the tits have taken up their abode in a long glass case among many other treasures, Roman plates, old rings, miniatures, coins. But when spring-time comes round again with her awakening touch, I shall unlock the glass case and place my pair of birds where the first rays of the warm life-giving sun can shine full upon them.—*Nature Notes.*

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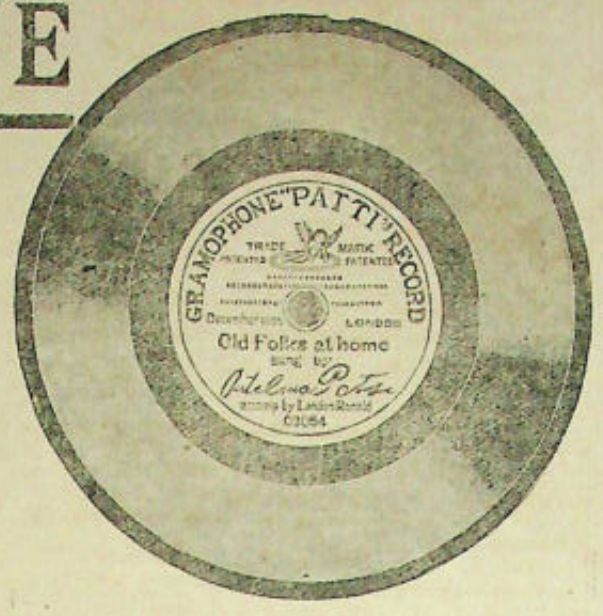





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The Story Teller.

A QUEER NEW YEAR'S EXPERIENCE.

THE following is the narrative of a man with whom I was lately comparing views as to curious experiences in different parts of the world. He is fairly well known to me, and I see no reason to disbelieve him. His yarn is simply put into narrative form, together with the use of fictitious names.

It was some few—not very many—years ago, that in the course of his wanderings, a youngster, whom I will call Blake, found himself embarked in a mining venture in Australia. He had foregathered with his companion, a somewhat morose and much older man, some months before, and the two had joined forces. This elder man—we will christen him Clancy—was one of those incorrigible rolling stones who are in evidence all over the world. Originally a gentleman, and still bearing signs of his gentle blood and breeding, he had more than once been within measurable distance of a fortune, but each time he had failed to reach it, and it was now Blake's diminishing exchequer which furnished the necessary money to carry them out into the wilds again.

And they were wilds indeed! Were I to mention the district of the huge island continent which this modest Christmas story concerns, it is doubtful whether many of your readers would be any the wiser, although a good deal of gold was taken out of it a decade or so ago. However there the two were, in a rough mining camp, with their clothes, their "swag" and a very modest amount of money remaining in Blake's belt.

The adventurers were received by the camp with the rough good-fellowship which characterises such gatherings of pioneers, but were told that prospects were by no means bright.

"It's a fact I reckon", said one of the oldest inhabitants (of perhaps twelve months' standing), "that the only place where there's a pile to be made now, is 'Clancy's Camp' and we don't hanker after going there to look for it."

"Great snakes! Why!" cried Blake. "By Jove! old man," he added turning to his chum, the very name should be a good omen for us." Humph—yes, replied the elder man. "But chum," he continued, turning to the first speaker with a keen look, "Why do they call it "Clancy's Camp'?"

"Can't tell you I'm sure", was the reply. "Men have come and gone, and died of fever and drink and dysentery, by dozens during the past few years, and we are all pretty news chums. But you ask this camp whether they'll go there to dig for gold."

Apparently relieved by the reply, Clancy turned away. "The camp was submitted to a rigid examination principally conducted by Blake, although Clancy seemed to listen closely to the replies, and unequivocally declared their disinclination to exploit "Clancy's Camp."

"Duds and devils are said by the *padres* to go together," remarked a university educated neer-do-well, "but he'd be a tough lot who would look for even the first commodity in the company of the second."

"Try it on lads," declared a huge rough "huskey," who looked capable of taking on most things short of an elephant or an earthquake.

I did—once. '*Once* my duckey and *only* once," he quoted emphatically, rolling ponderously off to his hut.

But Blake and Clancy agreed to prospect this *tabooed* locality. Blake, with the optimism and self-satisfaction of youth, laughed at the warnings of the camp, nor indeed could any very definite information be obtained. It only appeared that for the last year or two, successive parties of miners had visited the place, and had returned after forty-eight hours' occupation at the outside. These were the bolder spirits, twenty-four hours sufficed as a rule. Details were not available, and owing to the constantly moving population of the camp, the greater part of what was gathered was "hearsay". Had anything been seen? It was believed not. Had anything been heard?

"Go and listen sonny," was the final reply to this last question, and the above may be taken as fair samples of the information acquired.

"Oh! you're a lot of idiots'" cried young Blake impatiently. "I'm going to 'Clancy's Camp' and considering the special proprietorship which the name seems to give you, I suppose you'll come too old man", he added, turning to his comrade.

With no suspicion of hesitation Clancy replied:—"Come lad, of course I'le come. None of these skeery skunks can tell us much about it, so I take it we'll have to find out for ourselves."

"Clancy's Camp" consisted of an old clearing in a heavily wooded gorge. It was evident that heavy flushes took place in the streams when rain fell, and Blake's first remark was that they would have to look sharp on such occasions to prevent their tools and swag generally from being carried away.

But there were clear indications of gold, and a fair day's prospecting took place to begin with.

It was on the last night of the year, that the two men lay down for their first night's rest in "Clancy's Camp" Undoubtedly the place had on eerie aspect. The wind moaned through the trees and up and down the deep gorge like a lost soul, but there was a bright moon, and a promise of continued fine weather. First the old clearing to the big camp was between three and four miles.

About midnight from Clancy's blanket came curious stirrings and muttered oaths, and Blake sat up and listened in surprise. His companion was not a foul-mouthed man in ordinary life, nor was he as a rule disturbed in his sleep. However the boy put the matter down to nightmare, and was falling off to sleep again, when from the exterior of the tent came the sound of voices in angry altercation. Distinctly Blake heard the words and then to his utter astoundment, there followed the whip-like cracks of revolvers in rapid succession, followed by a yell and a terrific and unprintable oath. Before the echo of the shots had died away, Blake was at the tent door, revolver in hand.

The wild bush slept under a full moon, tranquil and quiet as it must have done ages before puny man came to disturb it with his evil passions, and that was all there was to be seen.

Running round the hut, Blake listened eagerly for the noise of men breaking through the undergrowth. Not a sound of that, or of any other description broke the silence of the night, and, sorely puzzled, the lad went back into the hut, wondering whether he had been the victim of a specially bad dream. But he could not think that this was so. The sounds had been too distinct—too real. Moreover he had hardly been asleep when he first heard them. He could remember the very words used, and—it suddenly struck him like a cold chill—surely he had heard the name of "Clancy" used in accents of reproach and detestation.

As though to bear further testimony on this point, he had scarcely re-entered the hut, when he noticed that his companion was sitting up and staring strangely at the open door.

"Just Heaven"! he muttered as though to himself, "it's his very voice. Am I mad?" And then noticing Blake, he pulled himself together with a visible effort and changed his tone.

"Hullo Blake," he said: "What the devil's the matter. Is there a row on outside, or have I been dreaming?"

A bit shakily, Blake replied that he had certainly thought he had heard what seemed to be a fight going on outside the tent, but that on going out he could see nothing. With a rather forced laugh, Clancy rejoined that possibly Blake had dreamed, and had uttered some ejaculations as he went out which had aroused Clancy himself; but it was a lame explanation, and had not Blake been already convinced, a look at Clancy would have shown him that the latter did not believe his own words.

But on the following night the thing was repeated with additions. Again the oaths, again the revolver shots, and again nothing but the far stretching, moonlit bush to be seen. At the first alarm, Clancy did not seem to be disturbed upon this occasion, but after Blake had sunk into an uneasy sleep, the youngster was again awakened, this time by the apparent plying of pick and shovel round the hut, The frail structure shook violently and seemed about to fall, so once more Blake rushed outside. Still nothing was to be seen, and now the tent seemed quiet and undisturbed. Putting his head in at the door, Blake glanced over at the corner where Clancy was accustomed to sleep. It was unoccupied and the red miner's blanket lay in a heap.

Thoroughly frightened now, the lad turned again to the open, and as he did so, he seemed to see for a second the figure of a strangely short man creeping into the bush. Like a flash his revolver was out, and three bullets from a not unpractised hand, travelled in quick succession to the spot where he thought he had seen the form.

But there was no answering yell, as of a wounded man, and hurrying to the spot, Blake could see no traces of anyone having been there. Shaken, and half-believing himself insane he walked off to the main camp, and made enquiries for Clancy, but could hear nothing whatever of him.

The next morning a search was made, and Clancy was found quite dead in the bush a few hundred yards from the hut of evil memories to Blake. Two slight punctures on the instep, led to the idea of snake-bite being generally accepted as the cause of death, but Blake declares that he never saw such horror depicted upon any human features, and after hearing his story, the oldest inhabitant "allowed" that it was time "Clancy's camp" was "wiped out." A party of miners dug up the whole surrounding ground to a moderate depth, and not far from where the hut had stood, discovered the headless skeleton of a man. There was no possibility of identification, owing to the lapse of time and the entire absence of the head, but Blake considered this latter fact with an uncomfortable shiver, as he remembered the strangely short stature of the dim figure at which he had fired.

It may be said that the brief sequel fits in suspiciously well with the story, but I have no more reason to doubt the one than the other. A year or two later Blake was relating the above tale to a veteran miner whom he had never seen before and has never seen since. They simply met, and made chums over mining reminiscences, in a place of public resort. As the story proceeded, the old fellow became keenly interested and at its close he exclaimed:—

"What did you say this man's name was lad"?

"Clancy," replied Blake; "John Clancy." "Then I knew him my boy," said the old man, "knew him in the very place he died. He was there with his chum, a quiet innocent sort of a chap, and they were making a big pile. But all of a sudden his chum disappeared, and Clancy seemed in a hurry to leave the place. But although we were not too particular in those days, we thought there was something very suspicious in the matter, so although we could not well hang him up on suspicion, we formed a rough court, fined him of most of his pile, which was surprisingly big, and kicked him out of the camp. Draw your own conclusions boy, mine are pretty clear." (And so are mine.)

B. A. B.

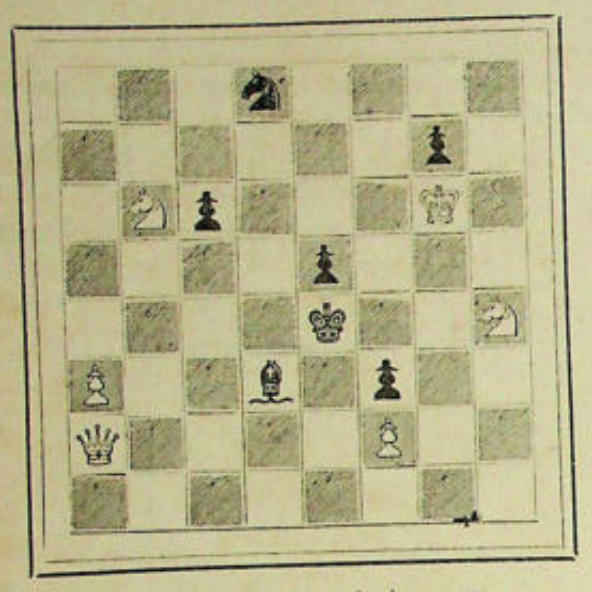
Chess.

Solution to Problem No. 393.

White.	Black.
1. B. to K R 2	1. Kt. to K B 5 or aught
2. Kt. to Q B 4	2. Anything
3. B. or Kt mates	

Problem No. 394.

Black.



White to play and mate in three moves.

Game.

King's Bishop's Opening.

White.	Black.
1. P. to K 4	1. P. to K 4
2. B. to Q B 4	2. K. Kt to B 3
3. Q. Kt to B 3	3. B. to Q Kt 5
4. P. to Q 3 (a)	4. P. to Q 4
5. P. takes P	5. Kt. takes P
6. B. to Q 2	6. B. to K 3
7. K. Kt to K 2 (b)	7. Castles
8. Castles	8. B. takes Kt
9. Kt takes B (c)	9. Kt. takes Kt
10. B. takes Kt	10. B. takes B
11. P. takes B	11. Kt. to B 3
12. Q. takes Q	12. Q. R takes Q
13. K. R to K sq	13. K. R to K sq
14. Q. R to Q sq	14. Kt. to Q 5
15. B. takes Kt	15. P. takes B
16. K. to B sq	16. P. to Q B 4
17. P. to Q B 4	17. K. to B sq
18. R. takes R ch	18. R. takes R
19. R. to Q 3	19. R. to K 3
20. P. to R 5	20. R. to Q R 3
21. R. to Q R 3 (d)	21. K. to K 2
22. K. to K 2	22. K. to Q 3
22. K. to Q 3	23. P. to Q Kt 3 (e)
24. P. to Q B 3	24. P. takes B P
25. K. takes P	25. R. takes P
26. R. takes R	26. P. takes R
27. K. to Q 2	27. P. to R 5 (f)
28. P. to B 4	28. P. to B 4
29. K. to B 3	29. K. to B 3
30. P. to K R 3	30. P. to K R 4
31. K. to Q 3	31. K. to Kt 3
32. K. to B 2	32. P. to h 3 (g)
33. P. to K Kt 3	33. K. to R 4
34. K. to B 3	34. P. to R 6
35. P. takes P	35. K. to R 5
36. K. to Kt 2	36. P. to R. 5
37. P. takes P	37. P. to Kt 3
38 K. to R 2	38 K. to R 4
39. K. to Kt 3	39. K. to Kt 3
40. K. to B 3	40. P. to R 4
41 P. to K 4	41 K. to B 3
42. K. to Q 3	42. K. to Q 3
43. K. to K 3	43. K. to K 2
44. K. to B 3	44. K. to B sq
45. K. to Kt 3	45. K. to Kt 2
46. K. to Kt 2	46. K. to R 3
47. K. to R 2	47. K. to R 2
48. P. to R 5	48. P. takes P
49. P. to R 4	

Drawn.

(a) This is the Ruy Lopez Opening, with the positions reversed.

(b) White's play is perfectly sound here, but the result is a wholesale exchange of pieces, which leaves, the gamejvery dry and featureless. Q Kt to K 4 might have been tried here without danger.

(c) White might have capturad Bishop with pawn, and afterwards moved up P to K B 4 with safety.

(d) Very weak; nothing is gained by advancing the Rook's pawn which monopolises the whole energy of the Rook in defending him.

(e) This manœuvre might have been tried at least as advantageously before the Kings were brought up.

(f) Here black should have played his king into the centre of the board at once. White's next move entirely prevents him

(g) The end game is indifferently conducted on both sides. The proper move for Black at this point is—62 P. to K. R. 5, by which he evidently secures for himself two spare moves with his Pawns more than his adversary. These spare moves must have given him the opposition and the game.

Wheeling.

CYCLING AND MOTORING IN ENGLAND.

What promises to be one of the most interesting motor cycle contests abroad during the coming season is the race from Paris to Ostend and back promoted by the Autocycle Club de France, the date fixed being 18th to 21st May. The event will be made up of five sections, as follow:—Third of a litre capacity motor-cycles, quarter of a litre motor-cycles, tricars with a maximum cylinder capacity of half a litre, 6 and 8 h.-p. voiturettes. As one or two English cracks have announced their intention of competing, they are informed that when presenting their machines for sealing purposes (all parts will be sealed during the whole race, and any competitor attempting fraud will be instantly disqualified) they must produce a certificate granted by the Automobile Club. This must attest that the motor has been measured and sealed by the said A. C., and must state dimension of motor, bore, and stroke. Full particulars as to entry fees and other regulations can be obtained by applying to the headquarters of the Autocycle Club de France, 23, Rue Jean-Jacques-Rousseau, Paris. C. R. Collier, the holder of the principal English records, has announced his intention of competing.

A Promising Putney Star.

Although at the present time there is a scarcity of real champions in the London district, a visit to Herne Hill reveals the fact that there are at least half a dozen riders who should be near winning championship honours. One of these is W. Lower, who, under the charge of William Gardiner, one of the head trainers at Herne Hill, is already moving in fine style. In build and manner Lower very closely resembles the late Arthur Linton, and he is undoubtedly a very game finisher. He did not ride in many races last year, but each time he entered he showed considerable improvement, and when he won the double event at the Polytechnic meeting he struck one as being a very promising crack. At the Billingsgate Sports he won a half-mile heat from fifty yards in 56½secs. without any undue strain, and later he won the double event at Reading, a three miles scratch race at the Crystal Palace, and in the one mile London Centre championship he proved a very worthy opponent to Buck, the ultimate winner, the judge's verdict being but a few inches in favour of the Anerley crack. At the south London Harriers' meet at the Oval, Lower secured the mile from the seventy yards mark in 2mins. 19⅘ secs., and, barring accidents, he is sure to be among the prizes at Easter.

An Excellent Notion.

The recent trip to Brighton undertaken by four pupils of the Motor Academy on an academy car, was so successful that Mr. Turberville Smith has decided to organize a series of such trips. On 10th March the car made a journey of 130 miles to and from Oxford, four pupils each taking a turn at the wheel. On each succeeding Sunday a car is to be put in charge of a quartette of students for the purpose of giving them that actual road experience of car-control which can be secured in no other way. The directors of the school in Boundary-road, Holland Park-Avenue, are convinced that short jaunts in neighbouring thoroughfares are of no practical value, and have adopted this satisfactory, if expensive, alternative.

British Amateur Champions for 1906

Date.	Event.	Name.	Time.	Place.
	N. C. U.		h. m. s.	
June 23	¼ Mile S	E. Payne	0 0 32⅘	Newcastle.
,,	1 ,,	,,	0 2 45	,,
Aug. 25	5 ,,	W. A. Edmonds	0 11 21	Newport.
,,	25 ,,	H. Crowther	1 9 25	,,
Sept. 1	50 ,,	W. J. Pett	1 45 32⅖	Crystal Pal.
,,	1 ,, Ta	J. Mathews & A. Rushen	0 2 26⅘	,,
	British Emp.			
June 30	¼ Mile S	D. Flynn	0 0 33⅘	Belfast.
,,	1 ,,	E. Payne	0 2 50⅖	,,
,,	5 ,,	H. D. Buck	0 14 14⅘	,,
	London Cen.			
Sept. 1	1 Mile S	H. D. Buck	0 2 44⅘	Crystal Pal.
Oct. 6	10 ,,	G. F. Summers	0 26 11⅗	,,
Aug. 11	1 ,, Ta	C. V. Clarke & W. C. Le Grys	0 4 46	Herne Hill.
	Southern Co.			
Aug. 11	1 Mile S	H. C. Boutflier	0 3 56⅖	,,
,,	50 ,,	C. H. Bartlett	1 46 51	,,

Eight of the above championships were won by riders of Rover cycles.

Items of Interest.

Fred. Hatton, the popular racing honorary secretary of the Manchester Wheelers—one of the richest clubs in existence—was among the visitors at the Olympia Motor Show, and informed me that the racing prospects up North were particularly rosy. Says he, "Cycle racing is not dead; when good programmes are put up and the public made aware of the fact then it is easy to draw from 15,000 to 25,000 spectators. If, however, there are only the usual handicap races, and say one scratch race, then it's very difficult to draw 5,000 spectators."—Peters, the coloured crack, who is training at Herne Hill, is a well built young fellow, and when he gets accustomed to fast surfaces should show up well.—The Anerley B.C.'s meet at the Crystal Palace on Easter Monday is the only one in London devoted purely to cycle racing, while every class of rider from the novice to the single pace follower is catered for. As will be seen from the advertisement which appears below the entry fee is but one shilling for each event, the competitor's ticket admitting to the Crystal Palace all day on Easter Monday. Racing economists will no doubt take advantage of the A.B.C.'s meet and enter in full force.—A £20 cash prize is put up for the professional scratch race at Ton-y-pandy on Easter Monday.—The pick of the London cracks have now received their amateur licences for 1907.

Overheard in Kensington Gardens.

Two smartly-dressed little minxes, not more than eight years old each, thus addressed a demure little lass about the same age:

"We don't want to play with you. You're quite shabby. You haven't even been operated on for appendicitis. Please go away!"

A pretty American girl had been staying at a large house in the Midlands. Someone asked her if she had enjoyed herself. She replied: "Well, I guess I must have been a bit of a failure. There were four doors to my bedroom, and I never even got a tap."

Scotch witness, somewhat given to prevarication, was severely handled by a cross-examining counsel. "How far is it between the two farms?" said the counsel. "By the road it's twa mile." "Yes, but, on your oath, how far is it as the crow flies?" "I dinna ken; I never was a crow."

A young curate, wishing to add to his funds for charities, and at the same time to provide a little wholesome recreation for his parishioners, thought he could not do better than to get up a gymkhana. The tidings of this event were soon spread around, and reached great popularity when the curate, walking in the town, was greeted by a young lady of his flock in loud tones thus: "Oh Mr. Small, do let me know when your pyjama comes off!"

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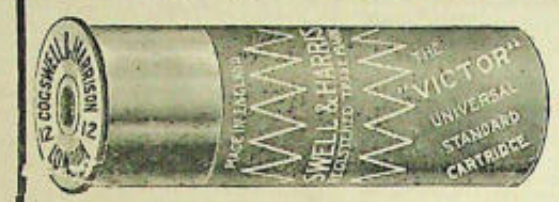

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THURSDAY, 18th April 1907.

"WASTING."

Few men who get up to steer a horse or pony in a race can do it without more or less wasting, generally rather more than less; and happy is he who can go to scale in the comfortable certainty of drawing the weight required without more preparation than he has given himself by riding training gallops. The young G. R., the ambitious rider whose heart is entirely in the business and regards ability to ride, say 8st. 7lbs. as the first duty of man, is a little apt to overdo the thing before he realises that what he succeeds in getting off is not his only loss. Far be if from us to discourage the leading of the strenuous life—for it is strenuous though not in the sense usually understood—necessary for race riding: always provided that preparation be not carried to excess the process of training down to take mounts means in very many cases return to the most wholesome and active mode of life we can lead. Polo, we need hardly observe is about as good a way of preparing for the race meeting as human ingenuity could devise, always provided that we do not celebrate conclusion of the evening's play by the consumption of more pegs than are absolutely necessary to replace the loss of tissue. Few men under middle age in this country can be taxed with over indulgence in the way of food: in the hot weather most of us are not inclined to eat, and the temptations provided by bazar and *bawarchi* are not difficult to resist; but we "take it out in drinks," and long drinks impose upon us the necessity of wasting quite as hard when the time comes as would long dinners. Liquor of any kind puts up weight; the maxim would be useful to the temperance advocate were it not that it is bulk and not alcohal which does the harm, from a banting point of view, and the bulk consists of Aerated waters to consumption of which no temperance man we ever met has urged objection. Were we asked to advise any young G. R. on the subject of wasting our advice would be primarily to renounce the soda and stick to the filter. Aerated Waters as some experienced horseman has remarked, it was the late Captain Hayes or we are much mistaken—are so refreshing it is almost impossible to refrain from taking too much of them. As for the rest, in view of the slender temptations set before us, we should be inclined to let the young G. R. enjoy the run of his teeth, so long as the scale shows that he is not actually gaining weight; it is an easy matter enough for the man who is in normal condition to get off from 3 to 5lbs. in as many days and that without any extravagant physical work or exercise of self-denial.

We are averse from strong measures, the use of medicine and fast walks in heavy clothing, except under special circumstances, though we know some men who decline to vary their ordinary way of life—as regards drinks—on the ground that a favourite nostrum will enable them to get off half a stone within twelve hours: no doubt there are some men who can do this without any bad result immediately and thereafter, but the method is not one to be recommended. The placid man of sound constitution may take such liberties with himself and discover no bad result; he may be able to ride as good a race after it as he would have done without recourse to drugs; but such immunity is not granted us all. The man need not be of conspicuously nervous temperament to suffer heavily from recourse to this method of getting off weight; training down much below the normal weight as most people know, has a damaging effect upon the temper; and this simply indicates disturbance of the nervous system due to over-setting of the normal condition of body. Violent methods produce this result on the nervous system for a time, and though the effects soon pass away, the time during which they are most apparent is just the time when the man should

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be at his best, his nerves cool and undisturbed, his muscular system braced and his vitality, in a word, at its highest. Far more races in this country are lost by over preparation than by the reverse ; and we are firmly convinced that in the vast majority of cases it is infinitely better to declare a few pounds over weight than to take strong measures to get rid of the excess.

We are all very much alive to the unwisdom of overding it with our horses ; we should be wise to apply the same principle to ourselves. The Americans who, with their peculiar thoroughness have made training (for boat races) a scientific study as nearly as it can be made, have came to the conclusion that much more is lost than is gained by a rigorous system of training. Of course the lessons they have drawn from their careful observation of an eight in training, do not apply with exactness to the jockey in training ; in the one case the eight with its varied constitutions and temperaments is subjected to a common standard : the traning has to be adjusted loosely to suit all : moreover a few extra stone in a boat's crew is comparatively speaking a small matter, and may often mean an advantage in the shape of the increased muscle so necessary to get the best work ; but broadly speaking the principles adopted to put the men in the boat on the race day in the highest possible condition apply to preparation for race riding. If the jockey is going to ride one race in the day perhaps a little over training will not greatly affect his performance in the saddle, though we should regard his chances with doubt were the event a steeplechase : but when, thanks to light weight and sound judgment he finds his services in request for the whole programme ; when he accepts mounts on animals of all sorts and dispositions some of which he may never have seen before the syces bring them down to the course, the man who has "rather overdone it" is apt to discover his mistake. He may not find it out in full force during the first two or three events unless they are closely fought out and his riding powers are taxed ; but most assuredly he will find it out during the latter part of the day and be quite unable to do justice to his own reputation and to his mount. In no department of life is moderation more to be counselled than in training for the saddle : the man who through over wasting is "done" before his mount is infinitely more likely to be beaten than he would be had he kept himself judiciously fit at the cost of declaring five pounds extra. It needs moral courage to refuse a good mount when we know that it is physically possible for us to get down to the weight : but if we cannot do it without affecting that subtle "nervous system" and throwing the whole frame for a time off its balance, refusal is the better part ; it is fairer to the owner who has paid us the compliment of offering the mount and fairer to ourselves who have other engagements which we can fulfil without undue wasting.

Special Telegrams.

TWO A. A. A. CHAMPIONSHIPS.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

London, *Monday, 15th April 1907.*

Two Amateur Athletic Association Championships were decided at Stamford Bridge on Saturday as follows :—

TEN MILES RUNNING.

Won by A. Underwood of the Birchfield, Harriers, who was first in the recent International Cross Country Championship. His time was 54mins. 3secs.

Previous Winners.

		M.	S.
1879	C. H. Mason	56	31⅗
1880	C. H. Mason	56	7
1881	G. A. Dunning	54	34
1882	W. G. George	54	41
1883	W. Snook	57	41
1884	W. G. George	54	2
1885	W. Snook	53	25⅕
1886	W. H. Coad	55	44⅘
1887	E. C. Carter	55	9
1888	E. W. Parry	53	43⅗
1889	Sid Thomas	51	31⅖
1890	J. Kibblewhite	53	49
1891	W. H. Morton	52	33⅘
1892	Sid Thomas	53	25½
1893	Sid Thomas	54	41⅗
1894	Sid Thomas	51	37
1895	F. E. Bacon	52	45⅘
1896	G. Crossland	52	5
1897	A. E. Tysoe	55	59¾
1898	S. J. Robinson	55	12
1899	C. Bennett	54	18⅗
1900	S. J. Robinson	53	14⅖
1901	A. Shrubb	54	32
1902	A. Shrubb	52	25⅗
1903	A. Shrubb	51	55¼
1904	A. Shrubb	54	30⅗
1905	A. Aldridge	51	49
1905	A. Aldridge	54	7⅕

SEVEN MILES WALKING.

Won by F. B. Thomson, of the Ranelagh Harriers and L. A. C., in 52mins. 46⅖secs. Thompson was second to F. T. Carter last year.

Previous Winners.

		M.	S.
1866	J. G. Chambers	59	32
1867	J. H. Farnworth	58	12
1868	W. Rye	57	40
1869	T. Griffiths	58	35
1870	T. Griffiths	55	30
1871	J. Francis	58	9
1872	T. R. Hogg	57	22
1873	W. J. Morgan	54	57
1874	W. J. Morgan	55	26⅖
1875	W. J. Morgan	53	47
1876	H. Venn	55	11½
1877	H. Webster	53	59⅖
1878*	H. Venn	52	25
1879	H. Webster	72	34¼
	H. Venn, w. o.	56	1
1880	G. P. Beckley	56	40
1881	J. W. Raby	54	48½
1882	H. Whyatt	55	56¼
1883	H. Whyatt	59	15
1884	W. A. Meek	54	28
1885	J. Jervis	56	16⅖
1886	J. H. Jullie	56	0½
1887	C. W. V. Clarke	56	59½
1888	C. W. V. Clarke	57	8½
1889	W. Wheeler	56	29½
1890	H. Curtis	52	28⅖
1891	H. Curtis	54	0½
1892	H. Curtis	55	56
1893	H. Curtis	...	—
1901	J. Butler	54	37
1902	W. J. Sturgess	52	49⅖
1903	J. Butler	56	17½
1904	G. E. Larner	52	57½
1905	G. E. Larner	52	34
1906	F. T. Carter	53	20½

* This record has been rejected by the A.A.A.

Sporting Notes.

Eight of the twenty-three starters in the Grand National struggled home this year, the procession being even more strung out than usual. Eremon's victory was extremely popular the more so as the crowd seem to have grasped that his jockey was in trouble early in the chase. The home papers are full of his feat in getting the course successfully in spite of breaking a leather at the second fence and being continuously interfered with by the riderless Rathvale. Without detracting from the performance in the least it must be admitted that this riding minus a leather, uncomfortable though it is, cannot be so very, very difficult since so many jockeys succeed in doing it. In our own little world we have heard of quite ordinary riders travelling the best part of a paperchase course in the same predicament, and although the comparison may at first sight appear to be a descent from the sublime to the ridiculous the fact remains and will bear working out. But in this case no doubt Newey's difficulties were greatly increased by the vagaries of Rathvale, and although the latter did him several good turns by upsetting his nearest pursuers, more particularly Ascetic's Silver, Newey could hardly have appreciated his assistance until the race was over. Eremon began life in a country cart it seems, but lost no time in shewing his metal as a 'chaser, winning a hunt steeplechase very soon after being put into training. Thence forward he advanced by rapid strides and was well thought of by the newspaper critics and much fancied by his connections for the great race at Aintree. After this purchase at fifty pounds there is a distinct hope for the most impecunious cross countryman. To return to the "ridiculous" ; would any one be vastly astonished to see Lord Harry win the Tollygunge Grand National next New Year's Day. Once it had happened there would be dozen men in the paddock who had fully expected it weeks before the race. If the Calcutta course were a little less simple and included a dozen solid steeplechase fences, even a dozen, a horse like Captain Holden's bay would have a very reasonable chance even on terms. Some day this race will be a handicap and we may hope to see more competition than customary at present.

The programme for the Calcutta Races, 1907-1908, is now published and in addition to the changes already noticed there are one or two noteworthy alterations from last year's prospectus.

The following rule has been added to the General Conditions ;

"If in a pony race there are less than eight entered in *bona fide* separate interests the race may be declared void." This will give the Stewards discretion to strike out some of the half backed races to which we were treated in this class last year and probably points to a doubt in the minds of the executive as to whether some of last season's pony races were not padded up with entries in the interest of the owners who really meant business. The appearance of the rule looks very like the beginning of the end, namely, the abolition of pony racing on the Calcutta course, an end to which we have been steadily moving for a number of years past, unnoticed until comparatively recently by many of those favorably interested in the closed class.

The suggested formation of another Turf Club in India to control the military meetings in the northern provinces is not likely to obtain unanimous support, and its proposers probably underestimate the difficulties and responsibilities which have to be faced and undertaken by the executive of a Turf Club. The two existing organizations are now in thorough working order and fully capable of continuing the control of these distant meetings and their authority and supervision would be with difficulty replaced. A subsidiary Association to promote racing in Northern India might on the other hand do much useful work, as there is at present no permanent body representative of military racing to influence the legislation of the big Turf Clubs in favor of "mofussil" racing. The present trend of rule-making is rather to foster the advance of the two or three big meetings irrespective of the consequent effects upon the small up-country meetings. The several Executives of the Turf Clubs have only to be approached with a suggestion from an authoritative source to render prompt assistance and support, but such an authority is at present sadly needed.

The most interesting of the expected changes in the new season's programme has not been confirmed in the *Racing Calendar*. It was said that the Calcutta Plate had been changed from a handicap into an open six-furlong race, but the value of this race has been raised from to Rs. 5,000 and there may be some mistake in the printing of the terms.

It is said that Mr. Apcar has purchased yet another flier in England ; his latest acquisition being Golden Gleam, a Chestnut colt by Bend Or—Fascination. This colt won the Wokingham Stakes in 1906, carrying 8st. and beating a fair field amongst others Paddy's Darling at 6st. 3lbs. Sermon will not find himself at the top of the handicaps after all if this young gentleman takes a liking to the Indian climate.

Dalkeith's unexpected victory in the first of the big Spring Handicaps will make English critics a trifle more respectful of Indian form. If only Great Scot can repeat the lesson in the Metropolitan and Chester Cup all the racing men on leave this summer will get their trip for nothing as they are all certain to have a trifle on the old chestnut for old time's sake. What a magnificent horse he is too ; one of the good old cut that they very seldom see in England now-a-days.

Good news for all shooters of Indian feathered game! Mr. E. C. Stuart-Baker's valuable articles on *The Indian Ducks and their Allies*, which have been *the* feature of the journal of the Bombay Natural History Society for some time, are to be produced in book form with all the coloured plates which have so far appeared. These plates, absolutely correct and of high pictorial merit, are the work of the first ornithological artists of the day, while Mr. Baker's letterpress, as we all know, is that of our leading authority on Indian ducks and an experienced shikari to boot. The book will probably be out by October next. We await its appearance with much interest.

As the season for hunting big game has commenced, it appears opportune to offer some remarks regarding accidents in encounters with dangerous animals, the record of which is annually repeated with unfailing regularity, writes "R.G.B." in the *Pioneer*. The majority of such unfortunate occurrences are preventible, and are in many cases due to the neglect on the part of the sportsman of the most ordinary precautions, and, in the case of novices, to ignorance of the nature and habits of the wild beasts with which they have to deal. In the majority of instances these accidents occur in encounters with tigers and panthers, by reason of the greater ferocity and activity of these animals, and owing to their habits of concealment, while the wounds they inflict are frequently mortal, due to the terrible armature of the beasts and the poisonous conditions of tooth and claw. It may be remarked, in the first place, that an animal of the feline species should not be fired at by a man on the ground when it is facing him. Struck by a bullet a tiger or panther seldom turns; it almost invariably follows straight on in the direction it was facing. If an animal is met with in this manner the shot should not be fired until it is passing or has turned. Usually, however, the sportsman is on the safe vantage of a tree, bank, or rock, not so much for the sake of safety, as to ensure the chance of getting a shot. For animals do not look upwards, but are quick to see anything moving on their own level. It may perhaps seem superfluous to say that a good rifle should be used ; but lives have been lost owing to the use of small-bores or express rifles with inefficient projectiles. The '500 express with a heavy hollow pointed bullet, weighing 440 grains, will be found sufficient for any tiger. This will deliver a knock-down

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blow, and another shot should be put in if the animal is still alive. A double-barrelled weapon is better than a magazine, which is noisy and probably of too small a calibre.

The tiger or panther should, if possible, be killed within sight, but sometimes following up a wounded animal is unavoidable. Nor should a wounded and dangerous beast be left in the jungle. When about to follow up, all the men should first be assembled in one spot, so that there may be no stragglers. The sportsman should examine his rifle, take out each cartridge and replace it after looking down the barrels to see that they are clear; dead leaves, bark, or earth may have got into them in descending from the tree. The hammers should be cocked, or the safety bolt pushed forward if the rifle is hammerless. These elementary instructions may appear unnecessary, but lives have been lost by their neglect. A sportsman was killed by a tiger some years ago, owing to his having neglected to reload his rifle when following up the wounded animal; another lost his life by failing to cock his rifle, and trying to fire at a charging beast when the hammers were down. The greatest caution is needed in following up. The sportsman should keep above the animal where possible, and must have every sense alert. A few trustworthy men, armed with spare guns or rifles, may be taken, and one or two men sent up trees at intervals during the advance. A charge of buckshot in a gun is very effective. The reports of natives should not, however, be implicitly trusted; their lively imaginations will not infrequently see the quarry, dead or alive, in every bush or stone. The sportsman should be careful to keep his eyes not on the tracks, but ahead. If anyone is wounded, the injuries should be washed out with hot water, and syringed with a solution of carbolic acid; they may then be dusted with iodoform or boracic powder and bandaged. A supply of these antiseptics as well as lint and bandages should always be taken on a shooting expedition.

If due precautions are taken, the chances of accident will be greatly minimised, for such catastrophes are generally due to carelessness or to neglect of one of the precautions that have been indicated. Care should be taken that those following up a wounded animal do not scatter, or it is highly probable that one will be seized. Bears are more easily killed owing to their comparatively slow movement, and are therefore not as dangerous as tigers or panthers, which will charge like a flash of light. ["R.G.B." ought to know. Ed., *I F.*] Nor is the bear able to conceal itself so easily; one of the feline species will hide behind a very small bush, or in a slight depression of the ground. But the bear will do what the tiger or panther seldom does—it will charge even though unwounded. Consequently Bruin is not to be despised, and although he is generally easily killed, even when charging from a few yards' distance. While his attack frequently terminates in a mere hostile demonstration, he should be approached with circumspection. One thing is most certain—that it is dangerous to fire at a bear immediately above one. In such circumstances he comes down hill like an avalanche and the sportsman is likely to be knocked over, and sustain severe injuries in the process, even if he does not suffer from teeth and claws.

A correspondent writing to a Bombay paper, describes a white tiger recently seen by him. The beast, he says, "was killed some time ago near Orissa, it measures 9 feet from head to tip, is quite white and the stripes, instead of being black as usual, are brown; it is certainly not an albino." We have ourselves seen the skins of two white tigers and described them in print years ago; in neither were the stripes visible except in certain lights, or when the skins were wet.

A Calcutta shikari was in our office last week solemnly declaring that he had only the other day plainly seen a black tiger, and furnishing details which certainly suggested that he was not mistaken. He is an old hand at *machan* shooting, and we believe is at the moment out in quest of that particular beast. Mr. C. T. Buckland, many years ago, wrote of a black tiger which he had seen shot near Chittagong.

An observer writes to a Western India paper:—"One evening about a fortnight ago, as I was resting on a bench near the Museum in the Victoria Gardens, I saw a cat jumping backwards, forwards and sideways in a small patch of shrubs bordering on one of the garden walks. I watched her proceedings for about five minutes when I saw her come out in the open carrying something in her mouth. I ran up to see what it was she had caught and to my surprise I saw it was a snake. With the aid of a ramosi I got her to drop her prey, which I noticed she had disabled, there being two marks of her teeth, one on the neck and the other in the centre of its body. It was of the green variety, about thirty inches in length.

Our personal experience is that cats frequently do this: many years ago we possessed one which killed quite a number of small snakes round and about our bungalow on the banks of the Pudda River.

We have been asked by a few who thirst for zoological knowledge what has become of Mr. Frank Finn whose regular contributions to *The Indian Field* were, we have reason to think, a popular feature of the paper up to within a few months ago. As we had not heard from our old friend since last September we were beginning to fear that he might have "hatched himself a cherubim" when our eye fell on a notice of his latest book—Ornithological and Other Oddities—just published by John Lane, London. This may explain his silence; he has evidently been busy, too busy to think of his public on this side of the world, but we have no doubt his latest contribution to bird literature will compensate us in some degree for having been "sicklied o'er with the pale cast of neglect." We have not yet seen a copy of the "Oddities;" but it has been very favourably reviewed in England. This is what the *Shooting Times* has to say about it.

"In a very short preface we learn from the author of the work on review, Mr. Frank Finn, that the majority of the essays contained in the same first made their appearance in various London periodicals, and we can say that the interesting articles can well bear repetition in book form. The author chiefly deals with bird life; but towards the close of the work we are introduced to some monkeys and other four-footed friends of the writer. The story commences with "The Study of Sexual Selection," and, indeed, like human beings, the lower creation has its whims and fancies in selecting partners. Then follows "The Courting of Birds," the males donning their most gorgeous apparel to entice the love of the lady-bird. Writing about "Hybrid Birds," Mr. Finn tells us—and we believe his statement to be correct—that "wild hybrids are indeed rare, but they are of much more frequent occurrence than is generally supposed." The author records some instances of fertile hybrids, although we believe, as a rule, most hybrids are sterile. The call of the cuckoo at home is indeed a welcome sound; but "Some Indian Cuckoos," the writers tells us, are not beloved by Anglo-Indians, the birds calling by night as well as by day. Short, pithy chapters are then devoted to "The Toilet of Birds," "The sense of smell in Birds," "Mimicry of Birds," and "Birds in the Moult." We quite agree with the writer that "few creatures are so active and joyous as wild parrots." That we have seen for ourselves; nevertheless we do not think the parrot suffers from confinement as does the lark. Birds that talk and mimic are recommended, though the list of talkative feathered friends is by no means exhausted. Lovely woman, despite all remonstrance, must have her adornments, one of which—the osprey feather—is much in demand. The author describes how osprey farming might be carried on to advantage. The home life of dozens of other birds is noted. A very learned and interesting chapter is that entitled "The Zoology of Herodotus," and we commend to those about to visit the "Shiny" the article on "The Treatment of Animals in India;" also one advising on park animals for London, although we fear there would be some difficulty and, perhaps, considerable expense in procuring all the specimens named. The introduction of the squirrel into London parks would, we believe, be welcomed by the inhabitants of the Metropolis. The volume is well illustrated, and is certainly a very amusing and highly instructive publication."

A sensational sale of a copy of a "Compleat Angler" took place at Sotheby's Auction Rooms on Saturday the 23rd ultimo. This was a book from the Rowfant library, entitled "The Compleat Angler, or The Contemplative Man's Recreation," being "A Discourse of Fish and Fishing, not unworthy the perusal of most Anglers. Simon Peter said; I go a fishing; and they said we also will go with thee (John xxi., 3)" Thus runs the quaint title of a tiny book in sheepskin, covered with blue silk. Mr. Quaritch made the first bid of £200; then Mr. Massey joined in, and soon £1,000 was called. At £1,250 he had made his last bid, and Mr. Albert Jackson took a turn. At the enormous sum of £1,290, however, the Izaak Walton fell to Mr. Quaritch. Previously the record for the book was £415, paid in 1896.

When the order prohibiting the importation of ·450 sporting rifles or ammunition therefor was passed in September last by the Government of India it took both sportsmen and gunmakers very much by surprise, remarks the *Country Gentleman*. Their annoyance was equal to their surprise, because the ·450 was a popular sporting rifle for large game that was not only very largely in the possession of big-game shooters, but also being made in considerable numbers by their gunmakers. The grievance was so acutely felt that the matter was taken up by the gun trade sections of the London and Birmingham Chambers of Commerce and the Gunmakers Associations of these two centres, along with the Gunmakers of India. It was found that military reasons were given for the restrictions on ·450 and ·303 rifles on the contention that neither sporting nor trade interests should be permitted to overcome Imperial requirements even though the latter might result in seeming hardship. Though the reasons given for the restriction may not have been very convincing, it became clear that the Indian Military authorities were desirous of the adoption by sportsmen of rifles with calibres as distinct as possible from those used in war, and that the only point to argue about was how the change could be made with the least possible friction and inconvenience to the world of sport and those earning their livings by depending upon it at home as well as abroad. Representations were accordingly made by manufacturers of rifles and ammunition for big-game shooting, and in reply the Secretary of State for India, while adhering to the decision to stop the importation of ·450 rifles agreed to a modification permitting the importation for a limited period of such rifles as had been actually ordered and under manufacture on 11th September 1906, applications therefor being receivable by him up to and including 1st May next, such applicants in all cases being required to furnish evidence of the *bonâ-fides* of the order. For the next month, therefore, manufacturers who had ·450 sporting rifles on order for India, and actually under construction when the notification was so suddenly made, are enabled to execute their orders and avoid the loss which

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must otherwise have fallen upon sportsmen employing them. Thus the most crying grievances of all have been removed on the representations referred to of the serious inconveniences entailed upon those who had acted in ignorance of the possible prohibition of ·450 rifles, or had obtained such rifles and were debarred from obtaining ammunition therefor. To meet the latter, dealers in India have been selected and licensed to hold a limited stock of ·450 rifle cartridges, other than of Martini-Henry pattern, making it possible for exempted persons possessing ·450 rifles to obtain ammunition in India from such selected dealers. While in the interests of sport, therefore, the prohibition is altogether regrettable, its worst feature has been considerably modified in response so far to the remonstrances on behalf of representative bodies of the gun and ammunition trades in this country and in India. For such concessions as have been obtained, sportsmen have mainly to thank the alertness of the London Chamber of Commerce as representing the manufacturers prejudiced by the unexpected prohibition.

A couple of good cards have been put out for the Mahableshwar Sky Races which are fixed to take place on Thursday and Saturday, 9th and 11th May.

Details of a tragic occurrence which took place at the Zoological Gardens at New York have just come to hand. A big cage in the Gardens had been occupied by a large Polar Bear for a long time, and it was desired to introduce a female bear which had only arrived a few weeks. Preliminary to the introduction the new bear was put in a shifting den which adjoined the one occupied by the old bear, and through the bars the two animals made acquaintance and seemed to be very friendly. According to the accounts, when the female was put in the den with the male, they began to play with each other, but in a very few moments the smaller bear was knocked down, and the large one caught her by the throat. Efforts were made by the keepers to separate the two animals, but with only partial success. But at last ropes were thrown over each, and they were dragged apart. It was too late, however, for the female died shortly after they were separated. It seems to be a question in the minds of those who witnessed the fracas whether the encounter was a fight, or merely a play so rough that the smaller bear which is said to weigh only a little over 500 pounds, to 900 pounds of the old bear, was choked to death and her throat torn. A case somewhat similar to to this happened at the Zoological Park two or three years ago, when a female jaguar was introduced to the cage of a large old male and was instantly grasped by the head and killed.

A dear old lady in the country had sent at Christmas to a very lively nephew in London a few jars of cherries, from her own garden, preserved in brandy, and she wrote: "My dear nephew, I am sending you some of our favourite cherries, preserved in brandy so that they may keep. I hope you and your friends will enjoy them." To which young hopeful replied: "My dear aunt,—A thousand thanks for your kind gift, I appreciate the cherries immensely, not so much for themselves, as for the spirit in which they are sent."

Some horses are naturally addicted to stumbling, others acquire the fault, and still others have the stumbling habit thrust upon them, says an exchange. In the first, it is almost incurable, but the second and third causes can be remedied by the rider or driver. If the ground is rough or uneven, horses with a low action are prone to stumble. Other horses which are naturally slipshod, generally stumble because they do not lift their feet high enough from the ground. Laziness is another cause for stumbling, and horses that are heavy in front, or whose fore legs are weak or unsound, have the same fault. Very often carelessness on the part of the driver causes a horse to stumble. This makes it necessary always to bear in mind the value of keeping the horse well in hand and sufficiently collected. If the habit is due to laziness, it can often be cured by riding or driving the horse over rough ground until he has been broken of the fault. But in all cases the cure rests with the driver or rider. The most sure-footed of horses is bound to stumble at times, but this can be reduced to a minimum by keeping a tight rein. A slack rein is often the sole cause for stumbling. If fatigue is the cause, extra care must be taken to keep the horse well up to the bit. No good horseman will ever take chances of his horse stumbling by allowing a slack rein. Stumbling is not only an annoying habit, but it often results in serious injury and many times in the total disability of the animal. While an habitual tendency to stumble often does not admit of a cure, the average case can be prevented by the methods suggested above.

A two days' Open Gymkhana will be held at Meerut to-day and Saturday.

The number of persons reported to have been killed in the Madras Presidency by wild animals and snakes during the year 1906 was 1,852, or 343 less than in the previous year. Decreases occurred in most districts, the most noticeable being reported in Godavery and Salem, though the decrease in the former is not so large as the figures show, as the returns for the district are incomplete. There was a considerable increase in the numbers killed in Cuddapah. The number of cattle destroyed increased by 148. The total number of wild beasts for which rewards were paid during the year was 890, or 81 more than the previous year. The amount paid for their destruction was Rs. 14,565. A sum of Rs. 12,882 was spent during the year on the removal of noxious undergrowth.

Concerning elephants in the Coorg Forests, Mr. McCarthy, Deputy Conservator of Forests, remarks in his annual report:—"In consequence of the general scare in the jungles resulting from the adjacent Mysore Khedda operations for the Royal Visit in January, very few elephants were left in those forests of this province in which the capturing pits lie. Also the drought confined the few that remained to the immediate neighbourhood of large rivers where alone water was available. Only five animals were captured, of which four survive at present. The cost of the capturing operations was Rs. 1,360, and that of the feed and keep of the whole stud Rs. 6,979. The annual sales in October realised Rs. 15,420 for eleven animals, whilst the department retained ten for timber dragging operations. The number of animals on hand at the end of the year is 14, of which four will be sold in October."

Rangoon beat Maymyo in the final for the Burma Commission Polo Cup by 6 goals to 3.

The Simla Sporting fixtures will begin next month and after the first Gymkhana at Annandale the out-door gaieties will be in full swing. This year Captain Holden, of the Bodyguard, is Honorary Secretary of the Annandale Club and he may be relied on to keep things moving. The Polo Tournament week begins on 10th June; the summer races on the 28th, 30th May and 1st June; the autumn races in October. Gymkhanas will be held weekly. The Simla Cricket Club *vs.* Outstations Match takes place on 4th and 6th June. The Horse and Dog Show is in June, and the Durand Football Tournament in September. For the races the Stewards are: General Sir Beauchamp Duff, Colonel de Courcy Hamilton, Colonel J. W. Morgan, Colonel R. C. Broome, and Mr. Fell, C.S., with Captain H. N. Holden, Secretary. The first day card will include the Jakko Plate (a hurdle race), the Novice Plate, Griffin Plate, the Minto Cup (given by H. E. the Viceroy), a six furlong handicap for all ponies 14 2, and the Schwaiger Cup given by Mr. Imre Schwaiger. The second day will include seven events, the most attractive of which will be the Kitchener Cup, valued at Rs. 250 and presented by H. E. the Commander-in-Chief.

We print, under "Races to Come," the programme of the Darjeeling Sky Races to be held on the 21st, 23rd and 25th May, entries closing on the 20th idem. Mr. Kenneth L. Mackenzie is Honorary Secretary and it goes without saying that the card for each day is a full and attractive one.

Some Calcutta anglers have lately had a little luck in the General's Tank Chowringhee: last week a 36 pound rohu was landed and some of over 20 pounds have also been taken out of this tank.

His Excellency the Viceroy has not had much luck at the Dehra Shoot; beyond an occasional leopard, the party have bagged nothing worth recording.

Told in a whisper. A very high dignitary of the Church, well known as the author of some charming books, was dining out the other evening. Of the two ladies between whom he was seated, the one on the right hand side was an intimate acquaintance, and in the course of dinner, noticing that her distinguished neighbour was very silent and distrait, said to him, sotto voce, "I am afraid you are not very well this evening; you do not seem in your usual spirits." "Well, to tell you the truth," said the dignitary, "I am not quite the thing, and must apologise for seeming so rude and preoccupied; but the fact is, I am in rather a nervous state of mind about my health, and have a sort of presentiment that a serious illness is hanging over me; I am conscious of a peculiar numbness all down my right side, which seems to forebode an attack of paralysis." His fair companion expressed her hope that such fears were ill-founded, and suggested that he might be mistaken as to the sensation of apparent numbness which he described. "Ah, no!" he replied. "I'm afraid there's no doubt of it, for I have been pinching my right leg all the dinner-time, and can elicit no responsive feeling whatever. The limb seems dead to all feeling." "Oh!" exclaimed the lady, briskly, and with a feeling of intense relief on her face, "if that is all that troubles you I think I can at once relieve your mind from anxiety, for the leg which you have been pinching all the evening is mine!"

Athletic Notes.

Among our English athletic news to-day will be found details of the Inter-Varsity Sports—the bare results of which have been given in our special telegram—the Amateur and Public Schools' Boxing Championships and some remarks on Reece's extraordinary billiard record.

Colonel Godfrey, Political Agent in Malakand, is a hardy and enterprising motorist: he has just run his car up to the Bandagai tower, twenty-five miles from Malakand, the farthest north yet reached in a British made car and, of course, a "record."

The Aga Khan Hockey Tournament will start on Wednesday, 8th May, entries closing on the 4th idem.

Mr. Beach Thomas, writing in the *National Review*, on "The Failure of Games, has some interesting remarks on certain tendencies in the favourite sports of the day. One of these tendencies is the growing specialisation of games which begins in school days. Mr. Thomas declares that a boy specialist is "a horrible idea," and that a school team, as well as an individual, ought to be able to do many things well before it takes precedence—to shoot well, to swim well, to drill smartly, no less than to win house matches at a game. Yet, with the growing popularity of sport, specialisation was bound to come. It is the only condition by which supreme excellence can be reached. In the physical, as in the intellectual, sphere, few boys or men can gain the highest success unless they concentrate their energies on one branch of sport. How seldom is a great cricketer, a first rate sculler, or an expert pugilist a proficient rifle shot. Yet specialism in sports has its drawbacks. In America, says Mr. Thomas, the finished athlete is often a pampered specialised being, as little fit for citizen service as the poor sweated factory hand, whose one accomplishment is packing files. It is, he considers, a poor accomplishment to run a quarter of a mile in 49secs., if you cannot handle a gun or a group of men. One of the results of specialisation is professionalism in sports, as a man who excels all others in a particular game can hardly be blamed for turning his skill to account as a means of making a living. Another feature equally inevitable is the growth of a large class of people who take no part in games, but like to watch them and read about them.

Mr. Thomas thinks that it is a confession of vice for a nation's youth to spend their hours looking at other men, who are paid for the job, engaged in kicking goals; and sighs over the black-coated company of sedentary youths who assemble round a football match at Fulham, rave over its progress, and sulk over local defeats. Those who watch the game on Saturday afternoon read about it on Sunday morning. It is the same with other games. Mr. Thomas mentions a gentle little scholar of 15, who knew by heart the breaks of all the great billiard players, and could tell you off hand the points and positions of the leading league clubs. No doubt this concentration of interest in sports is carried to excess, but up to a certain point it is quite legitimate. No one can be blamed for enjoying an international cricket match or a billiard tournament, and if it is allowable for one, why should it not be for thousands? The mistake is to regard sports as the serious business of life, and take no interest in anything else. Specialisation, professionalism, and the differentiation between players and spectators are inevitable accompaniments of a highly-developed system of sports. At the same time something may, with advantage, be done in encouraging games that are not purely competitive. Mr. Seton Thompson, the popular author of books on animal life, has, we are told, achieved unparalleled success with clubs for boys from the New York slums by a system of ahtletics—with an Indian camp fire and a totem pole as nucleus—in which the reaching of a standard is substituted for the star principle of victory. Proficiency in wood and field lore is also part of this excellent system.

Our Bombay correspondent writes:—It is an extraordinary thing how difficult it is to change a custom; this is apparent even in a small thing like a hockey ground. I remarked before that a very late start has been made this year with the Hockey season and that the Cooperage is not available. This last fact is responsible for the lack of interest in the games going on and the public seem absolutely to refuse to watch them on any of the other grounds.

The most important item of news is the disbandment of the Cathedral High School Old Boys' team, as the rules point out that only clubs, in the proper sense of the word, may enter for the Aga Khan Tournament. This materially assists other teams,

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and especially the Customs who, under Mr. P. R. Cadell, visited Poona and did well in their division of the said tourney. They played with quite a new set of men and consequently lacked combination, but with practice are admitted to be about the best of Bombay's teams.

Perhaps the best game, from all points, was seen on Saturday, when the Bombay Gymkhana met the Customs. It was a hard game throughout and, being fast, was full of interest till the Gymkhana eventually won by a margin of 3 goals to nil.

At centre forward the Gymkhana possess an old English International in Mr. Cole and he played brilliantly, scoring the three goals registered. The team, as a whole, is a promising one and if taken in hand carefully may rise to its old importance and strength.

Entries are very large for the Doubles and Singles Tennis Handicaps, now on in the Gymkhana. In the latter, two games have been played in one of which P. M. D. Sanderson beat G. de Rhe Philipe after a hard struggle by 4—6, 6—4, 6—4. The former's mark is—15·2 and the latter's—15·3. In the other game H. Reid—40·3 beat S. Clements, scratch, very easily by 6—2, 6—0.

In a moderate wind three races were sailed at the Yacht Club on Saturday. Four started for the B class Handicap which saw Mannikin win on time, but a protest was lodged and the prize could not then be awarded; Trixie was second from scratch.

Coralie won the T. and C. class, for which seven sailed, after a good race with Maud, Clutha third and Tomtit the Class Prize.

Of the four for the A Class Turquoise did not finish and two scratch boats, Swin and Swale had the race to themselves; the former winning fairly comfortably.

London Week by Week.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

Friday, 29th March 1907.

November mornings—orthodox November—have prevailed all the week: we wake in fog, breakfast by artificial light and look for sunrise about eleven o'clock. By that hour the sun has generally managed to penetrate the fog and by noon has dispersed it: but all the sunshine of the longest day cannot relieve us of the dirt which the fog holds in suspense and leaves behind it. Monday's fog was particularly obnoxious: it was a dead still day and as the morning wore on the fog grew more and more foul, proving that it retained possession of all the smoke: the wreaths of soot that adorned doorsteps and pavements after were a sight.

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The Easter exodus is as large as usual, and the shops are taking the prolonged holiday which has become the rule of recent years. If customers go out of town clearly there can be no use keeping the shutters down, but the result is gloomy for those who shun the crowded trains to, and hotels at, holiday resorts. The Russian sailors who, at the King's wish, paid a visit to town did not see London at its best: the morning fogs should have been enough to damp their 118 spirits, but they go about their sight-seeing with energy and apparent delight. If Russian sailors keep themselves informed concerning world politics the "crowd that cheers but not discriminates" must puzzle them not a little: but perhaps their British cicerones explain that Londoners don't regard foreign guests through political spectacles. They put up at the Grand, Charing Cross and "did" the Hippodrome and Alhambra, sandwiching a drive through the streets and a massive dinner between the performances. The men were evidently a picked lot for all were of splendid physique.

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German acquiescence in the steps taken by France to obtain satisfaction for the murder of her citizens in Morocco has put an end to the prospects of a row which were thought decidedly rosy in the earlier part of the week. Germany would of course have put herself quite in the wrong had she opposed the occupation of Udja; but perhaps she thinks the situation will afford a more plausible opening for interference by and bye.

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I did not go to the meeting in Russell Square, held under the auspices of the *Times* and the Book Club on Tuesday. The purpose of the meeting was to consider the advisability of starting a publishing company, and the meeting approved the plan. The *Times* announced this decision in a few lines of large type, but observed judicious reticence concerning the proceedings: not a single name was mentioned. This reticence seems to me very wise, for the vengeful publishers would undoubtedly boycott any presumptuous author who would support the new movement: as they will any author who produces a book through the new company. Dearly as I should like to see the publishing fraternity brought to its bearings. *Timeo Danaos*, etc. There is too much of the American spirit in Printing House Square. I remember King Log and King Stork and stay my hand.

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The first taximeter motor cabs made their appearance in town on Saturday: it is reported that there were a hundred of them distributed among the various cab ranks in City and West End. I asked the driver of one how he found it answered: whereto he made the cautious answer that it might be "the novelty" but he had not been idle for ten minutes together since eight in the morning and had "engagements" for the rest of the day. The instrument is fixed on a bracket in front of the cab so that the fare can study it all the time if he likes. By the way the Cabdrivers' Union held a meeting in the Park on Sunday to protest against taximeters among other innovations.

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This being Holy Week there is little going on in the theatrical world. The Gaiety and Daly's close for the whole week: His Majesty's from Wednesday. What is going on is of little importance. Friday night saw the production of "The Gypsy Girl" at the Waldorf with Miss Sybil Arundale in the name part. Her acting of Katrina, the Gypsy Girl, who is not a gypsy at all was charming; she has two or three capital songs and her dancing is always a joy. The plot seems to depend on Katrina's engagement to Jack Willoughby and the jealousy of Pedro who tries, without even stage success, to get her into trouble by giving her a stolen bracelet. The piece, which is in two acts, depends less than do most musical plays upon spectacular effect: its strength lies in melodious numbers and clever dialogue: moreover there are some amusing situations, in virtue of all of which the Gypsy Girl was very cordially received. Mr. Claude Arundale is responsible for the book and music, Lyrics by Mr. Follett Thorpe and additional numbers by the author and Mr. Heffervaan: the authorship of these musical pieces is as mixed as the pieces themselves.

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It is curious to observe how the public idea changes in regard to comfortable access to the theatre. Years ago Sir Henry Irving tried the plan of booking seats in the pit and gallery, but so little was advantage taken of the innovation that it was speedily given up. Mr. Cyril Maude is repeating the experiment at the Playhouse in respect of all parts but the gallery, and reports that it meets a very general want. I suppose there are some who cling tenaciously to the doubtful privilege of standing for hours *en queue* at the pit door.

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An American play, "Mrs. Wiggs of the Cabbage Patch," a dramatised version of the so popular book by R. H. Rice, is to be produced at Terry's on 25th April. Mr. Lewis Waller is going to revive Lady Clancarty and Sir Charles Wyndham will revive The Lears early next month to keep things going until Mr. H. H. Davis' new play The Mollux can be put on.

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Nor is there much to record concerning the music halls: a mild flutter has been caused by the assertion of the manager of one hall that the biograph pictures of the Grand National shown at another are "faked" from films of last year's race: but I surmise that for the great B. P. in town one Liverpool is as good as another.

The Hippodrome is now the scene of a new sensation. A person of iron nerve named Speedy ascends to the top of a ladder 40 feet about the theatre roof (that not being high enough) and dives therefrom 130 feet into the submerged arena. He is a most amazing diver; he hardly goes under at all: it is said that he does not even wet the whole of his back! The feat is one that gives the mere onlooker most unpleasant feelings all down the spinal marrow. Mr. Speedy I presume has no special marrow.

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Mr. Horace George Rayner was tried on Friday last, found guilty after the jury had deliberated for ten minutes and was sentenced to death. The 9th April has been appointed for the execution. The man went into the witness box and gave evidence on his own behalf with extraordinary composure; so free from embarrassment or appearance of fear that many in the court held his demeanour proof of insanity. The Lord Chief Justice, however, told the jury in his summing up that the question of sanity or the reverse must be dismissed from their minds; and truly no evidence worthy the name was offered to show that Rayner did not know what he was doing. Vigorous endeavours have been set on foot to obtain a reprieve: in various shops your attention is invited to forms of petition for signature, and there are plenty of kind people to set their names thereto. I suspect more signatures are prompted by report of the murdered man's moral character than by conviction that Rayner was not answerable for his actions. A question was asked in Parliament yesterday about the prospects of a reprieve. Mr. Gladstone is giving the matter "grave consideration"; but I conceive that is no more than the case of every sentenced murderer receives. [Alas! the sentence has been commuted as we have learned by telegram. —Ed.]

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The points of contact between the Thaw case in New York and the Rayner case, jump to the eyes: and the contrast between an American trial for a sensational murder and ours compels comparison. In either case a wealthy man was the victim: in either case the murderer believed himself aggrieved: in either there is no possibility of disputing the circumstances under which life was taken: and in either the relations of the murdered man with women have played part. The heart of the contrast lies in the

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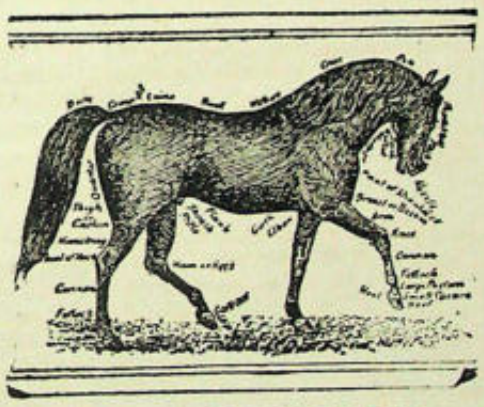

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defence set up: insanity in either case. Rayner, for whose insanity there was at least as much to be said as there is for Thaw, has been tried, convicted and sentenced within the space of five hours. The Thaw trial began on 23rd January, and was adjourned on Wednesday, 27th March, more than two months after that a commission might investigate the plea of insanity: and when that commission shall have delivered its opinion, it is quite an open question whether the trial will drag on for another couple of months: while the prisoner, if sentenced, may take advantage of legal loop holes to procure a year or more of reprieve. I confess that British methods seem to me the more sane and satisfactory to everyone concerned; perhaps even to the prisoner.

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It is a long time since the moderate drinker who likes his peg, has had a word said for him: and no doubt Dr. G. H. Savage will get into hot water with the teetotal people over passages in his lecture before the Royal College of Physicians dealing with "Insanity, Its Causes and Increase." The ratio of insane to sane has nearly doubled during the last fifty years in this country, and alcoholism was commonly held accountable for it. But the important fact that people are far more temperate now than they were fifty years ago is entirely overlooked: and Dr. Savage "sometimes wondered whether the complete change from alcoholic indulgence to temperance had a beneficial effect on the brains and nerves of the race." He believes that influenza is the modern predisposing cause: and regards it a real and efficient cause of insanity more powerful than all other causes put together. This is disturbing: we can stop drinking even in moderation, but who by taking thought can keep influenza to'ther side the hall door?

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Mr. Martyn's quarrel with the Kildare Street Club has been common property in Dublin and, in less degree, London for many months past; and some of us were not surprised to hear that he was going to take it into court. To put it briefly Mr. Martyn, a Galway landowner of Nationalist leanings, said in one of the not wise speeches to which he is addicted that "any Irishman who enters the British army ought to be flogged" or words to that effect. The Club Committee took the matter up and Mr. Martyn was expelled by resolution of a meeting held in January 1906. He now challenges the right of the committee to shoot him out; the case will be heard in Dublin after Easter. Feeling on such matters runs high in Dublin and the committee's action was very generally approved.

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The "Wagstaff case" has come to an end after a long hearing. A matter of £180,000 or rather the life interest therein was involved and the case was a singular one. Mrs. Jalland, Mr. Jalland being alive, went through the form of marriage with Mr. Wagstaff, and when the latter died claimed the life interest in his property he left as his "widow" so long as she remained his "widow." It was contended by other claimants that, inasmuch as the woman admitted bigamy, she could not be regarded as Wagstaff's widow for she undoubtedly was not in the legal and accepted meaning of the word. Mr. Justice Kekewich, however, has decided that the will intended to benefit Mrs. Jalland and awards the case to her. At the same time he advises the plaintiffs, and Mrs. Jalland, to try, and come to some arrangement instead of taking the matter to the Lords.

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Is the Hippodrome a suitable place for love making when one of the parties is among the audience and the other in the arena and when both are giants? Mr. Darrill of Wagga Wagga, who is eight feet high, is smitten with the charms of Mariedl which is the other name of the Tyrolese giantess now in Leicester Square. Mr. Darrill and a friend bought tickets for the performance on Friday, and the manager assembling his myrmidons turned them out before they could take their seats: wherefore Mr. Darrill has applied for summons for assault which Mr. Denman granted. Mr. Darrill's desire to marry the giantess, and the Hippodrome manager's desire to discountenance the match are the alleged cause of expulsion. I should have thought the large gentleman's presence under such circumstances would be a novel attraction.

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The Coliseum is for sale, and will be offered at Tokenhouse Yard on 25th April. It holds over 2,200 persons. The house was not a success run on the Mammoth twice-a-day programme principle, but it is very conveniently situated, and if we have not too many theatres already it should be possible to make it pay. The revolving stage is one of its great attractions according to the auctioneer.

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The morgue, haunt of so many morbidly minded trippers to Paris, has been closed to the public. Nobody may enter now who cannot prove that he, or she, has lost somebody and wants to inspect the corpses with definite purpose. The place ought to have been closed as a show long ago.

ONLOOKER.

'Bus stops; smiling young lady enters; every seat full; an old gentleman rises at the other end. "Oh, don't rise!" says the lovely girl; "I can just as well stand." "You can do as you please about that, miss," says the old man, "but I'm going to get out."

Shikar.

CROCODILES I HAVE KNOWN.

"NUMBER ONE."

THERE are two species of crocodiles to be found in Bengal, namely, *Crocodilus Porosus and C. Palustris.* Though the two species differ somewhat in size, colour, etc., they are otherwise very much alike and in my opinion are almost identical. The difference as to size and colour is mainly due to *C. Porosus* frequenting less extensive and more confined pieces of water, often stagnant and overgrown with weeds and aquatic plants of sorts.

Besides the above two species of crocodiles, there is to be found in Bengal, what is known as the gharial, *Gavialis gangeticus* or the slender headed Gangetic crocodile. These reptiles do not affect brackish waters and never descend so far as to come within the influence of the tides. Though the gharials attain a length of twenty feet and sometimes even more, they are harmless creatures preying solely on fish and turtles.

C. Porosus is to be found chiefly among some of the smaller streams, marshes, tanks, ponds, old moats, in fact any piece of water well stocked with fish and turtles and deep enough to afford them a safe shelter. *C. Porosus* seldom exceed 8 to 10 feet in length and are proportionately less bulky. Their diet consists mainly of fish and turtles, but any unfortunate geese, ducks or any other bird found swimming on the surface are silently and quickly pulled down. Some of the larger of these crocodiles, often take to preying on calves, goats, and dogs and some even take to pulling down full-grown cattle and on rare occasions even men are included in the bill of fare of these lesser saurians.

C. Palustris are the scourge of some of the waterways of the Gangetic delta. These crocodiles may be found in most of the bigger rivers, and though partial to brackish or salt water, are seldom found in the sea or the shores facing it. The main haunts of these mighty saurians, are those rivers that flow through the Sunderbunds and their estuaries, as well as those countless creeks, that are to be found in those parts. *C. Palustris* grow to an immense size, often attaining a length of some 25 feet and sometimes even more. Their distinguishing characteristics are their comparative shortness and great breadth of skull, enormous size of body and a marked preference for salt or brackish waters from which they rarely ascend far up. This a truly dreadful monster, a desperate and confirmed man-eater and man-hunter and its strength is so prodigious, that it can even pull down a buffalo. The general colour of *C. Palustris* is dull greenish grey, though I have seen some that were almost black. Crocodiles in Bengal, as those of the Nile and the alligators of the Mississippi, are found lying asleep with jaws widely extended, though I have never yet noticed the little bird, known as the Trochilus, common on the banks of the Nile, serving it in the capacity of tooth pick!! It is not unusual in the Sunderbunds to see these crocodiles suddenly come up, holding in their mighty jaws a large fish or a huge turtle weighing perhaps a 100 pounds or more, which they gulp down without the slightest difficulty. Some years ago Mr. E. Chapman of Chandbally shot a crocodile of this species, a confirmed man-eater, on the river Damra and from the inside of it, took out metal, such as gold, silver, cooper, brass, etc., weighing in all some 30lbs., ornaments of its victims.

The biggest crocodile I have shot myself measured slightly over 19 feet; its bulk was immense and from its inside I took out a ball of human hair nearly the size of a football, a couple of large turtles and metal ornaments such as pewter, zinc, silver, etc., weighing some 13lbs. and among these was a small gold nose ring, which I kept as a memento of one of its unfortunate victims. This saurian was a well-known man-eater and used to roam over a large tract of waterway, so people were never sure as to where it would make its next appearance. Its last victim had been a Mahometan *fakir* or mendicant, who was carried off while bathing among a lot of other people. A couple of days later, I was returning from a day's duck shooting and was riding along the bank of a stream, when my attention was called by my men, who were following to what they said was a crocodile lying on the opposite bank. I could not at first make out what my men were referring to, for the only thing I could see were a couple of plantain trees that had been made into a raft and were now lying at the water's edge. Why, I said to my men, that is not a crocodile you see, but a couple of plantain trees. No, sir, they said, look higher up the bank and you will see a crocodile and at the same time pointed towards it. Closer inspection on my part revealed what looked very much like an overturned boat of some size. Is this the crocodile I said to my men? that huge grey looking object I could now easily make out. Yes, they said and that too is the man-eater, that has created such a dread in these parts.

The next question was how to get at the monster, which was lying on the opposite side of the stream and which at this particular spot could not have been under 200 yards wide, far too distant for a shot at such an object as a crocodile. My men soon solved the difficulty by pointing out to me, that if I went a little higher up I could get a boat to ferry me across. After having carefully noted the spot the crocodile was lying on and the few land marks about the place, I made for the place, and willing hands soon ferried me across. Having landed, I made my way cautiously forward towards the spot. I was armed with a 10-bore muzzle loader, while the man who followed me had a 12-bore breach loader, the former being very effective at short range. I had noticed from the opposite bank, that just above where the crocodile was lying was a clump of small acacia trees and I accordingly made my way towards it, taking care not to go too near the edge. Having got parallel with the trees, I looked through them and to my surprise I saw the huge form of the crocodile lying within some 10 feet of where I stood; there the monster was, looking at me quite unconcerned, as if to ask, who the devil are you to come and disturb me. Now or never said I to myself and thinking he was going to make a dash for the water, had a couple of hurried shots at the huge neck. I at once stepped aside to get out of the way of the black powder's smoke which prevented me from seeing everything. There to my astonishment, I saw the crocodile lying just as he had been before I fired. I knew I could not have missed him at that distance, but the only thing I could see was a tremor that shook the gigantic frame and then I saw a couple of tiny streams of dark blood flow from where the two bullets had taken effect in the neck. Thinking the brute was done for, I stepped to within four feet of it and fired a couple more shots into the saurian's head, one of these going through the crocodile's right eye. My last two shots were followed by a tremendous commotion on the monster's part: it now begun snapping its jaws and lashing its tail and each time it breathed a regular fountain of blood spurted out from its damaged eye. The next two shots I fired was down the brute's throat, but, strange to say, these had only the effect of reviving it and making it more lively, for it now began gliding towards the water and the next instant had disappeared out of sight!

As might have been expected, my astonishment was great; but I was confident, that I had not seen the last of my crocodile. From the commotion going on in the water, I could make out the whereabouts of the reptile. A boat was quickly brought round and preparations made to haul up the body of the supposed defunct crocodile and as it was lying in shallow water a thick rope was passed round its tail and body. No sooner, however, did it find itself being hauled up then it made a dash for deep water, the boat at first being towed at an amazing pace and would have very soon disappeared all together with all its contents had not the men on board quickly cut the rope and thus parted company with their dangerous customer. After this little bit of excitement, the crocodile, which must have found itself again on even keel, lay quiet and the only signs one could now find of its whereabouts were the air bubbles, that rose on the surface. I knew very well it could not possibly live with all that amount of lead in its anatomy. After waiting for a short time and seeing that there were no signs of the crocodile showing itself again, I left for my factory, having given the necessary instructions to watch for the body, which was sure to float up. The following afternoon information was brought, that the body of the defunct crocodile had risen to the surface and that the *habeas corpus* having been performed it was now on its way to the factory; but it was not till late at night that the cart with its hideous load turned up. The men, who came with the crocodile's body, said that they had had no end of trouble in getting it in, for the cart on which it was brought, was first yoked to a couple of big buffaloes, who on finding out what they were carrying had bolted with the cart and that the crocodile, cart and all had been upset and had fallen into a tank and that after a great deal of difficulty, it had been hauled up again on *terra firma* and a couple of the more docile bullocks having been yoked, the rest of the journey had been performed without any further trouble.

Wanting to see, what the internal organs of this crocodile contained I had it cut open and as already related got a ball of human hair besides sundry zinc, pewter and silver ornaments and the little gold nose ring which I prize. The *post mortem* being over, I was anxious to get rid of the body as quickly as possible for the musk-like effluvia which arose from it was really too sickening; I therefore give orders to have the remains carted off to at least a mile from the factory and being anxious to preserve the head, gave instructions to have it cut off and buried under ground. But I had not yet finished with my crocodile, it proved to be a far worse customer in death, than in life, for it was not very long before I began to get complaints, that as this unfortunate carcass had been thrown close to the road no one could pass along it owing to the stench from it. The Police Sub-Inspector who came to see me said *"that the smell was so very killing"* that he had to make a long detour to come to me. The unfortunate part of the business was that jackals and vultures would have nothing to say to this tempting morsel! Scores of vultures used to come and sit round the body which had swollen now to twice its natural size, as if in conference, but would have nothing to say to it and it was days, nay, weeks before I saw the last of my crocodile!

"NUMBER TWO."

Crocodile number two, though smaller than the one first described, as it measured only some sixteen feet, was a confirmed man-eater and man-hunter, for within some four weeks of its first appearance, it had accounted for two men, a woman and a boy. This

saurian suddenly turned up in a small stream, that flowed to the south of the factory. This stream, which was one of the estuaries of that large tidal and crocodile-infested river the Modomothee, contained very little water during the drier part of the year, but during the floods became a fairly broad and deep stream, with 18 to 20 feet water in it. It was during this period, that crocodiles from the river Modomothee found their way to it and the appearance of the dreaded man-eater usually created a general panic among those living along the banks of this stream. The first intimation on the present occasion of the arrival of this unwelcome guest was rather startling. It had during the night climbed up the bank of the stream and made its way to the police outpost, where it had seized one of the constables who was sleeping outside in the verandah. The crocodile had made its way first to the bunglow, but as the floor of it was some three feet above ground it could not possibly have climbed up, it then apparently went round the place, till it came to the steps and up which it went up and was not long in coming across one of the constables sleeping on the floor. It at once seized the unfortunate man by the head, his yelling and shouting for help soon brought others who were sleeping about the place to his rescue. The crocodile tried now to get away as quickly as it could, but in its haste it did not try to find the steps, but jumped down, carrying with it, in its jaws the unfortunate constable's pillow, which no doubt mister crocodile thought was some part of the man's anatomy! It was this seizing of the head and pillow together by the saurian, that saved the unfortune constable being badly injured, they tried to bar the way of the unwelcome visitor, but it kept every one at a distance. For if anyone had ventured within reach of its tremendous tail, he would have been minus one if not both his legs. The crocodile after this little bit of adventure had disappeared for a few days and it was not seen nor heard of for 10 or 12 days, when it suddenly reappeared, its victim this time being a woman, which it carried off while bathing from among a dozen others. A few days later a fisherman was carried off while fishing. The unfortunate man's brother, who had decided to drag him was the next victim; he was knocked over with a sledge hammer blow from the monster's tail, seized and dragged under while watching harpoon in hand for its coming up on land to sun itself.

The last victim of the man-eater was the factory peon's son and I was an eye-witness to his being knocked over and carried off. It was early in September and I was returning from a morning's marsh partridge shoot. I was on my elephant and was going along the edge of the stream, where the crocodile had recently appeared. In front of me a couple of hundred yards or so was the factory peon's son, a lad of about fifteen who was fishing with a small hand net. I was speaking with the mahout about this very crocodile when I suddenly saw in front of us and at the distance of about 50 yards or so what appeared to be a wave some six inches or so high rapidly approaching shoreward, but before I could question the mahout as to what it meant, there was a tremendous commotion and splash and the next instant, the man-eater with a tremendous sledge hammer blow of its tail had knocked over the unfortunate boy and pulled him under water, everything was over in an instant. The first surprise being, however, over, my next thought was, how I was to destroy this cruel murderer. For the moment the boy had disappeared, pulled down under water and nothing was to be seen of him; but I had not long to wait, for scarcely five minutes had elapsed, when about mid stream there suddenly appeared the upper parts of the victim's body; a most distressing circumstance connected with this incident, was the fact of the victim's fingers which appeared above water opening and closing as an appeal for help. His long hair, becoming now loosened floated on the surface, as he was carried in an upright position being apparently caught by the knee. As I was now close to the factory, I quickly dismounted from the hathee and getting into a small country boat shoved off and made towards the spot. I had last seen the unfortunate victim's hands appear above water. I had not long to wait before the monster rose once more to the surface. Unfortunately the upper part of the poor victim's body was all that was visible above water. The only thing we could do was to strike the water with long poles, hoping to frighten the saurian; but this had only the effect of making it sink and disappear. It rose twice more to the surface and then sank for good.

Some four days or so had elapsed since the unfortunate chowkidar's son had been pulled down and I had not yet been able to avenge his death. During this interval, I had been going up and down the stream in my boat. I had now and again caught sight of the crocodile's head, as it floated on the surface, its cruel green eyes seeking for fresh victims; but no sooner did the cunning brute see me approach, then it disappeared. But the man-eater's days were numbered; for a few days later, I had the satisfaction of slaying it. As usual, I had gone down in my boat and was coming up the stream, when I was accosted by a couple of men, who warned me that the saurian we were looking for was lying on the opposite bank and a couple of hundred yards or so ahead. I instructed the boat men to pass the spot, and having gone a short distance beyond to drop down again with the tide and well in shore towards where it lay basking. Having got well ahead, the boat's head was turned down stream and I was now ready prepared to rouse the saurian from its slumber! Slowly the boat dropped with the tide, neither oars nor poles being used. A tangled mass of vegetation grew down to the water's edge, so I could not see the brute till I was nearly on top of it and it saw us the same moment; but the distance was so short, that the bullet could not miss its mark and it sped true hitting the brute behind the fore-paw and for a moment I thought I had killed it outright, as it rolled on its side; but soon recovering itself, it dashed into the water with a second ball in its head, the mark showing bright red before it had disappeared. I thought at first that I had lost it, but it rose and again made for the shore, a thing crocodiles frequently do when hard hit. I allowed it to ascend, when I had a couple more shots at close quarters. Its death throes were indeed terrific, as with distended jaws it rolled over from side, to side snapping its jaws, and striking right and left blows from its tremendous tail and exhibiting the most awful rage in its agony. It was indeed a sight worth seeing, while great was the inward satisfaction I felt at the destruction of this dreaded man-eater. I do not know how long this awful struggle would have lasted, had I not closed it with a couple of shots at the back just behind the neck. With the help of the willing bystanders who had now collected in a crowd the body of the defunct crocodile was hauled on board the boat. My return to the factory was a perfect triumphal procession, being escorted on both banks by crowds of the villagers, who had turned up *en masse* on hearing the shots. As already stated this crocodile measured some sixteen feet, but was of immense bulk. The usual *post mortem* examination followed and besides a ball of human hair found in all man-eaters some twelve pounds of metal ornaments were found, and what was truly gruesome, was the partly digested arm of the unfortunate chowkidar's son the identy of which there was no doubt, as it still bore the silver bangle.

RAOUL.

Fishing.

SHARK FISHING IN MANY WATERS.

Some of the most exciting fields of sport in this and other countries are unknown to the majority of lovers of the strenuous on account of prejudice and lack of information. If I should state that after taking almost all of the great American game fishes known, from the tarpon to striped bass, I had found shark fishing the most satisfying, I should have every rod angler in the country at my heels, as the shark is condemned as vermin, a miserable "beastie," a fearsome game to be cut loose from and knocked in the head. It must be confessed that most sharks belong to this class, but the ones described in the following, would, were they not sharks, be considered game fishes; in a word, by any other name such a shark would be sweeter, better game.

One day I drifted into a curious little fjiord on the south side of the mountainous island of Santa Catalina, sailed up the deep canon, as it were, and there found that the head of the inlet was pre-empted by a school of small tiger sharks, which were swimming about in water a foot deep, stirring up the mud and doubtless having a convention of some kind. Having a penchant for shark fishing I took a fifteen-ounce yellow tail rod of one joint, fitted it, doubled up about twenty feet of eighteen-strand line near the wire leader, and presently was on the beach just above the school where the water was about five feet in depth. Hard by was the cabin of a professional fisherman, or sharker, one Johnnie Daly, who at that moment came riding up on as queer a vehicle as could be found in a hundred mile run. The wheels were of solid wood, about a foot high and six inches wide, the two axles just large enough to hold an old rum barrel upon which Johnnie sat astride, driving a raw-boned white horse that he assured me was owned by Carrillo, not the navigator, but the famous bandit who lived some time in the past century; so the horse must have been over one hundred years of age, which was all very well for a horse story.

Dismounting, Johnnie got me some smelt for bait, about a pound being put on at once, and being too heavy and too fragile to cast he backed up his skiff, and rowing out fifty feet into the stream, dropped the bait over, then returning to act as gaffer and story-teller. He caught sharks for the oil, and sold the fins to the Chinese who boiled them down into a dainty.

It was not long before the line began to run out and the reel to click and buzz; then I slacked some and gave the fish the butt. Up into the air, clear of the water, went a long, slender marbled fish that lashed its tail from side to side and dropped with a splash. How it took me down the sandy beach in a long rush for the open sea! How Johnnie Daly pranced by my side calling out orders and instructions! Now rushing out knee deep into the bay, then back and up the beach again as I turned the fish that was in the air repeatedly showing its graceful shape and displaying an amount of vigor that would not be expected in a mere shark.

How long I played it I do not know, but it made repeated efforts to get out into the bay and carried me down the beach. I finally worked it up to the head again and inshore on the marvellous thread of line, a line which Johnnie declared was wire, but which was good linen. Then Johnnie gaffed the fish and dragged it in with a show of triumph, as though he did not catch a dozen in a day with netts We had to cut it up to weigh it, and I remember that is tipped the scales at sixty-two pounds, and established jumping shark fishing with the rod at that place for some time to come.

As a rule, sharks are poor jumpers, but there are several kinds that leap in fair imitation of the ouananiche and tarpon. When fishing at the Aransas Pass in Southern Texas, my companion hooked a leaping shark that went out of the water like a bird and lashed its tail like a whip lash. Had it not been for the lack of colour or the gleam of silver one might have considered it a tarpon, as it was a leaper beyond dispute. On the outer Florida reef I played such a shark and watched its leaps, and had it not been under the ban and known as shark it would have been enrolled under the banner of the game fishes.

The power and strength of sharks is beyond question, but some very large ones have been killed with light tackle. Probably one of the first attempts to kill a shark with a rod was made by Dr. Wm. Provost, of Chicago, who was fishing for bluefish in Long Island Sound. He had a strike, and after a long contest landed an eight-foot shark that weighed several hundred pounds. This was supposed to be the limit. In the same year Admiral Douglass, of the St. Augustine yacht club, landed a shark six or seven feet long on a ten-ounce rod, and doubtless a number have been taken in the same way if all shark fishermen could be heard from.

Some of the finest shark fishing I have had has been at the mouth of the St John's River, Florida, in the shad season. The sharks follow the shad school up the coast and enter the river at this point. At the north entrance, where the river channel is near the beach, at the time of my last visit, was a famous locality for them. I stood on the beach, tossed a five or six pound shad bait thirty feet out into the channel, fastened the long rope to a big stranded log and laid down on the warm sand to wait for a strike. This part of Florida has a peculiar charm. The air was delicious tinctured with balsam, the sky was blue, the river ran merrily over the bar and to the north a faint curl of smoke rose from the palmetto grove. The roar of the surf on the outer reef came in muffled tones blending with the musical trill of the river waters along the beach.

I was alone; the fishermen were hauling their nets out in the river, and the scene was purely a contemplative one tranquil in every respect. How long I waited I cannot recall, but suddenly my line began to run out, at first slowly, then rapidly, and taking it I felt that indescribable thrill that runs up the line and connects fish and angler. I gave out twenty feet of slack, then braced back in the sand, and as the line came taut sent the cold bit of steel into the jaws of the game. Into the air vent the head and part of the body of a large shark, to fall with a splash that sent the surges out on to the beach, roll after roll, while the line ran through my hands at a speed that suggested smoke.

I held on, but the shark took me into the water knee deep, then waist deep. I reached the sands and dug my feet into it and laid back, but I could not stop the deliberate onward, outward pull of that shark that gradually took me down the beach to the sea. The end soon came; the log bagan to roll, and throwing all pretence at playing aside, I grasped the log and held on for my life. But that inexorable game must have been of endless horse power, as it never stopped, and the last thing I saw of my log it was bobbing up and down in the tide eddies in mid stream and my shark may be going yet.

Later I had better luck. The specimen may have been fourteen or more feet in length, I did not see its entire length, but for exercise and strenuous sport there is nothing to compare to this big savage game that is determined to carry you out into the stream and offshore to the deep unfathomed caves. The big shark becomes demoralized when hooked. It will often remain prefectly still, roll itself over and over, and fairly tie itself up in the line to turn and dash away with a rush that takes everything with it; but after all it is merely a question of time with a shark; it can be worn out by a constant pull and haul, give and take process that limbers up every muscle in the human body.

On the shore the fisherman does not have the same chance as when in a boat, and on the outer reef of Florida, where the channels were so near the shore that you could literally step into deep water, I have been repeatedly hauled into deep water and forced to give up. In fishing from a wharf, where I had my rope tied to a huge scantling, the shark I hooked would have pulled the ten men overboard had they remained at the line; as it was, it took the plank and ultimately the line. For sharks from six to eight feet in length beach fishing is interesting, but the really big game, the bulky man-eaters, should be played from a boat when they can tow it and the fisherman can play it at his leisure. Few men can look unawed at a boiling sea of sharks and retain their perfect equanimity. It was my plan when shark fishing to bait up a certain point with the blood and refuse from a slaughter house. My man towed this out and fastened some of the bait in bags to the coral in shoal water, and the blood was poured into the channel when we arrived at the grounds. This resulted in the collection of numbers of sharks of all kinds and sizes; and to stand on the deck of the boat and see these monsters all about, swimming around like hounds in search of prey, was an appalling spectacle.

It is not always the large sharks that are the most dangerous At certain times the coast of New England is visited by raids of a small shark known as the dog fish.

So vast are their numbers that they cannot obtain food and rush in upon the out-shore cod fishing grounds, a starving horde, ready to devour anything. It happened that I saw the incoming of this school one year. The fishes were so ferocious that they bit at our oars and tore the sail of a neighboring boat. A reliable skipper informed me that a number of fatalities had occurred, which I could readily believe easily happen, as the smallest object tossed overboard would attract a dozen or more sharks. As far as I could see into the depths these creatures were attacking jelly fishes and taking the hook with a rush. The effect on the fishing of the entire coast was immediate. One moment the men were catching cod and other fishes; the

next the water was filled with sharks which took hooks, lines or anything they could seize.

There is something very disagreeable in the aspect of a large shark, especially the kind known as the man-eater. He is very deliberate in his movements; his bulk is enormous; he is a bull dog or fighting machine, almost devoid of pain or fear, and when aroused by the scent of blood, a fiend incarnate. The great so-called man-eaters of the Atlantic and Pacific weigh tons, and attain a length of twenty or thirty feet. One taken near Australia was found to contain a full-grown horse in three or four pieces,—an animal that had been thrown over from some troop ship. Such a shark can be caught only with the most powerful tackle—a large and long rope, a steel hook a foot in length, and a three-foot chain. I once ran into a camp of sharkers on the Florida coast. They had found a little inlet where sharks were abundant, and gone into business killing sharks, and I learned that they utilized nearly the entire output. The jaws with the rows of teeth were sold as curiosities; the back bone when cleaned and dried was pierced by a steel rod and sold as a cane, while the fins went to a Chinaman who dried them and shipped them to New York Chinatown where they became a sort of pate de fois gras. The skin went to shagreen makers; the liver provided a valuable oil, and the flesh was in demand by planters who converted it into guano and fertillizers. This last business is a valuable one, and on the Mine cost may be seen buildings on which is the sign "Dog Fish Factories" the proprietors of which buy and catch all the cheap fish-sharks, rays dog fish and others and grind them into fertillizers

The shark camp was an interesting place, as some one was always catching a fish. They had twenty or more lines out all the time leading off from the beach. When a large shark was hooked a flat bottomed boat would be shoved off, the line made, fast and the big fish played, amid shouts and cries, by the fishermen who made sport of what would be considered hard work by the average man. Yet there is much excitement in shark fishing, at least to the one who holds the line, that makes up for the labour that is just as surely part of it. I have, with a single companion, held on to a big shark for hours, been towed miles, and had my arms nearly, apparently, torn from the sockets.

The gamiest shark on a line is the hammerhead, the common form of the Southern California islands where, in August, they are very familiar, sometimes stealing the boats of the men and playing havoc with their lines. A hammerhead will wreck a valuable $300 seine or gill net in a night. He will roll himself up in it and then bite it in pieces. A strong robust brute, he is only caught after a hard struggle. I have fought such a fish two hours, the shark then appearing as fresh as when he bit. One of the largest sharks ever taken with a line was caught by Mexican Joe, a well-known boatman of Santa Catalina Island. This fish required four or five men to subdue it, and then it nearly capsized the boat. In these waters a swivel-tailed shark was recently taken that made a desperate fight. The peculiarity of this fish is that the upper lobe of the tail is as long as the entire body, and it is used as a sort of sabre to strike from side to side, giving fearful blows that will lay open the flesh like a sabre. A more singular creature can hardly be imagined.

At Santa Catalina shark fishing with rod and reel is one of the pet diversions for men who want hard work. The most remarkable feature of the sport lies in the fact that the monster is caught with rod and reel and usually a No. 21 thread line, which is not very much larger than an eyeglass cord—indeed I have seen men fishing for black bass in the St. Lawrence with a line quite as large as this thread with which the Santa Catalina Island anglers catch sharks of ten or twelve feet, weighing up to five hundred pounds. There are two clubs at Santa Catalina which encourage this sort of sport, one of which is the Tuna Club, which established the standard of rod sport in the island, and the other the "Light Tackle Club," whose president is Mr. Arthur J. Eddy, of Pasadena, California, one of the most skilful anglers in America and an all-around sportsman. Mr. Eddy carries the idea of the Tuna Club a step beyond, declaring for the use of the nine-thread line for all the big game fishes, and it is interesting to see what Mr. Eddy and his fellow members catch—fishes running up to sixty and seventy pounds.

The secret of shark fishing, according to the writer's views, is to have a light, safe boat; a thousand feet of line, and smooth water. I have often, single-handed, worn out seemingly impossible sharks with a very long line. Shark fishing may not be an æsthetic sport, but it is conducive to exercise and health.

All around the Australian coast sharks are very bad. It is not safe to allow your dogs to retrieve even in the upper reaches of the tidal rivers, for these devils of the deep will take them, and men fishing from the rocks, and washed off by a bigger sea than they expect, have no escape. There can be little doubt that sharks will keep about, expecting the good fortune of a cast-away man, and, horrible as it may appear, their awful greed, their terrible jaws and hungry stomachs are often gratified. In the very neighborhood of Coolangatta a boy, with his father, had been fishing from the rocks for small fish. The usual wave came along; with a cry of terror the unhappy man was washed off the ledge. With the nose of a stoat and the eye of a vulture, the shark was there to seize the poor fellow and to fight with his unholy mates for the sharing of the carcase. A good boathook, with the point or fender sharpened with a rasp, will deal out good "stoush" or punishment, although a hit over the nose with a hammer will steady them. The bait used in that part of the world for shark fishing is a mullet, or a migratory so-called salmon, enormous shoals of which frequent the coasts about January and February, the commencement of the autumn in the southern hemisphere. The sharks follow these fish as do a few other large and swift swimmers in search of food.

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THE BERHAMPORE DAWK BUNGALOW.

To The Editor of "The Indian Field."

Sir,—We move slowly in India; rapid changes, especially if they are in the direction of improvement or progress, come seldom. Consequently when I read your remarks about the Berhampore Dawk Bungalow, a vision of three miserable days I spent in that depressing and unclean tenement rose before me. The same old decayed punkahs, same old four pieces of broken furniture, same old midden heap in the verandah, same all—pervading dirt, same colossal examples of impertinence and inefficiency in the kitchen, as I encountered *five years ago*, Sir! What you describe as having seen at Easter 1907 was *exactly* what I saw in 1902. Something should be done to preserve these interesting if unpleasing relics of bygone days. Happy thought! Why not add them to the Victoria Memorial Collection? They might serve to show future generations what their ancestors endured and enable them to form a just estimate of the hardy twen' cent. Briton who could suffer these things and survive.

P.

Calcutta, *12th April 1907.*

A CURIOUS GOND'S HEAD.

To the Editor of "The Indian Field."

Sir,—There appeared some months ago in your English namesake a description of a malformed chital's head—a head with 3 horns—if I am not mistaken. I send you a photograph of a Gond (marsh dear) head with three distinct horns. This was shot by Mr. Lincoln (Barrister-at-Law, Lucknow) last month in Kheri, Oudh.

The two main antters are normal, one having five and the other six points. Below the right brow-tine this horn grows straight up and parallel with the horns: it is 6 inches in length 2¼ in circumference at the base and grows off the bone above the orbit and behind the brow tine. Of course it is only a freak, but the kind of freak that one would not probably meet with again in a lifetime.

K.

Bareilly, *14th April 1907.*

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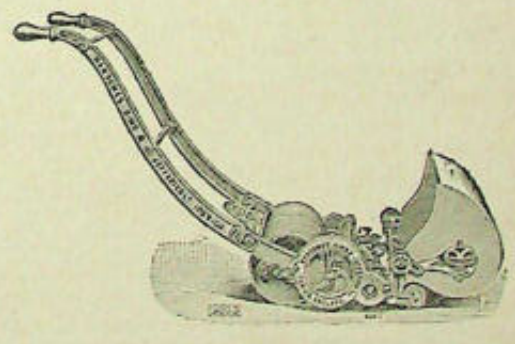

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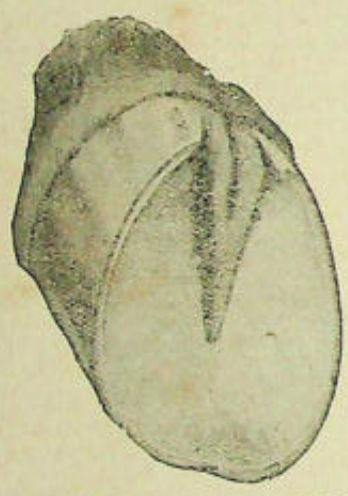

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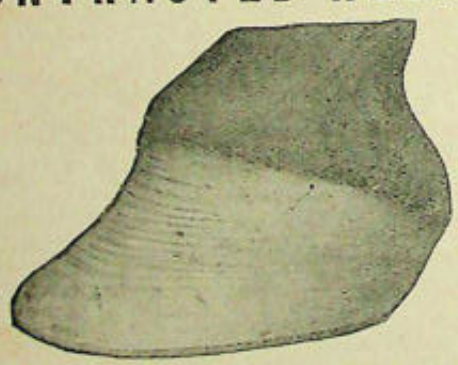

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INDIAN RACING FIXTURES.

NAME OF RACES.	MONTH.	DATE
Meerut Open Gymkhana	April	18 & 20.
Karachi Spring	"	23, 25 & 27
Dibrugarh Sky	May	4
Quetta Spring	"	21, 23 & 25
Simla Summer	"	28 & 30 June 1
Ootacamund	"	7, 9 & 11
Shillong	"	14 & 16
Mussoorie	"	16 & 18
Mysore	June	25, 27 & 29
Poona Races	Sep.	7, 11, 14, 18, 21, 22 & 23
Rangoon First Extra	Oct.	19
Rangoon Second Extra	Nov.	2
Rangoon Third Extra	"	16
Calcutta First Extra	"	30
Rangoon Autumn	"	30 & Dec. 3 &
Calcutta Second Extra	Dec.	7
Rangoon Fourth Extra	"	7
Calcutta Third Extra	"	14
Calcutta Races, First Meeting	"	21, 24, 26 and 28,
Lahore X'mas	"	24, 26, 28, and 31,
Tolygunge Steeplechases	"	31 and Jany. 4 1908
Calcutta Races, Second Meeting, ...	Jan.	11, 14, and 18, 1908
Calcutta Fourth Extra	"	28, 1908
Rangoon Fifth Extra	"	25, 1908
Rangoon Sixth Extra	Feb.	8, 1908
Rangoon Seventh Extra	"	22, 1908
Rangoon Spring	Mar.	7, 10 and 12, 1908
Rangoon Eighth Extra	"	14, 1908
Mahableshwar Sky	May	9 & 11
Darjeeling Sky	"	21, 23 & 25

CLOSING DATES OF ENTRIES.

Darjeeling Sky		20th May.
Quetta Spring	Second ..	30th April.
	Third ..	10th May.
Shillong	Day before the Races.	
Mysore	Second	16th May
	Third ..	15th June.
Ootacamund	Second	21st April.
	Final ..	1st May.
Dibrugarh		3rd May.
Indian Army Cup (Umballa) ..	First ..	1st May.
	Second ..	1st July.
	Third ..	2nd Sept.
	Final ..	10th October.
Civil Service Cup (Lucknow) ..	First ..	1st May.
	Second ..	2nd July.
	Third ..	14th Sept.
	Fourth ..	30th Nov.
	Final ..	15th January.
Lucknow Autumn Army Cup ..	First ..	1st July.
	Second ..	15th August.
	Third ..	1st October.
	Final ..	4th Nov.
Poona	First ..	30th July.
	Second ..	13th August.
	Third ..	27th August.
Mahableshwar Sky		2nd May.

INDIAN SPORTING FIXTURES.

POLO		
Bereford Tournament, Simla	..	10th June.
Mussoorie Tournament	..	6th May
Mysore Birthday Tournament	..	24th June
Simla Tournament	..	10th June.
CRICKET.		
Simla vs. Outstations	..	4th and 6th June.
SHOWS.		
Simla Horse Show	..	In June
BOXING.		
Poona Tournament	..	22nd to 27th April.
Sirhind Tournament, Simla	..	11th to 27th July.
FOOTBALL.		
Durand Tournament	..	In September
HOCKEY.		
Belghton Cup Tournament	..	Now on
Aga Khan Tournament	..	8th May.
GOLF.		
Fraserganje Tournament	..	20th April.

ENGLISH RACING FIXTURES.

(Principal Races in 1907.)

Craven Stakes (1 mile 22 yards.)	Thursday, 18th April.
Great Metropolitan Stakes (2¼ miles)	Tuesday, 23rd April.
City and Suburban (1¼ mile)	Wednesday, 24th April.
Two Thousand Guineas (1 mile)	Wednesday, 1st May.
One Thousand Guineas (1 mile)	Friday, 3rd May.
Chester Cup (2¼ miles)	Wednesday, 8th May.
Kempton Park Great Jubilee Handicap (1½ mile)	Saturday, 11th May.
Newmarket Stakes (1 mile 2 furlongs)	Wednesday, 15th May.
Manchester Cup (1¼ mile)	Friday, 24th May.
Prix du Jockey Club (1½ mile)	Saturday, 2nd June.
The Derby (1½ mile)	Wednesday, 5th June.
The Coronation Cup (1½ mile)	Thursday, 6th June.
The Oaks (1½ mile)	Friday, 7th June.
Grand Prix de Paris (1 mile 7 furlongs)	Sunday, 16th June.
Ascot Stakes (2 miles)	Tuesday, 18th June.
Ascot Gold Vase (2 miles)	Tuesday, 18th June.
Royal Hunt Cup (7 furlongs 166 yards)	Wednesday, 19th June.
Gold Cup (1½ mile)	Thursday, 20th June.
New Stakes (5 furlongs 144 yards)	Thursday, 20th June.
Hardwicke Stakes (1½ miles)	Friday 21st June.
Northumberland Plate (2 miles)	Wednesday, 26th June.
July Stakes (Newmarket) (5 furlongs 144 yards)	Tuesday, 2nd July.
Princess of Wales' Stakes (1 mile 4 furlongs)	Thursday, 4th July.
Eclipse Stakes (1¼ mile)	Friday, 19th July.
Liverpool Cup (1 mile 3 furlongs)	Friday, 26th July.
Stewards' Cup (Goodwood) (6 furlongs)	Tuesday, 30th July.
Goodwood Plate (2 miles)	Wednesday, 31st July.
Goodwood Cup (2¾ miles)	Thursday, 1st August.
Brighton Cup (1¼ mile)	Wednesday, 7th August.
Great Northern Leger (1 mile 5 furlongs)	Wednesday, 21st August.
Prince of Wales Plate (5 furlongs)	Tuesday, 27th August.
Great Ebor Handicap (1¾ mile.)	Wednesday, 28th August
Gimrack Stakes (6 furlongs)	Thursday, 29th August.
Great Yorkshire Handicap (1 mile 6furs. 13 yrds.)	Tuesday, 10th September.
Champagne Stakes (Doncaster) (5 furs. 132 yrds.)	Tuesday, 10th September.
St. Leger (1 mile 6 furlongs 132 yards)	Wednesday, 11th Septr.
Doncaster Cup (2 miles)	Friday, 13th September.
Prince Edward Handicap (1½ mile)	Saturday, 21st Septr.
Jockey Club Stakes (1¾ mile)	Thursday, 3rd October.
Prix du Conseil Municipal (Paris) 1½ mile)	Sunday, 6th October.
Duke of York Stakes (1½ mile)	Saturday, 12th October.
Cesarewitch Stakes (2¼ miles)	Wednesday, 16th October
Middle Park Plate (6 furlongs)	Friday, 18th October.
Cambridgeshire Stakes	Wednesday, 30th Octr.
Dewhurst Plate (7 furlongs)	Thursday, 31st Octr.
Liverpool Autumn Cup (1 mile 3 furlongs)	Friday, 8th November.
Manchester November Handicap (1½ mile)	Saturday 23rd Novr.

ENGLISH SPORTING FIXTURES.

Tennis Championship, Fairs vs. Latham	6th May.
England vs. Scotland (Amateur Golf)	25th May.
Amateur Golf Championship	28th May.
Golf Open Championship	20th June.
England vs. South Africa (Cricket)	1st July.
Henley Regatta	3rd, 4th & 5th July.
Oxford vs. Cambridge (Cricket)	4th July.
Amateur Athletic Championships	6th July.
Eton vs. Harrow (Cricket)	12th July.
Gentlemen vs. Players (Cricket)	17th July.
England vs. South Africa (Cricket)	29th July.
Rugby vs. Marlborough (Cricket)	31st July.
Dublin Horse Show	27th August.

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KARACHI GYMKHANA.

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A MATCH.—for Rs. 50 a side.

Mr. Caffyn's Drum Major, 8st. 7lbs.	...	Murray 1
Captain Keran's Paleface, 10st.	...	Owner 2

Good race, won by a neck.

NOVICE STAKES.—3 furlongs.

Mr. Bradley's Grey Tick, 10st. 9lbs.,	...	Mr. Caffyn 1
Mr. Essex's Seagull, 9st. 11lbs,	...	Capt. Kerans 2

Won easily by about two lengths.

POLO SCURRY.—Open to all ponies which have never won race value Rs. 50 and are playing Polo regularly. 2½ furlongs.

Mr. Hickie' Stella, 1st.	...	Capt Wheeler 1
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ARAB DERBY.—For all Arab ponies which have not won a race value Rs. 50. 4 furlongs.

Mr. Thompson's Orion, 10st., 9lbs.	...	Mr. Wilson 1
Mr. Moseley's Rajah, 11st. 7lbs.	...	Mr. Caffyn 2

Won easily.

DISTANCE HANDICAP.—4 furlongs.

Captain Ettinger's, Cocotte 200 yards	...	Owner 1
Mr. Caffyn's Drum Major, 45 yards	...	Owner 2

SELLING PLATE.

Captain Kern's Paleface, 11st, Owner	...	1
Captain Jeudwine's Lucy Glitters, 11st. 7lbs., Owner	...	2

CONSOLATION STAKES.—3 furlongs.

Captain Kern's Khargosh, 12st. 7lbs.	...	1
Mr. Lee Warners' "Ot," 9st. 0lb.	... Mr. Litwell ...	2

RAWALPINDI FIFTH OPEN GYMKHANA.

Saturday 6th April 1907.

QUITE good sport was had today and enjoyed by a good gathering. Mr. Pelo got a nasty jar when Tommy fell in the Pony Chase, but pulled round after a while. Details:—

THE PONY CHASE.—Rs. 20 to the winner. A handicap for ponies 14-2 and under that have never won a race of any description, Rs. 50 or over. 1½ miles over the steeplechase course.

Capt. Cadogan's Kinky, 12st. ...	...	Owner 1
Major Sir J. Milbanke's Indore, 11st. 2lbs.		Mr. Gibbs 2
Major Eustace Crawley's Master Jack, 12st.		Owner 3

Alaso ran: Tommy 10-7 (fell.)

BETTING: 6 to 4 on Master Jack, 3 to 1 each Kinky, Indore and Tommy.

Won easily by three lengths; eight lengths between second and third. Time—3min 26secs

THE ARAB RACE.—Rs. 20 to the winner. A handicap for Arab ponies 14-1 and under. 5 furlongs.

Mr. Sydney Smith's Plamy Days, 10st. 5lbs.	... ...	Capt. Campion 1
Major Moore's Gendarme, 9st. ...	...	Capt. Winter 2
Capt. Toogood's Malabar, 10st. 3lbs.	...	Mr. Waller 3

Also ran: Canopus, 9-12.

BETTING: 6 to 4 on Malabar, 6 to 4 agst. Gendarme, 2 to 1 Plamy Days, 3 to 1 Canopus.

Won by a length; half a length between second and third. Time—1min. 9⅘secs.

THE OPEN STAKES.—Rs. 20 to the winner and Rs. 5 to the second. A handicap for ponies 14-2 and under. 4 furlongs.

Mr. A. Fielden's Fanchette, 10st. 3lbs.	...	Owner 1
Colonel Fuller's Little Dorris, 9st. 11lbs.	...	Capt. Winter 2
Mr. E. Power's Rosamund, 10st. 7lbs.	...	Owner 3

Also ran: Beryl, 10-0; Blue Bell, 9-10; Ring Master, 10-5; Cocatrix, 9-5.

BETTING: Evens Rosamund and Little Dorris, 3 to 1 Fanchette, 5 to 1 the others.

Won a good race by a head; three lengths between second and third. Time—53⅘secs.

SUBALTERNS' CUP.—1st Royal Munster Fusiliers. A handicap for ponies 14-1 and under, the property of, and to be ridden by Officers of the Regiment. 6 furlongs.

Capt. A. MacLaughlin's Ricochet, 12st. 2lbs.	... ...	Owner 1
Major Williams's Maisie, 12st. 2lbs.	...	Owner 2
Capt. Hutchinson's Perhaps, 12st.		Mr. Henderson 3

Also ran: Bob, 12-9; Fancy, 11st, Kim, 11st. 1 lb; Spearmint, 11st; Jess, 11-6 lb.

BETTING: Evens Maisie, Ricochet, longer prices the rest.

Won by there lengths; same distance between second and third.

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S. S. M. Cox's Countess, 12st. 8lbs.	...	Owner 1
Private Evan's Light	... ...	Owner 2
Private T. Shaw's Minette, 11st. 9lbs.	...	Owner 3

Also ran: Tom, 11-7; Puckane, 9-12; Belle, 9-11; Redwall, 8-11; Domino, 7-3.

BETTING: 3 to 1 each on Countess, Minette and Belle, Countess.

Won by one half length, half length between second and third.

THE FAREWELL STAKES.—Rs. 20 to the winner. A handicap for ponies that have run in race gymkhana or otherwise at Rawalpindi since the 10th November 1906, and that have not won at time of entry. 4 furlongs.

Mr. T. E. Powers's Rosamund, 11st. 7lbs.		Owner 1
Mr. Wilson's Ring Master, 10st. 4lbs.	...	Owner 2
Colonel Delamain's Damosel, 10st. 10lbs.	.....	3

Also ran: Gendarme, 9-10.

BETTING: 2 to 1 on Rosamund, 6 to 4 agst. Gendarme, 2 to 1 Damosel.

Won by a length; two lengths separated second and third.

THE DISTANCE PLATE.—Rs. 20 to the winner and Rs. 5 to the second. A handicap for ponies 14-2 and under. Handicap by distance. C. W. 11st. 7lbs. Scratch pony starts at 7 furlongs post.

Capt. Toogood's Malabar, 30yds	...	Capt. Winter 1
Mr. Sydney Smith's Shamrock, 15yds		Capt. Campion 2
Mr. Lees's Ringette, 20yds. ...	...	 3

Also ran: Blue Bell, 15 yards; Freckles, 25 yards; Countess, 30 yards; Lodester, 40 yards.

BETTING.—2 to 1 on Shamrock, 3 to 1 Malabar, 5 to 1 the remainder.

Won by half a length; three lengths between second and third.

QUETTA GYMKHANA RACES.

Tuesday, 9th April 1907.

The heavy rain we had yesterday and early this morning almost dished the meeting; but the executive, by dint of much labour, tinkered up the course into a condition that permitted of racing and we brought off the event in the end, the weather obligingly holding up throughout. As a matter of fact the sport was quite good. Details.—

NOVICE STAKES.—Rs. 40 to the winner, Rs. 20 to the second, and Rs. 10 to the third. For Arab and C.-B. ponies 14-2 and under, and other ponies 14-1 and under, that have never won a race value Rs. 45 or over. 4 furlongs.

Mr. Osborne's Cherry Ripe, 13st. 2lbs.		Owner 1
Mr. Gretton's Carlite III. 10st. 13lbs	... Mr. Trench	D.-H
Lieut.-Col. O'Donnel's Muscana, 9st.	Capt. Thurnall	D.-H

Also ran: Hannibal, Splash and Bamboo.

Won by one length. Time—58⅘secs.

ARAB RACE.—Rs. 40 to the winner, Rs. 20 to the second, and Rs. 10 to the third. For Arab ponies 14-1 and under that have never won a race value Rs. 200 or over 6 furlongs.

Capt. Toogood's Broome, 10st. 11lbs.	...	Owner 1
Mr. Harkness's Don Juan, 10st. 5lbs.	...	Owner 2
Capt. Ready's Timothy, 11st. 8lbs.	...	Owner 3

Also ran: Sirocco and Ghazi.

Won easily by half a length. Time—1min. 34secs.

NOMINATION RACE.—Rs. 40 to the winner, Rs. 20 to the second, and Rs. 10 to the third. 3 furlongs.

Mr. Osborne's Cherry Ripe, Miss McMahon		Owner 1
Capt. Day's Spot One, Mrs. Day	...	Owner 2
Mr. Stewart's Micky Free, Miss Lincoln	...	Mr McCulden 3
Mr. Trench's Sunbeam, Miss Snowden-Smith	...	(Disqualified) Owner 0

Also ran: Honesty, Batcha, Cæsar and Marengo.

Won by half a length. Time—42⅘secs.

Sunbeam placed third failed to draw the weight, and was consequently disqualified.

HURDLE RACE.—Rs. 40 to the winner, Rs. 20 to the second, and Rs. 10 to the third. For Arab and C.-B. ponies 14-2 and under, and other ponies 14-1 and under that have never won a hurdle race value Rs. 200 or over. 1 mile over 6 flights.

Capt. Hooper's Bonzai, 9st. 11lbs.	...	Mr. Harkness 1
Capt. Toogood's Broome, 9st. 13lbs.	...	Mr. Bell 2
Capt. Ready's Joey, 10st. 5lbs.	...	Capt. Day 3

Also ran: Jan, Amir, Splash and Micky Free.

Won by half a length; one length between second and third. Time—2mins. 15⅘secs.

DISTANCE HANDICAP.—Rs. 40 to the winner, Rs. 20 to the and second, and Rs. 10 to the third. For all horses and ponies that have never won a race value Rs. 200 or over. 1 mile.

Mr. G. Gordon's Tam, 130 yards.	...	Mr. Allen 1
Capt. Day's Spot One, 90 yards.	...	(Disq.) Owner 2
Capt. Thurnall's Lucy Glitters, 10 yards.		Owner 3

Also ran: Blazer, Proof, La Gloria, and Hannibal.

Lucy Glitters was disqualified not being able to draw the weight.

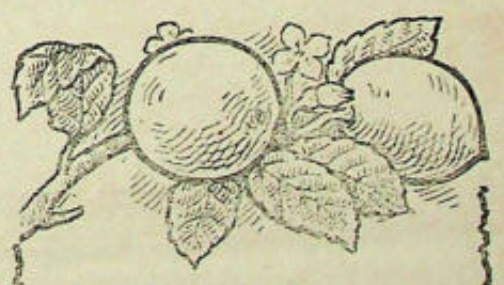
Won by a head; one length between second and third. Time—2mins. ⅘secs.

CONSOLATION STAKES.—Rs.40 to the winner, Rs. 20 to the second, and Rs. 10 to the third. For all ponies that have started at the meeting and not won. 3 furlongs.

Mr. Trench's Sunbeam, 11st. 7lbs.	...	Owner 1
Mr. Lake's Marengo, 11st. 7lbs.	...	Mr. Bell 2
Maj Langston's Honesty, 12st. 7lbs.	...	Col. Cawood 3

Also ran: Spot One, Bamboo and Batcha.

Won by one and a half lengths; a head between second and third. Time—43⅘secs.



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DARJEELING SKY RACES.

First Day, Tuesday, 21st May 1907.

NOVICE STAKES.—For Arabs and C.-B's 14-1 and under and others 13-3½ and under that have never won a stake of any value. Above heights to carry 12 stone. W. I. Distance—2 laps.

LHASA PLATE.—For all Bhutia ponies 13-1 to carry 11st. W. I. Penalties—Previous winners of Rs. 40 or over once 7lbs., twice 14lbs., three times or over 21lbs. Distance—3 laps.

THE STEWARDS' PLATE.—For all ponies 14-1 and under that shve never won a race value Rs. 200 or over. 14-1 to carry 12st. W. I. AllowancesC.-B.'s and Arabs 21lbs. Distance—2 laps.

LIEUT.-GOVERNOR'S CUP.—For all ponies 14-1 and under. English and Australian 14-1 to carry 12st. Arabs and C.-B.'s 14-1, 10st. 2lbs. W. I. Penalties for wins since 31st January 1903. Winner of a race value Rs. 200 or over once 7lbs., twice 10lbs. oftener 14lbs. Ponies that have never started in a race value Rs. 49 or over previous to this meeting allowed 7lbs. Distance—3 laps.

POLO SCURRY.—For all *bona fide* polo ponies, which have been regularly played during the current season in the Darjeeling and Jalpaiguri Districts. Distance—I lap. Best of 3 heats without leaving the saddle. Catch weights over 11st. 7lbs.

THE COOCH BEHAR CUP.—For English and Australians 13-3 and under, and Arabs and C.-B.'s 14-1 and under that have never won a race value Rs. 100 or over. Above heights to carry 11st. W. I. Distance—2 laps.

THE HIMALAYAN PURSE.—For all ponies 14 hands and under that have never won a race of Rs. 50 or over. 14 hands to carry 10st. 7lbs. W. I. Penalties. Previous winners of Rs. 49 races once 7lbs., twice 10lbs., oftener 14lbs. Allowances—Arabs and C.-B.'s 21lbs. Distance—2 laps.

Second Day, Thursday, 23rd May 1907.

THIBET STAKES.—A handicap for all Bhutias. Distance—3 laps.

CHOWRASTA HANDICAP.—A selling race for all ponies 14 hands and under, valued at Rs. 750 (limit) or under. W. I. 14 hands to carry 12st. Ponies valued at less than Rs. 750 allowed 7lbs. for every Rs. 50 below the limit. C.-B.'s and Arabs allowed 26lbs. in addition. Any surplus above the selling price will be divided between the Race Fund and the second horse. Distance—2 laps. The winner to be put up to auction at the close of the race.

THE BURDWAN CUP.—A handicap for all ponies 14-1 and under that have never won a race value Rs. 200 or over since 31st January 1903. Distance—2 laps.

COMMISSIONER'S CUP.—For all ponies *bonâ fide* the property of Planters resident in Districts of the Bhagalpur Division and of the Jalpaiguri District. 14-1 to carry 12st. 7lbs. W. I. Penalties. Previous Winners of Rs. 40 or over once 7lbs., twice 10lbs., oftener 14lbs. Allowances Bhutias 3 st. Arabs and C.-B.'s 21lbs. Distance—2 laps.

HURLINGHAM VASE.—A handicap for all *bonâ fide* polo ponies which have been regularly played during the current season in the Darjeeling and Jalpaiguri Districts. Distance—1 lap.

THE REGIMENTAL PLATE.—A handicap for all ponies that have run on the first day. Distance—3 laps.

Third Day, Saturday, 25th May 1907.

THE CARLTON CUP.—A handicap for all ponies 14-1 and under, which have run in the L.-G.'s Cup or the Regimental Plate. Distance—2 laps.

GARRISON STAKES.—A handicap for all ponies 14-1 and under belonging to Officers of the Garrisons of Lebong and Jalapahar and Volunteers. Distance—2 laps.

AUCTION STAKES.—*A Selling Race.*—For all ponies 14-1 and under valued Rs. 500 or under. W. I. 14-1 to carry 12st. Ponies valued at less than Rs. 500 allowed 7lbs., for every Rs. 50 below that sum. C.-B.'s and Arabs allowed 21lbs. in addition. The winner to be put up to auction at the close of the race. Any surplus above the selling price to be divided between the Race Fund and the second pony. Distance—2 laps.

EVEREST STAKES.—A handicap for all Bhutia ponies. Distance—3 laps.

RAILWAY STAKES.—A handicap for all ponies 13-3 and under that have run in the Commissioner's Cup or are owned by Volunteers. Distance—2 laps.

THE CURIO CUP.—*A Consolation Race.*—Handicap for Arabs and C.-B.'s 14 1 and under, others 13-3½ and under that have never won a race value Rs. 100 or over. Distance—3 laps.

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FROM THE HOME PAPERS.

LONDON, *29th March* 1907.

THE TURF.

LIVERPOOL.

A LOVELY morning last Friday, set all doubts as to weather at rest, and set also thousands of people moving Aintree-wards. The electric trams now mightily relieve the pressure on the railway, with its awkwardly primitive station totally inadequate to the occasion, but even then they made no appreciable difference to the traffic, train after train rolling packed from Tithebarn-street. Thursday's muter augured the largest attendance ever seen on a Grand National Day, and it was the welcome presence of the Prince of Wales, who arrived early with the distinguished guests, headed by the Master of Knowsley, conduced much to this successful result, and the rare assemblage of fair women and brave men who assembled to greet them filled the spacious stands to repletion. The cheaper slopes of steps right away to the distance carried on the picture in more sombre tints, while between races the sun glinted on a scene of frolic and joy. Every coign of vantage on the spacious course was occupied to such an extent that the Grand National field ran through a lane of spectators as far round as the Canal Bridge. His Royal Highness, who was again enthusiastically received, must have been struck by the picture, the effect of which the faddists would like to mar with their daubs of ill-assorted colours. There was hardly room to move in the paddock, the fair sex taking as much interest in the noble animals as their attendant squires, and with grand weather, good sport, no severe accident, and a popular victory, it was as pleasant a function as the heart of man could desire.

Ascetic's Silver looked a bit big as he followed the other chesnut, Rathvale round, York II., afine upstanding chesnut, looked more like a mile sprinter; Timothy Titus looked better, but is a plain customer, Patlander showed plenty of muscle on his powerful quarters; and Tom West, wiry and well, looked small by comparison; Loop Head, with his two white near legs, looked like carrying 16st. to hounds, and Hogan, having the mount in place of Mason; Extravagance, whose tail was plaited in the old-fashioned style, looked a perfect picture; as did Eremon, who held quite a levee as Coulthwaite superintended his toilette in the far corner; in fact, he proved the centre of attraction, and most rightly so, as the sequel proved. Barabbas II, towered above all the rest, and Bouchal Ogue was in marvellous fettle; Detail looked a hack by comparison, Teddie III, a pony, and then crossing over we came to Red Lad, bandaged in front and booted behind, very much on his toes, and fit as a fiddle after his strenuous preparation; in fact, he looked eager for the fray, while the stolid, sober Drumcree took it as a matter of course.

To begin with, the first real catastrophe happened to Rathvale, and this horse going on loose caused no end of anxiety to more than one, as he stuck closely with the leaders, and was the cause of Extravagance's fall nearing the water, and Newey had to hit him over the head as he cleared it first on Eremon, to keep him off. By the way, this jockey's stirrup leather broke at the second fence from the start, which makes his performance all the more meritorious. Going into the country the second time, Patlander was following Mr. Howard's horse, and in this round several formidable opponents came to grief, including Timothy Titus. Curiously enough, at the same obstacle as he fell at two years ago, and whilst condition would never allow Ascetic's Silver to have a peep in at the race, Red Lad, a beaten horse at the time did not take off at all at the Canal point, but smashed right through, and his mishap brought down Bouchal Ogue, going fairly well at the time. Considering the time that Tom West had been penned up in a railway box he ran an exceedingly brilliant race, and there are many who express it as their opinion that that fine horseman Newey could have won on first or second, as he caught up the long lead of Eremon in a couple of furlongs from the Canal point. We do not share this view entirely, as it is our conviction that Eremon is one of the easiest winners of this race on record, barring perhaps Cloister. Ravenscliffe, who also had been knocked down, just missed third place, a bit of bad luck for that popular sportsman, Mr. Bob Hannam. The victory was well received, as there is no more popular trainer than Tom Coulthwaite, who had the satisfaction of seeing his care and judgment verified in a real triumph. Eremon must have always had it in him, but when he arrived at Hednesford he was almost stigmatised as a scarecrow, but Coulthwaite, soon discovering his wonderful lepping qualities, set about building an impoverished frame up. Appended are details of the principal race:—

BICKERSTAFFE STAKES.—of 700sovs; second receives 50sovs., and the third 30sovs.; for three year olds. 1 mile.

Mr. W. R. Wyndham's b f Maya, by Desmond—Gyp, 8st. ...	O. Madden	1
Lord Farquhar's b g Jolly Jap, 8st. 5lbs. (car. 8st 6lbs.)	D. Maher	2
Mr. J. A. de Rothschild's br f Beattie, 8st.	W. Higgs	3
Mr. J. L. Dugdald's Lowland Lord, 8st. 5lbs.	C. Trigg	4
Capt. J. G. R. Homfray's Fort Myers, 8st. 12lbs.	Wm. Griggs	5
Mr. P. Nelker's Summer, 8st. 5lbs. ...	W. Halsey	6
Mr. W. Hall Walker's Knight of Tully, 8st. 12lbs.	B. Lynham	0
Mr. W. Hall Walker's Ulpian, 8st. 6lbs. ...	E. Wheatley	0

(*Winner trained by J. Powney.*)

BETTING: 2 to 1 agst. Beattie, 3 to 1 Lowland Lord, 4 to 1 Knight of Tully, 6 to 1 Maya, 7 to 1 Jolly Jap, and 10 to 1 each others (offered).

Won cleverly by three lengths: a length and a half between second and third. Lowland Lord was fourth. Fort Myers fifth, Summer sixth, and Ulpian last. Time—1min. 46⅘secs.

GRAND NATIONAL STEEPLECHASE.—Of 3,000sovs., including a trophy value 125sovs.; second receives 300sovs., the third 200 sovs., and the fourth 75sovs. from the stakes; a handicap for five year olds and upwards; Grand National Course (about 4 miles and 356 yards).

Mr. Stanley Howard's b g Eremon, by Thurles—Daisy, 7yrs. 10st. 11lb. ...	A. Newey	1
Mr. H. Hardy's b g Tom West, by Old Buck—Mother Shipton, 8yrs., 9st. 12lbs.	H. Murphy	2
Mr. W. Nelson's b g Patlander, by Sir Patrick—Theodora II., 11yrs. 10st. 7lbs.	J. Lynn	3
Mr. B. J. Hannam's b g Ravenscliffe, by Ravensbury—Marie le Ragois, 9yrs. 10st. 9lbs.	F. Lyall	0
Mr. S. J. Uzzue's br h Barabbas II., by Batt—Siberia, 9yrs., 10st. 5lbs. (car. 10st. 7lbs.)	R. Morgan	0
Prince Hatzfeldt's ch h Ascetic's Silver, by Ascetic—Silver Lady, 10yrs., 12st. 7lbs.	Mr. A. Hastings	0
Mr. P. E. Speakman's bl g Buckaway, II., by Bennitthorpe—Souvenir 9yrs., 10st. 4lbs., fell	H. Aylin	0
Capt. McLaren's b g Napper Tandy, by Ireland—Sweet Ethel, 10yrs., 10st. 13lbs.	Capt. Collis	0
Mr. W. B. Partridge's bl g Timothy Titus, by Timothy—Precipice, 9yrs, 11st. 10lbs., fell	C. Kelly	0
Mr. J. S. Morrison's b g Drumcree, by Ascetic—Witching House, 13yrs., 11st. 9lbs., fell	Mr. W. Bulteel	0
Mr. A. Buckley, jun's b g Roman Law, by Tacitus—Lady Beatrice, 9yrs., 11st. 7lbs., pulled up	A. Anthony	0
Mr. C. Hibbert's ch g Red Lad, by Red Prince II.—Border Lassie, 7yrs., 11st. 3lbs., fell	J. Dillon	0
Mr. T. Ashton's b g Seisdon Prince, by Dog Rose—Fudge, 8yrs., 11st., pulled up ...	M. Phelan	0
Prince Hatzfeldt's ch g Rathvale, by Northhampton or Ignis Fatuus—Secret, 6yrs., 10st. 13lbs., fell ...	E. Driscoll	0
Mr. G. Walmsley's ch g Extravagance, by Carlton Grange—Belle Demoiselle, 6yrs., 10st. 11lbs., fell	G. Goswell	0
Lord Howard de Walden's b g Centre Board, by Speed—Ballast, 7yrs., 10st 11lbs., refused	J. Cain	0
Mr. J. Meynell-Knight's b g Bouchal Ogue, by Kentford—Spraight-in-Chint, ... 11yrs., 10st. 7lbs., fell, ...	C. Graham	0
Mr. Lionel Robinson's ch g York II., by Tostig—Conclusion, 8yrs., 10st. 6lbs. fell	T. Moran	0
Mr. T. G. Arthur's br g Kilts, by Kilmarnock—Rockery mare, 7yrs, 10st. 3lbs., fell	R. Harper	0
Mr. White-Heather's b g Detail, by Curley—Rosara. 11yrs. 10st., fell. ...	W. Payne	0
Mr. F. Bibby's ch g Loop Head, by Brayhead—Barbary, 8yrs. 9st. 12lbs., fell...	A. Hogan	0
Mr. W. P. Hanley's b m Teddie III., by Warspite—Bayberry, 9yrs., 9st. 13lbs.	Mr. O'B Butler	0
Mr. T. Nolan's b g Foreman, by Bend Or or Orme—Crusado, 8yrs, 9st. 7lbs. ...	Lawn	0

(*Winner trained by Coulthwaite.*)

BETTING: 7 to 1 each agst. Red Lad, and Ascetic's Silver, 8 to 1 Eremon, 10 to 1 Extravangance, 100 to 8 Timothy Titus, 100 to 7 Ravenscliffe, 100 to 6 each Tom West and Kilts, 20 to 1 each Rathvale, Barabbas II. and Centre Board, 25 to 1 Drumcree, 33 to 1 Napper Tandy, 40 to 1 each Buckaway II. and Detail, and 50 to 1 others (offered).

There was no special place betting, and proportionate odds will rule.

Although admittedly a moderate field, it was satisfactory to note that their exertions during the past season had kept them in tip-top condition, and with commendable promptitude the 25 were saddled in good time, with the exception of Tom West, Seisdon Prince, and Extravagance, who missed their positions. The parade as per card gave the public an ample opportunity of scanning each competitor, of whom Red Lad pecked on landing over the preliminary hurdle. Mr. Coventry had little trouble with his field, and only one false start occurred, and when they did get away, Bouchal Ogue, who had gone to the rear, was left some fifteen lengths. At the second attempt they steamed off. Eremon at once dashed to the front, followed by Rathvale, Roman Law, Timothy Titus, Tom West, Kilts, Buckaway II., and Red Lad, with Loop Head, Detail, and Extravagance, heading Centre Board. Then came Napper Tandy and Patlander. Bouchal Ogue whipping them in. At the first fence Kilts fell and broke his neck, and at the third Rathvale came down and went on loose. Here Timothy Titus took a temporary lead of Eremon, Roman Law, Centre Board, and Extravagance, York II. going on next in front of Ascetic's Silver and Tom West, whilst Drumcree was now last again. Making the railway turn at the top of the course, Eremon again joined Timothy Titus, the pair side by side being six lengths clear of Red Lad and Detail; then came Extravagance, Roman Law, York II., Ravenscliffe, and Patlander, Bouchal Ogue creeping up in front of Tom West. Centre Board refused at the fence on the turn, and at the open ditch Timothy Titus came to grief. Eremon was now out on his own in front of Extravagance, York II., Red Lad, Ravenscliffe, Seisdon Prince, Tom West, Patlander, and Roman Law, with Bouchal Ogue many lengths ahead of Look Head, whilst Ascetic's Silver was now toiling hopelessly in the rear. At the obstacle before the water a loose horse interfered with Extravagance, and opposite the stands the latter fell, and Newey on Eremon had to hit the riderless Rathvale over the head to keep him off his mount. Eremon then went on from Patlander, Ravenscliffe, Tom West, and York II., with Barabbas II. two lengths in front of Red Lad, Roman Law, Bouchal Ogue, Seisdon Prince, and Loop Head, Ascetic's Silver and Buckaway II. racing side by side in the ruck. At the second fence in the country Seisdon Prince was pulled up, and at Beecher's Brook York II. fell, a similar fate befalling Roman Law. Here Eremon shot right away from Patlander, Tom West and Bouchal Ogue moving up into third and fourth positions in front of Red Lad, Ravenscliffe, and Barabbas II., whilst Napper Tandy fell back in company with Ascetic's Silver. Coming to the fence before Valentine's Brook, Detail fell, and at the ditch Red Lad failed to rise, and brought down Bouchal Ogue and Loop Head, Ravenscliffe improving his position. After jumping Valentine's Brook, Eremon was twenty lengths in front of Tom West, who was an equal distance from Ravenscliffe, with Barabbas II. and Patlander next, only the five being left in it, as the rest were tailed off. Coming along the racecourse, Tom West began to close with the leader. Both successfully negotiated the last two fences, although hampered by the loose Ratvale, but when it came to the pinch, Eremon had most left in him, and amidst great enthusiasm sailed home a gallant winner by six lengths; Patlander just beat Ravenscliffe a neck for a bad third place. Then came Barabbas II. fifth, Ascetic's Silver twenty lengths away sixth, Buckaway II. (who fell five fences from home and was remounted) a long way off seventh, and Napper Tandy the only other to complete the course. Time—9mins. 47-1/5 sec.

THE SEFTON PARK PLATE—Of 230sovs. added to a sweeps Stakes of 10sovs; each second receives 50sovs; for two year olds; the winner of the Brocklesby Stakes or of the Molyn Sux Stakes 12lbs. extra; allowances; straight half mile.

Mr. J. Wallace's b c St. Elf, by st Maclou—Queen Fairy, 8st. 9lbs.	J. Jarvis	1
Lord Sefton's b f Duenna, 8st. 6lbs. ...	H. Blades	2
Mr. Reid Walker's b f Heredity, 8st. 3llbs.	Whitehouse	3
Mr. H. M. Hartigan's Bona, 8st. 6lbs. ...	D. Maher	0
Mr. G. Moore's Master Thea, 8st. 9lbs. ...	C. Trigg	0
Sir R. W. B. Jardine's Marr, 8st. 3lbs.	Wm Griggs	0
Mr. P. Nelke's Sad Girl, 8st. 6lbs. ...	W. Saxby	0
Mr. G. Faber's L'Africaine, 8st. 9lbs. ...	E. Wheatley	0
Mr. T. H. Walker's Othrae, 8st. 6lbs. ...	E. Wheatley	0
Mr. J. Bramer's American Scenery, 8st. 9lbs.	L. Lyne	0
Mr. A. Barclay Walker's Cutty Wren, 8st. 6lbs	C. Escott	0
Mr. A. Belmont's Toscanella, 8st. 6lbs. ...	G. McCall	0
Mr. H. Lytham's filly by Love Wisely—Lady Chancellor, 8st. 6lbs.	H. Randall	0

(*Winner trained by W. Jarvis.*)

BETTING: 6 to 5 agst St. Elf, 5 to 1 Bona, 7 to 1 L'Africaine, 8 to 1 American Scenery, 100 to 8 Toscanella, and 100 to 7 each others (offered).

Won easily by three-parts of a length; three lengths between second and third. Time—53⅘secs.

HYLTON HANDICAP—Of 200sovs., added to a sweepstakes of 5sovs. each for starters; second receives 15sovs. Knowsley Course, 5 furlongs.

Mr. F. Bibby's ch c Airapadam, by Ayrshire Diploma, 4yrs. 6st. 5lbs. ...	J. Howard	1
Mr. R. Sherwood's b f Desea, 3yrs., 6st. 11b.	G. Maynard	2
Mr. N. Clark's b c Cross Channel, 4yrs., 6st. 13lbs.	F. Howey	3
Mr. R. Croker's Vain Glory, 4yrs., 9st. ...	W. Bullock	4
Mr. A. Anderson's Coolmoon, 8yrs., 6st. 7lbs.	H. Watts	5
Mr. J. W. Larnach's filly by Melange—Jolly Jenny, 3yrs. 6st. 7lbs. ...	A. Flanagan	0

(*Winner trained by T. Waugh.*)

BETTING: 7 to 4 agst. Cross Channel, 2 to 1 Airapadam, 8 to 1 each Coolmoon and Jolly Jenny filly, and 10 to 1 each others (offered).

Won cleverly by half a length; three lengths between second and third. Vain Glory was fourth, and Jolly Jenny filly tailed off. Time—1min. 4secs.

BRIDGEMAN STAKES (Handicap)—Of 200sovs., for three year olds only; second receives 20sovs.; Anchor Bridge Course, 6 furlongs.

Mr. J. S. Morrison's b c Cuffs, by Collar—Greek Girl, 7st. 11lbs.	H. Stokes	1
Mr. R. Sheewood's gr rig Gay Leg, 7st. 5lbs.	Walter Griggs	2
Mr. G. Walmsley's b f Java, 8st. 11lbs. ...	Wm. Griggs	
Mr. J. L. Dugdale's Ambitious, 7st. 13lbs.	C. Trigg	0
Sir P. Walker's Osmaston, 8st. 5lbs. ...	W. Halsey	0
Mr. Reid Walker's Dinornis, 9st. ...	J. Rogers	
Prince Hatzfeldt's Refrigerator, 7st. ...	Quin	
Capt. Bewicke's Blackcock, 8st. 6lbs. ...	O. Mad	

Lord Lonsdale's Madonna Lily, 8st. 11lb. ...	F. Howey	0
Capt. L. H. Jones' Quip, 7st. 5lbs. ...	H. Blades	0

(Winner trained by Sir C. Nugent.)

BETTING: 3 to 1 agst. Ambitious, 7 to 2 Gay Leg, 6 to 1 each Java and Caffe, 8 to 1 each Blackcock and Osmaston, and 100 to 8 each others (offered)

Won by a neck; four lengths between second and third. Ambitious was fourth, Osmaston fifth, Dinornis sixth, Refrigerator seventh, and Madonna Lily last, except Blackcock, who broke a blood-vessel

If only on account of the brilliant weather, the first spring meeting of 1907 will be pleasantly remembered, but its attractions were enhanced by the patronage of the Prince of Wales, and the county should carry a vote of thanks to Lord Derby for persuading H.R.H. to grace a meeting at which his illustrious sire, the King, has more than once been present, and few will forget the enthusiasm which prevailed when His Majesty had the satisfaction of leading his gallant horse Ambush II. in after the Royal jacket had been borne to victory in the Grand National. The isignia of Royalty had been removed from the Royal Box on Saturday, as the Prince limited his visit to the two days, and many of the distinguished visitors followed his example, but enough remained to furnish another representative company in the members' enclosure, and the attendance all round was again a good one. The day was perhaps the brightest of the whole week, the course in splendid order, and fair fields did justice to an excellent programme, which, however, turned out disastrously for backers, whose best laid schemes were upset by frequent turn-ups, only one actual favourite getting home. Seldom, moreover, have falls been so disastrously frequent, while the old adage of the "slip 'twixt cup and lip" was verified in the Champion Steeplechase, which Old Fairyhouse looked to have "on his own." Details:—

LIVERPOOL HURDLE HANDICAP—Of 500sovs.: second receives 30sovs. and the third 20sovs.—2 miles.

Mr. A. E. McKinlay's ch h One Away, by Rapallo—Milbrace, aged, 11st. 7lbs. ...	A. Newey	1
Mr. J. Wynford Philipps' b h Alderman, aged, 11st. 11lbs.	R. Morgan	2
Lord Sefton's gr c Gamaliel II., 4yrs. 11st. 5lbs.	E. Driscoll	3
Mr. Barclay Walker's Lochryan, 6yrs., 12st. 11lb.	T. Moran	0
Mr. D. Wells' Syncopate, 6yrs., 12st. ...	F. Lyall	0
Mr. C. Hibbert's Savernake, 5yrs., 11st. 9lbs.	J. Nightingall	0
Col. Birkin's Mr. Delamere, 5yrs., 12st. 4lbs.	G. Williamson	0
Mr. W. H. Pawson's Postscript, 4yrs., 10st. 9lbs. (car. 11st. 3lbs.)	Owner	0
Mr. T. C. Read's Green Emerald, 4yrs., 10st. 13lbs.	T. Price	0
Capt. C. P. B. Wood's Amersham, 5yrs., 12st. 7lbs.	J. O'Brien	0
Mr. G. M. Inglis' Keithock, 5yrs. 11st. 2lbs.	H. Aylin	0
Mr. J. Hare's The King, 5yrs. 11st. 1lb. ...	J. Hare	0
Mr. F Bibby's Monsieur Beaucaire, 5yrs., 10st. 11lbs.	F. Mason	0
Mr. T. McMahon's Mistral Boy, 5yrs. 10st. 11lbs.	E. Lawn	0
Mr. R. B. Dobell's Ladiola, 4yrs., 10st. 9lbs.	J. Dillon	0

(Winner trained by T. Coulthwaite.)

BETTING: 7 to 2 agst. Gamaliel II., 4 to 1 One Away, 6 to 1 each Amersham and Savernake, 8 to 1 Syncopate, 100 to 8 each Keithock, and Alderman, 100 to 7 each Mr. Delamere, Green Emerald and Mistral Boy, and 20 to 1 each others (offered).

Won easily by four length; a length and a half dividing second and third. Lochryan was fourth, Syncopate fifth, Savernake sixth, Mr. Delamere (eased) seventh, Postscript (ridden out) a bad eighth, Green Emerald ninth, and Mistral Boy and Monsieur Beaucaire the last pair. Time—3mins. 51⅖secs.—record for the course.

EARL OF SEFTON'S PLATE (Handicap.)—Of 307sovs.; second receives 25sovs. 7 furlongs.

Mr. R. Croker's ch c Orby, by Orme—Rhoda, 3yrs., 6st. 10lbs. (car. 6st. 12lbs.) ... ... —	A. Buck	1
Mr. C. Hibbert's ch g Pane, 4yrs., 8st. 7lbs.	C. Trigg	2
Lord Derby's b g Persinus, 5yrs., 9st. ...	D. Maher	3
Mr. G. Menzies' Japan, aged, 8st. 8lbs. ...	G. McCall	0
Mr. R. B. Dobell's Jenkins, 5yrs., 7st. 2lbs.	F. Howey	0
Mr. S. Loates' Fontana, 4yrs., 6st. 5lbs. ...	E Sadgrove	0

(Winner trained in Ireland.)

BETTING: 6 to 4 on Persinus, 4 to 1 agst. Japan, 8 to 1 each Pane and Orby, 10 to 1 Jenkins, and 20 to 1 Fontana (offered.)

Won in a canter by three lengths; a neck between second and third. Japan was fourth, and Jenkins always last. Time—1min. 51⅖secs.

TWENTY-SEVENTH CHAMPION STEEPLECHASE—Of 1,000sovs., of which 125sovs. for the second, 100sovs. for the third, and 75sovs. for the fourth; about 2 miles. 7½ furlongs.

Mr. K. P. Malcomson's b g Mount Prospect's Fortunt, by St. Gris—Lady Childers, 5yrs, 11st. 2lbs.... ...	J. Walsh, jun.	1
Mr. C. Bewicke's b or br h Old Fairy, House. 5yrs., 11st. 5lb.	J. O'Brien	2
Mr. J. W. Philipp's ch g Dathi, aged, 12st.	R. Morgan	3
Mr. B. W. Parr's Judas, 6yrs., 12st.	Capt. Rasbotham	0
Mr. Barclay Walkers' Apollino, aged, 12st.	F. Mason	0
Mr. J. E. Rogerson's Wee Bushie, aged, 11st. 7lbs.	D. Phelan	0
Mr. S. G. Sheppard's Denmark, 6yrs., 11st. 9lbs.	P. Cowley	0
Mr. G. Walmsley's Extravagance, 6yrs., 11st. 9lbs.	F. Lyall	0
Mr. W. B. Partridge's Captain Morgan, 6yrs.	C. Kelly	0

(Winner trained by J. J. Maher.)

BETTING: 3 to 1 each agst. Old Fairyhouse and Apollino, 5 to 1 Extravagance, 8 to 1 each Denmark and Wee Bushie, and 100 to 8 each others (offered).

When by two lengths; Dathi being a bad third. Only those placed finished. Time—6mins 12⅕secs.

FOOTBALL.

UNDER ASSOCIATION RULES.

THE LEAGUE—DIVISION I.

There were only five games in the First Division of the League on Saturday, but they provided a couple of sensations. In the first place Sheffield United, whose consistent form in the past two months had been one of the features of the contest, were smothered on their own ground by Manchester City, who had previously won only two matches on foreign soil during the season. The United were beaten 4—1, and the result is the more staggering when it is pointed out that since January came in no other team has scored more than twice in one afternoon against the Blades. Liverpool arose in their might, and smote Newcastle United to such purpose, that the latter were three goals down at the finish, a similar margin separating Sunderland and Birmingham, at Roker Park, the visitors being overplayed and outplayed. Bristol City garnered in a couple of points from Preston North End, and are now splendidly placed in the table, but Derby County made their position more precarious by losing to Aston Villa. The table to date is appended:—

	P.	W.	L.	D.	Goals For	Agst.	Pts.
Newcastle United ...	32	19	7	6	65	40	44
Everton ...	30	18	9	3	60	32	39
Bristol City ...	30	15	7	8	51	34	38
Aston Villa ...	32	17	11	4	69	45	38
Sheffield United ...	31	15	9	7	51	47	37
Bolton Wanderers ...	31	13	11	7	45	41	33
Woolwich Arsenal ...	28	14	10	4	50	42	32
Birmingham	32	13	13	6	44	47	32
Sunderland	29	11	9	9	48	43	31
Manchester United ...	31	12	12	7	39	52	31
Preston North End ...	34	13	16	5	47	53	31
Sheffield Wednesday ...	28	10	9	9	42	45	29
Liverpool	30	12	13	5	56	48	29
Middlesbrough ...	30	12	14	5	44	52	29
Manchester City ...	32	10	13	9	47	61	29
Blackburn Rovers ...	30	11	14	5	47	51	27
Bury	32	10	17	5	48	60	25
Derby County ...	31	7	16	8	31	44	22
Notts County ...	28	3	13	12	28	44	18
Stoke	31	5	18	8	31	56	18

THE LEAGUE.—DIVISION II.

Chelsea are on the up grade once more. They sent Leeds City away pointless on Saturday, but the value of their win is somewhat discounted by the success which attended Nottingham Forest at Glossop, the latter being defeated by two clear goals. The Foresters are now in a relatively better position than Chelsea, and it will be a splendid struggle between these teams during the holidays for the leadership. Blackpool did the two top clubs a serviceable turn by winning their game against Leicester Fosse, but the surprise of the afternoon was provided by Lincoln City, who went to Hull and obtained the points at stake by the add goal in 3, Clapton Orient lost a point at home against Burslem Port Vale they badly need, and they will have to smarten themselves up a bit, as they are dangerously near the perilous zone. The figures to date are:—

	P.	W.	L.	D.	Goals For	Agst.	Pts.
Chelsea ...	32	21	6	5	60	29	47
Notts Forest ...	30	21	6	3	57	31	45
Bradford City ...	32	18	9	5	59	47	41
Leicester Fosse ...	31	16	8	7	54	33	39
West Bromwich Albion ...	27	18	7	2	72	28	38
Wolverhampton Wands....	32	16	11	5	58	42	37
Burnley	31	14	13	4	52	38	32
Gainsborough Trinity ...	32	14	14	4	42	57	32
Stockport County ...	31	11	11	9	35	40	31
Barnsley	28	12	11	5	57	39	29
Hull City	31	12	14	5	51	45	29
Leeds City	32	11	14	7	43	54	29
Grimsby Town ...	30	13	15	2	44	47	28
Blackpool	32	8	14	10	24	41	26
Lincoln City ...	30	11	16	3	39	58	25
Burslem Port Vale ...	32	9	16	7	53	71	25
Clapton Orient ...	32	9	16	7	39	59	25
Glossop	30	10	17	3	38	70	23
Chesterfield	32	7	19	6	39	53	20
Burton United ...	31	6	20	5	25	58	17

THE SOUTHERN LEAGUE.

The S. L. table to date is as follows:—

	P.	W.	L.	D.	Goals For.	Agst.	Pts.
Fulham	31	15	4	12	43	27	42
Portsmouth ...	30	17	7	6	47	28	40
Brighton and Hove ...	32	15	9	8	41	33	38
Tottenham Hotspur	30	14	8	8	55	37	36
West Ham United ...	31	11	7	13	46	33	35
Norwich City ...	31	12	8	11	50	38	35
Watford	31	11	8	12	39	39	31
Brentford ...	30	13	10	7	41	39	33
Luton Town ...	29	13	11	5	37	44	31
Millwall ...	31	13	13	5	61	47	31
Southampton ...	31	11	12	8	41	42	30
Leyton ...	31	10	11	10	35	51	30
Bristol Rovers ...	30	11	12	7	45	37	29
Plymouth Argyle ...	32	9	12	11	36	42	29
Reading	31	12	15	4	48	58	28
Swindon Town ...	31	9	13	9	33	38	27
Queen's Park Rangers ...	31	8	13	10	35	46	26
New Brompton ...	30	8	16	5	31	52	22
Crystal Palace ...	27	7	16	4	34	42	18
Northampton ...	30	4	18	8	24	69	16

ATHLETICS.

THE INTER-VARSITY SPORTS.

The annual athletic contest between Oxford and Cambridge at Queen's Club on the 22nd instant maintained all the dignity which one is wont to associate with such a classic event. Whether or not the calibre of the 'Varsity athlete is good or bad, whether or not the standard of athletics is high or low, the annual contest between the rival seats of learning still remains the outstanding social athletic gathering of the year. The meeting was graced by the presence of H.R.H. the Prince of Wales' two elder sons, Prince Edward and Prince Albert, who were accompanied by Sir William Carrington. Yesterday's was the forty-fourth meeting of Oxford and Cambridge, and with charming weather prevailing, a crowd of fully five thousand spectators were present. There have been more exhilarating meetings, and there has been better running, but the overwhelming victory of Oxford was totally unlooked for. It is perhaps not too harsh to say that only one representative of Cambridge displayed his best form, and that was Kenneth Powell, whereas the Oxonians quite excelled themselves in many respects. The meeting had a sensational opening, for a disagreement between the judges as to the result of the initial race—the hundred yards—led to a deadlock among the officials. After an Oxford victory had been announced, the decision was recalled, and a dead-heat awarded.

The magnificent bequest of the late Mr. Cecil Rhodes to Colonial scholars was, in the main, responsible for the inclusion of several athletes in the Oxonian ranks. H. Sutton, who was third in the mile, is an Australian; A. M. Stevens, of Balliol, who figured first with the hammer, like P. M. Young, the Oriel high jumper, and W. E. Schutt, the third placed man in the half-mile, hails from America, W. W. Thayer also being a visitor from the other side of the Atlantic. R. L. Robinson, the winner of the weight, is an Australian, and like all the others, is immensely popular with all 'Varsity men. Indeed, it is only another happy example of the benefits which accrue from entering thoroughly into sport. The success which has attended Rhodes scholars has been remarkable, and in all branches of sport those gentlemen who have been fortunate enough to obtain scholarships appear to shine. Such results as those which obtained yesterday must tend towards producing friendship between our Colonies and the Mother Country. On all sides the winners were loudly cheered, but none were more popular than these young athletes from the Antipodes and elsewhere.

It had gone forth that Oxford, if successful, would make a trip to America this summer, in order to oppose the winners of the Harvard and Yale contest, but from a conversation the *Sporting Life* representative had during a brief respite in the proceedings with one of the leading Dark Blue officials, it would appear that the statement has no foundation. As a matter of fact, no challenge or invitation has been issued from the other side. We are, however, informed that should such a challenge be received it will undoubtedly be given due consideration, and as some of the Oxonians are quite willing to take a favourable view of the matter, it is just possible that a meeting may be arranged. Still, at present nothing of a definite nature is known.

From an athletic point of view the display by Cambridge was indeed poor, and the only redeeming features were the achievements of Powell, in the hurdles, and Macleod in the sprint. Oxford, on the other hand, performed better than was expected, and after the first few events had been decided, their victory was assured. Powell's great speed in the hurdles, and Stevens' remarkable hammer-throwing were the outstanding features of the meeting. Although Powell was regarded a certain winner in the hurdles, after his record performance at Fenner's a few weeks ago, he had to run his hardest race; indeed, he only managed to defeat Hussey by the smallest of margins. It was the fastest hurdle race ever run at the sports, and the time of 15-3/5secs. is only one-fifth worse than Kraenzlein's British record created at Stamford Bridge in the A.A.A. championships of 1900. Stevens' hammer-throw of 146 feet 9 inches also creates a new record for the 'Varsity sports, being 8 feet 6 inches in advance of G. H. Hales' record under old conditions, and 9 feet 6 inches farther than A. H. Fyffe's "new condition" throw of a year ago. Details:—

100 YARDS.—N. G. Chevasse (Trinity), Oxford, and R. G. MacLeod (Pembroke), Cambridge, dead-heat; C. M. Chevasse, Oxford, 3. Time—10⅘secs.

HURDLES.—E. Powell (King's), Cambridge, 1; E. R. J. Hussey, Oxford, 2; R. T. Gladstone, Cambridge, 3. Time—15⅘secs. Powell's time is ⅘secs. inside the record for 'Varsity sports.

PUTTING THE WEIGHT.—R. L. Robinson (Magdalen), Oxford, 37ft. 7in., 1; A Petrie, Cambridge, 37ft. 3⅘in., 2; J. L. Michie, Cambridge, 37ft., 3.

LONG JUMP.—P. M. Young (Oriel) Oxford, 22ft. 4in., 1; N. H. Evans, Oxford, 21ft. 5in., 2; K. G. MacLeod, Cambridge, 20ft. 3⅘in., 3.

HALF-MILE.—P. S Darling (New), Oxford, 1; E. S. Dousgall, Cambridge, 2; W. E. Schutt, Oxford, 3. Time—2mins.

ONE MILE.—S. P. L. Lloyd (Magdalen), Oxford, 1; H. G. Weber, Cambridge, 2; H. S. Sutton, Oxford, 3. Time—4mins. 28secs. Won by four yards.

THROWING THE HAMMER.—A. M. Stevens (Balliol), Oxford, 136ft. 9in., 1; R. H. Lindsay Watson, Cambridge, 123ft. 3in., 2; P. G. Masters, Cambridge, 116ft., 3; W.W. Thayer, Oxford, 106ft. 1in., 4. A. M. Stevens' throw is the record for 'Varsity sports.

HIGH JUMP.—P. M. Young (Oriel), Oxford, 5ft. 8⅘in., 1; A. M. Doorly, 5ft. 7⅘in., 2; W. H. Dunnett and C. C. Barclay, Cambridge, both jumped 5ft. 4⅘in.

QUARTER-MILE.—C. M. Chevasse (Trinity), Oxford, 1; N. G. Chevasse, Oxford, 2. Time—50⅘secs.

THREE MILES.—N. F. Hallowes (Keble), Oxford, 1. Time—15mins. 6⅘secs.

BOXING

THE PUBLIC SCHOOL CHAMPIONSHIP.

Under the patronage of General Sir John French, G.C., VO., commanding the Aldershot Army Corps, the annual public schools fencing, boxing and gymnastic competitions took place in the Headquarters Gymnasium, Queen's avenue, Aldershot, yesterday, under the most favourable conditions. The number of entries was a record, there being eleven more than last year, which was itself the best previously known. The chief increase was in the middle weight boxing, the number of competitors being just double that of 1906.

For Gymnastics 34 schools and colleges were represented, the judges being Major C. Moore (Royal Berks Regiment), Major S. Menzies (Royal Fusiliers), Captain R. D. Cheales (East Lancashire Regiment), Captain C. K. Hutchison (Coldstream Guards), Captain J. C. D. Speeding (A.P.D.), and Lieutenant A. R. Orr (Scots Guards).

The entries for boxing were 53 in all, the officials being:—Referee: Colonel G. M. Fox; judges, Lieutenant A. M. Snagge (R.N.) and Lieutenant J. R. Simson (H.L.I.), superintendent of gymnasia; timekeeper: Colonel Goldsmith. In the fencing competitions there were 21 competitors for Foil *vs.* Foil, and 8 for Sabre *vs.* Sabre.

Two schools that have never before been represented appeared this year on the programme, both sending competitors for boxing, viz., Wolverhampton and Downside, and in each case their

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representatives proved easy victors in their first bouts. I give details of the final bouts.

FEATHER WEIGHTS (*Final*).—Anderson beat Stiven—Stiven led with a right-hand punch on the jaw, Anderson retaliating with a straight left on the nose, but at the finish there was nothing to choose. A give-and-take round followed, Stiven having a bit the best of matters, but in the last round Anderson pulled up splendidly, and after getting home some heavy body blows knocked his opponent over with a swinging right on the ear, and won the best fight of the day.

WINNERS TO DATE.

1893—D. L. Edwards (Bedford Grammar School).
1894—No Competition.
1895—B. S. Moss-Blundell (Dulwich).
1896—J. G. Montero (Bedford).
1897—A. R. Littlejohn (St. Paul's).
1898—S. A. McMillan (St. Paul's).
1899—J. W. H. T. Douglas (Felsted).
1900—H. A. Ward (St. Paul's).
1901—D. G. Rutherford (St. Paul's).
1902—C. N. Hooper (St. Paul's).
1903—R. J. Bamberger (Sherborne).
1904—P. J. R. Wigley (Tonbridge School).
1905—R. K. Shaw (St. Paul's).
1906—W. H. Gabain (Charterhouse).
1907—R. Anderson (Bedford Grammar School.)

LIGHT WEIGHT (*Final*).—W. G. Gabain (Charterhouse), beat G. L. W. Warne (Dulwich)—Gabain led off with a straight lefe on the jaw, and got a lead. In the second round he forced tht fighting and continued to use his left to some purpose, while Warne's shots went wide of the mark. In the final Gabain still kept up forcing tactics, and although Warne made a good show at the finish, Gabain won a grand fight.

WINNERS TO DATE.

1893—No competition.
1894—S. P. Bruce (Harrow).
1895—H. M. Davies (Wellington).
1896—W. L. Ambrose (St. Paul's).
1897—W. L. Ambrose (St. Paul's).
1898—C. H. Woolf (St. Paul's).
1899—P. P. Braithwaite (Felsted).
1900—H. B. Smith (St. Paul's).
1901—H. B. Smith (St. Paul's).
1902—J. G. Bower (Clifton College).
1903—D. R. Brand (Harrow).
1904—E. O. St. C. G. Quicke (Clifton College).
1905—E. E. H. Gater (Sherborne School).
1906—R. K. Shaw (St. Paul's)
1907—W. G. Gabain (Charterhouse).

MIDDLE-WEIGHTS (*Final*).—C. O. Lilley (St. Pauls) beat C. C. Darley (Dulwich).—Lilley, who had the longest reach, made a good start, although he was frequently stopped by Darley jabbing him in the mouth. Darley attacked in the second round and got home on the jaw, but Lilley made matters lively directly afterwards by repeated swinging blows on the head. In the last round both were very tired, Darley especially so, and Lilley, who lasted the longer, gained a popular verdict.

WINNERS TO DATE.

1893—C. S. Rome (Harrow).
1894—J. E. Stevens (Sherborne).
1895—G. F. Gore (Harrow).
1896—A. P. Meyer (Clifton).
1897—T. M. T. Hogg (Bedford).
1898—T. Drysdale (St. Paul's).
1899—C. H. Woolf (St. Paul's).
1900—S. A. McMillan (St. Paul's).
1901—J. W. H. T. Douglas (Felsted).
1902—E. A. Raw (Clifton College).
1903—G. A. C. Hearsay (Bedford Grammar School).
1904—P. N. Tchaykovsky (St. Paul's School).
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1906—L. F. Rickard (Clifton).
1907—C. O. Lilley (St. Paul's School).

HEAVY WEIGHTS.—(*Final*).—MacIlwaine (Clifton) scratched to Lilley, who thus achieved another victory for St. Paul's, his brother having already won the middle-weights.

WINNERS TO DATE.

1893—C. Bonham-Carter (Clifton).
1894—J. A. Halliday (Harrow).
1895—R. M. Wakefield (Sherborne).
1896—R. F. Vibart (Harrow).
1897—H. Brackenbury (Bedford).
1898—A. L. Champneys (Charterhouse).
1899—R. O. C. Ward (Clifton).
1900—R. H. Edmondson (Rugby).
1901—F. J. V. Hopley (Harrow).
1902—F. J. V. Hopley (Harrow).
1903—J. E. Snell (Charterhouse).
1904—K. C. Langaard (Sherborne School).
1905—K. C. Langaard (Sherborne School).
1906—T. M. Whittaker (Felsted).
1907—G. A. Lilley (St. Paul's School).

FENCING.

FOIL *vs.* FOIL.—C. M G. Ogilvie (Bedford), 1; G. M. Tait (Rugby), 2.

SABRE *vs.* SABRE.—W. L. S. Bond (Epsom), 1; R. A. E. Voysey (Westminster), 2

The judges considered the form excellent and better than last year, when it was very highly spoken of.

GYMNASTICS.

There was a large attendance, which included hundreds of ladies, to witness the gymnastics. The challenge shield eventually fell to St. Paul's School, represented by W. G. Hull and A. E. Bullock with 191 points. Harrow was second with 191½, and Blundell's School third with 184. The gold medal for best individual score was won by W. G. Hull (St. Paul's) with 100½ points, and the silver medal for next best by C. G. Dickson (Blundell's) with 95½.

Lady French, who was accompanied by Miss French, presented the prizes. The string band of the R.A.M.C. played an admirable programme during the afternoon under the direction of Mr. Bennet.

THE A. B. A. CHAMPIONSHIPS.

Wednesday was Derby Day in English amateur boxing. There was a time, and not many years back either, when old St. James' Hall, in Piccadilly, was sufficient to meet the public demand to witness the premier amateur fistic event of the year, but as years rolled on more adequate accommodation had to be provided. After such historic buildings as the old Queen's Hall, the Imperial Theatre, the Central Hall, Holborn, and St. James' Hall had in turn been tried and found wanting, so to speak, it was thought that the capacious Northampton Institute would prove capable of holding all those who desired to witness the great amateur fistic tournament. But a few years' tenancy of the Clerkenwell establishment convinced the Amateur Boxing Association officials that a bigger building was necessary, and when one realises that at yesterday's "matinee performance" over three thousand spectators were present, the step taken by the governing body in moving to such a colossal building as the Grand Hall of the Alexandra Palace was indeed a wise one. The A.B.A. have evidently found a home at the Wood Green establishment that will serve their purpose for at least a few years to come.

As usual, the weeding-out process was a big undertaking, and occupied some five hours. An early start, shortly before midday, enabled the officials to get through the heavier part of the programme in the afternoon, and thus reserve the good turns for the evening session. A beginning was made with the bantams, and an old veteran champion in H. Perry (Columbia) had the honour of participating in the opening bout with W. Ladbury (Greenwich). The older hand proved himself a general at the game, and after having by far the worst of the opening round, he brought victory to his grasp by superior judgment. The other preliminary ties in this weight were fairly interesting, more especially the one in which Cotterill and Hebblewhite engaged. The feathers produced some spirited boxing, and Morris, Holmes, and Miner, all old hands at the game, displayed the best form, each of them winning his bout in easy style. A foreign competitor in H. Jordan, the French feather-weight champion, appeared in this weight, but against such a skilled opponent as Holmes he was at a considerable discount. The Frenchman gave a very clever display, and fully justified his entry in such an important competition. Considerable interest was taken in the light-weight class, but the boxing did not come up to expectation. The Danish champion, V. Holberg, was the first of the "stranger" element to go down, while the New Zealand champion, Arthur Blewden, did not strike one as being a "flier." In justice to the Colonial it must be said that he boxed in a resolute manner, but Spiller, his conqueror, had a greater knowledge of the game. A hardy Naval boxer in Petty Officer Hunnings struck one as being a very likely performer, but towards the close of his fight with Bevan he was very nearly beaten. In this weight a great struggle was anticipated between M. Wells (Lynn A. C.), the holder, and F. Grace (Eton Mission B.C.), but in this respect the spectators were sadly disappointed. The element of caution was too much in evidence, with the result that after a tame display Wells was proclaimed the winner.

The middles and heavies did not serve to atone for the poor displays in the lighter weights, Warnes, a winner on three previous occasions, was much ahead of the others in point of science, and gained a clever victory over Hines, a much younger boxer. Penford did not display championship form against Collins, while Hearsey and Gainsford were each put out in the first round. Hearsey had Titley beaten in the first minute, but boxing with very bad judgment, he was whipped in the next. The heavies introduced another Colonial aspirant in Weaver, the South African champion, but the visitor had the misfortunate to step hard against the right of his oponent in the middle of the second round. Stanley and Major were both decisively beaten by Read and Ireton respectively, but the boxing in these bouts was hardly up to championship class. The Danish heavy-weight champion—Yansen—put up a lively display with that well-tried exponent Brewer, but the latter was a winner from the start. The foreign champion is a good, solid puncher, and it was only Brewer's extra cleverness which enabled him to win.

Appended are the results of the final bouts.—

BANTAM WEIGHTS.—(8st. 4lbs and under) E. Adams (Columbia B. C.) beat W. I. Cotterill (Brimingham A.B.C.) Adams, it must be admitted, was decidedly lucky in gaining the casting vote of the referee. The winner boxed in last year's championships, but lost to Winger, the ultimate winner in the second series, after outpointing F. Cany (Paris). Last season Adams won the Old Goldsmiths' B. C. 8st. 8lb. open competition, and the Lynn bantams, in which he defeated H. Perry in the final. Last January Adams was beaten by W. Webb (N. Pancras B.C.) in the first series of the Old Goldsmiths' B. C. 8st. 8lb competition.

WINNERS TO DATE.

1884 A. Woodward	1892 F. Godbold	1900 J. Freeman
1885 A. Woodward	1893 E. A. Watson	1901 W. Morgan
1886 T. Ilsey	1894 P. A Jones	1902 A. J. Miner
1887 T. Ilsey	1895 P. A. Jones	1903 H. Perry
1888 H. C. M. Oakman	1896 P. A. Jones	1904 H. Perry
	1897 C T. Lamb	1905 W. Webb
1889 H. Brown	1898 Fred Herring	1906 T. Ringer
1890 J. J. Rowe	1899 Alfred Avent	1907 E. Adams
1891 E. Moore		

FEATHER WEIGHTS (9st and under).—C. Morris (Polytechnic B. C.) beat H. Holmes (Columbia B. C.) Morris has been one of the most consistent boxers in the lighter divisions for the past half-dozen years. A protege of Arthur Westley, Morris has done his mentor great credit while sporting the colours of the Polytechnic Club. He won the feather-weight cup in 1904, and competed without success in the two following years. He reachee the final last year, but was beaten by A. J. Miner in the final round after a gruelling bout. This season he has been fairly successful, and among his victories may be enumerated the Polytechnic B.C. 9st. 10lbs. club competition, in which he met several heavier opponents. Morris has been runner-up in many open competitions, including the Cestus 8st. 8lbs. event, which was won by Ringer.

WINNERS TO DATE.

1881 T. Hill.	1890 G. F. Belsey.	1899 John L. Schole
1882 T. Hill.	1891 F. Curtis.	1900 R. Lee.
1883 T. Hill.	1892 F. Curtis.	1901 C. G. Clarke.
1884 E. Hutchings.	1893 T. F. Davidson	1902 C. G. Clarke.
1885 J. Pennill.	1894 R. K. Gunn.	1903 J. Godfrey.
1886 T. J. M'Neill.	1895 R. K. Gunn.	1904 C. Morris.
1887 J. Pennill.	1896 R. K. Gunn.	1905 H. Holmes.
1888 J. E. Taylor.	1897 N. Smith.	1906 A. J. Miner.
1889 T. J. M'Neill.	1898 P. A. Lunn.	1907 C. Morris.

LIGHT-WEIGHTS, (10st. and under).—M. Wells (Lynn A. C., best F. Spiller (Gainford B. C.)

This was of brief duration, for after a few halfarm blows had been exchanged, Wells crossed his adversary with the right in a telling manner. Spiller went down, and having hurt his ankle, held out his hand in token of defeat.

Wells, by his fourth consecutive victory, creates a record in this weight. He is one of the most accomplished light-weights that ever boxed under A. B. A. conditions, although many may doubt this statement. He has won the German Gymnastic middles, the Eton Mission 10st 8lbs, while in a recent six rounds contest with H. Collins (Eton Mission), he triumphed rather easily. He was trained by Jack Meeking (Woolwich), at Whetstone, and was brought to the scratch in the acme of condition.

WINNERS TO DATE.

1881 F. M. Hobday	1891 E. Dettmer	1900 G. W. Humphries
1882 A. F. Bettinson	1892 E. Dettmer	
1883 A. Diamond	1893 W. Campbell	1901 A. Warner
1884 A. Diamond	1894 W. Campbell	1902 A. Warner
1885 A. Diamond	1895 A. Randall	1903 H. Fergus
1886 C J. Poberts	1896 A. Vanderhout	1904 M. Wells
1887 J. Hair	1897 A. Vanderhout	1905 M. Wells
1888 A. J. Newton	1898 H. Marks	1906 M. Wells
1889 W. Neale	1899 H. Brewer	1907 M. Wells
1890 A. J. Newton		

MIDDLE WEIGHTS. (11st. 4lbs. and under).—R.C. Warnes (Gainford B. C.) beat H. Collins (Eton Mission B.C.,) Assisted by extra reach, Collins, who took the initiative, showed to the fore with the left hand until Warnes forced himself to close quarters. Then they took part in some lively exchanges, in which each in turn was master of the situation. The second round was spoilt by a general inclination to hold, but Warnes, when at half-arm distance, effected plenty of mischief. He tried some well-meant rights which were only partly successful, and in response Collins was busy with the left. Keeping up aggressive tactics, Warnes just succeeded in taking a winning advantage, and this he increased at the start of the third meeting. Collins would not be denied, and at times he did well without ever getting on terms. The pace grew tedious towards the finish, but Warnes alwayf held sufficient in hand to pull through.

Warnes is quite a veteran at the game, and he scored his first championship success as far back as 1899. After his victory in 1903 he practically retired from active competition, but this year he felt so well that he decided to have another "go" His fourth success creates a record in this weight, and eclipses Joe Steer's three successive wins in 1891-2-3. Warnes is a member of the Grainsford A C. and Surrey Commercial Docks A. C., in the latter of which he acts as honorary instructor. The champion has been in active training with Charlie Wilson, the well-known Notting Hill professional, who a couple of seasons ago gained a sensational victory over Jim Casey (America) in Dublin.

WINNERS TO DATE.

1881 T.P. Bellhouse	1890 J. Hoare	E. 1900 Mann
1882 A. H. Curnick	1891 J. Steers	1901 R. C. Warnes
1883 A. J. Curnick	1892 J. Steers	1902 E. Mann
1884 W. Brown	1893 J. Steers	1903 R. C. Warnes
1885 Manning Salmon	1894 W. Sykes	1904 E. Mann
	1895 G.L. Townsend	1905 J. W. H. T. Douglas
1886 W. J. King	1896 W. G. Ross	
1887 R. Hair.	1897 W. Dess	1906 A. Murdoch
1888 R. Hair.	1898 G.L. Townsend	1907 R. C. Warnes
1889 G. Sykes	1899 R. C. Warnes	

HEAVY WEIGHTS. (Any weight).—H. Brewer (Polytechnic B. C.) beat A. Ireton (City Police A.C.) The last-named, in addition to being several inches the taller, had a pull to the extent of more than 3st in weight. Making the most of himself, Ireton at once got in with a dig on the mouth. This brought about a rapid distribution of telling punches in Ireton's favour. The latter landed on the mouth with much severity, but in trying to repeat the dose he was cleverly avoided. Brewer now took a turn of attacking, and getting home a well-meant drive with the right, he completely closed the policeman's previously damaged right eye. Handicapped from this cause, Ireton gave many chances by leaving himself open, and this did a lot towards levelling up matters for Brewer. The latter, although not the first to resume, showed up well in some slashing work, and using fine judgment, he had the best of the first part of the meeting. Ireton, if somewhat erratic, made the most of his extra weight, and when forcing his opponent into a corner, he did plenty of damage. Both showed visible signs of severe punishment, and although Ireton hit with most force, he allowed his rival to get home quite a number of left shots. The concluding meeting was of a very heavy order, but Brewer, making the most of his superior cleverness and experience, kept using the left continually. It was a slashing struggle, and in the end the honours went to Brewer, who was a popular winner.

Brewer will be remembered as the wiuner of the light weight championship in 1899. Increasing weight caused him to retire for a number or seasons and it was only as a result of the active coxing of the Polytenic boys that he decided to try his luck again. He is a very cool boxer, and always uses his judgment to perfection. At the close he was heartily congratulated, andparticularly so by his clubmate, F. Parkes, who only relinquished the title this year.

WINNERS TO DATE.

1881 R. Frost-Smith	1892 J. Steers	1898 G. L. Townsend
1882 H. T. Dearsley	1893 J. Steers	1899 F. Parkes
1883 H. T. Dearsley	1894 Horace King	1900 W. Dees
1884 H. T. Dearsley	1895 Capt. W. Edgeworth Johnstone	1901 F. Parks
1885 W. A. J. West		1902 F. Parks
1886 A. Diamond		1903 E. Dickson
1887 E. White	1896 Capt. W. Edgeworth Johnstone	1904 A. H. Hornor
1888 W. J. King		1905 F. Parks
1889 A. Bowman		1906 F. Parks
1890 J. Steers	1897 G. L. Townsend	1907 H. Brewe
1891 Val Barkar		

CROSS-COUNTRY RUNNING.

THE INTERNATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP.—Cross-country sport is merely in its infancy in Scotland. But it is fraught with immense potentialities, and the International match, which was held at Glasgow on Saturday afternoon, is certain to give this form of athleticism an impetus in that surging centre of civilisation. There are not many clubs in Scotland as yet, but the few there are prosecute their calling with considerable activity; indeed, on the eve of the great race—or, as they call it in Scotland, "the Grand National"—the West of Scotland Harriers celebrated their coming of age by holding a banquet in St. Enoch's Hotel, at which many athletic interests were represented, while England carried a message of welcome to that club in the person of Mr. A. J. Eggleston, president of the National Cross-Country Union, who, in a speech of much humour and force, emphasised the oneness of all the bodies and all the clubs which were in any way associated with this great sport. We merely mention this fact to show that if the cross-country clubs beyond the Tweed are not plentiful in numbers, they at least are strong on the social side of the sport, which, after all, is not the least important side.

Saturday's race cannot boast of a long and glorious history. Established in 1903, the initial struggle was held within the ducal policies at Hamilton, which in many respects is a much more suitable venue than that of Saturday—Scotstoun. But the Scottish authorities thought this was a favourable opportunity for bringing cross-country sport under the notice of the Glasgow public, and Scotstoun, a well-appointed enclosure, belonging to the Agricultural Society, was preferred to Hamilton, with all its associations, sporting and otherwise. There was an attendance of 2,000, which, if not all that the importance of the event deserved, was at all events a great improvement on what was experienced at Hamilton in 1905.

The course did not give very general satisfaction, more than one Englishman declaring that there was too much pathway and not enough genuine cross-country. But this is one of the disadvantages of holding a race of this kind in a large city. The "out-country" was in fine order, and as the distance was just under ten miles, the time is to some extent a tribute to the fastness of the going. The Scots ran in rubber shoes, but the others held to their spikes, which in some cases had to be shortened. The spectacular side of the race was scarcely a success, as only a portion of the course could be seen. The start, however, was a blaze of colour, and as the sun was shining with a glory rarely seen in Scotland at this period of the season, the whole formed quite a pleasant spectacle. The course was covered three times. Mr. Moore got the lot away to an excellent start, and the first quarter was done at a cracking pace.

There is really no need to go into detail, as from start to finish there was only one country in the race, and that was England, whose representatives showed a superiority which dwarfed those of France, Scotland, Ireland, and Wales. This is the first time France has taken part in the race, and our friends have reason to be quite satisfied with their initial appearance in Britain in the capacity of cross-country runners.

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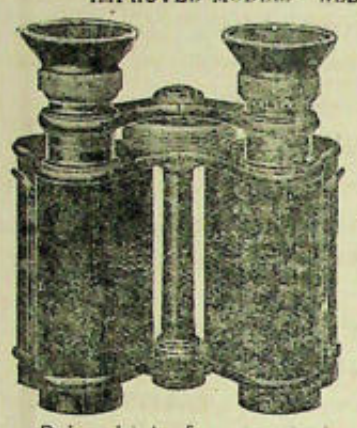

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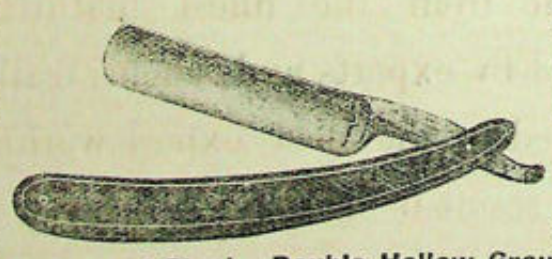

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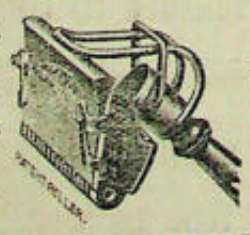

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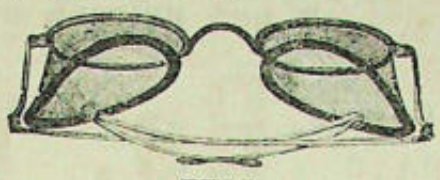

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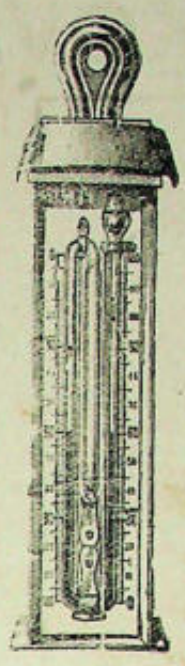

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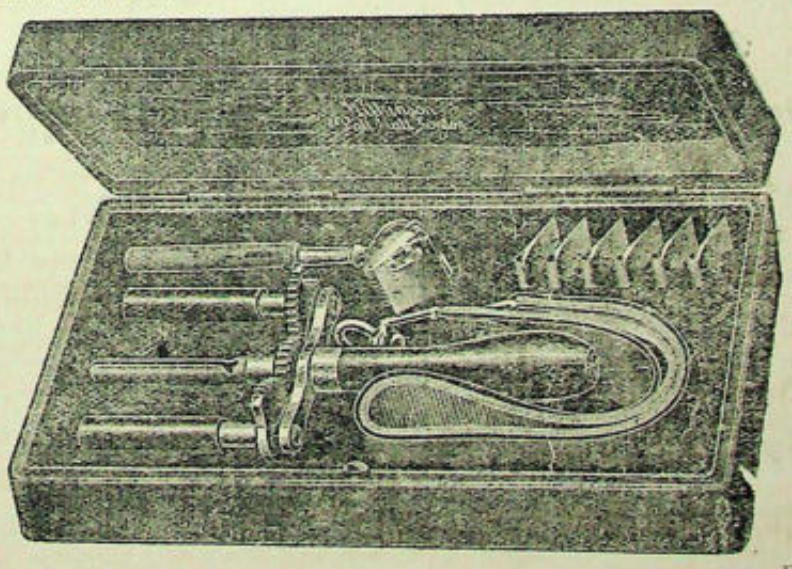

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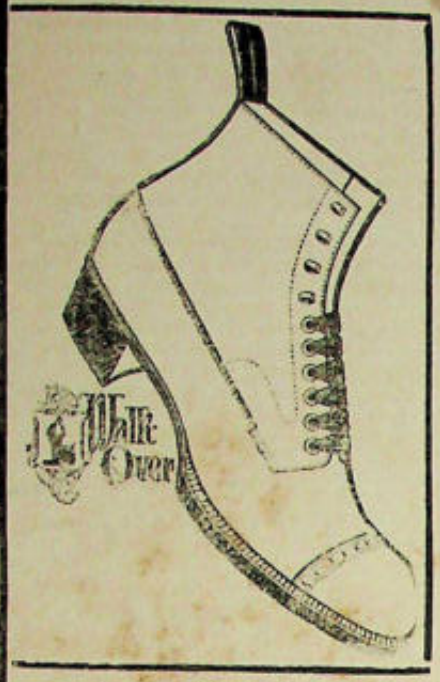

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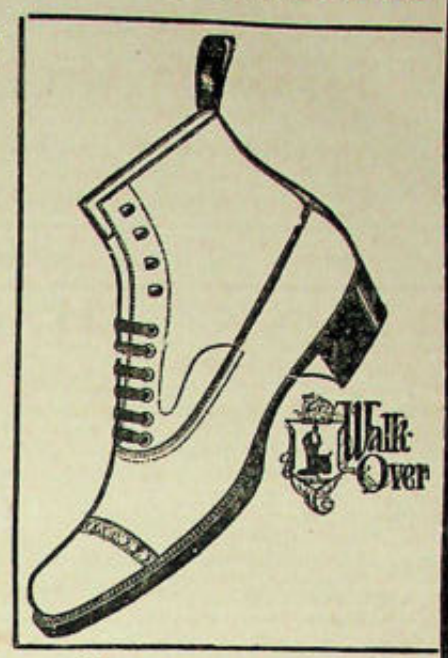



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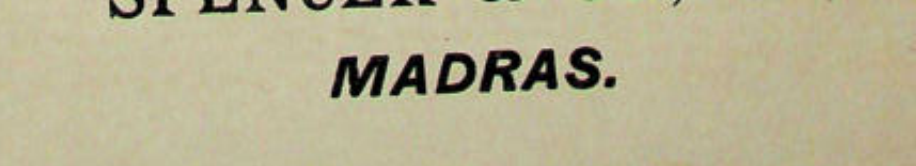

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RACKETS.

THE AMATEUR CHAMPIONSHIPS.

SINGLES.—The final and championship round of the singles racquets campionship, at Queen's Club, on the 25th instant, resulted in a hard and close fight, the even nature of the match being shown by the fact that each player scored the same number of aces. It was expected that Mr. Foster, after the good form he had shown in the preliminary matches, would win, but he failed badly at a critical part of the game, and Mr. Noel gained a deserved and popular victory. In the first two games the Old Malvernian could do nothing wrong; he found the length of the court admirably, and killed the ball off the front wall with tremendous power, but later his hitting became erratic, the ball going out of court or finding the board repeatedly.

Among the spectators were the three sons of the Prince of Wales—the Princes Edward, Albert and George of York. Details:—

Mr. E. B. Noel (Winchester and Cambridge) beat Mr. B. S. Foster (Malvern) by 3 games to 2—64 aces to 64. Score:—7—15, 6—15, 18—14, 15—7, 18—13.

First Game: Noel won the spin of the bat, but did not score, and Foster, finding his service at once, scored three aces before being put out by a hard, low stroke. Noel, returning on to the board, again failed and Foster made another ace after a tremendous rally, Noel then opened his account with a single, but Foster went to 8—1 in his next hand. A low return of the service put Noel out without any addition, and small and unproductive hands followed to the end of the game, the longest innings being three by the Old Wykehamist.

Second Game: Foster, continuing, made only a single, a beautiful angle-stroke losing him possession, and Noel with a couple led for the first time. Then six hands were taken before Foster, getting in at 3—6, went out with the longest run of the match.

Third Game: The Old Malvernian added a single, and so made his full sequence thirteen, and Noel followed with a couple before putting himself out with two faults. Then a dozen hands were taken before Foster equalised at 9 all. More small and unprofitable innings followed, both players hitting very hard in the court, and the game was "set five" at 13 all, Foster then being in. He lost his chance by hitting the ball out of court, and Noel eventually won.

Fourth Game: Noel, who had gone out with four aces, added a couple, and after six more hands led at 6—2. Foster made three, and after both players had failed, Noel with four led at 10—5. Foster was now hitting somewhat wildly, and after each of his next two innings had realised a single, he returned the ball on to the board, and Noel, with a sequence of four, equalised the games at 2 all.

Fifth Game: The Old Wykehamist kept a splendid length to his service, and on continuing his hand ran up five, his full sequence amounting to 9, his highest of the match. Foster regained possession with a superb angle-stroke, but after scoring three a clever drop-stroke let Noel in. The latter made only a single, but Foster failed, the ball again going out of court. An unproductive hand to each followed, and then Noel, with two, gained the lead at this critical part of the match at 8—5. Foster, hitting hard in the rallies, and killing the ball well, retrieved his position with two runs of three, while his opponent did nothing, but Noel, getting in at 8—9, came again with a sequence of five. Foster once more got on terms with four, but lost his innings when the game had been "set five" at 13 all. The Old Malvernian now did not have another chance, as Noel with five won the game and the championship.

LIST OF CHAMPIONS.

1888 Mr. C. D. Buxton	1888 Mr. H. K. Foster
1889 Mr. E. M. Butler	1899 Mr. H. K. Foster
1890 Mr. P. Ashworth	1900 Mr. H. K. Foster
1891 Mr. H. P. Philipson	1901 Mr. F. Dames Longworth
1892 Mr. F. Dames Longworth	1902 Mr. E. H. Miles
1893 Mr F. Dames Longworth	1903 Mr. E. M. Baerlein
1894 Mr. H. K. Foster	1904 Mr. H. K. Foster
1895 Mr. H. K. Foster	1905 Mr E. M. Baerlein
1896 Mr. H. K. Foster	1906 Major S. H. Sheppard
1897 Mr. H. K. Foster	1907 Mr. E B. Noel.

DOUBLES.—The final and championship round of the Doubles Amateur Championship at Queen's Club, yesterday, produced a hard-hitting contest, in which, after the first game, the brothers W. L. and B. S. Foster always had a bit the better of the exchanges. W. L. Foster found his game at the start, and never grew slack, while his brother showed much of the brilliancy which gained him his place in the final of the singles. Balfour Bryant was scarcely so effective as customary in the court, opportunities of killing the ball being missed in an unusual manner, while his partner was made to appear only moderate class by the hard-hitting Old Malvernians. Details:—

FINAL AND CHAMPIONSHIP ROUND.

Captain W. L. Foster, D. S. O., R.H.A. (Malvern), and Mr. B. S. Foster (Malvern) beat Mr. H. Balfour Bryant, M. V. O., and Mr. P. Bramwell Davis, 2nd Batt. Highland Light Infantry (Army champions) by 4 games to 1, 56 aces to 50. Score:—3—15, 15—6, 15—10, 18—13.

First Game.—The Highlanders won the spin for service, and Davis opened with a couple. The latter failed at his next hand, after the Fosters had each scored a single, and Bryant went to 5—2. A single by W. L. was the last score the Old Malvernians made in this game, as after small and unproductive hands Bryant got in at 8—3, and went out.

Second Game.—The Army champion did not add to his sequence of seven, and W. L. Foster followed with five. The succeeding ten innings did not advance the score much, but Bryant went from 2—8 to 6—8. Three to W. L., followed by four to B. S., however, gave the Fosters the game.

Third Game.—A dozen hands were taken before Basil Foster, with a run of five, caused the game to be called "10—3" in the Old Malvernians' favour. More small and unproductive innings succeeded, W. L. Foster, with a couple, reaching "game."

Fourth Game.—The Artilleryman did not score upon continuing his hand, and Davis followed suit. Bryant put on a couple, but a single to W. L. and four to B. S. gave the Fosters a lead of 5—2. The Highlanders' next hands were both barren, and W. L. with five doubled the advantage. Small and unproductive innings followed until Davis went from 5—13 to 8—13, and Bryant, as second hand, added two more before W. L. made the two necessary aces.

Fifth Game.—Continuing his hand, the Artilleryman made five, and so increased his sequence to seven, and eventually the Fosters stood at 11—3. Mainly by means of runs of three and five by Bryant the Army champions drew up and led at 13—12. W. L. Foster equalised, and after the game was "set five" he went to 4—love, and his brother made the winning ace.

Mr. E. B. Noel was referee.

WINNERS TO DATE.

1890.—P. Ashworth and W. C. Hedley.
1891—P. Ashworth and E. L. Metcalfe.
1892.—E. M. Butler and M. C. Kemp.
1893.—F. H. Browning and H. K. Foster.
1894.—H. K. Foster and F. C. Ridgeway.
1895.—F. Dames-Longworth and F. H. Browning.
1896.—H. K. Foster and P. Ashworth.
1897.—H. K. Foster and P. Ashworth.
1898.—H. K. Foster and W. L. Foster.
1899.—H. K. Foster and P. Ashworth.
1900.—H. K. Foster and P. Ashworth.
1901.—F. Dames-Longworth and V. Pennell.
1902.—E. M. Baerlein and E. H. Miles.
1903.—H. K. Foster and B. S. Foster.
1904.—Eustace H. Miles and E. M. Baerlein.
1905.—E. H. Miles and E. M. Baerlein.
1906.—E. H. Miles and F. Dames-Longworth.
1907.—Capt. W. L. Foster, D.S.O., and B. S. Foster.

HOCKEY.

ENGLAND vs. SCOTLAND.—England's international hockey campaign was brought to a conclusion at Bourneville, Birmingham, on Saturday, 23rd instant, with a three goals to nothing victory over Scotland. In their four engagements, therefore, the English representatives have scored 28 goals and lost none. They first defeated Wales by 6 goals, then France by 14, and then Ireland by 5.

Splendid weather prevailed, and with the ground in capital order, the match was played under ideal conditions. There was very little to choose between the sides in the first half. L. A. Mackenzie, the Scottish forward, looked like scoring on several occasions, but C. W. Marshall and L. C. Baillon always succeeded in dealing with the visitors' attacks. The English forwards combined splendidly, but their shooting was somewhat erratic, otherwise they might have scored before the interval. As it was, neither side had penetrated the others' defence at half-time.

On changing ends, however, the English eleven showed to great advantage. Four minutes after restarting a good combined movement culminated in Jordan scoring the first goal. The Scottish forwards then made several desperate efforts to break away, but they could never get past the opposing halves, of whom E. W. Page was always conspicuous. Later Logan shot England's second goal, and before the end Whitehouse notched the home side's third point.

BILLIARDS.

REECE'S EXTRAORDINARY ACHIEVEMENT.—Not until making the winning stroke on Saturday did Tom Reece break up the position he had maintained near the right top pocket since the early part of Wednesday evening. Then, amid a scene of the wildest enthusiasm, he slashed out at the balls and sent them careering all round the table in a spirit of sheer abandon and relief at the completion of the task he had set himself to accomplish. As he entered upon his final "ten" a buzz of excitement broke out all over the hall, and almost before the final stroke was shaped up for, all the pent-up excitement broke out into a volume of applause such as is rarely heard in any of our billiard halls.

After the cheering had almost died away through sheer physical inability to continue, the representative of the *Sporting Life* (who was officiating as referee) gave the coompany a few particulars of the most astounding performance in the whole annals of the game. After pointing out that Reece had broken every record on an English table, he proceeded to read out the following remarkable figures:—Full break, 4,598; number of consecutive, cannons, 2,279; 2,268 of which were of the "cradle" order; time occupied by Reece in compiling the break, 1 hour 38min. 6secs.; and finally, the Lancastrian won by 4,135 points. Break record, cannon record, and time record now belong indisputably to Reece, while he also enabled Weiss to claim a record—ture an unenviable one—inasmuch as for six full sessions, and the greater part of a seventh, was not called upon to play a stroke. Such adjectives as wonderful, marvellous, astounding, brilliant, etc, appear quite inadequate to describe a performance, the like of which the present generation, at any rate, is not likely to see or read of again.

The fact that Reece, at the most, if he retained position, would only score 584 points in something like twelve or thirteen minutes, did not deter another large crown from attending Messrs Thurston's Grand Hall, Leicester-square, on Saturday afternoon, to witness the continuation of his remarkable break which overnight he had brought up to the huge total of 3,428 (including 1,696 consecutive cannons). Among the spectators was the Australian champion, who with his cue resting between his knees as usual, sat patiently waiting to take his part in the improvised programme—he had apparently resigned all hope of getting another stroeke in the match—while near by him sat W. J. Peall, the spot stroke champion, whose great break of 3,304 Reece had pulverised the previous evening. A little further away were Leslie Stuart, the eminent musical composer; A. J. Browne, a prominent amateur; and W. Mitchell, the veteran Sheffielder, all of whom displayed the keenest interest in the proceedings.

After acknowledging the hearty welcome accorded him as he made his appearence, Reece proceeded to the head of the table where as cool and confident as ever, he proceeded to wake the stationary cue ball into "life" by gently prodding it on to the red, from whence it kissed back on to the object white, and from there back to its original position. The clicking of the balls, and Dixon's voice calling "One," "Three," "Five" "Seven" and so on, at each movement of the cue, were almost the only signs of life heard in the auditorium, so eagerly was everyone's attention riveted on the balls. At intervals of about two minutes—when Reece took a "breather"—one might detect what almost sounded like a sigh, but which was in reality only a long-drawn deep breath, to be immediately suppressed as the wonderful little Lancastrien again took up the "song of the cradlecannon." The scoring of each "century" varied but little, as the following time will show:—

Points.				m. s.
166	...	...	...	8 13
100	...	...	...	1 42
100	...	...	...	1 45
100	...	...	...	1 51
100	...	...	...	1 54
100	...	...	...	— 20
18	...	...	...	
584				10 45
Breathing time		...	...	1 24
Full time at the table			...	12 9

Dixon's announcement of break "4,012 unfinished," a round of applause, and then the spectators settled down in their seats again to witness the best of three "frames" of pyramids, which Reece won by the score of 8-7 in each of the first two games. Afterwards the Australian champion gave his inimitable show of trict and fancy strokes, those requiring the aid of wine glasses being especially clever and entertaining. And then the spectators trooped out in a thoroughly contented frame of mind, pleased with everything they saw. Interval scores:—

Reece (4,012 unfinished)	... 6,419
Weiss...	... 2,865

There was a perceptible thinning of the attendance when the final stage was entered upon, but the company was nevertheless a large and appreciative one. As showing the fascination which the latest novelty in strokes exercises over players and public alike, we may mention that the celebrities already referred to as having been present at the afternoon sitting, were again in evidence at the final stage, and were joined by another prominent amateur in C. H. Mortimer.

As the final proceedings ran in a similar groove to that which had gone before, there is little in the way of detailed description to be added to what has already been written on this most remarkable of matches.

Reece dropped into his touch at once, and proceeded smoothly and at the same uniform pace to reel off hundred after hundred. Entering upon the last "lap," the record breaker gave the first sign of possessing "nerves," he on one occasion nearly letting the coloured ball get beyond control, while on another occasion the cue ball got so close in as to cause mild groans of disappointment from the company that the striker had got into a "tangle" when so near "home." Steadying himself, however, Reece surmounted both difficulties very cleverly, and ran straight to game as already described, without further trouble. The times for the hundreds were as follow:—

Points.				m. s.
82	...	...	...	1 44
100	...	...	...	2 5
100	...	...	...	1 59
100	...	...	...	1 55
100	...	...	...	1 55
99	...	...	...	2 8
581	...	...	...	11 46
"Resting" time				— 59
Full time at table			...	12 45

Final scores:—			
Reece	...	...	7,000
Weiss	...	...	2,865

Rowing.

KARACHI SPRING REGATTA.

Umpire and Starter:—Mr H. N. Crouch.
Judge:—Col. J. H. Travers, 24th N. I.
Hony. Secretary:—Mr. H. C. Ashdown.

The preliminary heats were rowed in trying weather, but for the final to-day we had tolerably good condition's and we saw some very good racing. The rendezvous was gay with bunting, Mr. and Mrs. Crouch were "At Home," the Band of the 105th N.L.I. played, and the competitors did the rest. Mr. A. D. Young—husband distributed the prizes. Details:—

PAIRS—*Semi-Finals.*

Rowed on Friday, 5th.

Capt. Freeland ...	*Str.*	vs.	Capt. Waller ...	*Str.*
Lieut. Morgan ...	*Bow.*		Lieut. Richardson ...	*Bow.*
Miss Chetham ...	*Cox.*		Mrs. Waller ...	*Cox.*

Mrs. Waller's pair had to scratch owing to Lieut. Richardson's indisposition.

G. M. Frost ...	*Str.*	vs.	J. Humphrey ...	*Stroke.*
R. Thorburn ...	*Bow.*		G. W. Wilson ...	*Bow.*
Mrs. Chitty ...	*Cox.*		Mrs. Travers ...	*Cox.*

Won by Mrs. Chitty's pair.

SINGLE SCULLING—*Semi-Finals.*

D. V. Trevor, nominated by Mrs. Freeland, and receiving 4secs. start, beat Lieut. S. N. Webb.

W. H. Miller, nominated by Miss Chetham, and receiving 9secs. start, beat A. J. Chase.

TRIAL FOURS.

(Rowed on Saturday.)

G. W. Wilson ...	*Bow.*	beat	Capt. Watson ...	*Bow.*
H. H. Sawyer ...	2		C. A. Brockbank ...	2
Lt. S. N. Webb ...	3		Lt. H. E. Growse ...	3
Capt. Freeland ...	*Str.*		P. W. Jupe, ...	*Str.*
Mrs. Travers ...	*Cox.*		Miss Reynolds ...	*Cox.*

Time—2mins. 54⅘secs. A very good race.

The Lady's prize, a silver pin tray, was presented by the Club.

SCULLING HANDICAP.—Ladies' Nomination.

W. H. Miller—nominated by Miss Chetham,

beaten by

D. B. Trever, nominated by Mrs. Freeland.

(3 seconds start).

Time—3mins. 28⅘secs. The Lady's prize, a silver powder box, was presented by the Club.

MIXED DOUBLE SCULLING.

Miss Wilkinson ...	*Str.*	beat	Miss Barry ...	*Str.*
A. J. Chase ...	*Bow.*		J. Humphrey, ...	*Bow.*

Won by a length and a half. The prize, a gold and epal brooch, was presented by Lieut. F. S. Lindesay.

PAIR OAR RACE.

Lt. C. E. Morgan	*Bow.*	beat	R. Thorburn,	*Bow.*
Capt. Freeland ...	*Str.*		G. M. Frost,	*Str.*
Miss Chetham ...	*Cox.*		Mrs. Chitty,	*Cox.*

Won by about a foot. Time—3mins. 53⅘secs. The lady's prize, a silver cream jug, was presented by the Club.

SWIMMING RACE.—100 Yards handicap.

Won easily by Lieut. S. N. Webb; second, Lieut. R. N. Bocquet. There were ten entries. The first prize, a silver cup, was presented by the Swimming Bath Club, and the second prize, a gold tie pin, by Mr. T. C. Beaumont.

TONI MATCH

Lieut. C. E. Morgan	beat	G. M. Frost	
Lieut. S. N. Webb		J. Humphrey	

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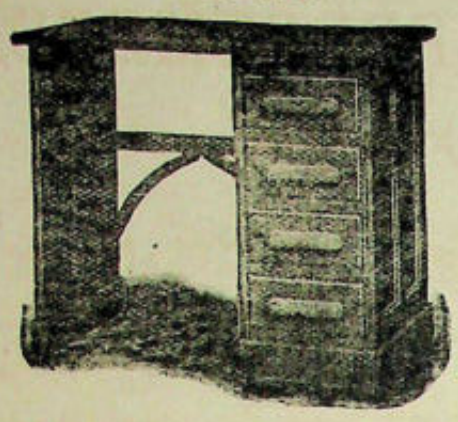

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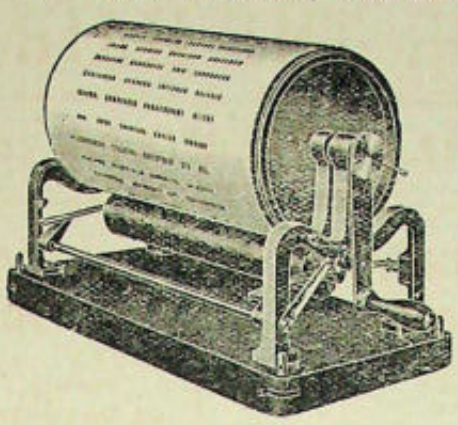

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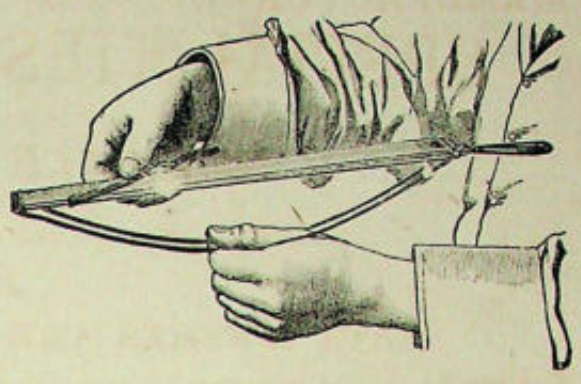

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Cricket.

CRICKET AT SHILLONG.

The following match was played on 31st March :—

MR. P. L. FULKNER'S XI.

Mr. D. de Dombal, b Molesworth	...	9
Mr. Delanougerede, b Molesworth	...	11
Babu M. C. Banerji ran out	...	0
Mr. P. L. Faulkner, c Coleridge b Chatterji	...	34
Mr. More, b Molesworth	...	6
Mr. N. Padgett, c Coleridge, b Molesworth	...	34
Mr. Hill, b Melhuish ...	...	24
Mr. Bridgnell, not out	...	2
Babu A. N. Das Gupta, run out	...	5
Byes 16, leg-byes 1	...	17
Total	...	142*

*Innings declared closed.

MR. J. D. COLERIDGE'S XI.

Mr. J. D. Coleridge, retired	...	100
Mr. Perry, b de Dombal	...	5
Mr. Chatterji, b Delanougerede	...	0
Mr. Molesworth, b de Dombal	...	20
Capt. Melhuish, c Das Gupta b Delanougerede	...	13
Mr. Mitra, l.-b.-w., b Padgett	...	7
M. Brodrick, st Faulkner b Padgett	...	3
Bahadur Singh, c Bannerji, b Padgett	...	7
Mahomed Hussain, not out	...	2
Byes 9, leg byes 3	...	12
Total	...	169

The following match was played on 6th April:—

MR. P. L. FAULKNER'S XI.

Mr. D. de Dombal, b Melhuish	...	32
Mr. Padgett, c Melhuish	...	1
Mr. Perry, c Bayly b Delanougerede	...	4
Mr. P. L. Faulkner, l.-b.-w. b Delanougerede	...	22
Mr. More, c Bayly b Melhuish	...	3
Babu U. N. Sen, not out	...	46
Babu A. N. Das Gupta, b Delanougerede	...	18
Babu J. K. Roy, b Chatterji	...	0
Mr. Webb not out	...	4
Byes	...	9
Total	...	139*

*Innings declared closed.

CAPTAIN MELHUISH'S XI.

Mr. Delanougerede, c and b Faulkner	...	1
Mr. Hill, b Faulkner	...	0
Mr. Chatterji, c and b Das Gupta	...	32
Capt. Melhuish, c and b de Dombal	...	36
Mr. Bayly, b de Dombal	...	13
Mr. Parish, run out	...	0
Mr. Bridgnell, c Perry, b Padgett	...	7
Mr. Lett, c and b Padgett	...	3
Babu M. C. Bannerji, st Faulkner, b Padgett	...	5
Mahomed Hussain, not out	...	4
Byes, 1, Leg-byes 5	...	6
Total	...	107

Football.

THE INDIAN FOOTBALL ASSOCIATION.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING.—Representatives of twenty-three clubs attended the meeting held at the Dalhousie Institute on Tuesday night, Mr. F. H. Reynolds occupying the chair. The voting for members of Council gave the following result:—

Dalhousie, Y. M. C. A., Rangers, Northumberland Fusiliers, Hornets, Mohan Bagan, National Association, Sova Bazaar, Highland Light Infantry, and Howrah United.

Mr. Frank Carter, President of the Calcutta Football Club, was unanimously elected Vice-President of the I. F. A. for 1907, Mr. Douglas Baker, C. F. C., and Mr. D. L. Walker, Caledonia A. C., resuming their duties as Joint Honorary Secretaries and Treasurers.

The annual report stated that the thirteenth year of the Association's control has not been without its appropriate incidents which, though regrettable from many points of view, have but served to emphasise the necessity for that strong and sensible governance which it is this Association's endeavour to accord to local football. The past season has witnessed the introduction of several desirable amendments to the I. F. A. Rules as well as the elimination of many anomalies.

The formation of a Calcutta Referees' Association undoubtedly calls for the co-operation of the I. F. A. as calculated to remove or at least alleviate much of the discontent which has up to now frightened away many likely referees and disheartened the good ones. Provided the Referees' Association is successful in recruiting really reliable referees, the I. F. A. should have no diffidence in according it the fullest support.

The majority of the meetings held during last year, it is pointed out, were necessitated by incidents of a distinctly undesirable nature, and the Council view with apprehension the increasing tendency of junior clubs to involve themselves in litigious disputes where a broader and more sporting view of the game would [illegible] to settle such matters, but would materially diminish the present severe tax on the time and patience of council members imposed by frequent and unnecessary reference to that body.

There were eleven entries for the Shield, one less than in 1905, and the Trades Cup attracted 32 entries,—a record number. There were nineteen entries for the Cooch Behar Cup and ten for the Elliott Challenge Shield. The Cadet Cup attracted six entries, and the Beighton Hockey Cup 30.

The balance sheet shows a credit balance of Rs. 1,679 available for next year, showing a profit of Rs. 81 on the season's working.

Some surprise and disgust was evinced when the proposal for the formation of the Referees' Association was discussed, and it was found that the wrong-headed native element at the meeting was strongly opposed to it. Naturally almost everything proposed by Europeans meets with the opposition of the Aryan brother nowadays [illegible] in this case, childish and ridiculous. These short sighted anti-progress wallas will find out their mistake ere the football season is a fortnight old.

Other matters were considered at this meeting, and some important resolution were passed, notably that in connection with the eligibility of players for the Cooch Behar Cup.

Golf.

GOLF AT FRASERGUNGE.

THE LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR'S CUP.—The competition for the cup presented by the Lieutenant-Governor, and other prizes, opened over the Frasergunge links last Saturday when twenty competitors took part. The following are the returns for the cup, 18 holes, handicap :—

1. A. Hope Stewart	100 – 14 =	86
2. E. A. Wild	94 – 3 =	91
3. C. N. Douetil	100 – 8 =	92
4. W. R. Smith	110 – 14 =	96
5. A. J. Pugh	107 – 9 =	98
6. Geo. B. Merry	104 – 5 =	99
7. H. R. Cobbold	118 – 13 =	105
8. Thos. Nicoll	120 – 14 =	106
9. J. Mackenzie	114 – 6 =	108
10. J. M. Davenport	117 – 6 =	111
11. W. W. K. Page	126 – 14 =	112
12. C. H. Mead	128 – 14 =	114
13. Jas. Kemp	130 – 14 =	116
14. Alex. Mair	130 – 14 =	116
15. F. M. Short	132 – 14 =	118
16. R. A. Edlundh	159 – 14 =	145
17. R. Lean		
18. W Hadrill		Returned no cards.
19. J. P. Longair		
20. T. R. Magnus		

The following are the returns for the prize for the best scratch score of 9 holes :—

1.	E. A. Wild	45
2.	Geo. B. Merry	48
3.	A. Hope Stewart	48
4.	C. N. Douetil	49
5.	A. J. Pugh	49
6.	W. R. Smith	53
7.	J. Mackenzie	55
8.	Thos. Nicoll	57
9.	H. R. Cobbold	57
10.	J. M. Davenport	58

The competition will be completed next week end when we understand a large number of golfers, including several Calcutta and Tollygunge cracks, will compete.

Hockey.

THE BEIGHTON CUP.

THE DRAWING.—The ties in this competition have been drawn as follows :—

FIRST ROUND.

A. Wanderers *vs.* Caledonia.
B. E. I. R. *vs* St. Xavier's.
C. La Martiniere *vs.* Mohan Bagan.
(To be played on 17th April.)
D. United Services *vs.* Nattore.
E. Calcutta Police *vs.* Howrah Sporting.
(To be played on 18th.)
F. H. L. I. *vs.* Rovers
G. Howrah United *vs.* Sporting Union.
(To be played on 19th.)
H. Town *vs.* Dalhousie.
I. Hornets *vs.* Sibpur.
J. Calcutta *vs.* Barrackpore.
K. Customs *vs.* Rangers.
L. Medical *vs* Y.M C.A.
(To be played on 20th.)

SECOND ROUND.

1. Winners of H *vs.* Winners of G.
2. Winners of C *vs.* Winners of K.
3. Winners of L *vs.* Winners of D.
(To be played on 24th.)
4. Winners of J *vs.* Winners of I.
5. Winners of B *vs.* Winners of E.
6. Winners of A *vs.* Winners of F.
(To be played on 27th.)

THIRD ROUND.

P. Winners of 4 *vs.* Winners of 3.
Q. Ranchi vs. Winners of 2.
(To be played on 29th.)
R. Jamalpore *vs.* Winners of 1.
S. Winners of 5 *vs.* Winners of 6.
(To be played on 30th.)

SEMI-FINALS.

X. Winners of R. *vs.* Winners of Q.
Y. Winners of P *vs.* Winners of S.
(To be played on 1st May.)

FINAL.

Winners of X *vs.* Winners of Y.
(To be played on 14th May.)

NOTES AND COMMENTS.

THE League is now practically over and public interest is being drawn to the Beighton Cup competition.

The number of teams entered is much the same as in previous years, and the only two up-country clubs that figure are Ranchi (the holders of the Cup) and Jamalpur. It is a great pity that a team from the Jats and Dogras could not see their way to take part in our tournament as the winners of the All India Hockey Cup would have been sure to have given a good account of themselves, and given the Calcutta public an opportunity of witnessing what form there is outside their own city.

The result of the draw is perhaps not so satisfactory as one could wish as there is every likelihood of probable finalists meeting each other in the early stages of the tournament.

For instance Seebpore and Hornets meet in the very first round and the winners of this game play Calcutta in the succeeding round, and thereby two of the strongest local combinations will have no further interest after the preliminary stages.

In the writer's opinion if Ranchi can show anything like their form of previous years, they will again carry off the Cup, as it must be acknowledged that local Clubs are not as strong as they have been in seasons past. The Hornets in full strength will probably be Calcutta's best, but it is doubtful if they will be able to show much combination as it is rumoured that several of last year's players will join the forces of the "buzzers" ere the tournament commences. Failing the Hornets, Calcutta should give as good a display as any club.

They will, however, have to take the field without Heilgers, who, one regrets to note, has been invalided to Kasauli with a dog bite and Powell the best available substitute will probably take his place, but otherwise the team will be as hitherto.

The Championship of the League, which was considered as definitely settled, has now some element of doubt, as Calcutta by their defeat by Caledonia on Monday last are only two points ahead of Seebpore, while the latter have a game in hand.

Seebpore have now to play Dalhousie and should they prevail would tie with Calcutta in points, but would be placed first on the strength of a better goal average.

Calcutta's display against Caledonia was only mediocre; one might almost say indifferent. True they were without Manders, Heilgers and Cooper, but this should not have robbed them of victory. After having the better of the game, and I think it will be admitted playing the better hockey, they had to own defeat by the odd goal of five.

Calcutta did score an equalising goal in the closing stages of the game, but this was adjudged off side.

The other games in the League have attracted little or no interest as having no bearing on the ultimate result.

The League tables now stand as follows :—

"A" DIVISION.

	Clubs.	P.	W.	D.	L.	Goals For	Goals Agst.	Pts.
1.	Calcutta ...	15	13	1	1	43	15	27
2.	Caledonia ...	15	13	0	2	35	13	26
3.	Seebpore ...	14	12	1	1	39	8	25
4.	Dalhousie ...	14	9	2	3	16	9	20
5.	Rovers ...	15	8	3	4	22	11	19
6.	Rangers	14	8	3	3	14	15	19
7.	Hornets ...	14	8	0	6	27	17	16
8.	Customs ...	15	6	3	6	23	19	15
9.	E. I. R. ...	15	6	2	7	15	21	14
10.	Y. M. C. A. ...	15	5	3	7	13	24	13
11.	Mohan Bagan	15	3	6	6	6	21	12
12.	B.-N. R. ...	15	4	3	8	10	31	11
13.	Town ...	15	8	3	9	8	28	9
14.	N. Fusiliers ...	15	4	0	11	9	48	8
15.	Ballygunge ...	15	1		withdrawn			2
16.	Howrah United	15			do			0

"B" DIVISON.

	P.	W.	D.	L.	Goals For.	Agst.	Pts.
St. Xavier's ...	9	9	0	0	49	1	18
Medicals ...	9	8	0	1	29	2	16
13th Rajputs ...	9	6	1	2	18	25	13
E. B. S. R. ...	9	5	0	4	4	5	10
Sporting Union ...	9	4	2	3	3	16	10
Orientals ...	9	4	0	5	2	39	8
R. A. ...	9	3	1	5	12	11	7
Nattore ...	9	2	2	5	3	12	6
Howrah Sporting ...	9	1	0	8	0	0	2
17th Infantry ...	9		withdrawn.				0

The Kennel.

THE SPRINGERS

The English Springer is probably the prototype of the whole of the sporting Spaniel family. Some of the earliest records speak of the "springing Spaniel," and he is no doubt a contemporary of the "setting Spaniel," the two dogs doubtless being the only Spaniels in existence at the period. They were probably much the same in type and conformation, the former being taught to "spring" at his quarry in flushing it, and the other to "set" it—hence the distinction. From the latter the Setter was doubtless evolved, and from the "springing Spaniel" the whole of the beautiful varieties we now possess have emanated, leaving the original a derelict on the sands of time. It is probably incorrect to say that the old English Springer has ever become extinct, for although he never gained a footing on the English show bench until very recently, when, through the instrumentality of Mr. W. Arkwright and the Sporting Spaniel Society, the Kennel Club were induced to place him on the register, yet he has been kept in his purity in many shooting kennels in different parts of the country, the owners of which have preferred utility to beauty, ignoring what they have termed the "elongated moustrosities" of the show ring.

The Sporting Spaniel Society was the first to come to the rescue of the old English Springer, guaranteeing classes for the variety at several of the more important shows. The entries in the English Springer classes at the earlier shows were a somewhat heterogeneous and motley group, embracing as they did all sizes and shapes from a half-bred Setter to half Cockers and Clumbers, misfit Field and Sussex Spaniels, and what were then known as Norfolk Spaniels, that is, the liver-and-white, medium-sized, symmetrical, and well-balanced type of Spaniel, which was, and is still, greatly used and much valued as a working dog all over the country. I often think that of all Spaniels this dog (about whose origin there is no distinct record, some holding that he is indigenous to the county of the same name, and others that he is the product of one of the Dukes of Norfolk), whose size, colour, and conformation are so fixed and distinct, and whose intelligence, tractability, endurance and capability in the field are beyond dispute, has very great claims to recognition as a distinct variety of the sporting Spaniel, both by the Spaniel Clubs and the Kennel Club. It is held by others that the Norfolk Spaniel and the English Springer are identical, one and the same, but I do not hold with this theory, and I have a letter before me from Sir Hugo Fitz Herbert, Bart, a great enthusiast in the cause of the English Springer, of which he is a successful breeder and exhibitor, who also negatives the idea. Sir Hugo says that whole colours, whether black, liver, or red, were never associated with the Norfolk Spaniel, in which he is quite right, but these colours, and, indeed, all colours, have been, and are, associated with the English Springer. This further confirms my view of the uniformity of type of the Norfolk Spaniel, which, with its indisputable beauty and utility, and the fact of his having preserved his individuality through all the Spaniel evolutions and metamorphoses, in my opinion, gives him one of the strongest possible claims to recognition as a distinct variety.

The English Springer is, with the Norfolk Spaniel, one of the most rational dogs in point of architecture of all the Spaniel varieties, viewed from the vantage point of utility. He may be any colour almost, and is a leggy dog in comparison to the Field Spaniels, with a short and more symmetrical body, straight front, flat coat, a long head, square muzzle, rather narrow skull, and low set ears. His eyes and expression, gait and feathering, are all distinctly Spaniel. He combines strength with activity, courage with docility, and all the characteristics of a workman and gentleman combined, without his vices. He is a dog of from 40lbs. to 50lbs. weight.

The Welsh Springer. Coming to the Spaniel product of "gallant little Wales," we have a variety which excels any of the English varieties for size, colour, and fixity of type. His origin, with the other varieties, is no doubt a common one, but while the red-and-white Field Spaniels in England have almost died out, in Wales the variety has been preserved and bred in its purity for a long period, probably for hundreds of years, according to the records. It is only in recent years that the Welsh Springer has been recognised on the show bench, and later still (in 1902) that the Kennel Club placed the variety on the register. The variety has, however, been kept in several leading sporting Spaniel families in the Principality for many generations, no shooting expedition at one time being complete that did not include a team of these merry red-and-white Spaniels. As workers they have no superior, no day being too long and no covert too strong for the endurance and pluck of these gay Cambrians.

The principal pioneers of the breed, to whom the credit is in the main due for bringing them to the front, include Mr. H. T. Williams, Mrs. H. D. Greene,, Mr. David and one or two others.

The Welsh Springer is a dog of from 30lbs. to 40lbs. weight proportionate in all his parts, with a well-balanced head, straight front, grand spring of rib, and powerful hindquarters. He may be described as an enlarged Cocker, but shows less feathering than is found in most of the other varieties, and the ears are also shorter. As in all Spaniels, snipiness and thick heads are common defects, and the Welsh Springer is no exception. This said, the breed is at once a rational one, and possesses all the traits of his English cousin, while the uniformity of colour and its irregular distribution give to a group of Welsh Springers quite a picturesque appearance. In this way the variety has made great headway on the show bench, and enlisted a number of enthusiasts within its ranks, who are much devoted to the breed, not only for its general beauty, but also for their wonderful prowess in the field.

The Horse.

A FEW HINTS ABOUT BANDAGING HORSES' LEGS.

FOR a long time it has been the custom to bandage the legs of horses subjected to all kinds of fast work, and this custom is now becoming more general every year. The main reasons for bandaging the legs while doing fast work, such as hunting and racing, is to give support to the tendons on which most of the strain is laid, to lessen the effect of blows, and to protect the fetlock joint from sprains.

In order to bind up the legs so that the bandages will not slip and so that they will bear any pressure at all upon the tendons it is necessary to put the bandage on very tight, the result of this is that the circulation of the leg is stopped, there is enormous pressure made to bear upon the front and back portions of the limbs which do not require it, and there is practically no support given to the tendons.

These facts have been realised by the majority of up-to-date horse owners, and they insert cotton wool under the bandage, putting a greater thickness on the sides of the legs in order to give equal pressure all round. This practice is troublesome and expensive, and there are few g who can bandage properly with cotton wool, and the cotton wool, when it becomes saturated with sweat or water, is apt to get displaced and the bandage consequently slip, the lower folds dropping from under the outer ones and forming a loop which has caused many a fatal accident, through the horse putting his foot through the loop.

A new and very excellent bandage has now been put on the market, called the Sandown Patent Fleecy Horse Bandage. These are made with a padding knitted into a porous and elastic groundwork, and when bound on the legs the folds adhere to the leg and to one another, and form, as it were, one piece or fabric the whole length of the leg bandaged, consequently there is no fear of their slipping. The wool padding beds well into the tendons and prevents too much pressure eleswhere, this combination, of a padded and elastic bandage allows the circulation to run free and does not injure or weaken the legs no matter how often they are bound up

The Sandown Bandages are easy to apply, look neat, and are economical. Horses are generally bandaged when they return from work, and here the advantages of the Sandown bandages are most marked. The legs may be washed and the bandages put straight on while they are wet, the fleecy material quickly absorbs all the moisture which passes through the bandages to the outer folds leaving the fleece dry inside. They support tired legs without irritating the horse, they protect the limbs from blows and strains in the stable and do not leave any marks from hard edges: these marks so often seen on the legs of horses which have been bandaged mean that the edges of the bandages have been cutting into their legs and stopping the circulation, and the more often they are bandaged the weaker they become, until they eventually become deformed.

Many horses try to tear their bandages off, sometimes for mischief, but more often because they are stopping the circulation and thus causing irritation.

Those who bandage their horses with plain serge bandages cannot have any reason for doing so except that of appearance, and because it is a general custom, and they do not consider what effect this bandaging has on the legs. If we have a weak joint, we do not bind it up with a rigid cloth, but use something elastic which gives and takes with the movements of the joint, and the same should be applied to horses.

The Sandown Co. are now sending large consignments of their bandages to India and other Colonies where they are taking the place of boots and leggings for Polo Ponies, and are found to be very much better.

The Sandown Bandages have many good points when used for wet purposes as they have for dry, and when used for cold water applications, they hold a great quantity of water and keep wet and cool for a whole day, and they hold the water like a sponge and the heat instead of being kept in is allowed to escape.

Veterinary Surgeons find them most useful for applying lotions and oils. All oils and embrocations produce their maximum effect on the limbs of horses if they are afterwards bandaged with the wool fleeced bandages.

Six horses were recently shipped to South Africa and their legs were bandaged with the Fleecy Stable Bandages before going on board and were left on for the whole voyage and when removed at the other side their legs were found to be all in a beautifully cool and fine state. These bandages are made in six different sizes in order to suit all purposes, and these sizes are all mentioned in the Company's advertisements in this paper.

ZEBROIDS.

FROM zebras which he has imported at great expense, Warner M. Van Norden, president of the Van Norden Trust Company of New York, entertains great hopes that the zebroids (as the hybrid offspring of the horse and zebra is called), will come to be generally and favourably known in this country.

"The zebroid," explained Mr. Van Norden recently, "makes an excellent all around animal for domestic use and I hope to introduce it in this country. It is already used in South Africa, where it has given satisfaction. I cannot say just how speedy the zebroid will be, but those I shall raise shall be from the finest stock, especially suited for driving purposes. These animals are much stronger and more vigorous than the horse and live about twice as long. They will rank with any of the horses in general use to-day and in value will range from $800 to $1,000. They will be very tough and able to endure twice the hardship the average horse can stand."

The parents, perhaps, of generations of American zebroids yet unborn are now contentedly munching hay in the barn of Mr. Van Norden's country place at Rye, N. Y., all unconscious of the weight of the responsibility resting upon their carefully groomed backs.

In temporary quarters in one barn are three zebras said to be among the finest of the species ever brought to this country. One of them is declared to be a genuine Grevy's zebra from Abysinia and this animal alone is valued by Mr. Van Norden at $5,000. The other two zebras belong to what is known as the Bohimii class. Two more, equally as valuable as those now in Rye, have been captured for Mr. Van

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Norden and will be shipped to this country early next spring. These animals are about six years old and, inasmuch as the life of the average zebra is about 50 years, they are as yet more babies and are full of more life and tricks than young colts.

So much for the zebra parents of the zebroid. The parents on the other side will range from the full-blooded Arabian mare down to little burro jennies, through a list of horseflesh including piebald, hackney and mustang.

The zebroids will owe their appearance in this country, however, not so much to Mr. Van Norden's desire to raise them for themselves alone, as to determine to solve the problem of telegony.

He is determined to demonstrate whether it is real, as scientists declare. Explaining the object of this undertaking, Mr. Van Norden said:

"All breeders believe in telegony. It has always been their claim that if a female animal is bred to one of a different species but of the same family and is afterwards bred to one of her own species the second offspring will show resemblance to the first sire. Opposite to the claim of the breeders is that of the scientists, who say there is no such thing as telegony and that the breeders are mistaken in their diagnosis.

"A man who stands near the head of the scientists in their contention that there is nothing in the breeders' fear of telegony is Professor W. Cossar Ewart, of Edinburgh University, and for years he has conducted experiments to support the correctness of his theories. Professor Ewart is now experimenting with pigeons and rabbits. He asserts that no one has ever gone into the subject of telegony in such a manner as clearly to demonstrate the truth or falsity of the many claims made concerning it. The experiments of Professor Ewart and others have thrown some light on the subject, but there is still much to be learned."—*Breeder and Sportsman.*

The Naturalist.

ANIMALS AND BIRDS THAT CATCH FISH—THE MINK.

On numerous occasions while trout fishing I have seen mink both on shore and swimming in the water. It is much smaller in size than the other and somewhat larger than the weasel, whose habits and savage nature towards all the lesser animals is of a similar bloodthirsty character. The mink is by no means a rare animal; indeed it is still quite common throughout the whole of North America. It is always found near the banks of large ponds and rivers, preferring the rapid flowing water in spring and still waters in autumn; this of itself is a sign of its angling propensities, fish being more plentiful and easier to catch under those circumstances. Though not half such a murderous creature as the otter, the mink, considering its size, will often destroy great numbers of fish. Living as it does near the water it is endowed with boundless resources in the manner of taking its prey; diving in the water without a ripple or splash, it darts like an arrow after its food; or, with the ease of a squirrel, climbs a tree, when opportunity offers, and varies his diet with an occasional bird. It will also eat dead fish, if found fresh, as the following incident will show: It has always been my habit when coarse fish, like chub or dace take the fly intead of trout, not to return them to the water but throw them on the river side; more than once has the mink followed me down stream, at a respectful distance, eating each fish on the spot he found it. Sometimes, if nearer the opposite shore, I would throw it on that side; the animal would swim across and get it; this always happened from sunset till dark. I am not sure the same mink followed after me on different occasions, as I know more than one animal frequented the locality. Most anglers, at least I do, follow each day the same beaten track down the stream; we know our own footprints from those of others, but on this river, no tracks are seen for weeks, except those of the different birds and animals.

The track of a muskrat, the mink's bitter foe, is about the same size and makes a somewhat similar impression in the soft, wet sand. The mink will kill and eat the muskrat, though they are both about the same size, which is about twenty inches long, and its thick, round tail eight inches more. The mink never attempts the capture of a large fish; its method is to creep inside a shallow pool, then drive the fish, who flee in terror ashore, then with quick, rapid movements manages to scoop in three or four at a time. Not nearly so fastidious as the otter, the mink will eat head, tail and all, leaving no remnants for the lesser creatures. Even in the daytime, if a dead, fresh fish is placed on the river bank three hours later it will be gone, the keen sense of smell in animals, equally keen and far-reaching vision of birds, are brought in play, so that some creature in constant search after food has removed it. At times, in the quiet evening stillness, my attention is aroused by hearing a long squeak, and on turning round will see, a few yards distant, the sly mink snarling at some invisible creature hidden in the bushes, possibly trying to steal part of the fish he holds firmly between his paws.

When mink are plentiful, sometimes half a dozen old fellows will join together on a fishing excursion, travelling quite a distance to some good trout pool that one of the party is acquainted with, each taking a given position, then in a body, driving the fish before them, somewhat like a net, so that few escape. Here they will stay for days together feasting on this dainty fish, and after getting a full supply, will then return to their homes and go to sleep till they are again hungry. The mink is not absolutely nocturnal in its habits; it hunts by day, when so inclined, and if food is plentiful, it gorges to the utmost, especially if ground game, like young quail, grouse, and woodcock, or chicken and ducks are at hand.

But its accomplishments are so varied, it easily provides food for itself and its young, and in the winter, when the water is frozen, will make its way under the ice from some spring hole, getting a fish meal of young trout or minnows, passing by large-sized fish and confining its attention to localities where young fish of three to six inches in size shoal together. After catching three or four fish, placing each in its mouth when caught, it swims swiftly back to the shore, arranging them side by side, and at once begins to devour them, first bitting off the head and shoulders, and in two or three snaps swallows every particle. If it feels that four or five fish are insufficient to satisfy its hunger, another dive is made with similar results. The mink's preference for trout is very likely to be caused by the absence of scales and spines. Bass and perch in particular are well provided with sharp spines and the scales are large and heavy, making it harder to bite and to eat.

At the opening of the trout season, that is about the middle of April, the female mink noses around to find a suitable hab'tation, and arranges her cozy nest in some hole in the rocks situated conveniently near the water, or better still she tries to find a hollow log or stump lying among the grasses or bulrushes beside a stream. Such a situation, especially in boggy or wet places, insures greater safety for the mother to rear and educate her young. If the hole is not roomy enough she will begin to bite away the rotted wood, then make a soft bed of dried leaves and grass. Soon a litter of young ones appear, usually from four to six in number, whom the mother zealously guards, hiding them away from the male, who destroys and eats them (whenever he gets a chance) till they attain about half-growth. This trait is common among the males of many species; rabbits, weasels, stoats, all devour their young if the female is not constantly on guard to protect them from their murderous father. It is during the time her family are young that the mother confines herself to a fish diet, this being the easiest and quickest method of satisfying her hunger. Leaving the nest mostly during the daytime, or just after dawn, she is back again in a very few minutes, staying with her young for two or three days together. The time soon comes when the little family requires hunted game for food, and the mother begins to teach them the rudiments of hunting, beginning in a small way on young frogs, crawfish and minnows. Frogs, in particular, are easy to catch, and near at hand, in the marshy water; but frogs are few and far between. Moreover, near rivers the number of creatures that feed on them is legion, as many kinds of fish, birds, reptiles and animals seem to consider a frog a dainty tit-bit. The mother mink then has to fall back on the finny tribe to provide herself and her young with food.

The young rarely if ever leave their mother ti.. winter draws near, when they are nearly full grown and able to care for themselves. By the time the snow is on the ground they separate, each looking after his own welfare as best he can. The youngsters first begin their career as hunters in catching rabbits; this is more easily done when the white mantle of snow aids them in tracking and capturing their prey. Then they catch and devour wood and field mice. It is not until the spring that the young mink begins fishing. After the ice clears and the freshets are over they take to the water and very soon become expert anglers like their parents.

The fur of the mink is excellent in quality as well as beautiful in color, the tail and head being brought into requisition for ornamental purposes in the make-up of winter garments. In color it varies from a light red brown to dark brownish black—in the lighter specimens a dark streak runs down the back and the tail tips growing darker towards the end. The hair is composed of two kinds, one longer, darker and more bristly, the other close, compact and woolly. It bears a great resemblance to the sable, often being fradulently substituted for that fur.

L. R.

The village innkeeper and the local chemist were sworn enemies. The former was walking down the street the other day, when he was accosted by a travelling chimney-sweep, who asked for a job. The publican, struck by a happy thought, pointed across the road to the chemist's establishment, and replied—"You can sweep my shop chimney if you like. My manager has a vile temper, and may kick up a fuss; but stick to him—I'm going to sack him anyway." When the innkeeper returned that way five minutes later, he beheld a tattered object being fired out of the pillshop, and a harsh voice from among the debris of the bottles yelled—"Yer gov'ner said I was to sweep the bloomin' chimney an' sweep it I will."

The new housemaid had only been twenty-four hours in her new place, when, having pricked her finger with a fork, she came running in great trouble to her mistress. The girl was frightened the wound might be troublesome, and was quite reassured when told that all the plate in the house was real silver. Next day she was gone, and all the sterling hall-marked stuff with her.

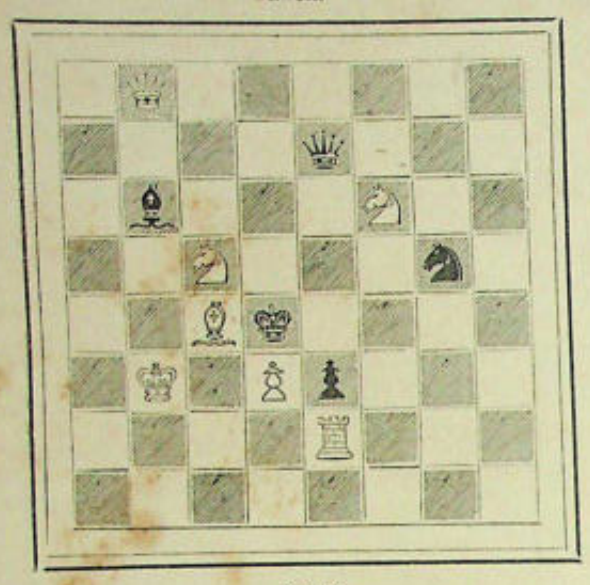
Chess.

Solution to Problem No. 394.

White.	Black.
1. Q. to Q 2	
2. Kt. to B 5 ch : interposing	1. K. moves dis. ch
3. Q. mates	2. K. moves

Problem No. 395.

Black.



White.

White to play and mate in three moves.

Game.

Centre Gambit.

White.	Black.
1. P. to K 4	1. P. to Q 4
2. P. to K 5 (a)	2. P. to K 3
3. K. Kt to K B 3	3. K. B to Q B 4 (b)
4. P. to Q 4	4. P. to Q Kt 3
5. P. to K R 3	5. K. Kt to K 2
6. Q. B to K Kt 5	6. P. to Q B 4
7. P. to Q B 3	7. P. takes P
8. P. takes P	8. Q. Kt to Q B 3
9. P. to Q R 3	9. Q. to Q 2
10. Q. to Q R 4 (c)	10. K. Kt to K B 4
11. Q. B. to K 3	11. Castles
12. K. B to Q Kt 5	12. P. to Q R 3
13. K. B to Q 3	13. Q. Kt takes K P
14. Q. to Q sq	14. Q. Kt takes K Kt ch
15. Q. takes Kt	15. B. takes Q P
16. Q. Kt to Q B 3	16. B. takes B
17. P. takes B	17. Kt to K 2
18. Q. R to Q sq	18. P. to K B 4 (d)
19. P. to K Kt 4	19. P. takes P
20. B. takes P ch	20. K. takes B
21. Q. takes R	21. P. to K Kt 6
22. Q. to K B 3	22. Kt. to B 4
23. P. to K 4	23. Kt. to R 3
24. P. takes P	24. P. takes P
25. R. takes P (e)	25. Q. to K 2 ch
26. Q. to K 4 ch	26. Q. takes Q
27. Kt. takes Q	27. P. to K Kt 7
28. R. to K Kt sq	28 P. to Q Kt 4
29. R. to Q 8	29. B. to Q Kt 2
30. R takes R	30. B. takes R
31. Kt. to Q B 5	31. P. to R 4
32. K. to K B 2	32. Kt. to B 4
33. R. to Q sq	33. Kt. to R 5
34. K. to Kt 3	34. Kt. to B 4 ch
35. K. to B 2	35. Kt. to R 5
36. K. to Kt 3	36. P. to K Kt 4
37. Kt. to K 6	37. K. to Kt 3
38. Kt to Q 4	38. B. to K 5
39. K. to Kt 4	39. B. to Q 6
40. R. to K sq	40. B. to K B 8
41. R. to K 6 ch	41. K. to Kt 2
42. R. to K 7 ch	42. K. to K B sq
43. R. to K 5	43. P. Queens ch
	And wins.

(a) This move has long since been discountananced in positions of this kind, as throwing the advantage into the hands of second player. The Pawn should have taken pawn, with the better game.

(b) P to Q B 4 is the proper move, and gives Black the advantage.

(c) The opening is very poorly played. White's fifth, ninth and tenth moves are useless. His twelfth and thirteenth lose him not only time, but material also.

(d) Black's turn for ill play now begins. In a few moves he loses all his advantage.

(e) White should have seized the advanced Pawn, and at move 26 he should have played K to Q 2. The error of neglecting the advanced Pawn is fatal.

Wheeling.

MOTORING AND CYCLING AT HOME.

In considering the question of dazzling head lights, it must be borne in mind that the carrying of front and rear lights by every kind of road vehicle does not do away entirely with the necessity of illuminating the road to a reasonable extent for the passage of the faster vehicles, such as motor-cars, motor and pedal cycles, fast-trotting horse vehicles, &c. It is not only the crawling hay cart or other heavily loaded industrial conveyance that has to be looked out for, but also horsemen, droves of live stock, and pedestrians, none of which are likely to be compelled to reveal their presence by any kind of light. In properly lighted streets of towns and cities brilliant head lights are unquestionably out of place, and are a genuine source of complaint. It would, therefore, be quite reasonable if some method of obscuring the glare were made compulsory. One such device, is that fitted to the Autoclipse lamps. It consists simply of a dead black metal disc, which, by means of a Bowden wire worked by a lever within reach of the driver's hand, can at any moment be interposed between the burner and the reflector. This completely cuts off all the glare, leaving merely a small point of light, which, while it may be intense in the case of acetylene, can throw no reflected rays, and therefore has no dazzling effect. The method is so cheap and simple that there is really no excuse whatever for not making use of it, if only out of consideration for the comfort and safety of others, not only in lighted streets, but also in dark country roads, where the sensation of plunging into the black void that faces one behind a brilliant pair of head lights is most unnerving.

Cases furnished by members of the motoring bodies enumerate great numbers of narrow escapes and serious accidents experienced with unlighted vehicles, not only to motors, but also to horse carriages. For instance, a Worthing correspondent says that market carts crawl in pitch darkness between Lancing and Shoreham, and that a carriage and pair dashed into one of these with serious results. In another case it is stated that the main road from Bradford to Leeds is nightly thronged by hundreds of carts and waggons usually moving in the centre of the road, with no rear lights. It will be remembered what a sensation was caused last year when the Duke of Connaught narrowly escaped being killed through his car colliding with an unlighted cart in the streets of Edinburgh. Special attention is called to the extreme danger of loads which project a considerable distance behind the vehicle, and may escape observation even if a red rear light is carried. The lights should in every case be attached to the extreme end of such loads. One case under this heading is that the cart conveying ships' propellers between Sunderland and Newcastle, the blades of which often project beyond the sides of the carts, which might act with the same deadly effect as the scythes fixed to the axles of the ancient British war chariots. It is interesting to observe that when collisions do occur through the absence of lights it is the motorist who has to pay for any damage done. The fact that the question is now receiving serious attention is undoubtedly largely due to the spread of motoring amongst the more influential class of the community.

A very representative entry has been received from manufacturers both of six-cylinder and four-cylinder cars for the Flexibility Competition promoted by the Crystal Palace Automobile Club, and fixed to take place to-day. The time table of the competition is as follows: The first car will leave the Crystal Palace (Rock Hill entrance) at 8 a.m.; Sevenoaks, 9-0; Toubridge, 9-20; Battle, 10-30; Bexhill, 11-0; lunch at the Sackville Hotel, Bexhill, 12-30; trials on the track at 1-30. Returning: Bexhill, 3-0; Battle, 3-30; Toubridge, 4-40; Crystal Palace, 6-0.——The first act of the new committee of the Automobile Club at their first meeting on Tuesday was to resolve to express their humble thanks to His Majesty the King for conferring the title of "Royal" upon the club.—— Mr. Charles Day Rose, M.P., who has undertaken the responsibilities of Chairmanship of the R.A.C., is the second son of the late Sir John Rose, at one time Prime Minister of Canada. He has been for sixteen years a member of the Jockey Club, and is keenly interested in sport as a breeder and owner of race-horses, as a yachtsman, and as a tennis player.——An examination for driving certificates will be held at the Great Northern Hotel, Lincoln, on Saturday, April 13, by arrangement with Mr. Godfrey Lowe, honorary secretary of the Lincolnshire A.C.—Twenty-five clubs are now affiliated to the Auto-Cycle Club, while the total membership is 1,620. During the past year granted, 30 clubs being granted permits to enable them to promote open motor cycle events.

In view of their increasing business in the North of England the Daimler Company have found it necessary to take over additional buildings adjoining their present depot at 60 Deansgate, Manchester.

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J. S. Benyon arrived at his old training quarters, New Brighton, last week, and in the hands of his old trainer, Ted Carter, is putting in some goodwork for his match at Herne Hill on Good Friday. His French opponent, Delage, writes me that he will arrive in London on Tuesday morning and put in a couple of days at Herne Hill to accustom himself to the track. As to Harry Reynolds he will be up in London early next week. J. H. Bishop, the holder of the Penrose Cup and the Lightning Cup, is training very seriously at Canning Town, and will make a big effort to put his name on the trophies again. Bouffler is also at the East End enclosure, but rather short of work. Buck took his first trial against the watch at the Crystal Palace on Thursday evening, and it was very satisfactory. Draper, Upward, and a couple of other Anerley cracks are wel advanced for this time of year. At Herne Hill, H. N. Edwards, W. Lowe, V. B. Casey, and E. C. Piercy are all good enough to score at Easter, while Creaser, the crack grass track rider, should be able to hold his own. The tandem champions, Matthews and Rushen, are located at Kensal Rise, the former riding very well on his single. Also are to be found at this enclosure Meredith, Summers, and Corderv, the last being expected to create a surprise this year. It will thus be seen that everything points to a good opening, and the Bovril cracks are very confident.

H. D. Buck, the Anerley champion, must now be regarded as an old timer, for during the past half-dozen years he has won something like £700 or £800 in prize value. Although, however, he has met and defeated every crack of note in turn, he has not yet won a N.C.U. championship, but his name figures on the London Centre, British Empire, and Irish championships list. During the past three years he has won each of the respective British Empire championships, viz., the quarter, half, and five-mile events. His favourite distance, however, is a quarter, and I do not think there is a rider in England who can do a better time for the 440 yards than Buck. I cannot recollect a single instance where he has been defeated over a quarter when he has gone all out from the crack of the pistol to the winning line. At the commencement of last season he won half a dozen short-distance races almost in succession, opening at Herne Hill on Good Friday with the one lap dash, and securing the quarter at the Crystal Palace on Easter Monday. Shortly afterwards he won the quarter for the "Cycling" 50-guinea bowl, the half-mile scratch at Birmingham, quarter-mile scratch at Exeter, and on June 9 he won the quarter-mile Irish championship. This year he will make a big effort to be the out and out champion. All his successes have been accomplished upon a Rover cycle.

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THURSDAY, 25th April 1907.

NEW AFRICAN ANIMALS.

AFRICA, it appears, is by no means yet played out in the matter of new animals of sufficient bodily size to interest the sportsman; and the present year has already proved more than usually productive in the matter of the discovery of new species and races of this nature in the Dark Continent. From our present point of view it is satisfactory to learn that most of these discoveries have been made by sportsmen; several of whom have, with the generosity of their kind, presented their much prized trophies to the national museum. Till the whole of his collections arrive in London, it will of course be impossible to say how much Major Powell Cotton (who has been travelling and exploring in the Ituri forest) may have done towards enriching our knowledge of the Central African fauna. As it is, however, in addition to procuring the complete skeleton and skin of an adult male okapi he has been enabled to add two apparantly new types of animals to the list, which have been described by Mr. Lydekker in the Zoological Society's publications.

As all acquainted with natural history are aware, the ratels, or honey badgers of India and Africa are so alike that it has been found impossible to refer them to separate races, let alone species; both having the same remarkable type of colouring, namely, grey above and black beneath. Strange to say, however, a specimen of one of these animals sent home from the Ituri forest by Major Cotton is wholly black, and has accordingly been named as a new species; in honor of the intrepid explorer; although it still remains to be proved (by the evidence of additional specimens), whether it is really anything more than a black phase of the species, analogous to a black leopard. In the meantime it is legitimate to assume that it represents a distinct species coloured to harmonize with its surroundings; most tropical forests having a marked tendency to develop a dark colouring in the animals by which they are inhabited.

A second animal described on the evidence of the first instalment of Major Cotton's collection is a new sub-species of African water-chevrotain, or mouse-deer, likewise named after the donor. Although this animal has been regarded merely as a local race of the West African species, there is a possibility that evidence not yet made public may entitle it to specific rank.

This, however, by no means exhausts the novelties from the Ituri-Semlike forest, for Colonel J. J. Harrison has sent to the Natural History Museum the skin of a pigmy antelope which serves in some degree to connect the royal antelope and an allied West African species with the suni antelopes of Zanzibar and Mozambique. By modern naturalists the royal antelope and the suni are referred to separate genus; and on this view it was deemed essential to make the Ituri and the allied Western species the representatives of a third genuic group. Perhaps a more philosophical course would be to revert to the view of Sir Victor Brooke and include the whole group in one genus.

Passing on to north-eastern Rhodesia, we find that Dr. Jentink, of Leyden, has described from that area a larger species of duikerbok under the name of *Cephalophus coxi*. It is allied to the west African *C. Syloicultor* (an antelope about the size of an ordinary donkey), but distinguished by its somewhat inferior dimensions, shorter horns, more slender hoof, and certain details of colouring, the general hue is for instance, decidedly different while the pale triangle on the back is larger than in that species and not separated by a black band from the rump patch, and the buttocks, in place of being like the flanks are similar in colour to the tringle. The type specimen was purchased in England by the Leyden Museum; and it seems a pity that it did not first come into the hands of English naturalists.

A second new species of the same genus (*Cephalophus Walkeri*), based on a female skin obtained by Mr. E. G. Walker in the Blantyre district of Nyasaland, has been named by Mr. Oldfield Thomas of the British Museum. It is one of the smaller members of the group. Of greater interest is a new race of Eland (*Taurotragus Oryx pattersoni*) obtained by Colonel J. H. Patterson in British East Africa, described by Mr. Lydekker in the *Field*. The special interest attaching to this Eland is the presence of a white chevron on the forehead, in which respect, as in other details of colouring it differs from all the South African Elands and resembles these of the Soudan and West Africa. It forms in fact, such a connecting link between the two, as to leave little doubt that they really form only a single species, instead of two, as hitherto supposed. The West African and Soudan Eland not only carry the aforesaid white chevrion, but their bodies are marked with a number of vertical white stripes. As we go south, first of all the chevron and then the stripes disappear, so that the typical Eland of the Cape is a uniformly fawn coloured animal, save for the tuft of long brown hair on the forehead of old bulls. As analogous colour changes are noticeable in the case of the giraffe and Burchell's Zebra as we go from north to south, they are in each case no doubt due to some general cause, although we are still in the dark as to the purpose of these differences.

Another antelope forming a connecting link between two distinct species has likewise been discovered by the naturalist last mentioned. This is a member of the group of lesser water bucks, or kobs, and has been named *Cobus vaughani*, after its discoverer Captain P. E. Vaughan, of the Egyptian Army, by whom specimens were killed in the South-western district of the Bahr-el-Ghazal province of the Soudan. To the southward of its habitat, in Uganda is found an almost uniformly chestnut-coloured species (*Cobus Thomasi*); while to the northward, on the white Kili and the Sobat occur the white eared kob (*C. leucotis*), in the old bucks of which the ears and much of the face are pure white, while the rest of the upper parts is deep blackish brown. In the intermediate species both as regards habitat and colouring the face of the old bucks has white areas similar to those of the white eared kob but the rest of the upper parts is of the same chestnut hue as in the Ugarda species. A more interesting case of an intermediate type, it would be difficult to find.

The last animal on our list in a forest hog from the extreme western side of the Congo basin, which is regarded by Mr. Thomas as distinct from the great black species of Central and East Africa recently discovered by Captain Meinertzhagen and described as *Hylochrerus Meinertzhageni*. The new species (*H. Rimator*) is at present known only by the skull, which has however, teeth so much smaller than those of its Eastern cousin, and likewise differing to some extent in structure, as apparently to justify its separation.

Most of the aforesaid animals, it will be observed, are species or races of more than ordinary interest, so that this year's tale of work in regard to the larger animals of Africa is decidedly above the average. Even these important novelties can, however, scarcely be deemed to exhaust the list of new animals to be expected from Africa, and we may therefore confidently look for discoveries of a like, and perhaps even more interesting, nature in the near future.

Special Telegrams.

BETTING ON THE DERBY.

The Derby Stakes—Of 6,500sovs., by subscription of 50sovs each, h ft, or 5sovs. only if declared by the last Tuesday in March, 1906, for entire colts and fillies, foaled in 1904; colts 9st and fillies 8st 9lbs; the nominator of the winner to receive 500sovs out of the race; if not sufficient surplus is obtained from subscriptions to give the second at least 400sovs., and the third at least 200sovs., the difference to be made up by the race fund. About one mile and a half.—283 entries. Closed 25th July 1905.

London, *22nd April 1907.*

The following are this morning's quotations on the Derby:—

2 to 1	agst.	Slieve Gallion.	10 to 1	agst.	Bezonian.
13 to 2	,,	Galvani.	10 to 1	,,	Ouadi Halfa.
8 to 1	,,	All Black.	12 to 1	,,	Baltingass.
10 to 1	,,	Wool Winder.	12 to 1	,,	Olympian.
			12 to 1	agst.	Orby.

FORTY-EIGHTH SALE STAKES.

(Newmarket Craven Meeting).

The Forty-Eighth Sale Stakes—Of 5sovs. each with 200sovs. added, for yearlings purchased at public auction in 1905; colts to carry 9st., fillies and geldings 8st. 11lbs; those bought for less than 500gs. allowed 3lbs, for less than 200gs. 6lbs., less than 1,000gs. 10lbs. if claimed at the time of entry; horses for which a claim is made at Newmarket by 6-30 o'clock the evening before running to be sold by auction for 500sovs. allowed 3lbs., if for 300sovs. 6lbs., if for 100sovs. 12lbs. R. M..—21 entries. Closed 7th November 1905.

London, *18th April 1907.*

Hon. Mr. A. A. Apear's b g AUBER, by Islington—Umbrosa 1
Lord H. de Walden's br g —— by Diamond Jubilee—Capucine 2
Mr. J. Butler's b c FITZDONOVAN, by Donovan—Ital 3

(*Winner trained by Farquharson.*)

Betting: 100 to 8 on Auber, 100 to 8 agst. Fitz-Donovan.

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Pedigree of the Winner.

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Umbrosa (1896).				Islington (1888)			
Shade (1889)		Ayrshire (1885)		Dead Lock (1878)		Isonomy (1876)	
Pollaxe (1872)	Briar (1878)	Atalanta (1878)	Hampton (1872)	Malpractice (1864)	Wenlock (1869)	Isola Bella (1868)	Sterling (1866)
Y. Melbourne (1855)	Jocosa (1868)	Galopin (1872)	Lady Langden (1868)	Lord Clifden (1854)	Mineral (1863)	Lord Clifden (1860)	Whisper (1851)
Virella (1864)	Blair Athol (1861)	Feronia (1858)	Harfoot (1847)	Dutchman's Daughter (1854)	Marpessa (1863)	Isoline (1869)	Oxford (1857)
Melbourne (1834)	Stockwell (1849)	Voltaire (1854)	Kettledrum (1858)	Newminster (1848)	Orlando (1841)	Newminster (1848)	Blinkhatcher (1883)
Clarissa (61)	link Jenny (55)	Flying Duchess (59)	Readman (1847)	The Jave (1852)	Iris (1837)	The Slave (1852)	Honey Dear (1854)
Marsyas (1851)	Woodbine (1860)	Thormanby (1857)	Madame Eglentine (59)	Red Rose (1836)	Rataplan (1850)	Pocahontas (1887)	Florence (1889)
Maid of Palmyra (56)	Mr. Egerton (57)	Lady Alice Hawthorn (59)	Buccaneer (1857)	Garland (1847)	Marpessa (1863)	Ethelbert (1850)	Faintcatcher (1859)
Redshank (1845)	Vedette (1854)	Fairy (1857)	Skirmisher (1847)	Vertumnus (1847)	Tadmor (1847)	Hermsprung (1847)	Pocahontas (1887)
Redshank (1845)	Flying Duchess (59)	Lord of the Isles (1860)	Seclusion (1847)	Stockwell (1849)	Miss Sellon (1847)	Bushbaw (1847)	Ethelbert (1850)
Redshank (1845)	Thormanby (1857)	Miss Ann (1860)	Newminster (1848)	Garbaross mare (1847)	Voltigeur (1847)	Tom-tobone (1847)	Faintcatcher (1859)
Redshank (1845)	Woodbine (1860)	Kettledrum (1858)	Lady Alice Hawthorn (59)	Voltigeur (1847)	Voltigeur (1847)	Bushbaw (1847)	Florence (1889)
Redshank (1845)	Woodbine (1860)	Vedette (1854)	Vedette (1854)	Stockwell (1849)	Voltigeur (1847)	Hermsprung (1847)	Pocahontas (1887)
Redshank (1845)	Woodbine (1860)	Flying Duchess (59)	Flying Duchess (59)	Garland (1847)	Voltigeur (1847)	Tom-tobone (1847)	Ethelbert (1850)
Redshank (1845)	Woodbine (1860)	Thormanby (1857)	Madame Eglentine (59)	Vedette (1854)	Voltigeur (1847)	Bushbaw (1847)	Faintcatcher (1859)
Redshank (1845)	Woodbine (1860)	Woodbine (1860)	Buccaneer (1857)	Garland (1847)	Voltigeur (1847)	Hermsprung (1847)	Florence (1889)
Redshank (1845)	Woodbine (1860)	Stockwell (1849)	Fairy (1857)	Vedette (1854)	Voltigeur (1847)	Tom-tobone (1847)	Pocahontas (1887)
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Redshank (1845)	Woodbine (1860)	Flying Duchess (59)	Miss Ann (1860)	King Tom (1851)	Voltigeur (1847)	Hermsprung (1847)	Faintcatcher (1859)
Redshank (1845)	Woodbine (1860)	Thormanby (1857)	Kettledrum (1858)	Adeline (1858)	Voltigeur (1847)	Tom-tobone (1847)	Florence (1889)
Redshank (1845)	Woodbine (1860)	Woodbine (1860)	Lady Alice Hawthorn (59)	Readman (1847)	Voltigeur (1847)	Bushbaw (1847)	Pocahontas (1887)
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Redshank (1845)	Woodbine (1860)	Stockwell (1849)	Fairy (1857)	Thormanby (1857)	Voltigeur (1847)	Hermsprung (1847)	Faintcatcher (1859)
Redshank (1845)	Woodbine (1860)	link Jenny (55)	Lord of the Isles (1860)	Woodbine (1860)	Voltigeur (1847)	Tom-tobone (1847)	Florence (1889)

(Note.—Reached us too late for inclusion in last issue.—Ed.

THE CRAVEN STAKES.

The Craven Stakes—Of 500sovs., added to a sweepstakes of 10sovs. each for starters; the second to receive 50sovs. out of the stakes; for three-year-olds; colts 8st. 10lbs., fillies 8st. 7lbs.; winners of a race value 190sovs. 3lbs., of one value 500sovs 7lbs., of two races value each 500sovs. or one of 1,000sovs. 10lbs. extra; maidens allowed 5lbs.; entrance 5sovs. R.M.—63 entries. Closed 19th September 1905.

London, *18th April 1907.*

Capt. Greer's bl c SLIEVE GALLION, by Gallinule—Reclusion 1
Sir S. Scott's br c by LADAS—ARDVOURLIE 2
Mr. Wm. Clarke's b c LINACRE, by Wolf's Crag—Lismaine 3

(*Winner trained by S. Darling.*)

Betting: Evens Slieve Gallion, 8 to 1 agst. Ardvourlie colt, 14 to 1 Linacre.

Won by four lengths; one length between second and third.

Pedigree of the Winner.

Slieve Gallion, 1905.

Reclusion.				Gallinule.			
Penscrosa		St. Florian		Moochon		Isonomy	
Allegro	Fitzjames	Palmflower	St. Simon	Daughter of	Hermit	Isola Bella	Sterling
Feronia	Galopin	Hawthorn Bloom	Scottish Chief	Jenny Diver	The Palmer	St. Angela	Galopin
Virella	Blair Athol	Jocosa	Y. Melbourne	Virginia	Galopin	Lady Langden	Galopin
Melbourne	Stockwell	link Jenny	Flying Duchess	Thormanby	Woodbine	Kettledrum	Harfoot
Clarissa	Marsyas	Maid of Palmyra	Redshank	Mr. Egerton	Lady Alice Hawthorn	Vedette	Flying Duchess
Redshank	Vedette	Flying Duchess	Thormanby	Woodbine	Stockwell	link Jenny	Flying Duchess
Redshank	Flying Duchess	Thormanby	Woodbine	Stockwell	link Jenny	Miss Ann	Kettledrum
Redshank	Thormanby	Woodbine	Stockwell	link Jenny	Miss Ann	Lady Alice Hawthorn	Vedette
Redshank	Woodbine	Stockwell	link Jenny	Miss Ann	Kettledrum	Flying Duchess	Thormanby
Redshank	Stockwell	link Jenny	Miss Ann	Kettledrum	Lady Alice Hawthorn	Vedette	Woodbine
Redshank	link Jenny	Miss Ann	Kettledrum	Lady Alice Hawthorn	Vedette	Flying Duchess	Stockwell
Redshank	Miss Ann	Kettledrum	Lady Alice Hawthorn	Vedette	Flying Duchess	Thormanby	link Jenny
Redshank	Kettledrum	Lady Alice Hawthorn	Vedette	Flying Duchess	Thormanby	Woodbine	Miss Ann
Redshank	Lady Alice Hawthorn	Vedette	Flying Duchess	Thormanby	Woodbine	Stockwell	Kettledrum
Redshank	Vedette	Flying Duchess	Thormanby	Woodbine	Stockwell	link Jenny	Lady Alice Hawthorn
Redshank	Flying Duchess	Thormanby	Woodbine	Stockwell	link Jenny	Miss Ann	Vedette
Redshank	Thormanby	Woodbine	Stockwell	link Jenny	Miss Ann	Kettledrum	Flying Duchess
Redshank	Woodbine	Stockwell	link Jenny	Miss Ann	Kettledrum	Lady Alice Hawthorn

Sir E. Vincent's ch f CYANEAN, by Cyllene—
—Neeneemosha, 5yrs., 7st. 8lbs 0
Mr. C. Hibbert's b g MAGIC BALM, by
Balsamo—Therese II, 4yrs., 6st. 4lbs. ... 0
Mr. A. Stedall's b g KOLO, by Matchmaker—
Cloon, 4yrs., 6st. 2lbs. 0

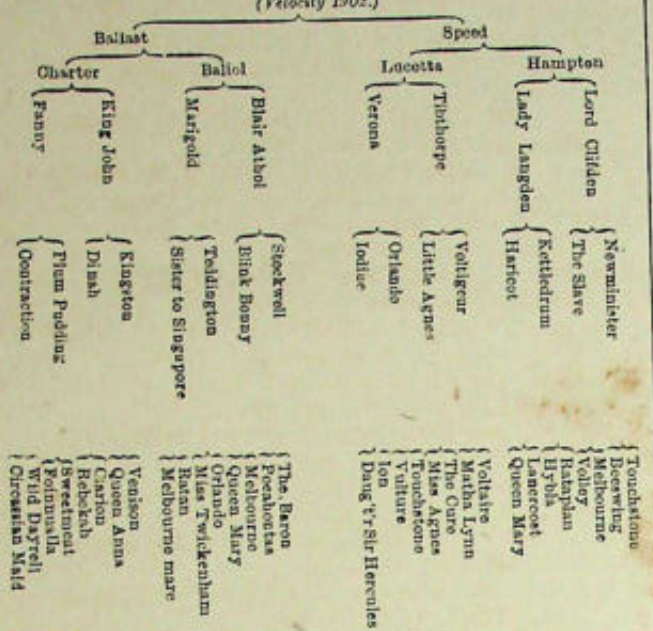
(*Winner trained by Peebles.*)

BETTING : 6 to 1 agst. Velocity, 3 to 1 Larino, 100 to 7 Succour.

Won by three lengths ; a length and a half between second and third.

PEDIGREE OF THE WINNER.

(Velocity 1902.)



Sporting Notes.

THE sensation of the week in Calcutta racing circles has been the reported purchase of Poseidon by Robinson on behalf of Mr. Galstaun at the princely figure of 7,500 guineas. Here indeed would be a competitor to cope with Watson's all-powerful string, but it is scarcely necessary to say that there seems to be but a foundation of truth in the report. Mr. Galstaun is himself away on a trip to England and reliable or positive information is therefore not obtainable, but it is generally understood by those most likely to have the earliest knowledge of such a purchase that the negotiations have not gone beyond an offer many thousands of rupees below the price mentioned. Mr. Galstaun will probably be able to find something less costly in England to suit his purpose.

As reported the Calcutta Plate has been converted into a six-furlong terms race of Rs. 5,000 to be run for on Viceroy's Cup Day, as fully appears from the last Racing Calendar. This is an innovation of importance and is no doubt intended to encourage owners to import first-class sprint horses and so improve matters out here by attracting high priced horses outside the Cup contingent. This is of course an experiment and it would be idle to speculate on the probability of its success or failure. The change is now an accomplished fact and we can only await events. There must be at least some little doubt whether a valuable prize like this may not tempt a certain number of owners to refrain from competing for the Trial and Cup and so decrease the fields for those events. If the new race proves successful without interfering with the long distance races it will no doubt speedily advance still further in value and such an advance will do much to improve the class of horses racing on the Bengal side of India.

MR. APCAR has given a lead by the purchase of Golden Gleam, and has set a standard which will not be easy to maintain, but such is the uncertainty of racing and more especially Indian racing, that Sermon or Paddy's Darling might next year prove the equal of the best sprinter to be bought for money in England or Australia. Auber's successes in England may induce his owner to run Golden Gleam in the old country also during the summer. Auber has now walked off with the Newmarket Sale Stakes and is evidently thriving in Mr. Farquharson's stable. The Colombo sportsman, after an unlucky opening season, has quickly made his mark on the English Turf and in India we are hoping to hear that Great Scot has this week added to the reputation of Austral-Indian racing.

DALKEITH started at eight to one and it is said that a rush of Oriental silver, converted into sovereigns at the standard rate of exchange, maintained by a complacent Government at the expense of the Indian agriculturist, brought the black gelding into a respectable place in the betting list shortly before the race was run. It is comforting to think that some of our friends are getting their fun for nothing, but of course they are losing the profits of the coal boom so they don't get it all their own way and there is no reason for down heartedness among the poor toilers left this summer in the plains of India.

THE Derby, really another Derby, for we are right round to the merry month of May once more, is beginning to attract attention. Galvani was the two-year-old most before the public, but Slieve Gallion has now won the Craven Stakes and heads the betting list. How many bets does that betting list represent at this stage in the proceedings ; its value must be very doubtful and we shall hear very little of the real chances of the cracks until the middle of May at the earliest. Major Eustace Loder has two strings to his bow, a very lucky one these days ; an Isinglass colt, named Baltinglass, being Galvani's stable companion.

PROSPECTS for the Calcutta Monsoon Races this year are very promising ; a big string is expected from Dehra Dun, and Mr. E. J. Marshall has taken over the big house and compound at the Ballygunge corner of Lower Circular Road, where a fine range of stalls is already erected. Racing stables are being pushed further and further away from the course by the gradual advances of the speculative builder and the next of the old landmarks to disappear will probably be the Bhowanipore stables, known for some years past as "*Tattersall's.*" Mr. Galstaun's new permanent stables in Circular Road will soon be the handiest of all and in this connection the proprietor of the new Veterinary and Shoeing-Forge at the foot of Camac Street seems to be taking the tide upon the flood and with all these racing stables springing up in the immediate neighbourhood the prospects of success look rosy.

IN connection with the Ooty Hospital Fete on the 4th proximo a dog show will be held in the Gymkhana pavilion when prizes will be awarded for the following classes, if there are sufficient entries :—Sporting dogs; fox terriers, smooth haired; fox terriers, rough haired; Irish terriers; Scotch terriers ; toy dogs and other varieties; the prettiest dog in the show, and the ugliest dog in the show.

FROM letters appearing in certain sections of the home press, we note that the senile envy exhibited by played out sportsmen (and women) is extending, and though willing to admit there is justification for the condemnation of the extensive *batteau* we fail to see why an outcry should be raised in respect of the wild beast or birds in such countries as this, and others where the hunter and his quarry meet on pretty equal terms. We may allow, and many home huntsmen fully concur and insist that reynard whether he gives a good run or not, ought never to be "dug out," but those who seek to discredit the chase make no distinction. As a matter of fact the "harrowing spectacle" of one being exhumed, as described in the *Standard* of the 21st March is of the rarest occurrence, and we feel sure will be discountenanced by all true sportsmen.

These considerations, however, do not affect the hunting of game or "varmint" in India, where sport in every sense (except, perhaps, in the regrettable instance of waterfowl shooting) is conducted on fair enough grounds. In this latter instance however, we are aware that the big bags made during the past season are receiving consideration at the hands of the several associations and those proprietors of preserves where such have been secured, so that we have every season to believe next cold season will witness moderation in this respect. But when men like Mr. Rees would curtail or interfere with the legitimate shooting of big game we think it is time that all Indian hunters should take energetic measures to check such undue interference; as not content with taking up the cudgels in defence of leopard and tiger this gentleman would now extend his protective sympathies to birds of prey. From the sublime to the ridiculous is but a step and we may yet see pleas put in for the mungoose, jackal, hyæna, wild dog or other game destroyers, while mayhap, a champion will arise on behalf of the cobra and krait

As we may now consider Fraserganga to be firmly established as a week-end resort, pleasure seekers who have souls above golf might organise a sailing club ; not at first on the ambitious scale proposed some years back which embraced big yachts, but a start might be made with small cutters and other craft. An hour or two's run well off the land in the south-west monsoon would be something for our jaded city men to look forward to. Fishing, it goes without saying, could be included in the programme and, in fact, all such mild distractions as make the seaside so popular in other countries might with advantage be adopted. We are convinced that nothing of a *permanent* nature can ever be contemplated in Fraserganga, owing to the ever-present danger of the tidal waves or the heavy cyclonic storms which might sweep the place away in a few hours ; but while those who are interested in running the place as a health resort and recreation centre are about it they might as well consider the advisability of letting their programme embrace something more than golf and deer shooting.

FULL entries for the Derby (run Wednesday, 5th June) are published in our to-day's issue.

THE following was the betting on the City and Suburban on the 5th instant, the day the last received mail left London :—

4 to 1 — Dean Swift, 6yrs, 8st 7lb (t and o), Morton
7 to 1 agst Slavetrader, 4yrs., 8st 4lb (o)...Blackwell
7 to 1 Dalkeith.
8 to 1 Larino.
9 to 1 — Speculor, 5yrs, 7st (o) .....Peacock
100 to 8 — Dinneford, 5yrs, 8st 5lb (t and o)...Taylor
100 to 6 — Golden Measure, 5yrs, 8st 1lb (t and o) Major Edwards
20 to 1 — Catapult, 4yrs, 6st 10lb (t)...W. Wangh

THE LIMIT.

("ONE woman," says a contemporary, "with a gun in her hand and pleasantly smiling the while can reduce a party of sportsmen into terrified pale faced cowards.")

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At tennis I'll your partner be,
And suffer your attack
(For even then, when serving free,
You'll hit me in the back).
Such shocks with patience I can bear,
And try to think it fun ;
Far be it from me, though, to share
The pleasure of your gun.

I'll sing you songs of old romance,
I'll mote with you full fain,
I'll join you in the maxy dance,
Or on an aeroplane.
Despise and flout me if you will,
And cowardice impute,
I'll not deny it, but I'm still
Resolved—we will not shoot.

When a man attains pre-eminence in any branch of sport it often augurs, as Herbert Spencer said to the young man who beat him so badly at billiards, "a mis-spent life." But that cannot be said of Lord Walsingham of London, though he is easily the best shot in England. He is an accomplished writer, one of the first entomologists of the day, a fellow of many learned societies and the owner of the finest collection of moths and butterflies in the world. Yet he has devoted enough time to his favourite sport to make himself the all-round crack shot of the kingdom. He is probably the only man in the world who shoots wasps on the wing. That requires marvellous accuracy of aim. To practice on these little pests and other insect game he had a miniature rifle specially constructed for himself.

His bag of 1,070 grouse to his own gun, shooting for close on fifteen hours on end, has never been surpassed. On another day, on the Yorkshire moors, he brought down 421 brace of grouse, using 1,100 cartridges, which shows what a large percentage of his shots are fatal. He is as expert with the rifle as with the shotgun, and has hunted big game in Oregon and California, but of late years he has preferred hunting insects.

The following is a word picture of sport in Queensland as contributed by the London correspondent of the *Queensland Herald* :—Imagine a sportsman out with his gun on the Queensland plain. A couple of miles away a line of eight or nine black dots apprises him that a flock of emus is in sight. If he is without a stout dog it is not much use to gallop after them ; but, being a new arrival, he is sure to put his horse into a canter and prepare for the chase. The emu's chief weakness is curiosity, and the birds will run round uneasily as he approaches, stopping now and then to regard his movements with a timid uncertainty. If he reins in and stands motionless, they will probably circle round him with great swiftness, coming within twenty or thirty yards, so that he can see the startled expression of their large dark eyes and admire the wonderful grace of their movements before they finally turn and continue their flight beyond the horizon. As he rides along he will see the plain turkey or Australian bustard warily watching him as it slides away through the grass or spreads its great wings to look for grasshoppers at a safer distance. This bird is excellent eating, and weighs as much as 20lbs. It is in great abundance on the Western plains. The scrubs on the coast-side of the range also yield the sportsman excellent bags of great variety. There are many varieties of pigeons, the wonga and the gorgeous painted pigeon being the most prized. As our sportsman pushes his way through the thick tangle of undergrowth and creepers, he is possibly surprised to come upon a freshly-made mound four or five feet in height, and from fifteen to twenty feet in circumference. His first impression may be that in his tumulus reposes some native chief, his bow and spear beside him, secluded in death from a civilisation so fatal to his race. He will be astonished to learn that this is a bird's nest. The scrub turkey, an excellent table bird, rather smaller than the fowl-yard specimen, constructs this great mound in which to deposit its eggs, which are hatched by the sun.

His Highness the Maharaja of Cooch Behar has just purchased First Bell and Forget-me-not from Colonel Stisted.

Major J. H. Enson, the Secretary of the Lucknow Races, who has been making strenuous endeavours to cater for the racing public in the mofussil, addressed a memorandum to the Stewards of the Lucknow Races, at the close of the February meeting, pointing out the desirability of increasing the popularity of racing at Lucknow, from the point of view of the owner, and also of the general public. The proposals made by him met with the approval of the Stewards, and have since been communicated to the Honorary Secretaries at the various racing centres in Northern India, who have displayed their interest in the matter. These suggestions are (*a*) that there should be combined action and co-operation with the up-country stations ; (*b*) alteration of dates of meeting to lessen expense, and add to the continuity of racing; (*c*) transference of flat horse races from the spring to the autumn meeting, and increase of Arab races ; (*d*) the making of military events more *bonâ fide*, in order to encourage gentlemen riders ; (*e*) increased accommodation for the general public, and the opening of a register of stabling in Lucknow ; (*f*) the formation of a Race Club; and (*g*) a moderate increase in stakes. All these proposals, with the exception of the establishment of a Race Club, regarding which opinions are divided, have been, or are in process of being carried into effect. It has been found that it is necessary to look to the Punjab and districts adjacent to Lucknow, for the bulk of the support needed for the improvement of racing in Lucknow, and every thing is being done to arrange fixtures with a minimum amount of interference with meetings at these racing centres.

The Gymkhana meeting will be held later than usual, and the sky meeting will be converted into a first extra meeting, to take place a week prior to the autumn meeting, fixed for the 19th, 21st and 23rd November, and will be followed, a week later, by the second extra meeting. Thus there will be, in all, nine days' racing in November and the latter end of October.

The stakes have been increased substantially, and special attention has been paid to the pony events. The closed races have also been made more attractive. The sanction of the General Officer Commanding the station has been obtained to the opening of a register of stabling, and owners wanting stabling will be able to get it on application to the Race Secretary. It is also proposed, with the sanction of the Civil Service, to put back the Civil Service meeting, from the first to the third week in March, to admit of the stables from Bombay visiting Lucknow at the close of the racing in Bombay. The principal attraction, however, for the general public, is the announcement that the Race Stewards have sanctioned the erection of a grand stand, in keeping with the traditions of Lucknow racing, at an estimated cost of Rs. 16,000 The structure, which will be a handsome addition to the course, will be 150 feet in length, and will accommodate over 500 people ; the present stand is about 50 feet in length and holds 200. The building will be of brick and iron, with a tiled roof and flated pillars, and will be erected at an angle of about 300 to the course, which will admit of a clear view down the straight which the present stand does not afford. The model shows that the tiers of seats will be divided by a gangway through the centre, and there will be a row of boxes at the back, one being reserved for the Stewards and another for the Lieutenant-Governor. The building will also contain a reading room and cloak room for ladies, and similar accommodation for gentlemen. The present stand is being demolished, as also the second stand, and it is hoped to complete the grand stand by October. The construction of the second stand will be taken in hand next year.

Athletic Notes.

We commend to the earnest attention of all interested in Calcutta football the special article written by "Referee" on the present position and future prospects of the Indian Football Association. The time has come for the serious consideration of these matters. The baboo alas ! continues to exhibit those characteristics so concisely catalogued by Lord Macaulay in his famous essay ; he has shown a certain aptitude for participating in the outdoor pastimes of the British, but it seems hopeless to expect he will ever play those games in the proper spirit. We can never hope to make a sportsman of him and in the present deplorable conditions of racial prejudice it is as well not to persevere further with the unprofitable experiment.

Our Bombay correspondent writes :—The general public interest will now for a time have only the Aga Khan Hockey tournament to centre itself upon. Arrangements are in the hands of the following :—President, Mr. D. B. Binning ; members, Messrs. T. A. Savage, H. F. Busch, C. D. Baker, E. B. Ousley, C. R. Cole and C. B. Gannon, and the duties of Honorary Secretary are with the energetic Mr. E. M. Webb. Entries close on the 4th May, drawings on the 6th and the first game on the 8th.

The Bombay Gymkhana continue to improve and by tournament time should be a very useful team and I think as good as any local combination. In goal they have Collingwood, who when he settles down in that position, will be quite brilliant, having ample pluck. At back C. D Baker and C. A. Ward make quite an exceptional pair and will take some beating and in front they possess in Cole England's right half in 1906 as well as useful players in Williams and Saxby. The Gymkhana all round seems to be backing up a bit and the number of hockey players available will probably see a B team entered.

Entries for the cup so far are the Royal Scots, King's, (Nasirabad), East Lancs (Poona) and Parsee H. C. (Bombay). We would like also to see one or more of your Calcutta teams competing.

Since last writing there have been four more games played in the singles Tennis Handicap at the Gymkhana, but all somewhat tame. The best contested was one between E. B. Ousley scratch and G. Hately scratch which after long rallies of a rather soft description ended in a win for the former by 3—6, 6—5, 6—4. The others were easily won. T. D. Parry +15 3 beating R. Peel 3 by 6—1, 6—0, and E. E. Hill + 3 beating F. L. Gore + 15·3 by 6—2, 6—0.

A start has been made with the doubles and two good games have been played. C. Thomson and S. L. Bean —30 beat E E. Coombs and S. Curling scratch by 6—5, 6—5 Play was of a high order with good, hard driving and the result always in doubt It was a bit of a surprise when E. B., Ousley and R. J. Brown +·3 beat R. L. Roberts and H. Cheetham – 15·4. Cheetham was dead off and not playing anything like his true game.

At the Yacht Club on Saturday three races were sailed with a moderate wind blowing and some close finishes were seen ; *Turquoise* being under repair only two sailed for "A" class and after a good race *Sapphire* just got home by 16½ secs. on time allowing *Melody* 9mins 43secs. over 10·6 miles.

Four started and finished for "B" class and a good finish between them all was seen. *Erin* just won from *Mannikin* with *Trixie* unable to make up the allowances.

With *Valkerie* scratched, seven went for the "T" and "C" class and a splendid race it was with *Lapwing* finishing flying a protest flag On the same marks, *Maud* and *Coralie* had a great race following the scratch boat, *Tomtit* It was quite a neck and neck affair between the former two, which *Maud* won by only 16secs. with *Clutha* 72secs. off, also saving her time on *Tomtit* who won the class prize.

What might have proved a very serious accident occurred recently to Mr. R. C. Lehmann, M.P., whose fame in sport is world-wide. It appears that while he was driving in his car down a hill near his home at Bourne End, the hand-brake snapped, and the foot-brake was not sufficient to stop the car.

Mr. Lehmann, who was accompanied by two of his daughters and a niece, turned the car into the bank, the whole of the occupants being thrown out. He himself was thrown under the car, but escaped serious injury, as also did his companions, who were naturally very much frightened.

A Dutchman's moralising over his dog is given in the *Sydney Bulletin* :—"You vas only a dog, but I vish I vas you. Ven you go mit your bed in, you shust turn round dree times and lay down. Ven I go mit the bed in, I have to lock up de blace, and vind up de clock, and put the cat out, and ondress mineself, and my frau vakes up and scolds, den de baby vakes up and cries, and I haf to valk him mit the house round ; den may be ven I gets myself to bed it is time to get up again. Ven you get up you shust stretch yourself a leedle, and you vas up. I haf to light de fire and put on de kettle, scrap some mit mine wife already and get myself breakfast. You blay around all day and haf blenty of fun ; I haf to work all day and haf blenty of drubble. Ven you die you vas dead ; ven I die I haf to go to hell yet."

Thirty or forty years ago the young men who did battle for their Alma Mater in the University Boat Race were looked upon by many as "butcher'd" to make a London holiday, or at any rate as foredoomed to premature breakdown and untimely death. The part of Cassandra was first played by Mr. Skey, of St. Bartholomew's Hospital, but he had not a few rivals and under studies in the role. Mr. Skey's denunciations of the Boat Race found a powerful echo in Wilkie Collins, who in "Man and Wife" depicted the University oarsman as a brutal ruffian who is suddenly struck down by death in the flower of his strength. In October, 1867, however, the late Sir George Humphry, says the *British Medical Journal*, gave an opinion, based on the experience of more than a quarter of a century, that the ill-effects of boat-racing had been exaggerated. He said that on the whole boating is unquestionably a great physical and moral good to undergraduates, affording a healthful, agreeable recreation and imparting vigour to body and mind. His own experience led him to the belief that it is seldom productive of serious bodily mischief either immediate or subsequent. Some possible evils Sir George admitted, but these, he said, were reduced to a minimum, and he pleaded strongly for boat-racing as helping to develop the man and prepare him for the struggles of life, part of their value in this respect being due to the "courage-exciting risks" involved.

The myth as to the dangers of rowing in general, and of the University boat race in particular, was finally

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dissipated by the late Dr. J. E. Morgan, of Manchester, a graduate of Oxford, who had himself been captain of his college boat. He made a series of enquiries among all the men who had rowed in the race between 1829 and 1869, and their friends and relatives. Dr. Morgan sums up the results of his inquiry as follows: "115 (or 39 per cent. of the whole) were benefited by their exertions, 162 (or 55 per cent.) were in no way injured, while 17 (or about 6 per cent.) refer to themselves, or are spoken of by their friends, as having sustained that amount of injury," which on critical examination turns out to be open to considerable doubt.

THE sporting *entente* with France is resulting in very marked improvement in the playing of team games by our neighbours. A few years since one watched their efforts at "le football" and other games with superior smiles. Now they are distinctly coming on at football and hockey (a team of French schoolboys has recently beaten a Cambridge holiday team), and would do very well in a year or two if they took up lacrosse, a game eminently suitable to the French temperament. But at rowing, in which France excelled to the extent of the defeat of a London crew by a French eight before she became prominent in other sports, there is a deadlock. The French oarsmen cannot see their way to fall into line with the strict amateur definition of the Amateur Rowing Association. The latter regret this decision, but must adhere to a clause which keeps rowing a supremely pure amateur sport. It is a pity that the French amateur cannot come to an agreement in view of appearances at Henley, and particularly at the Olympic Games regatta of next year, which bids fair to be one of the most notable aquatic gatherings in the history of rowing.

THINGS promise well for the Poona Boxing Tournament: a list of the second entries is given among our boxing news to-day.

REUTER'S Agency wires on the 21st instant:—"Dawson, while playing Lovejoy 25,000 up, made a break of 23,769 unfinished, of which 11,798 were anchor cannons." Surely this stupendous farce must now cease!

THE Football Association Cup final last Saturday brought together Sheffield Wednesday and Everton, the first named winning by two goals to one.

AMERICAN college girls for years have been exponents of President Roosevelt's advice to live the strenuous life physically and mentally and they now engage in athletic contests, which in England might be considered a trifle unfeminine. Nothing vexes the American college girl more than to be called a mollycoddle. Only the other day a gentle girl undergraduate, the lady football champion of Chicago, threw her own father down so hard that the old gentleman must remain in hospital for months, and last month, in a New York theatre knock-outs were the features of Greek games in which the Barnard College girls participated. In the wrestling matches and tug-of-war they showed ferocity and muscular strength which one observer describes as "truly Amazonian."

Unlike their brothers, these Barnard College girls do not know how to take defeat. In the tug-of-war between sophomores and "freshmen," four Barnard girls succumbed as the result of their heroic exertions, fainted from exhaustion, and wept hysterically. With returning consciousness, however, they fought with their friends to return to the combat. In the efforts made to revive these stricken ones, water brought in soup dishes and buckets was spilled recklessly around on the healthy students as well as on the unconscious athletes.

During a wrestling contest Miss Grace Smithers, by an adroit move threw Miss Millicent Baily to the floor much more heavily than is good for the average young lady or even for athletic Barnardians.

The tug-of-war, however, was the *piece de resistance*. Never before was there such tugging, plunging, pulling backward and forward, and struggling, and screaming, for America's college girls seldom put in their best work silently. In their flowing white cheesecloth garments, like those worn during the time of the Cæsars, with their hair done in ancient Greek style, the girls looked strikingly pretty, at least at the commencement of the games. It is just possible that a reaction will shortly be witnessed in America against men's games being played by girls but that time, despite the protest of Professor Royce, of Harvard, who declares that modern athletics unrestrained will "lead to hysteria," has not yet arrived.

THE M. C. C. will send a cricket team to Australia in the autumn.

THAT misguided slogger "Tiger" Smith has again gone down. This time he aspired to take on Sam Langford, the American, for the Middle Weight Championship of England. The meeting came off at the National Sporting Club on the 22nd instant, and, as was only to be expected, the unfortunate Smith was knocked out in the fourth round. The "Tiger" had better drop his ferocious *sobriquet* now; seeing that he is a sort of "lion's provider," in that he occasionally gives the big ones of the English ring a few moments' mastic excitement, how would "Jackal" do?

A GENERAL MEETING of the members and Referees of the Calcutta Referees' Association was held last Tuesday night at the Y.M.C.A. The attendance was fairly representative, and amongst those present were:—(Messrs. J. S. Reid (C.F.C.), F. E. Bushey (C.F.C.), D. L. Walker (Caledonian), P. C. Maggott (Saugers), Theo Walsh (D.F.C.), A. B. Rosser, Harness Sergt. Watson (N.F.), A. R. C. Miller (C. R. A.), T. Jackson (C.F.L.) S. N. Bose (Mohun Bagan) N. R. Bhattacharjee (Rovers), and D. Sen (Sporting Union). Mr. F. H. Reynolds was voted to the chair.

After some discussion, which lasted for over an hour, the following resolutions were proposed and carried *nem con*:—

(*a*) That this meeting do place on record their disapproval of the decisions arrived at by the I.F.A. with reference to the affiliation of the Calcutta Referees' Association, and do request the I.F.A. to take due steps to reconsider their decision at a Special General Meeting which has to be called under section 10 of the Rules of the I. F. A.

(*b*) That the C. R. A. apply for affiliation to the I. F. A. and pay the usual subscription of Rs. 10.

(*c*) That Mr. A. R. C. Miller be appointed representative of the C. R. A. to the I. F. A.

With the usual vote of thanks to the chair, the meeting separated.

In London Town.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

Friday 5th April 1907.

NEVER have we had a more glorious Easter: windless, bright sun, never a cloud in the sky. The exodus from town taxed the railway companies to their utmost and fantastic figures purporting to represent the traffic were current: one journal triumphantly headed the list with the statement that *two* of London's five million inhabitants "went out of town." The number of incursionists must have been enormous also. On Easter Monday a procession of eighteen char-a-bancs made a pilgrimage round the West end: these carried about 30 persons in each, and represented one of countless "cheap trips" from the big manufacturing towns to London brought out by the splendid sunshine. We had a wholesome reminder concerning the reliability of spring weather on Wednesday, Dartmoor was buried under a heavy snow fall.

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Her Majesty and the Empress of Russia paid a private visit to the Natural History Museum last week. There was no ceremony: the two officials escorted the royal visitors round had only an hour's notice of their intended visit and the whole thing was so quietly done that casual strangers in the museum as usual did not even know that the two sovereigns were in the building. The Queen, I am told, was as excited and pleased as a child, displaying the closest interest in the exhibits and asking endless questions which sometimes taxed her escort to answer.

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Mr. Swift McNeill, has come forward with a scheme of his very own for the "improvement" of the Upper House. He writes to "C. B." to point out that it is the prerogative of the Crown to issue writs of summons to peers. Let the king issue such writ only to peers who are known to be in active sympathy with the present wonderful administration:—and there you are! The peer not summoned has no remedy. Only peers who think with Mr. McNeill, Mr. Keir Hardie and their kidney would adorn the benches of the Lords. I wonder how many there would be when the House of Peers assembled on these lines was gathered together.

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Forty of the suffragist martyrs were released from Holloway on Wednesday. They were met by the usual band, formed the usual procession to the nearest underground station met for the usual breakfast and heard the usual speeches: and announced the usual intention of waging remorseless fight against their voteless fate. Experience of prison has enabled these good people to enlarge their programme: they mean to agitate incidentally for female prison inspectors, lady prison doctors, and lady visiting magistrates. Officials of this kind may become desirable if the campaign is continued: but the police authorities are growing very anxious about the growth of the mobs these women bring about Westminister, and measures may be taken to check their folly.

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Mrs. Grossman of New Zealand has been showing us ourselves as others see us in the pages of the *XIX Century* for this month. London seems to be in a bad way. Londoners it seems severely censure "trifling faults of manner or dress" (can anyone have been rude enough to criticise colonial accents and dressmakers in Mrs. G.'s hearing?) "but take elaborate pains to ignore vices perhaps because there are much more troublesome things to deal with." More likely I think, because our neighbour's vices are his own affair so long as he does not obtrude them upon our notice. "Though crimes of violence are proportionately, rare, fraud and dissolute living seem to flourish without restraint or punishment." One may live decently I admit if discretion be exercised and one does not disturb the people next door, but fraud is another thing. Fraud only goes unrestrained until it is found out and had Mrs Grossman stayed a little longer in town she would have discovered that it is found out with results very damaging to the

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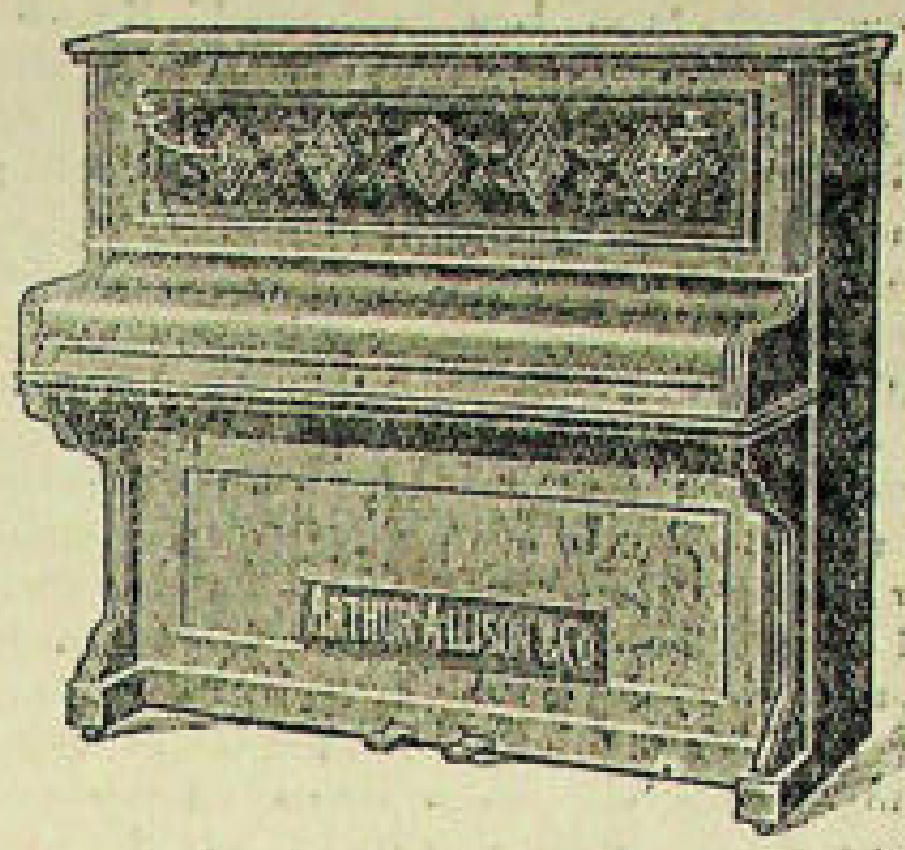

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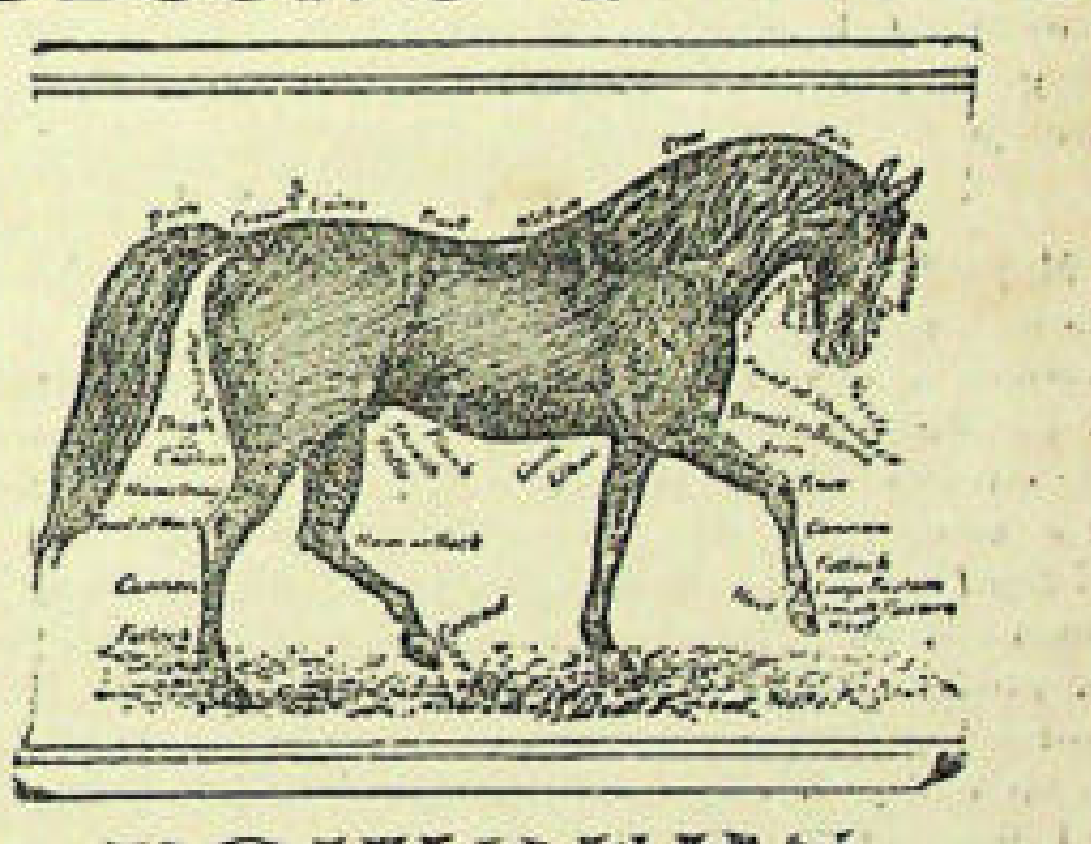

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offender. Mrs. Grossman admits that our manners in London are good, but I think she must have been unfortunate in the friends she made. "There is a superficial kindliness and *bonhomie* prevalent in London streets, analogous to the conventional courtesies of society and equally destitute of real warmth or depth of feeling." I confess this dictum puzzles me: let's consider it.

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What did the lady expect to find "in London streets"—assuming that this is a way of saying "among the people the stranger accosts in London streets?" Not so long ago business taking me to the Strand I was accosted by a stranger who singled me out in the stream of pedestrians to ask how far it was to St. Paul's: I told him: he said he would join me if he might as I was going thitherward. He was a man of autobiographic tendency. He was from "the Colonies" which was obvious: he was "seeing London" which was equally so: he had made a "bit of money" a fact which did not concern me: he was unmarried: ditto: and much more equally personal and equally uninteresting to me in a man of somewhat battered exterior and rude speech who wanted to see St. Paul's. Twice I caught him eyeing me out the corner of his eye, in a fashion that made me think of the "confidence trick" and the possibility that the stranger might be sizing me up as to my susceptibility as a victim. I steered him past St. Mary's, correcting his idea that it was St Paul's, past the Law Courts, directed him on his way, declined a drink and sought refuge up Fetter Lane where I had no concern.

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Now my dear Editor what did that unmarried colonial with the bit of money expect? I was polite—I must even have looked sympathetic or why did he single me out as a guide and attach himself to me. I repeat, what did he expect? Did he look for "real warmth or depth of feeling?" Was he disappointed because when he said he was from the Colonies I omitted to fall upon his neck and give him a tearful welcome? Was it my duty—in his eyes—to instantly bid him return to the hotel (Something Street, Charing Cross) pack up his things and hold my house and all that therein is, his home and abiding place what time he should sojourn in London? Did I outrage his good feelings when I excused myself from drinking on the ground that I had lunched? Ought I to have said I would eat? I feel sure the man was disappointed by the way he squared his shoulders as he walked away. His air reminded me of that other man I encountered once in an omnibus at the top of Sloan Street: he was openly and frankly aggrieved when, opening a small parcel he disclosed a cloth cap he had just paid 3s. 9d. for he failed to elicit anything but titters, and expatiating at length on its qualities. "In the Colonies," he said severely, "we'd think you were all dumb;" and relapsed into dumbness himself did he get out at the Albert Memorial. It is a hard saying: but that covert anxiety to exploit his neighbour for his own advantage which Mrs. Grossman tells us is one of our besetting sins, is the very thing that leads us to look shyly upon strangers in London.

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Major Murray's death, which took place on the 28th March, recalls the sensational incident of the early sixties in which he was the chief actor. You may remember it. Major Murray used to dabble a good deal in city matters, and one day while in Hungerford Market he was accosted by a stranger who introduced himself as Mr. Roberts a solicitor, prepared to find money for a budding company in which Major Murray was interested. Major Murray accepted his invitation to his office, and Roberts closing the door, caught up a revolver from the papers on his table, while apparently making search among them and fired at his visitor. Major Murray fell, wounded, and thinking his assailant a homicidal lunatic shammed death. This not preventing Roberts from firing at him again, he sprang up, grabbed the tongs and attacked Roberts. Major Murray was a very active and strong man and a furious fight ensued (do you recollect the lurid coloured print of the "Room after the fight"? Oddly enough a copy of it caught my eye in a second handbook and print shops only a few weeks ago). Roberts was also a strong man and he used his pistol freely. After a bloody struggle Major Murray caught his man fairly on the temple with the tongs and stunned him: then as the door was locked he jumped out of the window into a court at the back where he fainted from loss of blood. Roberts died in hospital and Major Murray's very clear account of the affair at the inquest secured what no one doubted the proper verdict of "justifiable homicide." He was 88 years of age when he died last week.

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Mr. Gladstone anticipated the numerous petitions for the reprieve of Rayner: on Saturday it was announced that "having regard to all the circumstances" the Home Secretary had recommended the usual course. Had I not received information from a source that must be well informed I should have ventured the conjecture that Sir Geo. Lewis had imparted to Mr. Gladstone the evidence he was allowed to withhold at the trial and the minister regarded such patricide as a crime with extenuating circumstances: but my informant tells me that the influential circumstances were that Rayner had been nursed back to health for legal uses, and the condition of the murderer's wife (who gave birth to a daughter on Monday). It seems to me a doubtful kindness to condemn the unfortunate woman to 20 years of parish support with the prospect of recovering a very indifferent mate at the end of it. Had Rayner got his deserts in all reasonable probability the woman's unhappy situation would have brought her suitors—of a kind—before the quick lime had done its work on his carcase.

The reprieve of this interesting murderer raises a very nice question. Grant that the victim was a greasy obsequious old hypocrite whose moral character would not bear the light of day, and left a million to charities, while his illegitimate off-spring starved—for there is not the shade of a shadow of doubt after Sir Geo. Lewis' silence in the witness box that Mr. Whiteley *was* his victim's father. Grant these things, I say, and can we say that a murder so deliberate was one which deserved anything but the rope? On Rayner's own written evidence—he foretold a "double tragedy" you may remember—he sought out his father with intent to kill, if he failed to get help from him Never was murder more deliberately planned. I am not prepared to maintain that the fact of Whiteley's paternity in the circumstances aggravated the crime: but it is equally difficult to uphold the theory that in any degree condone, the shooting. Take the crime and the reprieve by the light of the legal proceedings into which the question of the deceased's relation to his murderer was not allowed to enter, then Rayner's case is the worse: Mr. Whitely was not proved to be Rayner's father: *ergo* in the eye of the law he was not the accused's father; and Rayner was guilty of murder as the alternative to failure in an attempt to blackmail a rich tradesman, and deserves hanging twice over. Mrs. Rayner's condition is held to be the excuse adopted to save the feelings of legitimate relatives of the murdered man and never has reprieve been more sharply criticised. Meantime bilious sentimentalists are organising agitation for further reduction of the sentence.

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It was with Patience that the Savoy Theatre opened over quarter of a century ago. I confess that I went last night almost in fear and trembling Would an opera which depended so largely on a passing craze appeal to an audience, many of whom know æstheticism only by name and barely that? It came triumphantly out of the ordeal there is quite enough of the eternal human in it, quite enough of the wit that is of no age, and there is the music. Whether I am grown more critical or not I will not enquire, but the playing did not content me: did not compare with my recollection of the original. Mr. Chalow as Grosvenor was excellent, Miss. Clara Daw as "Patience" acts and sings delightfully and Miss. Jessie Rose satisfied in Miss. Jessie Bond's old part of Lady Angela: but Mr. Workman has by no means grasped the Gilbertian idea in his reading of Bunthorne on whom so much depends: he makes Bunthorne too much of a buffoon: and what is worse he tries, and fails conspicuously, to improve upon his author. This was a great mistake. Clever actors can improve on most authors: indeed it is expected of them that they shall "work up" the material provided for them: but this cannot be done with Gilbertian humour: it is too real, too individual, too rounded in its neatness and finish to bear retouching or remoulding. No actor on the modern stage can improve on Gilbert and he only advertises his own shortcomings if he be rash enough to try. Mr. Workman cannot make Gilbertian characters funnier than Mr. Gilbert has done: he were wise to take them as they are.

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It has been represented to Mrs. D'Oyley Carte that it would be inadvisable to revive the *Mikado*: presumably some wiseacre at Whitehall imagines that the Japanese are so sensitive that they would dislike it. It is not easy to believe they are so foolish, after reading all that has been written to show the national sense of humour and love of stage-plays: but the representations have been made and the operas will not be revived after *Patience*, which took the Savoy boards last night.

I feel no overwhelming inclination to dwell on Mr. Walter Howard's "Stirring Romantic Play" in four acts which was produced at the Lyceum on Saturday. The posters are enough to choke off anyone—a young person of prepossessing appearance turning her back on a crowned gentleman who tenders a crown on a velvet cushion to the back of the young person who rushes to a handcuffed gentleman in preference. The crowned gentleman is the wicked—unutterably wicked—King of Ravensburg, the handcuffed party Eric, Earl of Strathmore, "a soldier of fortune," and the young person is the princess, both want to marry. Stirring? I warrant you! Romantic? I should think so! How the heroics of that Earl of the hair breadth escapes roused the pit! How the autocratic utterances of that king pricked the gallery to hiss! Oh a wholesome, if filling meal is "Her Love Against the World." Weakness triumphs over strength, virtue over vice, poverty over wealth. The only endurable character of the crowd and it is a big one, is Princess Iris' comic servant Frisy: Mr. Oxley is really funny and his humour is wasted in popular melodrama.

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Mr. Lewis Waller has revived "Monsieur Beaucaire" himself of course in the name part. Miss Evelyn Millard is the Lady Mary as a foretaste: it suits her to a shade: the only new hand of note is Miss Dora Barton, who plays Lucy Rellerton, not a part that gives her much of a chance, but she does well what she has to do.

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The Hippodrome manager shows rare ingenuity in using the stock of water acquired for the *Food:* the supply is now used for the *Typhoon*, another wet spectacle much to the taste of the B. P. *Terrific* and excellent stage storm with bursting marine boilers (why *should* a steamer's boilers go and burst just when a bad weather sets in?) and most lurid lightning were as peculiar as the new Lyceum melodrama. Such rain you never saw on stage before; nor such thunder heard. The weather clears with commendable stage promptitude for life boat to come on. It was a very nice life boat manned by white men: a detail which recalled to the precisian the circumstance that the Typhoon occurs in the China Seas.

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The new street Betting Act has only served to turn the betting business into a new channel. The men who made books with workmen now establish themselves openly in offices as "commission agents" and do a thriving business as such. So long as no money is seen to pass they are as safe as bankers: their customers pay in a deposit and bet on the strength of that. When will moral legislators learn that Law wont stop men betting?

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The Prince of Wales' South Lancashire has had its old regimental number restored to it in response to a request from a French source: and the Band of the 40th as such will play at a charity fete at Lille. I wonder if this is the thin end of the wedge. I do not think there would be much complaint were the old numbers restored for every day use.

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The wretched *Sueric* has been cut in two by means of explosives and the better half of the vessel has been towed to Southampton to be repaired sufficiently to go to Belfast. The decaying carcases of mutton and rabbits from the cold storage chambers strew the beach at the Lizard and the stench renders the place intolerable.

The sentence on Gourlay, the engine driver, more or less responsible for the Arbroath disaster, has been reduced from five months to three.

The Saturday afternoon picture sales at Christie's will cease after the end of this month. Christie's Saturday afternoons have been an institution for over a century: the week end exodus has wrought their undoing.

ONLOOKER.

Review.

THE SPORTSMAN IN CEYLON.*

THE long period which has elapsed since the publication of Sir Samuel Baker's well-known work on Sport in Ceylon affords ample justification for the issue of another volume on the same subject, if only to show the changes which have taken place in the country as a hunting-field. As might have been expected, the changes are great in this respect, and all for the worse, so great, indeed, has been the destruction of game during the last few years that, as the author strongly urges, it is high time Government took more active and effectual measures to check the process of extermination which is only too surely going on. Judging from the number of antlers exported, after making ample allowance for those naturally shed, the annual destruction of chital and sambur must be simply enormous; the drain, in an area rather smaller than Ireland, being such that no big game animal can long withstand.

The mischief is apparently in very great measure due to the trade in dried venison, for which purpose does are slaughtered in probably even larger numbers than bucks. Added to this is the trade in buckshorn and, it may be presumed, in hides. Exportation of such commodities is, it seems, already under Government control; and the real remedy, in the author's opinion, is the total prohibition of the sale of all products of the chase in the island itself. On the other hand, it is only fair that the villagers should be permitted to kill such game as they require for their own consumption.

Much the same story is told with regard to elephants, the author stating that in his opinion there are less than a couple of thousand wild ones to be found in the whole island at the present day, although not many years ago the number was estimated at five thousand. This is a terrible contrast to the state of affairs some sixty years ago, where one sportsman is credited with having slaughtered no less than 1,400 head, and two other nearly as many between them. Possibly in those days there were too many elephant, and the crops suffered proportionately, otherwise it is difficult to understand why the Sircar should have offered rewards for their slaughter.

Probably it was these rewards that induced the sportsmen referred to above to shoot elephants in this wholesale and apparently wanton manner; for the absence or rudimentary condition of tusks in most Singalese elephants renders their slaughter in large numbers little, if at all, removed from simple butchery. It in true indeed, that the author and some of his friends were in the habit of preserving the skulls of some of these slain elephants as trophies; but such trophies are somewhat bulky objects to keep in a house, and very few of them would, we think, suffice to satisfy most sportsmen, should any sportsman become tired of keeping such trophies he may be reminded that they would probably be welcome gifts to museums both in this country and at home, more especially as Ceylon elephants are becoming so scarce.

Very interesting is the statement to the effect that there is a breed of very large tuskless elephants existing in the Tamankaduwa district; one of these shot by Mr. Storey himself measuring, so far as could be ascertained nine feet nine inches, while others are said to reach ten feet. On the other hand, the ordinary height of Singalese elephants does not exceed from seven feet six inches to eight feet six inches at the shoulder, any animal over nine feet being a monster. If we knew more of these Tamankaduwa giants, it is highly probable that they would prove to be a distinct local race.

As he expressly disclaims any qualifications entitling him to rank as a naturalist, the author refrains from alluding to what has been written with regard to the tusker elephants of Ceylon. It may be mentioned, however, that the suggestion had been made that these tuskers were originally imported from the mainland, and are therefore racially distinct from the presumably indigenous tuskless Singalese elephants.

Be this as it may, we learn from Mr Storey that tuskers are now exceedingly rare in the island in the wild condition and that he only heard of two or three having been killed by sportsmen during the last dozen years or so. The latter portion of the statement may, however, in all probability be partly accounted for by the fact that shooting tuskers, unless they be "rogues," is now prohibited under heavy penalties. It is added that there is a considerable number of tame tuskers in the island among which are several quite fine ones; but it would seem that all these are aged animals, probably captured many years ago.

* *Hunting and Shooting in Ceylon.* By Harry Stoss (and others) London, Longmans, Green, and Company, 1907 pp. xxiii and 366 illustrated. Price 15-0, net.

The author has many stirring stories of elephant-hunting to recount; and he gives excellent advice to beginners when he warns them never to go out unless accompanied by an old hand. For, he further tells us, that although Singalese shikaris and gun-bearers are much too familiar with elephants ever to think of bolting during a close encounter or a charge, yet they have the awkward habit, owing to excitement, of firing off both barrels of the weapons left in their charge. The sportsman has therefore in most cases to depend entirely upon the one rifle in his own hands. Another piece of advice given to the tyro is not to attempt to swarm up a tree (least of all a small one) when an elephant is charging.

As to weapons, Mr. Storey first of all used, and apparently with success and satisfaction, a "paradox"; but this was subsequently discarded in favour of a rifle of much larger calibre. The following anecdote in probably unique;—

"I once saw a very interesting sight in the case of an elephant I had fired at and failed to kill. In running away it ran blindly into a matted mass of thick woody creepers and actually stuck! It drew back and pushed forward again like a battering ram, but again stuck, though branches flew in all directions, breaking with reports like pistol-shots. Again it retreated a few and made a most determined efforts, this time smashing its way through; great creepers, twigs, and branches cracking, snapping, and flying all over the place. I was so interested in the sight that I did not fire again, but let him go."

Of the smaller animals of the island the author has much to tell us, although limitations of space prevent fuller reference to this part of the subject. It may be mentioned, however, that Mr. Storey supports the statement that the Ceylon chital differ in certain respects from the mainland animal; and he seems to hold the opinion that analogous differences obtain in the case of most of the other game animals when contrasted with their Indian representatives, as, indeed, is most probably the case.

The book is not, however, by any means restricted to the mammals of the island; we have, for example, a most excellent chapter on snipe-shooting.

A special feature of the volume (which is most distinctly one to be read) is the contribution by other sportsmen of sections on subjects with which they happen to be specially familiar; so that, with the author's own experience of fifteen years, the work may be said to be a thoroughly up to date account of the sport of the island. If that sport is not like what it was in Sir Samuel Baker's time, it is still good enough —accompanied as it is by exquisitely beautiful scenery—to satisfy most men. All that is needful is that Government should take steps to prevent the game from undergoing further serious diminution.

Shikar.

TWO IBEX IN SPITI.

MANI means gem (Om mani padmi hun. The village so named is a perfect emerald in a very rough setting. We first caught sight of it from a small rise which concealed it from view till quite near. We had got to ibex ground at last and intended to stay. Our first business was to inform the authorities of our arrival. The man in power here is the Nono who seems also to be the head of the people. There are no officials here in the usual sense of the term. We were informed that the Nono was a young man who had taken to drink—and was now dying from over indulgence! He was quite unfit to perform any duties. In fact he died three days after our arrival. The next person in authority was the Assistant Commissioner of Kulu to reach whom a letter would take at least *two* days as there was no post and a messenger would have to be sent! We felt now that we were certainly off the beaten track and far from the madding crowd, and that we could enjoy, without fear of being cut by our best friends, the luxury of a collarless shirt and a leather belt. The ancestral feeling of savage freedom rapidly revived in us and we lapsed into dirty clothes and rough beards without an effort. The only local representative of the British Empire within reach was the "patwari" but he was only a village official, the clerk who kept the accounts of the peasantry. Luckily, Mani was his head quarters, so we interviewed him. He was almost blind! We struck oil at last, in his son, a lad of sixteen, who was his father's inseparable companion and transacted all official business under the sanctioning presence of his progenitor. This young man did all the clerical business of the country, besides keeping the village accounts, as he seemed to be the only person in Spiti who knew the Indian vernacular. He was an obliging young man and helped us efficiently. With his aid we despatched a messenger to the Assistant Commissioner of Kulu asking for permission to shoot in Spiti.

The original plan of our journey was to have a few days ibex shooting, gather supplies here in the meanwhile, and then make our way across the Parang-la to the Tso-Morri Lake, work back by the Baralacha into Lahoul, cross into Kulu by the Rotang—and so to railhead at Pathankot or Simla by the middle of October. We therefore advanced the Patwari forty rupees to collect supplies while we proceeded on our ibex hunt. A large quantity of supplies was absolutely necessary for our intended journey as, after crossing the Parang-la none would again be procurable till we reached Lahoul. The Patwari and his son served us well in this respect and saved us an immense deal if trouble.

Our ibex ground was the knot of mountains to the south-west of Mani which sends long spurs down to the Spiti river, and very short ones, on the reverse side, down to the Peen. The highest points in this range are marked in the map "Snowy Peak 19,404ft." and "Great Rock 19,606ft." I shot my first ibex between these two peaks in the Lung-de valley, the stream from which runs down to the Spiti river. My second ibex I bagged on the Peen side of the range near the sources of the Kyoka stream which joins the Peen river above the village of Tiling. We spent exactly three weeks in this ground but most of this time we lost in travelling over the lower spurs of these mountains getting from one slope to the other. The shikaris absolutely refused to take us from the head of the Lung-de into the Kyoka valley and I was obliged to come down again to the village of Tungti in the Peen, get round by Tiling and Hansa and ascend again to the ibex gounds at the sources of the Kyoko. We thus wasted two weeks while one week only was spent in actually following the game. During that time I had two stalks in the Lung-de and two in the Kyoko valley, and bagged two ibex. There was also that difficulty about the cook. He could not be in two places at the same time, so he was left at the main camp in the lower part of the valley while my friend took one ibex ground with four days food and I did the same in the opposite irection. The cold food, backed by rough chapatis cooked by a coolie, soon blunted our appettes and we were irresistably attracted back to the cooking tent where hot meals awaited us. I could generally last out my four day's but my friend was not so stoical. I always found him down before me within measurable distance of the fleshi pots. It must be said in his extenuation that this was his first experience in ibex shooting and roughing it was not his strong point.

I ascended the Lung-de valley on the 19th of June and remained there five days. My first stalk was a failure as the ibex had seen us approaching from a long distance and my camp was in full view of them all the time. The second attempt was successful. But only after a very tough bit of work. We sighted three old bucks, all by themselves, late one evening. So left them alone for next day. We found them in the morning just under Snowy Peak, 19,404 ft. We had left camp at 4-30 a.m. and sighted our game an hour afterwards. We first managed to get *above* them after an exhausting climb and then followed them over awful ground till 1 p.m. The ascents and descents were without number and frequently most dangerous. The ibex seemed restless but not alarmed; they would lie up, for a time, then get up and slowly move on. Their instinct told them there was something wrong, but they could not locate it. The hunt was so long and fatiguing that I began to flag, but the Spiti shikari was untiring and quartered the gound like a dog. Shortly after noon he found the three bucks at last, lying down on a low ridge commanded on all sides by higher ones—but out of range! The place was splendidly chosen for a quiet snooze in perfect safety and there were the three old rascals lying at perfect ease absorbing the genial rays of the sun. We took in the position at once. It was hopeless trying to get within range, and the ibex would not move for at least three hours when there would not be enough daylight for a stalk, and return to camp before night set in. We decided to await developments till 4 P. M. We would just give ourselves time enough to get into camp before dark—and see what could be done in the meantime. We made ourselves as comfortable as circumstances would admit on a commanding ridge above our game and, following their example snoozed on and off for a couple of hours. At 3 P.M. the ibex were up again—and here my luck came in at last. The bucks *ran* straight down to the stream below us, crossed, and walked up slowly right under the ridge where we were perched! The attraction was a patch of young grass on a flat bit of ground on the edge of the stream and on our right front. By crawling down one slope for a couple of hundred yards we would be within shooting distance. But that two hundred yards took me half an hour! We had to descend from our ridge very slowly to prevent stones and slates from rattling down, and the angle was so acute that there was danger also—for one careless step would have taken me down to the level of my game in no condition to shoot! I managed the descent successfully, but my nerves were considerably fluttered by the anxiety not to loosen a stone, slate or make any kind of noise. When at last I peeped through a slit in the jagged ridge that hid me from the ibex I was relieved to find that I was within one hundred and fifty yards and could get a rest for my rifle for the first shot at any rate. But even with this help, I was so shaken by the painfully slow crawl down that steep and rugged slope that I was by no means certain even of my first shot! The ibex were in and about a small clump of birch bushes, moving slowly and eagerly feeding. My first shot was a steady pot at one of the animals standing against a green bush with his head down, grazing. The ibex shivered as the bullet touched him but he never moved for at least thirty seconds—he then slowly walked away out of sight getting under a lower ridge that intervened between us. I afterwards found that the bullet went low, and just touched the lower part of his lungs. The other two, as usual, ran about the little flat uncertain what line to take. I broke the hind leg of another as he ran down to the stream, but I missed the third at various long ranges as he fled the way he had come. The one with the broken leg crossed to the opposite slope, and I missed him twice at long range. I left him for next day as there was no time to follow him so late in the evening. The sun had disappeared behind the Western sky-line and we had to make haste. My two men descended to look for the first ibex that had concealed itself below the ridge. He never moved till they were almost on him when he ran down to the stream and began slowly to ascend the opposite slope. As soon as I could see him I fired and he rolled down dead—the carcase coming to a stand still just on the edge of the stream. The two shikaris had not had a morsel to eat all day and were savagely hungry. They cut the liver out of the still warm body and ate huge chunks of it with just a warming at a little fire they made. I had not yet tackled *my* breakfast and tried to do so now, but failed to dispose of more than a couple of mouthfuls. There was no water to drink as the stream contained a black paste-like liquid which had overflowed its banks and had spread a layer of soft mud mixed with boulders and *debris* from above. Blocks of ice had also come down, chips of which I ate after much cleaning with my handkerchief. My two companions were quite cheerful now—the smoking liver had warmed them up. During the day when tired and depressed, they had consoled themselves with pinches of snuff—now they had solid meat under their belts. The carcase was left on the ground protected by stones and bushes heaped over it and we started for camp, three miles away. The return of the wearied hunter, after the excitement of the chase, is, without doubt, the most trying part of his hunt. The re-action that follows, caused by physical fatigue, brings on a depression of spirits against which it is hard to struggle and one begins to curse one's folly for following a wild goat for hours at the imminent risk of breaking his neck a dozen times during the day. Such was my state of mind now. The long tramp back in the cold shade of the valley, the depressing gloom of approaching night and the awful surroundings of the most rugged and savage mountains in the world, induced a corresponding mental depression which obliterated for the moment all the joys of our successful stalk. The final ascent to the camp by short cuts, which my companions would take, regardless of the played out individual following them, landed me at last under my cheerless rock at 8 P.M. Sixteen hours since I last saw it. My exhaustion was so thorough that I was unable to warm up the cold food in the pot. I was just able to make a cup of tea and after that a cup of bovril (well mixed with brandy!) which revived me sufficiently to make myself comfortable under the blankets—where I remained for twelve solid hours without a move!

I was too done next day to follow up the wounded buck so sent the shikaris after him with the dog they had in camp. They returned in the evening unsuccessful. They had tracked him across the Lung-de stream, up the opposite slope in the direction of the Kyoka valley for which, they said he was evidently making. As that was the direction in which I intended proceeding I had every hope of recovering the wounded beast eventually; but I was quickly undeceived for my men flatly refused to go straight across taking a short cut into that valley because, so they said, there was no track and they had never gone that way before! I could not insist strongly as all my eatables had been consumed and I was obliged to return to the main camp for a fresh supply. We therefore crossed the ridge above our camp and descended over very dangerous ground to the village of Tungti. Here I was joined by my friend who had remained with the main camp. He shot two small ibex just above this village the day I arrived.

Skirting round by the mountain spurs running down to the Peen river we reached the Kyoka stream and camped in a side valley about three miles above the village of Hansa. This was to be our main camp. My friend elected to go higher up the same valley and try his luck on the grassy slopes near the top of the ridge dividing Kyoka from Lung-de. Signs of ibex were numerous—in fact several young bucks and females had been seen from the main camp as soon as we reached the place. I crossed the Kyoka stream and went up a valley in the opposite direction. We camped under a rock about four miles from the river and were lucky enough to come across the fresh traces of a bear just before we halted. He had gone up that very morning and was no doubt ahead of us on the upper slopes of our hunting ground. Next day, after moving camp further up, we ascended the nala in the evening to look for him. We saw him about a mile up the shallow valley, coming down towards us. We ran up the hillside and waited for him and I thought it was a certain thing—but it was *not*! The eagerness of my men and myself ruined our chances. He was within four hundred yards of our ambush when the wind changed. He threw up his nose, had a sniff and was off up a side valley at his best pace looking like a big hairy caterpillar undulating up the hill-side in a great hurry. He was a large beast and had a splendid coat, which I admired and envied as I watched him through the glass. Had I left the bear alone till next morning I am sure he would have been easily stalked as the wind would then have been right and he would have been busy feeding. This was the only brown bear I saw during the whole of this trip. They seem to be rare in Spiti.

Next morning early we were out again and going up the same path to look for ibex. An icy cold wind was blowing in our faces which made progress slow and uncomfortable. Just on the very spot where the bear had stopped and then bolted we now discovered five ibex eagerly grazing in the tender grass right in the edge of the half-frozen stream just like a flock of goats. We crept down to the stream when a female, not seen by us, detected our movement. She gave the alarm and up they went the side valley where the bear had bolted! The Mani shikari had his dog with him tied up and asked me if he could let him go. Not knowing exactly what would happen I said "yes," and away went the dog who seemed to be all there. He soon got a view of the ibex, not more than four hundred yards away and, crossing the stream, was up after them. I followed the chase with the glass till a swell in the mountain-side concealed them from view and I thought all was over. After a time a male ibex suddenly appeared over the curve of the hill making for the rocks and precipices on my left front, but going *down* the valley towards camp. He was not going fast. Some time after the dog too appeared on the ibex-track, but going

at a moderate pace. He had evidently cut the buck off from the flock! Now a splendid chase appeared in full view along the rocky face of the precipitous mountain side. We ran down to the bed of the stream and kept parallel with the hunt above us waiting for a chance, to put in a shot. The ibex and dog were in view all the time not more than five hundred yards off. The ibex could not go fast and seemed done. The dog gained rapidly and in a short time had the buck completely under control, driving him down towards us at every turn while the hunted beast made every effort to ascend. This continued for some time—the dog chasing the ibex up and down along the ledges and always managing to bring the quarry nearer to us. The sure-footedness of the animals was wonderful to behold—they never made a mistake. The ibex was at last brought to a stand-still and the dog bayed him in grand style in full view of us. The poor old buck goat was fast losing his head and getting bewildered. He again attempted to escape but soon had to stand and turn round in self-defence for the dog stuck to him most tenaciously. Once the dog turned him back and drove him down a good distance towards us—but still out of shot, for I viewed him twice. The ibex again bolted higher up and got in a flat bit of rock where he turned and faced the dog. He actually *charged* him with head down but the dog was too nimble for him. I had two more shots here but the distance was too great—four hundred yards at least—and I missed. The dog at last got the ibex off the flat rock and drove him down, in one rush, a good distance towards us before the hunted beast could pull up. He found refuge at last on a ledge in the face of a precipice which was a regular trap as he had blank space in front of him and the dog behind; but he managed to turn round in this position and showed a bold front to his untiring pursuer. I now had a steady shot at his right shoulder—the bullet entering his small ribs, passing through the breast-bone and into and through the left shoulder; the metal casing was found just under the skin. The ibex fell off the ledge and rolled down to the edge of the stream, not twenty yards from where we were standing—the dog worrying the carcase all the way down. All this happened not half a mile from camp! The two shikaris went across the ice-cold stream and opened the body—the good dog getting the smoking entrails on the spot as a reward for his splendid work. I had thus witnessed by a mere accident the chase of the wild ibex as practised by the hunters of Spiti during winter when the game is driven down to ground near villages by heavy falls of snow. It is easy to imagine the havoc committed among the helpless animals at that season of the year. As the hunters make no discrimination as to sex, the destruction effected must be enormous. The extermination of ibex in this district, the easternmost habitat of this noble animal cannot be far distant. They are becoming rarer every year and can now be found only in a few localities where their last stand against effacement is now being made. Though laws may exist for their preservation it is hardly possible that they can be efficiently enforced in an inaccessible country like Spiti where British authority is unrepresented by even a single Government official. These splendid game animals must therefore die out.

One word regarding the sporting dog that gave me such a good show. He was of a reddish colour, of medium size and in some respects resembled the wild dog so universally spread over the Indian Continent. He had a foxy head, pointed snout, pricked ears and his eyes were small and fixed close to each other—an unusual feature that struck me at once. With these characteristics he was still the thorough village mongrel, not differing much from the yelping curs attached to human habitations. His master treated him with uniform brutality—to which, however, he seemed thoroughly accustomed. He lived on the outskirts of the camp receiving a scrap of food now and then from the men, but went without a mouthful for days at a time. He received all my advances with sullen indifference and never came near the bones and cakes I used to throw to him till I had moved away some distance. Nevertheless I had a kindly feeling for him and admired him for his staunchness and tenacity when after game. When not transfigured in the pursuit of his quarry he was the veriest *pariah* one could imagine. He had certainly wild blood in him—and from a not far-distant ancestor.

The ibex I shot had horns of thirty-one and thirty-two inches—very small indeed. Many others that I examined carefully with my glass did not appear to be much larger. I doubt whether I saw a single buck with horns of forty inches. The second ibex I bagged was a very old animal, yet his horns measured only thirty-one inches. The stunted growth of these heads I can attribute only to the savage country in which they were destined to exist. Insufficient nourishment and the severity of the climate, I should say, had a good deal to do with the poor show of horns I came across.

Our grand project of the round journey by the Tso-moriri came to a miserable end. We ran short of rupees! We tried our best to change notes for cash but could not raise a single rupee in the whole of Spiti, and none could be had in Basahir though we tried as far as Rampur. My friend also could no longer conceal his disgust at the lack of sport and the hard travelling he had to endure day after day without any adequate return. He confessed at last he was not "built" for this kind of rough and tumble outing—and I agreed with him. So after squaring accounts with the Mani patwari we returned by the Mani-rang, or Mani pars, to Chini and then back to Rampur. I had to come thus far with my friend so as to feed him on his way back. Rampur is within easy reach of Simla to which station my companion hurried while I branched off to Kulu and continued my travels to the head of that valley.

So ended my grandly projected journey—with only "Two Ibex in Spiti."

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THE JARRUCK'S TRIAL.

One night I lay a sleeping
Beneath the starry sky,
For this is what we always do
When Summer draweth nigh;
There came a mare unto my bed
Her mane and tail unkempt,
She sat upon my chest all night
And this is what I dreamt.

I saw a jungle clearing
And a Court of Justice sat
"His Lordship" was an Elephant,
A monster too at that!
The jury also Elephants,
They never could keep still,
A jarruck for a prisoner,
For stealing from a kill.

And every kind of beast was there
To witness this strange sight,
The trial of a jarruck
Upon a moonlight night;
And many different kinds of birds
Sat on the trees around,
They said we get a better view
Than we should on the ground.

A tiger was the plaintfff,
He marched up to his place,
And in a very angry voice
Began to state his case.
"Some days ago, I killed a cow
As fat as fat could be,
And this vile beast (the jarruck winced)
I charge with larceny,"

"I ate but little meat that night,
I can afford to waste,
And after lying by a day,
It has a better taste.
Next night returning early
I heard some clattering stones,
And found that there was no meat left
And very little bones."

Some animal was making off
As hard as he could run,
And now I beg of you, my lord
That justice may be done.
Could I have caught the animal
When in the act of stealing,
There would have been no need, by lord
Of to the court appealing.

The judge when he this statement heard,
Was very, very wrath,
And shouted to the prisoner
"You hear this charge?: Stand forth
And give an answer to this charge,
An answer brief and true,
For if you lie: Your day of birth
You'll very greatly rue.

The jarruck stood forth trembling,
His mouth was very dry,
His eyes were starting from his head
(You know the reason why).
He stood before the elephant
But kept just out of reach,
He tried his best to make reply
But stammered in his speech.

"My l-l-l-l-l-l lord,
Pi-pi-pi-pity me,
I ne-ne-never did this thing,
Oh ca-ca-can't you see.
The tigers' angry Be-because"
(His watering eyes he wiped).
"I t-t-t-t too like him
Am s-s s-s-striped."

"Some excuse" Sir: the judge replied,
"I did not doubt you'd give,
And if I find it is untrue,
You soon will cease to live.
For if you are "not guilty,"
Why tremble you with fear,
Now stand aside: and one by one
The witnesses I'll hear."

The first one was a porcupine
He said "the other day,
When I was digging in the ground,
This jarruck passed my way,
Going through the jungle
As hard as he could run,
I asked why are you hurrying,"?
He said "Oh just for fun."

Next witness was a jackal,
With only half a tail,
He said I found a jarruck's tracks
And followed up the trail.
They led up to some clean picked bones
Around was jarruck's spoor."
But he quite forgot to mention
He'd been there himself before.

A Sambhar next gave evidence
"That on that fateful day,
Something I heard approachig
So moved out of its way.
It must have been a jarruck,
True: I didn't *see* it: yet
The gentle breeze which came my way
I *never* shall forget.

This caused a roar of laughter,
The Judge in anger rose,
And said the facts are now quite clear
The evidence much close.
Gentlemen of the jury,
On you I must rely,
To see this wretched prisoner
Is now codemned to die."

The jarruck gave one howl of fear,
One terror stricken wail,
When off my chest the night mare jumped
A whisking of her tail.
Said she "I must be off you know
To have my feed of corn,"
And I awoke in great surprise
For it was early morn.

UP COUNTRY.

Fishing.

OBSERVATIONS ORIGINAL AND OTHERWISE.

TROUT FLIES AS THEY SHOULD BE.

As spring approaches there can be no more interesting subject to the fly-fisher for trout than the flies he ought to use. Without suitable flies a day on the best waters is thrown away, while with appropriate artificial flies a brace or two of good fish may often be lured out of what at first sight seems an impracticable or an over-fished river. A good many difficult questions are asked about flies. Ought they to resemble nature as most Englishmen believe, or will it answer equally well as the Scotchmen and many American men believe, if they only carry on their face something of the character and color of their prototypes? Are wingless flies (spiders) always the best of lures as many accomplished anglers assert? Nay, should we cease to care for nature and boldly make flies of any combination of fur, feathers, or gold and silver tinsel which experience shows the trout most affect. There are many points on which many words might be written, but I intend in the present writing to only give a few considerations on the above general questions. Many may regard my opinions as heretical, and I invite from my readers their criticisms. I can only plead that a long experience is my warrant for entering on these disputed points, and if my disquisitions in any manner enlighten brother anglers, the aim of this writing will have been attained.

It may be held as an axiom that in angling questions, and far more important subjects, all hard and fast general rules and statements are to be distrusted. Exceptions must always be expected and looked for in every art. Men who firmly believed in "conventionalized creation," as Dudley Warner termed the "fancy fly," which is made each time a step further from the exact original pattern, yet find it expedient at times to use the most exquisitely fashioned fly, and the one most resembling nature, which they can find in their books. Fish have their own likings and dislikings. Again, every water is different in some respects (often in many respects) from others. Each requires its proper fly, says the fly-maker. It may be so, but a very limited selection of flies, with a proper skill in showing then to the fish, may be trusted to fill a basket (if the day admits of it) from almost any stream. I have not much faith in the ancient fisherman, who confidently avers that it is impossible to do any execution on his pet stream without the "Blue-ringed snorter," the "Tipton Slasher," on "Blue Jay." The "oldest inhabitant" is however, useful when a man reaches a stream he does not know to inform him what fly is on the water so that the newcomer may not lose time in ascertaining this for himself. For the rest, a jaunty fly, with full wings and a couple of tails, especially if it possess a peacock hurl body, if there is a breeze, will yield us excellent reward.

There is no need to match the artificial fly in grades of finely graduated color with the natural insect. The size and shape and general similarity of color are all that the fisherman need attend to. Size, also, is more important than color, and the fly-maker may take this statement from me as the truth. Spider flies, that is, those without wings and tail and made from the hackles of birds, are useful for transparent streams, rocky mountain burns, and rivers flowing in a stoney country. Hence, they are invaluable in such localities, and are to be strongly recommended for such conditions. Their bodies are thin, and in such fishing are to be commended before the large fly with the thick body. The thickly covered fly makes a splash in clear water which the trout most certainly perceives at once, and is fatal to the angler's chances. Stewart says: "Every possible advantage is in favour of the lightly dressed fly; it is more like a natural insect; it falls lightly on the water, and every angler knows the advantage of making his fly fall lightly, there being less material in it. The artificial nature of that material is not so easily detected, and also the hook is not so much covered with feathers; there is much better chance of hooking the trout when it rises." These are cogent reasons. In a flood, of course, I should use a larger and

thicker fly. It is then necessary to give the fish something that can be readily seen. In ordinary slow flowing rivers, I confess to the use of winged flies; they float better and can be seen more clearly at a long distance, and they cast better, being heavier than the tiny gnat-like fly. As a rule, also they generally catch larger fish than their wingless brethren. An entirely conventional fly is only a success at certain times, when the trout are rising greedily and almost taking anything.

Endurance of Black Bass

A remarkable dicovery was made recently at South Kensington, London, with reference to a black bass (*Micropterus dolomieu*) whereby substantial evidence of the hardihood and endurance of that fish under adverse circumstances is afforded. It appears that a consignment of black bass, together with white fish, rock bass, German carp, etc., was imported for the museum and aquarium at the instigation of the Marquis of Exeter. Unfortunately the voyage way a rough one, and the heavy seas caused much injury to the fish generally, and particularly to the black bass. On arriving at the aquarium, however, most of the fish revived, with the exception of the bass which died to all appearance a few hours after having been placed in the tanks. The other day as the attendant was cleaning one of the tanks out to his great surprise a black bass suddenly emerged from the rock work where it had evidently been secreted eversince the day of its arrival, sixteen months ago. How it survived is a mystery as apparently it had taken no food. The tank is inhabited by cat-fish which are fed on a dietary quite unsuited to their solitary companion, beside being bottom feeders and great scavengers, they naturally appropriated all available food themselves. The black bass is in fine condition and to all appearances in exuberant spirits. It still lives a hermit's life among the rock-work, never seeking the companionship of its congeners who by the way, show no sign of amity or even recognition towards their American cousin. Their habits of life are, of course, not in *bon accord*, and the two species take up their position in water at different stations, namely, the cat fish at the bottom and the bass near the top of the tank.

Autocracy Among Fishes.

It is an indisputable fact that over every race, kindred and nationality, there exists at some time a sovereign in the form of a chief or leader, who has the prerogative over everything and everybody. In the walks of everyday life also, among communities and classes one prominent figure stands out pre-eminent among men whose will is obeyed, whose superiority is acknowledged, and whose judgment is respected. He assumes this position, either by election or force of character, which carries everything before him and makes his *confreres* stand aside like "wonder-wounded hearers." They acknowledge his superiority and instinctively feel it and yield to him accordingly. It is so with savage tribes, and it is not only found to be so in the human race but in all species of animals as well. How plainly this is evidenced by cattle feeding in a herd on a meadow; the leader of the herd can at once be recognized His subjects follow his call and instinctively follow his footsteps when grazing. Descending to the lower dynasty of fishes we find them following the same law as their terrestial conquerers. There is some truth in the doctrines of the old Buddhist lore telling of fishes choosing Leviathan for their king. Leviathan was doubtless a huge sea monster, a form of whale, both animal and fish, and was therefore naturally assumed to be the potenate of the *aqvaeus* kingdom.

I have made careful observations for years upon this interesting subject and am able to speak from actual experience. I have found that trout as well as salmon acknowledge the leadership of a monarch as I shall proceed to show. I have watched the movements of many tribes of trout, and of each one there always appeared a particularly fine one, which I afterwards learned proved to be the ruler. In every case he was located in a certain part of the stream, end of the best situations, and, moreover, an excellent feeding ground little frequented by professors of the "gentle craft." In one stream I used particularly to observe that some eight or nine fish would remain at a respectful distance from their chief, and if by chance they encroached somewhat on his position, a slight movement on the part of his majesty would cause them to retire instantly. One day the sovereign trout was snatched from his splendour and pomp by a crafty piscator, and the monarch was seen no more. Strange to tell, on visiting this spot on the succeeding day, I found his throne occupied by another fish, who seemed to exercise the same influence over the tribe as did his predcessor. It was an exceedingly comely fish, and I determined to capture it, so I fished the stream throughout the greater portion of the day; but to no effect, for the enthroned monarch did not so much as condescend to look at my well-proportioned fly temptingly displayed before his optics. Curiously enough, none of his subjects attempted to seize what their chief disdained so contemptuously, but looked on restlessly as if uncertain what course to pursue. Disgusted with the intelligence displayed by these trout I departed but returned next day to repeat my efforts. To my utter astonishment the sovereign trout and his clan had disappeared, and not a fish was to be seen. Here, then, was an instance not only of sovereignty among fish but also of marked intelligence they are capable of exerting. Unbaffled by this occurrence I searched the stream lower down for many days and was at length rewarded for my pains. I espied the identical monarch and his tribe about a mile from his former kingdom. Again I tried to come to terms with him but utterly failed, although I succeeded in capturing one of his subjects. Doubtless the autocrat of a tribe of fish attains his position from physical prowess that at once elevates him above his fellows who rely on their chief's experience in conducting them to the most prolific feeding ground and guarding them from danger. Notwithstanding this we know they sometimes fall a victim to treachery, and the angler realizes full well that the seductive fly skilfully displayed levels all ranks and lays both monarch and subject high and dry on the bank, gasping in the pains of death.

Trout Fishing in Brooks.

In the present rush to any stream reported to hold trout it is singular how frequently the brooks which run in a fisherman's neighborhood are neglected. These streamlets often hold good trout, not many, of course, as compared with rivers. There are frequently many obstacles to be overcome before brook trout can be caught, bushes, trees, posts and the like interfere seriously with the casting of the fly. But the true angler is satisfied the more with his day's sport, should he be able to bring home three or four good fish obtained with infinite difficulty under such circumstances. Better a brace of good fish than a dozen fish of indifferent weight. The fact is that fishermen around a brook such as we have in our eye, much choked with bushes and high banks, generally rest content that the trout can only be caught with the worm, and, in consequence, such ignoble fishing takes place, and fine, shapely trout are pulled out with big red worms as if they were the valgur perch or soach. Of course, we know there is a branch of worm fishing which when the brooks are low and of shallow depths through extreme drought when the fish are caught on a long rod and a worm which is cast like a fly upstream in front of the angler. But this itself is a fine art and a very different process from sneaking behind an overhanging tree, when the stream is much colored, and dropping a garden lob-worm into the gullet of some unfortunate trout below. We would therefore by no means rest satisfied with the rustic babble that the trout in such and such a brook can only be caught by the worm, and venture to promise the enterprising angler much satisfaction if he boldly endeavours to take these fish with the artificial fly. First the brook trout itself must be found.

Open meadow and such a streamlet are easily fished. Almost all that is requisite is to keep well back from the stream if the angler elects to fish down stream. If the banks are low it is much better to fish up stream, and to keep as much as possible on a level with the water. Few things scare a trout so much as a vision of an angler on the sky line. Nor is its apprehension calmed if the fisherman is waving his arm and brandishing his rod. The trout immediately rushes into the nearest hole in the brook or under the floating raft of sticks and weeds, and is seen no more that day. Should the banks be thickly grown with old hawthorn, willow, rambling cedars, straggling bushes overgrown with hedge roses, ivy, briars and the like, a different treatment is required. Here a familar knowledge of the water greatly aids the fisherman. At some places by crawling through an opening between two bushes, by standing behind the thick stem of a tree, or simply advancing on hands and knees and flipping cleverly rather than casting the flies, a good trout may now and then be secured under the dark shade of the foliage where he has lain in security for many a happy month. It is not a bad plan to cut an opening with a clasp knife here and there. If the aperture be no use for to-day it will be so to-morrow. For such fishing a short rod must be used and an easy running line. Directly the angler feels the fish he must strike smartly (taking for granted that his gut and line are strong, and have all his wits about him), or he will invariably lose his fish. It will either dart under roots or leap up and entangle the line in the branches. When the fish is struck the proverbial three courses are generally open to the fisherman. He can jump into the stream and fight his fish, under the branches, or remain on hands and knees to do it or leap up (a most hazardous course), and so kill it, if he can. In any case, the process must be to shorten the line and keep the fish from the deeps of water which may be in the centre of the stream. If he has more than one fly (which should never be the case) on his cast he will infallibly hook some weed or root. The angler should not forget to have the landing net at his side and lose no time in using it. Should the angler elect to jump in by lowering his rod he can often pass it under the undergrowth of the banks, and perhaps kill the trout in the open space beyond. Remaining stretched at full length is frequently the safest course to adopt. Not seeing the foe the fish does not run about with such frantic terror and this means less danger of breakage. Then good luck rather than skill must befriend the angler. How well we know by experience what in such a case often ensues. There is a brief skirmish—a slip—a sudden exclamation, and the angler finds himself up to his knees or higher in mud and cold water, his cap suspended on a briar high above his head, his hair towselled, his face hot and red, his hands torn, his line inextricably tangled in the boughs, his top joint very likely snapped, and certainly his fish lost. It is not every combat in brook trout-fishing that the fisherman wins.

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INFORMATION WANTED.

TO THE EDITOR OF "THE INDIAN FIELD."

Sir,—Can you give me any information in regard to Java?

The sport to be obtained there. The districts where tea is grown. Addresses of any newspaper offices would be greatly obliged if you could let me have any informaton of the sort.

A. G. McA.

Cachar, 18*th April* 1907.

[Perhaps some of our readers can oblige.—Ed.]

IS SNIPE SHOOTING EASIER IN INDIA THAN IN ENGLAND?

TO THE EDITOR OF "THE INDIAN FIELD."

Sir,—I have shot snipe in Ceylon, in many parts of India, in Kashmir, and at Home, and have often asked myself the same question which "Raoul," in the issue of 14th March, puts to the readers of the *Indian Field*.

Snipe in Britain undoubtedly fly quicker and twist more than the same birds in Madras or Ceylon, where it is always hot, no matter what the time of year. But in the cold weather in Upper India, in Kashmir, and on the breezy plateau of the Neilgheries, I believe the birds to be every whit as fast as they are at Home. Another point, ... heat and glare handicap the sportsman, even more than the birds; and if the snipe on a blazing September day in India, *do* quit their muddy beds sluggishly and reluctantly, the shooter's perspiration, blurred eyes and languid limbs, are more than sufficient balance on the other side. The only ACCURATE way of comparing the difficulties of snipe shooting in different places, is to keep a note of cartridges expended to birds gathered. I rather hesitate to put my own experiences on record, as I am one of those moderate shots who has to confess to being but little better than half. That is to say that usually I have been able to produce but very few more than half the number of snipe, for quantity of cartridges expended. At Home my notes show that the average was always practically the same as in India. Something has been said in the Home papers about driven snipe being easy to shoot. This has also been my experience. Snipe sent over the guns by beaters usually fly straight, and no faster, than when walked up.

Fleur-de-Lys.

A FRIEND IN NEED.

TO THE EDITOR OF "THE INDIAN FIELD."

Sir,—The domestic buffalo is usually considered a stupid animal. The following incident seems to show that it may on an occasion exhibit a very considerable degree of intelligence. I was sitting up for a panther a few weeks ago over a dead goat, a live goat being picketted beside it. Shortly after sunset I heard the sounds of a herd of buffaloes grazing in the jungle a few hundred yards away. They gradually approached the spot where the goat was tied, and when within 20 yards or so there was a sudden stampede and the herd rushed out into the cultivated land at the edge of which my *machan* was, snorting violently and evidently greatly excited. I thought they had winded the panther, but it was soon apparent that the goat was the object of their curiosity. There was bright moonlight so I could see distinctly what occurred. The buffaloes remained drawn up in line watching the goat for about 15 minutes, occasionally snorting and stampeding a short way. At last they approached the goat in a solid phalanx and when within a few yards several of them lowered their heads as if about to charge. They seemed, however, to recognise the goat as belonging to their village and after smelling it for several minutes and examining the dead goat curiously they moved on a few yards. They seemed to expect the goat to follow them. After waiting for a few minutes an old cow-buffalo was seized with a sudden inspiration. She returned to the goat, smelt it again as if to make sure that it really did belong to their village, and then deliberately placing her left horn under the rope at which the goat was straining, she gave a jerk. The goat was flung into the air, but the rope which tied it was broken and it ran free to join its rescuers! Having accomplished their object the buffaloes quietly moved off, but they had effectually spoiled my sport and I had to return to camp without seeing anything of the panther.

After this who shall call the buffalo a stupid animal?

Certus.

THE PROPOSED CALCUTTA HISTORICAL SOCIETY.

TO THE EDITOR OF "THE INDIAN FIELD."

Sir,—You may have noticed during the last few months certain references in the Press to the need of a Society for the Preservation of Historical Institutions connected with Calcutta. The suggestion for the formation of such a Society was put forward in a letter in which the correspondent after lamenting the apathy of the public towards historical relics said:—

"Would it not be possible to form a Society having for its object the gathering together of the threads or history of Old Calcutta, of its once prominent citizens, their houses and old time social rendezvous and pastimes? It should not be difficult to form the nucleus of a Calcutta Historical Society which in the course of a few years with a band of earnest workers would gather together such a goodly pile of information and records as would provide the material for a full and lasting history of Old Calcutta, a sufficient justification for such a Society's existence apart from the happy result of bringing together those who are interested not only in the land they live in, but in the History of 'Citizens of no mean City.' It needs but

the energy of a few to start such a Society, the formation of which it is to be hoped will not be long delayed.

In a letter recently received from Dr. Busteed, M. D., C.I.E., one of the greatest living authorities on Old Calcutta, he sympathises with the movement and rightly refers to the cause as "a sacred one."

It is sought, therefore, to start a Society of the kind needed, and your co-operation is earnestly solicited.

I may mention that I have already received the cards of several prominent gentlemen interested in the movement and it is proposed to call a meeting at an early date which will be duly notified to you on hearing of your desire to be present.

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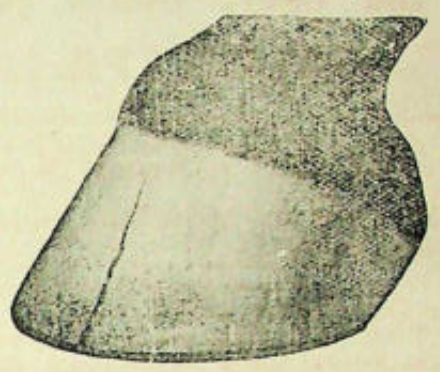

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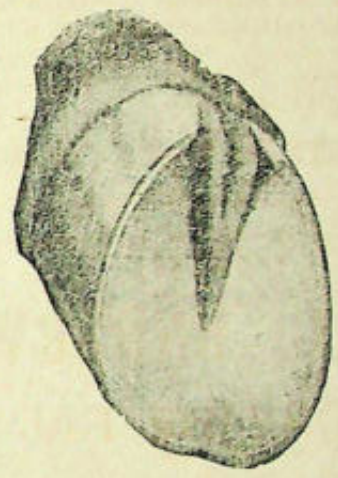

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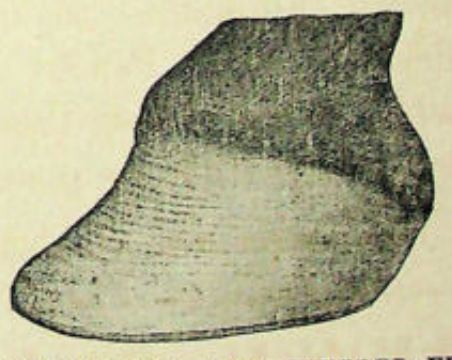

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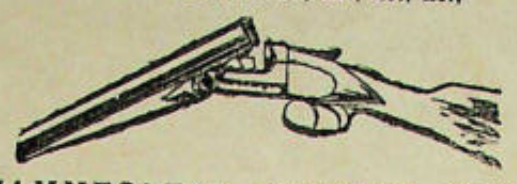

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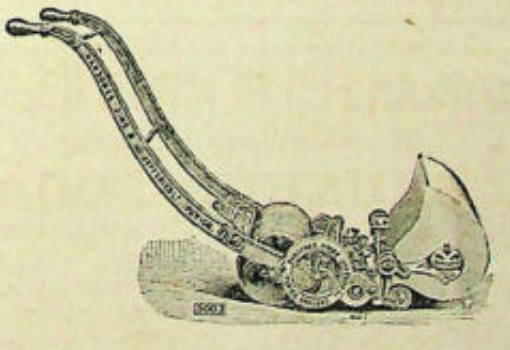

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INDIAN RACING FIXTURES.

NAME OF RACES.	MONTH.	DATE
Karachi Spring	April	23, 25 & 27
Dibrugarh Sky	May	4
Quetta Spring	„	21, 18 & 25
Simla Summer	„	28 & 30 June 1
Ootacamund	„	7, 9 & 11
Shillong	„	14 & 16
Mussoorie	„	6 & 18
Mysore	June	25, 27 & 29
Poona Races	Sep.	7, 11, 14, 18, 21, 22 & 23
Rangoon First Extra	Oct.	19
Rangoon Second Extra	Nov.	2
Rangoon Third Extra	„	16
Calcutta First Extra	„	30
Rangoon Autumn	„	30 & Dec. 3 &
Calcutta Second Extra	Dec	7
Rangoon Fourth Extra	„	7
Calcutta Third Extra	„	14
Calcutta Races First Meeting	„	21 24, 26 and 28,
Lahore X'mas	„	24, 26, 28, and 31,
Tollygunge Steeplechases	„	31 and Janv. 4 1908
Calcutta Races Second Meeting	Jan	11, 14, and 18, 1908
Calcutta Fourth Extra	„	28, 1908
Rangoon Fifth Extra	„	25, 1908
Rangoon Sixth Extra	Feb	8, 1908
Rangoon Seventh Extra	„	22, 1908
Rangoon Spring	Mar	7, 10 and 12, 1908
Rangoon Eighth Extra	„	14, 908
Mahableshwar Sky	May	9 & 11
Darjeeling Sky	„	21, 23 & 25

CLOSING DATES OF ENTRIES.

Darjeeling Sky		20th May.
Quetta Spring	Second	30th April.
	Third	10th May.
Shillong	Day before the Races.	
Mysore	Second	18th May
	Third	15th June.
Ootacamund	Final	1st May.
Dibrugarh		3rd May.
Indian Army Cup (Umballa)	First	1st May.
	Second	1st July.
	Third	2nd Sept.
	Final	10th October.
Civil Service Cup (Lucknow)	First	1st May.
	Second	2nd July.
	Third	14th Sept.
	Fourth	30th Nov.
	Final	15th January.
Lucknow Autumn Army Cup	First	1st July.
	Second	15th August.
	Third	1st October.
	Final	4th Nov.
Poona	First	30th July.
	Second	13th August.
	Third	27th August.
Mahableshwar Sky		2nd May.

INDIAN SPORTING FIXTURES.

POLO	
Beresford Tournament, Simla	10th June.
Mussoorie Tournament	6th May
Mysore Birthday Tournament	24th June
Simla Tournament	10th June.
CRICKET.	
Simla vs. Outstations	4th and 6th June.
SHOWS.	
Simla Horse Show	In June.
Ooty Dog Show	4th May.
BOXING.	
Poona Tournament	22nd to 27th April.
Sirhind Tournament, Simla	11th to 27th July.
FOOTBALL.	
Durand Tournament	In September
HOCKEY.	
Belgaton Cup Tournament	Now on
Aga Khan Tournament	8th May.

ENGLISH RACING FIXTURES.

(Principal Races in 1907.)

Two Thousand Guineas (1 mile)	Wednesday, 1st May.
One Thousand Guineas (1 mile)	Friday, 3rd May.
Chester Cup (2½ miles)	Wednesday, 8th May.
Kempton Park Great Jubilee Handicap (1½ mile)	Saturday, 11th May.
Newmarket Stakes (1 mile 2 furlongs)	Wednesday, 15th May.
Manchester Cup (1½ mile)	Friday, 24th May.
Prix du Jockey Club (1½ mile)	Saturday, 2nd June.
The Derby (1½ miles)	Wednesday, 5th June.
The Coronation Cup (1½ mile)	Thursday, 6th June.
The Oaks (1½ mile)	Friday, 7th June.
Grand Prix de Paris (1 mile 7 furlongs)	Sunday, 16th June.
Ascot Stakes (2 miles)	Tuesday, 18th June.
Ascot Gold Vase (2 miles)	Tuesday, 18th June.
Royal Hunt Cup (7 furlongs 166 yards)	Wednesday, 19th June.
Gold Cup (1½ mile)	Thursday, 20th June.
New Stakes (5 furlongs 144 yards)	Thursday, 20th June.
Hardwicke Stakes (1½ miles)	Friday 21st June.
Northumberland Plate (2 miles)	Wednesday, 26th June.
July Stakes (Newmarket) (5 furlongs 144 yards)	Tuesday, 2nd July.
Princess of Wales' Stakes (1 mile 4 furlongs)	Thursday, 4th July.
Eclipse Stakes (1½ mile)	Friday, 10th July.
Liverpool Cup (1 mile 3 furlongs)	Friday, 26th July.
Steward's Cup (Goodwood) (6 furlongs)	Tuesday, 30th July.
Goodwood Plate (2 miles)	Wednesday, 31st July.
Goodwood Cup (2½ miles)	Thursday, 1st August.
Brighton Cup (1½ mile)	Wednesday, 7th August.
Great Northern Leger (1 mile 5 furlongs)	Wednesday, 21st August.
Prince of Wales Plate (6 furlongs)	Tuesday, 27th August.
Great Eboor Handicap (1½ mile.)	Wednesday, 28th August
Gimrack Stakes (6 furlongs)	Thursday, 29th August.
Great Yorkshire Handicap (1 mile 6furs. 132yrds.)	Tuesday, 10th September.
Champagne Stakes (Doncaster) (5 furs. 152 yrds.)	Tuesday, 10th September.
St. Leger (1 mile 6 furlongs 132 yards)	Wednesday, 11th Septr.
Doncaster Cup (2 miles)	Friday, 13th September.
Prince Edward Handicap (1½ mile)	Saturday, 21st Septr.
Jockey Club Stakes (1½ mile)	Thursday, 3rd October.
Prix du Conseil Municipal (Paris) 1½ mile)	Sunday, 6th October.
Duke of York Stakes (1¼ mile)	Saturday, 12th October.
Cesarewitch Stakes (2¼ miles)	Wednesday, 16th October
Middle Park Plate (6 furlongs)	Friday, 18th October.
Cambridgeshire Stakes	Wednesday, 30th Octr.
Dewhurst Plate (7 furlongs)	Thursday, 31st Octr.
Liverpool Autumn Cup (1 mile 3 furlongs)	Friday, 8th November.
Manchester November Handicap (1½ mile)	Saturday 23rd Novr.

ENGLISH SPORTING FIXTURES.

Tennis Championship, Fairs vs. Latham	6th May.
England vs. Scotland (Amateur Golf)	25th May.
Amateur Golf Championship	28th May.
Golf Open Championship	26th June.
England vs. South Africa (Cricket)	1st July.
Henley Regatta	3rd, 4th & 5th July.
Oxford vs. Cambridge (Cricket)	4th July.
Amateur Athletic Championships	6th July
Eton vs. Harrow (Cricket)	12th July.
Gentlemen vs. Players (Cricket)	17th July.
England vs. South Africa (Cricket)	20th July.
Rugby vs. Marlborough (Cricket)	31st July.
Dublin Horse Show	27th August.

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BANGALORE GYMKHANA RACES.

Judge :—Col. J. P. Grant.
Starter :—Mr. Simpson.
Time-keeper :—Col. Brereton.
Hony. Secretary :—Mr. Maddick.

Thursday, 18th April 1907.

The shower we had, coupled with the prospect of a deluge, doubtless kept away many this afternoon, though the gallery was by no means meagre. The racing was quite good, so was the music supplied by the 77th Moplahs and ditto the business done by bookies and tote. Appended are details :—

The Native Officers' Stakes.—Rs. 50, out of which the second receives Rs. 10. For horses, the property of Native Officers of the Bangalore Garrison and regularly ridden by them on parade as chargers. To be ridden by Native Officers. C. W. over 11st. 7lbs. 4 furlongs.

Resaldar Srinivasa Rao Sarkar's (Imperial Service Lancers), br aus m Lachmi, 11st. 10lbs. Owner 1
Jamadar Subburaj Urs b aus m Maiden, 11st. 7lbs. ... ... Owner 2
Jamadar Saiyad Abdur Razzak's ch aus m Ganher, 11st. 7lbs. ... ... Owner 3

Also ran : Babu, 11-7 ; Shireen, 11-7 ; Jipsi, 12-8; and Jami, 12-12.

Betting : Evens Lachmi, 1½ to 1 agst. Shireen, 3 to 1 each Ganher, Babu, Jami, and Maiden, 4 to 2 Jipsi.

Won by a length ; half a length between second and third. Time—1min.

The April Stakes.—Rs. 50, out of which the second receives Rs. 10. For Arab polo ponies, which have never won a race of any description, 11st ; ponies that have never started in any race allowed 7lbs. 3 furlongs.

Capt. Leveson-Gower's g a g Stingah, 10st. 7lbs. ... ... Mr. Napier 1
Mr. R. A. Lloyd Barrow's ch a g Major, 10st. 7lbs. ... ... Owner 2
Mr. J. Douglas's br a h Slug, 11st. ... Owner 3

Also ran : Teen, 10-7 ; Firefly, 10-7 ; Choudrah, 10-7 ; Snooker, 11-0 ; Commander, 11-0 ; Hanssa, 10-7.

Betting : 1½ to 1 agst. Choudrah, 2 to 1 Stingah, 2½ to 1 Commander, 3 to 1 each Snooker, Slug and Major, 4 to 1 Teen, 5 to 1 each Firefly and Hanssa.

Won by half a length ; a length between second and third. Time—44⅘secs.

The Charger Stakes.—Rs. 50, out of which the second receives Rs. 10. For all horses, which have never won a race value Rs. 99 or over, regularly ridden as *bonâfide* chargers on parade by Officers of the Bangalore Garrison. Walers 12st., Arabs and C-B's 10st. Winners of Rs. 49 or over once 7lbs., twice 12lbs., oftener 18lbs. Horses that have never been 1, 2, 3, in any Gymkhana or other race value Rs. 49 or over, allowed 7lbs., horses, owners up, allowed 4lbs. 4 furlongs.

Col. Atkinson's (C. on S. Comdg. Cav. Br.) b aus g Blacker, 11st 7lbs. ... Mr. Bridges 1
Mr. H. Walker's (30th Lancers), b aus g Max, 11st 3lbs. ... ... Owner 2
Mr. P. Villier's b aus g Gay Lord Quex, 11st 3lbs. ... ... Owner 3

Also ran : Without Em, 11-7 ; Achilles, 11-3 ; Porthos, 12-0 ; Armiger, 11-3 ; Ginger, 11-10 ; Nancy, 11-7.

Betting : 1½ to 1 agst. Blacker, 2 to 1 Armiger, 2½ to 1 Gay Lord Quex, 3 to 1 each Porthos and Max, 4 to 1 Achilles, 5 to 1 Without Em, 8 to 1 each Ginger and Nancy.

Won by a head ; two lengths between second and third. Time—58⅖secs.

The Polo Pony Handicap.—Rs. 50, out of which the second receives Rs. 10. For ponies regularly played in Bangalore. 3 furlongs.

Major Tickell's ch aus m Dainty, 10st. 7lbs. Owner 1
Capt. Forster's b aus g Zorada, 11, 10st. Capt. Heyland 2
Capt. Forster's bl aus m Rosebud, 10st. 3lbs. ... ...Mr. Burmester 3

Also ran : Libel, 12-7 ; Bushranger, 11-1 ; and Jujitso, 10-0.

Betting : 5 to 2 on Libel, 2½ to 1 each agst. Bushranger and Dainty, 3 to 1 the others.

Won by a length. Time—44⅖secs.

The Arab Pony Handicap.—Rs. 50, out of which second receives Rs. 10. For Arab ponies. 2½ furlongs.

Mr. H. Maddick's g a h Arth, 10st. 7lbs. ... Owner 1
Mr. King's g a g Soheil, 10st. 9lbs. Owner 2
Capt. Palmer's g a g Sweet Lips, 12st. 7lbs. ... ... Capt. Joicey 3

Also ran: Scimitar, 10-0.

Betting : 3 to 1 on Sweet Lips, 2 to 1 each agst. Soheil and Arth, 3 to 1 Scimitar.

Won by four lengths ; two lengths between second and third. Time—35⅗secs.

MEERUT SECOND OPEN GYMKHANA.

Thursday, 18th April 1907.

In cool weather, after the recent heavy rain, and before a goodly number of people the card was successfully run through today. Details :—

Handicap for Arab Ponies. ¼ mile.

Captain Davis' Bustle, 10st. 9lbs. ... Owner } dead
Major Burton's Hector, 10st. 7lbs. ...Mr. Anderson } heat
Col. Winter's Blarney Stone, 10st. ... Mr. Young 3

Also ran : Josephine, 10-1.

Betting : Evens Bustle, 2 to 1 agst. Blarney Stone, 3 to 1 the others.

Hector led till opposite the stand where Bustle collared him and they dead heated and divided. Time—1min. 9⅕secs.

Novice Race :—For ponies 14-1 and under other than Arabs, which have never won a race of any description, Gymkhana or otherwise. C.-B's. 14-1 to carry 11st. ponies 14-1 other than C.-B's. and Arbs to carry 12st. 7lbs. W. I. 3½ furlongs.

Col. Brown's Chamberlain, 11st. 9lbs. ... Capt. Bennett 1
Mr. Skinner's Mamie, 12st. 11b. ... Mr. Bryant 2
Major Nickall's Britannia, 11st. 9lbs. ... Capt. Melville 3

Also ran : Die Hard, 10-2.

Betting : Evens Mamie, 5 to 4 agst. Chamberlain, 3 to 1 Britannia, 8 to 1 Die Hard.

Led throughout and won by a length and a half ; half a length between second and third. Time—50secs.

Pony Hurdles.—A handicap for ponies 14-1 and under. 1¼ miles over 7 flights.

Capt. Charley's Hermes, 11st. 7lbs. ... Mr. Goodman 1
Mr. Nichols' Mosenstein, 10st. 2lbs. ... Capt. Melville 2
Major Burton's Butcha, 10st. 9lbs. ... Mr. Anderson 3

Betting : 6 to 4 on Hermes, 2 to 1 agst. Mosenstein, 3 to 1 Butcha.

The first two were together throughout and took the last hurdle together. It was a smart and exciting run in. Hermes winning by a short head ; six lengths between second and third. Time—4mins. 5secs.

Horse Chase.—A handicap for horses. About 2 miles over the chase course.

Mr. F. Bryant's Reinforcement, 11st. 7lbs. Owner 1
Mr. Heywood's Pylara, 10st. 11lbs. ... Bechan 2
Capt. Melville's Ascetic's Silver, 10st. ... Capt. Bennett 3

Also ran : Grenade, 7-10 ; Kidnapper, 7-4.

Betting : 6 to 4 on Reinforcement, 5 to 4 agst. Pylara, 10 to 1 the others.

Won by half a length ; a bad third.

Gurmukhtesar Plate.—A handicap for ponies. ½ mile.

Mr. Parker's Wild Rose, 11st. 7lbs. ... W. Haggon 1
Col. Berryman's Quilt, 9st. 12lbs. ... Mr. Nicholson 2
Capt. Forsyth's Esslemont, 10st. 9lbs. ... Capt. Bennett 3
Col. Beaver's Felix, 11st. 11lbs. ... Bechan 0

Also ran : Little Eurodin, 11-8 ; Alice, 10-5 ; Cain, 10-8 ; Begum, 9-1.

Betting : 2 to 1 on Wild Rose, 4 to 1 each agst. Felix and Alice, 5 to 1 Quilt, 6 to 1 the others.

Getting away at once Wild Rose was in front all the journey and won by two lengths ; a length between second and third. Time—55secs.

Hurlingham Plate.—For *bona fide* Arab polo ponies 14-1 and under; 14-1 to carry 11st. 7lbs. W. I. 3 furlongs.

Mr. Curtis' Simon 10st. ... ... Owner 1
Capt. Melville's Cut Off, 11st. 7lbs. ... Owner 2
Mr. Nicholson's Redder, 9st. 5lbs. ... Owner 3
Capt. Davis' Bustle, 9st. 5lbs. ... Shilsingh 0

Also ran: Barrop, 11-7; Butcha, 10-9; Breadalbane, 10-9; Olaf, 10-9.

Betting: 2 to 1 Cut Off ; 6 to 1 agst. each of the others.

Simon showed the way throughout and won by half a length; a length between second and third. Time—42secs.

RACING IN AUSTRALIA.

Onkaparinga Cup—Of 400sovs. Handicap. First horse 280sovs., second horse 80sovs., third horse 40sovs. 1 mile and 3 furlongs.

£1,472-10. Mr. C. Smith's br g Sedan, by—Projectile—Lindella, 3yrs., 6st. 12lbs. including 5lbs. pen. ... ... E. Andrews 1
£433. Mr. S. P. Mackay's b m Betsy Burke, 4yrs., 8st. 2lbs. ... ... J. F. Giblin 2
£46. Mr. J. F. Henderson's c m Adula, 4yrs., 6st. 8lbs. ... ... J. H. Hill 3
£207. Mr. C. L. Moorhouse's br g Elderslie, aged, 9st. 2lbs. .. ... J. McDonald 0
£113-10. Mr. A. D. McDonald's b f Kismet II., 3yrs., 8st. 10lbs. ... T. Matthews 0
£849-10. Mr. H. E. Gregory's br g Rocky Glen, aged, 8st. 7lbs. ... W. Bury 0
£136-10. Mr. E. E. S. Coombe's b m Metal Queen, 5yrs., 8st. ... ... J. Liddle 0
£261. Mr. W. Mallen's b c Kooringa, 3yrs., 7st. 13lbs. ... ... J. Orr 0
£107. Mr. F. Passmore's br m Shell Storm, 4yrs., 7st. 3lbs. ... ... J. D. Campbell 0
£141-10. Mr. W. A. Blackler's br m Recherche, 4yrs., 7st. 2lbs. ... ... S. Brock 0
£19-10. Mr. A. McFarlane, jun.'s, b g Concave, 6yrs., 7st. ... ... H. Hunt 0

(*Winner trained by B. Riley.*)

Amount in totalizator, £3,787. Dividends (for £1 tickets)—Sedan, £1 14/; Betsy Burke, £2-1.

Won by four lengths ; five lengths between second and third. Time—2mins. 26secs.

Sydney Cup : Of 2000sovs., with 2,000sovs. added. Second horse 300sovs., third 150. 2 miles.

Mr. K. S. MacLeod's br g Realm, by Majestic—Lynette, 6yrs., 7st. 10lbs. C. Cooper 1
Mr. Jos. Brown's br g Proceed, aged, 8st. 11b. ... ... McLachlan 2
Mr. W. R. Hall's ch c Florence, 3yrs. 6st. 7lbs. ... ... Lamond 3
Mr. J. B. Whitehead's bk h Dividend, 5yrs., 9st. 5lbs. ... ... J. Barden 0
Mr. P. A. Connolly's br h Blue Spec, aged, 9st.—including 7lbs. penalty ... F. Bullock 0
Mr. P. McCarthy's b h Garches, 4yrs, 8st. 6lbs ... ... McCarthy 0
Messrs. P. and W. Mitchell's b g Dyed Garments, 5yrs. 7st. 13lbs. ... ... Fisher 0
Mr. M. P. B. Christian's ch h Vanadium, 5yrs., 7st. 12lbs. ... ... Smith 0
Mr. C. L. Macdonald's b g Wandin, 5yrs., 7st. 4lbs. ... ... Ross 0
Mr. E. R. Frazer's b f The Stream, 3yrs., 6st. 10lbs. ... ... Pike 0
Mr. J Samuel's b c Mooltan, 3yrs., 6st. 9lbs. ... ... Bolton 0

Betting : 3 to 1 agst. Proceed, 7 to 2 Realm, 9 to 2 Dividend, 7 to 1 each Wandin and Dyed Garments, 16 to 1 each Mooltan and Vanadium, 20 to 1 Blue Spec, and 33 to 1 others.

Great Eastern Steeplechase—Of 900sovs. Handicap. Maximum weight of handicap not to exceed 13st. First horse 600sovs., second horse 200sovs., third horse 100 sovs. 3¼ miles (three times round Steeplechase course—21 jumps).

£1,270. Mr. J. F. Kirby's b g Napier, by Tradition—Circlet, aged, 11st. 5lbs. ... ... D. Coleman 1
£518-10. Messrs. Lange Brothers' c g Federal Court (late Tribune II.), by Red Court—Amanda, aged, 10st. 13lbs. ... ...A. Williamson 2
£358. Mr. F. W. Allen's b g Bombastes, by Bomba—Lady Doris, aged, 11st. 9lbs. ... M Burns 3
£234. Mr. Donaldson's br g Poster, aged, 11st. ... ... J. L. Cox 0
£250. Mr. C. Smith's b g Generality, aged, 10st. 5lbs. ... ... Hugo Wilson 0
£297-10. Mr. J. Mullins's c g Reindeer, aged, 9st. 11lbs. ... ... W. Bowman 0
£25. Messrs. Lord and Press's g g Lantier, age :, 9st. 10lbs. ... .. H. Manuel 0
£44. Mr. A. Rutter Clarke's b g Sufferer, 6yrs., 9st. 8lbs. .. ... F. Wilson 0
£158-10. Hon. A. von Doussa's b g The Rake, aged, 9st. 5lbs. .. ... H. Holmes 0
£217-10. Mr. H. Hopwood's br g Kiristos, 6yrs., 9st. 4lbs. ... ... D. Lyons 0
£87. Mr. C. Howie's g g History, aged, 9st. 2lbs. ... ... J. Spooner 0
£28. Mr J. Tyler's b h Celtic, 5yrs., 9st. 6lbs. †, including 6lbs. over ... W. Cullen 0

(*Winner trained by D. Coleman.*)

Amount in totalizator, £3,618. Dividends (for £1 tickets)—Napier, £1-18 ; Federal Court, 1-12.

Won by two lengths ; eight lengths between second and third. Time—6mins. 52⅕secs.

Every position in life has its cheerful side. No man can go so far down the hill that the sun won't shine on some part of the valley for at least an hour a day. Think of the poor organ-grinder, and take heart. "Ah!" he said to himself, as he turned the awful crank of that unmelodious instrument and heard the pennies drop on the sidewalk; "if I hadn't studied music when I was young I might now be a common beggar."

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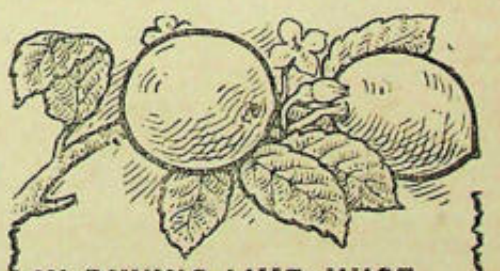
Entries for Races.

THE DERBY.

The Derby Stakes.— of 6,500sovs., by subscription of 50 sovs. each, h ft., or 5sovs. only, if declared by the last Tuesday in March, 1906, for entire colts and fillies, foaled in 1904 ; colts 9st. and fillies 8st. 9lb.; the nominator of the winner to receive 500 sovs. out of the race ; if not sufficient surplus is obtained from subscriptions to give the second at least 400sovs. and third at least 200sovs. the difference to be made up by the race fund ; about one mile and a half.—283 entries. Closed July 25, 1905.

Colt by Aborigine—Aira Force, Mr. A. Taylor.
Affiant, b c by Laveno—Cubical, Mr. J. Hutton.
All Black, b c by Gallinule—Vortex, Lord Clonmell.
Augouleme, b c by Orion—Angola, Mr. J. S. Harrison.
Apponyi, b c by St. Simon—Mneme, Duke of Portland.
Asabel, b c by St. Serf—Croceum, Mr. R. W. Cox.
Asian, b c by Ladas—St. Is, Capt. J. G. R. Homfray.
Astrophel, b c by Florizel II—Astrology, Major Eustace Loder.
Aurelian, ch c by Sir Visto—Orelia, Lord Rosebery.
Colt, by Ayrshire—Miss Gunning II, Duke of Portland.
Baltinglass, b c by Isinglass—Sibola, Major Eustace Loder.
Barkston Ash, ch c by Pride—Impi, Mr. R. Botterill.
Bedouin, The, ch c Soliman—Queen of the Plains, Mr. H. I Higham.
Colt by Ben Strome—The Humber, Mr. H. B. Duryea.
Benvenuto, bc by St. Simon—Arno, Duke of Portland.
Colt, by Berrill—Winkfield's Prize, Mr. J. C. Sullivan.
Bessborough, bc by St. Frusquin—Pepperette, Mr. J. A. de Rothschild.
Bezonian, bc by Velasquez—Gas, Lord Rosebery.
Bright Steel, br c by St. Simon—Clare, Mr. Freeman
Brookman, br c by Octagon—St. Bridget, Mr. A. Belmont.
Brown Glass, br c by Isinglass—High Brown, Mr. Sol. Joel.
Candahar, br c by Ayrshire—Lady Candahar, Mr. J. H. Hoole.
Canonica, bc by St. Simson—Breviary, Duke of Portland.
Colt, by Carbine—Honey Bird, Sir J. Duke.
Cargill, br c by Carbine—Glainne, Lord Howard de Walden.
Charlemagne II, bc by St. Simon—Perfect Dream, Lord Wolverton.
Charles Edward, bg by Avington—Portree, Sir E. Vincent.
Cherub, The, ch c by Cherry Tree—Sister Angela, Sir M. Fitzgerald.
Chunchuse, bc by Galeazzo—Utica, Mr. L. de Rothschild.
Clatfood, br c by Rightaway—Sister Lumby, Mr. F. Alexander.
Colt, by Commando, Dam by Bend Or, Mr. J. R. Keene.
Comus, ch c by Cyllene—Galleottia, Mr. Fairie
Custom House, b c by King's Courier - Farce, Lord Ellesmere.
Cynosure, ch g by Cyllene—Neneemosha, Lord Londonderry.
Colt, by Diamond Jubilee—Tears of Joy, Mr. J. Musker.
Colt, by Dinna Forget—Rusk, Mr. H. Bottomley.
Colt, by Disguise—Calico, Mr. J. R. Keene.
Dr. Walther, br c by Common—Barrisdale, Mr. O. W. Rayner.
Don Enriquez, b c by Hastings—Bella Donna, Mr. Belmont.
Downshire, b c by Ayrshire—Sea Down, Sir R. W. B. Jardine.
Dugald, ch c by Avington—Duamia, Sir E Cassel.
Earlston, ch c by Love Wisely—Monday, Mr. Kennedy.
Elan, ch c by Eager—Hanoveria, Mr. J. S. Curtis.
Elector, ch c by Gallinule—Lady Elect, Mr. C. J. Blake.
Colt, by Florizel II—Kinghtshade, Mr. W. Bass.
Colt, by Florizel II—Limasol, Mr. C. Meyer.
Forefather, b c by Forfarshire—Initiate, Mr. Heinemann.
Fort Myers, b c by Wolf's Crag—Locasta, Capt. J. G. R. Homfray.
Fortrose, b c by Forfarshire—Rosebud, Sir T. R Dewar.
Frampton, ch c by Gallinule—Barbara, Mr. W. Hall Walker.
Galleot, ch c by Ocean Wave—Galingale, Capt. Greer.
Colt, by Gallinule—Clarion, Mr. J. E. Platt,
Colt, by Gallinule—Rinovata, Sir S. M. Lockhart.
Galvani, ch c by Laveno—Gallinarea, Major Eustace Loder.
Gardenia II, b c by Martagon—Galata, Mons. A. Aumont.
Genie, ch c by Gospodar—Genereuse, Mr. M. Ephrussi.
Glacis, ch c by Carbine—Glasalt, Lord Derby.
Gnome, b c by Isinglass—Queen Fairy, Mr. J. Wallace.
Grampian, bc by Amphion, dam by Grammont—Nydia, Mr. L. Shirley.
Colt, by Handspring—Mon Droit, Mr. H. Duryea.
Colt, by Hawfinch—Hopper, Mr. H. Bottomley.
Haymarket, ch c by Marco—Lady Carlton, Lord Carnarvon.
Hermes, br c by Gallinule—The Message, Capt. Greer.
Hillsprite, ch c by Cyllene—Elf, Duke of Devonshire.
Hymettus, ch c by Cyllene—Sweet Balsam, Mr. E. Dresden.
Jovial, br c by Bay Ronald—Merry Miser, Sir R. W. B. Jardine.
K. C. B., br c by Queen's Birthday—Excellence, Mr. A. T. Godman.
King's Courtship, b c by Matchmaker—Be Cannie, Mr. H. Lindemere.
Knight of Tully, br c by Count Schomberg—Rush, Mr. W. Hall.
Knocknagram, b c by Gallinule—The Arrow, Lord H. de Dalzell.
Colt, by Ladas—Ardvourlie, Sir S. Scott.
La Grele.——————, Mr. J. Portfin.
Larig, ch c by Florizel II—Piteroy, Lord Wolverton.
Linacre, b c by Wolf's Crag—Lismaine, Sir J. Robinson.
Lord Carton, ch c by Lord Edward II—Millcog, Mr. J. D. Wardell.
Colt by Lord Edward II—Snow Bunting, Mr. M. Fitzgerald.
Lowland Lord, br c by Ayrshire—Lady Lena, Mr. J. L. Dugdale.
Lycaeus, ch c by Cyllene—Cereza, Lord Falmouth.



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Skevening, ch c by Chevening—Kylesku, Mr. J. Musker.
Slieve Gallion, bk c by Gallinule—Seclusion, Capt. Greer.
Slim Lad, br c by St. Simon—Laodamia, His Majesty.
Southannon, bc by Florizell II—Queen's Wake, Capt. M. Hughes.
Spiridiron, b c by Martagon—Santa Maura, Mr. D. Baird.
Stage Pirate, b c by Buccaneer—Mary Anderson, Mr. Russel.
Stair, b c by Ayrshire—St. Uncomber, Mr. W. Raphael.
Sun, The, br c by Sidus—La Figlia, Lord Codogan.
Target, b c by Carbine—Mairmina, Duke of Portland.
Teetotaller b c by Forfarshire—Tea Party, Mr. E. Johnstone.
Colt, by Teufel—Lucretia Borgia, Mr. W. Bass.
Traquair, ch c by Ayrshire—Chelandry, Lord Rosebery.
Colt, by Trenton—Foley Eccles, Mr. Clarence Wilson.
Trojan Prince, ch c by Orion—Hecuba, Mr. J. L. Dugdale.
Ulpian, br c by Gallinule—Merry Gal, Mr. W. H. Walker.
Colt by Uncle Mac—Murgis, Mr. T. W. Blenkiron.
Viceroy, ch c by Gallinule—Excellenza, Mr. C. J. Blake.
Volga, b c by Volodyvski—Golette, Col. R. Kincaid Smith.
Colt, by Volodyvski—Estuary, Mr A. Bartram.
Water Cart b c Orime—Sprinkle, Mr. Fairie.
Watergall, ch c by Gallinule—Water Lily, Capt. Greer.
Weathercock, br c by Gallinule—Chinook, Major Eustace Loder.
Welkin, The, b c by Flying Fox—Woodbury, Lord Wolverton.
Whidghams, b c by Ladas—Windlass, Lord Ellesmere.
Wife of Bath, b f by St. Simon—Canterbury Pilgrim, Lord Derby.
Colt, by Winkfield—Wedding Cake, Mr. J. C. Sullivan.
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Woodhall, b c by Donovan—Craig Maddie, Mr. W. Stevenson.
Woolwinder, br c by Martagon—St. Windeline, Col. E. W. Baird.
Yentoi, ch c by Santoi—Rot, Mr. G. Edwardes.
Yeoman, b c by Carbine—Warrior Queen, Mr. M. Gurry.

Ponies.

C. T. C. Measurements.

CALCUTTA.

THE following ponies were classed, aged and measured at Calcutta on 3rd and 4th April 1907, by the Official Measurer :—

Pony's Name.	Description.	Owner's Name.	Age.	Height.	Period.
Claribell ...	ch aus m	Mr. J. C. Galstaun	6	14-1	For life.
Coin II. ...	ch aus m	H. H. Maharajah of Cooch Behar ...	6	13-3	For life.
Diana ...	gr bb m	Mr. E. C. Foy ...	6	13-0¾	For life.
Klingamite	ch aus g	Mr. R. Powell ...	5	13-2¾	31st March 1908.
Empress ...	b aus m	Mr. J. Gove ...	5	14-2½	.....
Flat ...	bk aus m	Messrs. Oakley and Davison ...	Aged	14-0¾	For life.
Lady Bell	b aus m	Mr. F. W. Brownrigg... ...	5	13-3¾	31st March 1908.
Merry Tinman ...	b e g	Messrs. Wood and Badger ...	4	14-1	31st March 1908.
Nautch Girl ...	ch aus m	Mr. J. C. Galstaun	3	13-3¾	31st March 1908.
Tara ...	br aus m	Mr. J. B. ...	4	14-4	31st March 1908.
Wakeful ...	dk b or br aus m	... Mr. E. C. Ramshaw	6	14-1½	For life.

UP the river, one fine day last week, a young sculler, remarkable for his "coat of many colours," was reclining on the bank enjoying his "bacca," when a boatload of merry laughing boys and girls came along. The usual riverside chaff ensued, and one young lady thought to quelch that sculler with "What are you waiting for, *Joseph*?" The coat-wearer was ready, and replied, "Not for you, Mrs. Potiphar!" It was rather rough on the "gal."

"LADIES and gentlemen," said the prestidigitateur, "I must request one of the weaker sex among my indulgent audience to be kind enough to enter the magic cabinet. I shall then close the door, and when I reopen it a moment later the lady will have disappeared."

"Polly, my love," said a spectator in the stalls to his wife, "do me a favour. Step up on the stage and let him put you in the mysterious cupboard."

Sport in England.

FROM THE HOME PAPERS.

LONDON, *Friday, 5th April* 1907.

THE TURF.

MANCHESTER.

APRIL-LIKE showers alternated with brilliant sunshine at Castle Irwell on the 1st instant, and these were beneficent, in as much as they laid the dust and nicely moistened the galloping tracks. Fields were large, and the sport was on a somewhat high plane, though in the main results went all against backers, whilst the fortunes of the Hednesford stable received a check when young Americus and Herbert Vincent failed to justify their positions as favourites. Appended are results of the principal races.—

JUBILEE HANDICAP HURDLE RACE—Of 1,000sovs.; second receives 100sovs. 2 miles.

Lord Carnarvon's ch g Carnegie, by Fortunio—Bel Esprit, 6yrs., 11st. 12lbs. ...	J. O'Brien	1
Mr. H. Reynolds' b g Perseus II., aged, 10st. 8lbs.	Mr. S. J. Bell	2
Lord Sefton's gr c Gamaliel II., 4yrs. 11st. 2lbs.	A. Aylin	3
Mr. F. Straker's Herbert Vincent, 6yrs., 11st. 3lbs.	F. Mason	0
Mr. R. B. Dobell's Jenkins, 5yrs., 10st. 5lbs.	F. Freemantle	0
Mr. A. Stedall's Simonson, 4yrs., 11st. 8lbs.	J. Dillon	0
Mr. S. J. Bell's Cheriton Belle, aged, 11st. 9lbs.	G. Goswell	0
Mr. W. H. Pawson's Postscript, 4yrs., 10st.	W. Palmer	0
Mr. H. M. Hartigan's Dafila, 4yrs., 11st. 12lbs.	R. Morgan	0
Mr. C. Bower Ismay's Cascatella, 4yrs., 10st.	G. W. Lyall	0
Mr. G. A. Prentice's Karakoul, aged, 12st. 6lbs.	G. Williamson	11
Mr. R. C. Thompson's Leviathan, aged, 11st. 6lbs.	G. Wilson	0
Mr. C. Hibbert's Savernake, 5yrs., 11st. ...	J. Nightingall	0
Mr. J. Muddimer's Lancashire, 6yrs., 10st. 5lbs.	Mr. Hunt	0

(Winner trained by Westlake.)

BETTING : 5 to 2 agst. Herbert Vincent, 8 to 1 Karakoul, 10 to 1 each Carnegie, Simonson, Savernake, Perseus II., and Lancashire, and 20 to 1 each others (offered).

Won a good race by a length and a half ; a head separated second and third. Herbert Vincent was fourth, Jenkins was fifth, Simonson sixth, Cheriton Belle seventh, Postscript eight, Dafila ninth, Cascatella tenth, Karakoul next, and Savernake last. Lancashire broke down badly three hurdles from home, and was destroyed.

EASTER HANDICAP STEEPLECHASE—Of 200sovs. ; second receives 20sovs. 2 miles.

Col. R. L. Birkin's b h Baron Crafton, by Crafton, dam by Goldseeker—Sweet Nina, 6yrs. 11st. 11lbs.	J. O'Brien	1
Mr. M. Harper's ch g Agony, aged, 11st. 11lb.	G. Goswell	2
Mr. J. M. Kerne's b g Johnstown Lad, 6yrs., 10st. 11lbs.	F. Freemantle	3
Mr. F. Bibby's Aerostat, 6yrs. 11st. 10lbs. ...	F. Mason	0
Sir P. Walker's Flutterer, aged, 12st. 2lbs.	E. Sullivan	0
Duke of Westminster's St. Benet, aged, 12st. 7lbs.	A. Newey	0
Mr. T. W. Blenkiron's Queen's Scholar, 6yrs., 11st. 8lbs.	J. Dillion	0
Mr. L. de Rothschild's Key West, aged, 11st. 5lbs.	E. Driscoll	0

(Winner trained by E. Martin.)

BETTING : 100 to 30 agst. Flutterer, 7 to 2 Queen's Scholar, 5 to 1 Baron Crafton, 7 to 1 each Aerostat, Agony, and Key West, and 100 to 8 each others (offered).

Won by eight lengths ; the same distance dividing second and third. Aerostat was fourth, Flutterer fifth, and Key West last of those that finished. St. Benet collided with the rails in the straight, and threw his jockey.

MAIDEN HURDLE RACE—Of 100sovs. ; second receives 10 sovs. 2 miles.

Mr. S. Park's b f Eurotas by Simontault—Rosedew, 5yrs., 11st. 12lbs. ...	E. Sullivan	1
Mr. A. Knowles b g Romer, 6yrs., 11st. 7lbs.	G. W. Lyall	2
Mr. C. A. Mills' b c First Crop, 4yrs., 10st. 10lbs.	A. Newey	3
Mr. B. Walker's Corveno, 5yrs., 11st. 5lbs.	J. O'Brien	0
Mr. J. Widger's Waddler, 5yrs., 11st. 5lbs.	J. W. Widger	0
Mr. J. Milnthorp's Bellaggio, 4yrs., 10st. 12lbs.	A. Box	0

(Winner trained by Latham.)

Won by six lengths ; three lengths between second and third. Corveno was fourth and Bellaggio last.

WINDSOR.

A sort of patchwork week for South Country sportsmen called their attention to Windsor yesterday, when a fair attendance discussed an interesting menu. The executive had made a further alteration which seemed to give general satisfaction—the 10s. ring, now reduced to 5s. having embraced the cheap shilling one, and been comfortably enlarged. Rain, much wanted by the gardeners, while improving the course, brought a fall of temperature, as those who left their greatcoats at home sorrowfully acknowledged. Details.—

ROMNEY HANDICAP—of 150sovs. ; second receives 10sovs. ; 5 furlongs.

Mr. E. Christie Miller's br g the De'il, by El Diablo—Strathardle, aged, 8st. 5lbs.	W. Halsey	1
Mr. A. Frogley's b or br c Cousin Bob, 3 yrs., 7st. 4lbs.	C. Trigg	2
Mr. G. H. Freeman's ch g Ortyx. 3yrs., 6st. 13lbs.	W. Beamish	3
Mr. A. McMicking's Love Song, 4yrs. 9st. 6lbs.	W. Higgs	4
Mr. E. J. Hobbs' Fly Frankie, 3yrs., 6st. 2lbs.	W. Earl	5
Mr. A. Anderson's Coolmoon 3yrs., 7st. 2lbs.	H. Robbins	6
Mr. G. Cooper's Roecanna, 3yrs. 6st. 5lbs.	E. Piper	0
Mr. D. R. Browning's Forerunner II., 3yrs., 8st. 2lbs.	J. Peel	0
Mr. A. F. Cresswell's Master Tredennis, 3yrs., 8st. 11lb.	O. Madden	0
Mr. A. Stevens' Thistledown, 3yrs., 6st. 11lbs.	F. Templeman	0
Sir T. R. Dewar's Ena Regina, 3yrs., 6st. 10lbs. (car. 6st. 12lbs.)	C. Heckford	0
Mr. Harles' Sandy Bay, 3yrs., 6st. 9lbs. ...	H. Watts	0
Mr. Murray Griffiths' Ta Ta, 3yrs., 6st. 7lbs.	F. Wootton	0
Mr. J. E. Hughes' Ifield, 3yrs., 6st. 7lbs. (car. 6st. 13lbs.)	C. Escott	0
Mr. J. Hornsby's Wake Up, 3yrs., 6st. 7lbs.	J. Howard	0

(Winner trained by F. Hunt.)

BETTING : 9 to 2 agst. Ta Ta, 5 to 1 Cousin Bob, 6 to 1 Love Song, 100 to 12 Oryx, 10 to 1 each The De il, Thistledown, Ena Regina, Sandy Bay, and Ifield, and 100 to 7 each others (offered.)

Won cleverly by a neck; half a length divided second and third. Love Song was fourth. Fly Frankie fifth, Coolmoon sixth, Roecanna seventh, and Ena Regina last.

ROYAL CASTLE HANDICAP—Of 500sovs. ; second receives 50 sovs. 1¼ mile.

Mr. J. Barlow's b c Gallinago, by Gallinule—Verte Grez, 5yrs., 7st. 12lbs. ...	Wm. Griggs	1
Mr. M. Fitzgerald's ch c Seanchui lhe, 4yrs., 7st. 11lb.	C. Heckford	2
Mr. J. M. Kerne's b c Sancho, 4yrs., 7st. 13lbs.	W. Higgs	3
Mr. F. Pennard's Monkshead, aged, 8st. 12lbs.	H. Jones	0
Major E. C. Anderson's Mark Wood, 5yrs., 7st. 6lbs.	W. Saxby	0
Mr. A. Sadler, jun's Indiana, 4yrs., 7st. 4lbs.	C. Escott	0
Mr. N. J Wood's Whinbloom, 6yrs., 9st. ...	A. Templeman	0
Mr. G. Faber's Mountain Rose, aged, 8st. 4lbs.	H. Blades	0
Capt. C. P. B. Wood's Amersham, 5yrs., 8st. 3lbs.	G. McCall	0
Mr. G. Edwardes' Raytoi, 3yrs., 6st. 3lbs.	J. Howard	0

(Winner trained by J. Dawson.)

BETTING : 7 to 4 agst. Gallinago, 7 to 2 Amersham, 7 to 1 Mountain Rose, 10 to 1 each Monkshead and Indiana, 100 to 7 Whinbloom, and 20 to 1 each others (offered).

Won by a neck ; three lengths divided second and third, Monkshead was fourth, Mark Wood fifth, Indiana sixth, and Amersham last.

SPEEDY TWO-YEAR-OLD PLATE—Of 200sovs.; second receives 10sovs. 4 furlongs, straight.

Mr. R. Mills' b colt by Jaquemart—Grasmere, 8st. 4lbs.	G. McCall	1
Mr. W. H. Schwind's ch f Phyllis, 8st. 4lbs.	W. Saxby	2
Mr. A. P. Cunliffe's b f Tourmente, 8st. 4lbs.	C. Escott	3
Mr. J. W. Larnach's filly by Jeddah—Victoria May, 8st 11lb.	R. Jones	0
Mr. W. Hall Walker's County Ball, 8st. 4lbs.	B. Lynham	0
Duke of Portland's Mrs. O., 8st. 4lbs. ...	H. Jones	0
Mr. W. G. Langland's Shuffle, 8st. 4lbs.	C. Trigg	0
Mr. H. Lytham's colt by Galashiels—Loendal, 8st. 7lbs.	A. Sharples	0
Mr. A. McMicking's The Imp., 8st. 7lbs. ...	W. Higgs	0
Mr. Wm. Johnston's colt by Saxon Prince—Tarantelle, 8st. 7lbs.	W. Halsey	0
Mr. J. Buchanan's Passing By, 8st. 7los. ...	L. Hewitt	0
Mr. D. R. Browning's Miss Tell, 8st. 4lbs....	H Stokes	0
Sir R. H. Hodges' filly by Zamiel—Vaudeville, 8st. 4lbs.	Wm. Griggs	0
Mr. T. Pilkington's Florierne, 8st. 4lbs. ..	J. Goater	0
Lord Carnarvon's Mademoiselle de Maupin, 8st. 11b.	P. Quinn	0
Mr. A. Stevens' Abent, 8st. 11b. ...	G. Cowdrey	0

(Winner trained by F. Hartigan.)

BETTING : 5 to 2 agst. Grasmere colt, 9 to 2 each Tarantelle colt and County Ball, 6 to 1 Mrs. O., 10 to 1 each agst. Passing By, Tourmente, and Victoria May filly, and 100 to 6 each others (offered).

Won by half a length ; a neck divided second and third. Victoria May filly was fourth. County Ball fifth, Mrs. O. sixth, Shuffle seventh, and The Imp last.

FOOTBALL

UNDER ASSOCIATION RULES.

The Easter holiday is invariably a very trying period for teams in the running for championship honours. Heavy programmes have to be surmounted, and many a time and oft has a side comfortably placed at the head of one or other of the great leagues before the advent of Good Friday had all pretensions shattered by a series of heavy defeats in the next few days. Therefore, team managers who govern the fortunes of clubs claiming the top rungs of the various ladders may well be excused for exhibiting jack-in-the-box propensities when all-important matches are in progress. But in the general sense the present Easter holiday is something of an exception, for few turn-ups have occurred.

THE SOUTHERN LEAGUE.

Fulham had something in the nature of a gift presented to them by the visit of Northampton to Craven Cottage on Saturday, but many and anxious were inquiries as to the result of the game between Luton and Portsmouth on the former's enclosure. This game was recognised by experts as almost deciding the championship, and many huge sighs of relief were vented when it was known that Luton had conquered their opponents by a substantial margin. Luton have been progressing splendidly during the past few weeks, picking up points both at home and away with equal impartiality. They were in rare fettle against their visitors, and made a win practically a certainty by scoring two brilliant goals in the first five minutes. Fulham have now a lead of three points with one more match played, and have two hard games in anticipation away from home ; but they are notoriously quite as good when operating on foreign soil as when disporting themselves on their own ground and they are not likely to suffer a relapse with the shield within their reach. Rough play has so materially lessened within the past few years that it is a matter of regret to find this distasteful phase of the game in evidence at Tottenham. Of all sides the 'Spurs play intelligent and fair football, and the Brighton players—or the section at fault—should have known better than to introduce unsavoury tactics. As it happened, Tottenham won, and that pretty easily, scoring three goals without response, but several of their players, particularly Walton and Reid, are not likely to cherish pleasant memories of the game.

BRENTFORD SURPRISED.

Brentford are so rarely defeated on their own ground that Millwall's performance of capturing two goals without response must be treated as an exceptionally meritorious piece of work. The visiting forwards were a source of continuous anxiety to the home defence, which was sorely troubled to stay the raids of Twigg and his confreres. Another side to do well was New Brompton who considerably astonished Norwich by effecting a draw on the latter's ground. The visitors, led by the odd goal in three until the closing fifteen minutes when Wood allayed the anxieties of the spectators by equalising. Southampton are unfortunately experiencing trouble with several of their players, and in these circumstances did well to draw with Watford, who are one of the surprises of the season. A similar result came from the meeting of Swindon and Plymouth Argyle, and the latter are finding points very difficult to gather. Plymouth are but a shadow of their former strength, and are in financial difficulties, but a movement is afoot to remedy both these troubles, and there is every probability of their being as strong as ever next September. The remaining games call for no particular comment. Bristol Rovers were confidently expected to account for Queen's Park Rangers at Stapleton-road, and did so by three goals to one ; Crystal Palace just scrambled home against Leyton by a solitary goal ; and West Ham, always difficult to score against at Boleyn Castle, sent Reading away with a

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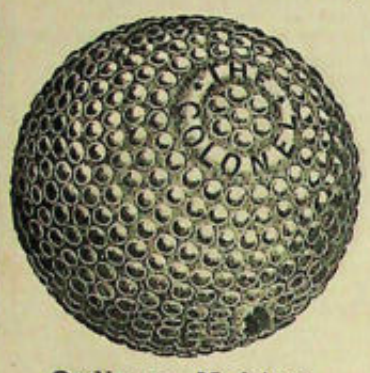

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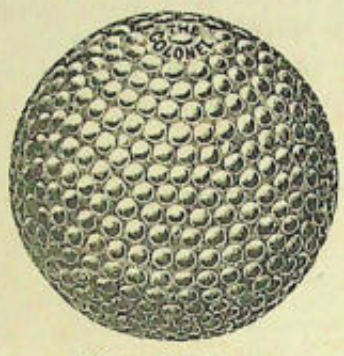

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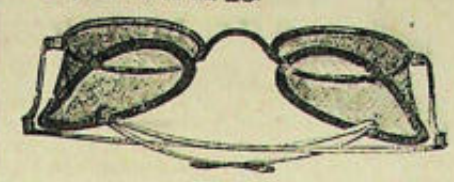

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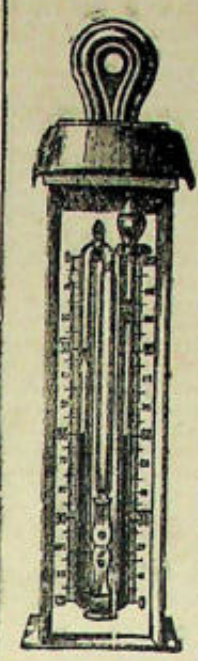

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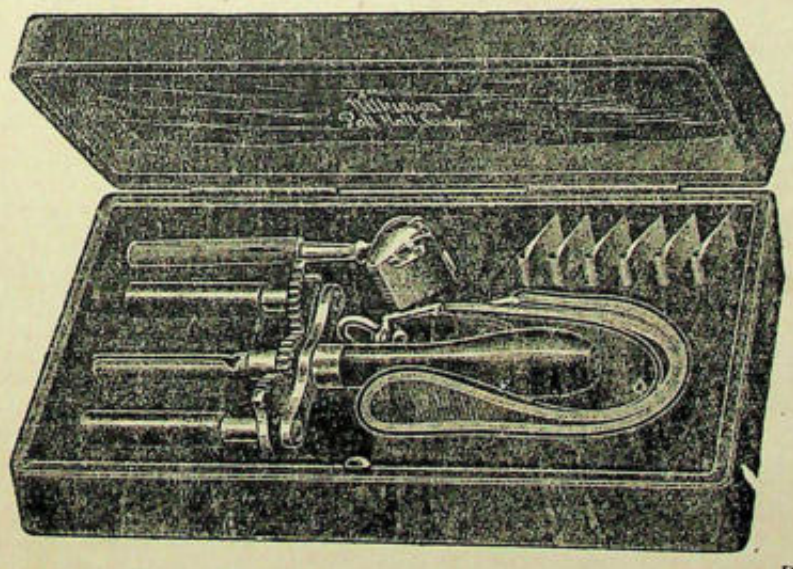

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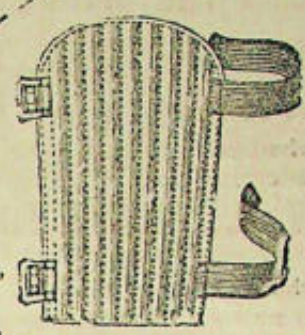

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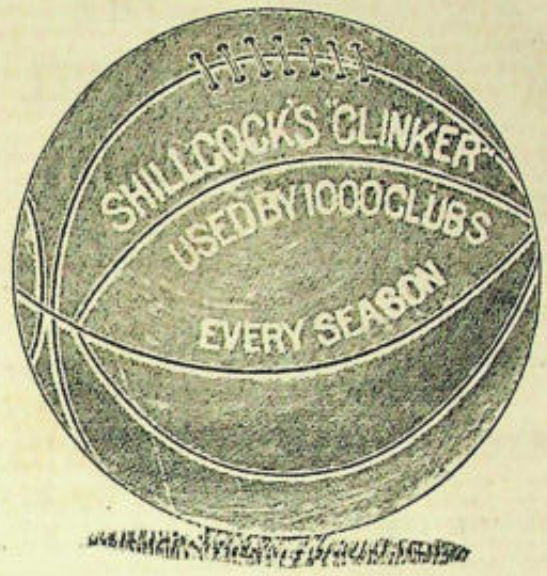

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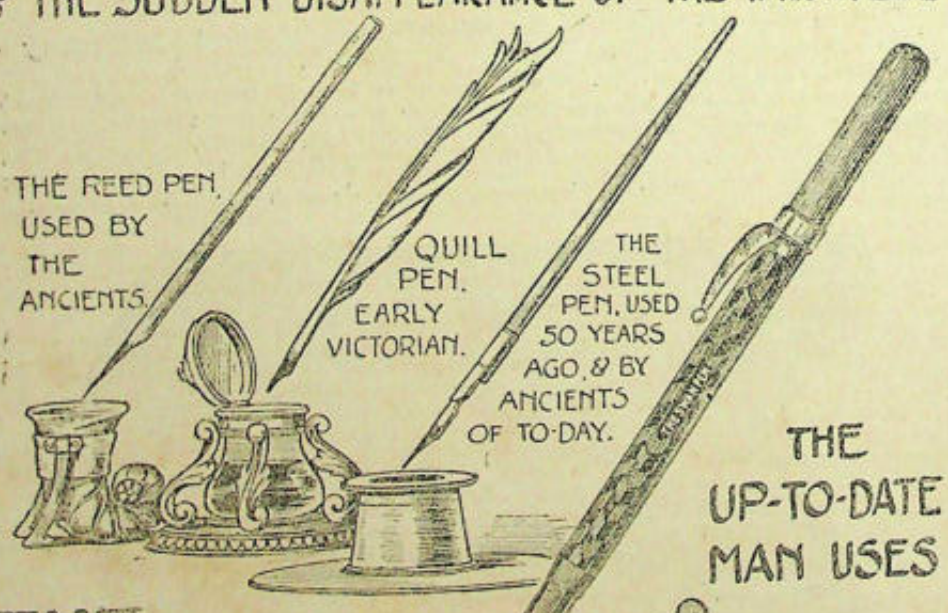

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two goals reverse. Th Southern League table now reads as follows:—

	P.	W.	L.	D.	Goals For.	Agst.	Pts
Fulham ...	33	17	4	12	60	28	46
Portsmouth ...	32	18	8	6	51	33	42
Tottenham Hotspur	33	16	9	8	61	39	40
Brighton and Hove ...	34	16	9	8	44	37	40
West Ham United ...	33	13	7	14	49	34	38
Norwich City ...	33	13	8	12	53	40	38
Luton Town ...	32	15	11	6	44	48	36
Watford ...	33	11	8	14	40	40	36
Millwall ...	32	14	13	5	63	47	33
Brentford ...	32	13	12	7	42	44	33
Bristol Rovers ...	32	12	13	7	50	41	31
Southampton ..	33	11	13	9	41	44	31
Leyton ...	33	10	12	11	35	52	31
Plymouth Argyle ...	33	9	12	12	37	43	30
Reading ...	33	12	16	5	49	41	29
Swindon Town ...	33	9	14	10	34	43	28
Queen's Park Rangers...	33	8	15	10	36	50	26
New Brompton ...	32	8	16	8	33	54	24
Crystal Palace ...	30	8	16	6	37	44	22
Northampton ...	31	4	19	8	25	72	16

NEWCASTLE GOING STRONG.

Unless something quite out of the ordinary occurs, Newcastle are booked for the championship of League I. So well have Bristol City disported themselves on opponents' grounds that it was not long odds against their succeeding at St. James' Park, but for once in a way the City could not manage to score, and were beaten pointless. A tally of three goals proves that the Newcastle men are leaving no stone unturned to realise ambitions, and with a comfortable lead of six points they are not now likely to be headed. They have, of course, taken part in two more games than their nearest attendants, Everton, who ran round Sunderland to the tune of four goals to one, but the Mersey team have the Cup final in prospect, and With the blue riband of football to be fought for, the League must necessarily be of secondary importance. Anxious almost to the verge of desperation by reason of their lowly situation. Stoke made a supreme, effort at Sheffield to better their almost hopeless predicament, and what is more succeeded, wining, after a tame encounter, by a goal. Here again Cup tie considerations probably influenced the losers, for Wednesday were not fully represented, and there appears to have been a disposition to take matters easily until too late for recovery. Twin unfortunates in Derby County and Notts County were likewise doing everything humanly possible to avert the dreaded relegation to lower division football, and both met with partial success. Brilliant defence was the prime cause of the County snatching a point at Deepdale, Iremonger giving a marvellous exhibition. He was only beaten once, and on numerous occasions defied the Preston forwards single-handed. Derby were at home, and by drawing with Birmingham earned a valuable point. But they must do better than this in their remaining matches, or Notts County, who have fulfilled three engagements less and are only two points behind, are certain in the natural order of things to vacate the last place but one in the table to the Peak team.

POINTS FOR WOOLWICH.

With the cares produced by Cup ties now dissipated, Woolwich Arsenal are able to give undivided attention to their League programme, and although the championship is out of the question, the Southerners are certain to finish in the first flight. They picked up a very useful two points from Sheffield Wednesday in the first of their holiday engagements, and the visit of the famous Rovers from Blackburn to the Manor Field supplied a further opportunity for them to please their many thousands of supporters. Two very fine object lessons in full back work were given in this match, Crompton for Blackburn, and Sharp for Woolwich playing perfectly. One or two of the Arsenal forwards showed signs of staleness at one period, but they combined beautifully for the most part, and only masterly work by Crompton and Evans kept the scoring down to such moderate proportions as two goals to nothing. Bury could not afford to be beaten at home by Manchester United, for they are by no means out of the wood, and Middlesborough severely disappointed their followers by capitulating to Sheffield United at Ayrsome Park. Home defeats are never palatable, and as Middlesborough are but rarely humbled when possessing this undoubted advantage, the sting was all the more pronounced. The Aston Villa and Liverpool game, at Villa Park, started rather late, owing to the referee being delayed in transit to Birmingham, but a crowd of 30,000 strong were compensated for this by their favourites gaining a four to *nil* victory, and no doubt the players were extremely grateful for having the opportunity to operate with the thermometer indicating a more reasonable degree of heat. Appended is the League I table:—

	P.	W.	L.	D.	Goals For	Agst.	Pts.
Newcastle United ...	34	21	7	6	69	40	48
Everton ...	32	19	9	4	64	33	42
Bristol City ...	32	16	8	8	53	38	40
Aston Villa ...	33	18	11	4	73	45	40
Sheffield United ...	33	16	9	8	53	48	40
Woolwich Arsenal ...	31	16	11	4	53	45	36
Bolton Wanderers ...	34	14	12	8	50	41	36
Manchester United ...	33	14	12	7	48	53	35
Birmingham	34	14	18	7	49	48	35
Preston North End ...	36	14	16	6	42	53	34
Sunderland	32	11	12	9	49	51	31
Liverpool	32	12	14	6	56	52	30
Manchester City ...	34	10	14	10	48	67	30
Sheffield Wednesday ...	30	10	11	9	42	47	29
Middlesbrough ...	31	12	14	5	44	53	29
Blackburn Rovers ...	32	11	15	6	48	53	28
Bury	30	10	18	5	49	62	25
Derby County ...	33	7	17	9	32	49	23
Notts County ...	30	4	13	13	32	48	21
Stoke	33	6	19	8	32	57	20

A CHELSEA REVERSE.

The number of occasions on which the hopes of visiting teams have been buried at Barnsley must total to alarming proportions. This hard-working eleven, with little pretensions to class, simply refuses to acknowledge the right of palpably superior organisations to carry points away from the Yorkshire mining town, and in keeping with this trait Chelsea went through the mill on Saturday. There were no half-measures either. A three goals to one victory denotes that the visitors were beaten fore and aft, as indeed they were. Chelsea played their usual unemotional game, but the forwards were too fond of studying the exact spot to shoot from before letting drive, and Barnsley do not stand on ceremony. The winners gave a dashing display all through, and ran the Chelsea defence off its legs in the last twenty minutes. Through this, and by reason of an easy ninety minutes with Blackpool, Notts Forest go to the head of affairs, and as they have played 32 games only against Chelsea's 34 and are level on points, the Foresters are practically assured of the championship. West Bromwich, the only club likely to at all challenge Chelsea for the right to claim acquaintance with the senior division, drew at Chesterfield, very much to the relief of the Southerners, and allowing for the unexpected Chelsea need now have no qualms as to the future.

CLAPTON ORIENT'S POSITION.

It is just as well for the Orient that their out programme is completed. They wound up their last away engagement with another defeat, Burnley netting thrice without response. The Homerton team has now four games to play, against Chelsea, Leeds City, Barnsley, and Gainsborough Trinity, and although their position of eighteenth is far from satisfactory, yet there should be no idea of finishing in the last three if the men can shake together. Recently there has been quite a lack of combination between the front rank, but primarily the fault rests with the halves, who have been sadly remiss in attending to their wants. This defect remedied, and a higher plane in the table is bound to be attained; otherwise the undesirable may happen, for each of the matches to come are certain to be strenuously contested. Nothing out of the ordinary took place in the other matches, each resulting about as anticipated.

The Second Division table is as follows:—

	P.	W.	L.	D.	Goals For	Agst.	Pts.
Notts Forest ...	32	23	6	3	62	32	49
Chelsea	34	22	7	5	64	32	49
Leicester Fosse ...	33	18	8	7	56	33	43
Bradford City ...	33	18	10	5	59	48	41
West Bromwich Albion ...	29	18	8	3	75	32	39
Wolverhampton Wands....	34	16	12	6	58	43	38
Burnley	33	15	14	4	55	40	34
Grimsby Town ...	32	15	15	2	49	49	32
Stockport County ...	32	11	11	10	36	43	32
Gainsborough Trinity ...	33	14	15	4	42	58	32
Barnsley	30	13	12	5	59	45	31
Hull City	33	13	15	5	53	49	31
Leeds City	36	12	14	7	45	54	31
Blackpool	34	9	15	10	26	44	28
Lincoln City ...	32	12	17	3	42	61	27
Burslem Port Vale ...	33	10	16	7	54	71	27
Glossop	32	11	18	3	41	73	25
Clapton Orient ...	34	9	18	7	40	64	25
Chesterfield	34	8	19	7	43	56	23
Burton United ...	33	6	22	5	26	61	17

AMATEUR CUP FINAL.

It is indeed satisfactory to be able to write of Clapton's success in the final for the amateur trophy. Stockton are more or less an unknown quantity in the South, and they were generally thought to be a much better team than proved to be the case. All things considered, a gate of 5,500, and receipts of £161, were very satisfactory and as a fine vigorous game was served up at Stamford Bridge, few can have regretted attending. Stockton had a large contingent of supporters to cheer them on, and so evenly were the teams matched in the first half that the interval arrived without either goalkeeper having allowed his defence to be pierced. A different state of affairs came into being afterwards, Clapton, improving while Stockton deteriorated, and amid much enthusiasm the Claptonians won the cup by two goals to one. Stockton were good in defence but the forwards were moderate. It was in this department that Clapton were so much superior, Clyde Purnell and Harvey playing especially good football.

ENGLAND *vs.* HOLLAND.—England has conquered Holland! On this occasion it was a struggle for supremacy on the football field, and the country which has made football so important a part of the every-day concerns of life won the first International encounter in which it engaged with the Netherlands. The game was decided on Easter Monday afternoon at The Hague, and the charming Dutch capital, where Queen Wilhelmina holds Court, and reigns in the affections and goodwill of her industrious and contented subjects, was immensely excited over the event. It is customary, and perhaps it is much nearer the truth than many accepted definitions of the principal characteristic of a people, to speak and write of the Dutch as a phlegmatic race. There was not much stolidity or self-repression on Monday afternoon on the ground of the Haagsche Voetbal Vereeniging, where the contest between the two countries was waged. Football is not something new to the peace-loving, prosperous people of the Netherlands. It has been played there for many years, and several of the clubs are strong enough to meet with equal chance of success many good-class amateur sides in our tight little island.

The English team entered the field to the strains of the British National Anthem and having undergone the ordeal of photography by a small army of photographers, professional and otherwise, the game was started in blazing sunshine, the home country having the assistance during the opening half of a breeze that had some effect on the ball, especially when it was ballooned, and it also tempered, the heat. The opening exchanges were vigorous, so far as Holland were concerned, and if energy and determination were the only necessary factors to command success the Netherlands would soon have placed the issue beyond doubt. They were soon taught the value of well-nigh perfect combination. The English halves were as cool and brainy as could be wished, gave their forwards plenty of well-judged passes, and there were some sweeping movements on the Hague goal. Hardman, Woodward, and Bell rammed home shots like cannon balls, but Holland has not anything to learn in the art of goal-keeping, Beeuwkes fisting out again and again in a style that would have enhanced the reputation of Asheroft or Hardy. He had a very warm time indeed of it, but he showed infinite resource when his backs were beaten. This often happened, especially on the English left, where Bell and Hardman worked together like the parts of well oiled, perfectly fitted machinery. It was inevitable, however, that the net should be found under such a hot fusilade, and when ten minutes had elapsed the Everton representative slipped away, crossed the ball like a flash past the goalmouth, where Raine was in waiting, and he quietly sent on to Mansfield who scored with a tremendous shot.

Then Holland had a turn, Van der Vinne showing a fine turn of speed when he was able to elude the vigilance of Foster, but Corbett and Timmis were masters of the situation, although more than once long-range efforts appeared likely to prove troublesome. The English halves were in great form, and Hawkes appeared to be a favourite, for he showed consummate cleverness, did as much attacking as a forward, and shot as often as any of the men in front of him.

The second goal did not materialise until twenty-five minutes had elapsed, and it came about in a delightfully simple way. Hardman received the ball after Hawkes had indulged in some solo work, and the out-side-left centred to Woodward, who drew the defence, and then placed the ball for Bell to break through and place in the net—as neat a goal as could be wished, and bearing the stamp of perfect football.

These reverses did not discourage Holland, who restarted with refreshing vigour, and in double quick time they were hovering round Rowlandson, who caught a smashing shot from Van Beek. The next minute they came down on the left, Van der Vinne swung across a centre, and Blume, who was only a couple of yards from the goal-line, headed into the net. What a shout went up, and the home team thoroughly deserved the applause bestowed upon them, for the goal was well worked for, and there was not a semblance of a fluke about it.

There was no further opportunity for the Netherlands in the first half, for the visitors took things into their own hands, and in the course of a few minutes the home country had lost the game beyond recall. Woodward was the immediate agent who was responsible for England's third goal, a brilliant over-head kick taking Keyning so much by surprise that he assisted the ball into the net, while a minute later Hawkes pushed the ball on to Hardman, who ran half the length of the field, eluded the defence, and beat Beeuwkes from close quarters. The scoring in the first half was concluded by Hawkes, who got in a long daisy-cutter, the pace of which beat Beeuwkes, and England crossed over with the following advantage:—

England	5
Netherlands	1

There were not so many goals in the second half, but the English team gave an exhibition of passing which delighted the onlookers. They did not, however, do exactly as they pleased because the Netherlands were always hard at work, and had they had the reward to which they were entitled, they would have beaten Rowlandson on a couple of occasions. They would have been justified in growling at the scurvy trick which Dame Fortune played them when Blume sent in a shot which seemed bound to find its billet, and the referee was ready to blow his whistle, but the ball struck the upright and rebounded into play to the accompaniment of a chorus of expressions of disappointment.

The English were more fortunate. Providence was again on the side of the big battalions, although lest a misconception should arise, it were well to state that the visitors really had no more than they were entitled to on the run of the play. Twenty minutes of the second half had become identified with the infinite azure of the past before Beeuwkes was beaten, and the irrepressible Hardman was responsible for the point. He got in one of his perfect centres, and it was turned into the net by a member of the home side. Two minutes later the Evertonian waltzed off again and dropping the ball well in front of Raine, who had gone inside right as Mansfield was limping, crashed the ball into the net. Another two minutes elapsed, and the eighth and last goal was scored for England by Mansfield, after brilliant work by Foster.

From this point England slackened a bit, and the Netherlands were not slow to perceive it, and endeavour to take advantage of it. It was, however, a case of thus far but no farther, Timmis or Corbett interposed at the psychological moment, or else Rowlandson came to the rescue with his safe pair of hands and the clever manner in which he always placed the ball to an Englishman was duly noted and applauded by the crowd. The closing ten minutes were fairly even, the Netherlands making heroic efforts to reduce the balance against them, and the English forwards, led by Woodward, indulging in some dazzling combined movements. The shooting was erratic at both ends, and there being no more scoring, the game ended:—

England	8
Netherlands	1

BILLIARDS.

The cradle cannon fever from which we have been suffering more or less for a week or two back reached its climax last week, when by its aid two breaks of over 6,000 were compiled in places so widely apart as London and Southport. Any attempt to give a description of the mammoth breaks compiled by Dawson and Reece must of necessity prove lacking in colour and quite without feature. There is realy so little to tell and what little there is concerns itself with the effect of the stroke on the billiard going public. Popular to begin with, because of its novelty, and the means by which breaks of hitherto undreamt-of magnitude could be compiled, it has, so far as London is concerned, at any rate, already almost outlived its popularity. This is not to be wondered at, when one remembers that for sheer monotony it is impossible to find its equal on a billiard table. The preliminary manœuvring which leads up to the now famous position is certainly interesting and very clever, but the continual tap-tap-tap on the first object ball, and the marker's voice calling out "Two," "Four," "Six," and so on, as each stroke is made is almost sufficient to drive anyone into a lunatic asylum.

FEATS OF ENDURANCE.

As feats of endurance the efforts of Dawson and Reece were certainly remarkable, but as a feat of skill neither effort is to be compared, say, with the same player's 742 and 627 compiled earlier in the season at Thurston's and Burroughes and Watt's respectively. To anyone who saw or read of all these performances, this fact is so evident that it would be worse than useless to pursue the point further. We can find more interest in comparing the merits of the latest astounding breaks, and in this connection all unbiased critics will unhesitatingly award the palm to C. Dawson, inasmuch as he was rightly or wrongly looked upon as somewhat lacking in the extreme delicacy of touch necessary for the exploitation of the latest in the way of "freak" strokes. Presumably Dawson had little or no practice with the stroke yet here we have him recording the marvellous break of 6,245 the first time he seriously set himself to play it in public. After all it is scarcely surprising that the brilliant little Yorkshireman should confound his critics in this manner when one remembers that to a brilliant artist such as he undoubtedly is, all things on a billiard table are possible. Again, where will you find his equal for grit and determination when once he sets his mind on anything? There can be no gainsaying the fact that Dawson was all out for the world's record. That he secured it is only another testimony to the skill, grit, and determination he possesses, and to which I have already referred. The race for the honour between himself and Reece added spice and interest to what must otherwise have been the most monotonous experience ever undergone by the Huddersfielder, to say nothing of those looking on.

BREAKS NEW AND OLD.

In view of the widespread interest created by the marvellous breaks compiled by means of the cradle cannon, I feel certain the appended list of breaks compiled by its aid since Lovejoy first introduced it into match play will be read with interest. Here they are:—

6,245 (unfinished), by C. Dawson (world's record under B.A. rules), March 26—30.

6,138 (unfinished), by T. Reece (under B.A. rules), March 26—30.

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4,593 (unfinished), by T. Reece (under Reece's rules), March 20—23.
2,257 (unfinished), by W. A. Lovejoy (under B.A. rules), March 22 and 23.
1,825, by T. Reece (under B.A. rules), March 5.
1,269, by T. Reece (under B.A. rules), March 13 and 14.
1,211, by W. A. Lovejoy (under B.A. rules), March 22 and 23.
800, by C. Dawson (under R.W. rules), March 25.
604, by W.A. Lovejoy, under R.W. rules, March 13 and 14.
603, by W. A. Lovejoy (under B.A. rules), Jan. 18 and 19.

For the purposes of comparison, breaks made in past years under varying conditions will form a set-off to the wonderful cradle cannon breaks, and prove a source of interesting study and discussion.

3,304 by W. J. Peall (under all in rules), Nov. 4, 5, and 6, 1890.
2,539, by Frank C. Ives (under spot barred rules), June 1 and 2, 1893.
1,467, by Tom Taylor (under spot barred rules), April 24, 1891.
1,392, by John Roberts (under spot barred rules), May 3, and 4, 1894.
821, by John Roberts (under present B.A. rules), Jan. 24, 1905.
802, by H. W. Stevenson (under present B.A. rules), Feb. 16, 1905.
748, by C. Dawson (under Rimington-Wilson rules), Feb. 22, 1906.

These performances, however, lag considerably behind the marvellous sequence of 7,156 cannons (each cannon counting one point) set up by Hugo Kerkau, the German champion, at Zurich, in 1901. It is interesting to recall that Kerkau kept possession of the table for five days, during which period his partner did not have a stroke, and that the balls—Bonzoline, by the way—were not jambed in any way. Kerkau having to go round and round the table throughout the whole run.

A World's Record.

The honour of being the world's record holder under Billiard Association Rules now belongs to Charles Dawson, of Huddersfield. Since Tuesday afternoon the Yorkshireman's one ambition has been to place himself above all the cradle stroke exponents. Practically for the first time Dawson has come out of his shell in exploiting the stroke, and he has proved that he holds the key to the situation.

Commencing on Tuesday afternoon, he held possession of the table until Saturday night, during which time he scored a break of 6,245 (unfinished). Every stroke from the commencement was made by cannon play, the odd point taking him to 8,001. Thirteen of these cannons were gained during his successful endeavour to secure the cradle position, and the remainder by the now famous stroke.

When play commenced on Saturday afternoon the scores stood:—Dawson, 6,401; Lovejoy, 3,152. Dawson scored his 800 points in 19 min. 40 sec., the interval scores being:—

Dawson	(in play)	...	...	7,200
Lovejoy	(rec. 2,500)	...	...	3,152

At night Dawson ran to game in 19min. 37secs. His full break amounted to 6,245. He received a great ovation from the spectators at the Albany Rooms, Southport, at the close. Lovejoy had not had a stroke since 3-20 on Tuesday afternoon last Closing scores:—

Dawson	(6,245 unfinished)	...	...	8,000
Lovejoy	(rec. 2,500)	...	...	3,152

SWIMMING.

Proposed International Relay Race.—We have not yet arrived at that period of the year (writes our Paris correspondent) when numerous candidates for the cross-Channel swim are attracting public attention by endeavouring to repeat Captain Webb's famous and unique exploit. Bearing in mind, however, the many futile though courageous and desperate attempts that have been made of late years, no small amount of interest will be taken in the announcement, just made by M. Desgrange, Editor of the *Auto* (Paris), that he will select three of the best French long-distance swimmers, who will essay, to swim the Channel this year on the relay system.

The method to be adopted is quite simple. The first swimmer will remain in the water until, owing to exhaustion or inability to make headway against the currents, he is compelled to abandon the attempt, whereupon the second will take his place. The latter will be relieved by the third swimmer, if necessary, in like manner. A condition of the swim is that a swimmer once having abandoned the attempt shall not return to the water.

An International challenge accompanies the announcement of M. Desgrange's proposal. These three French swimmers (whose names are not given) are prepared to meet the best trios of other nations in the attempt. Italy is almost certain to join in the fray, and it would seem strange were England to abstain. Further details will appear later.

Rowing.

ROWING IN MADRAS.

Umpire:—Mr. F. R. Robinson.
Judge:—Mr. W. Moir.
Starter:—Mr. W. Alexander.
Hon. Secy:—Mr. E. R. Porteous.

Merchants vs. Bankers.—The Challenge Fours race between these old opponents brought together five crews, of whom the favourities were Messrs. Gordon, Woodroffe and Company, who eventually won with ease their fourth victory during the last seven years. The final was rowed on Saturday, 13th instant, when the programme was filled out by items of which the results are given below. The Merchants and Bankers were "At Home," the 88th Carnatic Infantry filled the air with tuneful numbers and Mrs. Boyson distributed the prizes. Details:—

Challenge Fours.

First Heats.

Binny and Co.
G. F. Brierley, 10-2, (*bow*)
D. Annan, 12-5
H. N. C. Campbell, 11-9
K. Kay, 10 4, (*str.*)
W. Stuart, (*cox*)

beat

Parry and Co.
W. O. Wright, 10-3, (*bow*)
G. Hunt, 9-8
A. J. Bell, 11-0
H.F.Sandeman, 11-12, (*str.*)
W. McMonies, (*cox*)

Won by half a length after a good spurt.

Bank of Madras.
W. B. Macbain, 9-7, (*bow*)
E. R. Porteous, 9-10
C. Davies, 10-12
S.O.M. Deane, 13-12, (*str.*)
A. O. Bently, (*cox*)

beat

Best and Co.
C. Christie, 10-5, (*bow*)
T. ". Ross, 11-10
W. W. Paul, 11-5
A. A. Laing, 13-1 (*str.*)
A. Fraser, (*cox*)

Best and Company led till their stroke caught a crab when the Bankers shot ahead and won easily.

Semi-finals.

In the semi-final Gordon, Woodroffe and Company had a bye and bow in Binny and Company's boat having injured himself his crew had to scratch. This left the Bankers to meet Gordon, Woodroffe and Company in the final which panned out as under.

The Final.

Gordon, Woodroffe & Co.		Bank of Madras.
G. K. Gillon. 10-2, (*bow*)		W. B. Macbain, 9-7, (*bow*)
H. Fearon, 10-1		E. R. Porteous, 9 10
R. C. M. Strouts, 11-2	beat.	C. Davies, 10-12
A. H. Steele, 11-4, (*str.*)		S. O. M. Deane, 13-12, (*str.*)
P. White, (*cox*)		A. O. Bentley, (*cox*)

An easy win by over two lengths for the crew which exhibited far the better form throughout. Their fourth win in this race since 1900.

Tub Double Sculls.

Won by Messrs. F. H. Wilson, H. G. Ogden, and Miss Boyson (*cox.*)

"Hooping the Hoop."

Rowed in double sculling tub boats with lady cox, the prize going to the lady.

About half way down the course competitors had to ship their oars and pass their boats through a hoop floating on the water. The race was won by Mr. Lloyd, Mr. H. S. Mitchell and Mrs. Lloyd in the dark.

Mixed Double Sculls.

Won by Mr., Mrs. and Miss Lloyd in the dark, after a closed and exciting race.

Mariners' Message Race.

The conditions were:—"Double Sculling tubs, crews of three, prize to lady cox. Entries limited to five boats. Start at green flags. Soon after starting-gun 5 bottles painted white (one for each boat will appear across the water about 50 yards from starting line. The competitor that picks up a bottle and passes the nearest yellow flag first wins. The bottles will all be in one direction, but whether up or down the river is not known." Much mystery and amusement resulted and in the end the race was won by Messrs. Moor and Ogden, coxed by Miss Boyson.

Cricket.

CRICKET AT OOTACAMUND.

Wellington vs. Ooty Gymkhana.—This match was played on the Hobart Park ground on the 12th and 13th instant, rain interfering with its progress on the first day. Score and analysis:—

Wellington.

1st Innings.		2nd Innings.	
Asst.-Surg. Thompson, c Jackson, b Copeland ...	9	l.-b.-w. b Simpson ...	77
J. P. Coulthard, b Hamilton	34	b Jackson ...	12
J. V. Shute, l.-b.-w, b Hamilton	11	c Simpson, b Hamilton	0
Asst.-Surg. Shunker, c Simpson, b Copeland	10	c Milner, b Hamilton	14
Capt. Poyntz, b Hamilton ...	15	c Standen, b Jackson	9
Pte. Mitchell, l.-b.-w., b Hamilton	5	c Plumer, b Jackson ...	7
Capt. Croly, b Hamilton ...	0	c Hamilton, b Copeland	4
J. Knowler, c Plumer, b Copeland	7	b Hamilton ...	16
J. C. Burnham, b Hamilton	0	c Milner, b Copeland	0
T. G. Cope, not out ...	0	not out	10
Pte. Parker, b Copeland ...	0	c England, b Copeland	4
Extras ...	6	Extras ...	15
Total ...	97	Total ...	168

Bowling Analysis.

	1st Innings O.	R.	M.	W.	2nd Innings O.	R.	M.	W.
Hamilton	13	52	3	6	13	60	0	3
Jackson	—	—	—	—	14	44	2	3
Simpson	—	—	—	—	8	31	1	1
Copeland	13	37	3	4	6	11	1	8

Ootacamund Gymkhana.

1st Innings.		2nd Innings.	
O. G. Plumer, c Knowler, b Shute	54	c Poyntz, b Thompson ...	4
A. B. Jackson, b Thompson..	9	c Poyntz, b Thompson ...	5
Capt. Copeland, c Croly, b Shunker	31	b Thompson ...	35
Major Milner, c Burnham, b Knowler	4	c Cope, b Thompson ...	11
A. Simpson, c Parker, b Coulthard	28	c Croly, b Poyntz ...	6
A. F. Hamilton, b Shute ...	7	c Croly, b Thompson ...	8
W. M. Standen, b Shute ...	11	not out	4
Major England, c Croly b Parker	5	not out	18
Major Pierce, c and b Shute	17	c Shunker, b Thompson	4
H. Harvey-Kelly, run out ...	1		
Capt. Edward, not out ...	1		
Extras ...	5	Extras	1
Total ..	173	Total (seven wkts.) ...	96

Bowling Analysis.

	1st Innings O.	R.	M.	W.	2nd Innings O.	R.	M.	W.
Thompson ...	9	24	2	1	14	44	1	6
Parker	12	25	3	1	3	14	0	0
Shute	12	46	0	4				
Shunker	6	27	0	1				
Knowler	4	9	1	1				
Burnham	2	4	0	0				
Coulthard ...	3	15	0	1				
Mitchell	3	4	0	0				
Poyntz	—	—	—	—	11	34	1	1

CRICKET IN SHILLONG.

The following match was played on 13th April. Delanougerede took 5 wickets for 22 runs, More 4 for 23 runs and Coleridge 1 for 53.

Residents of Shillong.

Mr. J. Coleridge (Capt.) b Delanougerede ...	...	0
Capt. Melhuish, c Sen, b Delanougerede ...	...	4
Mr. Webb, c Hill, b de Dombal ...	...	7
Capt. G. Ward, c de Dombal, b Delanougerede	...	16
Mr. Bridgnell, c Sen, b Delanougerede ...	...	22
Mr. Perry, c de Dombal b More ...	...	4
Mr. H. Chapman, b More	...	2
Mr. Blake, b Delanougerede	...	0
Babu R. K. Sen, c and b More	...	6
Babu U. N. Bannerji, not out ...	...	17
Babu K. K. Roy, b More	...	3
Byes 8, leg-byes 2	...	10
Total ...	...	91

Police and Accounts.

Mr. O. J. Sykes, c Bridgnell, b Ward ...	...	38
Mr. Delanougerede, c Bridgnell b Ward ...	...	6
Babu U. N. Sen, b Coleridge	...	12
Mr. P. L. Faulkner (Capt.) run out ...	...	1
Mr. N. Padgett l.-b.-w, b Melhuish ...	...	9
Mr. de Dombal, c Melhuish, b Coleridge ...	...	38
Mr. Hill, b Sen	...	40
Mr. H. M. Parish, c Sen. b Coleridge ...	...	0
Babu A. N. Das Gupta, not out	...	23
Mr. More, b Coleridge	...	4
Mr. Bayly, b Ward	...	2
Byes 15, leg-byes 4, no-balls 1 ...	...	20
Total ...	...	193

Football.

A NEW INDIAN FOOTBALL ASSOCIATION.

It is generally admitted by all the senior football clubs of good repute in Calcutta that the time has now come for the reconstitution of the I. F. A. on a sounder basis, and that this can only be effected by a process of elimination remarks *The Journal*. How this may best be carried into effect is of course a subject for due deliberation. That it is necessary admits of no discussion whatever. The experiences of recent years have proved conclusively that, as at present constituted, the Indian Football Association is so heavily handicapped as to be practically incompetent. Decisions of the Council—where the European element predominates can be set aside by the simple calling of a Special General Meeting where the Indian element, as shown above, must always predominate. Such a state of affairs inevitably accentuates racial prejudice and ill-feeling between clubs, and leads to open manifestation of these feelings on the field of play, not infrequently resulting in free fights and other highly undesirable incidents. Last season there was an affray on the Sova Bazar Football club ground so serious as to necessitate the interference of a mounted constable. Even as I write, I have in my possession a letter from the Commissioner of Police calling attention to a fight between two hockey players on the 16th instant. These are only two instances of many which will recur to those who are in the habit of frequenting the various football grounds on the maidan. A rot has set in and it must be subjected to the severest antiseptic treatment without delay, if local "socker" is to be preserved to Calcutta as a sport and not as a pot-house brawl.

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The circumstances seem to demand such urgent attention that a few suggestions as to the *personnel* of a reconstituted I.F.A. may not be out of place. First and foremost the Association should be restricted solely to such clubs as are in the possession of football grounds measuring at least 100 yards by 80. Only the rightful lessees of these grounds should be admitted to affiliation and co-sharers should be excluded. Before accepting the affiliation of such clubs, it should be the Council's duty to satisfy itself that these grounds can be satisfactorily enclosed so as to keep spectators at least 10 feet from the touch lines and goal lines and referees should not be permitted to commence any match until they had seen these requirements observed. Every affiliated club should be required to appoint two members whose duties would be to walk up and down the lines throughout the duration of the match and see that order was kept amongst spectators, and that a space of 10 feet was kept between the front row of spectators and the touch line all round the ground. Dalhousie, Calcutta and Rangers have shown that this can be done with a little care. It should be made imperative in the case of all affiliated clubs.

This restriction would reduce the number of affiliated clubs to about twenty—quite sufficient for all purposes of administration. These twenty clubs should be required to pay an affiliation fee of Rs. 30 each per annum which fee would entitle each club to one vote. The Council might remain as at present. As regards the various competitions, governed by the I.F.A. it would be obviously unfair to exclude clubs from competing because they do not possess grounds. Therefore let the entry fees for these competitions include affiliation *but without representation*, that is to say, the entry fee of Rs. 5 for the Trades Cup, for instance, sent in by a club which possessed no football ground of its own should be taken to render that club subject to all I. F. A. rules and regulations but would not entitle it to a vote.

As regards the numberless other competitions which are not at present governed by the I.F.A. a Junior Association should be formed to govern them, which should be quite independent of and distinct from the I.F.A.

With twenty football clubs of proved respectability, the Indian Football Association would command some respect and would be able to govern local football with authority and promptitude. At present it does neither. It is an unwieldy body of heterogeneous constituencies, and it incurs abuse for what is not its fault but its misfortune.

THE INDIAN FOOTBALL ASSOCIATION.

IS IT COMPETENT?

Times have changed greatly since the inception of the Indian Football Association nearly fourteen years ago, but greater still has been the change in the conditions of Association Football as played in Calcutta. Recent years have witnessed the gradual adoption of the game by the Bengali baboo until to-day we find native football clubs and teams nigh as thick as leaves in Vallombrosa. And year by year the pots, pans, pewters and shields grow in numbers, awaiting the ever-ready pursuit of the "filimentous" dhoti-clad baboo, bare of foot, fleet and funky, and, withal, the most unsporting thing that the good God ever put on this earth. Four years now have I watched the baboo on the football field. I have seen him tackle, head, dribble, dodge and shoot goals. I have seen him fight, kick, foul and trip. I have seen him downcast with defeat and swollen with victory and phosphozone. I have whistled long blasts until a mounted constable chased him off the ground. But I have never yet understood his football. It is, to me, a species of game which might, with equal facility and satisfaction, be played in the Small Cause Court with a formidable array of pleaders engaged for either side and the Worshipful Judge as referee. Litigious to a degree, obstinate, argumentative and quarrelsome, the baboo makes of football a mirror wherein are reflected all his worst traits. And for Rs. 10 per annum he has the privilege of driving to the verge of distraction and premature obsequies a long-suffering, much-abused body known as the Council of the Indian Football Association.

Some few weeks ago, I chanced to be in conversation with one who was an I. F. A. Council Member in 1897, and, remarking on the increasing frequency of disputes and protests amongst native football clubs, asked him how these matters were dealt with in those far off halcyon days when *swadeshi* was not to be found in Bengali text-books and the Barisal guns were phenomena entirely unconnected with military police. "Oh," said he, "when any fellow bucked too much we simply ruled him out of order!" And I breathed a

silent prayer to heaven for a return of those dear simple days when a baboo could be made to stop talking by ruling him out of order.

Kipling sings about "killing" Kruger with your mouth." This is precisely what the baboo is doing to Calcutta football, and if the I. F. A. does not come to the rescue soon, it will be all U. P. with decent "soccer" in these parts. The question arises,—how is the I. A. F. to tackle the matter? How is it to enforce orderly play instead of the brawling that is getting so common? How is it to take the baboo in hand and teach him what football really is? At present, it is obviously unfitted for the task, composed as it is so largely of just that element which has reduced the game to a pot hunting quarrel where the losing team will protest if it can borrow twenty rupees. The Biblical answer seems to fit the question with some precision and I give it in all confidence that it is the right one. "First cast out the mote that is in thine own eye!" In the case of the I. F. A., this is no simple operation with the moistened corner of a handkerchief; but rather a serious surgical operation not to be completed without much gnashing of teeth. Plainly speaking, it is the European, Eurasian and better class Indian clubs that must constitute themselves the doctors, and the case must be taken in hand at the earliest possible opportunity. Though, by the present rules of the I. F. A. this opportunity cannot arrive until the commencement of the 1908 season, the ensuing season should be taken advantage of by all old established football clubs, proud of their reputation and prowess, to proclaim and strengthen their position as the nucleus of a new governing body which is destined to work out the salvation of Association Football in Calcutta. Far too many clubs are permitted to affiliate themselves to the I. F. A. now-a-days. Worthless native teams which have no ground of their own to play on and no distinguishing colors to play in, send in a ten-rupee note to the I. F. A. Secretary and are then privileged to throw out, with their combined votes, a proposal which is supported by every European club in the city. Such a state of affairs is ridiculous, intolerable. The new I. F. A.—and a new I. F. A. is admittedly inevitable after what happened at the Annual General Meeting on the 16th instant,—must be restricted to a limited number of clubs, conveniently twenty, each of which should pay an annual affiliation fee of Rs. 50.

The following clubs, or a plebiscite, would certainly fill the twenty vacancies:—

1. Calcutta F. C.
2. Dalhousie F. C.
3. Rangers F. C.
4. Howrah United F. C.
5. Caledonia F. C.
6. Y. M. C. A. F. C.
7. Fort William Regimental Team
8. Dum-Dum " "
9. Hornets F. C.
10. Customs F. C.
11. Sibpur College F. C.
12. St. Xavier's F. C.
13. Medical College F. C.
14. Sova Bazar F. C.
15. Mohan Bagan F. C.
16. Mahomedan Sporting F. C.
17. National Association F. C.
18. Mesmerr's F. C.
19. Phœnix F. C.
20. Calcutta Free School F. C.

In this list will be found four honourable exceptions to my indictment of the baboo players. They are Sova Bazar, Mohan Bagan, Mahomedan Sporting and National Association, all good native clubs which have been competing in I. F. A. governed tournaments ever since the early nineties. With twenty good clubs like this and a council of twelve from the best of them, the I. F. A. would be on infinitely better terms both with itself and with all other clubs. Competitions governed by the I. F. A. would still be open to outside teams, entry fees, in their case, being taken to include non-representative affiliation for the time being and thereby rendering them subject to all I. F. A. Rules and Regulations. The European clubs are now beginning to apprehend the danger which must arise from conditions whereby the passing or rejecting of rules affecting the governance of football is absolutely at the discretion of the predominating native element, as it has so recently been proved to be, and, for their own sakes as well as for the sake of the sport, which is, after all, the main thing to be preserved, it is to be sincerely hoped that they will grapple with the danger at once and arise from the lethargy with which they have for so long regarded such actions of the I. F. A. as do not immediately concern themselves or their members. Meanwhile, to show what a pitch matters have come to it may be observed that the Commissioner of Police has issued warnings to several club authorities and Secretaries drawing attention to the frequency of disorderly conduct on the field of play! Which, in itself, constitutes an unmistakeable moral to my story!

REFEREE.

Golf.

RANGOON GOLF CLUB.

THE annual competition for "The Glasgow Trophy" which commenced early in March has been completed. There were forty-seven entries and the following are the results of the various rounds :—

FIRST ROUND.

J. M. Sime (1) beat S. Macdonald (8) by 1 hole.
T. O. B. Ditmas (6) W. O. H. Woodham (8) scratched.
H. A. Wilson (18) beat J. W. Anderson (8) by 5 up and 4 to play.
Dr. Douglas (12) beat A. G. Paton (12) by 1 hole.
F. Hargreaves (18) L. G. E. Weston (18) by 4 up and 3 to play.
G. W. Mundy (18) beat T. T. McCreath (10) by 3 up and 2 to play.
C. Arnot (8) beat Capt. Tulloch (10) by 6 up and 4 to play.
W. W. Nind (18) W. O. A. W. Binning (17) scratched.
E. G. Howlett (8) beat A. R. Finlay (14) after two ties.
S. Gordon Brown (12) W. O. Major Penny (14) scratched.
Major Alexander (12) beat J. J. A. Shaw (18) by 5 up and 4 to play.
S. Webster (14) beat A. A. Ure (10) after a tie.
J. Laidlaw (8) beat J. Scott (17) by 4 up and 3 to play.
A. J. Watt (3) beat A. F. Pringle (14) by 3 up and 2 to play.
Capt. W. McKinlay (2) beat G. E. R. Prior (8) by 2 up and 1 to play.

SECOND ROUND.

E. Higginbotham (2) beat F. Barraclough (scratched) by 2 up and 1 to play.
W. R. Henderson (18) beat W. B. Daniel (7) by 2 holes.
G. C. Whigham (+2) beat Broadbent (12) by 6 up and 5 to play.
J. C. Anderson (scr.) beat J. B. Orr (7) by 1 hole.
Capt. Davis (8) beat J. M. Sime (1) by 3 up and 1 to play.
T. O. B. Ditmas (6) beat H. A. Wilson (18) by 4 up and 2 to play.
Dr. Douglas (12) beat F. Hargreaves (18) by 6 up and 5 to play.
C. Arnot (18) beat G. W. Mundy (18) by 6 up and 5 to play.
W. W. Nind (18) beat E. G. Howlett (8) by 4 up and 3 to play.
Major Alexander (12) beat S. Gordon Brown (12) by 7 up and 5 to play.
S. Webster (14) beat J. Laidlaw (8) by 2 up and 1 to play.
A. J. Watt (3) beat Capt. McKinlay (12) by 6 up and 4 to play.
R. A. Brereton (14) beat J. R. George by 1 hole.
W. G. Anderson (4) beat J. Stuart Smith (+1) by 3 up and 1 to play
H. Cuthbert (18) beat J. D. C. Annesley (18) by 6 up and 5 to play.
G. W. Hichens (12) beat W. W. Watt (9) by 2 holes.

THIRD ROUND.

W. R Henderson (18) W. O. E. Higinbotham (2) scratched.
J. C. Anderson (scr.) beat G. C. Whigham (+2) by 1 hole
Capt. Davis (8) W. O. T. O. B. Ditmas (6) scratched.
C. Arnot (8) beat Dr. Douglas (12) by 1 hole.
W. W. Nind (18) beat Major Alexander (12) by 4 up and 3 to play.
S. Webster (14) beat A. T. Watt (3) by 2 up and 1 to play.
R. A. Brereton (14) beat W. G. Anderson (4) by 4 up and 2 to play.
H. Cuthbert (18) beat G. W. Hichens (12) by 6 up and 5 to play.

FOURTH ROUND.

J. C. Anderson (scr.) beat W. R. Henderson (18) by 3 up and 2 to play.
Capt. Davis (8) beat C. Arnot (8) by 6 up and 4 to play.
S. Webster (14) beat W. W. Nind (18) by 5 up and 4 to play.
R. A. Bereton (14) beat H. Cuthbert (18) by 3 up and 2 to play.

SEMI-FINAL.

J. C. Anderson (scr.) beat Capt. Davis (8) by 2 up and 1 to play.
R. A Brereton (14) beat S. Webster (14) by 2 up and 1 to play.

FINAL.

R. A. Brereton (14) beat J. C. Anderson (scr.) by 3 up and 2to play.

CALCUTTA GOLF CLUB.

MADRAS MEDAL.—The result of this handicap, which ended last Saturday, was a win for Lieutenant-Colonel J. M. Fleming as will be seen by the appended scores. The scratch men and those with small handicaps made a poor show :—

	Total.	Hcp.	Result.
Lt.-Col. J. M. Fleming	82	5	77
Mr. J. H. Fyfe	94	14	80
Mr. P. Carne	94	14	80
Mr. R Graham	94	14	80
Mr. O. J. Barnes	87	6	81
Mr. J. H. Gordon	94	12	82
Mr. F. E. McEwan ...	96	14	82
Mr. Geo. W. Walker	83	scr	83
Mr. C. D. H Dunlop	88	5	83
Mr. E. A Wild	87	3	84
Mr. John Crawford	94	10	84
Mr. Geo. K. Stein	95	11	84
Mr. E. H. Townend	85	scr	85
Mr. W. Mann	85	scr	85
Lt.-Col. F. J. Drury	90	5	85
Mr. J. A. Tassie	94	9	85
Mr. C. E. Dewar	99	14	85
Mr. Geo. B. Merry	91	5	86
Capt. D McCoy	91	5	86
Mr. D H. Brakenridge	96	10	86
Mr. H. E. Holden	98	12	86
Mr. B. Severs	96	8	88
Mr. J. E. Dent	99	11	88
Mr. E. A. Woodhouse	97	8	89
Mr. John T. Philip	103	14	89
Mr. Norman McLeod	90	scr	90
Mr. R. Baker	106	14	92
Mr. E. G. Venn	106	14	92
Dr. W. Forsyth	99	2	97

GOLF IN THE BRITISH ISLES.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

5th April 1907.

EVERY year Easter comes along with unfailing irregularity and makes an agreeable break in the monotony of the work-a-day world. Golfers, of course, ever ready to take advantage of public holidays, make plans for enjoying the only time in the year when two recognised Bank holidays follow quick on each other's footsters and when extraordinary facilities and reduction in fares are made by railway companies to enable tired workers to escape to the sea and country and enjoy the Great Vernal Festival. Pessimists this year were loud in their prophecies of a wet cold Easter, but these unpopular prognostigators of evil were entirely out in their calculations, for more beautiful weather has never and may be will never be experienced for a great number of years. Sun spots may have something to do with this and if so long may King Sol be spotted! All events naturally pale and sink into insignificance before the various important competitions and matches connected with Easter. Record attendance seems to have been the order of the day everywhere, the getting to and from the links been much facilitated by the ubiquitous motor-car, which although very popular with owners and fortunate occupants, was duly anathematised and held in abhorrence by pedestrians and cyclists on the dusty highways. With Easter practically the golf season opened, and all the well-known players' names figure conspicuously in the lists; for instance at the Royal St. George's Club at Sandwich great confusion was created by the two names of Hutchinson and Hutchison: for these Messrs Horace and Cecil respectively tied at 77 for the Cinque Ports Gold Medal played for from scratch. Mr. Hutchinson went out in 34 and came home in 43, whilst his rival without the "n" scored 35 and 42. There was a big muster at the Royal St. David's Club, Harlech and players from all over the country gathered there; the principal event was the King Edward VII Bowl Tournament for which very nearly 100 players sent in their names, and among those who qualified by score for the subsequent Match Play were Mr. G. P. Laughton, from Sunningdale, Mr. T. K. Dashwood (Shanklin), Mr. G. E. Godwin (Royal Liverpool), Lord Maidstone (Oxford University), etc., etc. At Littlestone more than a hundred golfers concentrated theirs efforts on the Gold Medal, the Scratch Medal and the Mayor's Bowl; the course was in fine order, and although the greens owing to the dry weather, were very fiery still low scoring was easy and Mr. F. L. K. Lewis and Mr. S. C. Wyatt's 82 should have been beaten for the scratch rewards. At Aberdovery, Felixstowe, Westward Ho! Scarborough big fields testified to the ever-increasing number of converts to, and popularity of, the game, but interesting as details and records of their skill are to those taking part one must not overlook the fact that to others who are less keen, less fortunate and less golfy the monopoly of the conversation by golfers, after their round, their talk savouring of stymies, lies, hazards and such incomprehensible jargon, the noble royal and ancient game is apt to become a nuisance, and stirring as are the Pascal Deeds others preceding these are of equal importance and a brief retrospect is pardonable, but before doing so I would fain draw attention to a very excellent ball, recently put in the market by the 'Improved Golf Ball Company" this is the "Jeellcore" presumably by reason that some gelatinous substance enters into its internal composition; anyhow whatever be the nature of its "innards the jeellcore" is an excellent ball; it flies beautifully when hit properly by a wooden or iron club, and does not lose its paint or shape, nor does it vascillate or bolt on the green in fact is docile, tractable and amenable to discipline. The makers claim that you *can't* crack or split it and also volunteer the information that it is "colloid-centred": anyhow it is worthy of a trial and may be obtained almost everywhere, but is manufactured by the Improved Golf Ball Company, Locksley Street, Limehouse, London, E. Before going back to prepascal doings just a few lines recounting the finish at the great golfing gatherings at Sandewick, the Sidwich Cup Tournament which was entered into with great gusto by all the members. In the semi-final round Mr. W. H. Lyall (13) and Mr. G. P. Leach (15) beat Mr. S. Mare-Fergusson (+4) and Mr. F. E. Speed (7) at the 19th hole after a most exciting contest; and Mr. W. H Bovill (scrached) and Mr. C. M. Smith (2) after being badly down up to the 8th hole pulled themselves together and qualified for the final by 2 up on Mr. A. E. R. Kennedy (scratched) and Mr. W. P Matthews (scrached). In the final the two L's (Lyall and Leach) won by 3 up and to go. At Harlech great and protracted were the competitions and many and much coveted were the trophies The Bogey Competitions was won by Mr. F. Carr with 1 up, another Bogey Round for the vice-Captain's Cup was tied for by Lord Maidstone and Mr. Donald Dawson, both being square to Bogey; then again Mr. Donald Davidson with 89-14-75 secured for ever and a day by virtue of two successive years wins the Corder Challenge Cup. A golfer from Fermoy secured the Cup presented by another Vice-President Mr. Rhys-Owen: this was Mr. J. A. Davenport, but the plum of the meeting was won by Lord Maidstone; this was the Scratch Aggregate Gold Medal. Rather an interesting two has been personally conducted by Mr. W. P. Snooks: of Nottingham players, in East Lothian one of their matches was against a team representing the Scottish Universities Golfing Society and the contest took place at Muirfield. In the morning singles were played and in these the English visitors were successful by 6 matches to 4, but in the afternoon in the 4-ball Foursomes the Scotchmen won by 3 points to 1 thus bringing the days results to a tie.

In the meantime the "London Amateur Foursome Competition" though temporarily put a stop to by Easter, dispersing and scattering the players, has reached the final stages, and the semi-finals will be contested by Fulwell *vs* South Herts At Walton Heath; Richmond *vs* Woking at Byfleet. One of the best matches in the third heat was between South Herts and Walton Heath by played at Woking. It is never wise to draw foregone conclusions nor indeed to prophesy at all about the result of a golf match, and this was a case in point, for on paper and in the clubs the Walton Heath pair certainly would be spotted as winners, the representatives, Messrs. O. C. Bevan and Spencer Pollan, having a decidedly bigger reputation than Messrs. Allan, Lincoln and W. H. Scarborough, who represented South Herts. At the end of 18 holes the game was all square, but in the second round, the ultimate winner went off at a tangent, and though the Walton Heathens made strenuous efforts they never succeeded in getting the lead and the match was won by 2 and 1. Again in the match between Richmond and Mid-Surrey the least fancied pairs were the winners. Messrs. S. H. Fry and I. H Worthington have reputations enough to terrify most opponents, but the Sudbrook Park choice of Messrs. J. F. Abercromby and H. E. Taylor was fully justified when after a terrific fight they pulled through into the semi-finals by 1 hole up. An easy victory in this same heat was won by Woking over the two players of the Royal Ashdown Forest Club; this too was fought out on the very popular Walton Heath Course, but the Woking Club had the advantage of a very powerful combination in the coupled strength of Messrs. F. H. Mitchell and B. Darwin, and although only 1 up in the first 18 holes they so far increased this advantage in the second round that they won by 6 up and 5 to go. Another genuine surprise was the fourth match, that between Fulwell and Sunningdale at Byfleet when Messrs. Eden, Gawne and W. T. Finnis of Fulwell were 3 up and 2 to play on Messrs. H. S. Colt and C. C. Lingen. The semi-finals of this Tournament must be played before 8th April and the finals will take place in the following week; this is its first year and so far it has been an unqualified success. Let us hope that no unfortunate *contre temps* such as occurred to mar the harmony of the Professional Foursome Tournament in its final stages will occur among the amateurs.

M. E. S.

Hockey.

THE BEIGHTON CUP.

FIRST ROUND.

E. I. R. *vs.* ST. XAVIER'S COLLEGE.—The Dalhousie ground was in excellent condition when this game was played on it. It was an even and fast game and very interesting in the second half, pretty exhibitions of attack and defence being given by both sides. The College team made two goals and the E. I. R. one in the first half, and by that margin the boys won, the second half being destitute of score. Teams :—

ST. XAVIERS.—Voyvodech, *goal*; Vaughan and Smith *backs*; Cameron, McGuire and Vanspall, *half-backs*; Cox, Manuel, Owens, Smith and Newton, *forwards*.

E. I. R.—Palmer, *goal*; A. Smith and Linton, *backs*; Ginder, Burgess and Hart, *half-backs*; J. Smith, Bowkett, W. Smith, B. Young and Knight *forwards*.

Referees:—A. S. Apcar and C. Patterson.

WANDERERS *vs.* CALEDONIANS.—It was expected that the Caledonians would win this rather easily, consequently their supporters were somewhat staggered to find they could only make a one goal draw of it. The Caledonians were quite off their usual game, indeed both sides played erratically. At the second attempt, on Monday, the Caledonians won by three goals to *nil*.

MOHUN BAGAN *vs.* LA MARTINIERE.—The school-boys proved themselves superior to their opponents in every respect and after doing pretty much as they liked and withal taking matters easily they won by two goals to *nil*.

CALCUTTA POLICE *vs.* HOWRAH SPORTING.—A draw of one goal all, both put in during the second half. A second attempt also produced no definite result, though the game was amusing.

UNITED SERVICES *vs.* NATTORE.—This was another draw, the score standing at two goals each: an uninteresting and unscientific display. The replay found both teams in infinitely better form and, after a fast and good game, the U. S. won by three goals to *nil*. Teams.—

UNITED SERVICE.—White, *goal*; Platt and Captain Hogg, *backs*; Captain Hart, Lieutenants Selby and Waterworth, *half-backs*; Landon, Hill, Lyde, Peyton and Kalberer, *forwards*.

NATTORE.—S. Dey, *goal*; Joseph and R. Chuckerbutty, *backs*; J. Bannerjee, M. Roy and Bagchi (jr.), *half-backs*; Bholah, K. Roy, J. Bagchi, (sr.), and P. Sen, *forwards*.

ROVERS *vs.* H. L. I.—This was by no means an uninteresting game. The Rovers were strong in attack; but they were met with a really fine defence and so the score was but two to *nil* in favour of the Rovers. The soldiers' attack lacked sting and combination, as a rule. Teams :—

H. L. I.—Murray, *goal*; Henderson and Shrubshell, *backs*; Welch, Allen, and McCluskie, *half-back*; Sim, Cuthbert, Taite Wade, and Duncan, *forwards*.

ROVERS.—Ghose, *goal*; Chatterjee and Sircar, *backs*; Bose Joseph, and A. Sukul, *half-backs*; Peter, Nathaniel, Berkmann Chittoo, and B. Sukul, *forwards*.

Referees:—Messrs Studd and Simson (C.F.C.)

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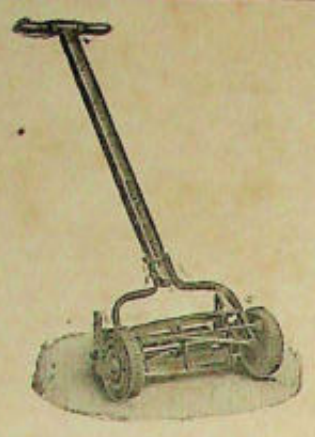

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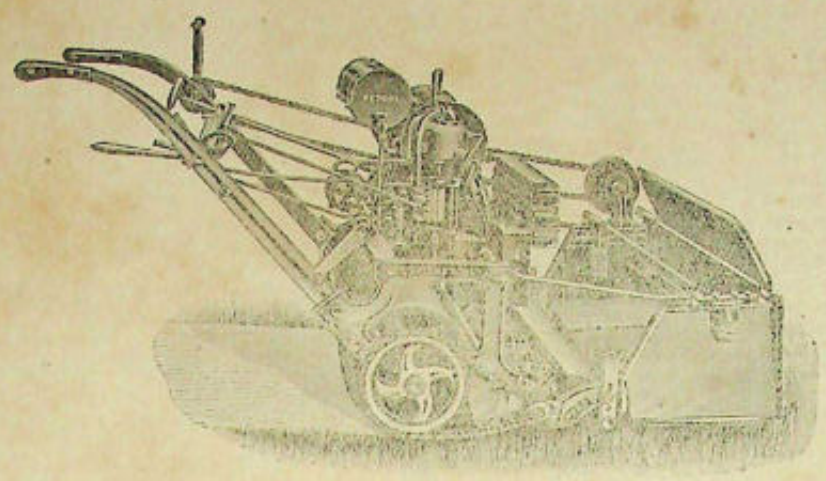

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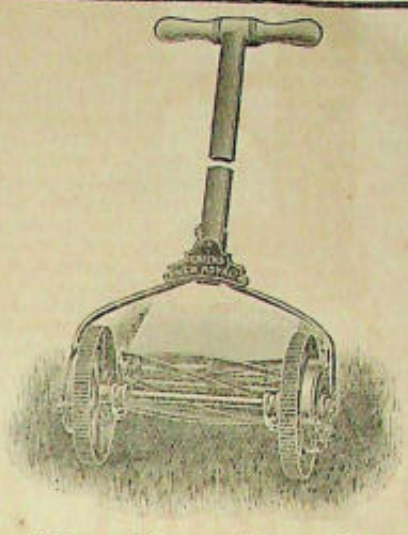

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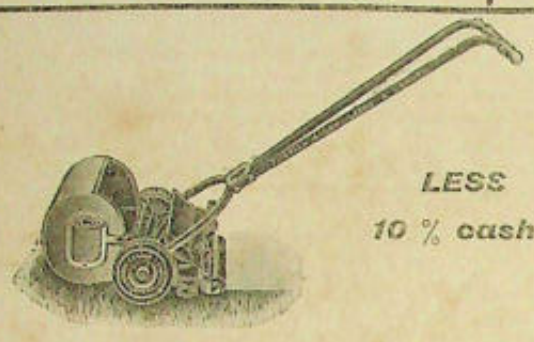

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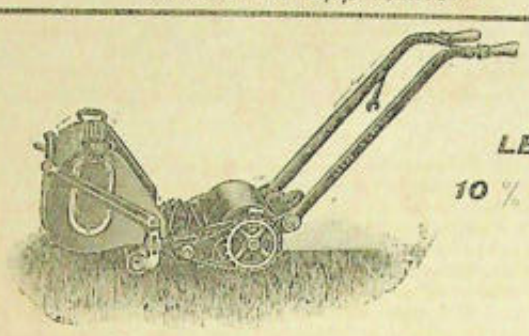

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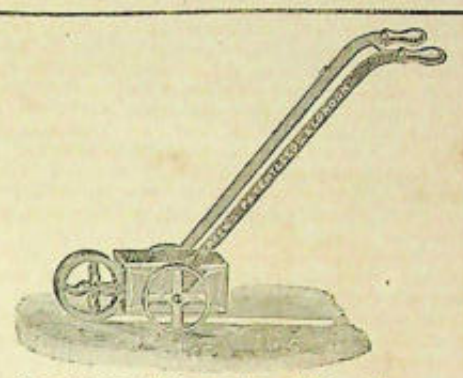

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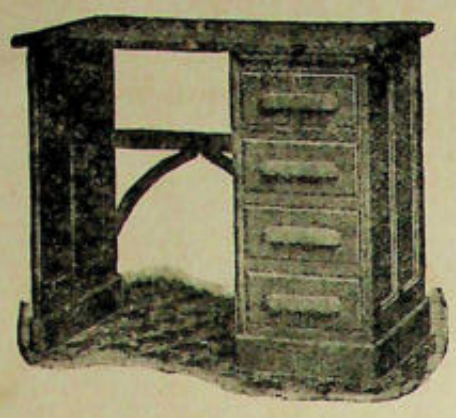

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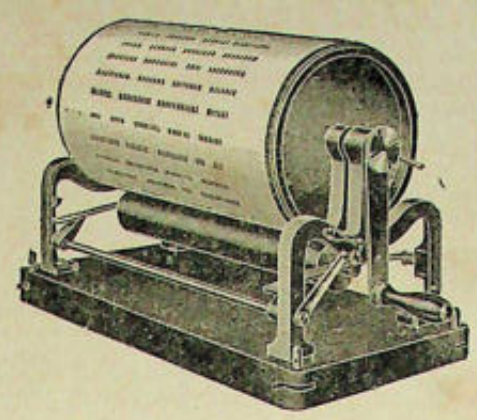

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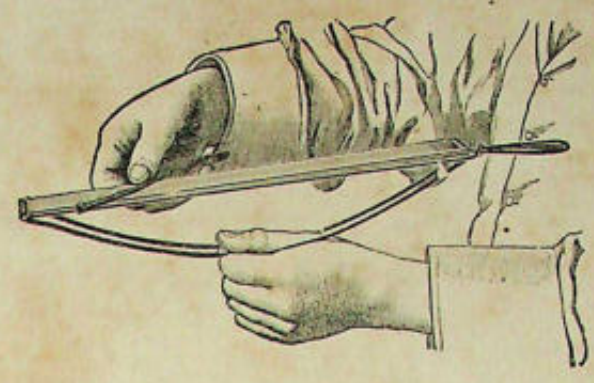

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HORNETS *vs.* SIBPUR.—The first attempt to decide this tie was made on Saturday on the Rangers' ground when a big crowd witnessed a hard fought-game which ended in a draw. The Sibpur-men set about their work with tremendous vim and had the best of the first half, the interval finding them with a lead of two goals to nothing. In the second half the Hornets bucked up well and, amidst quite an enthusiastic demonstration, drew level just before the call of time. Darkness prevented the playing of extra time, so they met again on Tuesday. At the second time of asking there was no mistake about it. The Hornets, exhibiting a grim determination to win, played a really first-class game and, after Sibpur's initial attack had been repulsed, they settled down to tactics which were for the most part offensive and ran out winners by four goals to two. Teams:—

SIBPUR.—Seth, *goal*; Patterson and McGrath, *backs*; Robb, Milchem and Street, *half-backs*; Murphy, Haupt, S. Lawton, Skempton and Payne, *forwards*.

HORNETS.—Simon, *goal*; Yakchee and E. Russell, *backs*; Cooper, A. B. Rosser and Simmons, *half-backs*; Catchick, L. Rosser, Apcar, Hoff and G. Russell, *forwards*.

CALCUTTA *vs.* BARRACKPORE.—Played on the C.F.C. ground on Saturday and a perfect picnic for the home team who won by seven goals to one.

RANGERS *vs.* CUSTOMS.—A tolerably comfortable win for the Rangers who made two goals to their opponents' one. But the Customs have been known to play much better than on this occasion; their wild shooting practically lost them the match.

DALHOUSIE *vs.* TOWN CLUB.—Of course the Dalhousie men beat the Town Club, even though (owing to Jackson being injured) they played only ten men most of the time. Their margin of victory was one goal to *nil*

MEDICAL COLLEGE *vs.* Y. M. C. A.—Played on the Y. M.'s ground on Saturday, the Collegians winning by three goals to *nil*.

NOTES AND COMMENTS.

THE championship of the League has at last been definitely settled and the Commitee at a General Meeting have decided that Dalhousie should be awarded the points for their engagement with Sibpur. It would be difficult to see how they could have come to any other decision with the facts of the case before them. Sibpur College entered for a tournament at Allahabad, which they knew clashed with the Calcutta League, and as they decided to compete in the former cannot expect to eat their cake and still have it.

Whatever may be said on the subject, as to both Calcutta and Dalhousie claiming the points, owing to the college failing to play on the dates specified, they were perfectly entitled to them, and I am in a position to say, that had the course of procedure in requesting the postponement of one of these games been carried out in a different manner to that done at least one of the clubs concerned would have given it serious consideration. It has been said in favour of some of the clubs that they were "sporting" enough to give the collegians an opportunity of gaining the points, but it also must be borne in mind that neither of the so-called sporting clubs had anything to lose by it, and in fact the play in one match in particular gave one the impression that the college opponents had only one object in view, and that was to give Sibpur every opportunity of bettering their goal average.

The decision of the League Committee will, however, in any case tend to show competing teams, that the League is not a thing to be trifled with and it may be necessary for them in future to allow no postponements without their sanction, and only under very exceptional circumstances.

THAT Calcutta deserve the Championship there can be little doubt, for out of 15 games only one has been lost and one drawn. The team has played very consistently throughout the season. The Carnobis Challenge Cup, I understand, is the only hockey trophy of which the Club can boast, and it should act as an incentive to greater deeds in the future. I shall make no invidious distinction in the *personnel* of the team, but congratulations to them as a whole, and to McCaw, the Captain, in particular on a splendid achievement.

THE first round of the Beighton Cup has not been without its customary drawn games and in no less than 3 of the 10 games played, could any definite result be arrived at.

To commence with the United Services drew with Nattore the score being two goals all, after the Services had by far the bigger share of the game.

Hill and Lyde at forward did splendidly, the former being credited with both goals scored by his side, and rattling good shots they were too.

Selby at centre half and Platt at back were the minstay of the defence, the former displaying great judgment in getting the ball out to his forwards, while Platt saved many a dangerous rush by judicious tackling.

The Services cannot be said to be nearly as strong as in the days of Gardiner, Collins, Arundel, Wilson and Le Fleming, but still they make up in kenness and combination what they lack in individual brilliancy. It was a pity Major Rimington did not assist his side, as he would have been a tower of strength either at half or back. None know the game better than the Major, and few there are who can show him the way to play it.

In the replay on Monday last the U. S. won by 8 goals to nil, and were the winning side all through. Hill was again responsible for two of the goals, while Lyde added the third.

The Nattore team are full of dash, but have yet a lot to learn; the centre forward and left full back being the most useful men in the team.

CALEDONIA at the second attempt accounted for the Wanderers by three goals to nil. Neither of the games were of a high standard of excellence and from the form displayed by Caledonia it would be difficult to imagine how they ever attained second place in our league. The Wanderers appear to be a side composed of young hopefuls from the Railways and Government employ, and have evidently not played together often, as there was a marked lack of combination. The centre half was about the most useful man on the side, but the team as a whole are of a talkative disposition, and have a strong aversion to shutting up.

ONE has not seen or heard much of La Martiniere this season, but their display against Mohan Bagan was rather an eye opener to many. The team is splendidly balanced, and were all over their opponents from start to finish. The side is composed of comparative youngsters, and when they attain a little more weight and nerve will take all the beating any local team can give them. Cody at centre forward, the centre half and the two backs are the bright particular stars in a team of youthful aspirants to hockey fame.

Mohan Bagan on the other hand gave a sorry display and even the mighty Bose could not stem the tide of disaster.

THE H. L. I. found their nippy opponents too much for them, and in their game with the Rovers had to admit defeat by 2 goals to nil.

The Tommies played hard but lacked science and speed, and without these qualities could not expect to be successful.

Allen the "footer" player did well at centre half and the right full back was quite an average player; and couldn't he hit it! but the man to be congratulated on the result is the goal-keeper. He was as good as Edmondson of the Royal Irish at his best, and saved extremely difficult shots time and again. He did not look so imposing as the giant of the Rifles, but then, that was hardly his fault, and so long as he kept his goal intact, it was all that was required of him.

The Rovers played good hockey and the forwards combined well. The centre and left half are good, but why don't they drop the right half: he is no "earthly" and never gives his forwards an opportunity. The centre and right wing forwards, all Ranchi boys, gave an excellent display of dribbling and passing, and one had only to look at these three *chokras* to form some idea of what an entire eleven, such as they are capable of doing. We have seen what Ranchi can do, and it is any odds on their retaining the Cup they so gallantly won last year.

DALHOUSIE are stale and nothing can go right with them. After their meritorious game with Calcutta, they have done nothing to merit applause, and their last display against the Town Club was any thing but a fine index of their capabilities earlier in the League. They won by the only goal scored in the match, but the margin of victory was not enough to flatter even their most ardent supporters.

The most unkindest cut of all, will be the loss of Jackson, who was rather seriously injured in the game mentioned. It is as badtluck on Jackson as it is on the team for which he has done yeoman service, and the sympathy of his club mates and admirers will be given him in no unstinted degree. Luckhurst, too, another good forward, is unable to play, and leaves for home shortly.

Dixon the old war horse of the club in this department of the game still plays as hard a game as ever and doesn't give up until he is absolutely cooked, and then Taffy Evans is always there to the rescue and with cheery countenance, clears the ball from the danger zone.

THE Rangers have accounted for the Customs by 2 goals to 1, Tripp of the B.-N. R. assisting his club once again.

The Medicals were 3 goals the better of the Y.M.C.A., but have lost both Boo and Dingavin, and it is difficult to see how without these two, they can go very much further.

CALCUTTA beat Barrackpore by 7 goals to 1 after a very one-sided game. It was after this match that the Carnobis challenge Cup was kindly presented by Miss Ross to McCaw the Captain of the C. F. C. team.

ST. XAVIER'S beat by E. I. R. by 2 goals to 1 after quite a good game, the latter team showing up better than was expected.

HORNETS *vs.* SIBPUR.—The first meeting of these teams was the game of the week and resulted after a somewhat sensational game in a draw of 2 goals all. Sibpur scoring twice in the first ten minutes and the Hornets equalising just in time.

The replay on Tuesday last resulted in a win for the Hornets by 4 goals to 2.

Sibpur again led off with a goal in the first 10 minutes, the result of a clinking shot by Skempton, and it looked any odds on the college again scoring, as a well directed shot by Haupt was turned off by hitting Russell on the goal.

From this stage, however, the Hornets pulled themselves together and scored three times before Sibpur could notch their second goal. L. Rosser and Catchick were the pick of the Hornets forwards and Skempton on the college side alone did himself justice.

No better goal keeping has been seen this season than the display given by Seth of Sibpur.

The Hornets now meet Calcutta next Saturday in the second round of the competition, and a great game should result.

WHY NOT.

Boxing.

POONA TOURNAMENT.

SECOND ENTRIES.—The following are the second entries for the Poona Boxing Tournament which closed on Thursday evening:—

FEATHER WEIGHTS.—First entries, 12. Second entries—Gunner Elliot, 4th Ammunition Column; Private Wilkinson, Lincolns; Privates Sullivan and Kay, East Lans; Privates Evans and Holmes, South Staffords; and Private Wallace, Royal Scots.

LIGHT WEIGHTS.—First entries, 23. Sergeant Ford, Royal Scots; Private Sullivan, 29th Battery; Private Kelly, Drummer Bollard, and Lance-Corporal Leeson, Connaught Rangers; Driver Edwards, 4th Ammunition Column; Private McCartney, Connaught Rangers; Gunner Lyon, 8th Battery, R.F.A.; Corporal Haynes and Private Southall, South Staffords; Private Crockett, Seaforths; Lance-Corporals Martin and Juf, East Surreys; and Sergeant Donagh, East Lancs.

MIDDLE WEIGHTS.—First entries, 8. Corporal Richardson, Royal Scots; Lance-Corporal Smith, Lincolns; Driver Dove, "P" Battery; and Private Matheson, Seaforths.

CATCH WEIGHTS.—First entries, 3. Sergeant Henry, Connaught Rangers; and Private Kirk, Black Watch.

BOYS.—Baker and Rhodes, Royal Scots; Wright and Ferguson, G. I. P. Railway Volunteers; Scott, Bombay Volunteer Rifles; Wilson, Poona Volunteer Rifles; and Bailey, Manchester Regiment.

OFFICERS, HEAVY WEIGHTS.—First entries. Captain Craven R.F.A.; and Lieutenant Noke, R.A.M.C.

OFFICERS, MIDDLE WEIGHTS.—Lieutenants Leapingwell, 9th Infantry; Soke R.A.M.C.; Thew, 120th Infantry; Hopwood, Lincolns, and Carlisle, 114th Mahrattas.

OFFICERS, LIGHT WEIGHTS.—Lieutenants Carlisle, 114th Infantry, and Arnott, East Lancs.

BANTAM WEIGHTS.—First entries, 9. Sergeants Gaffney, Connaught Rangers; Driver Pistoll, "P" Battery, R. H. A.; Privates Smith and Faulkner, Lincolns; Private Burton, Leicesters; Private Shaw, East Lancs; Mekerron, Seaforths; Kaley and Round, Manchesters; Cooper, Leicesters; and Evans, Royal Scots.

CAREER OF A WORLD'S CHAMPION PUGILIST.

THERE are very few boxing enthusiasts who are not familiar with the name of Terry McGovern, of Johnstown, Pa., U.S.A. Although McGovern has never been seen in England, his fame has travelled, and it is sufficient to know that it was he who wrested the world's bantam-weight championship from Pedlar Palmer at Tuckahoe, on 12th September 1899, in almost record time, the fight lasting a mere matter of seconds. But McGovern, like many other great pugilists, has seen his day, and is now practically in a state of poverty and mentally weak. In eleven years he has run through a vast fortune, and now he is not worth a humble cent. McGovern, a few years ago, was one of the gamest bantam-weight fighters that ever lived, and in his eleven years' pugilistic career he defeated such men as Pinkey Evans, Casper Leon, Joe Bernstein, Sammy Kelly, Pedlar Palmer, Billy Retchford, George Dixon, Eddie Santry, Frank Erne, Joe Gans, Aurelio Herrera, and Tommy Murphy, the bulk of whom have battled for fistic honours in England.

"What has McGovern done with all his money?" is the question which is worrying New Yorkers at the present time. Sam Harris, McGovern's original manager, and Joe Humphreys, who managed the great little fighter during the last few years, have furnished, according to Mr. Bob Edgren, of the New York *Evening World*, facts and figures giving the true story of how Terry let thousands of dollars slip through his fingers. Messrs. Harris and Humphreys went through old accounts, covering ten years of McGovern's life, with the result that nothing could be more official and exact.

McGOVERN'S EARLY AMBITIONS.

McGovern's sole ambition, when he began his fighting career, seemed to be the uplifting of his family. He was a dutiful son, and his constant devotion to his old mother was one of the brightest lights that ever crept into the prize ring. As soon as he had looked out on the world beyond Brooklyn he realised that his humble family had not been so favoured with education and refined influences as had others, and he manfully started out to repair the difficulty. All Terry"

early and disastrous expenditures were intended to help his family. The thousands of dollars he threw away on the race track were originally intended at the beginning of a plan to make his brother Phil a jockey, that he might also turn money into the family coffers. McGovern imagined that his brothers could do anything, and that all they needed was a start. He furnished the start, but the ending was always disastrous. When McGovern had made his first £1,000 he promptly invested £200 in a vegetable and green grocery store for his mother. This proved a failure. He then spent £220 in the purchase of a peddling outfit for his brothers Hughey and Phil. Here another failure was recorded.

Idol of the American Ring.

In the meantime Terry had become the idol of the ring, and riches were being showered upon him. Another £4,000 had come into his possession, and in his innocent way he started out to invest it where it would do the most good. He promptly purchased a house at a cost of £2,600, including the furnishings, that his wife might be comfortable and his children raised in the proper surroundings. His love for his wife was not so great, however, that he could forget his mother, and he purchased a house for her at a cost of £800. He then invested £500 in vacant lots on Avenue U and the Boulevard. These still stand in the name of the family, but they are so heavily mortgaged that redemption seems almost impossible. Money continued to roll in, and McGovern continued, to dispose of it. He invested £1,000 in a saloon in Brooklyn, which proved a total loss.

His "Club" and Racehorses.

Terry's next venture was the establishment of a social institution called the Terry McGovern Club. In this he invested £500, but as soon as his popularity waned his friends deserted him, and the clubrooms were left cold and bare. No one would pay dues, and the money invested was a total loss. He then entrusted £300 to the care of a friend, and the supposed friend decamped with the money and has never been seen since. He conceived the idea of making his brother a jockey, and the stories of his turf speculations filled the newspapers for weeks. To begin with, he purchased the horse Ocklawaha and selected purple and green for his racing colours. Following this he bought Cincinnatus, Saturday, One-eyed Connolly, and Spring Beauty. For these horses he paid £3,000 and engaged a coterie of trainers, jockeys, and stable boys, for which he paid £2,400 a year for two years. Having the utmost confidence in his judgment of racehorses, Terry bet on his entries, and lost in this way £4,000. He was a good thing for the bookmakers. His racing stable failed and Phillie did not become a jockey. The investment of £11,800 had proved a total loss.

A Table of Earnings.

The following tables of Terry McGovern's ring earnings were compiled by Sam Harris and Joe Humphreys from an official source :—

	£
1898.	
Oct. 1—Harry Forbes	140
Nov. 17.—Tim Callahan	10
Dec. 20—George Munroe	220
1899.	
Jan. 30.—Casper Leon	340
April 28.—Joe Bernstein	600
July 1.—Johnny Ritchey	340
Sept. 12.—Pedlar Palmer	2,400
Oct. 9.—Billy Rotchford	360
Nov. 18.—Patsey Haley	420
Nov. 30.—Eddie Sprague	380
Dec. 22.—Harry Forbes (second time)	360
1900.	
Jan. 9.—George Dixon	2,400
Feb. 1.—Eddie Santry	520
April 17.—Tommy White	540
May 21.—Elwood McCloskey	340
June 12.—Tommy White (second time)	640
June 23.—George Dixon (second time)	460
July 16.—Frank Erne	2,760
Nov. 2.—Joe Bernstein (second time)	440
Nov. 13.—Kid Broad	420
Dec. 13.—Joe Gans	2,200
1901.	
Jan. 30.—Sammy Kelly	720
April 30.—Oscar Gardner	920
May 29.—Aurelio Herrera	960
Nov. 28.—Young Corbett (loser's end)	960
1902.	
Feb 22.—Dave Sullivan	980
1903.	
Feb. 6—Joe Bernstein (third time)	320
Feb. 23.—Billy Maynard	260
March 31.—Young Corbett (second time).. ...	1,040
Sept. 26.—Lou Ryall	200
Oct. 3—Billy Willis	200
Oct. 10.—Eddie Hanlon	260
Oct. 20.—Jimmy Briggs	420
1905.	
Oct. 18.—Tommy Murphy	540
1906.	
March 14—Battling Nelson	1,600
May 28.—Jimmy Britt	580
Oct. 17.—Young Corbett (third time)	420
Moving pictures of Nelson fight	360
Minor fights	480
Total fight receipts ...	27,480

Shows, Exhibitions, and Picture Earnings.

"Gay Morning Glory"	1,600
"Bowery After Dark"	1,400
"Road to Ruin"	1,000
Regular Dates	4,000
Moving Pictures	4,000
Exhibition	1,440
Total from shows, etc.	13,440
	26,880

Total earnings, £54,360.

The Horse.

SPEEDY CUTTING.

This is caused by the horse being unevenly balanced. Having more propelling power behind than in front—that is, the front feet not being able to get out of the way of the pass, the outside of the front foot strikes and wounds the inside of the shin bone in the hind leg, frequently causing much pain and soreness. It is termed "speedy cutting," from happening while the horse is in rapid action. It is an evident fact that all horses with bold, lofty knee action are not speedy cutters. Those, however, who travel with a low, gliding, forward movement are called "daisy cutters," and are proverbially afflicted with speedy cutting in rapid motion. To overcome this defect it is necessary to equalize the different actions of the parts by quickening that of the front and slowing that of the hind. This can be done only in shoeing.

As there are, however, but few trotting horses that can have their toes shortened, since it would have a tendency to make them double up or shorten their stride, I use for them a double rolling motion flat shoe, gradually thinning the shoe from quarters to heel, and from quarters to toe, with dropped crease on the outer quarters. Such a shoe will allow the front foot to land on its heels, roll over the toe more quickly, and get out of the way of the hind legs. If the front feet or tendons are sore, it would have a tendency to slow the front action of the horse in landing, as he fears to hit the ground. In such cases, shorten the toe of the front foot as much as safety will permit, examine the feet as well as the splint bones, for, if soreness is present, it will have a tendency to retard the action in front. If the horse is a long strider or dweller, apply the scoop-toed, rolling motion, or the plain rolling motion shoe, which, being rolled in front, will assist the horse in getting over the toe of the foot quickly and thus get out of the way of the other parts. In dressing the hind feet, lower the heels as much as safety will permit, keeping the front part of the toes at the natural angle, so as to have all the ground surface possible. Apply the shoe by placing long heel calkins at the side of the heels, or allowing the shoe to extend at least one-half inch longer than the heel of the foot, the down action of the flexor perforans will be lessened, and in a relative degree the quick-up action of the foot will also be lessened. The weight of the shoes to be worn must be determined accurately by the driver or proprietor. I have often shod this class of trotting horse, with front shoe weighing eleven ounces, and with hind shoe weighing fifteen ounces, before I could get them balanced and square in their gait.

Running horses are more liable to obtain speedy cuts than trotting horses; this is occasioned principally by the carrying of weight upon their backs, the weight being placed more directly on their front legs than on their hind ones. In plating running horses to overcome this difficulty, level and straighten the front feet, having the heels and frog of an even bearing when the feet are placed on the ground; shoe with thin three-quarter tips, beveling the outside of the plate from the ground to the sole-bearing surface, so as to obviate the possibility of the leg being cut by the shoe in passing. The punishment of speedy cutting is oftentimes so severe that the race is lost by the horse being unable to withstand it without his speed being retarded more or less.

T. S.

THE MOST WONDERFUL OF ALL ANIMALS.

The most mysterious and the most misunderstood animal in existence is the mule.

The mule is not natural, but artificial. The zoo knows him not; neither, presumably, did the ark. He was not included in the scheme of creation, but is the invention of man. He is a mystery, standing midway between the horse and the ass, each of which has its own tribal characteristics. But the mule, instead of inheriting his traits from either or both of his parents, blossoms out as an individuality by himself.

Where does he get those traits from? Why is he so magnificent a mountaineer? Whence came his intelligence and common sense? Why does he combine with these two qualities his lack of nerves? Why, again, when he has his mother's coat, does half the attention produce an equal result? What makes him particular as to his drink?

How shall we account for his mental traits, which those that we know describe as docile, friendly and intelligent? A more willing beast never existed, and if he has equals he has few if any superiors in the matters of endurance and good-humoured philosophy.

The philosophic coolness with which a mule will stand, with all his four feet close together, perched on a pinnacle, and thence determining the next downward step, is a study of cheerfulness and sound sense under difficulties not easily paralleled. He never seems to want to turn back. He does not get frightened at prospective perils. He knows exactly what is wanted of him, and literally brings his mind to bear on each emergency as it comes up. It is at such times that one begins to see that the mule is not only a beast of burden but a strange and fascinating mystery.

It is as a mountaineer that the mule shines, but merely to mention his surefootedness is to go not nearly far enough. A mountain battery was taken out by the English army in Baluchistan for a big climb, and some of the problems the mules solved on that occasion were of a nature to make the hair stand on end. It was like climing a tree. The load carried is great, ranging from 260 to 360 pounds. The mountains of Baluchistan are particularly unpleasant as ground for marching over; the going is mainly over loose stones; there is no shade, practically no water, and one makes one's path as one goes along. During manœuvres some years ago a party of English soldiers started one morning before dawn and marched under such conditions, up and down, down and up, till about 3-30. The force thus pushed ahead was small when it started; it was smaller still when it came into action. But the guns were there. One mule only fell out. The mules of a mountain battery are provided with reliefs, but on this occasion there was not time to get the relief line up and change the loads. The mule that dropped out marched on hour after hour, mile, after mile, showing no slack, offering no complaint, and finally fainted away with the load on its back—fell down in a swoon like a girl.

The horse will gallop his heart out; he is uplifted by excitement. He may die between the shafts, but will he go on to such a pitch without an occasional persuader?

Physically speaking, the mule has the horse's coat, but will look extremely handsome with only half the amount of grooming. He is less troublesome about his food, but is nicer with regard to water. His foot is extremely hard; indeed, he can go perfectly well unshod. And most valuable of all, he is provided with an unfailing remedy for fatigue. Is your mule exhausted? Relieve him of his burdens and leave him alone. He will roll; for not only is a roll a magic recuperator for his flagging energies but a wise precaution of Providence. It is a practice of which he is fond. The deliberation with which he begins, the relish with which he employs each side in turn and then lies, deeply thinking, spread out perfectly flat and plainly concentrating his mind on the last great effort, the enthusiasm with which he tries to roll, clean over, and the air of satisfied triumph with which he gets up, having done so, are little less than exhilarating.

Theological blunders are sometimes peculiar. Two ladies were recently at a dinner party. The husband of one was dead, and the spouse of the other was in India. The wrong one leaned on the arm of a gentleman, who was leading her to the feast. She remarked that it was very hot. "Yes," he replied, hoping to make himself agreeable, "but not half so hot as the place to which your husband is gone." He discovered too late that he was talking to the lady whose husband was dead.

A fat American colonel is playing whist. His partner revokes.

The Colonel (after a yard or two of profanity): "I've shot a man in Texas for less than what you have done."

His Partner: "And eaten him, too, I should think."

Little Boy (loq.): "Oh, here's a lark! Father's fallen down and broken his leg, and I shall have only one boot to clean to-morrow!"

The Naturalist.

A COUPLE OF NEGLECTED CRAFTSMEN.

Two Indian birds have a world wide reputation. Every one has heard of the weaver bird (*Ploceus baya*) and the tailor bird (*Orthotomus sutorius*). Their wonderful nests are depicted in every popular treatise on ornithology. They are both master craftsmen and deserve their reputation. But there are in India birds who build similar nests whose very names are unknown to the great majority of Anglo-Indians. The Indian wren-wabler (*Prinia inornata*) weaves a nest quite as skillful as the famous weaver bird. This neglected craftsman is common in nearly all parts of India and if you speak to Domiciled Europeans of the weaver bird they will think you mean this wren-warbler, for among such he is universally known as the weaver bird, the famous weaver whose portrait appears in every popular bird book being called the *baya* by permanent residents of India.

As its name implies, *Prinia inornata* is a plainly-attired little bird. Its upper parts are earthy brown. It has the faintest suspicion of a white eye-brow, and its under parts are yellowish white, the thighs being darkar than the abdomen. Picture a slenderly-built wren with a tail, three inches in length, that looks as though it were about to fall out, and which is constantly being waggled about and you have a fair idea of the appearance of this little weaver. But this description applies to dozens of other birds found in India. The various warblers are so similar to one another in appearance as to drive ornithologists to despair. The inimitable "Bha" admits that they baffle him. "There is nothing about them" he writes "to catch the imagination of the historian, and they will never be famous. I have been perplexed so as to how to deal with them. To attempt to describe each species is out of the question, for there are many, and they are mostly so like each other that even the title ornithologist does not qualify one to distinguish them with certainty at a distance. If you can distinguish them with certainty when you have them in your hand you will fully deserve the title."

It is just possible to recognise the Indian wren warbler by its note. When once you have learned this you are able to identify the bird directly it opens its mouth. But how shall I describe in? It is a peculiar harsh but plaintive, *twee, twee, twee*; each *twee* follows close upon the preceding one and gives you the idea that the bird is both excited and worried. If you see a fussy little bird, constantly flitting about in a cornfield and uttering this note, you way be tolerably certain that the bird is the Indian wren-warbler. This bird never rises high in the air; it is but an indifferent exponent of the art of flying. It flits about by means of laborious jerks of its wings.

It is a true friend to the husbandman, since it feeds exclusively on insects. The most remarkable thing about it is its nest. This is a beautifully woven structure, composed exclusively of grass or strips of leaves of monocotyledonous plants which the bird tears off with its bill. These strands are invariably very narrow, and are sometimes less than one-twentieth of an inch in breath. The nest may be described as an egg-shaped purse, some five or six inches in depth and three in width, with an entrance at one side, near the top. It is devoid of any lining and its texture puts one in mind of a loosely made loofah. The nest is sometimes attached to two or more stalks of corn, or more commonly it is found among the long grasses which are so abundant in India. When the nest is built in a cornfield the birds have to bring up their family against time. They are unable to begin nest building until the corn is fairly high and must, if the youngs are to be safely started in life have brought them to the stage when they are able to leave the nest, by the time the crop is cut. In India nearly every field of ripe corn has its family of wren-warblers; the two parents flit about followed by a struggling family of four. These little birds do not by any means always beat time. Numbers of their nests containing half-fleged young are mown down at every harvest by the reapers' sickle. The nest is woven in a manner similar to that adopted by the *baya*; the cock and hen in each case work in combination.

Its texture is looser than that of the more famous weaver, but it is not less neatly put togather. In it are deposited four or five pretty little green eggs, marked with brown blotches and wavy lines.

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Our second neglected craftsman is a tailor. He sews a nest so like that of the world-famous tailor as to be almost indistinguishable from it. Some authorities declare that the two nests are distinguishable. They assert that the nest of *Orthotomus* is invariably lined with some soft substance, such as cotton wool, the silky down of the cotton tree, soft horse hair, or even human hair, while that of the species of which we are speaking is lined with grass or roots. This distinction does not, however, invariably hold. I have seen nests of this species which have been lined with cotton wool.

This bird is known to ornithologists as the ashy wren-warbler (*Prinia socialis*). Anglo-Indian boys call it the tom-tit. It is a dark ashey-grey bird, with the sides of the head and neck and the whole of the lower plumage buff.

There is a tinge of rufous in the wings and tail. It is most easily distinguished by the loud snapping noise it makes during flight. How this noise is produced we do not know for certain. Reid was of opinion that the bird snapped its tail. What exactly this means I do not know. Jesse thinks that the sound is produced by the bird's mandibles. I have spent such time in watching the bird and am inclined to think that the noise is being caused by the beating of the wings against the tail. This last is constantly wagged and jerked and it occurs to me that the wings beat against it as the bird flits about. When doves and pigeons fly their wings frequently meet, causing a flapping sound. I am of opinion that something similar occurs when the ashy wren-warbler takes to its wings.

Perhaps the most extraordinary thing about this bird is the well-authenticated fact that it builds two types of nest. Besides this tailor-made nest the species makes one of grass, beautifully and closely woven, domed, and with the entrance near the top. I have never seen this latter type of nest, but so many ornithologits have, that there can be no doubt of its existence.

The strange thing is that both types of nest have been found in the same neighbourhood, so that the difference in the form of nursery is not a local peculiarity.

I am at a loss to account for the existence of these two types of nest. I have no idea how the habit can have arisen, nor do I know what, if any benefit, the species derives from this peculiarity. So far as I am aware no one can say what it is that leads to the construction of one type of nest in preference to the other. The nests of this species present a most interesting ornithological problem. I hope one day to be in a position to throw some light on the subject, meanwhile I shall welcome the news that someone has forestalled me. The ashy wren-warbler is a common bird, so that most Anglo-Indians have a chance of investigating the mystery. The same kind of eggs are found in each type of nest. The are of exceptional beauty, being a deep mahogany or brick-red, so highly polished as to look as though they have been varnished.

D. D.

STRAY NOTES.

A striking addition is now being made to the reptile gallery of the Natural History Museum, London, in the form of a restored model of the skeleton of one of the most wonderful of the extinct dinosaurian land reptiles of North

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America. The remains of this triceratops, as it is called, are found in the upper cretaceous strata of Wyoming; and the model at South Kensington is reproduced from an entire, although somewhat restored, skeleton from Converse County, exhibited in the National Museum at Washington. The horned dinosaurs, of which the species is one of the best known, are remarkable not only for the horns from which they take either name, but likewise for the enormous relative and absolute size of their skulls. In the model, for instance, the skull measures 6 ft. long, or nearly a third the length of the whole animal, and is many times the size of that of the dipodocus, despite the fact that the total length of the latter monster is 85 ft., whereas that of the triceratops falls short of 20 ft. It is true that in the last-named creature the size of the skull is exaggerated by the great bony range overarching the neck; but even if this were removed the relative proportions of the cranium would still be prodigious. With its three horns, arranged unicorn fashion, triceratops, although its habits were herbivorous, must have been one of the most extraordinary, not to say terrifying, monsters that ever walked the earth.

Few persons probably, other than those engaged in the pursuit of science, are aware that the Black Sea presents an interest of its own to the zoologist and the geologist shared by no other part of the ocean at the present day. Throughout the greater part of the ocean the bottom is the dwelling-place of a number of creatures whose business it is to consume the bodies of the members of the surface fauna which after death sink to the bottom. In the Black Sea, however, owing to special geological events, such scavengers are totally wanting over the greater part of the bottom, so that the carcases of the creatures which fall from above are left to decompose, which they speedily do at the comparatively high temperature of the water. By their decomposition two soluble compounds, carbonate of ammonia and sulphuretted hydrogen, are developed in enormous quantities; while no free lime, except such as is introduced from the Mediterranean, is left. The volume of sulphuretted hydrogen is so great as to poison the water from the greatest depth (1,227 fathoms, to within about a hundred fathoms of the surface to such a degree that life, except for a few bacteria, is absolutely impossible. The circumstance has a double interest—firstly, that it is absolutely unique at the present day, and secondly that it seems to offer an almost exact parallel to the state of affairs that existed at the inconceivably remote epoch when the oldest known sedimentary rocks were laid down as mud on the ancient sea bottom.

Professor Stewart shows that (with a single exception in Africa) the wing tints of birds, like the colours on the wing-case of the beetle and the rich blue iridescence of the Indian butterflies, are solely "interference" effects caused by the peculiar surface structure of the feather. The colour is purely optical, like the tints on the soap bubble, and the iridescence of the oyster-shell. The African exception seems to be a casual experiment of Nature's with the dye-vat, hastily abandoned. In rainy weather the colours of this unhappy bird become literally washed out, leaving her, for the time being, a sadly dingy creature. Professor Stewart proceeds to illustrate a number of the conclusions arrived at by Darwin, Wallace, Bates, and others who have devoted so much patient research to solve colour problems in animal life. Why are fishes, as a rule, dark-hued on the back, and light or silvery underneath? Probably as a protective device against both aerial and aquatic foes. The dark colouring on the upper surface of fishes seems mainly produced by the action of light. This was experimentally proved in the case of the sole at the marine biological station at Plymouth. Of course, many of these colours have no protective or utilitarian significance at all, being merely excretory deposits of one sort or another. But it is impossible to mistake the significance of colour where sexual character is involved. It is well known, of course, that female birds are everywhere (as a general rule) of a dingy and inconspicuous hue, contrasted with the brilliant coloured ornamentation of their mates. The reason seems to be pretty clear. The female bird is forced by its maternal solicitude to spend a considerable portion of its time on the nest, engaged in the important duties of rearing the young. It is practically helpless during this period, and were it conspicuous by its colour and readily distinguished from the nest and its surroundings, would fall an easy prey to enemies. The best proof of this is that where the male sits on the nest and attends to the nursery, it is he who is dingy of hue and inconspicuous, and the female who is brightly coloured. Even the gorgeously-tinted male wild duck turns a dingy, decayed-reed colour at one season of the year. But this is precisely the time when he needs protection, namely, when unable to fly, on account of casting his pinion feathers.

Little enough is generally known about the food of the fishes that feed us; indeed, it is only within the last year or so that this matter has gained the attention of scientists. In the Central Hall of the Natural History Museum at South Kensington there has just been placed a series of preparations in spirits, illustrating the various creatures upon which the cod-fish preys. These number thirteen in all, though, of course, they can only be regarded as samples of a diet which shows remarkable variety. Of fish, the herring, common dab and whiting, when immature, each contribute, according to this bill of fare, 4 per cent. and the sand-eel 5 per cent. But crustacea appear to form the staple diet, as may be seen from the fact that swimming crabs of two species contribute between them 21 per cent.; spider crabs, 6 per cent.; and Norway lobsters or Dublin prawns 8 per cent. The pink shrimp is laid under contribution to the extent of 14 per cent., while the helpless hermit crab pays the heaviest toll of all with 45 per cent. That the bristly sea-mouse finds favour is somewhat surprising, yet it appears to do so, since it figures on this list at 11 per cent., while the whelk stands only at 7 per cent.

The important place which crustacea play in the dietary of cod-fish may be gathered from the fact that from their earliest stages of growth, when all that is visible of the body to the naked eye is the great head and enormous eyes, they feed on microscopic crustacea. A little later, when about 1½in. in length, they have the curious habit of crowding under large jelly-fishes for the sake of the crustacean parasites which infest those frail animals. When about 4in. or 5in. long they are capable of preying on other fishes; but the zoologist Sars found, that of shoals of cod of this stage, those which haunted floating seaweed for the sake of crustacea harbouring there, were altogether plumper and better nourished than similar fish of the same size which had been feeding on worms and small fish obtained by hunting over sandy ground. This would imply, however, not that this food was less nourishing, bulk for bulk, but that it took longer to catch and required greater efforts in the capturing.

The haddock, whiting, ling and hake, near allies of the cod, which are also to be reckoned among our most valuable food-fishes, show a somewhat different choice in the matter of food. Thus the haddock appears to feed chiefly on crustacea and molluscs, though echinoderms, such as star-fish and worms, especially the "sea-mouse," form almost as large a part. On the West Coast of Ireland echinoderms appear to form the staple diet, and after these come crustaces, worms next and molluscs last. This is a fact of considerable interest, and seemingly supports the contention that these fish feed on such prey as can be most readily obtained. The haddock appears to be largely addicted to cannibalism, but besides preys upon young herrings and shrimps.

Mr. Eagle Clark, keeper of the natural history department of the Edinburgh Museum, has recently issued his annual report for 1906. He states that during the past year there were added to the collections 9,627 specimens, 550 being by purchase, and the others by donation. The most important purchase among mammals were fine mounted examples of the North American bison, Polar bear, American black bear, orang utan, chimpanzee, jaguar, puma, red howler monkey, walrus, bearded seal, and ringed seal. Several rare and interesting birds have also been bought, including a fine adult specimen of the rare Ross's rosy gull (*Rhodostethia rosea*) and British examples of the rustic bunting, ortolan bunting, and desert wheatear. A fine python from northern India and two coloured plaster casts of rare British fishes have been acquired, while the invertebrates added include 164 shells and molluscs for the type collection, and a number of beetles from the Gold Coast. Lord Hindlip has presented a very fine giraffe from the Quashengeshu Plateau, British East Africa; Mr. J. M. Gordon, a mounted specimen of Alpine ibex from Bunneval, Savoy; Professor Sherrington an orang utan; Major-General A. A. Kinloch, the bones of the flipper of a humpback whale from Shetland; and Sir Archibald Buchan-Hepburn, a nearly complete skeleton of red deer and some bones of the urus found in excavating at Smeaton-Hepburn. The Hon. Walter Rothschild has given 174 birds' skins, five nests, and a specimen of the amber fish of New Zealand painted in natural colours. Many interesting birds were presented by Mr. William Berry, Dr. John Dalziel, Mr. George Girdwood, Mr. N. B. Kinnear, and Mrs. Leslie Milne. Lieut. F. M. Bailey sent from Thibet two specimens of a snake new to science, while to Miss Rimmer the museum is indebted for a large collection of the shells and mollusca formed by her late father, Mr. Richard Rimmer, of Dalawoodie, Dumfries. A large case has been built for the reception of the fine collection of Antarctic seals presented last year by Mr. W. S. Bruce, and the extensive and representative collection of Antarctic birds and birds' eggs brought home by the Scottish National Antarctic Expedition has been worked out in the museum, and a complete set selected for the natural history department.

In an interesting article on the artificial breeding of tench in the "Oesterreichische Fischerei-Zeitung," Herr Mannskopf points that the ova of the tench are exceedingly small and difficult to count. The number of ova in a given fish may range from 100,000 to 300,000. Tench spawn at the age of two or three years, but for breeding purposes a well-made but not too fat fish of four years is the best. Tench are generally lovers of darkness, but come on to the top of the water in spawning time to lay their eggs on the weeds, selecting, when possible, the water aloe (Stratiotar aloe) for this purpose, owing to the fact that it generally abounds in the larvæ of water-snails and mussels, which form the staple food of the tench fry.

If a man admires a woman, why does he object to another man expressing about the said woman sentiments which exactly coincide with his own?

Wee Dougal MacFougal was reading the Bible, when his mother exclaimed: "Oh, Dougal, Dougal, are ye reading that good book on a week-day? Put it away until the Sawbath."

The Story Teller.

THE OPEN DRAWER.

THE short winter's day had come to an end, and we had collected in a cosy group round the log fire in the hall. The lamps were not lit, but an occasional ruddy gleam, breaking through our circle, would fitfully illumine the armour, weapons, and sporting trophies which covered the walls. It was a suitable occasion for ghost stories, and they took an added eerieness and realism from the half gloom.

I remember one tale in particular, though I have forgotten the name and even the appearance of the narrator. Here it is :—

Some years ago I was wandering about the Eastern counties, looking at houses for friends. They wanted an old fashioned house on the East coast. After looking at several in the vicinity of a small town on the Suffolk coast, I found one which seemed so suitable in every way, that I decided to stay the night and go through the place thoroughly the next day. I found a comfortable looking old hostel, the Buckland Arms, and so sent for my portmanteau, which had been left at the Station. The landlord of the inn struck me as a curious looking man, with his dark lantern-jawed face, and unkempt grey locks falling to his shoulders. Dinner time approaching I rang for a maid to show me my room. A gaunt but strongly built, hard-featured woman answered my summons. I said a few words to her but her short disagreeable manners discouraged efforts at conversation. Preceding me upstairs with a candle, she opened a door on the landing, and with a laconic 'You'll find hot water ready' left me. The room looked comfortable. The bed was a modern brass mounted one, but the wardrobe, chest of drawers, etc. were of unusually handsome pattern: all of mahogany, nearly black with age and polishing.

I found my portmanteau placed in a convenient position, across the arms of a very solid-looking arm chair, but my sense of neatness was disturbed by the awkward attitude of the chair, which had been pushed towards the chest of drawers until its back was hard against them.

I pulled it out near the fire place where an arm chair ought to be.

The dinner turned out a good one, and after a pipe or two I went off to bed.

When I got to my room I found that the maid, after emptying my basin, had again pushed the heavy arm chair with the portmanteau lying across its arms, against the chest of drawers. With a slight feeling of irriation I pulled it out a second time and then undressed.

After my clothes were off, certainly not more than ten minutes after I had entered the room, I happened to glance ag in towards the chest of drawers, and saw to my astonishment ha t the right hand top drawer was open. I went over and look ed at it as I felt sure I had not opened it myself. The drawer was quite empty : there was not even the paper at the bottom whi h one usually finds. I shut it and it closed smoothly, nor was there any tilting to account for its having opened by itself. The drawer was not fitted with a lock, nor had it ever possessed one, as the wood was not cut away.

The unexplained opening seemed rather uncanny, so instead of putting out the lamp with which my room was lighted, I only turned it down slightly, and then got into bed. Puzzling over the drawer prevented my falling asleep.

I had been lying thus awake for about half an hour, when a feeling I cannot explain drew my eyes irresistibly towards the chest of drawers.

There I saw the top right hand drawer slowly open until nearly fully out. Then above the edge something rose slowly ..... First I saw hair ; it was light brown, but seemed discoloured with dark patches. Slowly the hair lifted and tilted backwards, disclosing gradually a pallid forehead, and then at last a pair of awful glassy eyes in which were written an unutterable horror and despair. These dreadful eyes glared stonily into mine over the top of the drawer. My nerves are good, but I yelled at the sight and leapt out of bed. In a flash, hair, face, eyes, all had vanished. I seized the lamp, turned it full up, and rushed to the open drawer. It was as empty as ever. But from its void came a strong unbearable whiff of stale blood. You know that unmistakable smell of blood which has begun to decompose in a hot sun. I banged the evil drawer to, and rang the bell furiously. After a short delay the forbidding maid appeared ; she did not wait for explanations but burst out at once.

"Well, what did you move the chair for ? If you'd left it alone you'd have seen nothing. I suppose now you want another room. Well you can only have the little one at the back, and if you're uncomfortable it's your own fault for not leaving things alone."

I tried to question the grim dame, but her mouth shut like a trap, and nothing more could be got out of her She helped me with my portmanteau to the small room, and then left abruptly with a scowl still on her face.

My efforts next day to pump the landlord resulted in his accusing me of having dined not wisely but too well, so I paid my bill and left the inn in a bad temper.

I questioned several of the inhabitants as to the history of the town, hoping to throw somelight on the affair, and was advised to get hold of a certain "old Jock" who was a wonderful hand at stories.

Old Jock turned out to be an intelligent old man of seventy, and what he told me seemed to explain the mystery of the drawer.

Long ago, before old Jock was ever born, there had been a terrible murder at Lang Court, an old house in the vicinity. A number of guests were staying at the Court, and one of them, in a fit of mad jealousy had murdered his wife, and then having cut off her head, had placed it in a chest of drawers in the room of the woman's lover.

The latter, without an idea of what had happened, had opened the drawer and found the poor head with its awful glazed eyes and blood dappled locks.

What the sequel to the tragedy was my informant could not tell me, but he believed that a lot of the old Lang Court furniture was now in the Buckland Arms.

JADU.

Wheeling.

MOTORING MATTERS AT HOME.

LONDON, *Friday 5th April* 1907.

AERO CLUB DISPLAY.

THE motor car and aeronautical display which will open tomorrow at the Agricultural Hall, Islington, promises to be the most brilliant of the long series which Mr. Cordingley has held. The number of exhibitors has reached the large total of 400, which is said to be a record for any exhibition held in this country, and, judging from the interest which the general public now takes in motoring matters, the attendance is likely to be larger than ever.

A visit to the hall yesterday showed that preparations were well advanced for the reception of exhibits, though but few were in place. One great advantage which exhibitors at the Agricultural Hall enjoy is that loaded wagons can drive right up to the stands, and thus save much labour in transferring articles. A huge five-ton steam goods wagon, drawn by four powerful horses, presented a strange spectacle when passing through the midst of the hall, though it reached its appointed stand in the easiest and most speedy manner.

The minor hall has been set apart for commercial vehicles, of which a very large number will be shown. The galleries, as usual, will be crowded with accessories, and the Aero Club display, in a separate hall, is sure to attract a large share of attention. The roof of the building has been tastefully decorated with many coloured flags, and present quite a gay appearance, whilst the stands, as usual, will be profusely decorated according to the individual tastes of each exhibitor.

Members of the Automobile Association will be admitted free to the Cordingley Exhibition, and have been kindly granted free space on the ground floor near the exhibition offices, where, at Stand No. 158, the Automobile Association secretary and a few of the leading members of the staff will be in attendance daily during next week. The well-known Automobile Association map, on which are displayed the whereabouts of agents, patrols, and other important information, will be on view, and the stand will be easily recognised by means of a large model of the Automobile Association car badge.

AMERICANS AHEAD OF US.

Whilst our own Weybridge track is still in a very unfinished state, and only a brave man would venture to predict the date of its opening, our go-ahead cousins in the United States are planning and constructing tracks of a much more ambitious character in all parts of the country. It is small wonder that they are so active in this direction, for their need is infinitely greater than ours. Apart from the almost impassable nature of the ordinary country roads, there are many places where the thoroughfares are specially designed to prevent the rapid passage of motorists. One of these, a suburb on the Lakeside, some 25 miles from Chicago, has given rise to a new phrase, "a Glenco bump." Any obstacle especially objectionable to motorists may thus be described, and those who have seen the original article need no further explanation. The "Glenco bump" consists of a crossing for foot passengers, built of brick and raised about six inches above the street level, the sides rising at a sharp angle. To go over these even at the moderate pace of 20 miles an hour is an experience not to be repeated ; springs have been broken, and passengers even thrown out in the process. Ingenious American manufacturers are building cars with specially designed shock absorbers, which it is claimed can surmount such obstacles with ease, but the "parkway," as it is termed, seems a simpler way out of the difficulty.

A LONG ISLAND TRACK.

Such a one is now being laid out on Long Island, which, being close to New York, is a favourite resort for Translantic motorists. The track is to be sixty miles long and a hundred feet wide. Fifty feet in the centre is to be laid with a prepared surface as a motor highway. The margins on either side are to be laid down with grass and beautified by planting shrubs and vines. There are to be no level crossings, as all intersecting highways are to be carrried either above or below the track. Although the road is intended mainly for touring purposes, certain portions of it will be set apart for racing events, where there will be the usual grand stands and other accommodation for sightseers. The track will not be a monotonous one, for it is to be neither level nor straight. Nature has provided suitable hills along the course, whilst man has arranged that the way shall be sufficiently curly. The requirements of really fast racers will be adequately met by the provision of several straight stretches varying in length from four to seven miles. The route is said to be remarkably picturesque. From one hill over which it passes the tourist will be able to see the Atlantic Ocean on one side and Long Island Sound on the other. The road also passes through heavily wooded tracts, skirts several beautiful lakes, and threads its way through fertile valleys.

ALLOWING A FAIR TRIAL.

At St. Louis they are trying a simpler plan, which might well be followed in this country, for insuring the fair trial of motor cars. The St. Louis authorities propose to permit makers of ordinary stock cars to show what they can do on the open public roads. The competitors will only have to prepare certain roads so as to insure public safety, and then they will be allowed to race along to their hearts' content and get as much advertisement as they can out of the contest. If only the Motor Act permitted, some arrangement of this kind would greatly facilitate our own hill climbing contests and other club competitions.

THE AVERAGE CAR.

A persevering American statistician has hit upon a novel method of ascertaining just what the average car in the United States really is. He has taken the cost, horse power, dimensions, etc., of all the home made cars, and averaged them all together. By this means, the *Motor Age* points out, he has ascertained that the average car is sold at a price of £570. It weights 1701bs., and has four cylinders, each 4½in. by 4½in. The horse power is given as 30, and passenger accommodation is provided for four people. It would be interesting to know how a car of this make up would run, and if any one has the time to spare they might apply the same method to the motors exhibited at Cordingley's. The result might not be instructive, but it would certainly be amusing.

Amongst recent purchasers of Daimler motor carriages in Captain the Right Honble Gerald Portman, late A.-D.-C. to Lord Curzon in India, who has ordered a 10½ wheelbase 30HP "Milverton" Landaulette.

A SCOTCH golf story is told which says that there were two local players, both Scotsmen, and they went out to the links to play a match in the dark. Each Johnnie had cut a hole in his pocket, and had a ball ready to drop down the leg of his trousers just in front of the other ball. Off they drove, and on they walked, and presently one says to the other.

I say, Jock, my mon, I'm thinking you're overwalking your ba'."

"Na, na," says the second. "Mine was a fine clean drive, but whaur's yours?"

"Eh, mon! Mine was an awful clure."

So they went another fifty yards. Then the first said:

"Eh, Jock, mon! I'll take my davy we're past yours the noo."

"Then whaur's your ain?"

"Eh! mine was an awful clure."

Another fifty yards brought them to the putting-green.

"Eh, Jock! I'm no seeing your ba' on the green.

"Maybe you'd best see if it's in the hole."

"My certes! Why, there it is. And, eh! but it's curious, but there's mine in the hole beside it! Mon, it's awfu' curious."

"Het's halved, then."

"Het's halved—one each—good play."

They turned up for the next hole solemnly. Then they stood looking at each other a moment before they drove off.

"Say, Jock, my mon, d'ye think it's any use to gang on playing like this?"

"I'm just thinking it would be a halved match."

"Het's my own very, thocht, Jock."

"A well, we noo ca' it a halved match and gang hame."

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